

# The Cathedral of St. Agnes

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK



8.17.25



*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Coronation of the Virgin • Velázquez • 1635  
Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary: August 22

# HOLY MASS

## SUNDAY

7AM, 8AM, 9:30AM (*Family Mass*),  
10:30AM (*Lower Hall, Family Mass*)  
11AM, 12:30PM, 5PM

## SATURDAY

7:45AM, 5PM, 7:30PM (*Lower Hall*)  
7:30PM (*Spanish*)

## WEEKDAYS (Monday-Friday)

6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9AM, 12:10PM

## HOLY DAYS

Eve of Holy Day: 5PM, 7:30PM (*Spanish*)  
Holy Day: 6:30AM, 7:45AM, 9:00AM, 12:10PM, 7:30PM

# OUR PARISH

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570  
(516) 766 - 0205 | parishoffice@stagnescathedral.org

### CLERGY

#### *Bishop*

Most Reverend John O. Barres, D.D., S.T.D., J.C.L.

#### *Rector*

Very Rev. Michael F. Duffy

#### *Associate Pastors*

Rev. Christopher Heller

Rev. Michael Ngoka, C.M.

Rev. Emmanuel Nwogu

Rev. Gustavo Perez Alzate, *Comunidad Hispana*

#### *In Residence*

Rev. Lachlan Cameron, S.T.L.

#### *Weekend Assistants*

Rev. Patrick Flanagan, C.M.

Very Rev. James Kuroly

### STAFF

#### *Religious Education*

Anne Nelson, *Administrator*

anelson@stagnescathedral.org (516) 678-2306

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Elizabeth Ramirez

(516) 678-1856

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(516) 764-9578

#### *Facilities Manager*

Patrick O'Brien

### SCHOOL

70 Clinton Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Phone: (516) 678-5550 | Fax: 516-678-0437

Cecilia St. John, *Principal*

Mary Brower, *Assistant Principal*

### OFFICE HOURS

#### *Rectory*

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am to 8:00pm

Friday: 8:30am to 4:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

Sunday: Closed

*Emergencies anytime*

#### *Religious Education\**

Tuesday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

#### *Outreach\**

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

\*Offices located in the Parish Ministry Building  
(corner of N. Village Ave and Quealy Pl)

### CATHEDRAL HOURS

The Cathedral is open for prayer  
daily from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

# SACRAMENTS

## Confession

Saturday & Sunday: 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm  
Monday – Friday: Following the 6:30 am Mass  
Friday: Following the 12:10 pm Mass

## Baptism

Once a month on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. and on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1:45 p.m. Contact the Rectory Office to arrange for interview, ceremony and registration for required Baptism Preparation Class (for first time parents). Spanish Baptisms take place before the 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass on Saturday evening. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.

## Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least 12 months in advance and prior to making reception plans. Call the Rectory for an appointment with the priest you wish to witness your wedding. All couples are required to attend Pre-Cana.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Rectory Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

Visit the Sacraments page at [www.stagnescathedral.org](http://www.stagnescathedral.org) for more information.



## LIVE STREAM REQUEST

We are now able to stream personal services such as weddings and funerals.  
For more information, please call the rectory at (516) 766-0205.



## STAY CONNECTED



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Unable to join us for Mass? Tune in on  LIVE

