

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



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Deacon Michael C. Moss  
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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:

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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

*Saturday, October 22*

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 5:00 pm – Mass available
- 7:30 pm – Divino Niño—Acción de Gracias

*Sunday, October 23 -Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:15 am – Rosary Society
- 9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Almas del Purgatorio  
Jesus Marquez (dec)
- 11:30 am – Dennis Martinez (dec)  
Jose A. Nino (dec), Juana Nolasco (dec)  
Sotera Ochoa (dec)  
Adela Mayorga (cumpleaños)  
Presentación de la bebe Jenni Urbina
- 1:15 pm – Rosalie McAllister—Thanksgiving

*Monday, October 24—St. Anthony Mary Claret*

- 8:00 am – Marie & John Glomb (dec)
- 12:10 pm – Fr. Joni Feliz (healing)

*Tuesday, October 25*

- 8:00 am – Mass available
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

*Wednesday, October 26*

- 8:00 am – Mass available
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

*Thursday, October 27*

- 9:00 am – (St. Gertrude) Mass available
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

*Friday, October 28—St. Simon & St. Jude*

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 7:30 pm – Juana Maldonado (dec)

*Saturday, October 29*

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 5:00 pm – Margaret Berliner (dec)
- 7:30 pm – Señor de los Milagros del Peru  
Alfred Soria (dec)  
Divino Niño—Acción de Gracias

*Sunday, October 30 -Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:15 am – Gabriel, Herson, Waldman, Jim Rivera
- 9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Emmnuel Odiari (birthday)
- 11:30 am – Alfred Soria (dec)  
Felicita Mayorga (dec)
- 1:15 pm – Mass available



Frank Bulger, Iris Constable, Derrick Heron, Maria Guadalupe Vasquez, Pedro Bonilla, Sixto Rivera, and our 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 Collection**

- 1st Collection last weekend - \$4830.00
- 2nd Collection last weekend - \$654.00

**First Collection Same Sunday Last Year (2010): \$6261.76**

**(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** \* Ex 22:20-26 \* Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 \* Mt 22:34-40
- Mon** \* Rom 8:12-17 \* Lk 6:8,2,4, 6-7, 20-21 \* Lk 13:10-17
- Tues** \* Rom 8:18-25 \* Ps 126:1-6 \* Lk 13:18-21
- Wed** \* Rom 8:26-30 \* Ps 13:4-6 \* Lk 13:22-30
- Thurs** \* Rom 8:31-39 \* Ps 109:21-22,26-27,30-31 \* Lk 13:31-35
- Fri** \* Eph 2:19-22 \* Ps 19:2-5 \* Lk 6:12-16
- Sat** \* Rom 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29 \* Ps 94:12-13, 14-15, 17-18 \* Lk 14:1, 7-11

**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 |

**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.

**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.**

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### LOVE OF GOD

It's easy to tell when two people love each other. They like to be near each other and spend time together. They share intimate thoughts and feelings. They enjoy making each other happy. And knowing that they are loved allows them to reach out to other people and treat them with love and respect.

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells us that the greatest law is to love God with our whole heart and soul and mind. What does it mean to love God? Certainly it means spending time together by reading and reflecting on God's holy word. It also means sharing our thoughts and feelings with God in prayer and listening for God's voice. Where do we go to be close to God? We join God's people in worship in the church, rest in God's presence in the Blessed Sacrament, discover God in the wonder of creation and the miraculous moments of daily life. What can we do to make God happy? How do we, like the Thessalonians, "serve the living and true God" (1 Thessalonians 1:9)?

### LOVE OF NEIGHBOR

The reading from Exodus makes it very clear that we serve God by serving those who are oppressed or in need. Jesus makes it more personal—we are to love our neighbors. That means those with whom we work and play and live. When we spend time with God we can't help but experience God's great love for us. And knowing that we are loved by God should make it easy to reach out in charity and justice to our neighbors both near and far away.

Thus, love of neighbor flows naturally from those who love God. We cannot truly say that we love God unless it shows in loving relationships and compassion to those in need. At the same time, we cannot maintain our love of neighbor unless we take time to drink from the wellspring of God's refreshing love.



### Sunday – October 30, 2011

In the coming week, please take the time to say "thank you" to our parish priests, and other priests, and let them know that you appreciate all that they do. Let them know that you love them. Send them a "thank you" greeting card.

Please say the following prayer everyday from October 23, 2011 through October 30, 2011.

### Prayer for Priests

Mother of our Lord, we pray for our priests, the sons who carry with dignity the presence of your Son to a world that does not appreciate the gift of their priesthood. Help them carry their crosses in parish and episcopal life without getting discouraged or disheartened.

