

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

8:00 & 12:10—Monday thru Wednesday
9:00 at St. Gertrude's & 12:10 at St. Mary's - Thursday
12:10, 7:30 PM (in Spanish) - Fridays
12:10 PM—Saturdays

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

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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.

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, July 17*

- 12:10 pm – Levonne Williams (dec)
 5:00 pm – Mass for the People
 Enrique & Isabel Abella (Safe trip)
 Cynthia Abella (Good health)
 Isabella Reginio (Good health)
 7:30 pm – Presentación de la bebe Alyson Sherlin Oliva

Sunday, July 18—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – Flora Jarvis (90th birthday)
 William Finkelstein (dec)
 Levonne Williams (dec)
 9:45 am – Daizy Barrios (dec), Elizabeth Paulino (dec)
 11:30 am – Divino Niño—Acción de Gracias
 1:15 pm – Veronica Finn (dec), Levonne Williams (dec)
 Carmelita P. Brazzier (Birthday)

Monday, July 19

- 8:00 am – John Rivara (dec)
 12:10 pm – John Rivara (dec)

Tuesday, July 20—St. Apollinaris

- 8:00 am – Agnes Matlock (dec)
 Stephen M. Matlock (dec)
 12:10 pm – George Winkler (75th birthday)

Wednesday, July 21—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

- 8:00 am – Maria Patricia Montero (dec)
 12:10 pm – Christopher Anakhu—Thanksgiving

Thursday, July 22—St. Mary Magdalene

- 9:00 am – (St. Gertrude)—Robert Cunningham (healing)
 12:10 pm – Robert Cunningham (healing)

Friday, July 23 – St. Bridget of Sweden

- 12:10 pm – Eloise Alphonse (dec)
 7:30 pm – Francisco Bienbenido Tejada (dec)
 Divino Niño—Acción de Gracias

Saturday, July 24—St. Sharbel Makhluf

- 12:10 pm – Maria Patricia Montero (dec)
 5:00 pm – Abella Family (Good health)
 Mae Abella Romero (Good health)
 7:30 pm – En honor al Divino Niño
 Zoila Yopez

Sunday, July 25—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – Walderman, Herson & Gabriel Rivera (dec)
 9:45 am – Niño Jesus—Acción de Gracias
 11:30 am – Hernan Rua (dec), Misa por la Comunidad
 1:15 pm – Grace Abella (dec)
 Andrew Sichiari (Good health)

Weekday Readings

- Sun** * Gen 18:1-10a * Ps 15:2-5 * Lk 10:38-42
Mon * Mi 6:1-4, 6-8 * Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 * Mt 12:38-42
Tues * Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 * Ps 85:2-8 * Mt 12:46-50
Wed * Jer 1:1, 4-10 * Ps 71:1-4, 5-6, 15, 17 * Mt 13:1-9
Thurs * Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 * Ps 36:6-7, 8-11 * Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Fri * Jer 3:14-17 * Jer 31:10-12, 13 * Mt 13:18-23
Sat * Jer 7:1-11 * Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11 * Mt 13:24-30

**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**Weekend of 7-10 & 7-11 2010**

Mass Time	# of Attendees	# of Env	1st Collection	# of Env	All Saints	Total Collection
5:00 PM	69	29	\$690.50	19	\$108.00	\$798.50
7:30 PM	266	50	\$520.86	28	\$212.77	\$733.63
8:15 AM	156	63	\$954.19	39	\$304.25	\$1,258.44
9:45 AM	157	54	\$204.65	35	\$234.65	\$439.30
11:30 AM	453	91	\$1,190.16	66	\$402.77	\$1,592.93
1:15PM	180	35	\$1,116.24	19	\$128.17	\$1,244.41
Other	-	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	1281	322	\$4,676.60	206	\$1,390.61	\$6,067.21

First Collection Same Sunday Last Year: \$6082.49**(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.paritypay.com

Bishop Ignatius Catanello, Bishop Joseph Sullivan, Bishop Rene Valero, Rev. Ezra Naughton, Robert Cunningham, Zoila Yopez, Pedro Bonilla, Beverly Smith, Juan Vasquez, Ulitt Doyle, Linda Doyle, Barbara King, Donna Mohammed, Beulah Harris, Santos Rodriguez, Luis Rodriguez, Simone Boyer, Emmanuel Julien, Annabel Davis, Wiloby Snips, Luis Santiago, Lilliana Santiago, Zoraida Melendez, Jennifer Richards and the Faithful Departed: Rev. Msgr. Anthony S. Danna, Rev. Msgr. Francis X. Glimm, Rev. Victor Boyle, Maria Patria Montero, Levonne Williams.

