St. Barnabas the Apostle

Easter Season

Monday, April 24
6:30 AM  Guiseppe Cipriano
9:00 AM  James Leahy
         Alice Callahan
         Frank DeVito
         (SEAS Second Grade Attending)

Tuesday, April 25  St. Mark
6:30 AM  Teresa Hennessy Scarcella
9:00 AM  Arthur Myers

Wednesday, April 26
6:30 AM  Charlie & Ann Klika
9:00 AM  Brian Dione

Thursday, April 27
6:30 AM  Alan Schwall
9:00 AM  Patricia Klein
         (SEAS Third Grade Attending)

Friday, April 28
6:30 AM  Carole A. Henderson
9:00 AM  Deceased Members of the Grogan & Schmitt Families

Saturday, April 29  St. Catherine of Sienna
8:00 AM  James Butler
Fr. Kevin  4:30 PM  Joseph & Agnes Schmitt
         Thomas Vogel
         Theodore Muschio
         Anthony Cavallaro
         Deacon Thomas F. Coleman
         Gloria Larrick
Fr. Adrian  7:00 PM  Susan Balzafiore

Sunday, April 30  Third Sunday of Easter
Fr. Kevin  7:00 AM  Tim Darwell
Fr. Charles  9:00 AM  John Julian
Fr. Kevin  10:15 AM  Carl & Dolly Nobile
Fr. Adrian  10:30 AM  Carmine Bruno
Fr. Charles  12:00 PM  Elizabeth, Manny & Rick Vlieg
Fr. Adrian  5:00 PM  For the People of Our Parish
When and why did the church begin celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday?

The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus. According to her diary an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other “pale” (symbolizing water), with the words “Jesus, I trust in you” at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, “I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish.”

When she was canonized in 2000 under the direction of fellow countryman Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, thereby widely promoting the devotional practices associated with Faustina’s visions, already popular in many communities.

St. Faustina, a poorly educated daughter of a humble Polish family, kept a 600-page diary of the apparitions she claimed continued for years. Her entries focus on God’s mercy, the call to accept God’s mercy and to be merciful, the need for conversion, and the call to trust in Jesus. It had been Jesus’ own wish, she wrote, to establish a feast day: “I [Jesus] desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls. . . . I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy.”

Among the practices associated with the devotion are its novena, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, a series of prayers organized similarly to a rosary.
Some people frown if you question your faith. Doubt is often portrayed as negative. But aren’t doubts, when expressed sincerely, a way to reach out to God? Look at the disciple Thomas. His honest questions and doubts about the resurrection of Jesus led him to discover a deeper revelation of Jesus. It’s from Thomas's mouth we hear for the first time a statement of the divinity of Jesus Christ: ‘my Lord, and my God!’ Sincerely expressed doubt can lead to a deeper-rooted faith.

God wants us to be honest with ourselves. God is like that father who wants to sit you down on his lap and explain some things to you; maybe you will not get answers to all your questions, but the story of Thomas gives us hope that by expressing our struggles and our doubts, we will likely gain a deeper revelation of God.

God certainly understands that we can be uncertain in our faith. Doubt is human, we all go through phases of doubt and uncertainty, when we question what we believe about God. Or when we even question God. And God is big enough to deal with our questions. Doubt may even be a helpful and a necessary element in our faith. Even in our liturgy we talk about the ‘mystery of faith.’ Mystery leaves room for wonderment, uncertainty and doubt about God and our faith.

When Thomas doubted that Jesus had risen, that the other disciples had seen him, he was not mocking anybody's faith. Thomas just had to see it for himself. He was craving his own God experience. There is nothing wrong with wanting to ask questions and get answers from God for ourselves for there comes a time when the classes of our childhood in Catholic School or Religious Education isn't going to be enough. You have to find your own faith. You have to have your own God experience. In fact, the only way to ever discover your own faith comes by way of doubting, by setting aside what you have been told about God by your parents and your faith community.

Hopefully, as you tackle the hardships of the questioning process, as you leave no rock unturned, as you wrestle with life's mysteries and sufferings, as you keep searching for answers until you find that vision, until you have that God experience. Then and only then, can you truly find yourself and your place in the universe.

