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HEARING GOD IN A CHAOTIC WORLD

February 3, 2019
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Office Open Monday - Friday:
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM;
(Closed Weekdays:12:30-1:30 PM)
Saturday & Sunday: 9 AM to 1 PM

MASS TIMES
Monday to Friday: 6:30 and 9 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM
Vigil : 4:30 & 7 PM
Sunday: 7, 9, 10:15, 10:30 AM; 12 & 5PM.
Confessions Saturday 12:30 PM

Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday at
11:30 AM and Sunday at 1:30 PM when
the Church is available

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
is celebrated on the fourth Saturday
after 8:00 AM Mass

Contact the Rectory for information on
the Sacrament of Matrimony

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Mrs. Alice Witt 516-785-6243

Music Ministry
Mr. William R. Dione

Business & Personnel
Mr. John G. Nappi

St. Barnabas the Apostle
Ordinary Time Fourth Week

Monday, February 4
Fr. Michael 6:30 AM
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM
Tom Kiley
Nicholas Yanatos
Dominick Mirabella
Veronica Anderson
Manuel A. Romez
Philip Sutter
Grade 8 attending Mass

Tuesday, February 5
Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM
Saint Agatha
Robert Luecke
George Stockerl
Grade 3 attending Mass

Wednesday, February 6
Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM
Saint Paul Miki and Companions
Carl DePasquale
Dorothy Byrne
Grade 6 attending Mass

Thursday, February 7
Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Fr. Michael 9:00 AM
Deceased Members of the Silveira and
Duarte Families
SEAS
Grade 1 attending Mass

Friday, February 8
Fr. Michael 6:30 AM
Fr. Kevin 9:00 AM
Kenneth Hubert
Deceased Members Of the Dorothy Healy
Family
Grade 2 attending Mass

Saturday, February 9
Fr. Kevin 8:00 AM
Fr. Adrian 4:30 PM
Gloria and Eugene Romano
Concetta Matriaigo
Intentions of Rose Frey
George Dewey O’Kane
Zachary Avazato
James Sullivan
Thomas Kiley
Virginia Doyle Furneaux

Fr. Michael 7:00 PM

Sunday, February 10
Fr. Adrian 7:00 AM
Fr. Kevin 9:00 AM
Fr. Adrian 10:15 AM
Fr. Michael 10:30 AM
Fr. Kevin 12:00 PM
Fr. Michael 5:00 PM
Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time
For the People of Our Parish
Christopher Romig
Thomas Fenton
William Patrick Quinn
Jean Toussaint
Shane Beatty
SEVEN TUESDAYS FROM MARCH 5 TO APRIL 23, 2019

Holy Family Chapel
7:00pm-9:00pm

Day Retreat: Saturday April 13, 2019

Each session includes four components:
(1) Welcome and Prayer (2) Video Teaching (3) Fellowship (4) Small Group Discussion

Session Topics
1. Daily Personal Prayer
2. Hearing God in Scripture
3. The Power of the Sacraments
4. Forgiving One Another
5. The Spirit-Empowered Life
6. Retreat
   The World
   The Flesh
   The Devil
7. Advancing the Mission
   of the Church
7. Celebration Session

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Stairlift available.
Today’s Gospel seems to telescope Jesus’ entire earthly life into a single incident. At one moment, the crowd in the synagogue is nodding approvingly to the local boy made good. Almost at the next, they are trying to throw Him off the cliff. What went wrong? Why should people take offence at Jesus’ words, having recognized them as ‘gracious?’ What did He do or say that turned their admiration into anger? Why did the village folk of Nazareth turn against Him? Why did the scribes and Pharisees hate Him? Why did the chief priests conspire against Him? Why was Jesus killed?

Mainly because Jesus was proclaiming that the Messiah had come, that God was NOW HERE. For the good country folk of Nazareth, it was intolerable that someone they had known since he was a boy should make such a claim. For the priests and Pharisees it was intolerable that someone whom they did not know, and had not approved, should make it.

Jesus preached love of God and love of our neighbor - but He preached them in a very uncomfortable way. He preached that they knew no boundaries; that they were not restricted to the good religious folk who went to the synagogue Sabbath by Sabbath; that they were not restricted to priests and Pharisees, but extended to tax-gatherers and prostitutes; that they were not restricted to God’s chosen people, but extended even to Samaritans and Roman centurions.

