

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



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## ADMINISTRATOR:

Rev. Fulgencio Gutierrez, Ext. 22

## PARISH PASTORAL STAFF:

Deacon Michael C. Moss  
Deacon Adalberto Eddie Montero  
Deacon Rene Hernandez

## PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Ms. Joanne Murray, Ext. 16  
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## IN RESIDENCE:

Rev. Charles H. White, Ext. 18  
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## TRUSTEES:

Miguel Jimenez  
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## PASTORAL COUNCIL, CHAIR:

Yvonne Hall

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE, Ext. 25

Deacon Michael Moss, Director, (917) 769-4496  
Dr. Emy Punsalan, RCIA  
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Ms. Carmen Macfie, CCD  
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All children in grades 1-8 should be registered every year for Religious Education classes.

## MUSIC DIRECTOR:

Mr. Joseph R. Villadiego, Ext. 24.

## 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

*Saturday, May 19, 2012*

- 12:10 pm - Mothers' Day Novena
- 5:00 pm - Betrand Obi Iloka  
Cristina y Jose Luis Vargas (dec)
- 7:30 pm - Yida Castillo (dec)  
Presentación del bebe Jaycob Sanchez Pinal  
Francia Elena Perez (dec)  
Balentina Torres (dec)

*Sunday, May 20, 2012 - Seventh Sunday of Easter*

- 8:15 am - Pauline Singh (dec)  
Mothers' Day Novena
- 9:45 am - (St. Gertrude) Novena del Día de las Madres  
Immaculate Conception—Thanksgiving
- 11:30 am - Novena del Día de las Madres  
Ramon Cordero (dec)  
Balentina Torres (dec)
- 1:15 pm - Mothers' Day Novena

*Monday, May 21, 2012 - St. Christopher Magallenes & Companions*

- 12:10 pm - Mothers' Day Novena  
Angel Maria Rodriguez (Personal Intention)  
Balentina Torres (dec)

*Tuesday, May 22, 2012 - St. Rita of Cascia*

- 12:10 pm - Balentina Torres (dec)

*Wednesday, May 23, 2012*

- 12:10 pm - Balentina Torres (dec)

*Thursday, May 24, 2012*

- 9:00 am - (St. Gertrude) Mass available
- 12:10 pm - Matthew Glomb (dec)  
Balentina Torres (dec)

*Friday, May 25, 2012 - St. Bede the Venerable, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi*

- 12:10 pm - Mass available
- 7:30 pm - Balentina Torres (dec)

*Saturday, May 26, 2012 - St. Phillip Neri*

- 12:10 pm - Mass available
- 5:00 pm - Luz Torres (dec)
- 7:30 pm - Misa disponible

*Sunday, May 27, 2012 - Pentecost Sunday*

- 8:15 am - Rosary Society  
Gabriel, Herson, Waldman & Jim Rivera (dec)
- 9:45 am - (St. Gertrude) Por las almas del Purgatorio  
Maria Magdalena Herrera (dec)
- 11:30 am - Teofilo & Francisco Ceballos (dec)  
Yida Castillo (dec)
- 1:15 pm - Martin T. Waldron (dec)

**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 - \$7606.00**  
**Second Collection - \$1303.00**

**First Collection Last Year: \$5621.00**

**(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 1:15-17,20-26 \*Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20\*Jn 17:11-19
- Mon** \* Acts 19:1-8 \* Ps 68:2-5, 6-7 \* Jn 16:29-33
- Tues** \* Acts 20:17-27 \* Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 \* Jn 17:1-11
- Wed** \* Acts 20:28-38 \* Ps 68:29-30,, 33-36 \* Jn 17:11-19
- Thurs** \* Acts 22:30, 23:6-11 \* Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 \* Jn 17:20-26
- Fri** \* Acts 25:13-21 \* Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 \* Jn 21:15-19
- Sat** \* Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 \* Ps 11:4-5,7 \* Jn 17:20-26



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.