So, embrace your doubts, don't let anybody hold you back on your faith journey. Don't worry, we all have them. You are not alone. We're all in this together. The story of Thomas shows us that our doubts and our questions have a rightful place in God’s Church.
The Week at a Glance

Sunday:
1:30 PM  Baptisms
6:00 PM  Pre-Cana Closing, HFC
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, School

Monday:
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

Tuesday:
1:00 PM  Friendly Seniors, HFC
7:00 PM  Family Music, Church

Wednesday:
4:30 PM  5th & 6th Grade Altar Server Training, Church
6:00 PM  5th & 6th Grade Altar Server Training, Church
7:00 PM  Rosary Making Group, School
7:30 PM  Knights of Columbus, HFC Memorial Mass
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, Rectory
7:30 PM  RCIA, Convent
8:00 PM  Choir Rehearsal, Church

Thursday:
4:30 PM  3rd & 4th Grade Altar Server Training, Church
6:00 PM  3rd & 4th Grade Altar Server Training, Church
7:00 PM  Bible Study, Rectory

Friday:
1:30 PM  Lectio Divina, Convent
7:30 PM  Lectio Divina, Convent

Saturday:
8:00 AM  Eagle Scout Project, HFC
11:30 AM  Baptisms, Church
12:30 PM  Confessions, Church

Financial Reports

Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $106,400 Donors: 390
Pledged: $87,284 Received: $51,793

Second Collection This Week
Music Ministry Expenses & Resources

Next Week
We promote our ‘Baby Shower’

Rice Bowls
Please return donation in check form to the Church or Rectory.
“Giving, Not Giving Up”
The St. Barnabas Lenten program ‘Giving, not Giving Up’ was a tremendous success made possible by our very thoughtful and generous parishioners. Not only was it such a tangible sign of giving but such a blessing to the many needy people we serve in the Bellmore community. Thank you for your wonderful act of kindness.

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Easter Baskets
Many thanks to all who contributed toward our Easter Baskets. Fifty-four families were provided with the food needed to prepare Easter dinner. A special thank you to the Pantry volunteers and the organizations that made such generous donations. They include: our St. Vincent DePaul Society, Boy Scout Troop 577, King Kullen, Panera Bread and the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.

Mother’s Day is soon approaching and we will once again support our local agencies - Birthright, Momma’s House and Regina House with help for their moms and babies. They have sent us their Wish Lists and hope we can fill them as much possible.

The items include:
- Diapers, especially sizes 3,4,5,6
- Infant(3month & up) and Toddler clothing. No used items, please.
- Layette – bath tub, towels/ washcloths, receiving blankets, bibs, onesies, sweater/ hats, diaper bags
- Crib sheets / Mattress pads
- Baby Care Products – baby wash, shampoo, sunscreen, etc.
- Gifts for moms - slippers/ flip-flops, umbrellas, hair care products, towels/washcloths and gift cards.

Thank you so much for supporting our Mother’s Day Baby Shower.

Donations can be brought to the church lobby or rectory next weekend through the weekend of May 6th & 7th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
Many thanks to Logan, Kyle, John, Chris and Thomas, local Scouts of Bellmore, who prepared our Easter fire. Their leaders were Mr. Gus Ham, Mr. Michael O’Brien and Mr. Richard Czarnecki.

In the early hours of Easter we were honored to welcome new members to the Church: Yessica Reyes, Sheri Procopio, John Christianson and Laura Matto.
Our upholstered donkey made an appearance in the **Palm Sunday** entrance procession. We gave out Palm Crosses that were made by the children at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School.

Children reenacted the Last Supper on **Holy Thursday**, dressed as disciples and sat at a Passover Table. They washed hands (instead of feet) and ate samples of unleavened bread known as Matzoh.

On **Good Friday**, the children dressed as disciples and carried the cross at the outdoor Stations of the Cross.

**Easter Sunday**, the children processed in with Fr. Adrian with such reverence with prayer hands and dressed in their Easter clothing. The children got to see the corkboard cross with the paper butterflies opened up. On the butterflies, the children wrote down what they gave up for Lent.

Everyone received a small bottle of holy water and an Easter egg. The bottles were filled by the children of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School.

**Agape Sunday** will take place on May 7th and June 4th. Children are always invited to participate in the Family Liturgy by joining in the procession, reading, singing, or playing an instrument. E-mail stbarnabasfamilyliturgy@gmail.com to sign up.
Mass Book for 2018
The 2018 Mass Book is open. The offering is $20 per Mass. Mass intentions may be booked at the rectory during regular office hours.

Eucharistic Ministry Training
Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required for all those who are beginning as Ministers. Contact the rectory office if you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister in our parish.

Baptismal Preparation Team Members
The Baptismal Preparation Team is in need of more members. Your involvement would include a monthly attendance at a Baptismal ceremony to assist in facilitating the celebration of the sacrament and welcoming the parents as they arrive. You would arrive prior to the ceremony, and set up by turning on lights, setting out the oils used for the ceremony, the candles and the baptismal bibs. You would then assist the celebrant by having ready those items as they are needed. Additionally Baptismal Team Members share their faith with the families presenting a child for baptism. For further information, or to volunteer, call Fr. Kevin at the rectory office.

