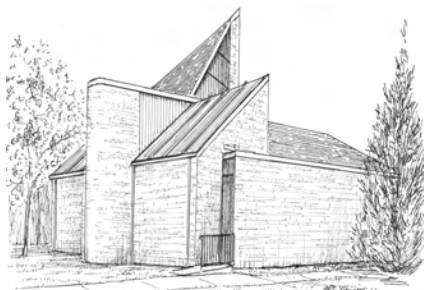


St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Roman Catholic Church



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SATURDAY EVENING MASSES:

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

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:15, 9:45 (St. Gertrude's), 11:30, 1:15

WEEKDAY MASSES:

8:00 & 12:10 (Fridays 7:30 PM in Spanish)

9:00 (St. Gertrude's - Bi-lingual - Thursday only)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays at 3:30 to 4:30 PM, Mondays 7:30 to 8:30 PM

or by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Every Monday after the 12:10 Mass

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE:

Maria Beyra, Director, Ext. 25

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

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

Mr. Joseph R. Villadiego, Ext. 24.

SCHOOL:

Ms. Angela D. Brucia, Principal

595 B. 19th St., Far Rockaway, N.Y. 11691

Phone: 327-2242 Fax: 327-0797

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 their child. A 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

Rosary Society: 4th Sunday of month after 8:15 Mass

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

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 - Sundays 2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. in Rectory basement.

Charismatic Youth Prayer Group: Thursday 7:30 P.M.

Prayer Group in English every Tuesday 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, May 1—St. Joseph the Worker*

- 12:10 pm – Monica McCabe (dec)
 5:00 pm – John Schiavone (dec)
 7:30 pm – Brenda Alvarenga (sanación)

Sunday, May 2—Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:15 am – Florence McGee (dec), Catherine Roper (dec)
 Lake Family—Thanksgiving
 9:45 am – Vince Rhodus, Juan Vazquez (healing)
 Chanie Bell Mattison (dec)
 11:30 am – Misa por la Comunidad
 Mario Alberto Canton (dec)
 Alicia Preudhome (dec)
 1:15 pm – Eugene Turner (dec)
 Elaine Williams (healing)

Monday, May 3—St. Phillip & St. James

- 8:00 am – Cecile Webster Perissi
 12:10 pm – Monica McCabe (dec)

Tuesday, May 4

- 8:00 am – Elaine Williams (healing)
 12:10 pm – Florence McGee (dec)

Wednesday, May 5

- 8:00 am – Bishop Joseph Sullivan (healing)
 12:10 pm – Elaine Williams (healing)

Thursday, May 6

- 8:00 am – Elaine Williams (healing)
 9:00 am – Mass available at St. Gertrude
 12:10 pm – Bishop Joseph Sullivan (healing)

Friday, May 7

- 8:00 pm – Bishop Joseph Sullivan (healing)
 12:10 pm – John J. Waldron (dec)
 7:30 pm – Misa disponible

Saturday, May 8

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
 5:00 pm – Mark Smith—Thanksgiving
 7:30 pm – Carmela De La Cruz (dec)
 Ana Hernandez (dec)

Sunday, May 9—Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:15 am – Matthew Glomb
 9:45 am – Alexandria y Maya Vega (birthday)
 Maria Crespo
 11:30 am –Por los Sacerdotes, Rosa Eva Lopez (dec)
 Consuelo Lemus (dec),
 Aurora Mazariegos (dec)
 Rosa Lila Feliciano (dec)
 Barbara Torres Cardona (dec)
 1:15 pm – Marcelino Domingo (dec)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Bishop Ignatius Catanello, Bishop Joseph Sullivan, Msgr. Cosmo Saporito, Miguel Jimenez, Mary Waldron, Calixte Rodolphe, Zoila Yopez, Pedro Bonilla, Levonne Williams, Beverly Smith, Juan Vasquez, Ulitt Doyle, Linda Doyle, Barbara King, Donna Mohammed, Beulah Harris, Santos Rodriguez, Annabel Davis, Simone Boyer, Wiloby Snips and the Faithful Departed.

