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9:00 AM to 7:00 PM;
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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 & 5 PM

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
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Fifth Week of Lent

Monday, March 19
Fr. Charles  6:30 AM
Fr. Kevin  9:00 AM

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
Intentions of Cynthia Serwan
Arthur and Patricia Kerley
Henry Bara
David O. DeRoia
Ann Passaro
Intentions of Mary Keeler

Tuesday, March 20
Fr. Kevin  6:30 AM
Fr. Adrian  9:00 AM

Wednesday, March 21
Fr. Adrian  6:30 AM
Fr. Charles  9:00 AM

Thursday, March 22
Fr. Kevin  6:30 AM
Fr. Adrian  9:00 AM

Friday, March 23
Fr. Charles  6:30 AM
Fr. Kevin  9:00 AM

Saturday, March 24
Fr. Charles  8:00 AM
Fr. Kevin  4:30 PM
Fr. Adrian  7:00 PM

Wednesday, March 21
Fr. Charles  6:30 AM
Fr. Kevin  9:00 AM

Saturday, March 24
Fr. Charles  8:00 AM
Fr. Kevin  3:00 PM
Fr. Adrian  7:00 PM

Sunday, March 25
Palm Sunday of the Passion of The
Lord
Fr. Kevin  7:00 AM
Fr. Charles  9:00 AM
Fr. Kevin  10:15 AM
Fr. Adrian  10:30 AM
Fr. Charles  12:00 AM
Fr. Adrian  5:00 PM

Deceased Members of the Valentino
Family
Deceased Members of the Forte and
D’Andrea Families
Marie Zabaraskuskas

Fr. Kevin  4:30 PM

Wedding:
Meaghan Moran and
Andrew Menzione

Donor’s Intentions
Joseph Agostinacchio
Raymond Vogts
Wayne LeChance
Barbara Matejka
Vincent Forino

Sue Walsh

Maria Borowski

Richard Aversano

For the People of Our Parish
THE JOURNEY
Cross and Crucifixion

Creative Ministries

St. Barnabas Church, Wednesday, March 21st at 8:00 PM

A live dramatic presentation of the Stations of the Cross. Join us as we experience the trial of Jesus, His journey through the streets of Jerusalem, and His final moments of the cross.
What's Pastor Thinking

If you listed all the awards that are handed out every year, the list would probably stretch from here to California. The Academy Awards, the Emmy Awards, the Tony Awards and the Golden Globe Awards. There are Person of the Year Awards and Show Dog Awards. In literature, there's the Pulitzer Prize, the Booker Prize and, of course, the Nobel Prize. Companies have their awards, schools have their awards, even kindergartens and nurseries have awards. There's probably a Pastor of the Year award, although I've never heard of it and probably never will!

Some of these awards are for merit and accomplishment, but most of them are for publicity and fame and glory. Recognition is fine, but most of the award-giving and the ceremonies surrounding them, are primarily for the sake of the glory-seekers and the hero-worshipers, for the sake of those who want to be adored, and for their adulators.

Jesus wants none of that! When the Greeks wanted to see Him, because his fame had spread throughout Palestine, Jesus didn't even bother to talk to them. They were like groupies after a rock star. They talked to Philip and Philip talked to Andrew and they both went and talked to Jesus, as if they were arranging an audience with the pope! Jesus’ reply, in essence, is: "You’re interested in glory, and being close to a hero, a famous person? The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. But it will be through total self-sacrifice and death. You want to join me in that?"

