

# St. Anne's R.C. Church

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## World Marriage Day February 12, 2017

#### THE PASTORAL STAFF

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 12:00 Noon and 5:30 PM (English) Wednesday: 7:30 PM (French Creole) Thursday: 7:30 PM (Spanish) Saturday: 9:00 AM (English) WEEKENDS:

Saturday: 5:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish) Sunday: 7:30 AM (English), 9:00 AM (Spanish), 11:00 AM (English), 12:30 PM (French Creole), 5:00 pm—(English)

HOLY DAYS: Will be announced as each Holyday is celebrated.

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 PM in English & Spanish

PARISH MEMBERHIP: We welcome all new families! To register as a part of the family of Saint Anne's Parish, please stop by the Rectory Office to fill out a simple registration form. You have joined a wonderful community! Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00a.m.-12:00 noon, 1:00p.m - 5:00p.m. & 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. Friday & Saturday 9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m. CLOSED SUNDAYS. Welcome • Biewvewidos • Biewvewe

To keep the faith alive for future generations, please consider remembering St. Anne's in your Will.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYER

Josephine LoMelli, Jaime Molina, Christopher Michael Grabe, Barbara Grabe, Robert Newell Sr., Michael Livoti, Carmela Inguanti, Marie Inguanti, Joseph Inguanti, Judy Clark, Dominic Massotti, Patricia Massotti, Rosa Yascaribay, Liz Benick, Barbara Payen, Maurice Lalonde, Jenny Jamsy Rodriguez, Taylor Chanoine

#### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING IN THE MILITARY



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In cooperation with the Long Island Blood Services and the St. Anne's Knights of Columbus our Parish will be having our much needed Blood

Drive on Monday, February 13, 2017 from 1:45p.m.–7:45p.m. just next door at the St. Anne's Knights of Columbus. Please we really are in great need this year and can use your help. If you <u>haven't given before, this is the time to begin.</u>

#### Salve una vida donando Sangre.

En corporación con los Servicios de Long Island de Sangre y los Caballeros de Colon de Santa Ana nuestra Parroquia tendrá mucha mas necesidad de donación de Sangre el Lunes, 13 de febrero del 2017 de la 1:45 p.m. a las 7:45 p.m. exactamente en Los Caballeros de Colon a la par de la Parroquia Santa Ana. Por favor, realmente necesitamos gran cantidad este ano y podemos necesitar su ayuda. Si usted nunca ha donado antes, este el tiempo de donar.

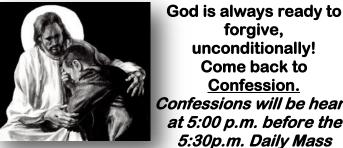
## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

	<u>Saturda</u> 5:00 -	<b>y, February 11, 2017</b> In thanksgiving to St. Joseph Julio Mendez <del>†</del>
	7:30 -	(Spanish)
		Edubige Mosquea † Pedro Antonio Gonzalez †
		Pedro Gomez †
		Ana Elisa Palo Vela †
	<u>Sunday,</u> 7:30 -	February 12, 2017 Anita de Rojas †
	7.50	James Wengler †
	9:00 -	(Spanish) Raul Olivero (10th Aniv.) † Sergio Caban †
		Maritza Altagracia Ovalle †
		Graciela Acevedo de Roadriguez † Fanny Oleas Aldas †
	11:00 -	Deacon Jerry Hanlon †
	12.20	Greg Florentino (Liv.)
	12:30-	Beatrice Neree † In Thanksgiving for Irvine Todman-Medilien
	5:00 -	Delano Fritz Laurent †
		St. Anne's Parishoners (Liv. & Dec.)
		, February 13,2017
		Nataly & Mary Goggin † Available
	Tuesday	r, February 14,2017 St. Valentine Day
		Joseph Shelton †
	5:30-	Pellici Family † Frank Mirro †
		Holy Souls in Purgatory †
Wednesday, February 15,2017		
	Noon -	Francisco Ferrara † Esperidion Dag Dagan †
		Holy Souls in Purgatory
	7:30 -	(Haitian)(Chapel) <b>Available</b>
		i <mark>y, February 16,2017</mark>
	Noon-	Anthony Russo (Spiritual Healing) Dorothy Zagar †
	5:30 -	Beth Butera †
	7:30-	(Spanish)Antonia de Jesus Zuniga(11th Mth Annv)†
	Noon -	February 17, 2017 Salvatore DiMuro †
	5 30	Felizia Ferrata †
	5:30 -	Patricia Byrne †
Saturday, February 18, 2017 9:00 - Margarita Manfredo †		
		Elisa & Albert Quiroz (Birth.)(Liv.)
	5:00 -	Preciosa Alfonso † Victor del Fierro †
	7:30 -	(Spanish)
		Daniela Martes †
	<u>Sunday,</u> 7:30 -	February 19, 2017 Lourdes Gonzalez †
	7.50	Natividad Fua Santos †
ĺ	9:00 - 11:00 -	(Spanish) <i>Available</i> The Haig & Byrne Family †
1	11.00 -	Milton Figueroa Ramos †
	12:30-	Available Available



