MISSION STATEMENT:

We, the parish of St. Agnes Cathedral, a community of believers, proclaim the presence of Christ in the world through Word, Sacrament and deeds. Affirming the sanctity of each person, we minister to all by committing ourselves to renewal, formation and living the Gospel.
Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening
5:00 p.m. — Cathedral        7:30 p.m. — Lower Hall
7:30 p.m. — Cathedral (Spanish Mass)

Sunday
7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m.
10:30 a.m. — Lower Hall (not celebrated in summer)

Weekday
6:30, 7:45, 9:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m.  (No 12:10 p.m. Saturday)
Monday 7:30 p.m.

Eve of Holy Day  5:00 p.m.
Holy Day — Check the weekly bulletin

Cathedral & Adoration Chapel Hours

As a reminder to parishioners and visitors alike, the Cathedral doors will be locked Monday through Friday, following the 12:10 p.m. Mass (closing at approximately 2:00 p.m.). For those who wish to pray later in the day, the Adoration Chapel is open until 7:00 p.m. Access to the Chapel is through the north door on Clinton Avenue. On weekends the entire Cathedral is open until the completion of that day’s final Mass.

"Mass Transit" Bus Service

St. Agnes Cathedral offers bus service to parishioners who are unable to drive to Sunday Mass. Our “Mass Transit” mini-bus provides service to our 9:30 a.m. Mass. Please leave your name, address and phone number with the rectory office if you need a ride.

Contact Numbers

Rectory Office ........................................... 766-0205
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Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  Emergencies anytime

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Adult Formation (RCIA) .................678-2306
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Music Office .................................764-9578
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Comunidad Hispana ..........................766-0205
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Business Office .............................766-0205
Harry Larson, Manager

Sacraments

Confessions
Saturday, Eve of Holy Day, and Eve of First Friday from
4:00 to 4:45 p.m.
Monday Evening following
7:30 p.m. Mass.
Wednesday Morning
following the 7:45 a.m. Mass
and the 12:10 p.m. Mass.

Baptism
Once a month on
Saturday at
12:30 p.m. and
on the 2nd and
4th Sunday of
the month at 1:45 p.m.
Contact the Rectory Office
to arrange for interview,
ceremony and registration
for required Baptist
Preparation Class (for first
time parents).
Spanish Baptisms take place
before the 7:30 p.m. Spanish
Mass on Saturday evening.
Please call the Rectory
Office for more information.

Marriage
Arrangements should be made at
least 12 months in
advance and prior to making
reception plans. Call the
Rectory for an appointment
with the priest or deacon
you wish to witness your
wedding. All couples are
required to attend Pre-Cana.

Pastoral Care of the Sick
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parishioners confined to
home. Please call the Rectory Office to make
arrangements. Those who
are seriously ill should
request a priest for Anointing
of the Sick. The Anointing of
the Sick is also celebrated
each Monday morning
during the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
If you would like to be
anointed, please sit in the
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Masses For The Week

Monday, February 5, St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
6:30  Brendan McAShane
7:45  Donald MacNaughton
9:00  William J. Gillespie
12:10 Dr. Dominick Sabatino
7:30  Sergio DiBenedetto

Tuesday, February 6, St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
6:30  Patrick Tracy
7:45  Alfred D. Faust (1st Anniversary)
9:00  Joseph V. Davis, Jr.
12:10 Thomas R. Brull

Wednesday, February 7, Weekday
1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
6:30  Frank Germano
7:45  Mary Kenny
9:00  Viola Chisholm
12:10 Thomas Lynch

Thursday, February 8, St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
6:30  Frank McGuire
7:45  Harriett Fargnoli
9:00  Selma G. Alessandro
12:10 Marco Mauro

Friday, February 9, Weekday
1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
6:30  Alfred Meindl
7:45  Vincent P. Romeo
9:00  Michael Gregory Clarke
12:10 Patrick Joseph Curran

