LOVE IS
St. Barnabas the Apostle
Ordinary Time Twenty-Seventh Week

Today’s Mass Intention is for:

Monday, October 8
Fr. Michael 6:30 AM Rosemary Boyce
Fr. Kevin 9:00 AM Richard E. Knight
Iolanda Dattilo

Tuesday, October 9
Fr. Kevin 6:30 AM Patricia Reilly
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM William Ryan
 Grade 1 attending Mass

Wednesday, October 10
Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM Albert Carlonmusto, Jr.
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM Deceased Members of the FDNY
 Grade 2 attending Mass

Thursday, October 11
Fr. Kevin 6:30 AM Catherine Megna
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM Concetta Bonfiglio
 Grade 3 attending Mass

Friday, October 12
Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM Marianne Rolston
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM Karen Ann Fantucchio
 Grade 5 attending Mass

Saturday, October 13
Fr. Adrian 8:00 AM Rev. Etalo Reich
John Preputnik
Francis DeCicco
Logan Michael Buscemi
Mary Bonomi
Suzane Decina
Anna Falco
Vincent Dippolitto
Fr. Kevin 7:00 PM

Sunday, October 14
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Fr. Michael 7:00 AM Arcangelo and Pasqua Pace and Deceased Members of the Pace Family
Keith and Christina Keegan
For the People of Our Parish
Adeline and Peter Villella, Jr.
Catholic Daughters Day
James Clare
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM
Fr. Michael 10:15 AM
Fr. Kevin 10:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 12:00 PM
Fr. Kevin 5:00 PM
LI COALITION FOR LIFE PRESENTS:

21st Annual Stand Up For Life

Sunday, October 7, 2018
2:00-3:30 PM
(rain or shine)

At two locations:
Along Route 110 and Route 25
Huntington, LI

and
SUFL, East - LIE, Exit 70S, County Rd. 111
Manorville, LI

(Manorville: Please park as directed by SUFL Captains).

We are two of over 1800 sites throughout the US and Canada on this day!
(Signs are provided along the route at each site - no graphic signs permitted).

All are welcome!

We stand (this is not a march) united along these busy roads in a peaceful, prayerful witness to the sanctity of life! Bring your family, friends, coworkers, neighbors and join us for the largest annual pro-life event on Long Island!

(Your presence sends a positive message).

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www.ProLifeLI.org For further information call 631-243-1435
God Joins Together

What’s Pastor Thinking

Relationships are so terribly important. We want them, need them, and strive for healthy ones. In fact, God created us to be in relationships! Yes, relationships are terribly important; but, sometimes, they are just plain terrible. Who hasn’t known the sadness and heartache of a relationship going sour or coming to a bitter end?

People found relationships challenging in the time of Jesus, too. That’s why the Pharisees, waiting to test and trap Jesus, asked him a pointed question about divorce. The Pharisees want to focus on the external act of divorce, while Jesus changes the focus to the internal attitude of the marriage partners. The Pharisees are concerned about acceptable reasons for divorce, but Jesus is concerned for the sanctity of marriage. Yes, there are those situations where the unacceptable and destructive behavior of one partner damages or breaks a relationship: substance abuse, abusive behavior, infidelity, for example. But, says Jesus, the root cause of broken relationships is ‘hardness of heart’. It’s sin that damages and breaks relationships. It’s sin that makes it so difficult to develop lasting and life-giving relationships with others. It’s sin that kills marriages and friendships; it’s sin that strains relationships in families; it’s sin that breaks the bond between co-workers and classmates; it’s sin that can tear apart the Church. Sin is real. Sin causes heartache and pain. Sin robs life and love of its beauty and joy.

So is there any hope for us? Of course there is! Remember what Jesus did. He wanted to show us how open God is to all people, so He welcomed the children. He made a place for those whom others wanted to write off. He put His arms around the marginalized ones, the weak ones, the broken ones, the hurt ones. He put His arms around them, and blessed them, and called them His own. That’s what Jesus did!
We Pray For Our Deceased
Concetta Richardson
Jean Toussaint
Sara Love-Russo
Donna Ranni
Michael Parrillo
Alice Gary
Arthur Zitarosa

Sisters of St. Barnabas Intention
For the countries of the Americas. May we have peaceful relationships among us.

