

St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Roman Catholic Church



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All children in grades 1-8 should be registered every year for Religious Education classes.

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

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SATURDAY EVENING MASSES:

5:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:15, 9:45 (Alternating English & Spanish at St. Gertrude's),
11:30 (Spanish), 1:15

WEEKDAY MASSES:

12:10—Monday thru Saturday
9:00 at St. Gertrude's - Thursday
7:30 PM (in Spanish) - Fridays

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Mondays after the
12:10 Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT: First
Sundays 2:30 - 3:30 PM and Every Friday 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are scheduled for the Third Saturday of each
month in Spanish and the Fourth Saturday of each month in English.
Parents should call for an appointment with a priest to arrange for the
baptism of child. Birth Certificate should be presented at this time.

MARRIAGES: Call the rectory for an appointment with a priest at
least 6 months prior to the wedding.

SICK CALLS: Emergencies - ANY TIME. Home bound - call the
rectory

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The normal way for being received
into full communion with the Catholic Church is through the R.C.I.A.
Adults interested in being baptized, confirmed or making first
communion should speak with a member of the parish staff to enroll

CORO HISPANO: MIERCOLES 7:30 PM

ENGLISH CHOIR: FRIDAY 7:30 PM

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: SATURDAY 11:00 AM

CIRCULO DE ORACION CARISMATICO: JUEVES 7:30 PM

CURSILLO DE CRISTIANDAD: VIERNES 7:30 PM

SANTO NOMBRE & SAGRADO CORAZON: 4th DOMINGO
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS 11:30

CENÁCULO SACERDOTAL: Rosario el 4to Domingo—11:00
A.M. en Santa Gertrudis

Rosary Society: 1st & 4th Sunday of month after 8:15 & 9:45 Mass

Legion of Mary: Spanish: Mon. 7:00 PM - Rectory; St Mary

Legion of Mary: (St. Gertrude's) After the 9:45am mass

Legion of Mary: Spanish: Sats. 10:30 AM -Rectory Basement

St. Vincent De Paul Society: Contact the Rectory

Jornada Youth Group: Fridays 8:00 PM

Haitian Committee: Sunday 10:30 AM

Charismatic Prayer Group: in English - Mondays 7:00 P.M. - 9:00
P.M. in the School Auditorium.

JDV Group: Wednesdays 8:00 P.M.

Prayer Group in English Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. in the Church.

Stewardship Committee: 2nd Sunday 2:30 P.M.

Nigerian Committee: 2nd & 4th Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 28, 2012 - St. Peter Chanel & St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

12:10 pm - Mass available
 5:00 pm - Pauline R. Singh
 7:30 pm - Italo Gabriel Beltran (dec)

Sunday, April 29, 2012 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:15 am - Gabriel, Herson, Waldman & Jim Rivera (dec)
 Pauline R. Singh (dec)
 9:45 am - (St. Gertrude) Rubenia Urbina (dec)
 11:30 am - Jose Santos (dec)
 Alice Preudhomme (dec)
 1:15 pm - James Higgins (dec)

Monday, April 30, 2012 - St. Pius V

12:10 pm - Mass available

Tuesday, May 1, 2012 - St. Joseph the Worker

12:10 pm - Gina Capone (dec)

Wednesday, May 2, 2012 - St. Athanasius

12:10 pm - Seberina Polanco (dec)

Thursday, May 3, 2012 - Sts. Phillip & James

12:10 pm - Cecile Webster Perissi (dec)

Friday, May 4, 2012

12:10 pm - Annie & John Mc Groary (dec)
 7:30 pm - Misa disponible

Saturday, May 5, 2012

12:10 pm - Mass available
 5:00 pm - John Schiavone (dec)
 John Michael Murphy (dec)
 7:30 pm - Misa disponible

Sunday, May 6, 2012 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:15 am - Mass available
 9:45 am - (St. Gertrude) Alexandria & Maya Vega (bday)
 11:30 am - Misa disponible
 1:15 pm - John Michael Murphy (dec)

PLEASE PRAY for the sick: Anne Marie Monereau, Duane Tucker, Maria Guadalupe Vasquez, Pedro Bonilla, and our faithful departed.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK: In memory of a departed relative or friend.

FLOWERS (each arrangement)	\$55.00
BREAD AND WINE	\$50.00
CANDLES	\$15.00



MEMORIAL MASS—Please join us as we come together to pray for the soul of Pauline R. Singh, mother of Susan Singh Smith, next Saturday, May 5, 2012 at 1:00 P.M.
May Her Soul Rest In Peace!