Strong words! Here Jesus is fighting a temptation to glorify Himself. He doesn't need autograph-seekers and a Greek fan club to make it even harder for Him. These fans are merely reminding Him of all that He has to GIVE UP, as He heads towards crucifixion and death in Jerusalem. He states, ‘When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself.’ Jesus is referring to both His crucifixion AND His resurrection. What a perfect example for us! What a hero for us to emulate! We can lose everything, even our life and breath. We can give ourselves away almost as if we hated life (to use Jesus' metaphor), because we have it for eternal life. It's guaranteed by love and forgiveness of God. It's as sure as a grain of wheat, that goes into the ground and dies. God will make it sprout, and bear much fruit.
We Pray for Our Deceased
Emanuel LoMonaco
Antoinette Russo
Jennie Barat
Joanne Santarsierro

We Pray for Our Sick

The Week at a Glance

Sunday:
9:00 AM    Levels 5 & 6 attending
9:00 AM    RCIA 3rd Scrutiny
1:30 PM    Baptisms
5:00 PM    Pre-Cana closing, Church
7:30 PM    Al-Anon, school cafeteria

Monday:
9:00 AM    Kindergarten and Grade 7 attending
7:30 PM    Charismatics, HFC

Tuesday:
9:00 AM    Grade 3 attending
1:00 PM    Friendly Seniors, HFC

Wednesday:
7:00 PM    Chosen Level 7, HFC
7:30 PM    RCIA
7:30 PM    Al-Anon, Rectory
8:00 PM    Creative Ministries Presentation of the Stations of the Cross, Church

Thursday:
7:00 PM    Bible Study, Rectory
7:00 PM    Chosen Level 7, HFC
8:00 PM    Choir practice

Friday:
1:30 PM    Stations of the Cross, Church
1:30 PM    Lectio Divina, Rectory
7:00 PM    Lectio Divina, Rectory

Saturday:
8:00 AM    Anointing, Church
11:30 AM    Baptisms
12:30 PM    Confession

Our Finances
3/11/18: $ 18,044
3/12/17: $16,937
Parish Families Registered:  4,995
Envelopes Mailed: 1,343
Used    3/11/18:  627
            3/12/17:  580

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900    Donors: 218
Pledged: $52,110    Received: $32,977

Special Collections
This weekend    Support Creative Ministries
March 25th    Stations of the Cross
              Maintenance & Repairs
Lighten Up
Experience the power of forgiveness this Easter

RECONCILIATION MONDAY
CHURCHES OPEN FOR CONFESSION
MARCH 26, 3-9 PM
Remember your loved ones, living and deceased, this Easter by having flowers placed on the sanctuary in their honor. The offering is $15.
Fill out this form and return it to the rectory or place in the collection basket.

IN MEMORY OF _______________________________________________________
MY NAME ___________________________________________________________
ENVELOPE # _______ AMOUNT $______________________________
**Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors**
The sign up sheets for Easter Sunday are in the Sacristy. Please sign up after Mass, or call the rectory with your availability.

**Please Stand**
Last week, meetings were held for all liturgical ministers to update the celebration of the liturgy. There is one update which affects the entire congregation. Prior to the priest praying, “Pray that my sacrifice and yours…” everyone should be standing. On Sundays, the signal to stand is the conclusion of the offertory hymn. As soon as the hymn ends, please stand. During the week when there is no offertory hymn the congregation should stand when the priest concludes washing his hands.

**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 you name on the list at the Church door.

**RCIA**
Having been presented to the bishop as nearing completion of preparation for the Easter Sacraments, our RCIA Elect and Candidates continue the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. All of us are called to continuing conversion throughout our lives, so we will join with the Elect in scrutinizing our own lives and praying to God for the grace to overcome the power of sin that still infects our hearts. The Scrutinies are celebrated throughout the world on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent. Here at St. Barnabas, the remaining Mass will be March 18th at 9:00 AM. Please continue to pray for our RCIA Candidates and Elect.

**Bells for Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Liturgies**
As you have observed during our Sunday Liturgies during Lent, the Gloria is not prayed. Lent is a penitential season so it is fitting that the Gloria is omitted. This makes the praying (singing) of the Gloria on Holy Thursday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday all the more festive. You have a special role in helping to make it festive. What we are asking is that you bring bells with you to Mass on those days. During the singing of the Gloria, we ask that you ring the bells with all your heart to proclaim God’s glory. Remember Holy Thursday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday bring a bell!

