Adoration of the Eucharist:
Saturday: 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
(provided there is no baptism or wedding).
Tuesday: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Baptisms:
Saturdays at 11:30 AM &
Sunday at 1:30 PM
(when the Church is available).

Confessions:
Monday - Friday after 9:00 AM Mass
Tuesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick:
Celebrated on the fourth Saturday of
the month after 8:00 AM Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Contact the Rectory for Information.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School
Principal - Ms. Leeann Graziose
(516) 785-5709

Christian Formation
Mrs. Marjorie Lampert
(516) 785-0130

Youth Ministry & Confirmation Preparation
Mr. John Isnardi

Social Ministry
Mrs. Alice Witt
(516) 785-6243

Music Ministry
Mr. William R. Dione

Business & Personnel
Mr. John G. Nappi

MASS TIMES
Monday - Friday: 6:30 AM & 9:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM, 4:30 PM (Vigil) &
7:00 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM,
10:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM

Church Hours
Open daily until 8:00 PM
Sundays until 6:00 PM

Office Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Priest Emergency
(516) 590-9981

Maintenance & Security Cell:
(516) 808-5491

January 5, 2020
### Epiphany of the Lord
#### Sunday Readings Hymnal # 803

To place a notice in our Bulletin email stbapostle@gmail.com.
To place an advertisement on our cover call The Church Bulletin at (631) 249-4994.

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Christmas 2019

To the People of God of the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

In his December 1, 2019 Apostolic Letter Admirabile Signum: On the Meaning and Importance of the Nativity Scene, Our Holy Father Pope Francis writes:

"The nativity scene is like a living Gospel rising up from the pages of sacred Scripture... I wish to encourage the beautiful family tradition of preparing the nativity scene in the days before Christmas, but also the custom of setting it up in the workplace, in schools, hospitals, prisons and town squares.

Great imagination and creativity is always shown in employing the most diverse materials to create small masterpieces of beauty. As children, we learn from our parents and grandparents to carry on this joyful tradition, which encapsulates a wealth of popular piety. It is my hope that this custom will never be lost and that, wherever it has fallen into disuse, it can be discovered and revived."

The Holy Father captures so poignantly how we creatively share our Catholic faith generation to generation through the Nativity sets and creches that bring Christ’s light and love into our homes, our parishes and our public squares.

He also captures how the poor, the outcast, the ignored, the forgotten and the vulnerable have a privileged place in every Nativity scene: "The presence of the poor and the lowly in the nativity scene remind us that God became man for the sake of those who feel most in need of his love and who ask him to draw near to them. Jesus, ‘gentle and humble in heart’ (Mt.11:29), was born in poverty and led a simple life in order to teach us to recognize what is essential and to act accordingly. The nativity scene clearly teaches that we cannot let ourselves be fooled by wealth and fleeting promises of happiness. We see Herod’s palace in the background, closed and deaf to the tidings of joy. By being born in a manger, God himself launches the only true revolution that can give hope and dignity to the dispossessed and the outcast: the revolution of love, the revolution of tenderness. From the manger, Jesus proclaims, in a meek yet powerful way, the need for sharing with the poor as the path to a more human and fraternal world in which no one is excluded or marginalized."

As we celebrate the joy of Christmas and the power and presence of the Prince of Peace in our families, in the Church and in the World, we realize at the same time that the Christmas Crib can never be separated from the agony of Calvary’s Cross.
Even as we rejoice this Christmas of 2019, we remember and stand with the poor, the hungry, the addicted, the mentally ill, the global refugees and non-documented immigrants, and survivors of sexual abuse.

As we pray before the Christmas manger and see the beauty, the hope, the possibility in the birth of Jesus, we are compelled to remember that far too many children do not receive the welcome and joy they deserve for the miracle of their existence.

We cannot forget this Christmas season the great sadness that New York State, through the passage of the horrific Reproductive Health Act¹, has enshrined into law the killing of innocent human beings through abortion up until the moment of actual birth and beyond, as this radical law permits the killing of those children who survive abortion.

Together, we invoke the power of the Prince of Peace and His compassionate Word found in the Beatitudes and in His call to serve the poor and the most vulnerable among us in Matthew 25. Our Lord gives us the courage and the voice as the Catholic Church in New York State and around the world to speak of the beauty, the sanctity and the dignity of every human life.

We will continue to be “a sign of contradiction” by witnessing relentlessly and courageously to the Gospel of Human Life. As is said in the first words of the Didache, the earliest known non-Scriptural Christian writing: “There are two Ways, one of Life and one of Death...” We will always stand with our earliest ancestors in the Christian faith in favor of the Way of Life and opposed to the Way of Death.