Furthermore, He talked to anyone - women, rich rogues, poor beggars, Roman officers - and ate with anyone. He touched lepers; He called tax gatherers to be among His closest disciples. And that was the dangerous thing about Jesus; that was why He was bound to get into trouble in the end. He didn’t just talk about love. He loved. What we have to recognize is that if we follow His teaching in that open-minded, clear-headed way of His, we too run the risk of getting into trouble.
We Pray for Our Deceased
Kellie C. Lescoe
Anthony Damiani
Kenneth P. Bonestele

Sisters of St. Barnabas Intention
That all children who will be born, may be welcomed to a world where they will be valued and respected and loved.

We Pray for Our Sick
Periodically “We Pray for Our Sick” list is amended. At this time, we are asking that you contact the rectory at 785-0054 to advise us whether or not a name should remain or be deleted from the list. Thank you for your assistance.


The Week Ahead

Sunday:  Boy Scout Sunday
All Masses  Rite of Enrollment
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, South Cafeteria

Monday:
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

Tuesday:
10:00 AM  Prayer Shawl Ministry, Rectory
12:30 PM  Friendly Seniors, HFC

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
12:30 PM  Confession

Our Finances
1/27/19: $18,286
1/28/18: $17,003
Parish Families Registered: 5,083
Envelopes Mailed: 1,451
Used: 1/27/19: 503
1/28/18: 599

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900 Donors: 636
Pledged: $118,531 Received: $117,266

Special Collections
February 10th - Maintenance & Repair
We have currently reached 77% of our goal to replace the boiler in the Convent! Many thanks to all our parishioners.
The Abortion Expansion Act: Lives in the Balance

Sadly, New York State is the Abortion Capital of our nation, with a rate of 29.6 abortions for every 1,000 women of reproductive age. That’s more than twice the national average.

New York legalized abortion in 1970, three years before the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Roe vs. Wade. Abortion is legal here for any reason up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, and any time after that if the mother’s life is at risk. So even if Roe were to be overruled, the vast majority of abortions in our state would continue to be legal and available.

The Governor and the Democratic leadership in the New York State Legislature want to go even further, and make abortion less safe and more expensive than it is now. They’ve promised to enact the so-called “Reproductive Health Act” early in 2019. This bill would:

- Allow non-doctors to perform abortions.
- Allow abortions for any reason in the third trimester of pregnancy right up to a mother’s due date.
- Remove all criminal penalties for abortion, even if it was contrary to the mother’s choice, such as the intentional targeting of an unborn child in an act of violence.
- Remove our state’s protections for infants accidentally born alive in the course of an abortion.

This extremism goes far beyond Roe vs. Wade!

Take Action Now

Pro-life New Yorkers need to stand up in unison and make their voices heard on behalf of women and their unborn children. Tell your state lawmakers that enough is enough.

Here’s a simple way to do this. Go to the New York State Catholic Conference website at www.nyscatholic.org. Click on “Stop Abortion Expansion.” Enter your home address information, then select “Send Message.” Your message will automatically be sent to your State Senator, State Assembly Representative and the Governor. Please do it as soon as you can. It is so important to register our strong protest at this time.

Tragically, the political reality following the 2018 mid-term elections means that we are unlikely to defeat this measure in the State Legislature. Governor Andrew Cuomo is a strong proponent of the bill, and has promised to sign it into law.

If the legislation is indeed enacted into law this year, we must do all we can to ensure that vulnerable women facing unplanned pregnancies do not avail themselves of it.

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What More Can We Do?

As a caring and compassionate people, we can also:

1. Pray.
   Pray for the intercession of St. Gianna Molla, the patron saint of mothers, physicians and preborn children. Pray for changed minds, changed hearts and a deeper awakening to the sacredness and dignity of all human life.

2. Provide life-affirming choices for women.
   Here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre immediate assistance is available for women and families with an unexpected or unplanned pregnancy. In collaboration with Catholic Charities, CHS has established a one-call outreach program via 1 (855) 301-4CHS with access to resources in the community. Services are given both to uphold the unborn baby’s right to life and help sustain mother and baby following birth.

3. Help women and men who have suffered an abortion.
   Programs offering hope and healing following abortion are also available. Project Rachel is a network of specially trained, compassionate caregivers, who are prepared to assist those who suffer from abortion loss.
   Call 1-516-766-2538 se habla espanol | Email projectrachel@drvc.org to begin healing after abortion loss.