Wedding Rehearsal Ministry
The Wedding Rehearsal Team is recruiting new members. We take our wedding couple through the rehearsal process a day or two before the wedding and it is a two hour commitment per month. Please join this happy and rewarding ministry. Leave your name at the rectory office if you are interested.

Maintenance & Repair Update
We have been repairing potholes, broken sidewalks, and flashed and recoated the school roof. Thank you for your continued support of our Maintenance & Repair Collection.

For Evening Maintenance and Security
Always call the rectory if you have a maintenance or security issue while on the property of St. Barnabas. Monday through Thursday between the hours of 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM please call the St. Barnabas cell phone for assistance at 280-0359.

Regular Sacrificial Giving
You can contribute to St. Barnabas with on-line banking and bill paying services. Your financial institution will send the check directly to St. Barnabas. Include your name, address, donation amount & envelope number. Each week this amount will be credited to your account. This eliminates using weekly envelopes and guarantees that your donation will be received regularly. Call the rectory to make your commitment. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Eagle Scout Project
Dillon Pekoff of Boy Scout Troop 123 is doing his Eagle Project. He will be renovating the Blessed Mother Prayer Garden in front of the St. Barnabas Convent. The project will consist of laying new pavers, new plantings, new benches and fixing up the statue and the rest of the area. Your donations and support will be greatly appreciated.

Rosary Making Group
The Rosary Making Group welcomes new members. We meet every Wednesday, from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the school cafeteria. Please call Melissa at 221-9821 if you are interested in joining.

Ladies Auxiliary Bingo & Chinese Auction
A Bingo & Chinese Auction hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary will be held at the Bellmore Fire House (230 Petit Ave, Bellmore) on Friday, May 5th. Doors open at 6:00 PM, and the first game of bingo begins at 7:30 PM. Admission for adults is $10 and children 10 years and under is $4. Please call Mary Grace at 448-5573 with questions.

Second Collection May 6 & 7.
The second collection on May 6 & 7 is in support of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School and the Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. Tomorrow’s Hope provides tuition assistance to families with students who would like to attend a Catholic elementary school, but just need a little help to make that happen. The Foundation has provided almost 2...
million dollars-a-year to offset tuition costs, but the actual student need approaches 6 million dollars.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School also benefits from your donation. Currently, tuition, parish subsidy and fundraising all help to balance the budget and we are grateful for your support. The money that you give to the second collection today will help us expand on the school’s great academic performance, and will assure that the school remains a place where students can learn and live their faith. Sustaining Catholic education is vital to the future of our society and to our Church. Today’s students are our future. They are truly tomorrow’s hope. Thank you for all you do to support our children and our schools, and thank you in advance for your generous donation on the weekend of May 6 & 7.

Widows & Widowers
Join us for lunch on Thursday, May 11th at 12:30 PM at Gusto De Vito, 3930 Sunrise Highway, Seaford. The cost is $26 per person. Checks should be sent to Joyce Quinn, 2463 Freeport St., Wantagh, NY 11793. Please call Joyce at 781-6475 if you have any questions.

Bereavement Support Group
Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are open to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death. There is no charge. Upcoming Bereavement Support Groups, led by a Bereavement Specialist include: Spousal/Partner Loss Support Group - May 10th - June 28th, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM, Adult Loss of Parent or Sibling Loss Support Group - May 10th - June 28th, 6:45 PM - 8:15 PM. Groups are held at Mercy Medical Center, 1000 North Village Ave., Rockville Centre, Registration is required, call Carolyn Lisi-Haas at (631)828-7629.

Grief Workshop
Love Never Dies. This workshop will help us find strength, joy and hope in the gifts our loved ones share and continue to grace us with even after their deaths. This will be a gentle and safe place for healing even years after a loss, a special time of awareness and reflection on the gifts our loved one gave us as well as an opportunity to gently heal some of the hurting places. Sunday, April 30th, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM (12:30 PM for arrivals and refreshments) at the Maude Adams House, 310 Cenacle Road, Ronkonkoma. For reservations call Cenacle Sisters at (631)588-8366. Offering: $30 - $15 deposit required to hold your reservation.

Divine Mercy Sunday
Sunday, April 23rd at St. Rose of Lima Church, Massapequa. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM.