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

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

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

The flowers are given in thanksgiving for
Rosalie McAllister.



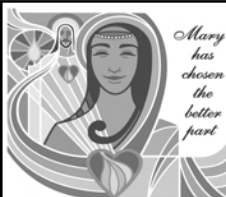
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SPEAK UP FOR YOURSELF

Rabbinic teaching notes that it is the characters who “stood up” to the Almighty who were most admired in scripture: Moses, who protested his tongue-tied inability to lead the Exodus; Job, who questioned the very will and wisdom of God; Abraham, who bartered for the saving of Sodom and Gomorrah; Sarah, who, just beyond the final verse of today’s first reading from Genesis, will chuckle at God’s fruitful covenant in the womb she believed barren. On the cross, Jesus himself would echo one of the most heaven-defying questions of the psalmist: “Why have you abandoned me?” And, while it may be easy to think of these defiant characters as being short on faith, the scriptures prefer to use their boldness to indicate the depths to which they trusted their relationship with God. Made in the image of their Creator, the people of Israel knew that every solid and intimate relationship should run the entire gamut of human emotions.

WHO ARE YOU?

In today’s Gospel passage, Martha joins the ranks of her ancestors who freely contested the situations in which they found themselves. She doesn’t merely gripe about her sister’s laziness; she does it without restraint to the one she addresses as “Lord.” Her tone, “Do you not care?” is somewhat accusatory (Luke 10:40). She must have felt quite trusting of her relationship with her sister and her Lord, in order to address Jesus in such a forthright manner. Jesus does not hesitate to give her a straightforward reply. He doesn’t contradict the need for the serving that must be done. He would, in fact, one day imitate the servile hospitality of Abraham’s foot-washing. Martha had welcomed him, washed the feet at which Mary sat, as Abraham welcomed his visitors. She scurried for a meal, as did Sarah for her guests. All necessary, but her anxiety and worry kept her from “the better part” of knowing her sister and knowing Christ. May we all be a bit like Martha, ready to welcome, to bear the burden of serving, to call others to serve with us, but always, with Mary, in the assurance of those who sit attentively at the feet of the Lord.



VOCATIONS - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - “Mary has chosen the better part.” Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? Speak with a priest or religious or contact the

Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or vocations@diobrook.org.

Charismatic Prayer Group in English is now meeting in the school auditorium on Monday evenings from 7:30—9:30 P.M. All are welcome!

C.A.R.E.S CATECHISM AND ROSARY EVENING SERIES For you and Your Families

Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 P.M.
August 17th thru November 16, 2010

St. Mary Star of the Sea Church
1920 New Haven Avenue
Far Rockaway, 11691

To get the most out of these evenings, you will need a Bible, a Rosary and a Catechism of the Catholic Church.

If you do not have these items, please call
Deacon Mike
917-769-4496

COD NEWS REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS CLASSES FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K-8 IS NOW GOING ON IN THE RECTORY. CLASSES START ON SEPT 25. YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR CHILD EVERY YEAR IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION. PLEASE COME BY!

Altar Servers Sponsorship Program

Our Altar Servers need your help! Please consider making a donation so that we can take our faithful Altar Servers on a trip this summer and so that we can purchase new albs for them to wear during Mass. Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church and may be dropped in a collection basket, given to an usher or returned to the rectory. Thank you so much for your continued generosity!



Would you like to be an Altar Server?

If you would like to serve in this very important ministry, please contact our seminarian, Carlos C. Velazquez at 718-327-1133 ext. 28

St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Church will be participating in a Diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC on Saturday, October 30, 2010. We are chartering a bus for the trip. The cost of the trip is \$55.00 per person. Please contact either rectory for information.



FAMILY DAY PICNIC

At Woodmere Park—July 24th
10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Transportation will be provided
\$10.00 per family

Come join us for a day of fun and games!

For information, please call 718-327-1133 ext. 25.

Hello From Deacon Mike



RCIA

- Are you interested in becoming a Roman Catholic?
- Do you know someone who wants to become a Roman Catholic?
- Do you or someone you know need questions answered about being in FULL COMMUNION with the Catholic Church?
- Have you been Baptized and made your First Communion, but you have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Confirmation is VERY IMPORTANT!!!!
- Will your children be receiving their Sacraments soon but you have not received all of yours yet?
- Are you considering marriage?
- Have you been away from the Catholic Church for years, but now you are interested in coming back to the Church?
- Are there questions you need answered about the Catholic Faith?