Saturday, February 10, St. Scholastica, Virgin
1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
6:30  Eleanor Runkel
7:45  Michael Holmes
9:00  Special Intention
5:00  Michael Clarke, Dominick Sabatino, Carol A. Hudak, Lauren Henkel,
      Carmen “Buddy” Catropa
7:30 C Special Intention
7:30 LH Francis X. Kelleher

Sunday, February 11, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45
7:00  Parishioners of St. Agnes Cathedral
8:00  Michael K. Jewell
9:30  Nancy DiFrancisca
10:30 LH Mary Ellen Peterson
11:00 Donald MacNaughton
12:30 Mary & Joe Wagner, Maureen Michel, Michael Jewell, Sarah Myatt,
      Barbara Diehl
5:00  Charles Robinson

Wine & Hosts
In Loving Memory of Michael Gregory Clarke

Rose for Life
In Loving Memory of Joseph V. Davis, Jr.

Please Pray
For The Dearly Departed
Robert Sabbagh, Lea Lee,
Denise A. Tassani, Maria Marmol

For The Sick
Barbara Evans, John Coyne, Rocky Mirro, Eleanor Matthews, Gertrude Staab, Judith Boisselle,
Baby John Matthew Busby, David Krasula, John Campbell,
Baby Nathaniel Toomey, Diane Lapenna, Maureen Henning,
Lois Beedenbender, Thomas McKenna, Alvin Mahabeer,
Catalina Aloi, Jake Basile, Timothy Cantwell, Jimi Lyn Chapman, James and Kathleen Conway, Kathy Cusimano,
Billy Deering, Edward Denaro, William Farley, Reese Gallinaro, Cynthia Haralson, Diane Hayden, Jimmy Kerrigan, Michael Lanzi, Michael Lema, Jake Lonigro,
Sally Ann Smith, Carolyn Thomas, Joseph M. Torregrossa

Names for the bulletin remain for three weeks unless the Rectory is notified.

Vine & Hosts
In Loving Memory of
Michael Gregory Clarke

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Monday - after 9:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Masses

Rosary
After the 9:00 a.m. Mass each Monday through Saturday in the Cathedral except on First Saturday when it is recited at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
You are invited to join us each Friday for some quiet reflection and prayer in the Holy Cross Chapel following the 9:00 a.m. Mass concluding with Benediction at 3:00 p.m.
Stewardship
A Way of Life

This Week’s Readings
Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, “I do all that I do for the sake of the Gospel in the hope of having a share in its blessings.”

Living Stewardship
We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who use their gifts of healing and forgiveness to help repair relationships in families beset with divorce, death, dysfunction or abuse.

Sharing One’s Material Resources in the Parish

St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group
St. Monica Parents Intercession Prayer Group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Chapel, located in the Parish Ministries building. Our next meeting will be on February 15th. For more information call Mary at (516) 375-0738.

Join Us in Prayer
Det. Steven McDonald Men’s Prayer Group
This Prayer Group includes confirmed teenage boys and all other adult men. The men of the parish meet on the last Thursday of each month from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15th in the Ministry Building. For details call Kevin Conlon at (718) 757-6908.

Communion Guidelines
The New York State Department of Health warning about the flu indicates that a bad strain is circulating. In addition, the flu vaccine has not proven as effective as usual. As a result of this and as a precaution, we ask for your cooperation during this cold and flu season concerning the Precious Blood when it is offered at Mass. If you have cold or possible flu symptoms, please refrain from drinking from the chalice.

For those who have gluten intolerance please know that low-gluten hosts are also available at all Masses. One should stop in the sacristy before Mass to arrange for this type of host to be consecrated. For those who have a medical condition involving gluten that prevents them from taking the host, a chalice with the Precious Blood will be ministered at the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sundays.

St. Agnes Rosary Altar Society Annual St. Patrick’s Day Luncheon
Join the St. Agnes Rosary Altar Society for their annual St. Patrick’s Day luncheon on Thursday, March 8th, at 12:00 p.m. at the Coral House, 70 Milburn Avenue, Baldwin, NY. Donation of $50 is requested. For reservations, please call Barbara at (516) 599-7822. Please Pray the Rosary!
**Renovation Special Appeal**

Thank you to those who have made a pledge to our Renovation Special Appeal.