Just as the Son reflects the image of the Father, help our priests to act "in persona Christi" by offering His passionate love to His Bride, His Body, the Church. This is the path that the Lord has set for them; to pour themselves out for the people in their lives and offer themselves completely in love to the Church—in the same way that Christ died for love of his Bride.

Please steward our prayers for all priests, especially Father Fulgencio, Father Yvon, Father White, Father Fred and Father Joni, as they carry the cross in love for the whole body.

Amen.

### "Special" Evening Prayer – October 26, 2011

Please show your support and love of our priests by joining them for a "special" evening prayer on Wednesday night October 26, 2011 at 6:00 PM in St. Mary Star of the Sea Church. Come celebrate with our parish priests and invited priests.

This will be the last evening that the beautiful Papal monstrance for vocations will be with us.

### 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal Weekly Update

**As of October 17, 2011, our pledges total \$57,618.62. The contribution received to date is \$40,614.12; that's \$3874.88 from our diocesan goal .**

With just under two months left in the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal campaign, I urge you to honor your pledge by making payments as soon as possible, in order for us to meet our 2011 goal. Remember, December 31, 2011 marks the end of the campaign.

It is not too late to make a new pledge and payment now.

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. Please help us to honor our diocesan commitment by sending in your contribution as soon as possible. Let's meet the December 31, 2011 deadline. God bless you.**

The Vocations Committee  
 Of **St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Church**  
 October 2011 Events

| <b>Date</b>   | <b>Time</b>                                       | <b>Event</b>   |
|---|---|--|
| <b>The “traveling” Vocations Monstrance will be at our parish from October 19, 2011 through October 26, 2011. All events listed below will include the exposition of the Monstrance</b> |   |  |
| October 22, 2011 – Saturday   | 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM                               | CCD students, family and catechists  |
| October 23, 2011 – Sunday   | After the 8:15 AM Mass<br>After the 11:30 AM Mass | The Rosary Society will host the Monstrance.<br>Ladies of the Sacred Heart will host the Monstrance. |
| October 24, 2011 – Monday   | 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM                                 | The San Pablo Apostol group will host the Monstrance.  |
| October 25, 2011 – Tuesday  | 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM                                 | The English Prayer Group will host the Monstrance.   |
| October 26, 2011 – Wednesday  | 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM                                 | Special Evening Prayer.  |
| October 30, 2011 – Sunday   | <u>All</u> weekend Masses                         | Prayer for Priesthood Sunday.  |


**All are invited to join us in prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with one of the 6 worldwide Papal Vocations “traveling” Monstrances, which were blessed by Pope John Paul II.**

**We are honored to have the opportunity to host the Monstrance.**

**Please Join Us!!!**

**FALL RAFFLE**—Raffles books for our Fall 2011 raffle, which will be held on Sunday, December 18, 2011, are now available for sale. The price is \$5.00 a booklet. First prize is a 42" flat screen TV and the second prize is a 32" flat screen TV. Please pick up your booklets today and help make this raffle a success.

**PROCESSION**—The Community of St Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude are invited to participate in the procession on Sunday, October 30th, 2011. Leaving from St. Gertrude at 10:45 AM. Walking the streets of Beach Channel Drive from 36 St. to 47th St. and returning to St. Gertrude. Refreshments will be served to all present.

 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.

Any person with knowledge of Grandfather Clocks is asked to contact Fr. White at the Rectory.

**PROCESIÓN**—La Comunidad de Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis les invita a participar en la procesión el Domingo 30 de Octubre del 2011 a las 10:45 A.M. Saliendo de la Iglesia St. Gertrudis. Recorriendo las calles de Beach Channel Drive desde la 36 St. hasta la 47 St. y regresando por Arverne hasta la Iglesia donde se servirá un refrigerio para todos los concurrentes.

**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, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 to Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**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  
 Anne Maguire @ 718-945 -0563  
 Teresa Sefchek @ 908-421-4915

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

**Domingo Pasado: \$4830.00**  
**Segunda Colecta: \$654.00**

**Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$6261.76**  
**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!

**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.



## Trigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

### EL AMOR DE DIOS

Es fácil notar cuando dos personas se aman. Les gusta estar cerca uno del otro y pasar ratos juntos. Comparten pensamientos y sentimientos íntimos. Uno disfruta al hacer feliz al otro. Y saberse amados les motiva a acercarse a los demás, y tratarlos con amor y respeto.