We will continue to seek the intercession of St. Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians and lawyers for the conversion of the public servants who have supported this tragic legislation.

The Cistercian biblical scholar Father Simeon writes: “The Child, while present only in Bethlehem by his poverty and weakness, is already present in the pattern of the constellations by his splendor and his glory.”

May our praise and glory of the Prince of Peace fill our hearts and homes and give us the courage and prayerful determination to bring the Joy of the Gospel and the Splendor of Truth to every public square in New York State and throughout the world.

Sincerely in Christ,

[Signature]

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

We Pray for Our Deceased
Antonio Volpe
Antoinette Ignieri

We Pray for Our Sick

Presentation of Gifts
If you wish to carry the gifts of Bread and Wine to the altar at weekend Masses please contact an usher before Mass begins and sign your name on the list at the Church door.

The Week Ahead

Monday:
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

Tuesday:
10:00 AM  Prayer Shawl Group, Rectory Room
12:30 PM  Friendly Seniors, HFC
3:00 PM- 7:00 PM  Adoration, Church
6:30 PM- 7:00 PM  Confessions, Church
7:00 PM  Catholic Daughters, HFC

Wednesday:
7:00 PM  CHOSEN L8, HFC
7:00 PM  Al-Anon, Rectory
7:00 PM  RCIA, Convent Room
7:30 PM  Choir Practice, Church

Thursday:
7:00 PM  Bible Study, Rectory
7:00 PM  CHOSEN L8, HFC

Saturday:
8:30 AM  Men’s Group, HFC
12:30 PM  Confessions
2:00 PM  Girl Scout Religious Awards, School

Sunday:
7:30 PM  Al Anon, School

Our Finances
12/22/19: $14,907
12/23/18: $19,357

Parish Families Registered: 5,087
Envelopes Mailed: 1,350

Used:
12/22/19: 527
12/23/18: 607

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900  Donors: 431
Pledged: $99,251  Received: $97,846
Our Lady of Guadalupe Intercessor of the Unborn

To help stop the anti-life push in the world, the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. This is done by praying that one particular but unknown child’s life be spared abortion and be allowed to continue to live.

To help accomplish this, it was recommended, an individual say the following daily prayer for a period of one year.

“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”

During your earthly life this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God but in the world to come it is hoped that you will meet the child whose life was spared by your prayers and spend eternal happiness with them.

Prayerful Witness as a Parish:

Beginning January 18, 2020

Weekly prayerful presence at Planned Parenthood, Massapequa - Saturdays from 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM, 35 Carmens Road, Massapequa (across from the mall parking lot).

First Saturday of the month:
Join us at 9:00 AM at the Garden of Our Lady or in the Church, depending on weather.
Year End Contribution

Call the rectory if you wish to receive a contribution statement for 2019. Statements will be sent out in February.

Baptism of the Lord: Sunday, January 12

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on Sunday, January 12th. Because it falls on a Sunday, it is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 4:30 PM & 7:00 PM (Vigil) and on Sunday at 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon and 5:00 PM. Ordinary time begins the next day.

Flower Memorials

The flowers on the Altar may be memorialized in honor of loved ones. Offerings can be made for the Main Altar, Blessed Mother’s Altar, Shrines and Blessed Sacrament. Contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Pre Cana Winter Schedule

Opening: February 9th
On line Foccus: February 10th - 14th
Foccus Review: February 17th - 21st
In Home Sessions: February 23rd - March 27th
Closing: March 29th

Sisters of Charity - Renewal of Vows

The members of the Sisters of Charity, Halifax and their Associates will be attending the 12:00 Noon Mass on Sunday, January 5th. At this liturgy, the Sisters will renew their vows and their Associates will renew their commitment. All present will be invited to reaffirm their baptismal promises. Let us welcome the Sisters of Charity and their Associates joyfully!