Current pledges as of January 30, 2018: $660,300

Parish Goal: $650,000*

*Your donations will be matched by the diocese, dollar for dollar, up to $650,000, to help us reach our total goal of $1.3 million.

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**From the Rector—**

Dear Parishioners:

As you may have noticed from the front of this week’s bulletin, I am happy to report that our goal for the second phase of the restoration and renewal of the Cathedral has been met. Prayerful gratitude is expressed to all those whose gift to our campaign allowed us to reach our goal. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

As you may recall, the first phase of the campaign raised $5.4 million, including the diocesan support of $2.7 million. We were able to refurbish the sanctuary, refinish the pews, install new lighting and flooring, paint the walls and ceiling and point and repair areas of the south façade of the cathedral. (The work on the south façade was necessitated when a small piece of the façade fell from its mooring during the early phase of the original campaign.) As this interior and exterior work was taking place, the Parish Finance Committee discussed addressing the other three sides of the exterior of the building. While this work was not as extensive as the front of the Cathedral, it was something that would need to be done in the future and it was felt that it would be judicious for us to do this now rather than wait until that time when things deteriorated further and repairs became more costly. With Bishop Murphy’s approval of a Diocesan matching grant of up to $650,000 that would enable us to fund the projected $1.3 million cost of the work, we set out on a second campaign and asked parishioners to once again help us address our needs. Over 385 households contributed to this second phase, many of whom contributed to the first phase also. I am pleased to say that the work came in on budget and we are now able to finance the work.

To those who made a gift—big or small, to those who served on the Campaign Committee or are members of the Finance Committee or Pastoral Council, to those whose prayers strengthened our efforts—I once again express my deepest gratitude. May God bless you today and all the days of your life and may we, as a parish, continue to “proclaim the presence of Christ in the world through Word, Sacrament and deeds.”

In the Love and Peace of Christ,

Fr. Bill

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**Parish Outreach**

Our food pantry is low and we are in need of the following items: rice, macaroni and cheese, tuna fish, grape jelly, marinara sauce, thin spaghetti, and cereal.

Your consideration of the donation of any of these items is greatly appreciated.

*Please do not leave any donations on the porch outside the Outreach office when the office is closed. We will gladly accept donations between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday except for holidays.*

Many thanks for your generous support of St. Agnes Parish Outreach.

Love,

Sr. Kathleen
Today is our Generations Mass. We honor our legacy families and current families. We pray that they will be given grace to put God at the center of their lives and learn from Him the generous love that makes families fully alive!

Our celebration of Catholic Schools Week was a great success. Our Opening Mass last Sunday, and all the special events planned during the week brought much joy and happiness to the school community. I would like to thank the families, parishioners, and friends who helped make our week special. I appreciate the time you spent helping with the various events. St. Agnes is truly blessed!

Please join me on Wednesday, February 7th for our monthly school Mass at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 7th, is a half day with a 12 noon dismissal. Aftercare will not be in effect. Sunday, February 10th is our annual Dinner Dance honoring Mr. Jeff Byrnes, Mrs. Mary Ryan Gonzales and the Dominican Sisters of Amityville.

St. Agnes Cathedral School's Registration for the 2018-2019 School Year is Now Open.

Children entering Kindergarten must be five years of age by Dec. 1, 2018. Children entering Grades 1-6 must present their most recent report card and standardized test results. Applicants must present a birth certificate and baptismal certificate (if applicable) upon registration and $100.00 non-refundable registration fee for grades 1-6 and a $200.00 non-refundable registration fee for Kindergarten. Acceptance is contingent upon screening. Tuition assistance is available through the Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation. Applications are available on the Foundation’s website: www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org

Peace and Blessings!

Mrs. Cecilia St. John
Principal

Confirmation Preparation For Adults

We are forming a group for those who are baptized Catholic, have received first communion but did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The group will be meeting on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. beginning March 1st. Meetings will be held in the Religious Education Library in the Ministry Building. For more information or to register, contact Joe Long at jlong@stagnescathedral.org or call (516) 678-2306.