We Pray for Our Sick

The Week Ahead

Sunday:
1:30 PM  Baptisms
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, South Cafeteria

Monday:
Rectory Closed
7:00 PM  Liturgy Committee, Rectory
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

Tuesday:
7:30 PM  Respect Life Group, HFC
7:30 PM  Bereavement Group, Rectory

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

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

Friday:
1:30 PM  Lectio Divina, Rectory

Saturday:
8:30 AM  Men’s Group, HFC
11:30 AM  Baptisms
12:30 PM  Confession

Our Finances
9/30/18: $16,322
10/1/17: $16,243
Parish Families Registered: 5,057
Envelopes Mailed: 1,424
Used: 9/30/18: 507  10/1/17: 604

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900  Donors: 477
Pledged: $111,130  Received: $103,559

Special Collections
This Weekend  Respect Life

October 21st  World Mission Sunday
Respect Life Sunday

Today, October 7th, is Respect Life Sunday. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

Life Center of Long Island

The Life Center of Long Island most sincerely thanks the parish community at St. Barnabas the Apostle for your generous participation with our 2018 Baby Bottle Fundraiser. The parish raised over $10,000! We were genuinely touched by the amount of families who sacrificed in helping our preborn children. We are most appreciative of how accommodating you were in allowing us to conduct this fundraiser at your parish. We realize that you have so many responsibilities at your parish, and yet, you gave so much to support our mission. Thank you for making the time.

Respect Life Luncheon

Nassau Knights for Life, Inc. presents their First Annual “Respect Life Month Fall Luncheon for Life” on Saturday, October 20th from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM at Farmingdale Library, lower Reception Room, 116 Merrits Road, Farmingdale. Cost is $32.50 per person and includes pasta dinner with meats, salad, bread and dessert. Soft drinks and coffee to be served. Raffles and prizes to be drawn. All donations for Life accepted. For reservations, contact Gloria Sommerville, Treasurer at 579-7318.

Stand Up For Life: On Respect Life Sunday 2018

Have you ever thought about going to the March for Life in Washington, DC in January? Did you know about the largest Pro-Life event right here on Long Island for the past 19 years? Join in, try attending this rally. In only an hour of your time you can help save a Life! Stand Up For Life - on Sunday, October 7th from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM (rain or shine). Please join us in Huntington at Routes 110 & 25 (near the Walt Whitman Mall ) or in Manorville LI Exits 70S on County route 111. This rally is part of a nationwide family friendly event,
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held at more than 1,550 cities across the USA & Canada. Signs are available at the site. You don’t have to bring anything, come as you are, come with a friend or the whole family. You can come for part of the time or the full 90 minutes; know by your presence you help save a life. There is strength in unity. ALL PRO LIFE BELIEVERS ARE WELCOME! For more information contact Jack at 724-6821.

Life Center of L.I. Opportunity
The Life Center is searching for a part time bilingual staff person for our Deer Park location. Counseling skills background a plus, but will also train. For more information, please contact Gloria at 798-8746. Please send resumes to gschreiber@lifecenterli.org.

New Hymnals To Be Dedicated
We are introducing new permanent hardcover hymnals for the pews. These will replace the paperback versions that are currently in use. The hardcover hymnal contains all the hymns we regularly use and has the three year cycle of readings. Having permanent hymnals will be a cost saver because the paperbacks have to be replaced every year. This will also cut back on the amount of trash we dispose of annually. If you would like to dedicate a hymnal to a loved one please contact the rectory office at 785-0054. The dedication label will be placed on the inside cover of the hymnal. It reads: Given As A Gift By (Name). In The Name Of (Donor’s Name). The donation is $25. Thank you.

Extraordinary Ministers & Lectors
The sign-up sheet for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors for All Saint’s Day, Thursday, November 1st, is in the sacristy. Please sign up after Mass.