**Easter Baskets**
Social Ministry has been preparing Easter Food Baskets for many families in our community during the past couple of weeks. Your help is a sure and visible way to share the Good News of Jesus’ Resurrection and celebrate His Gift of New Life. Our baskets get packed with all of the usual items for an Easter dinner. We can especially use: canned hams, pancake mix/syrup, canned fruit, cookies, coffee, napkins, and of course, Easter candy. Donations can be left in the church lobby by the Tree of Life or brought to the rectory by March 18th. Thank you for your kindness shown toward those in need.

**St. Vincent de Paul**
In the Gospel today, Jesus says “Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.” Serving means following; following Jesus means serving. Also, serving means entering into Jesus’ death - like Jesus we must also be the grain that dies to produce much fruit. We see Jesus by being Jesus.
It’s that simple! And that challenging. We see Jesus in those who lay down their life in servanthood and others see Jesus in us when we are servants. Lent is a time for almsgiving. It’s about more than throwing a few dollars in the collection plate. It’s about reaching out to others and helping them without question as a way of sharing the experience of God’s unconditional love. When we help the poor and needy we are truly followers of Jesus. Please continue to support St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you.

Return Rice Bowls
The Rice Bowl program continues throughout Lent. We ask that the returns be made by Palm Sunday. At that time, please return your contribution in check form to St. Barnabas Church and place in the collection basket. Thank you.

Holy Land Collection
On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Each day, the news reminds us of the violence and instability plaguing the Middle East, but we rarely hear of the shrinking Christian community there, a community that struggles to remain in the land of Christ’s birth, death and resurrection. Please help support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land by giving to the Good Friday Collection. This Pontifical Collection allows the Franciscans and others to continue caring for Christianity’s holiest sites and for God’s people in the Holy Land.

50th Anniversary Celebrations
This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at a Mass on Sunday, April 29th at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa. Mass will begin at 2:30 PM.

Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship in Rockville Centre by April 13th. Call 678-5800, ext. 504.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
“Untie him and let him go.” Let the love of God free us from any fetters in our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are April 27th - 29th and November 16th - 18th in Huntington. For more information, call John and Toni Torio at (877) 697-9963 or visit them at www.wwmeli.org.

Divorced or Separated Catholics
Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island including Widows, Widowers and Singles are invited to a New Member Orientation meeting on Wednesday, March 21st at 7:30 PM at 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 will be served after the meeting. For further information, please call Carol at 794-4933 or Barbara at 798-2858.
Bellmore Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

Sunday, April 8th from 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School, South Cafeteria. Bring ID with signature or photo, minimum weight is 110 lbs., age requirements are 16 - 75 (16 year olds need parental permission and 75 year olds need doctor’s note). Eat well (low fat) and drink fluids, no tattoos for the past 12 months. For questions concerning medical eligibility call (800) 688-0900.

Tomorrow’s Hope

Join Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary Schools for the 3rd Annual 5K and Fun Run for Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. Saturday, March 24th. 8:30 AM Fun Run Start. 9:00 AM 5K Start. 450 Franklin Avenue and Fourth Street, Garden City. Hosted by St. Joseph School. Visit tomorrowshopefoundation.org to sign up.

Become a Bayhawk for the Day

Calling all 7th and 8th Graders to Shadow or Schedule a personalized tour. St. Dominic High School, 110 Anstice Street, Oyster Bay. Please contact 922-4888, ext. 5325 or admissions@stdoms.org.

Beauty and the Beast

Saint Anthony’s High School Theatre company proudly presents: Beauty and the Beast on Thursday, March 22nd at 7:00 PM, Friday, March 23rd at 7:00 PM, and Saturday, March 24th at 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Tickets are available for $10 at the door. $5 for age 12 and under for the 12:00 PM show only. Please email LCordina@stanthonyshs.org with questions.