4. Build the Culture of Life.

   • Talk the pro-life talk… with your family members, friends, coworkers, schoolmates. We can build consensus and change the culture one person at a time.

   • Help educate the next generation. We must nurture young pro-life leaders who are unconditionally, unapologetically pro-life, who see the connection between their faith and their politics, and who are willing to put their faith into action.

   • Walk the pro-life walk…every minute of every hour of every day. Teach people to love and value one another. Our actions and words must reflect our respect and deep appreciation for the wondrous gift of human life.

New York State Catholic Conference

www.nyscatholic.org

518-434-6195
Rite of Enrollment This Weekend
This weekend, February 2nd and 3rd, we welcome all Level 8 confirmation candidates who will present letters requesting the sacrament. They will receive letters from family members encouraging their decision to continue their journey in the Catholic faith. As a community of faithful we accept these candidates into our midst and help them to follow in the footsteps of Christ.

St. Blaise
Today, February 3rd, is the Feast of St. Blaise. On this day people gather in churches for the blessing of throats. Usually the blessing is given individually but because February 3rd is a Sunday the blessing will take the place of the final blessing at Mass.

Palm for Burning
Please place your palm in the basket at the doors of the church.

EMs, Lectors & Altar Servers
Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers have been sent via email the ministry schedule for February. For those who do not have email or have not provided their email address, please pick up a copy of the schedule in the Altar Server’s Sacristy.

St. Barnabas Pre-Cana
**FOCCUS Review:** February 4th - Feb. 8th
**In Home Sessions:** February 10th - March 24th
**Closing:** April 7th - Sunday, 5:00 PM
MASS followed by refreshments.

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 February 8th - 10th. For information, please call Lenny and Pat Walker at (631) 563-1032 or www.engagedencounterli.org.

Food Pantry Weekend - This Weekend
The Food Pantry is very well stocked right now because of the wonderful donations made at Christmastime. We have an abundance of cereal and pasta, but there are some items that are difficult to keep on hand. Please try to bring in one
Our Mission is to Encourage Evangelize & Educate

or two of the following items this weekend: crackers, canned pasta, sugar, condiments, pancake mix/syrup, coffee, hot chocolate, oil and laundry detergent. Donations can be left at the Tree of Life or brought to the Rectory. Many thanks for the generosity and concern shown to our needy neighbors.

Widow and Widowers Lunch
Valentine Lunch at Guy Anthony’s, 2208 Jerusalem Avenue, Merrick on Friday, February 15th at 12:30 PM. The cost is $25. Checks should be sent to Joyce Quinn (781-6475), 2463 Freeport Street, Wantagh 11793 no later than February 6th.

Prayer Shawl Ministry
The St. Barnabas Prayer Shawl Ministry knits/crochets shawls/lap blankets for parishioners who are in the hospital/nursing home or suffering in some way, and who might draw comfort from receiving the prayer shawl. If you know of anyone who would benefit from a shawl or blanket PLEASE contact the Rectory at 785-0054 and we will gladly provide you with one. The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry is Tuesday, February 5th at 10:00 AM in the Rectory.

Girl Scout Religious Award Workshops
The next meeting for Brownies, Juniors, and 6th Grade Cadettes working on their Girl Scout Religious Awards will be Saturday, February 9th in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School cafeteria. Brownies working on the Ave Maria award will meet at 2:00 PM and those working on the Family of God award will meet at 3:15 PM. The I Live My Faith meeting will be at 3:00 PM.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
The next meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Mother Seton #2413, will be held on Tuesday, February 5th at 7:00 PM in the School Cafeteria. Please bring an unwrapped gift for baby and moms as we have
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
In the Gospel today, Jesus shows us that we are called to place gospel values before any values and to be willing to put our lives on the line for them. No matter what simple origins we might have, our living the gospel is what must shape our everyday choices. For this reason, we must always make claim to act according to the maxims of Christ, never according to those of the world. Supporting St. Vincent de Paul is taking care of God’s poor and indeed living gospel values. Meals-on-Wheels: To be eligible for this program an individual must be age 60 or over residing in the Town of Hempstead. Clients must be essentially homebound, unable to prepare meals and nutritionally at risk. For information about this program, please contact Izabela Sliwowska or Juan Rojas at 377-2691.

SAT Exam Prep Course
St. Dominic High School in Oyster Bay is holding SAT Exam Prep Courses on the following Saturdays: March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th, and 13th. 9:00 - 11:30 AM in Marian Hall. Course fee is $250 and includes textbook. Contact Mrs. Stutzmann at 922-4888, ext. 5241.