Prayer for Priests of the Diocese.
Tuesday, April 25th join in a Night of Intercessory Prayer for Priests of the Diocese. Adoration and prayer for the priests of the Diocese of Rockville Centre will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. at St. Rosalie Church, Hampton Bays; St. Anthony of Padua, East Northport and St. Agnes Cathedral (Adoration Chapel), Rockville Centre.

100 Years of Fatima Day
Saturday, May 13th. 100 Years of Fatima will be celebrated at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport Manor Road, Manorville. The day will begin with a 10:00 AM Procession & Prayer at the Rosary Walk followed by 11:30 AM Mass at the Rock, a 1:30 PM conference and 3:00 PM Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. For more information call (631)325-0661.
March 4 Life - New York
March 4 Life New York. Saturday, April 29th at 11:00 AM at Brookhaven Town Hall. March to Bald Hill Amphitheater for Rally. Hosted by Pastors Joni & Jim Lupis. For more information call 631-681-7275; email March4LifeNY@gmail.com; website: www.march4lifeny.org.

Unmasking Planned Parenthood
Friday, May 5, 2017 from 7-8:15 PM as we stand as a reminder that there is nothing to celebrate about killing unborn babies at the event. Pro-lifeers, with our presence & signs, silently educate those attending the Planned Parenthood Gala Fundraiser, Bethpage State Park, Bethpage, Carlyle on the Green Restaurant. (We stand outside the circle in front of the clubhouse/restaurant). Rain or Shine - Signs provided. Sponsored by Long Island Coalition for Life (631-243-1435; www.info@prolifeLI.org).

Long Island Coalition for Life
Lobby Trip to Albany. Wednesday, May 10th. There are several pick up points throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties beginning at 4:45 AM. Return home between 5 & 6 PM. For more information or to reserve a seat leave a message at (631) 758-2093. Please register ASAP.

Using the "Words that Work":
Do you get tongue-tied, flustered or intimidated discussing abortion and other life issues? You are not alone, and the Long Island Coalition for Life Educational Trust wants to provide you with the clarity of thought and words to say to articulately express your views. Using the "Words that Work": Effectively Opposing Physician-Assisted Suicide, Sunday, May 21st, 1:30-4:30 PM presented by Jason Negri, MS, JD of the Patients Rights Council. Learn to thoughtfully & effectively speak about the danger physician-assisted suicide poses to the medically vulnerable while facing end-of-life decisions with a medical community increasingly comfortable with hastening a patient's death. American Legion Hall, Islip. No Admission charge. Light Refreshments. American Legion Hall - Islip directions: 39 Nassau Ave.-behind Islip Town Hall, off NY 27A. Municipal parking east side of Town Hall. For information about either event call LICL Educational Trust: 631-243-1435; info@PROLIFELI.org.

Project Rachel
Through Days of Prayer and Healing Project Rachel seeks to help those who suffer deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ so that they may feel His gentle and healing touch. There are two upcoming Days of Prayer and Healing scheduled for women in our Diocese on June 17th and December 9th, 2017. If you know of a woman who would benefit from this ministry, please let her know about these dates and have her contact us at projectrachel@drvc.org or 1(888)456-HOPE(4673). All communications are kept confidential.
Caritas Award Dinner
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rockville Centre will be hosting their annual Caritas Award Dinner on Thursday, May 18th at Carlyle on the Green at Bethpage State Park. Please join them in honoring Brian & Beth Crimmins for their unwavering commitment to the needy of Long Island. Sponsorship packages, tickets and e-journal ads are available for purchase. If you are unable to attend, but would like to lend your support, donations in any amount are greatly appreciated and may be mailed to Catholic Charities, Development Department, 90 Cherry Lane, Hicksville. For more information call 733-7042.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul
In today’s Gospel the disciples were gathered behind locked doors because of fear, then the Risen Jesus stands in their midst and they are filled with Joy as Jesus speaks words of peace and forgiveness. During Mass we turn to each other and say, “Peace be with you!” When you support, St. Vincent de Paul you “Peace be with you!” to those who are poor and needy.

Friendly Visitors
Catholic Charities has volunteer opportunities for the Friendly Visitor Program to offer bi-monthly companionship to homebound senior citizens in our Meals on Wheels program in North Bellmore and East Meadow. A friendly companion would offer socialization and conversation for seniors and would not include cooking, housekeeping or transportation. If you are available, please contact Mary Ellen Kwiecinski, Volunteer Coordinator at 733-7044. Your gift of time is greatly appreciated.

Administrative Assistant
A part time (24 hours per week) position is available to provide support to the Parish Social Ministry Director for a Western Nassau Parish. Parish Social Ministry enables those within the parish community to serve and support those in need. We are looking for a compassionate and caring individual with strong communication skills. Our ideal candidate must also be proficient in Microsoft Office and database entry. Please submit a cover letter and resume by emailing malloy.paula@catholiccharities.cc.

