

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



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Deacon Michael C. Moss
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Deacon Rene Hernandez

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Ms. Joanne Murray, Ext. 16
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Miguel Jimenez
Lillian Virginia Roundtree

PASTORAL COUNCIL, CHAIR:

Yvonne Hall

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE:

Mrs. Susan Singh-Smith, 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

SCHOOL BOOKKEEPER

Ms. Carla Ramos - 718-327-2242, Ext. 204

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:

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: Mondays after the 12:10 Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT: First
Sundays 2:30 - 3:30 PM and First Fridays 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, October 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus

12:10 pm – For those serving in the Armed Forces

5:00 pm – John Schiavone (dec)
Nigerian Community

7:30 pm – Barbara Cardona (dec)
Mercedes Castro (dec)

Sunday, October 2 -Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 am – Mass for the People

9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Maria Crespo (dec)
Kenroy Smith (dec)

11:30 am – Seberina Polanco (dec)

1:15 pm – Joseph Pandolfo

Monday, October 3

8:00 am – For the sick and homebound

12:10 pm – Fr. Innasi Mudiappan—Thanksgiving
Cornelio Chanona (dec)

Tuesday, October 4—St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 am – Married Couples

12:10 pm – Luciano Gonzales (dec)
John Sears (dec)

Wednesday, October 5

8:00 am – For those serving in the Armed Forces

12:10 pm – For the children of the Parish

*Thursday, October 6—St. Bruno
St. Marie-Rose Durocher*

9:00 am – (St. Gertrude) Vocations

12:10 pm – Gino Pattugalan—Thanksgiving

Friday, October 7—Our Lady of the Rosary

12:10 pm – For the sick and the homebound

7:30 pm – Vocaciones

Saturday, October 8

12:10 pm – For those serving in the Armed Forces

5:00 pm – Vocations

7:30 pm – Por los niños de la Parroquia

Sunday, October 9 -Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 am – Mass for the People

9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Leocadia Ayala (dec)

11:30 am – Maria Luca Perez (dec)

1:15 pm – Eugene Turner (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 - \$5181.00

2nd Collection last weekend - \$1477.00

**First Collection Same Sunday Last Year (2010):
\$5181.76**

(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.

Weekday Readings

Sun * Is 5:1-7 * Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 * Mt 21:33-43

Mon * Jon 1:1-2:2, 11 * Jon 2:2-5, 8 * Lk 10:25-37

Tues * Jon 3:1-10 * Ps 130:1-4, 7-8 * Lk 10:38-42

Wed * Jon 4:1-11 * Ps 86:3-6, 9-10 * Lk 11:1-4

Thurs * Mal 3:13-20b * Ps 1:1-4, 6 * Lk 11:5-13

Fri * Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2 * Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16 * Lk 11:15-26

Sat * Jl 4:12-21 * Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 * Lk 11:27-28

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

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



Infant Baptism Registration

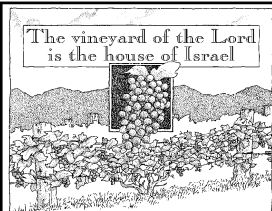
Next English Baptism is Saturday, October 22nd at 1:00 P.M. You MUST register before attending the meeting. Mandatory meeting is Wednesday, October 19th at 7:30 in the rectory.

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.



Derrick Heron, Luciano Antonio Cordova, Maria Guadalupe Vasquez, Pedro Bonilla, Sixto Rivera, Joyce Norden, and our faithful departed.



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE VINEYARD OF BEAUTY AND LIFE

The first sentence of today’s Gospel parable can be easily overlooked: “There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower” (Matthew 21:33). It is difficult for us to imagine the enormous amount of time, money, and effort it must have taken for a construction project of this kind. Once completed, the vineyard must have been a beautiful place, not unlike the vineyards one can find in places like the Napa Valley in California. Vineyards are, by their very nature, places of beauty and life. The vineyard in today’s Gospel, however, becomes the setting for treachery and murder. All too often the vineyard that is this fragile planet of ours likewise becomes a setting for treachery and murder.

STEWARDS OF THE VINEYARD

Isaiah’s marvelous description of the vineyard reminds us of the creation passages from the book of Genesis. That description generates faint echoes of the oft-repeated line from Genesis: “and God saw how good it was” (Genesis 1:25). The sad reality is that we who are called to be good stewards of this vineyard sometimes make bad choices. Sometimes in our arrogance we fail to care for the vineyard of creation. Like the wicked tenants, we care more for our own personal gain than for the virtues of goodness and righteousness. Pope John Paul II used the term “the culture of death” to describe this kind of behavior. The parables we hear are meant to cut right to our hearts and force us to look squarely at our behaviors and attitudes. May this week’s parable open our eyes to those times when we stray away from the goodness and beauty of God’s vineyard and make decisions that support the culture of death. May we be strengthened in our efforts to become good stewards whose actions bring forth the fruits of life and love.