**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

**PLEASE PRAY for the sick:** Kim Martin, John Conway, Anne Marie Monereau, Yvonne Hall, Chuck Hanson, Maria Guadalupe Vasquez, Pedro Bonilla, and our faithful departed especially Luis Soto.

*Welcome to Our New Parishioners ...*



# Seventh Sunday of Easter

## THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Six or seven months ago we celebrated the Feast of All Saints. What a wonderful treasury in our heritage is the communion of saints. Today we focus on the earliest saints named by the Church: the disciples of the Lord. The choosing of Matthias, as recounted in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, is a delightful story of how the early church responded to the needs of the growing community. Statistics show that membership in the Catholic Church has been growing steadily in the last several years. Many are responding to the call of the Lord and entering the initiation process called the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. One of the great hymns we sang at the Easter Vigil, as those to be baptized approached the baptismal font, was the Litany of Saints, in which we invoked the names of those who now rest in the presence of the Lord. As the candidates were baptized, the Church was made new once again.

### LOOKING TOWARD PENTECOST

Through the centuries millions have responded to God's call to ministry, many of them named as saints by the Church. These saints are models for us, since many of them led ordinary lives yet always kept their focus on the Lord Jesus. As we stand at the threshold of the feast of Pentecost, we look toward a new Pentecost, a time of renewal in the Church, in our parish communities, and in the hearts of all the faithful. We, too, are called by God to keep our actions focused on the Lord. As we prepare to celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, let us pray for those who have responded to God's call. Let us also pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to inspire us to renewal, reconciliation, and peace.

### 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" Flat Screen TV
- 2nd Prize - Laptop Computer
- 3rd Prize - Ipod
- 4th Prize - "Kindle Fire"

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



## COMMUNION 2012

**Congratulations to the students of the Religious Education Program who received First Holy Communion.**

Adriana Aparicio	Bryan Guzman Gonzalez
Melannie Arcentales Reinoso	Juan Guzman Gonzalez
Johnny Arcentales Reinoso	Adaora Madubuko
Angel Arteaga	Elizabeth Marquez
Caliyah Benjamin	Yoselyn Marroquin
Samantha Bonilla Vides	Jesus Martinez
Angel Calzadilla	Jonathan Martinez
Antonio Carter	Ciara McKane
Elizabeth Castaneda	Jonathan Perdomo
Amanda Collado	Armando Smith
Karen Cruz	Jesse Smith
Karina Cruz	Jennifer Miranda
Amaia Descilien	Maria Monroy Lopez
Samantha Escobar	Karla Moreno Hercules
Alexis Estrada Bonilla	Vanessa Moreno Hercules
Luis Galo Navarro	Maialen Richards
Jose Garcia	Kayla Rivera
Kimora George	Isaiah Rodriguez
Jefferson Gonzalez	Wendy Rodriguez
Joselin Gomez Lopez	Aziah Matt Santizo
Charisma Gonsalves	Johnty Taylor
Rebecca Guevarra Avalo	Diana Velasquez
Carlos Guerra	Ruby Ventura

Angelo Yu

### Prayer for Our Parish Priests

O Jesus, our great High Priest,  
Hear our humble prayers on behalf of your priests.  
Give them a deep faith a bright and firm hope  
and a burning love which will ever  
increase in the course of their priestly life.

In their loneliness, comfort them.

In their sorrows, strengthen them.

In their frustrations, point out to them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show them that they are needed by the Church, they are needed by souls, they are needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of priests, take to your heart your sons who are close to you because of their priestly ordination, and because of the power which they have received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which need them so much.

Be their comfort, be their joy, be their strength, and especially help them to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy.

Amen

**VOCATIONS CORNER...**

Our very own Giancarlo (Gino) Tomas Pattugulan will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 23, 2012, at the Cathedral-Basilica of Saint James. He will celebrate his first "Mass of Solemn Thanksgiving" at the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston at 12:30 PM; all are invited. There will be a bus available for those who are attending this first Mass. More information will be available soon.