Distribution Clerk/ Truck Driver
A part time position of 3 days a week plus one Saturday per month to drive a box truck to mobile sites, distribute food to program participants and maintain inventory. For consideration please email your resume to jobs@catholiccharities.cc.

Eligibility Specialist
A part time position of 3 days a week plus one Saturday per month. Determine eligibility for CSFP based on established guidelines, able to work at main site as well as at mobile sites and must be
Hope House Ministries 5K Run/Walk
Please join us at our 1st Annual 5K Run/Walk to End Addiction (includes a Free Kids Fun Run) at Shore Front Park in Patchogue on May 20th. Pre-register by May 5th to receive a Dry-Fit T-shirt. Pre-registration is $25, day of event is $30. Register at www.strongislandrunningclub.com. Sponsorships are welcome. Please contact Joe Folks at (631)949-2442 if you have any questions.

Catholic Teachers in Public Schools
If you are a public school teacher, or if a friend or family is one, this morning is for you and for them. Your witness as an educator, informed by your Catholic values, touches so many young lives. Sunday, May 7th at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington. 11:00 AM Mass in the Seminary Chapel followed by Brunch and Presentation in the Seminary Dining Room. The speakers will be Thomas Renker, Esq. and Barbara Samuells. The offering is $10.00. For more information visit the website of the Office of Faith Formation of the Diocese of Rockville Centre at www.drvc-faith.org.

Office of Faith Formation, Liturgy II
Fundamentals and Basic Principles of Liturgy. Topics will include, the parish liturgy committee, celebrating the Liturgical Year in a parish, celebrating the sacraments in a parish, evaluating the liturgical life of a parish and a forum for practicalities and issues. The instructor is Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, D. Min. The dates are May 2, 9, 11, 16, &18 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 210 S. Wellwood Ave., Lindenhurst. The cost for the program is $40.00 per person. To learn more and to register online go to www.drvc-faith.org or call Marie Ventimiglia at 678-5800 ext. 505.

Articulation of Liturgical Life
A conversational introduction to the understanding of the Liturgy of the Mass and the Liturgical Year. The dates are May 2, 9, 11, 16, &18 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 210 S. Wellwood Ave., Lindenhurst. The cost for the program is $40.00 per person. To learn more and to register online go to www.drvc-faith.org or call Marie Ventimiglia at 678-5800 ext. 505.

Office of Faith Formation, RCIA Level II
Training is available for individuals wishing to be members of an RCIA team in a parish. Topics include methods and techniques for adult catechesis, developing and forming a catechetical team, structure and resources for an RCIA session, facilitating the RCIA process, principle of liturgy planning for the rites of initiation. Classes will be held at St. Killian Parish (Green Room of the Parish Center), 485 Conklin Street Farmingdale on Mondays, May 1, 8, 15 & 22 from 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM. You must attend all sessions. The cost is $40.00 per person. Register online at www.drvc-faith.org. Contact Diana Pizarro at 678-5800 ext. 592 with questions.

Living the Serenity Prayer
This weekend retreat is for women in recovery and their female friends and family members. As often as we recite the Serenity Prayer, do we really know how to live it in the ups and downs of everyday life? We will walk through a practical and spiritual approach to the key concepts of acceptance, change/action, and the wisdom of discernment. The retreat director is Betty Hill Crowson, the author of two books, “The Joy in the Journey: A Woman’s Guide through Crisis and Change” and “The Busy Person’s Guide to Balance and Boundaries”. Friday, April 28th at 7:00 PM to Sunday, April 30th at 12 Noon at the Tabor Retreat Center, 60 Anchor Ave., Oceanside. Donation of $240 includes room and meals, commuters donation of $205 includes meals, $60 deposit is required. Online registration is available at www.taborretreatcenter.net or call 536-3004.

Christian Music Ministry
Peter Stanganelli will open for Jeremy Camp at NYCB Theater at Westbury on Friday, April 28th at 8:00 PM. Visit www.livenation.com for tickets.

Book Talk at the Seminary Library
Father Robert Lauder, popular columnist and philosophy teacher at St. John's University, will lecture on "Walker Percy, Existentialist Novelist," using the novel ‘The Moviegoer’ as he explains how the famous author was influenced by existentialist philosophy. Father Lauder will also be signing copies of his new book, Pope Francis' Profound Personalism and Poverty. Sunday April 23, 2 - 4 p.m. in the library (4th floor) of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, 631-423-0483 ext. 141, libraryweb@icseminary.edu No reservations required. Refreshments will be served.
First Holy Communion Rehearsal Schedule

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Altar Server Training

**Wednesdays**, April 19th & 26th from 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM & 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM for 5th grade and up.