The 10:15 AM Family Mass
The Lord said, ‘let the little children come unto me.’ The Family Mass is a place where everyone is welcome! Children of all ages are encouraged to participate in the entrance and offertory processions. Children ages 12 and up can sign up to serve as junior lectors and high school teens can serve as Lead Lectors. Children and adults who like to sing or play an instrument are encouraged to join the Family Music Ministry at the 10:15 AM Mass. SAVE THE DATE: HOSPITALITY SUNDAY NEXT WEEK ..... Join us on Sunday, October 14th for Hospitality Sunday immediately following the 10:15 AM Mass in the Holy Family Chapel. Parishioners are invited to stay after Mass to enjoy complimentary bagels, coffee, tea, juice and other

Liturgical Ministry Training

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF WORSHIP
516-678-5800 x504

1. TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:
   Session A: Required for all Extraordinary Ministers and must be taken before session B.
   Session B: In addition to session A for those who minister in hospitals, nursing homes or to the homebound.

PLEASE CONTACT FR. ADRIAN IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A LITURGICAL MINISTER IN ST. BARNABAS

3. TIMES AND PLACES FOR MINISTRY TRAINING:
   ATTENDEES MUST CHOOSE ONE MINISTRY AS THE PM A SESSIONS AND LECTOR SESSIONS RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY
   SESSION A FOR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS AND LECTOR TRAINING:
   NASSAU - OCTOBER 27, 2018 - ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER, ROCKVILLE CENTRE 9AM - 1PM
   SUFFOLK - OCTOBER 6, 2018 - ST. ROSALIE, HAMPTON BAYS 9AM - 1PM
   EVENING - OCTOBER 15, 2018 - ST. ELIZABETH, MELVILLE 7PM - 10PM
   SESSION B FOR THOSE WHO MINISTER IN HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES OR TO THE HOMEBOUND:
   NASSAU - NOVEMBER 3, 2018 - ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER, ROCKVILLE CENTRE 9AM - 1PM
   SUFFOLK - OCTOBER 12, 2018 - ST. ROSALIE, HAMPTON BAYS 9AM - 1PM
   EVENING - OCTOBER 22, 2018 - ST. ELIZABETH, MELVILLE 7PM - 10PM
dessert items. A special thank you to all of our parish bakers who make this monthly event possible! Anyone interested in joining the Family Liturgy Committee or helping out with Hospitality Sunday please email stbarnabasfamilyliturgy@gmail.com.

Liturgy Committee
Last spring there was a meet and greet for parishioners interested in forming a Liturgy Committee. We came together to share our hopes and expectations over a delicious meal of Chinese food. We are now ready to begin our monthly meetings. The Liturgy Committee will meet on the 2nd Monday of every month. Our first meeting will be held in the Rectory basement on Monday, October 8th at 7:00 PM. New members are encouraged to attend. We will be looking at an overview of the liturgical year to explore how we might put our own unique touch on our celebrations. Please enter through the door to the basement located on the side of the rectory between the rectory and the Church. There will be a sign on the door saying, “Welcome Liturgy Committee Members.”

St. Barnabas Pre - Cana Schedule
In Home: 9/30 thru 11/16
Closing: Sunday 11/18

Golden Wedding Jubilee
This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more, will be honored at a liturgy on Sunday, October 21st at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Mass begins at 2:30 PM. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by October 12th. If you have any questions, you may call 678-5800, ext. 207.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. Take time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are November 16th - 18th and February 18th - 19th, 2019 in Huntington. For more information, call John and Toni Torio at (877) 697-9963 or visit them at www.wmeli.org.

Engaged Encounter
Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre Cana 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 from November 2nd - 4th. For information please call Lenny and Pat Walker at (631) 563-1032 or www.engagedencounterli.org.

Retrouvaille
The Retrouvaille Program is a Marriage program that helps couples who are facing difficult challenges, restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This Christian marriage program is Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. Primarily a practical program to improve
communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love. Next weekend in Huntington from November 9th - November 11th. Registration ends on November 5th. For information, email 3028@retrouvaille.org, call (800) 470-2230 or visit us on the web at www.helpourmarriage.org.

