

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



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

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

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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 (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, November 5

- 12:10 pm – For all the Faithful Departed
- 5:00 pm – All Souls Novena, Josephine Tuccio (dec)
- 7:30 pm – Guillermo Monestel (dec)
Nelson Hoyos (dec)

Sunday, November 6 -Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – For all the Faithful Departed
- 9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Martina Quiñones (dec)
- 11:30 am – Novena por los Fieles Difuntos
Benedicto Mayorga (dec)
Familia Martinez— Acción de Gracias
Ana Margarita Posada-Acción de Gracias
Por las Almas del Purgatorio
Dominga Murillo (dec)
Cristian Daniel Veas (cumpleaños)
Presentación del bebe Jefferson M. Ferreira
- 1:15 pm – Rosalie McAllister—Thanksgiving

Monday, November 7

- 8:00 am – For all the Faithful Departed
- 12:10 pm – All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 8

- 8:00 am – For all the Faithful Departed
- 12:10 pm – For all the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, November 9—Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

- 8:00 am – For all the Faithful Departed
- 12:10 pm – For all the Faithful Departed

Thursday, November 10—St. Leo the Great

- 9:00 am – (St. Gertrude) For all the Faithful Departed
- 12:10 pm – For all the Faithful Departed

Friday, November 11—St. Martin of Tours

- 12:10 pm – Sylvester Anakhu (dec)
- 7:30 pm – For all the Faithful Departed

Saturday, November 12

- 12:10 pm – For all the Faithful Departed
- 5:00 pm – For all the Faithful Departed
- 7:30 pm – Maruja Medina (dec)
Blanca & Frederico Martinez (aniv.)

Sunday, November 13 -Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – Anastecia & Michael (50th wed. aniv.)
- 9:45 am – (St. Gertrude) Lynda Doyle (birthday)
Sylvia Rosant (dec)
- 11:30 am – Julio Villarman (dec)
Por los Sacerdotes de la Parroquia
Juan de Jesus Reyes (dec)
- 1:15 pm – George Anakhu (birthday)
Feast of St. Gertrude

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 - \$4137.00
- 2nd Collection last weekend - \$1139.00

First Collection Same Sunday Last Year (2010): \$6781.25

(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!

Weekday Readings

- Sun** * Wis 6:12-16 * Ps 63:2-8 * Mt 25:1-13
- Mon** * Wis 1:1-7 * Ps 139:1-10 * Lk 17:1-6
- Tues** * Wis 2:23-3:9 * Ps 34:2-3, 16-19 * Lk 17:7-10
- Wed** * Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 * Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 * Jn 2:13-22
- Thurs** * Wis 7:22-8:1 * Ps 119:89-91,130,135,175 * Lk 17:20-25
- Fri** * Wis 13:1-9 * Ps 19:2-5 * Lk 17:26-37
- Sat** * Wis 18:14-16;19:6-9 * Ps 105:2-3,36-37,42-43 *Lk 18:1-8

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.



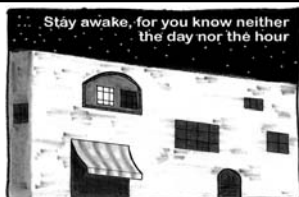
Kathleen Briza, Maria Guadalupe Vasquez, Pedro Bonilla, and our faithful departed.

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.**



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUTUMN LEAVES

In the autumn, as leaves are dying all around us and nights are growing longer, it is natural for our thoughts to turn to the end of our lives. We may ask ourselves if we will be ready when the Lord comes to meet us. Perhaps we have experienced the sudden, unexpected death of a loved one. Perhaps we have kept vigil with someone who died slowly. If so, we know that death is an unpredictable and ever-present reality in every human life.

How are we to live our lives in the face of such knowledge? What is wise? Today's scriptures address this question. We are not to live as though we are immortal and nothing can harm us. Neither are we to live in fear and despair, as though we were already dead. Paul tells the Thessalonians to console one another with the knowledge that we are meant to be reunited with our loved ones for eternity. Jesus tells his disciples not to be so foolish as to think that they can get by with only the bare minimum of faith, hope, and love.

STAY AWAKE!