2019 Summer Camp
Camp Fatima for boys and Camp Bernadette for girls are now accepting registrations for the 2019 summer season. The camps, located in the Lakes Region of NH, offer 2-week overnight sessions for children, ages 6 - 15. Round trip bus transportation is available out of Long Island. For more information or to request a brochure, contact Brendan Stackhouse at (603) 364-5851 or email Brendan@bfcamp.com, or visit and register online at www.bfcamp.com. Please don’t wait as sessions fill quickly.

Divorced or Separated Catholics
A social organization for single persons, including widows and widowers, is having a New Member Orientation Meeting on Wednesday, February 27th at 7:30 PM at St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309
Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh. All are welcome. Bring proof of single status to join. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, call Carol at 794-4933 or Fran at 889-5790.

Marian Healing Mass
There will be a Healing Mass at the church of St. Anastasia, 45-14 245th Street, Douglaston, on Tuesday February 12th. Rosary, Mass and Healing Service, celebrated by Fr. Augustine Fernando at 7:00 PM. For more information, call (718) 631-4454.

The Men of the Way of Light
In today’s first reading, God speaks to Jeremiah, and through the written Word, to us all, “Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, before you were born, I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.” Given the recent legislation in NY State regarding Abortion, these words should shout at each of us. Even our basic definitions of life: heartbeat, brain waves, sustainability; have now been removed from third semester babies in the womb! Is there any more important, more precious right than the right to life? When I voted in the past, I relegated the candidate’s view on abortion to a low level, rationalizing that everyone had a personal opinion. After hearing John Paul II and St. Theresa of Calcutta speak, I have changed my way of thinking! I have made the Right to Life my priority! I trust that a candidate who values life above all else will make the right decisions regarding everything else! In Luke’s gospel 1:41, we read, “When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb.” The first person, other than Mary and Joseph, to acknowledge the presence of our savior in the womb, was a baby also in the womb! Psalm 139 sums it all up beautifully: “For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am wonderfully made. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.” President Kennedy, paraphrasing Dante said several times, “The hottest places in hell are reserved for those who in a period of moral crisis maintain their neutrality.” Where do YOU stand? What will YOU do? Need to discuss? Please join our faith discussion group at our next meeting on Saturday, February 9th, 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.

Focus on Religious Freedom
Catholics for Freedom of Religion chapters from St. Aidan’s, St. Bernard’s, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Thomas More, St. Matthews, parishes from South Carolina and others provided warm knit hats as encouraging gifts for those who visited our booth at the March for Life. Pinned to each hat was a grateful note from the parish as well as a button stating: “Religious Liberty protects the right to choose life.” Participants in the March for Life exercised the 5 rights in our 1st Amendment:
1. Freedom of Religion - Speaking and acting in public, driven by faith and conscience
2. Freedom of Speech - Speaking opinions publicly, without fear
3. Freedom of Press - Thoughts, opinions and prayers disseminated openly

4. Right to Peaceable Assemble - Marching, standing and associating together without violence

5. Right to Petition for Redress of Grievances - The entire March for Life is a public admonishment of the Supreme Court for assuming to itself the power to legalize abortion. For 46 years the March for Life has been a growing witness, especially from young Americans, to the sacred gift of life. Our organizers experienced the joy, hope and dedication of students from across the nation as they spoke with us at our March for Life exhibit in Washington.

Bowlers Needed
Mercy League Bowling Team is looking for bowlers for Fridays at 9:45 AM at Syosset Lanes. $12.25 per week for 3 games. Also includes end of season luncheon. For details, please call Dolores Sartor at 931-4106. Come on out and have some fun. We look forward to meeting you!

Annual Telethon
The Catholic Faith Network Telethon is the weekend of Saturday, February 9th from 2PM - 10PM and Sunday, February 10th from 12PM to 10PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137, Time Warner Channel 471 or Verizon FiOS channel 296 to support our Diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest “stars” including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Additionally, visits from celebrity chefs and musical groups will help fuel the enjoyment.

Pilgrimage To Poland
Join Fr. Stan Wadowski of St. Anne’s Roman Catholic Church in Brentwood, on a pilgrimage to Poland from August 11th - 22nd. Price is $3,299. For information please call Marge Baum at (631) 273-8113.