**Food Pantry Weekend - This Weekend**

Many thanks to those who contribute every month to our Food Pantry. We wouldn’t be able to help the nearly 50 families a month who count on us to supplement their food needs without you. If you can, please try to donate one or more of the following items so we are able to fulfill the requests that we receive. The following items are what we are in greatest need of: coffee, hot chocolate, milk (boxed or powdered), potatoes (instant or canned), tuna, sugar (1 lb. boxes are fine), mayonnaise (small jars), shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste, paper towels, tissues, laundry detergent and cleaning products. We could also use plastic shopping bags, so we can pack the groceries. Donations can be left in the area of the Tree of Life or brought to the Rectory Office. God bless you for remembering the needy in our area.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples, “Let the children come to Me...For the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” This Gospel is about human hardness of hearts and about to whom the Kingdom of God belongs; not to those with hard hearts, but to the innocent ones who keep themselves turned toward God. Jesus illustrates this by saying - “accept the Kingdom of God like a child.” We must lose our schema of things so we can find God’s intention. Lose the hardness of heart. Find the Kingdom. Our embracing the Kingdom embodies our being embraced by Jesus. Thanks to all of those who supported the Walk for the Poor and please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to children who are hungry and cold.

**Catholics Care. Catholics Vote.**

Learn about the issues. In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops lift up various issues of
different moral weight and urgency. Some issues they mention include: addressing abortion, euthanasia, the use of the death penalty and imprudent resort to war; protecting the fundamental understanding of marriage as the lifelong and faithful union of one man and one woman; achieving comprehensive immigration reform; caring for our common home; helping families and children overcome poverty; providing healthcare while respecting human life, human dignity and religious freedom; and establishing and complying with moral limits on the use of military force. Learn more about these issues and others at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Mother Seton #2413

We had the Installation of Officers at the September meeting. We hope to have a successful year. Thank you to all who were able to join us at the Social Ministry Fair on September 23rd at St. Barnabas. We had a few ladies express interest so hopefully we can boost our membership. Next meeting is on Tuesday, November 6th at 7:00 PM.

Widows and Widowers

Wednesday, November 7th at 12:30 PM - Lunch at Guy Anthony’s, 2208 Jerusalem Avenue, Merrick. The cost is $25 and checks should be sent to Ann Sarrantonio at 2412 Knob Hill Road, North Bellmore, no later than October 31st. For questions, call Ann at 785-2764. Sunday, December 2nd at 12:30 PM - Holiday Party/Meeting at the Wantagh Inn. The cost is $26 and checks should be sent to Terry Hoffman at 66 Whalers Cove, Babylon 11702, no later than November 21st. As always, our annual dues of $10 are due before the end of the year. They can be paid at the Holiday Party or mailed directly to Joy Brennan at 1830 Bellmore Avenue, Bellmore.

Single Catholics of Long Island

A social organization for single persons, including divorced, separated and widowed will be having a New Member Orientation Meeting on Wednesday, October 24th at 7:30 PM. St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh. This is a non-denominational meeting and all are welcome. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, call Carol at 794-4933 or Barbara at 798-2858.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Our meetings are held every Monday in the Holy Family Chapel from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Coffee and cake are served after every meeting. For more information, call Ellen O’Malley at 221-0574.

Eucharistic Retreat

Join the Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharist for a Eucharistic Retreat Day on Sunday, October 14th from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington. The day includes Hot Breakfast, Lunch, Rosary, Spiritual Meditations, Holy Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. You must register in advance - space is limited. Please email MostHolyEucharist@gmail.com or call (631) 896-0870. Please bring a $35 donation with you on the day of the retreat.
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**Healing Mass**

There will be a Healing Mass at the Church of St. Anastasia, 45-14 245th Street, Douglaston on Tuesday, October 16th. 7:00 PM - Rosary, Mass and Healing Service, with Celebrant Fr. Augustine Fernando. For more information contact St. Anastasia at (718) 631-4454.

**Catholic High School Open Houses**

- **Regis High School** - Monday, October 8th from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM.
- **Kellenberg High School** - Saturday, October 13th from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

**Saint Dominic High School Open House**

St. Dominic High School offers not only excellent academic opportunity, but also the opportunity to...
We are a Catholic Parish in Bellmore, New York, Since 1912

St. Barnabas
Parents

Author Alex Basile will present the St. Barnabas Parent’s Talk on Tuesday, November 13th at 7:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel.