Marian Healing Ministry

There will be a healing Mass at St. Anastasia’s Church, 45-14 245th Street, Douglaston on Tuesday, March 20th at 7:00 PM Rosary, Mass and Healing Service. Celebrant: Fr. Augustine Fernando, assisted by Deacons Joseph Mercolino, Michael Vicinanza and Jacques Philippeaux. For more information contact (718) 631-4454.

The Mercy Derby

The Mercy League is a volunteer organization that raises money for enrichment activities and equipment at Mercy Medical Center. The Glen Cove-Hicksville-Syosset Chapter of the Mercy League has an upcoming fundraising event - An Afternoon at the Races - on Sunday, April 8th from 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM at St. Ignatius Loyola Gym, 120 Broadway, Hicksville. Admission is $10. Doors open at 1:30 PM. Coffee, tea and cake will be served. Contact Judy Galgano at 681-2994 for more information.

Long Island Coalition for Life

The Long Island Coalition for Life is holding a Good Friday silent vigil on behalf of unborn children on March 30th from 10:30 AM - Noon in front of Nassau
University Medical Center, 220 Hempstead Tpke., East Meadow; on the public sidewalk. Pro-life women, men and children are invited to take part in this peaceful vigil for the protection of life in the womb and against abortions committed at NUMC and throughout Long Island. We stand as a reminder that abortion is not healthcare. Signs provided at the east end of the hospital. For information call (631) 243-1435 or email info@prolifeLI.org.

Telecare
Telecare, your Television Network of the Diocese of Rockville Centre hosts the Telecare 2018 Golf Classic, on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018. This year, Reverend Monsignor James Vlaun is pleased to announce Peter & Chelsea Costello as event Chairpersons and Radio Icon, Mike Francesa as event Honoree. Visit Telecare’s website at www.telecaretv.org or contact Dawn-Marie Feiler, Golf Classic Coordinator at 516-538-8704, ext. 118 or dmfeiler@telecaretv.org for golf, dinner, underwriting, raffle, and in-kind donation information.

Magnificat
Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend a Lenten Day of Reflection - “Journey to the Cross”, which will enable us to have a deeper experience of reflection, meditation, and prayer, as we prepare for Holy Week - on Saturday, March 24th at St. Agnes Cathedral, Ministries Bldg., Rockville Centre, from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. We will begin with Mass at 9:00 AM in the Cathedral, and then proceed to the Ministries Building. The cost is $20 per person (bring your own lunch), and pre-registration is required. Please make checks payable to “Magnificat” and mail to: Judy Murphy, 42 Pinehurst Street, Lido Beach, NY 11561. Checks must be received by March 19th. Payment will not be accepted at the door. For additional information, please contact Judy at (917) 453-5750.

Spring Craft Fair
Spring Craft Fair
Saturday, March 24th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at St. William the Abbot, 2001 Jackson Ave., Seaford. Artisans and more for the entire family! In addition to the wonderful items, we will offer Easter plants, raffle baskets, grand 50/50, baked goods, hot and cold food, and pictures with the Easter Bunny.

St. Andrew’s Pascha Bake Sale
St. Andrew’s Pascha Bake Sale will be on Saturday March 24th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM at 275 Ellison Avenue, Westbury. Slavic foods, ethnic baked goods, basket raffles and boutique items will be featured. For information, call 333-3266.

Bereavement Ministry Training
Saturday, March 24th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, at St. James Parish, Setauket in the Pastoral Center, Room 104. Visit our website www.drvc-faith.org.