We Are A Tithing Community Following God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to His Church the following:

Offertory Collection

1st Collection last weekend - \$4828.00
Second Collection - \$1551.00

First Collection Same Sunday Last Year (Easter week 2011): \$10,074.24

(Parish weekly expenses average: \$8756.25)

“Our Weekly Offering is One Way of Saying: WE BELONG to the Lord... And One Another. What Does **YOUR** Weekly Offering Say? Pray for His Guidance! THEN Make or Renew Your Commitment to Tithing.

Weekday Readings

Sun * Acts 4:8-12 * Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 29 * Jn 10:11-18
Mon * Acts 11:1-18 * Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4 * Jn 10:1-10
Tues * Acts 11:19-26 * Ps 87:1-7 * Jn 10:22-30
Wed * Acts 12:24-13:5a * Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 * Jn 12:44-50
Thurs * 1 Cor 15:1-8 * Ps 19:2-5 * Jn 14:6-14
Fri * Acts 13:26-33 * Ps 2:6-11 * Jn 14:1-6
Sat * Acts 13:44-52 * Ps 98:1-4 * Jn 14:7-14

MASS INTENTIONS

It is an ancient Christian tradition to request that Mass be offered living and deceased. You may request an announced Mass at the rectory. The customary offering is fifteen dollars. There are a limited number of Masses available between now and the end of the year.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

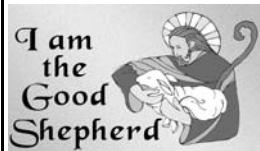
Ha sido una antigua tradición cristiana solicitar que una misa sea ofrecida por una persona en vida o fallecida. En la rectoría usted podrá solicitar que una misa sea anunciada. La donación de una misa es quince dólares.



The Vocations Crosses are available for 2012. Sign-up sheets may be found in the lobbies of both parish locations. Please sign-up and take home the Vocations Cross for 1 week and pray for vocations. It is important that we, the faithful, pray for our priests, deacons, sisters and brothers.

VOCACIONES

La Cruz de Vocaciones esta disponible para este año 2012. En el vestíbulo de ambas Iglesias encontraran las hojas para anotarse. Por favor anótese para llevar la Cruz de Vocaciones a su casa por una semana para orar por las vocaciones. Es muy importante que nosotros, los fieles, oremos por nuestros sacerdotes, diáconos, hermanos y hermanas religiosas.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

SAINT PETER: EXAMPLE FOR ALL

What an extraordinary example we have in the person of Saint Peter. On this Good Shepherd Sunday it is fitting that the first reading draws our attention to the "rock." The scene depicted in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles contains an example that can be useful to all of us, whether ordained or lay. Notice that after the miracle of the curing of the crippled person, Peter immediately turns everyone's attention not to himself, but to the Lord Jesus Christ. This is what we are called to do when we experience the presence of God in the struggles of our own Christian journeys. Like Saint Peter, we can let other people know that it is only through the power of Christ within each of us that we are able to embrace the cross and experience the power of the Lord's resurrection.

ROOTED IN BAPTISM

Today gives us the opportunity to take the time to pray for those who lead us in ordained ministry. In this time of crisis in the Church, our bishops, deacons, and priests need our support as they continue to embrace their vocation to do as Saint Peter did—to point others to the Lord. Since all vocations are rooted in the sacrament of baptism, it is good for us to remember that it was at the moment of our baptism that we became Christ for others. Each of us is called to become more and more like the Good Shepherd as we learn to live out our baptismal call. As we make our way along the Christian journey, we need nourishment and guidance from those appointed to be our shepherds. We need to pray that God will strengthen those who have become weary. On this Good Shepherd Sunday, let us pray especially for the ordained and all those called to point us to the Lord.

SUMMER RAFFLE 2012

Get your raffle tickets now!!! Tickets are now on sale for our Summer 2012. Raffle booklets of 3 chances per book cost \$5.00. There are 4 chances to win 4 big prizes;

- 1st Prize - 42" Flatscreen TV
- 2nd Prize - Laptop Computer
- 3rd Prize - Ipad
- 4th Prize - "Kindle Fire"

The raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, June 17, 2012.

Prayer for "World Day of Prayer for Vocations"

Gracious Lord,
with grateful hearts we welcome the presence of Jesus, our Good Shepherd.
We accept the mission of Jesus to bring good news to the world by our baptismal commitment to gospel living.

Bless us with discerning hearts.
May we have the courage to give our lives in loving service through married life, the single life, the consecrated life, and the ordained life.

Inspire men and women to respond generously and embrace the gift of a religious vocation.

We unite our prayers with the whole Church, with the communion of saints, with Jesus and the Spirit in praise and thanksgiving now and forever.

Amen



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today Sunday, April 29th, the Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. In 1963 Pope Paul VI designated this day as

World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Our parish will join with the universal Church to ask for God's blessings that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations.