His book, ‘The Gentle Road to Jesus, Bringing Christ to every Classroom and Home’ is a down-to-earth resource for anyone passing on the Catholic faith today.

develop strong Christian values upon which sound moral judgments can be made. Our school motto, “One Journey Through Faith and Education” is emphasized in student life every day and together, we can challenge our students’ great minds and prepare the generation of tomorrow for success.

St. Dominic High School has so much to offer the children of today. We are hosting our annual Open House on Sunday, October 21st from 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM. All 7th and 8th grade students are welcome to attend with their families.

Kellenberg Memorial Reunions

Class of 1993 - 25 Year Reunion: All members of the class of 1993 are invited to return to campus on Saturday, October 27th, to celebrate their 25 Year Reunion. The evening will begin with Mass at 6:00 PM, followed by a private cocktail party from 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM. To register for either event, please visit kellenberg.org/alumni. Questions may be directed to the Alumni Office at 292-0200, ext. 396 or alumni@kellenberg.org.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Satanism and Religious Freedom: The latest effort to normalize Satanism in America occurred on August 16th when the Satanic Temple paraded an 8 1/2 foot, one-ton demon statue to the Arkansas State Capital. The goal is to get Americans accustomed to the mistaken belief that Satanism is a protected religion by the First Amendment. It is not. Nonetheless, these groups have won victories in Oklahoma, Minnesota, and Detroit as well as in after school programs in Washington State (to rival the Good News Club), and offering satanic curses to open a city council meeting in Alaska. Knowing and understanding First Amendment Freedom of Religion protections is essential in order to refute the Satanists claims. “The freedom of religion found in the First Amendment is a freedom to worship God according to the dictates of one’s conscience - not the license to disparage or deride Him,” wrote author Gunnar Gunderson. “Satanism is irreligion or anti-religion...Thus, granting Satanism religious-freedom protections undermines rather than strengthens religious-freedom rights by directly attacking their foundation. There is no evidence that either our Founders or founding citizens understood freedom
of religion to include irreligion. Nor would such a right even make sense.”

The Men of the Way of Light
In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us, “Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” From the time we are children, we are taught to stand up on our own, be self-sufficient and independent. And these are good things to be in the secular world. But little children trust unconditionally, love unselfishly, forgive often and pray from the heart. These are the things to which Jesus refers. They can be best summed up in the words of St. Josemaria Escriva, “…you have to believe as children believe, love as children love, to abandon yourself as children do, and to pray as children pray.” Want to learn how to unleash your inner child? Please join our faith discussion group at our next meeting on Saturday, October 13th, immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel. Bagels and coffee served. The meeting runs until 10:30 AM. For more information, visit our FaceBook page or pick up one of our business cards displayed at the rear of the Church.

Pilgrimage to the Israel
Join Father Jim Mannion and Maureen and Walter Denzler from St. James Church, East Setauket, for a pilgrimage to Israel from November 6th to 19th, 2019. Pilgrimage organized through Collette Faith Tours. Double occupancy fee is $3,499 (airfare included). Contact Fr. Jim at (631) 941-4141, ext. 322 or email Frjim@stjamessetauket.org.

Our Lady of Fatima
Invite the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima into your home and teach your children to pray the rosary. To reserve a week, call Vin Murray at 781-7846 or 382-7200.

Concert and Music Workshop
Join world-renowned composer, performer, liturgist and theologian Bob Hurd for a Concert and Music Workshop at St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church, 546 St. John’s Place, Riverhead. Bob has been composing liturgical music for the past 45 years and is known as an early pioneer of bilingual and multilingual music. Friday, October 19th Bob...
will lead us in “An Evening of Song and Prayer,” an all community concert of music, reflection, meditation and art, designed to expand your spiritual awareness and deepen your relationship with our risen Lord. Saturday, October 20th, Bob will offer a workshop focused on spirituality, Eucharist and music. This workshop is open to anyone who has an interest in how music and liturgy work hand-in-hand to provide a rich experience for members of the assembly. Tickets are $15 for the concert and $10 for the workshop ($20 for both) in advance or $20 for the concert and $10 for the workshop at the door. For more information, call Renee Stakey (Music Director) at (631) 644-5928 or sjpsocialmedia@aol.com.