St. Raphael Support Groups
St. Raphael Church, 600 Newbridge Road in East Meadow is offering several Support Groups. Cancer Survivors Support Group - How do I cope? How do others cope? Join a warm, supportive group of people who are dealing with all types of cancer and stages. It is led by a trained facilitator. Meet some friends on Tuesday afternoons, every other week at 3:00 PM in the Church, starting March 20th. Initial Bereavement Support Group - for death of a spouse or other family member. Starting the week of April 1st, for 8 weeks on Wednesday afternoons. Call
Sister Judy Fay at 308-3808. Support Groups for Families of Loved Ones Struggling with Mental Health - Group meeting will be held in the Good Shepherd Room - Third Tuesdays, starting March 20th from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM and led by trained facilitators. The group is for support of a family member/friend ONLY. Call Carol Ann at 221-6168.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Canada’s Catholic bishops say the government’s new Canada Summer Jobs grant policy “conflicts directly with the right to freedom of religion and conscience...” This policy requires that employers sign a form supporting abortion and transgender “rights” in order to receive student summer job grants, thus restricting the voices of faith communities in Canada and limiting their participation in the public square. Non-profit groups, small businesses, and private sector employers can apply for funding for wage subsidies for students ages 15-30. However, some in government did not want pro-life groups receiving grants, so this year they added the new requirement that pro-life individuals and businesses cannot, in good conscience, sign. “Christians must beware of a polite persecution that is cloaked in a disguise of culture, modernity, and progress.” Pope Francis

The Men of the Way of Light

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us, "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life." Jesus is telling us that in order to attain eternal life, a person needs to die to oneself without thought to personal comforts, desires or plans. The world tells us the exact opposite! We are told to win at all costs! Our society teaches that more is better! We are fooled by the lure of money, power and fame. Jesus is telling us that he wants us to sacrifice these things for the sake of others. Jesus, who is about to enter into His passion, gives us the greatest example by sacrificing His own life for us! He admits that His soul is troubled, but submits to God's will saying, "... for this purpose I have come." What is our purpose? What is God's will for us? Sacrificing is not easy, but it is a way for us to share in Jesus' cross. In doing so, we receive God's grace, the only true riches worth receiving! Come join us at our next meeting on Saturday, April 7th, as we discuss trusting God more and discerning His will for ourselves. We meet bimonthly on Saturdays in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel (lower church) immediately after the 8:00 AM Mass. Meetings typically go from 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM. Bagels and coffee provided. Contact Fred Kreuder at 987-5350. Email stbampg@aol.com. Visit our FaceBook page: “Men of the Way of Light - St. Barnabas Men's Faith Discussion Group.
PRAYER AROUND

THE CROSS

WITH THE ST. BARNABAS CHOIR

AND ORCHESTRAL ENSEMBLE

GOOD FRIDAY, 7:00 PM, ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

Let your spirit be moved as they sing ‘O Come and mourn with me awhile’ (Montani), ‘My God My God’ and ‘The Silence and the Sorrow’ (Lawton).

During the following pieces you will be invited to come to the cross in silence to venerate, to offer private petitions or light a candle. Don’t feel rushed. Take as much time as you like. Kneel, sit or stand before the empty Cross.

In this sacred space be close to Him as you listen to:
‘Stay with Me’ (from Matthew 26)
‘Jesus, Remember Me’ (Luke 23:42)
‘Father Into Thy Hands’ (Dubois)
‘Adoremus Te Christe’ (Dubois)
‘Lacrymosa’ (Mozart)
Saint Barnabas the Apostle

Only 300 tickets to be Sold

Great odds>>> 1 in 300 chance to win the big prize!
Last ticket pulled is the BIG WINNER

GRAND PRIZE OF $5,000

TEN - $500 PRIZES   TWO - $1,000 PRIZES

Each ticket costs $100 and entitles you to admission for two to the Drawing/Cocktail Party (must be 18 or older to purchase and/or attend)

All proceeds will support renovations to St. Barnabas Convent Building

Saturday, April 21st   8:00pm
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School cafeteria   Doors open at 7:30
Drawing starts at 8:00pm   Beer, wine, soda and hors d’oeuvres
Winner need not be present to win

In the event that less than 300 tickets are sold, the prizes will be prorated accordingly (the prize amounts will be decreased relative to the total dollars collected).