Catholic Alaska Cruise
Come and sail away on a 7-night Catholic Alaska Cruise with Fr. John Smith from June 16th - 23rd on Holland America’s Oosterdam out of Seattle, Washington. Ports of Call: Scenic Cruising Stephens Passage; Juneau, Alaska; Hubbard Glacier; Sitka, Alaska; Ketchikan, Alaska; Victoria, British Columbia, Canada; and back to Seattle, Washington. Prices begin at $2,478 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. Deposits of $350 per person will reserve your cabin. For further information, contact Doug or Eileen at (860) 399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
Please consider joining Fr. Jim Mannion and Maureen and Walter Denzler, from St. James Church in East Setauket, for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from November 6th - 14th, 2019. Pilgrimage organized through Collette Faith Tours. Double occupancy is $3,499 (airfare include). For more information, contact Fr. James at (631) 941-4141, ext. 322.

Oberammergau
In the year 2020, the Passion Play of Oberammergau will be presented. St. Barnabas
Parish will be leading a pilgrimage to see this once in a lifetime event. The Pilgrimage is called The Splendors of Eastern Europe. In addition to the passion play we will visit the cities of Prague, Budapest, Vienna and Munich. We need to make our reservations now as this is very popular throughout the entire world and will sell out. Full color brochures will soon be available. For more information, please call Fr. Kevin at 785-0054.

**Catholic Charities Employment**

Bi-lingual Program Supervisor needed for Immigration Services in Amityville. Full time position. Master’s in Business Administration or Human Services required. 3 - 5 years project or program management experience including staff supervision. Prior work experience with immigrant families or children a plus.

Clean, valid NYS Driver’s License to travel to Nassau/Suffolk. Ability to work flexible hours when needed. Email resume and cover letter to - jobs@catholiccharities.cc or fax to 733-7038. Reference “NYSARY Program Supervisor”.

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Bereavement Conference
For the Bereaved and those Ministering to them
theme
GRIEF IS...
A JOURNEY

Saturday, March 30, 2019
ST. PATRICK PARISH, HUNTINGTON
9:00am to 3:00pm
$40.00 includes continental breakfast and lunch

Keynote Speaker
Kenneth J. Doka, PhD

Kenneth J. Doka, PhD is a prolific author; Dr. Doka’s books include Grief is a Journey: Finding your Pathway through Loss, Helping Adolescents Cope with Loss, Journeys with Grief: A Collection of Articles about Love, Life, and many others. Dr. Doka is editor of both Omega: The Journal of Death and Dying and Journeys: A Newsletter to Help in Bereavement. He has an ongoing blog for Psychology Today entitled Good Mourning.

He is a recipient of the Caring Hands Award as well as the Dr. Robert Fulton CDEB Founder’s Award. In 2006, Dr. Doka was grandfathered in as a Mental Health Counselor under NY State’s first licensure of counselors.

Dr. Doka has keynoted conferences throughout North America as well as Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. He participates in the annual Hospice Foundation of America Teleconference and has appeared on CNN and Nightline. In addition he has served as a consultant to medical, nursing, funeral service and hospice organizations as well as businesses and educational and social service agencies. Dr. Doka is an ordained Lutheran minister. For more information visit www.drkendoka.com

To keep up to date on the Conference and all Bereavement services, support groups and programs available, please visit our website: www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement/
The 2019 Bishop’s Retreat is open to men who are High School Juniors and older (ages 16-35). The Annual Retreat with Bishop Barres will be at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception. The weekend will include prayerful experiences such as mass, reconciliation, holy hour, reflection time and interaction with Priests and Seminarians. There will be presentations designed to help participants discern their Vocation and consider why God may be calling them to the priesthood. You will have a opportunity to meet personally with Bishop Barres. Additionally weather permitting, we will do outdoors for some sports and hiking activities.
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).

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 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 AM Mass & Class are held on February 10th, March 10th, April 14th, May 12th and June 9th. (Class will be held after the 10:30 AM Mass on July 14th, August 11th and September 8th). We return to the 10:15 AM Mass for October 13th, November 11th, and December 8th.

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Thank you for sponsoring our new hymnals. Your dedication will be placed inside the cover.

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Mom, Dad & Her Brothers  Meghan Alice Roach
Arlene & Tommy Ramos  Roszella Schrader
Ken & Jodie Karchinski  Vincent Karchinski
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Tom Reilly  Thomas & Marguerite Reilly
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Racism is “an evil which endures in our society and in our church” and “a sin,” the U.S. bishops have said.