Save the Date Communion Breakfast

Parishioners, their families and friends are invited to attend the Knights of Columbus Annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, April 8th after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The Communion Breakfast will be held in the Msgr. Kelly Parish Center. The Knights of Columbus are honored to have Bishop Barres as the guest speaker. More details and information for reservations will follow in the month of March.

Brighten up the Dark Days of Winter! Join the Choir!

The Cathedral Choirs (The Cathedral Chorale-Adult and Teen Choir, Choir of Men, Teens, and Boys, Junior and Senior Girls Choir, Children’s Choir) are now accepting new members for the 2nd half of the year. Now is a good time to join as we begin to prepare for Holy Week, the most important time in the Church year. Practices are after school, and/or at Night, depending the groups! More information is found on the Parish Website under “Music Ministry” and “Schedules.” As well as singing at Mass, The Choirs have special events such as socials, concerts and trips. (Previous choral singing experience is preferred for the Adult Choirs). Please contact Michael L. Bower, Director to arrange an interview at (516) 764-9578, Ext. 203, or e-mail: mbower@stagnescathedral.org
As you come to Mass next weekend, parishioners are invited to bring any palm from last Palm Sunday that you may have around your home. The palm from last year is collected and burned to make ashes for Ash Wednesday on February 14th. Please look for baskets at the doors of the Cathedral. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday
February 14, 2018

Ashes will be distributed in the Cathedral during and after all Masses.
The Mass schedule is:
6:30, 7:45, 9:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. also
Liturgy of the Word and Imposition of Ashes at 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Abstinence and Fasting

All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain entirely from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to observe the laws of fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.

Stations of the Cross

You are invited to join us in the Cathedral at 7:30 p.m. during the Fridays of Lent to remember Christ’s passion and death by praying the Stations of the Cross.

Lent and Easter 2018
Weekly Discussions: Liturgy and Sacraments

Parishioners and guests are invited to gather once a week to discuss pertinent topics during the coming seasons of Lent and Easter. To learn and deepen our knowledge in the liturgies and sacraments of the two great seasons.

There will be a total of 12 meetings: 5 in Lent and 7 in the Easter Season. (No meeting during Holy Week). The first meeting will be Wednesday, February 21st, 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Youth Room on the 2nd floor of the Ministry Building. The last meeting will be May 16th. Coffee and refreshments will be provided. There is no need to register; join us as your schedule allows. Each session will feature a 10-15 minute presentation, followed by 30 minutes of discussions with our moderator Fr. Seth.

Small Faith Sharing Groups for Lent

As part of your Lenten practice this year, consider joining a small faith sharing group. Groups meet once a week during Lent to reflect upon and share the readings for Sunday Mass during the season.

Groups will meet in homes. One large group experience will be on the Cathedral campus, and the possibility of on-line groups is being explored. We are also looking for host homes and group leaders.

Registration begins this week.
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The favor of your response is requested by February 6th.

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Name of Couple: ______________________________________________________

Years of Marriage being celebrated: ___________________________________
Update on Work Done Since Last Summer:

♦ Demolition of the old small chapel, encompassed by the new and more spacious church (picture 1).
♦ Erection of new columns and beams where the old chapel stood.
♦ Purchase, fabrication and installation of steel trusses. (pictures 2 & 3).

Rev. Msgr. Bill Koenig has given permission for another appeal during this year's Lenten Season to raise funds to complete the installation of the roof, concrete floor and vestry. God Bless you for your generous response and donations.
— Fr. Seth
St. Agnes Cathedral

Lenten Mission
with Father Patrick Martin

February 25 – 27, 2018

Father Patrick Martin, a native of Limestone, Maine, has worked with the “broken” of this world for over 48 years. His work grew out of his own “handicap” – legal blindness since the age of nine. Now a priest of the Diocese of Norwich, Connecticut, Father Pat has preached parish missions on “God’s Love in our Broken Lives” in over 1300 parishes worldwide since 1980 and has also published a number of books helping people to live with their “brokenness.” Father Pat has developed a series of retreats helping persons with disabilities to discover and believe in the “gift side” of their disabilities: What can I do for the world with my disability that I could not if I were not disabled?