#### Weekend of February 5, 2017 First Collection \$ 10,961.00 Total Taxable Income

Thank you to all who use their envelopes and for those who just give from their hearts and pockets.



unconditionally! Come back to Confession. Confessions will be heard at 5:00 p.m. before the

Monday through Friday. Confessions will be heard at 8:30a.m., just before the 9:00a.m. Spanish Mass on Sundays and at 10:30a.m. just before the 11:00a.m. Mass on Sunday

Also Every Saturday 4:00 p.m.—4:45p.m. Just before 5:00p.m. Mass Or by appointment with a priest by calling the Parish Business office 273-8113. Confessions available in English, **Spanish and French.** 



Let us welcome the following Baby and her Family into our church who was Baptize:

## **Christine** Arlet Alvarado

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS Parish Offices: 273-8113

Parish Fax: 436-7914

Office of Family Faith Formation: 231-7344

- Fr. Thomas Conerty Outreach: 273-8113 ex 229 Haitian/American Apostolate: 951-0129
- Hospitality Too/Soup Kitchen: 516-983-5378
- Our Lady of Providence Regional School: 234-6324 St. Anne's Gardens (Senior Housing): 952-5411 Crisis Pregnancy: 243-2373 or 1-800-287-BABY Pronto: 231-8290

Catholic Charities Immigrant Service:631-789-5235

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION ST. ANNE'S PARISH

#### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

**Baptism:** For children under 5, please contact the Parish Office (273-8113) for an appointment to speak with a Priest or Deacon at least several weeks before the Baptism. For older children, contact the Office of Family Faith Formation (231-7344).

First Holy Communion: Children usually begin Religious Education studies in the First Grade and are prepared for Communion in the Second Grade. Call the Family Faith Formation Office (231-7344) to register your child the summer before the school year begins.

Confirmation: This Sacrament is currently celebrated in the Eighth Grade after 2 years of preparation. Please call the Religious Education Office (231-7344) for more information.

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Call the Parish Office at any time to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick either at home or in the hospital.

Reconciliation: The Sacrament is celebrated every weekday at 5:00p.m. also Saturday from 4:00 - 4:45 PM in the Church and at 8:30a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sundays or by appointment by calling the business office 631-273-8113.

#### SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION

Marriage: Congratulations! Couples planning to marry should make an appointment with a Priest or Deacon at least eight (8) months in advance of the wedding to allow time for adequate preparation.

Holy Orders: Is God calling you? Call a Priest or Deacon to discern a possible vocation to the Priesthood, Diaconate or the Religious life.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Each Thursday from 12:30 PM until 5:15 PM. First Friday from 5:30 PM until 7:00 PM. Rosary after the 12:00 daily Mass.

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after the 12:00 Mass and First Saturday from 8:15 - 9:00 AM.

#### OUTREACH

St. Anne's Outreach Ministry (Fr. Thomas Conerty Outreach) is open every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00p.m. The Food Pantry operates on the same days from 9:30 AM to 1:00p.m. only. Please call 273-8113 ext. 229.

#### R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process by which a teen or adult either joins the Church or completes their Sacraments of Initiation. There is no fee. Please call Faith Formation Office (631) 231-7344 for more information.

#### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION/RELIGIOUS ED.

As a community concerned with the process of educating our young people, we turn to the family as the primary source of passing on the faith. We attempt to form families in the faith for this generation and the next. For more information and to register your family, (631)231-7344

#### <u>ALL NIGHT PRO-LIFE VIGIL</u>

Every 3rd Friday of the Month; 9:00p.m. to 6:00a.m.in the Chapel next to Parish Business office. All are welcome.