Racism is seen throughout history and is a reality in every country and culture around the world.

The word “racism” may not appear anywhere in the Bible, but that doesn’t mean that the Bible teaches us nothing about racism. Racial relations are part of how we treat other people among us, and the Bible has a lot to say about that.

Some religious groups teach that we should only believe what we can find explicitly taught in the Bible. The Catholic Church does not deal with the Bible that way. We recognize that the Bible, as an ancient book, should not be expected to address every issue that arises centuries later.

For example, I cannot find the word “racism” anywhere in the Bible. I can find the word “race” many times. Some of them refer to footraces, some to the human race and many to the Jewish race. But I find no discussion of how we should treat people whose skin color is different from our own.

However, that doesn’t mean that the Bible teaches us nothing about racism. Racial relations are part of how we treat other people among us and the Bible has a lot to say about that.

The most obvious example, perhaps, is the teaching of Jesus about the greatest commandment. He combines two commandments into one: Love God completely and love your neighbor as yourself. How we treat those of other races or ethnicities certainly falls under that dual command.

Of course, like the scholar in Jesus’ time, we might ask, “Who is my neighbor?” And we know how Jesus answered. He answered with the parable of the good Samaritan. The Samaritan was not part of the Jewish race, yet he reached out in love to care for the wounded Jew on the side of the road. And at the end of the parable, Jesus tells us to “go and do likewise.”

But it is obvious that people respond very differently to racial issues in society. Some give in fully to that instinct to stick with people who are like them and treat those of other races or ethnicities as enemies to be feared or even destroyed.

Others have learned how to behave in a more loving manner, trying to treat each person as a neighbor, or even as a brother or sister. That kind of learning can trump our responses so that we do not act out of fear or prejudice.

Acting in a loving manner toward others, we are able to follow Christ and love our neighbors as ourselves, regardless of their race, ethnicity or background.
Level 7 Class
February 6th or 7th
Chapter 9  ‘When Did My Journey Begin?’
Baptism, Your Initiation into God’s Family

The purpose of this lesson is to appreciate the significance and importance of his or her Baptism. Through washing and regeneration, the waters of Baptism make us children of God and mark the first step in our journey toward our final home in the kingdom of God. The imagery of Baptism is found in Creation; in Noah’s ark (where eight souls are saved “through water”); in the escape of the Hebrews under Moses from captivity by crossing the Red Sea; and in the crossing of the Jordan River by God’s chosen people in order to enter into the “Promised Land” (see CCC 1217-1222). By understanding the symbolism and significance of this rite in their lives, teens will be encouraged to think of the salvation story more definitively as their story.

Conversation Starters
What happens when someone is baptized?
What would you say to someone who had a baby but was going to wait until the child was older so he or she could decide for himself or herself whether to be baptized?

Level 8 Class
February 13th or 14th
Chapter 21  ‘Do I Have What It Takes?’
Building Virtue — Your Spiritual Workout

In the last lesson, we examined the Beatitudes as God’s path to help us discover goodness, beauty, truth, and freedom. In this lesson, we will focus on the spiritual “muscles” we need to exercise in order to have the strength we need for this journey. This exercise is called “growing in virtue.”

The purpose of this lesson is to recognize that virtue is not just a high ideal, but a lifelong pursuit of holiness and good habits. Just as we gradually build up our physical strength and endurance through exercise, so the exercise of spiritual virtues makes us strong enough to withstand temptation and avoid the development of sinful habits (also called “vices”).

Every vice has a corresponding virtue. It is not enough simply to “weed out” the bad habits — we must replace them with spiritually healthy ones.

Conversation Starters
We build physical muscles so we can do more and better things. ... Why do we need to build “spiritual muscle”?

Rite of Enrollment for Level 8 Saturday, February 2 & Sunday, February 3.
Reconciliation for Level 8 at 7:30PM Wednesday, March 13 & Thursday, March 14.
Confirmation with Bishop Andrzej Monday, May 20
Feminism Misunderstood
By Jane Brennan

Journey into Truth
Jane Brennan shares her powerful story of abortion and her final conversion to the Catholic Church. Men and women alike will be moved as they listen to the reconciliation, healing, and hope Jane found in Christ and his Church.

Listen on formed.org

National Day of Prayer for the African American Family
The first Sunday in February is the National Day of Prayer for the African American and African Family.