Father Pat will speak at all the weekend Masses February 24 & 25th.

Parish Mission Schedule:
Monday, February 26th
& Tuesday, February 27th
9:00 a.m. Mass celebrated by Father Pat, followed by counseling and confession
6:30 p.m. Counseling and confession, followed by 7:30 p.m. Mission Mass
A TRIBUTE TO MY CYO BASKETBALL COACH JOE GALLICK

— AND TO ALL CYO COACHES ON LONG ISLAND

Gus Alfieri, the legendary St. Anthony’s coach and biographer of coach Joe Lapchick, invited me last October to give the invocation for the Joe Lapchick “Character Award” luncheon in Manhattan.

When I arrived, he also asked me to give some remarks. It was a great opportunity for a former lowly Princeton junior varsity point guard turned Catholic bishop to address New York basketball royalty.

As I thought through my remarks, I immediately went to my CYO basketball coach, Joe Gallick, at St. Augustine’s Parish in Larchmont, N.Y. Joe coached us when we were in seventh and eighth grade (1972-1974).

Joe had been a 6’4” forward for Iona in the early 1970s. He looked like and admired New York Knick Phil Jackson. Joe sensed something great in the character and spirit of Phil Jackson, a marginal but hustling player who turned into a Hall of Fame NBA coach.

Joe was a lot like Phil, both as a hustling marginal player at Iona — he averaged 3.8 points and 4.5 rebounds a game for the Iona Gaels in his senior year (1971-72) — and a collaborative and intuitive coach who asked our input as seventh- and eighth-graders about what was actually happening on the floor and how we should react and press forward aggressively.

Joe was my basketball mentor. He taught all of his players a love for basketball, the fundamentals and the history of the game. Joe patiently melded together some very spirited personalities with different kinds of games and talent.

In my remarks at the Lapchick luncheon, I decided to focus on how Joe Gallick taught us the full court press of renowned UCLA coach John Wooden. Our team was fast, quick, smart and clever.

A full court press takes heart, stamina, perseverance and tenacity. It was Joe’s character, support and kindness that made us want, even as seventh- and eighth-grade boys prone to distraction, to focus and go all out even when we were tired.

I found myself at the Lapchick luncheon connecting the character, heart and tenacity we learned from Joe Gallick with my life as a bishop, a successor of the apostles, asking the Holy Spirit to lead me in being the point guard of the Catholic Church.

It was Joe’s character, support and kindness that made us want, even as seventh- and eighth-grade boys prone to distraction, to focus and go all out even when we were tired.”
Church on Long Island on a full court press for dramatic missionary growth in our parishes.

There was a deep connection between coach Joe Gallick introducing us to the Wooden press — breaking it down and practicing it with us until it became a part of us — and my daily life as a Catholic bishop. In a mysterious and beautiful way, this experience, with many others in my life, prepared me for a relentless, non-stop, New Evangelization full-court press as a parish priest and as a bishop.

So I would like to thank coach Joe Gallick — RIP — as well as all the CYO coaches on Long Island and around the country for all the life and faith lessons you have taught so many of us.

Thank you. CYO coaches of Long Island, for:

1. Modelling for our players and their families the connection between the Catholic Mass, vibrant Catholic parish life and community and the parish gym. Your fidelity and that of your family to the Sunday Mass is a great inspiration and critical foundation to the team play and chemistry you teach us.

Never underestimate the witness you give when your players and their families, along with the entire parish, see you consistently and faithfully at the Sunday Mass. It sets a tone. It is “salt and light” to parish life, unity and mission. It is what I expect as your bishop and the point guard of the mission of the Catholic Church on Long Island.

2. Thank you for the character lessons you teach us in both victory and defeat. Our experiences of defeat are especially valuable since we learn how to bounce back and address positively and constructively the defeats of life.

3. Thank you for the way you model a respect for the dignity of the individual in your sportsmanship and classy treatment of opposing team coaches and players, referees and the crowds at games. You teach us how to compete with class, character, mature self-possession and charity.

