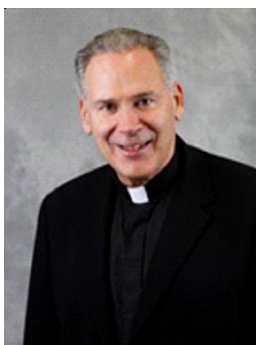




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## GIVING THANKS ALWAYS AND EVERYWHERE

*“I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you, will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus.”*

(Philippians 1. 3-6)

In 1863, in the middle of the terrible Civil War that took the lives of more Americans from the North and the South than any other conflict in our nation's history, President Abraham Lincoln published his 'Thanksgiving Proclamation'. The last Thursday of November was to be set aside as a national day of Thanksgiving. He called for a divided nation to step back from the horrors of war; and to recognize the goodness of God our creator and his love for every human being regardless of their race, nationality or religion.

The importance of giving thanks in every circumstance has its origins in the Scriptures and our relationship with God. God loves us and will never cease loving us. How can we not be grateful for this undeserved and unmerited grace of God?

One of the hymns that I love to sing is “I say ‘Yes, my Lord’”...”In all the good times and all the bad times I say ‘Yes, my Lord’.”

Only four months before he declared Thanksgiving Day as a national holiday, Lincoln had delivered his famous “Gettysburg Address”. A believer in God, he was not a Christian. Not even the death and burial of his son, which he describes as the severest trial of his life, led him to embrace Jesus Christ. But in a letter to a friend he said “... *When I went to Gettysburg and saw the graves of thousands of our soldiers, I then and there consecrated myself to Christ.*” This was a turning point in his life, a life that would soon be cut short in his assassination.

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When the Pilgrims left Plymouth England on September 6, 1620, they were leaving a land of persecution hoping that they would finally find the religious freedom that they longed for in a new world. They found a harsh environment that made their survival perilous. Starvation and sickness took half their number in a harsh winter before the first spring came. They persisted in their determination and their prayers, supported by native Indians. The survivors came together in a shared meal to give thanks to God, and so our Thanksgiving had its origins.

We have much to be thankful for as Catholics. Our Eucharist, (the Greek word means thanksgiving), is our central prayer. We have come to know the love of God revealed to us in Jesus Christ. As AA reminds folks in recovery - how can we not have an 'attitude of gratitude' in all the good times and all the bad times?

Peace, Father Bruce

## The Love of Christ Compels Us

A Celebration of Christian Unity and Reconciliation on the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

**Sunday, November 19, 4:00 p.m.**  
**St. Kilian's Roman Catholic Church**  
**Farmingdale, Long Island, New York**



**Preacher:**  
Most Rev. James Massa  
Auxiliary Bishop of the  
Roman Catholic  
Diocese of Brooklyn



Bishop Massa is a former Executive Director of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Secretariat of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs

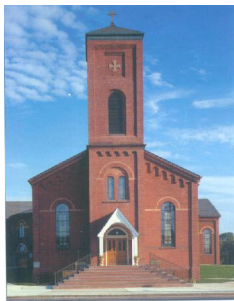
For information contact The Rev. George Summers  
summers@optonline.net or 631-298-4918

A CHORAL EVENING PRAYER SERVICE FEATURING  
THE FARMINGDALE ECUMENICAL CHOIR  
with choristers from other congregations  
Sponsored by THE LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN-ANGLICAN-  
ROMAN CATHOLIC DIALOGUE

In attendance:

The Most Rev. John O. Barres  
Bishop, R.C. Diocese of Rockville Centre  
The Right Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano  
Bishop, Episcopal Diocese of Long Island  
The Rev. Robert A. Rimbo  
Bishop, Metropolitan New York Synod ELCA





# Saint Kilian Parish

485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735

## MISSION STATEMENT

THE CATHOLIC FAMILY OF ST. KILIAN PARISH SEEKS TO BE A VIBRANT, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF FAITH, GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, NOURISHED BY GOD'S WORD AND THE EUCHARIST, AND COMMITTED TO WITNESSING GOD IN AND THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORS.



## PASTORAL TEAM

**Rev. Bruce J. Powers, Pastor -**

brucep@stkilian.com

**Rev. Dennis Suglia Parochial Vicar**

dsuglia@drvc.org

**Mrs. Claire Stiglic, Associate Director of Faith Formation**

**Mrs. Kathleen Singleton, Associate Director of Faith Formation**

**Mrs. Carol Cella, Assoc. Director of Faith Formation**

**Mrs. Nina Petersen, Social Ministry/Outreach**

**Mr. Paul C. Phinney, Music Director -**

**Mr. Edward Fronckwicz - Business Manager**

**Mrs. Barbara Geary, Director of Stewardship / Pastor's Secretary**

## HISPANIC MINISTRY

**Rev. José Luis Tenas**

## RETIRED CLERGY IN RESIDENCE

**Most Rev. John C. Dunne**

**Rev. Augustine Fernando**

## DEACONS

**Deacon Frank D. Barone**

**Deacon Francis P. Marino**

**Deacon Mark Wetzel**

**Deacon William A. Weiss**

## RETIRED DEACONS

**Deacon Lucio L. Cotone**

**Deacon George B. Owen**

## THE ST. KILIAN VISION STATEMENT

+ **HOSPITALITY:** ST. KILIAN PARISH STRIVES TO BE A WELCOMING, DYNAMIC FAITH COMMUNITY.