**2012 Annual Catholic Appeal Weekly Update**

**YESSS!!!! As of May 14, 2012, our pledges total \$44,530.00, surpassing our diocesan goal of \$44,489.00. Imagine; we have reached this pledge amount based on just 226 commitments. I can't wait to see where we go from here. I am so proud of you. Your generosity is very much appreciated.**

**For those who have not yet done so, please make your pledge today. Let's make this a true success for our beloved parish.**

**We look forward to receiving commitments from at least 400 more of our parishioners. Please join your fellow parishioners in supporting this most important fundraising activity for our beloved parish.**

We need the support of all parishioners. Please consider making at least a one-time pledge and payment now.

**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.**

**HOLY HOUR AND FELLOWSHIP**

Calling all young adults in our parish between the ages of 17 and 25.

Join with other youth in our diocese for a faith-filled evening of "praise, worship, adoration, reconciliation, volleyball, food and fellowship."

DATE: Friday, May 25, 2012

TIME: 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM

PLACE: Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston, NY

Please contact Zoila Herrera on 516 633-6017 or Joyce George on 718 327-7747 by Tuesday, May 22nd to sign up. Invite your friends. We look forward to seeing you on May 25th..

**TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY**—The Puerto Rican committee invite you to a trip to Bally's on Saturday, June 2, 2012. Departure time is 7:30 A.M. from St. Mary Star of the Sea & St. Gertrude. Cost for the trip is \$40. For more information please call Aida Rodriguez - 718-471-1912.



We are grateful to all the young people who helped organize the Mothers' Day Dance. Thanks to them we were able to raise \$7,000.00 to help our parish.

Special thanks to:

Luly Cruz	Irene Mejia
Evelyn Hernandez	Elvia Molina
Rosa Hernandez	Stephanie Tortola
Jennifer Juliana	Chabeli Vicioso

Vanessa Zipriano

Les estamos muy agradecidos a todos los jóvenes que ayudaron a organizar el Baile del Día de las Madres. Gracias a ellos pudimos recaudar \$7,000.00 para ayudar a nuestra parroquia.

**EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS**

**Domingo Pasado: \$7606.00**

**Segunda Colecta: \$1303.00**

**Mismo Domingo Hace un Año:\$5621.00**

**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!

**Oración Por Nuestros Sacerdotes**

¡Oh, Jesús, nuestro Sumo Sacerdote,  
Escucha nuestra humilde oración  
en nombre de nuestros sacerdotes.

Dales una profunda fe, una esperanza luminosa  
y firme y un amor ardiente para que puedan crecer en el  
transcurso de su vida sacerdotal.

En la soledad, dales consuelo.

En sus penas, dales fortaleza.

En sus frustraciones, recuérdales que es a través del  
sufrimiento que el alma se purifica, y que los necesitamos al  
servicio de la Iglesia, que son necesarios  
para las almas, que son necesarios  
para la obra de la redención.

Oh piadosa Madre María, Madre de los sacerdotes,  
mantenlos a estos tus hijos cerca  
de tu corazón, estos sacerdotes que  
están cerca de ti por su ordenación sacerdotal, y por el poder  
que han recibido para llevar a cabo la obra de Cristo en un  
mundo que los necesitan tanto .

Oremos para que tu Señor seas su consuelo, su alegría, su  
fortaleza, y sobre todo ayúdales a vivir y defender los ideales  
de una vida célibe y consagrada.