**Thursdays**, April 20th & 27th from 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM & 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM for 3rd & 4th grades.

Altar Servers will attend 2 weeks of training.

Call the rectory and let us know what time your child will be able to attend.

If you are in the 3rd grade or higher, and would like to serve as an Altar Server call Fr. Charles at 785-0054 or email charlesomotu@yahoo.com.

Widows and Widowers, Divorced & Single Catholics of Long Island

Meeting and new member orientation will be held at St. Frances de Chantal School, 1309 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:30 PM. Bring proof of single status to join. For further information call Carol at 794-4933 or Barbara at 798-2858.

Faith Formation

The 12th Annual St. Patrick School Car Show will be held on Sunday, April 30th (rain date May 7th) at St. Patrick Church, 280 East Main Street in Smithtown. The show features cars trucks and motorcycles including movie replica cars, as well as food and entertainment. Admission is $5 for adults, children are free. Show car admission is $15 and motorcycles are $5. Email spscarshow@optonline or call (631)588-2696 for information.

Please check the Religious Education Website to keep up to date on what’s happening in Religious Education. Registration forms are available on the Religious Education Website. Please make sure you read the Parent Cover Letter and Parent Handbook before filling out the forms.
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Regional Catholic School
Where we “Reach” with Respect, Responsibility & Reverence
Please visit our website, www.steas.com and Facebook Page for all our news and current events.

Early Childhood Open House
Sunday, April 30th
11:00 AM-1:00 PM
2341 Washington Ave, Bellmore – (516) 785-5709

Think of your Faith First!
Come see how a Catholic Education will provide your child with the tools to lead a happy and virtuous life!
Grandparents give a lifelong gift of a Catholic Education!

Congratulations to April’s Ambassadors of Christ! You make us proud by continually putting Christ first in your life.
Keep your light shining bright!

Thank you to the 1st Grade for presenting our School Mass this month. It is so exciting to see the younger students stepping into this important role. You did a fabulous job!

Thank you to the 7th Grade for presenting our 5th Lenten Prayer Service and guiding us on our Lenten journey.

Girl Scout Troop 3614 is holding a volunteer drive at the Wantagh Petco located in the Willow Wood Shopping Center on April 27th from 3:30pm - 7:30pm. Local Animal Shelters are in desperate need for volunteers. Troop 3614 goal is to raise awareness. The troop will be handing out volunteer applications at this time. If you are interested be sure to stop by!

K-1 Andrew Militello
K-2 Bella Clinton
1-1 Ella Nasso
1-2 Giuliana Ribortone
2-1 PJ Romanelli
2-2 Christopher LaVacca
3-1 Keira Tatje
3-2 Natalie Tomei
4-1 Lily Gormsen
4-2 Roisin O’Brien
5-1 Kevin McGrory
5-2 Josephine DiFranco
6-1 Matthew Dunphy
6-2 Elizabeth Gonzalez Portieles
7-1 Brienne Zaremba
8-1 John Paul Rincon
US Army:

National Guard:

US Navy:

US Marines:

US Air Force:
Capt. McLean G. Bethea, Nicholas P. Wright, Rev. Major Timothy Hirten

US Merchant Marine:
Lt. J.G. Eric Stumpel.

US Coast Guard:

US Peace Corps:
Patrick Coons
Easter Flowers In Memory of  Ed & Joanne Sawicki from Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Williams, The deceased members of the Giaquinto & Robinson Families from Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Gerard V. Curley from Mary Curley, Harriet E. Mackin, James Mackin & Family, Sigrid A. Rydberg from Linda M. Rydberg, Charles J. Liggio from Mrs. Annmarie Liggio, FDNY Captain Vincent M. Giammona & Dorothy Giammona from Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Julian, Toni & Frank Rabbito and Jeff from Mr. & Mrs. Donald Drechsel, Andrew Kollar, Charles & Gisella Malkisch, Ilona Gujde from Ms. Mary Kollar, Maher & Campbell Families from Mr. & Mrs. John Campbell, Manney & Williams Families from Eileen Williams, Diego Gentile from Mrs. Marie Genite, Antonino Marsico from Mrs. Catherine Brooks, Antonino Marsico from Mrs. Lidia Marsico, Deceased members of the McCann & Minogue Families from Mr. & Mrs. John Minogue, Emma & Antonino Ceballo, Elizabeth & Herman Luecke from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Luecke, Sean Maier from Mr. & Mrs. Walter Maier, George E. Christmann, Jr., Isabella Lanza from Mr. & Mrs. Paul R. Lanza, Albert Wildeman, Joan Petito from Mrs. Rosemary Wildeman, Brian Thomas Roche from Kathy & Dennis Roche, Deceased Members of the Pekoff & Cronin Families, Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Pekoff, Susan & John Iengo from Mr. & Mrs. Richard T. Soieri, Vito Orlando from Mr. & Mrs. Vito Orlando, Merget & Canale Families from Mrs. Barbara Merget, Frederick W. Burns, Julia V. Burns, Sgt. Frederick J. Burns, Margaret Foster from Mr. & Mrs. Gerald E. Foster, Patricia & Arthur Kerley, David & Kathleen Uttendorfer from Mr. & Mrs. James M. Kerley, Kane, Rugis & Morgan Families from Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kane, Paul Maffeo from Mr. & Mrs. Michael P. Valenzano, Anne & Clement Solieri from Mr. & Mrs. Richard T. Solieri, Sr. Mary Louis LaBosco from Mr. & Mrs. Richard T. Solieri, Ralph & Concordia LaMaglia from Mr. Ralph LaMoglia, Michael Pierce, Donald Irwin, Letty Evans from Mr. & Mrs. James Pierce, Salvatore Accurso from Mrs. Patricia Accurso, John Patrick Savage from Mrs. Barbara Savage, Rose Wagner from Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Burlew, Anna & Daniel Killien from Mrs. Helen Kelliien, Balestrieire & DiMeglio Families from Mr. & Mrs. John Balestrieire, Mary Sessa, Michael Grassi, Vento Family from Mr. & Mrs. M. Vento, James Hogan from Mrs. Kathleen Cuervo, Bob & Rita Hayes from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hayes, Patricia E. Klein from John J. Klein, Robert Coons & Anna Hayden from Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Coons, Camille Quintiliani from Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Cuadrado, Margaret & Dominic Stassia from Mr. & Mrs. Alan Nevelik, Mr. & Mrs. Jeremiah Scully from Mrs. Christine Sass, Annmarie Friedmann from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Friedmann, Vincent & Anne Buonocom, Joseph & Julia Ferriso from Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Ferriso, Salvemmi, Schiavone & Vlieg Families from Mr. & Mrs. Domenick Schiavone, Jane & Joseph Depuy and Kathleen & William Wrynn from Mr. & Mrs. J. Depuy, Camillery & Alidilla Families from Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Camillery, Joseph Capobianco from Ms. Christine Capobianco, Gloria Fabisiak from Mr. William Fabisiak, John Johannesen from Mr. & Mrs. Eric Johannesen, Carucci, Trimarco and Tartaglia Families from Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Trimarco, McHugh & Guerier Families from Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McHugh, Raschedonfer & Kopp Families from Mrs. Sieglinde Zechen, Love & Benevento Families from Mr. & Mrs. Richard P. Benevento, Jedlic Familey from Ms. Kathleen A. Jedlica, Thomas & Grace O’Toole from Elizabeth King, Gladys Slavin from Dennis Slavin, Theresa & Walter Beatty, Peg & Hugh Mason from Mr. & Mrs. Hugh P. Mason, Frank William Waring, Harold Emmit McFadden, Francis J. Garrett, Mr. & Mrs. Emily & Harold J. McFadden from Mrs. Diane Garrett, James & Ann Healey, Anna Callahan from Eileen Healey, Louis A. Cioffi from Mrs. Rita Cioffi, Sadie Presticiacom from Mr. & Mrs. R. Rebentisch, Berry, Saueracker, Mousseau, Korn from Mr. & Mrs. John Berry, The Foley Family from Ms. Eileen Dempsey, Ms. Dale Meyer from Mr. & Mrs. John Cheng, Jonathan Casale from the Griffin Family, Betty & John Holdampf from Susan Youngson, SC, RC, DP, FP, AP, JC from P. Cacioppo, Mom, Dad, Richard from Mrs. Joan Vanderstine, Hellenschmidt & Scuder Families from Mr. & Mrs. John Scuderi, Howe, Torrio Families from Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Howe, Rosa C. Medina from Quiceno Family, Maurizio & Beatrice Felicetti from Mrs. Filomena Felicetti, Aldo Carparelli & Baby Jensen from Peter & Lucy Jensen.

Private Intentions of  Mr. Joseph Schiebel, Mrs. Maria V. Cuello, Mrs. Lidia Benedetti, Mr. & Mrs. William Styne, Mr. & Mrs. Casimir J. Rappa, Mr. & Mrs. Santi F. DiFranco, Mrs. Mary C. McDevitt, Mr. & Mrs. Brian Kenny, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Facinelli, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Mullane, Kregler Family, Ms. Lystra Estrada.
Jesus told them about forgiveness.