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 CollectionWeekend of 4-24 & 4-25 2010

Mass Time	# of Attendees	# of Env.	1st Collection	# of Env.	Catholic Home	Total Collection
5:00 PM	72	39	\$696.55	26	\$198.67	\$895.22
7:30 PM	172	27	\$407.67	12	\$150.75	\$558.42
8:15 AM	197	68	\$1,613.50	48	\$280.00	\$1,893.50
9:45 AM	180	43	\$426.50	29	\$193.50	\$620.00
11:30 AM	400	92	\$1,595.12	56	\$282.00	\$1,877.12
1:15PM	450	52	\$786.50	26	\$268.00	\$1,054.50
ParishPay	-	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	1471	321	\$5,525.84	197	\$1,372.92	\$6,898.76

(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 –

Make your Return to God Easier by using...

PARISH PAY

www.parishpay.com

**Weekday Readings**

Sun * Acts 14:21-27 * Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13
 * Jn 13:31-33, 34-35

Mon * 1 Cor 15:1-8 * Ps 19:2-5 * Jn 14:6-14

Tues * Acts 14:19-28 * Ps 145:10-13b, 21 * Jn 14:27-31a

Wed * Acts 15:1-6 * Ps 122:1-5 * Jn 15:1-8

Thurs * Acts 15:7-21 * Ps 96:1-3, 10 * Jn 15:9-11

Fri * Acts 15:22-31 * Ps 57:8-10, 12 * Jn 15:12-17

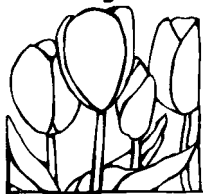
Sat * Acts 16:1-10 * Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 * Jn 15:18-21

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

The bread and wine are given in thanksgiving for **Rosalie McAllister**.

The sanctuary candle is given in thanksgiving for **Rosalie McAllister**.

The flowers are given in thanksgiving for **Rosalie McAllister**.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**Behold, I make
all things new.**

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am grateful to all of the parish leaders and parishioners who were present for the Parish Assembly last Sunday afternoon. This first assembly was held to inform our parishioners of the process of reconfiguration that the diocese and the parishes will be going through over the next few months. During this process we, as members of this parish family, are challenged to look at how we do things and how perhaps, we can do them in a better way. The diocese faces serious financial challenges and no longer has the ability to assist parishes in need any longer. It is up to us to support the work we accomplish here. During the meeting there were some suggestions and ideas that were very helpful. There were also some unrealistic expectations that were expressed. Often times I feel that sometimes we tend to look at the glass as half empty and not half full. No one likes change. No one likes consolidations, but without these changes or consolidations we would be left with nothing. Isn't what we have better than nothing? I think it is a lot better. This does not mean that we should not be sensitive to every persons concern. That is what makes us a family. One of the best ideas expressed at the meeting had to do with having a suggestion box in each of our churches for people to express ideas on things that we can do as a parish. I have already ordered two boxes and will make sure they are up very soon. As your pastor I want to know what you think. I also need your help to make your ideas a reality. In making your suggestions I only ask one thing...please be considerate and realistic in your expectations. Working together with a positive attitude is the key to our future.

Each year our parish celebrates a special Dinner Dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall where we honor someone who has contributed to the life and vitality of our parish family. Last year we were blessed to have Mr. Joe Barden as our honoree. This year we have decided to move the Dinner Dance back to November as during the month of June we will be celebrating Deacon Tony's Farewell and Father Yvon's 25th Anniversary as a priest. If you would like to serve on the Dinner Dance Committee please leave your name and phone number for me at either rectory office. We need your help and participation to make our annual Dinner Dance a success!

Last weekend there was an incident of theft during the social after the 9:45 A.M. Mass in Tessier Hall. A parishioner had left a shopping cart with groceries in the corner of the main room and someone stole the food that she had just purchased. This is not the first incident of this kind. It is very sad that someone who had just attended Mass would steal from another parishioner. I ask everyone to please be vigilant in not leaving their property unattended and also in watching for others who are part of our community who are acting in

inappropriate ways. Please keep your eyes and ears open. Let us pray that these incidents will stop and the people who have committed these crimes will repent.