Save the Date - March for Life

The annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. is fast approaching! Save the Date - January 24th, 2020! You are most welcome to join fellow parishioners on our same-day bus trip to march with hundreds of thousands of concerned citizens from across the nation on this pilgrimage for the sanctity of life. Look for more details in the bulletin in the coming weeks. We would love for you to join us in person and in prayer! Please contact Vin Murray at 781-7846 for information.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Mother Seton #2413

We welcome all our Catholic sisters to add their names to the roster of the largest Catholic women’s organization in the world through Court Mother Seton #2413 Tell a friend!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 7th at 7:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. For more information, contact Jackie Murray at 781-7846.
violated federal law when it rejected a Christian student’s request to start an on-campus Christian club, according to pro-bono law firm, First Liberty Institute. Freshman Daniela Barca’s application to form the “OMG! Christian Club” at Ketcham H.S., aimed to offer “faith-based support” where students have “discussions about living for God in a godless society,” was rejected by her principal who claimed the club was “too exclusive.” First Liberty Institute sent a letter to Wappingers Central S.D. stating, “The discrimination toward Daniela’s religious speech has prevented OMG from pursuing their community-wide goals of food drives, clothing drives…and other charitable endeavors.” The letter also notes the school has about 2 dozen on-campus groups, including a “Pride Club”, claiming that the school is already allowing “exclusive” groups on campus.

“Ketcham school officials blatantly ignored the plain text of the Equal Access Act (EAA) of 1984 by rejecting Daniela’s Christian club because of its religious speech”, said attorney Keisha Russell. The EAA clearly states that it is unlawful for public secondary schools that receive federal assistance to “deny equal access or fair opportunity” to students on the basis of “religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at such meetings.” First Liberty attorneys state they expect the school to allow the club not later than January 2, 2020.

**Naples, FL:** The Gulf Coast H.S. denied a pro-life club, *Sharks 4 Life*, earlier this school year and is violating the U.S. Constitution according to Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF).

While recognizing almost 80 clubs including political group *Turning Point USA, Students for Change, Korean Culture, Fellowship of Christian Athletes*, and the *Gay-Straight Alliance*, the school principal rejected pro-life saying it was “too political and controversial.” “The failure to recognize *Sharks 4 Life* is blatantly illegal under the Equal Access Act and First Amendment, both of which guarantee students the right to have a Student club that stands on equal footing with the hundreds of other student clubs in Collier County public schools,” said an ADF spokesman.

**Widows and Widowers**

We will be having a luncheon on Thursday, January 16th at 12:30 PM at Jani’s Restaurant in Wantagh. The cost is $24 per person. Please make check payable to Ann Sarrantonio at 2412 Knob Hill Road, Bellmore. Or call for information, 785-2760.

**Knights Korner**

It is now much easier to join us using the online application. Go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and follow the “join” buttons. Our Council is #3689 and is needed
to complete the application and be assigned to our Council.

Divorced or Separated Catholics of L.I.

A social organization for singles persons, including widows, widowers and singles is having a New Member Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, January 20th at 7:30 PM. Knights of Columbus Council #6526 of St. Frances de Chantal, 1869 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh. Non-denominational. All are welcome. Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues are $30. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, please call Carol at 794-4933 or Fran at 889-5790.

Engaged Encounter

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are no group discussions. Our next weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on February 7th, 8th, and 9th. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at (631) 563-1032 or visit www.engagedencounterli.org.

Retrouvaille Weekend

You can help heal your marriage. Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, January 17th, please call (800) 470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Put on, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another.” Work to live in your marriage as God desires by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are January 31st - February 2nd and May 1st - 3rd, in Huntington. For information, call John and Toni Torio at (877) 697-9963 or visit them at wwwmenyli.org.

Religion and Rock

Tune into “Religion and Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island’s East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Don’t forget to tune into Catholic Faith Network, Cablevision Channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 or visit www.cfntv.org!
The Men of the Way of Light

“Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love”
– St. Teresa of Calcutta

It is easy to be inspired by words like these, and our Men’s Group put those words into action. Many men contributed new t-shirts, underwear and socks of various sizes for both men and women. We sorted them into gallon zip-lock bags: one t-shirt, two pairs of underwear and two pairs of socks in each. Into each bag, we also placed Rosary beads, “How to pray the Rosary” instructions, an Anime Christi prayer card and an additional card with the words “Do not be afraid of tomorrow, the Lord is already there.” Fr. Jeff blessed these bags. Armed with 120 gift bags, we journeyed into NYC after the 8:00 AM Mass on Saturday, December 21st.

{MWL Members outside a shelter for the homeless in NYC:}
We continued outside and around the corner to St. John the Baptist Church. I was struck by the beautiful statue of St. Padre Pio. There were many homeless taking refuge in the church. We were greeted by a former homeless person who, because of his great devotion to Padre Pio, was noticed by one of the parish priests who hired him to keep watch over the church. He asked what was in the bags. When we told him underwear and socks, he laughed and led us to the Padre Pio reliquary containing one of the saint’s socks! After distributing our bags to the many homeless in the church, this man led us down the block to a homeless shelter where we were happily greeted by many more homeless!