The Roman Catholic Cathedral for the Diocese of Rockville Centre

## LET US PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Lance Corporal Ryan Thomas Albergo, USMC  
 Spc. Liam Atwell, U.S. Army  
 Capt. Robert L. Betts, U.S. Navy  
 CDR Maura C. Garrity-Betts, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Ryan Brower, USMC  
 Lt. Gabby Busching, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Lt. Joseph Busching, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Sgt. Lucas Camacho, USMC  
 1st Lt. Paul D. Cammarota, USMC  
 Lt. Scott Kiley Childers, U.S. Navy  
 LCDR Richard Childers, M.D. U.S. Navy  
 Lt. JG Julia Coughlin, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. Greg Crescenzo, U.S. Navy  
 Airman Michael Cummo, U.S. Navy  
 Maj. Richard Davin, Jr., Air National Guard  
 LCDR Christopher DelBello, U.S. Navy  
 Chief Petty Officer Robert W. DeMattia, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Trevor Donohue, USMC  
 Lt. J.G. Jack Doyle, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. J.G. Kevin Doyle, U.S. Navy  
 Michael Espada, 2nd Class Petty Officer, MR2  
 Daniel Fels, U.S. Army, Military Police  
 Lt. Brendan J. Fisk, U.S. Navy  
 Lt. Daniel R. Fisk, U.S. Navy  
 2nd Lt. Charles Flanagan, U. S. Army  
 A.M.T 3, Kyle Forster, U.S. Coast Guard  
 Capt. Steven Hampson, U.S. Army  
 Capt. Cody Hardenburgh USMC  
 Pvt. Daniel Healey, U.S. Army  
 2nd Class Petty Officer, Robert Hock, U.S. Navy  
 1st Lt. Tynika Holland, U.S. Army  
 Maj. Philip F. Johndrow, U.S. Army  
 Lt. Kieran McCarthy, U.S. Navy  
 Lance Corporal Aidan Patrick McNamara, USMC  
 Lance Corporal Jason Maccaron, USMC  
 Cpl. James Thomas Maroney, USMC  
 Lt. Andrew Maza, USAF  
 Sgt. Joseph Meyer, U.S. Army  
 Col. Christopher V. Meyers, USMC  
 Lt. Col. Gregory John Mueller, USMC (Reserve)  
 Stephan O'Connor, E-5, U.S. Navy  
 Matthew Pacheco, U.S. Army  
 Ensign John A. Petr, US Navy  
 Pvt. Ray P. Rodriguez, U.S. Army  
 Spc. James Rodziewicz, U.S. Army  
 Lance Corporal Eric Roehrig, USMC  
 Spc. Jeanine M. Rosa, U.S. Army  
 Thomas Sullivan, U. S. Army  
 Alec Swoger, MMN3 Nuclear Operator, U.S. Navy  
 Robert C. Tempesta, Master at Arms  
 1st Class U.S. Navy  
 PFC Derick Thomas, USMC

### PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.  
 Protect them as they protect us.  
 Bless them and their families  
 for the selfless acts they perform  
 for us in our time of need.  
 And give us peace.  
 I ask this in the name of Jesus,  
 Our Lord and Savior. Amen

*Kindly call the Rectory Office at 766-0205 if you know  
 of anyone that is on this list and has returned home.*

## Devotions



**Eucharistic Adoration** is the traditional Catholic practice of taking the consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, and placing it in a sun-shaped vessel called a Monstrance in order for the faithful to look upon Our Lord and pray to Him in peaceful contemplation. You are invited to join us **every Wednesday (unless otherwise noted)** in the Cathedral from 2:00–5:00 p.m. for Adoration and some quiet reflection and prayer.

**The Rosary** is prayed after the 9:00 a.m. Mass each Monday through Friday in the Cathedral except on Saturdays when it is prayed after the 7:45 a.m. Mass.



## STEWARDSHIP

### *A Way of Life* *Stewardship Reflection*

Life is a journey that has ups and downs. Go through this life connected to God and with His Church.

### *Living Stewardship . . . Pillar of Formation*

Like we hear in today's Second Reading, do not give up—continue to run the race, keep Jesus in your sights. When you fall, go to confession. Strengthen yourself with prayer and the Eucharist.