Magnificat
Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend a Dinner on Thursday, November 1st at Pompei Restaurant in Hempstead at 6:00 PM. Our speaker will be Margie Woods, who will share how she has learned that Trustful Surrender to God’s Divine Providence is the key to living a happy and grace-filled life. The Dinner is $49 per person, and pre-registration is required. Please make checks payable to “Magnificat” and mail to - Judy Murphy, 42 Pinehurst Street, Lido Beach 11561. Checks must be received by October 27th. Payment will not be accepted at the door. For additional information, please contact Judy at (917) 453-5750. Come and bring a friend for an evening of fellowship, refreshment and worship!

St. Rose of Lima Teaching Position
Part-time Spanish teacher needed Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays for Grades 6 - 8. College education is required. Salary is based upon the diocesan salary scale. Benefits are not included. Send resumes to kgallina@stroseschool.net.

Faith Formation Coordinator Needed
Sacred Heart Church in Merrick is looking for a Coordinator for Grades 1 - 5. A degree in Education and/or Theology preferred. Must be active/Church going Catholic. 28 hours per week, evenings and weekends as needed for sacraments and sacramental preparation. Knowledge of PDS is a plus. Classes meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Salary commensurate with experience. Please contact Carol Tannehill at cтанnehillshc@gmail.com for information.

Regular Sacrificial Giving
You can 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 your weekly collection donation indicated. Include your Name, Address & Envelope Number.
PARISHIONERS OF ST. BARNABAS OFTEN EXPRESS HOW MUCH THEY LOVE THEIR PARISH. OUR MINISTRIES HELP US TO DISCOVER HOW WE MIGHT TURN OUR LOVE OF OUR PARISH INTO PARTICIPATION IN ITS MISSION. THE MINISTRY OF THE ALTAR SERVER IS TO PROVIDE YOUNG PEOPLE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE PARISH COMMUNITY AT MASS AND DEVELOP A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF THE EUCHARIST.

WE ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS. WE, THEREFORE, INVITE FAMILIES TO ENCOURAGE THEIR CHILDREN TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT MINISTRY. CHILDREN WHO EXPRESS AN INTEREST IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER WILL PARTICIPATE IN A SERIES OF TRAINING SESSIONS.

QUALIFICATIONS
- MUST BE CATHOLIC
- HAVE RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
- FOURTH GRADE (AS OF 9/18) IN SCHOOL OR OLDER
- ENROLLMENT IN A CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS NOT REQUIREMENT. THIS IS A PARISH-WIDE MINISTRY.

TRAINING INCLUDES INSTRUCTION ON THE LITURGY AND ALTAR SERVER RESPONSIBILITIES. AFTER TRAINING, THE NEW ALTAR SERVERS WILL BE COMMISSIONED AND BE PUT ON A SCHEDULE TO SERVE AT MASS AND OTHER LITURGICAL SERVICES. TRAINING WILL BE HELD IN OCTOBER.

If you are interested, please fill out this form and drop it off in the collection basket or to the rectory.

Child’s Name:
_____________________________________

Grade Child is in as of 9/18:
_____________________________________

School Child Attends:
_____________________________________

Parents’ First Names:
_____________________________________

Address:
_____________________________________

Contact Phone Number:
_____________________________________

Parent’s Email:
______________________________________
Love is a Decision

Frank Johnson recently attended a weekend organised by Retrouvaille, an organisation dedicated to helping couples repair their marriage relationships.

Harry and Jane⁴ had been coming to see me to help resolve the difficulties in their marriage. They had come to me because I am a Catholic priest. I told them I was happy to see them, but that I was not a marriage counsellor and didn’t have any expertise in that area. I said I thought it would be better for them to go to a specialised counsellor or agency, but I didn’t know to whom I could refer them. When I was away in Rome I received a phone call from Jane who asked if they could come and see me. I told them that if they were happy to come to Rome then I could see them. Otherwise they would have to wait until my return.