4. Thank you for the way you model sacrifice for the team, radical unselfishness and team chemistry, unity and spirit. We will take this with us in our educational experiences, career and vocational paths and our future marriages and families. You also teach us the responsibility we have toward the younger children who come to our games and look up to us.

5. Thank you for your halftime talks and game plan adjustments. You model for us how to recognize problems and issues quickly both in games and in life and how to recognize and address these problems and challenges proactively and effectively. We carry this into every dimension of our lives.

6. Thank you for the friendships between families that are part of the CYO experience and how families support each other in the practice of the Catholic faith through these friendships.

7. Thank you, too, for the service projects you connect us to and the opportunity to serve the poor you provide us.

Thank you CYO Coaches and Players of Long Island — together, with the Body and Blood of Christ at the center of our lives and our families, let’s take it to the next level! ✨
Dear Friends:

As we begin a New Year, I am writing to thank you for your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal and for making my first year a great joy in this wonderful Diocese. With a grateful heart, I also ask for your prayers and support for this year’s Catholic Ministries Appeal, which brings Christ’s love and mercy to more than 600,000 people every year.

Pope Francis has invited us to embrace our vocation as missionary disciples – to be the Hands of Christ’s Mercy. Our participation in the Catholic Ministries Appeal is an effective way for us to respond. As we support the good works of our Church, our hands serve as instruments of God’s love.

Your gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal touch so many in our Diocese: children being formed in our Catholic Faith in our schools and religious education programs, seminarians preparing to be holy and zealous priests, candidates for the permanent diaconate preparing to serve our parishes, disadvantaged seniors who are often isolated and lonely, families in crisis including our immigrant-refugee families who face so much uncertainty, our youth and young adults discerning their Catholic faith and their futures, people who are incarcerated, and those suffering from addiction.

A donation to our Appeal will help to ensure that our shared vision for Dramatic Missionary Growth in our Diocese will have a firm financial foundation as we reach out beyond our Parish walls and into the “mission territory” to which we are called.

I am grateful for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Together we can bring Jesus’ message of hope to communities, families and individuals.

Thank you for your love for the mission of the Church. I will be keeping you and your family in my Masses and prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre
Estimados amigos,

Al comenzar este nuevo año, les escribo para agradecer su apoyo a la Campaña de los Ministerios Católicos y por darme tantas alegrías en este mi primer año en la Diócesis. Me dirijo a ustedes con un corazón agradecido, pidiéndoles sus oraciones y apoyo a la campaña de este año, campaña que anualmente lleva el amor y la misericordia de Cristo a más de 600,000 personas.

El Papa Francisco nos invita a abrazar nuestra vocación como discípulos misioneros, para que seamos las Manos de la Misericordia de Cristo. Una manera de responder a este llamado es participando en la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos. Cuando apoyamos las buenas obras de nuestra iglesia, nuestras manos se convierten en instrumentos del amor de Dios.

Sus donativos a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos ayudan a muchas personas de nuestra Diócesis: a nuestros niños en su formación en la Fe Católica tanto en las escuelas como en los programas de educación religiosa; ayuda a los seminaristas que se están preparando para ser dedicados sacerdotes; ayuda a los hombres que en el futuro serán diáconos y prestarán servicio en nuestras parroquias; ayuda a ancianos desamparados y abandonados, ayuda a familias en crisis incluyendo a familias inmigrantes y refugiadas cuyo futuro es incierto; ayuda a jóvenes y jóvenes adultos que están discerniendo su fe católica y su futuro; asimismo ayuda a los encarcelados y a aquellos que sufren de adicciones.

Compartimos el deseo de un Dramático Crecimiento Misionero en nuestra Diócesis. Su donativo a la campaña ayudará a que tengamos un sólido soporte financiero, lo que nos permitirá ir más allá de nuestras zonas parroquiales. Dios nos llama a extender nuestra ayuda hacia los ‘territorios de misión’

Agradezco profundamente que en oración considere hacer un donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos 2018. Juntos podemos llevar el mensaje de esperanza a nuestra comunidad, familias, y al prójimo.