### *Sharing One's Material Resources in the Parish*

#### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection	8/10/2025	8/11/2024	8/13/2023
	\$23,483	\$33,827	\$27,558

### Pregnant? Need help?



24 hour Helpline  
 1-800-550-4900;  
[birthright.org/wantagh](http://birthright.org/wantagh)

(516) 798-8746  
[lifecenterli.org](http://lifecenterli.org)

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, August 18, Weekday**

*Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22*

- 6:30 Diane P. Militello
- 7:45 Vincent Cianciaruso
- 9:00 Ralph J. & Elizabeth W. Calabrese
- 12:10 Thomas Ginnane

**Tuesday, August 19, St. John Eudes, Priest**

*Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30*

- 6:30 Thomas Ryan
- 7:45 Walter A. Baber
- 9:00 Lila N. Serota
- 12:10 Joanne Garone
- 7:30 Special Intentions

**Wednesday, August 20, St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church**

*Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16*

- 6:30 John Barker
- 7:45 Teresa A. Manning
- 9:00 Margery Ann Carroll
- 12:10 Collins Osuyi Uwaifo

**Thursday, August 21, St. Pius X, Pope**

*Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14*

- 6:30 Diane P. Militello
- 7:45 James Hangley
- 9:00 Margery Ann Carroll
- 12:10 William J. Phelan

**Friday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40*

- 6:30 Francis Edward Gallagher
- 7:45 Peter Lynch
- 9:00 Donald A. Player
- 12:10 Carol Ann Hinkley

**Saturday, August 23, St. Rose of Lima, Virgin**

*Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12*

- 7:45 Sheila T. Norris
- 5:00 Christopher Morvillo, Neda Morvillo, John Leonard, Maraline Murphy, Barbara Gilchtist
- 7:30 C Special Intentions
- 7:30 LH Carol Lombardi

**Sunday, August 24, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30*

- 7:00 Teresa A. Manning
- 8:00 Paul "PJ" Hartley
- 9:30 The Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
- 11:00 Ralph Montchal
- 12:30 Joseph Zaffuto, Christopher Tappan, James R. Craig, Anthony Generosa, Lydia Spota, Margaret Rose McKeough
- 5:00 Robert Chilton

**PLEASE PRAY**



*For The Faithful Departed*

James C. Garvey, Jose N. Gonzalez

*For The Sick*

Patricia Glenn, Samantha Young, Louise Washington, Anthony Ventrice, Christopher Diez, Jennifer Duffy, Thomas Kelly, Bob Toy, Maggie Goodwin, Sr. Helen Byrne, Jack Prophet, Vera Davis, Samantha Giacomantonio, John T. Lindsay, Frances Katon-Donegal, Balestrieri Family, David Sylvester Seal, Ron La Grega, Barbara Magloire, Caitlin Nally, Akosua Cobb, Marie Poggelli, Gilbert Otano, Joseph Murphy, Barbara Rotunno, Tania Smith, Joseph Mariani, Jeffrey Buxton, Thomas Hayes, Jr., Susan Kowalski, Maria McDonald, Stephanie Ramos, Lisa Pelrine-Shulman

Sick Names for the bulletin remain for three weeks unless the Rectory is notified for an extension. Please note that requests should come from the family and the person must give permission to be listed.

**Pray for Vocations**

We pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially from among the people of our parish and the children of our schools.



**Discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood?**

**Contact: [vocations@drvc.org](mailto:vocations@drvc.org)**

**The Saint Agnes Mass Transit**

The St Agnes Mass Transit offers parishioners who cannot drive to mass on their own, the opportunity to be picked up and brought to church every Sunday for the 9:30 Family Mass. If you were interested or know of someone who would enjoy this service, please call the rectory office at 516-766-0205 and leave your name and phone number. Someone will get back to you to get additional information and make the necessary arrangements to ensure you are able to join us for mass on Sundays.