The Vocations Committee is hosting a retreat this afternoon, in the school auditorium from 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM; the retreat theme is "**Come Follow Me.**" Father Rocco Danzi, Father Jim Cunningham and our very own Father Fulgencio Gutierrez will be retreat presenters. They will also hear confessions in English, Spanish and French. Everyone is invited. Please come out and join us in fellowship and prayer for an increase on vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude cordially invite you to the Mother's Day Celebration on Sat. May 12, 2012 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 P.M. in the School Auditorium. Admission: \$20 per person.



2012 Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer

Father in Heaven, We are humbled by Your presence and celebrate the blessings You have bestowed upon us.

In Your loving kindness, bless our Annual Catholic Appeal.

Help us to respond generously to Your goodness by returning a portion of what You have given to us.

Give us the confidence to walk in Your footsteps and the insight to recognize the real needs around us.

Give us the strength and compassion to meet the needs of those less fortunate so we can participate in "Sharing Our Gifts to Build God's Kingdom in Brooklyn and Queens."

May this Appeal reflect our commitment to the challenge of our Catholic calling.

May it advance the mission of Your Church and strengthen our resolve in returning the Lord's Goodness.

We ask You this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

2012 Annual Catholic Appeal *Weekly Update*

We are well on our way!

As of April 13, 2012, our pledges total \$37,479.00, just \$7,010.00 shy of our diocesan goal of \$44,489.00. Imagine; we have reached this pledge amount based on only 193 commitments. We have over 1100 registered parishioners and so far only 10 percent have made commitments totaling \$37,479.00. Thanks for your generosity.

We look forward to receiving commitments from at least 500 more of our parishioners. Please join your fellow parishioners in supporting this most important fundraising activity for our beloved parish.

If you have not made a pledge at all, please be sure to make it as soon as possible. We need the support of all parishioners. Please consider making at least a one-time pledge and payment.

REMEMBER: that every dollar over \$44,489.00 that is collected is returned to our parish. Please continue to make your payments before December 31, 2012.

Another Trip to the Divine Mercy Shrine! - on Saturday, August 18, 2012. The cost of the trip is \$50.00 per person. Departure time 6:00 A.M. For more information call the Legion of Mary 718-440-1328.

Thank you to all who participated in the trip to the Divine Mercy Shrine on April 15th.

St. Gertrude Altar Rosary Society

Annual Luncheon In honor of Our Blessed Mother Mary
On Sunday, May 6, 2012 at 2:30 P.M.

St. Gertrude

336 Beach 38th Street, Far Rockaway, NY

Donation: \$25

This is a fundraiser to support our Church St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude. For information, please contact: Virginia Roundtree at 347-209-8836, Kathleen Daniels at 347-372-4837 or Yvonne Hall at 347-972-6831

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$4828.00

Segunda Colecta: \$1551.00

Mismo Domingo Hace un Año (Semana Santa): \$10,074.23

Un Promedio de Gastos Semanales: \$8756.25

Si usted es nuevo en nuestra parroquia, puede hacerse miembro oficial de Santa María llenando una tarjeta de inscripción que está disponible en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. Que Dios les bendiga!

Resumen Actualizado de la Campaña Anual Católica

Vamos Adelante!

Hasta el 13 de abril del 2012, todos los compromisos llegaron a un total de \$37,479.00! Estamos a sólo \$7,010.00 de nuestro compromiso diocesano de \$ 44,489.00. Hemos llegado a este total basado en solo 193 promesas. Nuestra Iglesia tiene mas de 1100 miembros registrados y hasta ahora solo el 10% ha hecho su promesa sumando un total de \$37, 479.00. Muchas gracias a todos por su generosidad.

Esperamos recibir promesas de por lo menos 500 de nuestros feligreses. Por favor apoye esta campaña tan importante para nuestra querida Iglesia. Si usted aún no ha hecho su promesa, por favor hágala lo mas pronto posible. Necesitamos el apoyo de todos nuestros feligreses. Por favor considere en hacer una sola contribución.

Recuerde: Cada dólar sobre los \$44,489.00 será devuelto a nuestra parroquia. Por favor siga haciendo sus pagos antes del 31 de Diciembre, 2012.

RIFA DEL VERANO 2012

Compre sus boletos ya!!! Los boletos están disponible para la venta. Tres boletos por libreto por el costo de \$5.00. Tendrán la oportunidad de ganar grandes premios;

- 1er Premio - TV Plana de 42"
- 2do Premio - Computadora Portátil
- 3er Premio - Ipod
- 4to Premio - "Kindle Fire"

El ganador será seleccionado el Domingo 17 de Junio, 2012.



Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

SAN PEDRO: EJEMPLO PARA TODOS

Qué ejemplo extraordinario tenemos en la persona de San Pedro. En este domingo del Buen Pastor es apropiado que la primera lectura atraiga nuestra atención hacia la "piedra". La escena descrita en la lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles contiene un ejemplo que puede ser útil para todos nosotros, ya seamos miembros ordenados o laicos de la Iglesia. Observamos que después del milagro de la curación del lisiado, Pedro inmediatamente dirige la atención de todos no hacia él, sino hacia el Señor Jesucristo. Estamos llamados a hacer lo mismo cuando experimentamos la presencia de Dios en la lucha para avanzar en nuestro peregrinaje cristiano. Como San Pedro, podemos decir a los demás que solamente por medio del poder de Cristo dentro de nosotros podemos abrazar la cruz y experimentar el poder de la resurrección del Señor.

ENRAIZADOS EN EL BAUTISMO

Hoy tenemos la oportunidad de dedicar un tiempo para rezar por los hombres ordenados que nos guían. En este tiempo de crisis en la Iglesia, nuestros obispos, diáconos y sacerdotes necesitan nuestro apoyo mientras siguen su vocación de hacer lo que hizo San Pedro: guiar a otros hacia el Señor. Sabiendo que todas las vocaciones están enraizadas en el sacramento del Bautismo, es bueno recordar que en el momento de nuestro bautismo llegamos a ser Cristo para los demás. Cada uno de nosotros está llamado a ser cada vez más como el Buen Pastor mientras aprendemos a vivir nuestro llamado bautismal. Al continuar nuestra senda cristiana, necesitamos el alimento espiritual y la guía de quienes son designados a ser nuestros pastores. Necesitamos rezar para que Dios fortalezca a los que se sienten agobiados. En este domingo del Buen Pastor, oremos especialmente por los ordenados y por todos los llamados a guiarnos hacia el Señor.

Sociedad del Rosario de Santa Gertrudis

Almuerzo Anual en honor a Nuestra Santísima Virgen María
Domingo, 6 de Mayo 2012 a las 2:30 PM

Santa Gertrudis
336 Beach 38th Street,
Far Rockaway, NY

Donación: \$ 25

Este es un evento para recaudar fondos para apoyar a nuestra Iglesia Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis. Para más información, favor de ponerse en contacto con: Virginia Roundtree al 347-209-8836, Kathleen Daniels al 347-372-4837 o Yvonne Hall al 347-972-6831.

JORNADA MUNDIAL DE ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES



Hoy 29 de abril, el Cuarto Domingo de Pascua es conocido también como el Domingo del Buen Pastor. En 1963 el papa Paulo VI designó este día como la *Jornada Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones*. Nuestra parroquia se unirá junto con la iglesia universal para pedirle a Dios que nos bendiga y que nos fortalezca en nuestra vocación cristiana.

El Comité de Vocaciones está organizando un retiro esta tarde de 2:30 P.M. a 6:30 P.M. en el auditorio de la escuela. El tema del retiro es "Ven y sígueme." El Padre Rocco Danzi, el padre Jim Cunningham y nuestro sacerdote el Padre Fulgencio Gutiérrez serán los presentadores del retiro. También escucharán confesiones en Inglés, español y francés. Todos están invitados. Por favor venga y únase a nosotros en la eucaristía y en oración por un aumento en las vocaciones sacerdotales y a la vida religiosa.

Oración Por Las Vocaciones

Dios generoso, Con un corazón agradecido
recibimos la presencia de Jesús,
nuestro Buen Pastor.

Aceptamos la misión de Jesús de llevar
las buenas nueva al mundo,
a través de nuestro compromiso bautismal
de vivir el evangelio.

Bendícenos con un corazón juicioso y prudente.
Concédenos valor para entregar nuestras vidas
al servicio amoroso de la vida matrimonial,
la vida célibe, la vida consagrada
o la orden sacerdotal.

Inspira a tus hijos e hijas para responder generosamente y
aceptar el regalo de la vocación religiosa.

Unimos nuestras oraciones con las de toda la Iglesia,
para que junto con Jesucristo, el Espíritu Santo
y la comunión de los santos, te demos gracias y
te alabemos ahora y siempre. Amén

Paseo al Santuario de la Divina Misericordia - el Sábado,
18 de Abril del 2012. El costo es \$50.00 por persona. Salida
a las 6:00 A.M. Para mas información favor llamar a la
Legión de María al 718-440-1328.

Muchas gracias a todos los que participaron en el viaje al
Santuario de la Divina Misericordia el 15 de Abril.



Día de las Madres

CELEBRACIÓN DEL DÍA DE LAS MADRES

Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis
cordialmente los invita a la gran celebración del
Día de las Madres el Sábado 12 de Mayo del
2012 de 8:00 PM a 2:00 AM en el Auditorio de Santa María.
Admisión: \$20 por persona.