Religious Education Classes for children in grades K-8 started this Saturday, September 17, 2011. Please contact the rectory at 718-327-1133 x 25 for information. You must register your child every year in Religious Education.

St. Mary Star of the Sea & St. Gertrude Parish rejoices in the Ordination to the Order of Deacons of our Seminarian



Giancarlo Pattugalan

On Thursday, October 6, 2011
At the Altar of the Chair
The Papal Basilica of Saint Peter
Vatican City State

Congratulations Gino!
We are proud of you!

The Parish of St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude's 2011 Walkathon



The walkathon numbers are in. Thanks to your generosity and hard work, we collected \$19,857.73 as of September 26, 2011 and money is still coming up. The final amount collected will appear in the bulletin within the next two weeks. Hopefully, we will reach \$20,000.00.

TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY—The Puerto Rican committee invite you to a trip to Atlantic City on Saturday, October 22, 2011. 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.

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

Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 P.M.
August 30th thru October 25, 2011

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

Please bring your Rosary, Bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church.

2011 Annual Catholic Appeal *Weekly Update*

There are no new updates to report for the Annual Catholic Appeal as of September 27, 2011.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please do not forget your pledges for the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal. There are 3 months left in 2011 to complete your payments.

Thanks you for your continued support and generosity of our Annual Catholic Appeal.

Commitment forms may be found in the lobbies of both Churches. You may also contact the rectory for more information on 718 327-1133, ext. 16.

REMEMBER: *that every dollar over \$44,489.00 that is collected is returned to our parish.*

The Office of Faith Formation is sponsoring the following diocesan events:

Respect Life Sunday, October 2, 2011
World Priest, Sunday October 30, 2011

How do I hear the voice of God in my life? How do I respond? Daughters of Wisdom Discernment Opportunity on Sunday, October 2, 2011 from 2 to 6 P.M. at St. Virgilius Convent, 210 Noel Road, Broad Channel, NY—718-945-2467.

The St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering **Hearing Aid Help** from now until December 7, 2011. This is a **FREE** service and available for anyone who has a hearing aid and may be experiencing some difficulty caring for it or using it. Please call the center at 718-990-64 to schedule and appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY.

The St. Francis de Sales Bereavement Ministry will be holding a program entitled "Working Our Way Through Grief". 8 Wednesday Evenings. First Session: Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. For registration information, please call Winifred Fitzgerald (718-318-2123).

ROSARY FOR LIFE invite you to join them on Friday, October 7, 2011 for the Annual Anniversary co-celebrated Mass at Good Shepherd Church, 1950 Batchelder St. Brooklyn, NY (Belt Parkway-Exit 11N Kings Plaza.) Most Rev. Frank J. Caggiano, Vicar General Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn, will be the Main Celebrant & Homilist. The Rosary will precede the Mass at 7:00 P.M. and enrollment in the Brown Scapular will follow. For information, call Rosary for Life at 718-377-6920.

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$5181.00

Segunda Colecta: \$1477.00

Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$5181.76

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!



Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

EL VIÑEDO DE LA BELLEZA Y LA VIDA

La primera frase de la parábola del evangelio de hoy puede pasar fácilmente desapercibida: "Había una vez un propietario que plantó un viñedo, lo rodeó con una cerca, cavó un lagar en él, construyó una torre" (Mateo 21:33). Es difícil imaginarnos la enorme cantidad de tiempo, dinero y esfuerzo requeridos para un proyecto de construcción de esa clase. Una vez terminado, el viñedo debió ser un sitio bellissimo, muy parecido a los viñedos que uno encuentra en sitios como el Valle Napa en California. Los viñedos son, por naturaleza, sitios llenos de belleza y vitalidad. El viñedo del evangelio de hoy, sin embargo, se convierte en un escenario de traición y asesinato.