How then, shall we live our lives? We are told to keep vigil and to "stay awake." What does that mean? It means that we keep our spirits well stocked with faith, hope, and love, so that our "lamps" will not burn out too soon. It means that we continually seek out wisdom, especially in dark times of suffering. It means that we are always ready for the Lord to come in unexpected ways, teach us unexpected lessons, and bring us unexpected joys, even in unexpected situations. Then, at the moment of death we will be prepared, because we will be in the habit of watching for and welcoming the Lord.

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. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE FOR ALL THE SOULS

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for all sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen

IF YOU NEED A TURKEY

If you need a Turkey for Thanksgiving, please sign up ONLY on the following days:

- Tuesday 1 pm— 3 pm
- Wednesday 1 pm—4 pm
- Thursday 9 am—12 pm 4pm—9 pm
- Sunday 9:45—11:15 am (St. Gertrude)

2011 Annual Catholic Appeal Weekly Update

As of October 29, 2011, our pledges total \$57,618.62. The contribution received to date is \$41,319.12; that's \$3,168.88 from our diocesan goal . If we receive all of the current pledge payments by December 31, 2011, our parish will receive back from the Diocese \$13, 129.12.

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 this year's 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 work together to meet the December 31, 2011 deadline. God bless you.



Friday, November 11th is Veteran's Day, a day to honor all who have served our Country.

VETERANS DAY

CULTURAL MASS

The Caribbean Committee of St. Mary and St. Gertrude invite you to celebrate with them their cultural mass on Sunday, November 13, 2011 at 1:15 P.M. to honor St. Gertrude, the patron saint of the Caribbean. All are welcome to dress in their country attire.

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.

The Puerto Rican Community

invites you to the celebration of our yearly Mass in honor of the Virgin Mary, Mother of the Divine Providence, Patroness of Puerto Rico, Saturday - November 19, at 7:30pm. Rosary at 7pm.



Religious Education Classes for children in grades K-8 still going on. Please contact the rectory at 718-327-1133 x 25 for information. You must register your child every year in Religious Education.

Catholic Charities Queens Community Center is excited to announce the establishment of our

Far Rockaway Field Office
at **St. Mary Star of the Sea RC Church**
1920 New Haven Ave. Far Rockaway

The following services in English are available

Wednesday's 2:30pm – 5pm

Preferably BY APPOINTMENT:

- ✦ Linkage to Community Center Emergency Food Assistance
- ✦ Case Management
- Supportive Counseling
- Limited Financial Assistance
- Access to Community Resources
- Linkage to other Catholic Charities programs

For more information, please contact Christina Smith via phone 1.347.472.5053 or 1.718.217.1238 or email at csmith@ccbq.org

FREE SCREENING MAMMOGRAPHY for Eligible Women at St. Mary Star of the Sea & St. Gertrude Parking Lot, 1920 New Haven Avenue, Far Rockaway at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, November 13, 2011. For women 40 and older who have not had a mammogram in the past year. All insurance accepted. Co-payments and deductibles are waived. **FREE FOR UNINSURED WOMEN.** An appointment is necessary, please call 800-564-6868.

THE PRO SANCTITY MOVEMENT

Will be celebrating an annual Day of Prayer for Universal Sanctification with a Mass on Saturday, November 12, 2011 at 11:00 am at St. Kevin's Church, 45-21 194th Street, Flushing, NY 11358

Main Celebrant: Rev. Msgr. D. Joseph Fennerty
For information please call 718-649-0324.

All are invited and welcome to come.

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. 25th, 2011 to Dec. 6th, 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: \$4137.00

Segunda Colecta: \$1139.00

Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$6781.25

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!

ORACION DE SANTA GERTRUDIS
POR LAS ALMAS

Padre Eterno, yo te ofrezco la mas preciosa sangre de tu Divino Hijo, Jesús, en unión con las Misas de hoy dichas en todo el mundo, por las Santas Almas del Purgatorio, por los pecadores en todas partes, por los pecadores en la Iglesia universal y aquellos que están en mi propia casa y en mi familia. Amen



Trigésimo Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

HOJAS OTOÑALES

En el otoño, al ver las hojas secarse y caer por doquier, y las noches hacerse más largas, es natural que nuestros pensamientos se dirijan al fin de nuestra vida. Puede que nos preguntemos si estaremos listos cuando el Señor venga a nuestro encuentro. Tal vez hemos vivido la muerte súbita e inesperada de un ser amado. Quizá hayamos hecho vigilia junto a alguien que murió lentamente. De ser así, sabemos que la muerte es una realidad impredecible y siempre presente en cada vida humana.