Our last stop was St. Francis of Assisi Church. In front, there is a statue of a beggar. Someone had left three coats by the side of the statue. We entered and met many more homeless in both the upper and lower churches. One man from our group was so moved that he went to the Sacrament of Reconciliation that was going on in the lower church! The few bags that remained we dropped off at the rectory for distribution at their “Bread Line” at 7:00 AM the following morning. As we passed the beggar’s statue, I noticed that the coats had been replaced by a bag of loaves.

I was overwhelmed and moved to tears several times throughout the day. First, by how blessed I am when compared to these homeless people. In spite of their poverty, I was amazed at their great faith! It was impossible not to be changed by this experience. We hope to make this an annual event and open it up to all members of our parish.

“Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received, only what you have given.” – St. Francis of Assisi

Interested in joining us on our journey to holiness? Join us at our next meeting on Saturday, January 11th, immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass. We meet in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel. Bagels and coffee served. Our meetings run until 10:30 AM. For more information, visit our FaceBook page.

Typewriter Needed
We are looking for a donation of a working electric typewriter with correction ribbon. Please contact the Rectory.
Our Mission is to Encourage Evangelize & Educate

Regular Sacrificial Giving
Contribute to St. Barnabas with on-line banking and bill paying services. Call the rectory to request the service. Send a check to St. Barnabas with a weekly donation indicated. Include your Name, Address & Envelope Number.

Estate Planning
When preparing your estate plan, please consider a bequest to The Parish of St. Barnabas, Bellmore. You can make a contribution to support ongoing operations of the Church or contribute to a particular project. Your legal counsel can help you refine the bequest language to suit your specific wishes for The Parish of St. Barnabas. Thank you.

Hymnals
There are still hymnals available to memorialize a loved one. The dedication is placed on the inside cover. The donation is $25. Please stop by or call the rectory at 785-0054 if you would like to dedicate a hymnal.
Classes resume for the New Year 2020:
- Monday, January 6th
- Tuesday, January 7th
- Wednesday, January 8th
- Thursday, January 9th

Important date change for 2nd Grade Students -
The date for Reconciliation has been changed to Saturday, February 1, 2020. You should have received a letter with updated information.

We are still in need of Adult Volunteers to be Hall Monitors and Substitute Catechists. Please call the office for more information - (516) 785-0130.

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If you wish to arrange a baptism, please contact the rectory at 785-0054. Once your request is received you will be invited to meet one of the priests. This meeting offers parents an opportunity to review the baptism ceremony and set the date. The meeting is more conversational than instructional. Forms need to be completed giving information on the parents, child’s date and place of birth, as well as the names and religious affiliation of the sponsors. At least one sponsor must be a practicing Catholic.

Baptisms are held on Saturday at 11:30 AM, and Sunday at 1:30 PM, when the Church is available. (See the list of dates below).

First time parents are required to attend a Baptism Class. Classes are held in the Holy Family Chapel on Agape Sunday, the second Sunday of the month. Crying babies and noisy children are welcome. We begin with Mass at 10:15 AM, when your baby will be welcomed to St. Barnabas, followed by refreshments and the class.

The 10:15 AM Mass & Class in 2020 will be held on - January 12th, February 9th, and March 8th.

### 2020:

**JANUARY:**

Saturday 11th
Sunday 5th & 19th

**FEBRUARY:**

Saturday 8th
Sunday 2nd & 16th

**MARCH:**

Saturday 14th
Sunday 1st & 15th
Paul preached that in Christ and through faith we can come to God.

Find the picture that is different.

God’s Plan For The Gentiles

God chose Paul to preach to the Gentiles.

Match the pictures.

Paul became a servant of the Gospel.

Match the puzzle pieces.

Paul was given the gift of grace.

Count and circle the number of times you see grace.

13 14 15 16 17
What gifts did these Magi bring to baby Jesus?

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The Visit of the Magi

Children’s Worship Bulletin
Ages 7+
January 5, 2023 - Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem, the Magi from the East came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the One who has been born king of the Jews? We saw His star as it rose and have come to worship Him.”

Complete the drawing by copying the missing squares shown below.

Enter your SECRET CODE to unlock games @ games.childrensbulletins.com

SECRET CODE: CETE58

What happened next?

Fit the words from the box into the blanks. Then match the pictures with their description.

east  Magi  Child  Herod  mother  careful  appeared  overjoyed
find  star  exact  house  report  stopped  secretly  worshiped
king  bowed  heard  place  search  stopped  over the

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