RESPONSABLES DEL VIÑEDO

La maravillosa descripción del viñedo que hace Isaías nos recuerda los pasajes de la creación en el Génesis. Esa descripción nos trae ecos de la frecuentemente repetida frase del Génesis: "Y vio Dios que todo esto era bueno" (Génesis 1:25). La triste realidad es que nosotros, que hemos sido llamados a ser corresponsables de este viñedo a veces hacemos malas decisiones. A veces, por nuestra arrogancia, descuidamos el viñedo de la creación. Como los malvados arrendatarios, nos preocupamos más por nuestra ganancia personal que por practicar las virtudes de bondad y justicia. El Papa Juan Pablo II usó el término "la cultura de la muerte" para describir esta clase de comportamiento. El propósito de las parábolas que escuchamos es el de llegar directamente nuestro corazón y forzarnos a examinar honestamente nuestro comportamiento y actitudes. Ojalá la parábola de esta semana nos abra los ojos para reflexionar acerca de las veces que nos hemos apartado de la bondad y belleza del viñedo de Dios y hemos tomado decisiones que apoyan la cultura de la muerte. Ojalá se fortalezcan nuestros esfuerzos por convertirnos en cristianos responsables cuyas acciones produzcan frutos de vida y amor.



**Santa María Estrella del Mar
Y Santa Gertrudis se regocija en la Ordenación
a la Orden de Diáconos de
nuestro Seminarista**



Giancarlo Pattugalan

**El Jueves 6 de Octubre del 2011
En la Basílica Papal de San Pedro
Ciudad del Vaticano, Roma**

**Felicidades Gino!
Estamos orgullosos de ti!**

***Parroquia Santa María Estrella del Mar y
Santa Gertrudis
Caminata 2011***



Aquí esta la cantidad recaudada en la Caminata hasta la fecha 26 de septiembre del 2011. Gracias a su generosidad y al esfuerzo de todos los que participaron se recaudó la cantidad de \$ 19,857.73 y todavía tenemos dinero que recoger. El total recaudado se publicará en el boletín en las próximas dos semanas. Esperamos llegar a los \$20,000.00.

Inscripción para Bautismos De Infantes

El próximo bautismo en español es el 15 de Octubre a la 1:00 P.M. Se requiere tomar dos clases antes del bautismo que se llevaran a cabo el Martes 4 y 11 de Octubre a las 7:00 P.M. en la rectoría. Es necesario registrarse por lo menos dos semanas antes de venir a las clases.

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. Hay un número limitado de misas disponibles desde ahora hasta el final del año.

Resumen Actualizado de la Campaña Anual Católica

¡Hasta el 27 de Septiembre, no tenemos nuevas promesas que reportar para la Campaña Anual Católica.

NOTA IMPORTANTE: Por favor no se olvide de la promesa que hizo a la Campaña Anual Católica 2011. Solo quedan 3 meses para completar sus pagos de este año 2011.

Por favor sigan trabajando para poder alcanzar a todos nuestros feligreses, especialmente nuestros familiares y amigos, para que apoyen esta importante campaña. Muchas gracias a todos por su generosidad y continuo apoyo a nuestra Campaña Anual Católica.

En el vestíbulo encontrara el formulario para hacer su promesa. También puede ponerse en contacto con la rectoría - 718 327-1133, ext. 16 para mas información.

No se olvide que todo el dinero recaudado sobre los \$44,489.00 será devuelto a nuestra parroquia.

CATECISMO—Las clases de Educación Religiosa para los niños en los grados del K-8 comenzaron este Sábado, 17 de Septiembre. Favor de llamar al 718-327-1133 x 25 para mas información.

VIAJE A ATLANTIC CITY

El Comité Puertorriqueño los invita a un viaje a Atlantic City el Sábado 22 de Octubre del 2011. Salida a las 7:30 A.M. de Santa María Estrella del Mar. Costo por boleto \$40. Para mas información favor de comunicarse con Aida Rodríguez al 718-471-1912.

La Oficina de Formación Cristiana esta ofreciendo los siguientes eventos diocesanos:

Domingo del Respeto por la Vida, Octubre 2, 2011
Domingo Mundial del Sacerdocio, Octubre 30, 2011

¿Como puedo escuchar la voz de Dios en mi vida? ¿Cómo puedo responder? Las Hijas de la Sabiduría tendrán una oportunidades de discernimiento el domingo, 2 octubre del 2011 de 2 a 6 pm en el Convento de San Virgilio, 210 Noel Road, Broad Channel, NY-718-945-2467.

Rosario Por La Vida les invitan a unirse a ellos el Viernes, 7 de octubre del 2011 en su aniversario con una Misa concelebrada en la Parroquia del Buen Pastor, 1950 Batchelder, Brooklyn, NY. (Belt Parkway, salida 11N Rings Plaza.) Obispo Frank J. Caggiano, Obispo Auxiliar de Brooklyn, será el celebrante principal y Homilista. El Rosario precederá a la misa a las 7:00 pm. Para más información, llame a Rosario por la Vida al 718-377-6920.