## From the Pastors Desk: 6th Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We were invited by our new Bishop John Barres to bring someone to Christ before beginning of Lent on March 1st. We already do that in spiritual way, by praying for people daily or when we come to Mass, but this time he wants us to be literal, physically asking people to revisit the Lord in the Eucharist.

Jesus keeps revealing himself to us, so that we can reveal him to others. In the opening statement of today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of his commitment to fulfilling all that is written in the Sacred Scriptures about him and all commands of God to the smallest

letter of it. Already parents of Jesus showed their commitment to honoring Jewish traditions and prescriptions of the Law. It is Jesus way, to show respect and appreciation of our humanity, of our culture, of our traditions, that stay within the boundaries of God's Commandments.

Jesus invites us to be concerned with the heart of all things, with all that we have in our mind, with our thoughts, with our words. Why ? Because it all accounts for who we are, and because it all affects our relationships with others and with God. So to be friends of God we have to be friends to others. "Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift". So, to maintain good relations and friendship with God, we are invited to maintain good relationships with our family, friends and our coworkers.

Sometimes it may be a real workout to maintain good relationships with others, even our own family members. What Jesus is asking of us, is to remain humble and caring about people because of Him, because we have to wish that all people get to heaven, so first is those that we have any relationship with. Jesus doesn't want our pride be more important to us than our soul, or the soul of any other person.

To be always so humble and restrained, is not easy when something is wrong in the relationships. Often we wish we could reform the other person, we could tell them how to be normal, how to act normal, how to behave normal, how to think normal, how to feel normal etc; but it is only through humble dialogue, that we can arrive at some consensus with the other person, that not necessarily has an easy character to begin with. We need to learn to live in harmony with people who may have totally different point of view, different beliefs, different way of life, and yet we are called to find a way to relate to them in a Christian way. This is why what Jesus is asking for, is not so simple and not always easy. It is challenging, it is putting God first above all things. Jesus, teach us to love you, teach us to love your commends, to love your truth, teach us to love heaven, teach us to love others, teach us to love ourselves.

God bless you always!!!! Fr Stan

P. S. This Sunday at 9:00 am Mass our new Bishop John Barres will be the celebrant, he is coming to visit our parish in very unofficial way, just by stopping by and celebrating Sunday Mass with us. We wish him a lot of blessings as our Pastor and Guide, we wish him to become a Saint.

Regarding this weekend Valentines Raffle, with the Parish Council we decided to postpone the drawing of the raffle to the Feast of Saint Joseph on March 19th, because of the need for more time to sell all the tickets. So to get that time, it was decided to move it to the patronage of Saint Joseph. So let us support our new: Saint Joseph Winter Snow Removal Raffle by participation and perspective of win for you and for the parish.

Blessings !!! Fr. Stan

> Attention all Eucharistic Ministers (English) We have scheduled a Information Meeting to discuss the different parts of administering the Sacrament. Sunday, February 19th, 2017—2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. in Lower Church.





## From the Deacons Bench



By Deacon John

Lent is almost here, can you believe it? Time to get our stuff together and plan out what we will do for this special season of the Church year. This Lent we will be offering a six week Bible study titled: "The Eucharist in Scripture".



This study begins on Monday February 27, 2017.

Among the weekly topics we will read and discuss include: the origins of the Eucharist in the Old Testament, how the writers of the Gospels viewed Jesus' command to do this "in remembrance of me", how the early Church celebrated the Eucharist, as well as the unique point of view of John and the community he was part of.

Our Bishops rightly teach us that the Eucharist is for us, the "Source and Summit of our faith". The study of the Eucharist is a well spring of faith and knowledge of that reality for us. During the Season of Lent, we are asked to spend more time in true preparation for the Celebration of the Pascal mystery. This bible study is your opportunity to do just that.

We will meet in the Rectory basement, entering via the back door of the Priests residence at 7pm beginning Monday 2/27/17. During our sessions we will have time for prayer and hearing the Word of God. We will ask questions; discuss answers and work together to enrich our understanding of the great gift of the Eucharist.

A few people have asked me if this is an "advanced" study or is it suited for some one with little or no experience in Bible study to participate in. Simply put, this study is readily accessible for anyone with a willingness to read and think about the Word of God for 20-30 minutes a day. Materials will be given that evening to help guide your reading, and is in no way intimidating.

On our very first evening of our study, I will be giving an overview of our topic, some of the resources available for your use as well as a "Bible Basic Training". If you have never picked up a bible or thought you couldn't, or that it must be too difficult to study the Word of God, I'll give you my guarantee- you will be confident to begin the study before you leave that night!