# OPERATION ANDREW

An evening of prayer, fellowship,  
and discernment for men (18+),  
with **evening prayer and dinner.**

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**AUGUST 20, 2025**

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**BEGINS AT 6:00 PM**

**LOCATION:**

**The Cathedral of St. Agnes**

*in* ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY



**TO REGISTER**

Please visit:

[drvcvocations.com/andrew](https://drvcvocations.com/andrew)



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## THE SAINT AGNES COUNCIL 2548



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

A Clearer Path

The Knights of Columbus offers Catholic men a fraternal organization that supports their family, community and the St. Agnes Parish. By your participation in our activities and volunteer opportunities you and your family will be on a clearer path to follow Jesus' example of Christian service and charity.

Questions/Interested?

If you have any questions about joining us in our service to the St. Agnes parish and community, please scan the QR code below or email us at [RPC121047@gmail.com](mailto:RPC121047@gmail.com)

SCAN ME



**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**CALL RICH CARL**

**516-306-7540**

THE SAINT AGNES COUNCIL 2548  
PO Box 594 Rockville Centre, NY 11570

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Opening of the  
2026 Mass Book

Mass intentions for 2026 may be arranged on **Wednesday, August 20** from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 Noon in the Music Room of the Parish Ministry building. At this time up to three (3) Masses may be arranged. The offering for a Mass is \$20. Requests for Wine & Hosts, Altar Flowers, Rose for Life and Sanctuary Lamp for the year 2026 may also be arranged at this time. Payment by check is requested.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The 2026 Mass book will be available at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, **August 22th** in the Rectory Office.

The Office for Protection of Children  
and Young People

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is committed to assist those who have been victims of abuse by Clergy, Religious, Lay Employees and Volunteers. To report an incident of abuse, regardless of when it occurred, please call the Hotline Number 516-594-9063. Your call will be returned by a licensed mental health counselor. If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911. All calls remain confidential.

## BANNS OF MARIAGE



### I

Casey Nelson St. Agnes Cathedral  
Steven Lanzillotta St. Agnes Cathedral

Hannah Peck St. Agnes Cathedral  
Joseph Pepe St. Joseph's  
Bronxville, NY

### II

Jessica Michelle Kim Sts. Cyril & Methodius  
Deer Park, NY  
Fifunmi Familusi Central Islip, NY

Taryn Teurfs New York, NY  
David Ferro St. Agnes Cathedral

Jennifer Puthota St. Agnes Cathedral  
Joseph Kennedy St. Camillus-St. Virgilius  
Rockaway Park, NY

### III

Katherine Festa St. Agnes Cathedral  
Michael Stack St. Agnes Cathedral

## Special Needs Mass

We will celebrate a Mass for special needs children, and their families on **Saturday, September 20th** at 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall of the Monsignor Melton Auditorium. This area is handicapped accessible, allowing families with children, who have developmental disabilities, access to the Lower Hall to celebrate God's presence in their lives.

## Suicide Prevention Resources

Suicide is a major public health problem and a leading cause of death in the United States. The effects of suicide go beyond the person who acts to take his or her life: it can have a lasting effect on family, friends and communities. If you are thinking about suicide, are worried about a friend or loved one, or would like emotional support, the Lifeline network is available 24/7 across the United States.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:  
988 Suicide Crisis Lifeline - Call. Text. Chat.  
<https://988lifeline.org>

## THE NEWLY BAPTIZED



On August 9th & 10th, 2025 we welcomed the following children into the St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Community:

John Anderson  
Asher Araya  
Xiiana Brooks  
Frank Festa  
Nolan Iavarone  
Cassidy Kelly  
Galvin Locke  
John Morrissey, Jr.  
Essma Moussa  
Roman Sherry

Congratulations to the parents of the newly baptized.



## ROME O (Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Are you a ROME O?

We are a group of St. Agnes parishioners that gather for lunch, story-telling and conversation every 3 months. Please join us and meet some of your fellow parishioners. All men are invited - it is not a prerequisite to be old and/or retired. Our next luncheon will be Thursday, September 4th, 2025 at 12 Noon, at MacArthur Park Restaurant on North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre (\$32 per person). Take a bold step and join us for 2 hours; and bring a friend.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, 9/2 to Tom Nofi via phone/text: (516)784-6046 or via email: [tomrvc@gmail.com](mailto:tomrvc@gmail.com), so we have a headcount for the restaurant. We hope to see you then.