If you have answered yes to anyone of these questions, we want you to feel comfortable knowing that we are here to help you. We have an excellent RCIA/RICA Program that will guide you through the process of full Initiation, and full Communion with the Catholic Church. Our facilitators are kind and loving, and welcoming. There is no need to worry. We look forward to meeting you and answering all your questions.

No need to hesitate...please call the Rectory **today** @ 1(718) 327-1133. Why wait? Be among those who will be invited to join us for our information sessions throughout the months of July and August. **Classes begin in September.** These classes are for ages 18 and above. Last year we had a lady and gentleman each in their sixties... and a lady in her seventies!!!! Together with the young adults, and gifted facilitators we all had a lot of wonderful experiences!!! And together, we all learned a lot about our Blessed Lord, ourselves, and the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Remember: You never journey alone! We are there with you and for you. Take that step...call us...you'll be glad you did... WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU SOOOOOOON.

*Peace be with you,
Deacon Mike*



Sponsored by Far Rockaway
LIJ Treatment Center

Thursday, July 22, 2010—9:30 am – 3:30 pm
1600 Central Avenue, Far Rockaway, NY

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact: Ms. Grace Miller at 718-868-1400 ext 33.

St. John's Hospital - Blood Pressure Screenings 11:00 AM
at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church on the following Sundays:

- July 25, 2010
- August 22, 2010
- September 19, 2010

**St. Mary Star of the Sea and
St. Gertrude Parish Memorials**

Thank you to all those parishioners who have made memorial donations towards some of the liturgical items needs for Mass and the celebration of the other sacraments. The following items are still available and can be donated to our parish in memory or in Thanksgiving. These items include:

Baptism Towels (8)	\$25.00 each
Cruets (4)	\$99.00 each
Cruets (6)	\$79.00 each
Vestments	\$550.00 each
White, Red, Purple, Green	
Monstrance Case	\$250.00
Outside Benches (2)	\$1600.00 each

There is also a larger memorial available. At St. Gertrude's Church we are in the process of restoring one of our old tabernacles to be used in the main body of the church there. The cost of restoration of this sacred tabernacle is a wonderful memorial for someone to give in memory of a departed loved one. If you would like to memorialize this tabernacle please let me know. The cost is \$3400.00.

Please help us in sponsoring our altar server trip this summer. We would like to take the children that serve at Mass each weekend and the members of the children's choir to the new Luna Park in Coney Island followed by supper at Nathan's Famous! Donation envelopes are available at each church. Please consider making a small gift as we reward the generous young people of our parish who serve God through the ministries of our parish!

registration

**ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL
REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2010**



Have you considered a Catholic School education for your child? St. Mary's School provides the students with a fine academic education in a faith-filled environment. Do you think that Catholic School is financially impossible for you to afford? There are two excellent scholarship programs available. Many families would be eligible for this help. Tuition may be more reasonable than you realize.

For Pre-Kindergarten – children must be 4 years old by December 1, 2010. For Kindergarten – children must be 5 years old December 31, 2010. There are limited spaces available in Grades 1 through 6. Students in Grades 7 and 8 are considered only in special circumstances. Are you interested? Please call 718-327-2242 for an appointment.

YARD SALE - Our Lady of Good Counsel on Saturday, July 24th – 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM. Tables: \$10 for parishioners - \$25 for all others. Additional tables: \$5 each. Food and drinks: available to purchase. Please register by July 19th. For additional information, please call 516-239-0953.

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$6,067.21

Primera Colecta el Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$6082.49

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!



Decimosexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

ATREVÁMONOS A HABLAR CLARO

La enseñanza rabínica indica, que los personajes más admirados de la Biblia son los que han sido "atrevidos" con Dios: Moisés, quien se atrevió a protestar que no tenía facilidad para hablar y que no servía para dirigir el Éxodo; Job, quien se atrevió a cuestionar la voluntad y la sabiduría mismas de Dios; Abraham, quien regateó con Dios por la salvación de Sodoma y Gomorra; y Sara quien, en el versículo después de donde termina la primera lectura de hoy, se cuenta que se echó a reír al escuchar que Dios iba a sellar su Alianza haciendo nacer un hijo a pesar de la esterilidad de ella. Clavado en la cruz, el mismo Jesús se haría eco de una de las preguntas más atrevidas y desafiantes de los salmos, "Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?" Y, aunque nos parezca a veces que esos personajes que se atrevían a hablarle a Dios de una manera tan poco respetuosa eran gente de poca fe, la Escritura usa su atrevimiento para mostrar hasta qué punto tenían confianza en su relación con Dios. Parece que el pueblo de Israel sabía que en toda relación sólida e íntima existe toda una gama de emociones humanas.