Here's the thing. God continues to bless our Parish with so many people and activities, that space and the number of folks who can participate is limited. Please stop by the rectory office or give them a call to register so that I have enough materials for you that evening. You do not need a bible to start studying the bible! If you have one bring it along, if not, no worries the study materials will suffice.

Hope to see you in just a few weeks. Any questions? Just ask me, I'm usually around.



DUTREXCH Thank you to all who generously donated to our food pointer. D

we were happy to assist 134 families, 36

seniors, 173 adults and 158 children. We helped 13 new families. The generosity of the parishioners of St. Anne Parish allows us to reach out to people in our Brentwood/Bay Shore neighborhood who struggle each day to make ends meet.

When items are available at our Outreach, we give our clients gently used clothing, towels and bedding. Any donated clothing or bedding should be washed or dry cleaned for sanitary reasons. Our clients are very grateful for these extra items. All donations are truly appreciated by those who cannot afford to purchase them on their own.

Here are some items we need this month: soup, rice, beans, cereal, jelly (small jars), toilet paper, tissues, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, disposable diapers (size 4 & 5), baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, pet food and laundry detergent. If you have any questions, please call me 631-273-8113 ext. 229.

Thank you for caring for the poor in our parish community. Janet Lambert, Outreach Coordinator



## The drawing HAS BEEN CHANGED it will be held <u>Sunday, March 19th following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the lower</u> <u>church. Cake and coffee will be served.</u>

The winners need not be present. Should a lesser number of tickets be sold, the prizes will be prorated on a 50/50 basis—50% of the tickets sales to the winning numbers, and 50% to St. Anne's Parish. Since there were many people who were unable to participate in the last MEGA RAFFLE, here is your chance. Don't delay tickets are available at our parish office.

**MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS** LA Fr. Victor Evangelista, Coordinador PARROOUIA DE TEL: (631) 273-8113 Fax: (631) 436-7914 Santa Misas: jueves, 7:30 PM; sábado, 7:30 PM; ST. JOSEPH domingo, 9:00AM Confesiones: Los sábados, 4:00 - 4:45 PM Y Todos los días 5:00 - 5:30 PM EL MINISTERIO Bautismos: HISPANO DE RONKONKOMA Primer, segundo y tercer sábado de cada mes a las 12:15 P.M. Clases prebautismales, segundo sábado de cada mes a las 9:00A.M. Favor de traer TE INVITA A LA MISA DE el acta de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo. SANACION INTERIOR **Requisitos:** HORA: 7:00 P.M. 1. Copia de Fe o Certificado de nacimiento del niño o de la niña. 2. Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos). 3. Los SERA OFICIADA POR EL PADRE padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de Santa Ana para fijar FERNANDO ECHEVERRI las fechas de charla pre-bautismal (OBLIGATORIA para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo. SABADO 18 DE FEBRERO 2017 Matrimonios SERA OFICIADA POR EL PADRE Parejas que planean su matrimonio, deben hacer una cita con uno de los FERNANDO ECHEVERRI sacerdotes o diáconos ocho (8) meses antes de su boda. De este modo LUGAR: tendrán suficiente tiempo para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y ST. JOSEPH R.C. CHURCH obtener los documentos necesarios. Para mas información llame al 273-8113 45 CHURCH ST Exposición del Santísimo **RONKONKOMA, NY 11779** El Primer jueves de cada mes a las 8:15 P.M. Cursillo de Cristiandad - Gonzalo Marroquin 897-6906 ¡Deje que la gracias de Dios fluya! Or Manuel Molina 988-0130 or Ultrella - jueves después de la Misa de las ¡Deje que el amor de Dios lo limpie! 7.30 PM Renovación Carismática Te esperamos! Miércoles 7:30 PM. Coordinador, Martin Martínez 631-404-6084 Celeste Payano Sub-Coordinadora 631-231-6968 Grupo Juvenil Renacer viernes, 7:30 PM. En los bajos de la Iglesia. Coordinador: Patricia Iglesias 631-708-6958. Sub Coordinador: Victor El Grupo Farfan 631-708-9120 Grupo Divina Misericordia Juvenil Cenáculos: 2do y 4to domingo de mes, desde las 2:00 PM. en adelante. Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia los jueves después de la Misa de 7:30pm: José y Renacer e Sale Carmen Núñez, 813-1490 y (646)221-6089. Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Alberto y Margarita Roman 631-682-4986 Hermandad de Emmaus: Todos los martes a las 7:00 en la capilla del va tener un convento Coordinadores: Romilio Lorenzo 631-404-5205 y Iris Emiliano: 631-813-1852. "Buscando la Vía del Señor. venta de variedades de Legión de María Hilda S. Gonzales (516) 818-3294 Domingo después de la misa 9a.m. bizcochos después de la Santa R.I.C.A. Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos Fr. Victor 273-8113 lunes 7:30 - 9:00p.m. Reunión de Coordinadores de Grupos Miguel Angel Alfaro- Presidente. 631 Misa el sábado 18 de febrero -220- 7830 Reunión de la Comunidad y Café de Amistad Cuarto domingo a las 10:30 y domingo 19 de febrero. AM. Coro del Sábado y Coro del Domingo Moisés Telenta 745-2164 Práctica: Domingos 6:00 PM Gracias por colaboramos.