Something remarkable

A month later, I saw Harry and Jane again — but it wasn’t the same couple that I had spoken to just four weeks before. There was a clear difference in their relationship; obviously, something remarkable had happened to them — but what? They told me that friends of theirs had recommended them to do the Retrouvaille programme. These friends had done it themselves, and it had saved their failing marriage. In fact, Harry and Jane were so happy with Retrouvaille, that they were very keen that I should also attend one of their weekend programmes. I didn’t see the point of a celibate priest attending a weekend for married couples, but I was impressed with the effect the programme had had on them and decided to give it a go.

As I parked the car outside the Hertfordshire hotel where the programme was taking place, I wondered if I really had made the right decision to come. When I went into the meeting room on the Friday evening, I was given a warm welcome by the couples who were to ‘lead’ the programme. I was also introduced to Fr Anthony, a priest from Leeds Diocese who was also part of the team. At this point I should explain that the basis of Retrouvaille has Roman Catholic roots, and mass is celebrated each day for those who wish to attend. However, the programme is open to anyone, including those with no particular religious faith. In fact, not all those present that weekend were Roman Catholic, though the majority were.

A moving experience

After the evening meal, everyone came together in the meeting room and were introduced to the programme. Looking round the room I could see some very apprehensive-looking faces and quite a lot of negative body lan-
Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
Are you hurt, frustrated or angry with your spouse?
Have you thought about separation or divorce?
Are you constantly fighting or do you simply shut down?
Does talking about it only make it worse?
Have you stopped sharing how you feel?

One of the lead couples congratulated the participants for having the courage to admit to their difficulties and coming along to the weekend. It soon became clear that the four presenting couples had all themselves got into severe difficulties in their marriages and had all followed the Retrouvaille programme. As the weekend progressed, each of the lead couples shared the different stages of their marriage relationship. The circumstances of each couple were quite different, but the pattern of their relationships were very similar: romance, disillusion, misery.

I found listening to their stories very moving. Each couple spoke with great frankness and honesty about the difficulties they had experienced in their relationship, but also with great delicacy and respect for their partner. The love that was now between them, having followed the Retrouvaille programme was obvious and spoke as loudly as the experiences themselves. The lead couples were different ages and backgrounds, the youngest being in their early thirties, the oldest in their late fifties early sixties.

No group therapy

I went without any expectations and wondering what I could contribute to the weekend. In fact, when the couples entered into their dialogue sessions, I too exchanged experiences with Fr Anthony. I realised that I too had much to learn about communicating my feelings on a range of topics, and I learnt from the techniques suggested by the programme. It was made clear at the outset that Retrouvaille is not group therapy so, there was no public baring of souls and no public revelation of difficulties. The lead couples were there to talk to, whenever necessary, and Fr Anthony was available for confession. But the lead couples emphasised that they were not counsellors and could only shed light on situations by sharing their own experiences.

At various stages phrases were unveiled to affirm some of the important points of the programme, such as: ‘God doesn’t make junk’; ‘Feelings are neither good nor bad’, or ‘Love is a decision’. At certain stages short Bible passages were read to reinforce a point, about forgiveness, for example. The touch was light but none the less effective, and every point was illustrated from experience. One of the lead couples told of how they had failed completely to identify the needs of the other. When they understood what those needs were through respectful dialogue, their relationship took a qualitative leap.

Improved body language

Over the two days of the programme I observed a change in the body language of most of the couples there. Serious faces turned into smiles and even the physical distance between them seemed to diminish. All of those I spoke too left the weekend with renewed hope and real belief that they could repair their relationships. One husband said that he and his wife were no longer living together, but that he now felt it would be possible for them to live together again. Not everyone was resolved, but even the couple who seemed most in crisis were prepared to give it a go and were going to travel the long distance from their home to attend the follow-up sessions.

I can honestly say, on the evidence of the weekend, that the Retrouvaille programme offers a real opportunity for couples to rebuild their relationship, no matter how badly things have gone wrong or how long. One of the lead couples told me that one husband and wife who had lived apart for thirty-five years and who had followed the programme were reunited! At a time when so many marriages seem to end on the scrapheap, Retrouvaille is like a beacon in the darkness.
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Baptisms are held on Saturday at 11:30 AM, and Sunday at 1:30 PM, when the Church is available.