Tickets will be available for purchase at the rectory beginning the week of December 11, 2017. Cash or checks made payable to “Saint Barnabas” will be accepted.

REVERSE RAFFLE TICKET REQUEST

Name: ___________________________ Telephone #:_______________ Number of tickets: ____
Address: ____________________________

Number of adults attending the party on Saturday, April 21st _____0 _____1 _____2
Coming again to Bellmore by Popular Demand!
An independent documentary film
starring Donna Camilleri from St. Barnabas Parish, Bellmore
for the benefit of the ADRC (501(c)3) (Alzheimer’s Disease Resource Center)

A Red Carpet Premiäre Film Event
starring Donna Camilleri
in an independent documentary film
"Bella: Portrait of a Prayer"

Title: "Bella: Portrait of a Prayer"
Showtime: Thursday, March 22 - 8:00 pm
Where: Columbus Club
101 Frederick Ave., Bellmore
home of Knights of Columbus,
Council #3689

Ticket sales: In advance at Dear Little Dollies
doll shop, 418 Bedford Ave.
(516) 679-0164 (leave message)
or at event
Limited seating!

Cost: $20/ticket. No credit cards please.
Cash or Checks made out to the ADRC.
Price includes the film, light refreshments and a raffle ticket for the
grand door prize. Tickets for other raffle
items will be available at event.

"Bella" is the inspirational true life story of an amazing woman, told in her own words and in the words of her family and friends. Donna Camilleri "plays herself" in the unfolding of the extraordinary way she lives her ordinary life, and the way she touches people with the depths of her gentle humanity and giftedness. You will be moved, as so many have been, by her simple, beautiful soul.

Proceeds of all ticket sales, as well as raffles/purchases at the event, will benefit the ADRC (Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center - to spearhead a program for persons with Down Syndrome and with, or at risk of developing, young onset Alzheimer's Disease).

This film is brought to you by Dear Little Dollies doll & gift boutique, and Donna's Doings, crafting for a cause, at 418 Bedford Ave., Bellmore

www.DearLittleDolliesLtd.com • info@dldollies.com • (516) 679-0164
MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

You may have experienced the gift of our Ministry of Consolation. These are volunteers who assist families in preparation for a funeral of a loved one. We meet with the family to help choose readings, hymns and gather other information for the funeral Mass. At the funeral Mass we welcome, help with seating and are there with the boxes of tissues where needed. We are in great need of new volunteers. If you are interested, phone the Rectory Office, 785-0054. Thank you.
DISCOVERING CHRIST
A seven-week experience that invites guests to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ.

What Is the Meaning of Life?  
Why Does Jesus Matter?  
What Does Jesus Want Us To Know?  
Why Do We Need a Savior?  
Why Is the Resurrection Important?

Holy Spirit Retreat:  
Who Is the Holy Spirit? (retreat)  
The Holy Spirit and You (retreat)  
New Life in the Spirit  
Our Need for the Church

SEVEN TUESDAYS FROM MAY 15 TO JUNE 26, 2018
Holy Family Chapel ~ 6:30pm-9:00pm
Day Retreat: Saturday June 16, 2018

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

A great (free) dinner  An engaging Bible-inspired message  Discussion and conversation about the message

Register Today!  Drop off the completed form at the rectory or in the collection basket. Space is limited.