It was with great regret that I announced last weekend that Deacon Tony Bobadilla and his wife Tatty will be leaving our parish family to return to the Dominican Republic in June. Tony has been a great blessing to our parish and to me personally. I am happy for him but sad for us. Over these many years as parish deacon, and even before that, he has been a gifted leader in our parish. I have relied on his help and advice constantly over the last eight years that I have been here. Over the next few weeks we will all have an opportunity to thank Tony for all that he has done for our parish and the gift that his ministry has been for all of our people. The St. Paul the Apostle Evangelization Committee will be planning his Farewell Celebration that has been scheduled for Saturday, June 12, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. That evening there will be no 5:00 P.M. Mass and no 7:30 P.M. Spanish Mass. We will have one celebration to thank and bless Deacon Tony and his family. Please save the date and plan on being with us!

On Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2010, our friend, Father Vincent Gallo will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination with a special Mass at St. Pancras Church – 72-22 68th Street, Glendale, N.Y. The Mass will begin at 11:30 A.M. We will have a bus leaving from our parish for all those who wish to attend. Father Gallo has been a great friend to our parish over the last year since his retirement. He has been very generous to us in offering his help and he feels so much a part of our family. I hope that you will join me in coming for this special celebration as we thank him for the gift and blessing his priesthood has been for each of us and for the Church in Brooklyn and Queens. You may reserve your seat on the bus by calling (718) 327-1133 Ext. 16.

With Love in Christ,
Father Jim

Altar Server Schedule for May 8-9, 2010

- Sat. 5:00 PM - Isaiah Brown, Kyle & Casey Conroy
- Sat. 7:30 PM - Andrea, & Alejandra Zarate, Rosa Carpio, Deanna Bobadilla
- Sun. 8:15 AM - Chris Hernandez, Queenesha Scott, Bennett Bennett, James Conroy
- Sun. 11:30 AM - Sebastian Rosas, Vanessa Zipriano, Javier & Cecilia Chacon
- Sun. 1:15 PM - Bianca Romero, Jamal Michel, Matthew Gardner

**VOCATIONS – Fifth Sunday of Easter**

"By this everyone will know that you are My disciples." How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord's new commandment of love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Speak with a priest or religious or contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454.



COMMUNION 2010
 Congratulations to the students of the
 Religious Education Program and the children
 St. Mary Star of the Sea School who received
 First Holy Communion.

Religious Education Program
Last Sunday, April 25—1:15 P.M. Mass

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| Erick Aguiar | Geemoz Jean Pierre |
| Diana Beatriz Alfaro | Nixon Lazaro |
| Andy Castillo | Paula Lazaro |
| Kassandra Castillo | Fatima Molina |
| Krystle Corry | Kevin Molina |
| Caren De Leon | Stacy Moreno |
| Tiffany Duarte | Johanna Navarro |
| Cindi Erroa Quijano | Jordy Reyes |
| Alex Estevez | Francis Rodriguez |
| Elisandra Estevez | Luis Alberto Rodriguez |
| Najeri Felton | Aracelly Santos |
| Miguel Garcia Reyes | Edwin Joel Solano |
| Sarrai Jimenez | Cynthia Velasquez |

Melissa Zarate

Saturday, May 1—5:00 P.M. Mass

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| Roberto Aguiar | Sadney Daniela Joseph |
| Erick Amaya | Sadrick Daniel Joseph |
| Joselin Amaya | Roberto Maldonado |
| Marisela Amaya | Lesley Mungia Xochitecatl |
| Stephanie Betances Torres | Ivie Odia |
| Ashley Michelle Cruz | Karina Perez |
| Agel De Leon | Jose Reyes |
| Fediane Fevrier | Janyra Rivera |
| Julio Figueroa | Christian Rodas |
| Kayla Hernandez | Keyra Patrice Romero |
| Ivette Hernandez | Jesus Rosales |
| Jason Guardado Hernandez | Alex Antonio Sanchez |
| Marvin Hernandez | Bryan Sanchez Mejia |
| Shayna Jimenez | Christopher Torres |

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Sunday—May 2—1:15 P.M.