## On Becoming A Catholic

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Rev. Michael F. Duffy, Rector of St. Agnes Cathedral 516-766-0205 concerning the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).



# CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF LONG ISLAND



## 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC & PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Monday, October 6, 2025  
The Muttontown Club, East Norwich, NY



### CATHOLIC CHARITIES 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC & PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT RESERVATION FORM

Monday, October 6, 2025  The Muttontown Club, East Norwich

Please return by September 26, 2025

Please include me as a \_\_\_\_\_ sponsor!

I can't attend, but would like to make a donation!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Payment  Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ CCV \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN TO:**

Catholic Charities of Long Island

90 Cherry Lane

Hicksville, NY 11801

Questions? Contact Maren Henderson at

516.733.7028 | henderson\_maren@catholiccharities.cc





Society of  
St. Vincent de Paul  
St. Agnes Cathedral  
Conference

**We Help People!**

We at St. Vincent de Paul would like to wish you all a happy and blessed summer filled with lots of sunshine and all the activities that bring you joy.

We would also like to take this time to thank you for the constant generosity and kindness you have shown to our RVC families in need. With your donations we have helped our neighbors with food, rent, furniture, financial counseling and companionship.

We ask you to please remember our entire community in your prayers and, if possible, make a donation to St. Agnes' St. Vincent de Paul Society. We use every dollar and donation for families right here in town.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is starting a home visitation ministry. If you know any senior parishioners who would enjoy friendly visits or phone calls from a spiritual companion please contact the St. Agnes rectory (516-766-0205).

As always, if you or anyone you know needs assistance, please leave a message at the rectory and a member of the society will contact you.



Thank you!

## Summer Sing-In! Faure's "Requiem"

Sunday Evening, August 24th, 6:30 PM in the Lower Hall. All Choir Singers Welcomed. Come to sing this beautiful music. Refreshments to be served. \$5.00 Registration Fee. Contact Michael L. Bower, Director for more information. [mbower@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:mbower@stagnescathedral.org)



## Marriage Prep Requirement

Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on September 13-14, 2025. Visit [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com) for information and registration.

## Parish Outreach



The Outreach Pantry is low and in need of the following Milk, Eggs, yogurt, Spaghetti Sauce in jars, Progresso Soups, canned red kidney beans, canned string beans, canned carrots, juice boxes, 18 oz. grape jelly, 16.3 oz. peanut butter, canned chicken breast, 1 lb. Bag of rice, rice mixes, apple sauce cups. Tomato puree, tomato sauce, canned sweet peas, canned corn, pork & beans, canned fruit. In addition: Toiletry items i.e. shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and toilet paper.

You may call the office at 516-678-1854 with any questions. ***Please do not leave any donations on the porch outside the Outreach office when the office is closed. We are not accepting Winter Clothing and housewares at this time.*** We will gladly accept donations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.

## Religious Education

Dear Families and Students,

The registration link for the 2025-2026 Religious education program is on the St. Agnes Parish website. All students participating in the program need to be registered before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

We invite all parents/guardians to attend one of the following meetings to learn more about our exciting Religious Education program and parent expectations for the 2025-2026 year:

- Tuesday, August 20
- Tuesday, August 27

The Religious Education Office will operate on the following summer schedule:

Monday & Friday - Closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - Open from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Staying connected to the Eucharist is essential, even while traveling. If you attend Mass at another parish this summer, please email your attendance to: [massattendance@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:massattendance@stagnescathedral.org)

Blessings,  
Anne Nelson



## Annual School Supply Collection

Please help members of our community for whom buying school supplies can be a terrible monetary burden. We will be collecting school supplies which will then be distributed through the Parish Outreach Center. Please help by donating as many items as you can from the list of suggestions below. Our parish has been so generous during past collections that we anticipate that once again your help will make this September much better for needy families within our community. *You can bring your donations to the Outreach Office during the month of August (Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with the exception of Friday, August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption)* Please call Elizabeth Ramirez-Coppola at 516-678-1854 with any questions.