Amén



## Séptimo Domingo de Pascua

### LA COMUNION DE LOS SANTOS

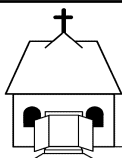
Hace exactamente siete meses celebramos la festividad de Todos los Santos. ¡Qué maravilloso tesoro hemos heredado con la comunión de los santos! Hoy nos centramos en los primeros santos nombrados por la Iglesia: los discípulos del Señor. La elección de Matías, de la manera como es relatada en la lectura de hoy de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, es una historia maravillosa sobre cómo la naciente Iglesia respondía a las necesidades de una creciente comunidad. Las estadísticas muestran que el número de miembros en la Iglesia ha crecido sostenidamente en los últimos años. Muchos han respondido al llamado del Señor y han ingresado en el proceso de iniciación denominado el *Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos*. Uno de los grandes himnos que entonamos en la Vigilia Pascual, mientras se acercan a la fuente bautismal los que van a ser bautizados, es la Letanía de los Santos, en la que invocamos el nombre de los que ahora descansan en la presencia del Señor. En el bautismo de los candidatos la Iglesia se renueva otra vez.

### CON LA MIRADA EN PENTECOSTÉS

En el curso de los siglos millones han respondido al llamado de Dios al ministerio, y muchos de ellos han sido nombrados santos por la Iglesia. Estos santos son ejemplos para nosotros, muchos de ellos llevaron vidas ordinarias pero siempre se mantuvieron firmes en el Señor Jesús. Ante el umbral de la fiesta de Pentecostés, ponemos la mirada en un nuevo Pentecostés, un tiempo de renovación de la Iglesia, en nuestras comunidades parroquiales y en el corazón de todos los fieles. Dios también nos llama a mantener nuestras acciones enfocadas en el Señor. Al prepararnos para celebrar la gran fiesta de Pentecostés, oremos por los que han respondido al llamado de Dios. Oremos también para que el Espíritu Santo continúe inspirándonos a la renovación, la reconciliación y la paz.

### VOCACIONES ...

Nuestro diácono Giancarlo (Gino) Tomás Pattugulan será ordenado sacerdote el Sábado, 23 de junio 2012, en la Catedral-Basilica de Saint James. Gino celebrara su primera "Misa Solemne de Acción de Gracias en la Capilla de la Inmaculada Concepción en Douglaston a las 12:30 PM. Todos están invitados. Tendremos un autobús disponible para todos los que deseen asistir a su primera misa. Tendremos mas información mas adelante .



*Bienvenidos a  
nuestra parroquia*

### HORA SANTA Y CONVIVENCIA

Llamado para todos los jóvenes de la parroquia de edades entre 17 y 25. Únase a otros jóvenes de la diócesis en una tarde de Alabanza, Adoración Eucarística, Reconciliación, voleibol, cena, diversión y compañerismo."

DIA: Viernes 25 de Mayo, 2012

HORA: 7:30 PM a 10:30 PM

LUGAR: Centro de la Inmaculada Concepción,  
Douglaston, NY

Para más información y para inscribirse, por favor póngase en contacto con Zoila Herrera al 516 633-6017 o George Joyce al 718 327-8920, antes del 19 de mayo 2012.

### Resumen Actualizado de la Campaña Anual Católica

#### Lo logramos!

Hasta el 14 de mayo del 2012, todos los compromisos llegaron a un total de \$44,540.00 sobrepasando nuestra meta diocesana de \$ 44,489.00. Hemos llegado a este total basado en solo 226 promesas. Esperamos que podamos seguir aumentado esta promesas. Les estamos muy agradecidos a todos nuestros feligreses que participaron . Muchas gracias a todos por su generosidad.

Aquellas personas que aun no han hecho su promesa, por favor trate de hacerla lo mas pronto posible. Juntos podemos hacer de esta campaña todo un éxito. Esperamos recibir por lo menos 400 promesas mas de nuestros feligreses. Consideren en hacer una sola contribución. Por favor trate de apoyar nuestra querida parroquia con esta campaña.

**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.

**VIAJE A ATLANTIC CITY**—El Comité Puertorriqueño los invita a un viaje a Atlantic City el Sábado 2 de Junio del 2012. Salida a las 7:30 A.M. de Santa María. Costo por boleto \$40. Para Boletos, favor llamar a Aida Rodríguez al 718-471-1912.

### 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.

**Paseo al Santuario de la Divina Misericordia** - el Sábado, 18 de Agosto 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.