Gracias por su cariño y entusiasmo por la misión de la iglesia. Los tendré presente a usted y a su familia en mis oraciones y en la celebración de la Santa Misa.

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

Muy Reverendo John O. Barres
Obispo de Rockville Centre
St. Agnes Cathedral & K Of C 2548
Blood Drive
Colección de Sangre

When: Sunday, February 18, 2018
Cuando: Domingo, 18 de Febrero del 2018
Time: 8:30am ~ 2:30pm
Hora: 8:30am ~ 2:30pm
Where: Parish Center
Donde: Parish Center

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Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,
Fr. Bill

HELP Uganda Fundraiser

Molloy College is hosting a kick off fundraiser for HELP Uganda to build a permanent school building for HELP Primary School in Masese, Uganda, Africa on Saturday, February 17th at 8:00 p.m. in the Madison Theatre. The evening will feature the talented jazz guitarist John Pizzarelli performing arrangements of Paul McCartney’s music, followed by a “Meet and Greet” for 100 participants with John.

Beaded items created by the Mothers of Masese will be on sale prior to and following the concert. Thanks to the support of so many St. Agnes parishioners, the families in Masese now have hope for their future. Our growing school of 550 children, empowered women’s groups, and healthier community thank you for your amazing generosity! We know that the future leaders of Uganda will come from Masese.

Please visit the link for Madison Theatre at Molloy College for information and tickets: http://madisontheatreny.org/event/john-pizzarelli/. If you are unable to attend this event, but would like to make a donation toward our building campaign, please visit our website: www.help-uganda.com.

There will be a Special Silent Auction: 1 hour record session with John Pizzarelli; February 17th from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at Molloy College. Must be a singer or musician. To bid visit: http://bit.ly/2Ff6q7k. For more information call (516) 323-4444. Funds raised will be donated to HELP Primary School.

We wish you abundant blessings in 2018.
Peter and Delia Garrity,
St. Agnes Parishioners

Fatima & Lourdes Pilgrimage June 3-14, 2018

Our Lady Queen of Peace prayer group is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to Fatima, Santiago de Compostele, Garabandal, Loyola and Lourdes from June 3-14, 2018. The cost of the pilgrimage is $3899 which includes round-trip airfare, 10 nights of hotels, breakfast and dinner with wine daily, sightseeing and admission fees and daily Mass. For more information call Mary Tierney at (516) 375-0738 or Penny Abbuzzese at (516) 644-8421 or Liz at 206 Tours at (631) 361-4644

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Brothers and sisters, I should like you to be free of anxieties.” Let us learn to calm our anxieties about our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are February 9th-11th and April 27th-29th in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John and Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at http://www.wwmeli.org.

United Church Nursery School

The United Church Nursery School is accepting registrations for new families. The school is located at 430 Morris Avenue, Rockville Centre. For more information call (516) 766-5635 or email the school at unitednurseryrvc@gmail.com.
DRVC School of Missionary Disciples

Information Session
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
Sunday, February 4th at 2:00 p.m.
St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays
Sunday, February 4th at 2:00 p.m.
Mercy Hospital
Tuesday, February 6th at 7:30 p.m.
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue
Wednesday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m.

Training of Volunteers in the Ministry to the Sick
Saturday, February 10th at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
St. Joseph Parish, Kings Park
School of Religion, Centennial Room
Saturday, February 17th at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
St. Joseph Parish Center, Kings Park – Travis Hall
Saturday, March 3rd at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saint Catherine of Siena Medical Center, Smithtown

Bereavement Conference
Saturday, March 10th at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
St. Frances de Chantal Parish
1309 Wantagh Ave, Wantagh, New York 11793

A Retreat Day for the Elect
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish
Sunday, March 11th at 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training
St. James Parish, Pastoral Center, Room 104
Saturday, March 3rd and 17th at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 24th at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Level II
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Tuesday, February 6th, March 20th, April 10th, and June 5th at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

For more information visit our website at www.drvc-faith.org

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Prayer for our Troops
Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform
for us in our time of need.
And give us peace.
I ask this in the name of Jesus,
Our Lord and Savior. Amen

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