Thank you for your generosity.

**Suggested Items:** (Please remember, all items must be new)

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|----------------------|------------------------------|
| ◆ Backpacks          | ◆ Spiral Notebooks           |
| ◆ Loose leaf binders | ◆ Plastic art boxes          |
| ◆ Loose leaf         | ◆ School glue or glue sticks |
| ◆ Pencils            | ◆ Construction paper         |
| ◆ Crayons            | ◆ Pocket folders             |
| ◆ Markers            | ◆ Staples Gift Certificates  |
| ◆ Packs of pens      | ◆ Target Gift Certificates   |
| ◆ School scissors    | ◆ Erasers                    |
| ◆ Marble Notebooks   | ◆ Rulers                     |

## JUST A REMINDER

Please be sure to include your envelope number on your check in the Sunday collection if you are not using your envelopes. If you are using a plain white envelope please include your name, address, envelope number and the amount of your donation on the outside of the envelope to ensure you get proper credit.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Galatians 6;14-18: Saint Paul says, "May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Peace and Mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God." We can have peace and mercy in our marriage. The Holy Spirit can help and guide you in your relationship. Check out and sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Dates to sign up are:

August 15-17, 2025 at Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford, CT, September 19-21 in Huntington, NY  
Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835 or <https://wwmenyli.org/>

## Friends of Steven McDonald Our Lady Of Fatima First Saturday Devotion

Steven made many friends – men, women, young adults, and children – as he shared his story and message of forgiveness. To live for the birth of his son, he knew he must forgive the young man who shot him leaving him paralyzed and unable to speak. As he lived each day with the consequences of this young man's actions, Steven forgave him daily. Why forgive? Asking God to bless his enemy freed him of bitterness so he could receive God's graces to live on a respirator for 30 ½ years far beyond the expectations of doctors.

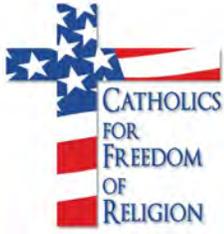


**In Loving Memory of Detective  
Steven McDonald  
March 1, 1957-January 10, 2017**

**DO YOU HAVE SOMEONE YOU NEED TO FORGIVE? Practice Forgiveness daily. Everyone is welcome to become a friend of Steven** by joining us on the First Saturday of the Month praying for healing in families as Steven did for 17 years. **Asking God to bless our enemies frees us from bitterness and resentment to receive God's healing graces.** We meet at Steven's parish - **SAINT AGNES CATHEDRAL at 7:00am** to pray and meditate on the mysteries of the rosary before mass at 7:45 on January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6.

## Focus on Religious Freedom

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)



### Anti-Catholic Bias in America in Spite of 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment Religious Freedom

Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1772

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."*

Because our founders believed that freedom of conscience was among man's rights from his creator, they assured freedom from government imposed religion and the freedom for each to practice his chosen religion. These first two freedoms of the five freedoms of the First Amendment were intended to insure a plurality of faiths could flourish in peace and equality, but have not prevented all bias against various religions including Catholicism.