Our Lady of Providence Regional School Central Islip, NY 11722 631-234-6324 www.olprov.org



Cuanto esta pagando por el cuidado de su niño/niña?

Considere esto: Pre K o Kindergarten para su niño/niña con un programa por la mañana de cuidado desde las 7:15 am y programa por la tarde hasta las 5:45 pm y todo esto con una Educación Católica!! Pre K (4 años antes de 12/1/2017) \$390/mes. Programa de Mañana y Tarde: \$250/mes/niño.

Esto se puede proporcionar sin hacer tanto gasto!

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UN BUEN COMIENZO TERMINA EN EXITO!

Pre K - 4 years old by 12/1/2017 \$390/ month Morning & After School Program: \$250/month/child Esto se puede proporcionar mejor en una escuela!

## THE ROLE OF POSTURE IN MASS



Perhaps you have wondered why there is so much sitting, standing, and kneeling during Mass. Common posture is one way to unite us as a congregation and show our full, conscious, and active participation. The following thoughts are taken directly from some of our major Catholic documents and resources.

"The church earnestly desires that all the faithful be led to that full, conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations called for by the very nature of liturgy...In the reform and promotion of the liturgy, this full, active participation by all the people is the aim to be considered above all else." (1)

"To promote active participation, the people should be encouraged to take part by means of acclamations, responses, psalmody, antiphons, and songs, as well as by actions, gestures, and bearing. And at the proper times all should observe silence." (2)

"The gestures and bodily posture of both the Priest, the Deacon, and the ministers, and also the people, must be conducive to making the entire celebration resplendent with beauty and noble simplicity, to making clear the true and full meaning of its different parts, and to fostering the participation of all... A common bodily posture, to observed by all those taking part, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the Sacred Liturgy, for it expresses the intentions and spiritual attitude of the participants and also fosters them." (3)

"Standing is a sign of respect and honor, so we stand as the celebrant who represents Christ enters and leaves the assembly. From the earliest days of the church, this posture has been understood as the stance of those who have risen with Christ and seek things that are above. When we stand for prayer, we assume our full stature before God, not in pride but in humble gratitude for the marvelous things God has done in creating and redeeming each of us." (4)

"Standing is indicative of an active, participatory role rather than a mere spectator role; of "doing" liturgy rather than simply watching it." (5)

"Sitting is the posture of listening and meditation, so the congregation sits for pre-Gospel readings and the homily and may also sit for the period of meditation following Communion. All should strive to assume a seated posture during the Mass that is attentive rather than merely at rest." (6)

"A seated position has an association with being educated or enlightened." (7)

"In the early Church, kneeling signified penance...In the Middle Ages kneeling came to signify homage, and more recently this posture has come to signify adoration, especially before Christ in the Eucharist." (8)



- 2. CSL, no. 30.
- 3. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Third Edition, no. 42.
- 4. Praying With Body, Mind, and Voice. USCCB.
- 5. Bullock, J. (2015, January 6). Liturgy Matters. The Record.
- 6. Praying with Body, Mind, and Voice. USCCB.
- 7. Bullock, J. (2015, January 20). Liturgy Matters. The Record.
- 8. Praying with Body, Mind, and Voice. USCCB.



THANK YOU! The Life Center of Long Island sincerely thanks Saint Anne Parish for their donation to the baby bottle campaign. Your generosity raised **\$10,444!** 

HANDICAPPED ENCOUNTER CHRIST Volunteers are needed! Are you looking to get involved with an amazing Ministry? Handicapped Encounter Christ (H.E.C) needs



volunteers for our 33rd Annual Retreat. Retreat is held on Thursday April 27 thru Sunday, April 20, 2017 et Ocean Alexania, Contan ett. N.V.