En el evangelio de este domingo, Jesús nos dice que el mayor mandamiento es amar a Dios con todo nuestro corazón, toda nuestra alma y toda nuestra mente. ¿Qué significa amar a Dios? Ciertamente significa pasar tiempo juntos leyendo y reflexionando sobre su palabra. También significa compartir nuestros pensamientos y sentimientos con Dios en oración, y escuchar su voz. ¿A dónde vamos para estar cerca de Dios? Vamos a la iglesia y, como parte del pueblo de Dios, le rendimos culto, descansamos en Dios presente en el Santísimo Sacramento, descubrimos a Dios en las maravillas de la creación y en los momentos milagrosos de la vida diaria. ¿Qué podemos hacer para complacer a Dios? ¿Cómo podemos, al igual que los tesalonicenses, servir “al Dios vivo y verdadero” (1 Tesalonicenses 1:9)?

### EL AMOR AL PRÓJIMO

La lectura del Éxodo muestra claramente que servimos a Dios sirviendo a los oprimidos y a los necesitados. Jesús lo hace aún más personal: debemos amar a nuestro prójimo. Es decir, a aquellos con quienes trabajamos, nos recreamos y vivimos. Cuando pasamos tiempo con Dios es imposible dejar de sentir su inmenso amor por nosotros. El saber que Dios nos ama debe motivarnos a acoger a nuestro prójimo, tanto cercano como lejano, con caridad y justicia,

Es así que el amor al prójimo fluye naturalmente de quienes aman a Dios. No podemos honestamente decir que amamos a Dios si no lo demostramos por medio de nuestras buenas relaciones y de nuestra compasión hacia los necesitados. Al mismo tiempo, no podemos decir que amamos a nuestro prójimo si no dedicamos tiempo para beber del manantial refrescante del amor de Dios.

### "Tarde Especial de Oración" - 26 de octubre del 2011

Por favor muestre su apoyo y amor a nuestros sacerdotes uniéndose a ellos en una tarde especial de oración, el miércoles 26 de octubre del 2011 a las 6:00 P.M. en la Parroquia Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis. Ven a orar con nuestros sacerdotes.

Esta será la última noche que la hermosa Custodia Papal por las vocaciones estará con nosotros.

Si alguno de nuestros feligreses tiene experiencia en arreglar Reloj Grandfather, favor de ponerse en contacto con el Padre White en la rectoría.

## DOMINGO DEL SACERDOCIO 30 de Octubre del 2011



El próximo fin de semana celebraremos el Domingo del Sacerdocio. Por favor tomen esta oportunidad para darle las gracias a nuestros sacerdotes, como también a los sacerdotes de otras parroquias. Déjenle saber cuanto apreciamos todo lo que ellos hacen por todos nosotros y cuanto los amamos. Pueden enviarles tarjetas de agradecimiento.

Por favor recen esta oración todos los días desde el 23 de Octubre hasta el 30 de Octubre del 2011.

### Oración para los Sacerdotes

Madre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, oramos por nuestros sacerdotes, los hijos que llevan con dignidad la presencia de tu Hijo a un mundo que no aprecia el don del sacerdocio. Ayúdales a llevar su cruz en la vida parroquial y episcopal sin desanimarse.

Así como el Hijo se refleja en la imagen de su Padre, ayuda a nuestros sacerdotes a ser una “Persona en Cristo” ofreciendo su amor a su Iglesia. Este es el camino que el Señor ha establecido para ellos, para que puedan abrir sus corazones hacia todo su pueblo y que puedan entregarse completamente a su Iglesia, de la misma manera que Cristo murió por el amor a su Iglesia.

Por favor recuerden en sus oraciones a todos nuestros sacerdotes especialmente el Padre Fulgencio, Padre Yvon, Padre White, Padre Fred y el Padre Joni, para que puedan cargar sus cruces con amor y fortaleza.

Amen

### Resumen Actualizado de la Campaña Anual Católica

**¡Hasta el 17 de Octubre, el total de las promesas es de \$57,618.62. Hasta ahora hemos recibido solo \$40,614.12 de estas promesas. Solo nos faltan 3874.88 para poder alcanzar la meta diocesana.**

Con solo dos meses para terminar la Campaña Anual Católica 2010, les pido por favor que traten de cumplir con su promesa haciendo los pagos lo mas pronto posible. El 31 de Diciembre es el final de la Campaña. No es demasiado tarde para hacer una promesa.

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. Por favor ayúdenos a cumplir con nuestro compromiso diocesano haciendo su contribución lo mas pronto posible. Vamos todos a cumplir con nuestro compromiso antes del 31 de Diciembre del 2011. ***Que Dios los bendiga.***