¿QUIÉN ERES TÚ?

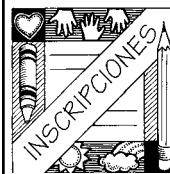
En el Evangelio de hoy, Marta se une a la lista de sus antepasados, que se habían atrevido a disputar las situaciones en que se encontraban. El tono de su pregunta – "Señor, ¿no te importa...?" es bastante acusatorio. (Lucas 10:40) Marta tiene que haber estado bien segura de su relación tanto con el Señor como con su hermana, cuando le pudo hablar a Jesús en ese tono tan franco y directo. Jesús no niega que hace falta que alguien haga el trabajo de cocinar y de servir la mesa. Él mismo, un día, había de imitar el servicio hospitalario de Abraham, lavando los pies a sus discípulos. Marta lo había recibido con alegría, y al igual que Abraham había lavado los pies de los tres extraños, ella le había lavado a Jesús los pies; esos pies junto a los cuales estaba sentada María ahora. Al igual que Sara, Marta también se había atareado para preparar una cena para sus invitados. Todo eso era necesario, pero su preocupación y su inquietud la alejaban de esa "mejor parte", que era comprender a su hermana y conocer a Cristo. Conceda Dios que todos seamos un poco como Marta, siempre dispuestos a recibir a quien llegue, a

llevar la carga de servir a los demás y a llamar a los demás a que se unan a nuestro servicio; pero, al igual que María, siempre con esa seguridad que tienen los que se sientan a los pies del Señor y escuchan atentamente sus palabras.

Educación Religiosa

LA MATRICULA PARA LAS CLASES DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA SE ESTÁN LLEVANDO A CABO EN LA RECTORIA PARA LOS NIÑOS DE K-8avo GRADO. TODOS LOS NIÑOS DEBEN DE SER MATRICULADOS CADA AÑO PARA LAS CLASES DE CATECISMO. LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EL 25 DE SEPT. LOS ESPERAMOS.

La Iglesia Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis participará en una peregrinación Diocesana a la Basílica del Santuario de la Concepción Inmaculada en Washington DC el sábado, 30 de octubre del 2010. Tendremos un autobús para este viaje. El costo del viaje es \$55.00 por persona. Por favor póngase en contacto ya sea con una o la otra rectoría para mas información.



REGISTRACION PARA SEPTIEMBRE 2010 EN LA ESCUELA SANTA MARIA

¿Ha considerado usted una buena educación Católica para su niño? La Escuela Santa María provee a los estudiantes una buena educación académica en un ambiente lleno de fe.

¿Piensa usted que la Escuela Católica es económicamente imposible para usted? Hay dos excelentes programas de becas disponibles. Muchas familias pueden ser elegibles para esta ayuda. La matrícula puede ser más razonable de lo que usted piensa.

Para el Pre-K - los niños deben tener 4 años antes del 1 de diciembre del 2010. Para Kindergarten - los niños deben tener 5 años antes del 31 de diciembre del 2010.

Hay espacios limitados en los Grados 1 al 6. Los estudiantes en los Grados 7 y 8 son considerados sólo en circunstancias especiales. ¿Está usted interesado? Favor llamar al 718-327-2242 para mas información o para hacer una cita.

¿Te gustaría ser un Monaguillo?

Si usted desea ser parte de este importante ministerio, favor de ponerse en contacto con nuestro seminarista Carlos C. Velásquez al 718-3271133 ext. 28!

**R. I. C. A.**

Si usted es un adulto de 17 años en adelante y no ha recibido sus sacramentos de iniciación, Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación, favor de registrarse el Sábado 24 y Domingo 25 de Julio después de las misas hispanas o puede llamar a la oficina de Lunes a Viernes de 9:00 A.M. a 3:00 P.M. al 718-327-1133 o hable con uno de los diáconos o sacerdotes de la parroquia.