Recent evidences of anti-Catholic, anti-Christian bias have been:

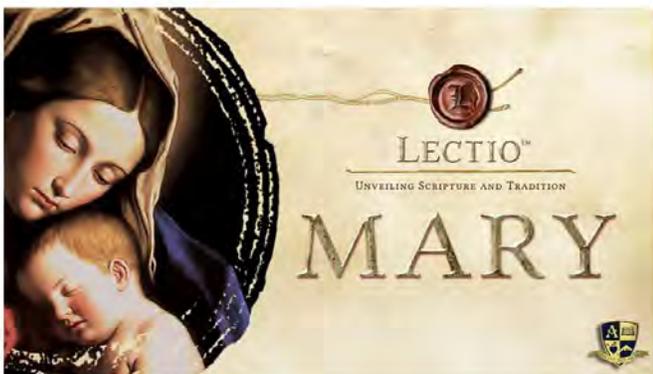
Two pro-life sidewalk counselors in Baltimore were attacked and seriously injured. A 28 year old man pushed an 84 year old man into a plate glass window and then kicked him after he fell down. Another pro-life counselor went to his aid and this 73 year old man was hit in the face and kicked when he fell. He suffered a severe concussion, broken fingers and a lifelong vision impairment. The attacker was found guilty but sentenced to only a year's probation in spite of the severity of the injuries he inflicted.

A profane "drag" performance mocking the Eucharist and the Mass caused an outcry from Catholics against the University of Nebraska and the University has since apologized and say they are investigating. Bishop Conley of Lincoln, NE called the performance "a blatant public display of faith-based discrimination."

In denial of the FBI's claim there was no anti-Catholic bias in its preparation of the "Richmond Memo" in Jan. 2023, Sen. Grassley has found there were over 1,000 agents informed of the memo, there were 13 other FBI documents using anti-Catholic rhetoric. Grassley released a second FBI memo which repeated the same unfounded link between violent extremism and traditional Catholics.

Read more: <https://tinyurl.com/55dbnf6c> <https://tinyurl.com/2mwpcznx> <https://tinyurl.com/4ddb wzrr>

*"It behooves every man who values liberty of conscience for himself, to resist invasions of it in the case of others." Thomas Jefferson, 1803*



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### The Queen Mother | Lectio: Mary | Episode 4

Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.

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Si el domingo pasado en la liturgia nos invitaba Jesús a la vigilancia, hoy pone el acento en la fortaleza que necesitaremos para ser coherentes con nuestra decisión de seguirle a él.

Las palabras del profeta Jeremías, que él defiende como recibidas de Dios, provocan a su alrededor rechazo y división. Lo mismo sucede con Jesús hoy: sabe que su mensaje va a causar divisiones y conflictos entre quienes se acerquen al fuego de su Evangelio. En medio de estas dificultades, la segunda lectura, de la carta a los Hebreos, es una llamada a la constancia y a la perseverancia, manteniendo nuestros ojos fijos en Cristo.

Jesús hace en el evangelio de hoy revelaciones sorprendentes y nos advierte sobre las consecuencias de seguirle a él, porque la fe exige opciones radicales.

### LOS SACRAMENTOS *PENITENCIA/CONFESIÓN*

Todos los martes a las 7pm de la tarde antes de la Misa a las 7.30 p.m.

### *BAUTISMO*

El tercer Sábado de cada mes a las 6:30 p.m. Hay que comunicarse con la oficina de la rectoría para la entrevista. Se puede llenar el formulario por la web de la parroquia. Los padrinos deben ser católicos, bautizados que han hecho su primera comunión y la confirmación. Si son parejas, tienen que haberse casado por la iglesia.

### *MATRIMONIO*

Los que quieren casarse por la iglesia deben contactarnos con 12 meses de anticipación, hay que llamar la rectoría para citar la entrevista con el sacerdote y obtener más informaciones. La pre-cana es obligatoria.

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### *ACTIVIDADES*

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Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad tiene su reunión todos los sábados después de la misa en el sótano de la sacristía.

Grupo de Oración (Carismático) tiene su oración del grupo todos los miércoles en el Lower Hall a las 7.00 p.m. Para inscribir las intenciones de difuntos en la Misa de los Sábados a las 7:30 p.m y Martes 7:30 p.m ir a la oficina de la rectoría. Se abrirá espacio para 5 intenciones en cada Misa.

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11:00am Mass

**Junior Girls Choir**

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Grades 6-8  
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Luke 12:50



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