30, 2017 at Camp Alvernia, Centerport, N.Y.
H.E.C. Retreats provide an environment where person (18+) with disabilities/handicaps along with you (volunteers) step away from their usual routines to enjoy a prayerful gathering of songs, talks, meditations, fellowship, Eucharist, meals and a greater and closer encounter with Jesus. This shared experience creates lasting friendships and a new outlook.
Many roles need to be filled. Please come to our first meeting on Monday, February 13, to find out what H.E.C. is all about and learn how you can help!
Meetings are held at 7:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn, N.Y.

Meeting: Monday February 13th, Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, April 11.

Please send email to Longislandhec@gmail.com or call Chris Greiner at (516) 551-6044 for more information, to volunteer or to request an application for someone who is disabled and might be interested in attending.

## St. Mary R.C. Church 20 Harrison Avenue East Islip, N.Y. 11730–2391

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group, which begins on Wednesday, March 22 from 7:00-9:00p.m. Refreshments will be served. For information and/or

registration, please call the rectory @631-81-4266, x 100. Please not the groups are open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to Dec. 21, 2016.

## CATECHIST TRAINING FOR NEW AND NEARLY NEW CATECHISTS:

Location:	St. Joseph Parish (School Building)		
	39 N. Carll Ave		
	Babylon, N.Y.		
Instructor:	Ellen Zafonte		
Dates: Mondays, March 6,13,20 & 27			
Time: 7:00p.m.—9:30 p.m.			
Cost: \$20.00 per person			
Any questions contact Debbie Coyne at			
516-678-5800 ext. 204 or www.drvc-fati.org			

#### NUEVOS CATEQUISTA ENTRENAMIENTO PARA

Lugar: Parroquia de San José (Escuela 39 N. Carll Ave Babylon, N.Y. Instructora: Diana Pizarro, Directora Asociada Formación de Fe de la Población Hispana Fechas: Lunes, 6, 13,20 & 27 de Marzo, 2017 7:00pm-9:30pm Costo: \$20.00 por persona Registro en línea www.drvc-faith.org

#### FAITH ON TAP

Are you a young adult—married, single—looking for a faith community—a place where you can learn more about your faith ? If so, please join us for our next Faith on Tap on February 28, 2017 at Lily Flanagan's Pub, 345 Deer ark Avenue, Babylon, N.Y. We are honored to have Tom Upshur, the co-founder of the Pro Bikers for Life talk to us about his journey :Riding for the Unborn". Hear about how these strong men of faith protect the rights of the unborn throughout the country. The talk begins at 7:30—in the upstairs room at Lily Flanagan's Come out early, grab something to eat and drink—make new friends—reconnect with old friends! Questions? Contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org or 516-678-5800, ext. 615.



## The Brooklyn Vicariate for Black Catholic Concerns

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The Office of Multicultural Diversity Catholics of African Ancestry – Haitian American Apostolate Ministry Diocese of Rockville Centre

## Invites you to the annual Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving Concelebrant & Homilist















## Bishop Joseph N. Perry,

Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, Vicar General, Vice President of the National Black Catholic Congress & Postulator of the Cause for Fr. Augustus Tolton

#### Along with Concelebrating Bishops & Priests

Sunday, Feb. 19, 2017, 4:30PM Cultural, 5:00PM Mass Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston, NY 11362

L'Activité Humaine

(Concile Vatican II, Gaudi Um et Spés)

L'activité humaine vient de l'homme, et en même temps, elle s'oriente vers l'homme. En effet, par son action, l'homme ne transforme pas seulement les choses et la société, il se perfectionne lui-même...L homme vaut davantage par ce qu'il est que parce qu'il a. De mémé tous les efforts des hommes pour faire progresser la justice, pour développer la fraternité,

régler de façon plus humaine les relations sociales, tout cela l'emporte sur les progrès techniques. Car tous ceux-ci peuvent bien fournir une base matérielle a la promotion humaine, mais ils sont tout a fait impuissants par eux seuls, a la réaliser. Voici donc la règle de l'activité humaine: qu'elle soit conforme au bien authentique de l'humanité, selon le dessein de la volonté de Dieu, et qu'elle permette a l'homme...de s'épanouir selon la plénitude de sa vocation.