Find the hidden objects in the picture below.

Trace the letters.

Forgive

ACROSS
1. A place where someone, especially an important person, is buried
5. A period of twenty-four hours
6. To kill someone by tying or nailing them to a cross
7. A period of seven days
8. A hard solid substance found in the ground which is often used for building

DOWN
2. The whole physical structure that forms a person
3. The first or early part of a day
4. "He is not here, he has _____." Luke 24:6

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Help the disciples get to the people.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Jesus also told them ...

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.
\(\triangle = R\) \(\bigcirc = T\) \(\star = H\)
\(\square = S\) \(\diamond = V\) \(\odot = L\)

“___ E C E I ___ E
\(\triangle\) \(\diamond\)

___ ___ E
\(\bigcirc\) \(\star\)

___ O ___ Y
\(\star\) \(\odot\)

___ P I ___ I ___.”
Write the missing letter from each group on the line.

1. deghi __
2. npqrs __
3. nopqs __
4. delhi __
5. ghijkl __
6. uwxyz __
7. cdfgh __
8. mopqr __
9. bcdfg __
10. rtuvw __
11. pqrtu __

“If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven.”

Shade in the even-numbered shapes to find out.

What else did Jesus say?

Use the code to find out.

Heart | Diamond | Circle | Star | Square

“A

How did the disciples react?

Find the word that does not belong in each group. Then, write the correct words on the lines below.

6 ant they bee
3 were string yarn
2 sheep cattle disciples
4 rain wind overjoyed
8 Lord boy girl
1 Sun The Moon
7 saw yellow red
5 walk run when
Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 24 to Friday, July 28, 2017

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. Limited to 90 campers. Tuition - $75.00 per camper

For children entering Pre-K through Sixth Grade as of September 2017

REGISTRATION CLOSES on June 2nd OR when we reach 90 campers – whichever comes first!

Child’s Name:_______________________________________________________ Male / Female (circle)

Child’s Age:_____________ Date of Birth:______________________ Grade as of September 2017______

T-Shirt: CIRCLE – YOUTH OR ADULT Size: S M L XL

Name of Parents/Guardians:_________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________________________ Phone #_____________________

Allergies or Other Medical Conditions/ restrictions: ___________________________

Other than Custodial Parent/Guardian who may pick up your child?

Name:_________________________________________________________ Phone#:_____________________

Emergency Contact:_____________________________________________ Phone #:_____________________

Relationship to Child:_________________________________________

Signature of Parent Guardian:________________________________________________________________

Signed Photo Release Form and payment MUST be submitted with this registration form. Payment may be made using Cash, Check or Credit Card (in person only).

Please make checks payable to: St. Barnabas and mail or drop off forms & payment to: Office of Christian Formation, St. Barnabas the Apostle, 2320 Bedford Avenue, Bellmore, NY 11710
The Church of Saint Barnabas
Office of Christian Formation

It has been the history and tradition of St. Barnabas Vacation Bible School to take camp pictures of all the groups at VBS to send home as a memento. Sometimes we also take random pictures of the campers enjoying the different activities at VBS which we put on a display board for the families to see when they attend the VBS concert and we might also display with prior years pictures at future VBS sessions. Please note we will not list or label the camper's names just the group name – example the Sand Castles.

**Photo/Video Release Form**

I hereby grant permission, without reservation, to St. Barnabas the Apostle Parish, and to those authorized by St. Barnabas the Apostle Parish, to take photographs and to make recordings of my child or children named below, and to use them in original or modified form all media now or hereafter known, (including, without limitation, websites, bulletins, newsletters and promotional brochures) with or without name or information, solely for the promotion, public education, and/or fundraising activities of St. Barnabas the Apostle Parish. I understand and agree that I am entitled to receive no compensation for the above.

I release St. Barnabas the Apostle Parish, its officers, directors, agents, employees, Independent contractors, licensees and assignees from all claims that I now have or in the future may have, relating to the above. I further agree that St. Barnabas the Apostle Parish will be the sole owner of all tangible and intangible rights in the abovementioned photographs and recordings, with full power of disposition.

I am the parent or guardian of the minor(s) named below, and I hereby consent to the foregoing on behalf of the minor(s) and myself.

Name(s) of Child/Children:

______________________________________________________________  
______________________________________________________________

My name:________________________________________________________

Signature: _______________________________________________________

Date: ___________________________________________________________