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| Amberlyn Azcona | Maralis Jaquez |
| Carlos Canton Lopez | Marianny Jaquez |
| Chibuiken Chukwu | Jesebel Martinez |
| Daniel Cruz | Lesly Matinez |
| Gregorio Cruz | Astrid Melgar |
| Fernando Estrada Rivera | Olivia Mendez |
| Alison Gatica | Sheldine Paul |
| Walter Gatica | Anthony Bryan Peralta |
| Claudia Guardado | John Valentin Romero |
| Jonathan Guardado | Daniel Ruano |
| Gloribel Jaquez | Ruday Samayoa |

St. Mary Star of the Sea School

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| Nicholas Cox | Katie Herrera |
| Sheilly Duque | Cheyleni Hidalgo |
| Jomary Fernandez | Kyla Jackson |
| Avery Flaharty | Javon Langston |
| Chelsea Martinez | |

*Father Vincent Gallo will be celebrating his
 50th anniversary ordination to the priesthood
 at St. Pancreas Church, 72-22 68th St
 in Glendale, Queens, on Sunday,
 May 23, 2010 at 12:30PM.*

*Bus service will be available from St. Mary,
 leaving the Church at 11:00 AM for those
 who would like to attend. The donation
 for the bus is \$5.00 per person.*

*Please call either rectory, to reserve your seat
 on the bus, by May 10, 2010.*

**St. Mary Star of the Sea and
 St. Gertrude Church
 Beach 20th St. and New Haven Avenue, FR
 New York**

**St. Anthony Novena
 & Benediction**

7pm Tuesday Evenings

**Now till
 June 15th 2010**



**Blessed Trinity Parish
 Ministry of Consolation**

Bereavement Support Group

This seven-week program is for anyone who has
 experienced the loss of a loved one. It is the
 opportunity to meet others, share stories and
 explore the process of grieving and healing.

Dates: Tuesdays, May 4th to June 15th, 2010

Time: 7:00 PM—8:30 PM

**Place: St. Edmund's Church—Library
 Rockaway Point Blvd. & Beach 216 St,
 Breezy Pt.**

**To Register: Call Jean Maffia @ 718-945-
 5676 or Teresa Sefchek @ 908-421-4915 (cell)**

Transportation is available!

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

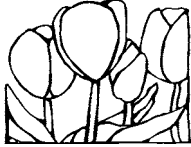
Domingo Pasado: \$6,898.76

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!

DEL ESCRITORIO DE NUESTRO PARROCO

*Ahora voy a hacer nuevas
todas las cosas*



Queridos amigos en Cristo,

Les estoy muy agradecido a todos los líderes y feligreses de la parroquia que estuvieron presente en la Asamblea Parroquial el domingo pasado.

El propósito de esta primera asamblea fue informarles a nuestros feligreses sobre el proceso de reconfiguración que la diócesis y las parroquias tendrán que pasar durante los próximos meses. Durante este proceso, como miembros de esta familia parroquial, necesitamos ver como estamos haciendo las cosas y cómo podemos buscar la manera de mejorar. La diócesis afronta desafíos financieros muy serios y no está capacitada para seguir apoyando las parroquias en necesidad. Ahora, depende de nosotros apoyar el trabajo que se lleva a cabo en nuestra parroquia. Durante la asamblea se discutieron algunas ideas y sugerencias muy importantes. También se expresaron algunas expectativas un poco realistas. Yo pienso que a veces tendemos a mirar el vaso que esta medio vacío y no el que está lleno a la mitad. Nadie está conforme con los cambios. A nadie le gustan las consolidaciones, pero sin estos nos quedaríamos sin nada. ¿No es mejor tener lo que tenemos en vez de quedarnos sin nada? Pienso que es mucho mejor. Esto no significa que no debemos ser sensibles a las preocupaciones de nuestros feligreses, porque esto es lo que nos hace una familia. Una de las mejores ideas expresadas en la asamblea fue poner una caja de sugerencias en nuestras Iglesias para que nuestros feligreses puedan expresar sus ideas sobre lo que podemos hacer como una parroquia. He pedido que se instalen dos cajas lo más pronto posible. Como su párroco quiero saber lo que usted piensa. También necesito su ayuda para hacer sus ideas una realidad. Para que estas sugerencias se puedan llevar a cabo sólo les pido una cosaque por favor sean considerados y realistas en sus expectativas. Trabajando unidos con una actitud positiva es la clave para el futuro.