Our God of Mercy and Love,

We place our African American and African Families before You today. May we be proud of our history and never forget those who paid a great price for our liberation. Bless us one by one and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground.

Help us to live for you and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life. Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives and friends. Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do.

Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate, especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely. Bless our departed family members and friends. May they be led into the light of Your dwelling place where we will never grow old, where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity.

This we ask in the Precious Name of Jesus, our Savior and Blessed Assurance. Amen.

Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.


Saint of the Week
As with other early Christian martyrs, the details of Agatha’s story are based on Christian tradition and legend. The Sicilian-born virgin was martyred during the persecution of Emperor Decius, who ruled from 249-51. She was sent to a brothel in an attempt to force her to repudiate her vow of chastity, but she remained steadfast. Amid this ordeal, her breasts were cut off. Healed when St. Peter appeared to her in prison, she died a few days later from further torture. Popular devotion to Agatha soon spread, and she was added to the Roman Canon of the Mass in about 600.

—CNS/USCCB
REMINDERS:
We cannot allow anyone into the building during class time that is not a volunteer - doors will open at 5:30 PM for dismissal.

If you have not come in to sign for and pick up your “Parent Safety Guide” please call the office to make arrangements to do so as soon as possible.

Calendar Dates at a Glance
Monday - Thursday, February 18th - 21st: No Classes, Winter Recess
Tuesday, February 26th: First and second graders and families - Journey to Easter, Our Lenten Journey Workshop, 7:00 - 8:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. RSVP by February 15th - (785-0130).

With the cold weather upon us, we are in need of Adult Volunteers to sub when the catechist cannot come in as well as Hall Monitors to help maintain the safety in the building.

Days and times of classes:
Monday - Thursday from 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM. Please call the Religious Ed. Office at 785-0130 for more information.

Save the Date
Vacation Bible School
July 22 – 26, 2019

Life is Wild, God is Good

Join us for our next Middle School Youth Group!
We will be putting together sandwiches and packages for a local soup kitchen. This will be our service project for February. Join us on Sunday, February 10th from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the Youth Room in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School. Come by for a fun evening of service and bring a friend! Please email stbyouth17@gmail.com with any questions. Thanks!
Be Still and Know
Registration is Open for the 2019-20 School Year!

Catholic Schools Week 2019!

Schedule a Private Tour Today!

Catholic Schools Week may be over but registration has just begun! If you didn’t make it to the Open House, call the office today and schedule a private parent led tour. Come see what we are all about and join the SEAS family!

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Jesus Rejected in Nazareth

Jesus spoke to the people in Nazareth, His hometown. They were amazed.

Circle the hidden letters in the picture below.

AMAZED

Some of the people couldn’t believe.

Finish the picture.

Jesus told them, “No prophet is accepted in his hometown.”

Match the puzzle shapes to fill in the missing letters.

N h r a

a t z e

Nazareth

They asked, “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”

Joseph was a carpenter.

Count how many 8 or 9? 9 or 10?
"I tell you the truth," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown."
Luke 4:24
ACROSS
2. The earthly father of Jesus
5. Another word for a doctor
7. To make or become healthy again
8. The sacred writings of the Bible

DOWN
1. An area of high, steep rocks beside the sea
3. A person's male child
4. The town where you grew up
6. To be very surprised

HEAL   SON   PHYSICIAN   AMAZED
JOSEPH HOMETOWN SCRIPTURE CLIFF

"No prophet is accepted in his hometown."
Luke 4:24

Z A S L C F R I H U S W A C X
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P N P J H P Y O U R S E L F S
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E L E R T P I Y F E L O I E N
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HEAL
FURIOUS

HOMETOWN
ACCEPTED
TRUTH
CLIFF
Jesus Rejected in Nazareth

The people who heard Jesus speak were amazed at His words. They asked, “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?”

Find 12 differences in the second picture.

Jesus said He couldn’t do in Nazareth what He had done in other places. Then He said ...

Then Jesus did something remarkable. What was it?

Follow the arrows to go through the letters. Write them in order as you go.

W A L K A B C R D O
E E F E G H H O R W
H I D J K T L U C D
M N R O T P Q G E R
S T I G H U V H T H

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and went on His way.

Use the code to find out.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
Z Y X W V U T S R Q P O N M L K J I H G F E D C B A

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R G V O O B L F
G S V G I F G S M L
K I L K S V G
R H Z X X V K G V W
R M S R H
S L N V G L D M”