Name__________________________________________________________
Address_______________________________________________________Town_______________________________________________________
Phone Number_________________________________________________Email_____________________________________________________

Or Register Online at the following website:
https://goo.gl/forms/8pqbbjX8nMdnf1

For More Information: Email: DiscoveringChrist2018@gmail.com  Call/Text: 516-330-3685  
Join our Facebook Group: Discovering Christ Saint Barnabas

No Cost to Participate. Stairlift available.
Wedding Rehearsal Ministry invites you to join us in assisting engaged couples with their wedding rehearsal. We meet with the engaged couple and their bridal party in the church, on the evening of the rehearsal, for a walk-through of the ceremony. As a member of the ministry, you will be provided with a list of rehearsal dates and times and asked what is convenient for you. We work in pairs and training is provided. The rehearsals are a joyful time for the engaged couple and their families. It is our goal to ensure that each wedding is a beautiful celebration of the Sacrament. If you would like to join us, please leave your name and phone number at the rectory, 516 785 0054.
THE DREAM
AND OUR Deepest, TrueST SELVES

A PRAYER SERVICE
Commemorating
the 50th Anniversary of
the death of
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 4, 2018
7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Cathedral of Saint Agnes
29 Quealy Place
Rockville Centre, NY 11570

WHO: • Most Reverend John O. Barres,
      Bishop of Rockville Centre
      • Sister Thea Bowman
      Diocesan Gospel Choir

WHAT: • Homily by Bishop
      John O. Barres
      • Prayer
      • Witness talks
      • Gospel, spirituals,
        contemporary Christian music
      • Refreshments following
        prayer service

ON APRIL 4, 2018, WE
COMMENORATE ONE SACRED
LIFE, LAID DOWN AS A WITNESS
TO OUR FUNDAMENTAL
EQUALITY AS SISTERS AND
BROTHERS IN CHRIST. THIS THE
50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
ASSASSINATION OF DR. MARTIN
LUTHER KING, JR. CALLS US TO
REMEMBER, IN PRAYER, A MAN
WHO ALLOWED HIMSELF TO BE
AN INSTRUMENT OF GOD.

For more information contact:
Darcel Whitten-Wilamowski,
Office of Multicultural Diversity
516.678.5800, ext. 239 or 407.
**Religious Education**

Reminder: With the winter weather upon us we want to remind you that if the Bellmore Schools are closed we will not have religion classes. Please check Cablevision, FIOS as well as the radio stations listed in the Parent Handbook for Religion Classes Closings.

We are still in need of Adult Volunteers to be Substitutes, Hall Monitors and Attendance/Lobby Aides for our Religious Education program. Please call the office to get more information.

**Upcoming Dates in March:**

- Monday, March 19th - NO Classes
- Thursday, March 22nd - NO 4:30 PM Classes
- Tuesday, March 27th - NO Classes
- Thursday, March 29th - NO Classes - Holy Thursday

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**“Why tell my sins to a priest?” (Chapter 10)**

**The Healing Power of Confession**

The purpose of this lesson is to convey the reality of sin and its consequences, to instill an aversion to personal sin, and to cultivate a desire to seek the healing power of Christ in Confession in order to achieve deeper conversion and a more intimate walk with God. The Catechism teaches us that Catholics who have reached the “age of discretion” must go to Confession at least once a year or whenever they have committed mortal sin. Confessing venial sin on a regular basis is also recommended by the Church (see CCC 1458). A regular examination of conscience and sacramental Confession are important to personal conversion. It is important to recall that reconciliation is not primarily about punishment, but about re-establishing the unity and intimacy that sin disrupts in our relationships with God and other people.

**Conversation Starters**

Tell me how you feel about going to Confession. Do you like to go? If not, why not?

What are some ways we can see God’s “rules” (for example, the Ten Commandments) as ways to make us more rather than less free?

Why is Confession called a “Sacrament of Healing”?