Cada año nuestra parroquia celebra un Baile/Cena especial en el Centro de los Caballeros de Colon en honor a alguna persona que ha contribuido a la vida y vitalidad de nuestra familia parroquial. El año pasado fue una bendición porque la celebración fue en honor del Sr. Joe Barden. Este año hemos decidido cambiar el Baile/Cena para Noviembre en celebración del 25 Aniversario de Ordenación Sacerdotal del Padre Yvon, ya que en el mes de Junio celebraremos la despedida del Diácono Tony. Si usted desea ser parte del comité para planificar el Baile/Cena, por favor llame a una de las dos parroquias y deje su nombre y número de teléfono.

¡Necesitamos su ayuda y participación para hacer de nuestro Baile/Cena todo un éxito!

El pasado fin de semana hubo un incidente de robo después de la Misa de las 9:45 A.M. en el Centro Tessier en Santa Gertrudis. Uno de los feligreses había dejado su carrito con comestibles en la esquina del cuarto principal y alguien se robó los alimentos que ella acababa de comprar. Este no ha sido el único incidente que ha pasado. Es muy triste que alguien que acababa de asistir a la misa fuera capaz de robarle a otro de los feligreses. Les pido por favor a todos que estén vigilantes y que no dejen su propiedad desatendida y que estén pendientes de todas esas personas de nuestra comunidad que están actuando de manera inapropiada. Por favor mantengan sus ojos y oídos abiertos. Oremos para que estos incidentes no vuelvan a pasar y para que la persona que haya cometido este delito pueda arrepentirse.

Fue muy triste para mí anunciar el pasado fin de semana que el Diacono Tony Bobadilla y su esposa Tatty abandonarán nuestra familia parroquial para volver a la República Dominicana en junio. Tony ha sido una gran bendición para nuestra parroquia y para mí personalmente. Estoy muy contento por él, pero triste por nosotros. Como diacono de la parroquia por muchos años, y hasta mucho antes, él ha sido un gran líder en nuestra parroquia. Durante los últimos ocho años que he estado aquí en Santa María, constantemente he dependido de su ayuda y sus consejos. Durante las próximas semanas tendremos todos una oportunidad de agradecerle al Diacono Tony por todo lo que él ha hecho por nuestra parroquia y por el regalo que su ministerio ha sido para toda nuestra gente. El Comité de Evangelización de San Pablo Apóstol ha planeando una celebración de despedida para el sábado, 12 de junio de 2010 a las 6:30 P.M. Esa tarde no se celebrará la Misa de las 5:00 P.M. ni la Misa hispana de las 7:30 P.M. Tendremos esta celebración para agradecer y bendecir al Diácono Tony y a su familia. ¡Por favor anote esta fecha en su calendario y trate de estar con nosotros para esta celebración!

El Domingo de Pentecostés, el 23 de mayo del 2010, nuestro amigo, el Padre Vincent Gallo celebrará su 50 Aniversario de Ordenación Sacerdotal con una misa especial en la Iglesia San Pancras - 72-22 68 Street, Glendale, NY comenzando a las 11:30 A.M. Tendremos un autobús que saldrá de nuestra parroquia para todos aquellos que deseen asistir. El Padre Gallo ha sido un gran amigo de nuestra parroquia desde su jubilación el año pasado. Él ha sido muy generoso con nosotros al ofrecernos su ayuda. El Padre Gallo se siente ya parte de nuestra familia. Espero que ustedes puedan unirse a mí para esta celebración especial para agradecer el regalo y la bendición que su sacerdocio ha sido para cada uno de nosotros y para la Iglesia en Brooklyn y Queens. Usted puede reservar su asiento en el autobús llamando al (718) 327-1133 Ext. 16.

Con Amor en Cristo,
Padre Jim