¿Cómo hemos de vivir nuestras vidas ante tal conocimiento? ¿Qué es lo sabio y prudente? La Sagrada Escritura de hoy trata sobre estas preguntas. No hemos de vivir como si fuéramos inmortales y nadie pudiera hacernos daño. Tampoco hemos de vivir en temor y desesperanza, como si ya estuviéramos muertos. Pablo dice a los tesalonicenses que se consuelen unos a otros con el conocimiento de que nos reuniremos con nuestros seres queridos en la eternidad. Jesús dice a sus discípulos que no sean necios y piensen que basta tener apenas un mínimo de fe, esperanza y amor.

¡PERMANEZCAN DESPIERTOS!

¿Cómo, entonces, debemos vivir nuestras vidas? Se nos dice que estemos preparados y “permanezcamos despiertos”. ¿Qué significa eso? Significa que avivemos nuestro espíritu con fe, esperanza y amor, para que nuestras “lámparas” no se apaguen demasiado pronto. Significa que continuamente busquemos la sabiduría, especialmente en los tiempos oscuros del sufrimiento. Significa que estemos siempre listos para la venida del Señor en momentos inesperados, para su enseñanza de lecciones inesperadas, para que nos traiga alegrías inesperadas, aun en situaciones inesperadas. Entonces, al momento de morir, estaremos preparados, porque habremos adquirido el hábito de buscar al Señor y recibirlo.

MISA CULTURAL

El Comité Caribeño de Santa María y Santa Gertrudis los invita a celebrar con ellos su Misa Cultural en honor a Santa Gertrudis, patrona del Caribe el Domingo 13 de Noviembre del 2011 a la 1:15 P.M. Invitamos a todos a venir con sus trajes típicos de su país.

SI NECESITA UN PAVO

Si usted necesita un Pavo para el Día de Acción de Gracias, favor de anotarse SOLAMENTE en los días siguientes:

Martes	1 pm— 3 pm
Miércoles	1 pm—4 pm
Jueves	9 am—12 pm 4pm—9 pm
Domingo	9:45—11:15 am (Sta. Gertrudis)

Resumen Actualizado de la Campaña Anual Católica

¡Hasta el 29 de Octubre, el total de las promesas es de \$57,618.62. Hasta la fecha hemos recibido \$41,319.12 de estas promesas. Solo nos faltan \$3168.88 para poder alcanzar la meta diocesana. Si recibimos todas las promesas antes del 31 de Diciembre, la Diócesis le devolverá a nuestra parroquia la cantidad de \$13,129.12

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. Trabajemos unidos para cumplir con nuestro compromiso antes del 31 de Diciembre del 2011.

Que Dios los bendiga.

CATECISMO—Las clases de Educación Religiosa para los niños en los grados del K-8 continúan. Favor de llamar al 718-327-1133 x 25 para mas información.

La Comunidad Puertorriqueña los invita a la celebración de la Misa en honor a la Virgen, Madre de la Divina Providencia, Patrona de Puerto Rico, el Sábado, 19 de Noviembre a las 7:30pm. Rosario a las 7 pm.

EXAMEN DE MAMOGRAFIA GRATIS para mujeres elegibles en el Estacionamiento de Sta. María Estrella del Mar y Sta. Gertrudis, 1920 New Haven Avenue, Far Rockaway el Domingo 13 de Noviembre del 2011 a las 9:30 A.M. Para mujeres mayores de 40 que no hayan tenido una mamografía en el ultimo año. Se aceptan Medicaid/ Medicare y otros Seguros Médicos. **Gratis si no tienen seguro medico.** Es necesario hacer una cita, por favor llame al 800-564-6868.