**Save the Dates**

- May 1st Confirmation Rehearsal
- May 7th Confirmation
- Level 8, 04/11 or 04/12, Chapter 21
- Level 7, (Last Class) 04/18 or 4/19, Chapter 11

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**Join us for our next meeting on**

Sunday, March 25th, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Our Meeting will be in the Youth Room. We will discuss the beginning of the Season of Lent and how we can prepare for the most sacred time of the Church Year, Holy Week and Easter. Please contact our youth minister, Kieran Maelia if you have any questions. (516) 785-0130 stbyouth17@gmail.com
This past week our Mentors For Christ Program had it’s first classroom activity. Mentors worked with their assigned class to teach a Lenten themed activity. Mentors lead a lesson where they shared letters from children around the world who had written to the Pope asking questions, along with Pope Francis’s response. Mentors recreated this experience with their students by writing letters to our Auxiliary Bishop Andrzej Jerzy Zglejszewski. These letters will be compiled in a book to be presented to Bishop Andrzej.

Left: Thank you to the 8th Grade and Ms. Sena for hosting our first Lent Prayer Service. We were reminded of how Jesus carries us through the difficult times in our lives.

Right: Thank you to the 4th Grade, Ms. Burke, and Mrs. Conway for hosting our March School Mass. The story of Lazarus and the rich man reminds us of our Ash Wednesday commitment.

We are a Regional Catholic School serving our four parishes: St. Barnabas, Cure of Ars, St. Raphael, St. Frances de Chantal.

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May the Lord preserve the members of our Army, National Guard, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Merchant Marine, Coast Guard and Peace Corps from all harm.

US ARMY:

NATIONAL GUARD:

US NAVY:

US MARINES:

US AIR FORCE:
Rev. Major Timothy Hirten, Nicholas P. Wright.

US MERCHANT MARINE:
Lt. J.G. Eric Stumpel.

US COAST GUARD:
Lt. Robert M. Scaduto, Jr.

US PEACE CORPS:
Patrick Coons

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.

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 dates for class are April 8, May 13, June 10, (10:30 Mass for July 8, August 12 and September 9), October 14, November 11, December 9.
Parent & Child Program
For children ages 2-3 years old.

Register and start attending now!

Our Time is the perfect way for you and your child to become familiar with the classroom environment while singing songs, doing crafts, reading books, and celebrating God’s love together.

Class sessions are offered on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 10am to 11am from September thru June at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School.

For more information or to enroll contact:
Sabina Lamb (516) 781-9834
Or the School Office.

A Voice From Heaven
Some Greeks wished to see Jesus.

Find Jesus in the crowd.

Then a voice came from heaven.
The crowd thought it was thunder.

Shade in the ʌ ’s.

Then Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit ... And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.”
"And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself."
John 12:32
Jesus said, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.”

ACROSS
2. To be raised up
3. A heavenly servant of God, often pictured as a human with wings
5. What we humans use to speak or sing
7. The Son of God
10. The end of life

DOWN
1. Everyone and everything
4. To bring praise and honor to God
6. A large group of people
8. The land surface of the world
9. To attract someone or something

Jesus prayed, “Father, glorify Your name.”

Use the code below to fill in the missing letters.

1 = R  2 = T  3 = G
4 = L  5 = D

__O__Y
3 4 1

__O__
2

3 0 5

WORLD  DIE  TIME  HEARD  CROWD
ANGEL  HEAVEN  MYSELF  LIFTED  MEN
VOICE  FATHER  GLORIFY  PRINCE  SHOW
JUDGEMENT  DRAW  EARTH  THUNDER  NAME
There were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip with a request. What did they say?

Beginning with the second letter, cross out every other letter. Write the remaining letters on the lines.


“S ______, ______
____ ______ ______
____ ______ ______
____ ______ ______
____ ______ ______
____ ______ ______
Then Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit ... And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.”

What did Jesus reply?

Use the clock code to fill in the blanks.

The 11:00 6:00 5:00 10:00 12:00 1:00 4:00
9:00 8:00 7:00

Then, Jesus said something they found hard to understand.

Write the word that fits each description on the lines. Transfer the letters to the lines below.

sacred 1 2 3 4 male adult 19 20 21
travel on foot 5 6 7 8 opposite of down 22 23
loaf of ... 9 10 11 12 13 a long stem that grapes grow on 24 25 26 27