If you wish to hold a private baptism you must bring a visiting priest to perform the baptism service. Private baptisms may be held on Saturday at 1:30 PM and 3:00 PM and on Sunday at 3:00 PM, if these times are available.

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 Mass & Class are held on October 14, November 11 and December 9, January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12 and June 9.
Level 7 Class
October 10th or 11th
Chapter 3
What’s Your Story God (Chapter 3)
A Look at Salvation History

The purpose of this lesson is to introduce an overview of salvation history. We begin the story by addressing the question, ‘How could a good God allow so much suffering and evil?’ We explore the goodness of God’s creation, how sin and evil entered the world, and God’s redemptive plan, (the ‘plot’ of salvation history), which centered in the person and work of Christ and the establishment of the Church. The proclamation of the gospel message that invites a response.

Conversation After Class
What is “salvation history”? (It is the story of God’s plan of redeeming love, as revealed through Scripture and his Church.)
If you could have lived at any time in salvation history, who would you want to meet and why?
How is the human family like the Trinity? (God created human families to reflect [in an imperfect but real way] the perfect love of the Blessed Trinity.

Level 8 Class
October 17th or 18th
Chapter 15
Why do I have to go to Mass?
Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist

The purpose of this lesson is to lead your teen to understand the beauty and richness of the Mass and to see it as his or her “front row seat” in the most important event in human history. As Catholics, we are also morally obligated to attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation. The Catechism tells us that the liturgical celebration has remained substantially the same since the second century and that together the Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist form a “single act of worship” that is reflected “on earth as it is in heaven” In a most special way, it is through this sacrament that Jesus fulfilled his promise: “I am with you always...” (Matthew 28:20).

Conversation Starters
If someone at school asked you why you go to church on Sunday, what would you say?
Do you think it is important to go to church every Sunday and on holy days of obligation? Why or why not?
Cure of Ars/St. Barnabas
Middle School
Youth Group

When: Sunday, October 14th
Where: Holy Family Chapel
(St. Barnabas)
Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Join us for our first Middle School Youth Group Meeting

Questions: contact Kieran at stbyouth17@gmail.com
Happy Fall! Autumn at SEAS means the school year is in full swing! This week we celebrated Mr. Larke, the Gym teacher’s 50th Birthday! This milestone was also marked with 25 years of service at SEAS! We celebrated Special Person Day in Kindergarten, so cute! Also, our Track team is doing awesome! Keep up the good work!
Jesus and the Children

Some Pharisees asked Jesus a trick question about marriage. So He taught them from the Scriptures.

Circle 5’s and 6’s

But Jesus said, “Let the little children come to Me.” Then He took them in His arms and...

Trace the letters.

HE BLESSED THEM.

Jesus taught His disciples some more later, when they were alone.

Circle 7 differences in the bottom picture.

People were bringing little children to Jesus for Him to place His hands on them, but the disciples said no.

Help the children get to Jesus. Follow the numbers 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9.
ACROSS
3. Bringing happiness, pleasure, or contentment to someone
4. Small in size
6. Sons and daughters, young people
7. The parts of the body which connect the hands to the shoulders

DOWN
1. A statement accepted as fact
2. A country or territory ruled by a king or queen
3. To be a member of a group, such as a club or organization
5. To come in contact with or to feel with your fingers

LITTLE  TOUCH  KINGSDOM  BLESSED
CHILDREN  TRUTH  BELONGS  ARMS
Jesus and the Children

Jesus was talking to some Pharisees. What happened next?

Fill in the blanks with each group of letters. Use the "1" letters first, then the "2" letters, and so on.

Then what did Jesus do with the children?

On each line write the letter in the alphabet that comes after the one given.

Jesus' disciples told the people to stop. What did Jesus say?

Find Mark 10:14. Write a word to fit the definition. Transfer the letters to the lines below.

Something to play with
A female child
An infant
A beverage we get from cows
What you wave with
The location of your eyes, nose, mouth
It lights the day