+ **THE EUCHARIST AND LITURGY:** WE SEEK TO NOURISH THE FAITH LIFE OF THE PARISH BY CELEBRATING MEANINGFUL LITURGIES, AND OFFERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR A WIDE RANGE OF PRAYERFUL EXPERIENCES.

+ **LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION:** WE ARE DEDICATED TO INSPIRING THE YOUNG AND THE OLD THROUGH LIFELONG EDUCATION, AND FORMATION OF MINDS AND HEARTS.

+ **STEWARDSHIP:** IN ALL ASPECTS OF OUR FAITH WE SHARE OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE THROUGH STEWARDSHIP.

+ **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY:** WE BRING OUR FAITH TO LIFE BY SERVING OTHERS THROUGH COMPASSIONATE PERSONAL OUTREACH AND COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL JUSTICE.

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**SATURDAY EVENING: 5:00p.m.**

**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL: 6:30 p.m. Saturday Cada Sábado**

**SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and  
12:30 p.m.**

**FAMILY MASS: 9:30 a.m.**

**WEEKDAYS: 7 a.m. - in St. Benedict Chapel -  
9 a.m. Church**

**SATURDAY: 7:30 a.m. - in the St. Benedict Chapel**

**HOLIDAYS: As announced in the bulletin**

**RECONCILIATION - CONFESSIONS - Mon.: 1-1:30 p.m.  
& Sat. - 4 - 4:45 p.m.**

*"God is a Father who forgives.  
His mercy is greater than our sin."  
— Mother Teresa*





**SUNDAY - November 19 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Readings:** 1st—Proverbs

31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 2nd—1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Gospel—Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

**8:00** For the Parishioners of St. Kilian  
**9:30** Herbert Granville  
**11:00** Ralph Porpora  
**12:30pm** Brian Robinson  
 Pasko Markovina  
 Gloria Betacur  
 Grace McDermott O'Neill

**MONDAY - November 20 - Weekday**

**7:00** Carol Chichester  
**9:00** Beatrice Magnifico

**TUESDAY - November 21 - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**7:00** Lorraine Sanfilippi  
**9:00** Joseph Hoehn

**WEDNESDAY - November 22 - St. Cecilia**

**7:00** Rita C. Broyles  
**9:00** Intentions of Rosario Gravina

**THURSDAY - November 23 - Weekday**

**9:00** For the Parishioners of St. Kilian

**FRIDAY - November 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, Companions, Martyrs**

**7:00** The Russ Family  
**9:00** Vincenzo Naso

**SATURDAY - November 25 - Weekday**

**7:30** Assunta & Edward Nardi  
**5:00pm** John, Mary & Marie Finn  
 Kathy Wendelken  
 Karl Bleck  
 Deceased Members of Concessi & Lettera Families

**6:30pm**

**SUNDAY - November 26 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Readings:** Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 2nd—1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Gospel—Matthew 25:31-46

**8:00** James Noel Rice  
**9:30** For the Parishioners of St. Kilian  
**11:00** Domenico & Lucia Broccoli  
**12:30pm** Carol Ann Dunn  
 Kenneth A. Klem  
 Joseph Trapani  
 Carol Chichester



## Stewardship

*A Way of Life*

The Following are the weekly collections for:

November 11, 12, 2017.....\$25,605.18  
 (Last year 2016).....\$22,587.00

**Attendance**

November 11, 12, 2017.....1826  
 (Last year 2016) .....1819

**Parish Collection report-Week of November 11, 12, 2017**

| Mass        | Number Of Envelopes | Amt. in Env. Cash/Checks | Loose Cash | Total      |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| 5pm - Sat.  | 157                 | \$4,072.00               | \$604.00   | \$4,676.00 |
| 6:30pm-Sat. | 27                  | \$369.00                 | \$577.00   | \$946.00   |
| 8:00am-Sun  | 93                  | \$2,756.00               | \$510.00   | \$3,266.00 |
| 9:30am      | 106                 | \$3,114.00               | \$262.00   | \$3,376.00 |
| 11:00am     | 108                 | \$3,275.00               | \$293.00   | \$3,568.00 |
| 12:30pm     | 98                  | \$3,094.00               | \$704.00   | \$3,798.00 |

*Thank you for Placing  
 God first in your life!*

**Mail in Envelopes:** \$2,129.00

**Online Donations:** \$3,846.18

**Total:** \$25,605.18

**Bulletin Reflection:**

*Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.*

**Living Stewardship:**

*We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to responsibly connect their faith in day-to-day activities such as participating in community events, school organizations and other efforts.*

### NEXT WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANTS

**Saturday November 25**

**5:00pm - Fr. Suglia**  
**6:30pm - Fr. José Luis**

**Sunday, November 26**

**8:00am - Fr. Suglia**  
**9:30am - Fr. Suglia**  
**11:00am - Fr. Gus**  
**12:30pm - Fr. José Luis**

## We Celebrate.....We Remember.....We Pray For



### Baptisms

Nicholas John Biancaniello  
Kyle Jake Givargidze  
Nora Beth Henderson  
Vincent John Malizia  
Lucia Bella Malizia  
Wyatt John Nasso  
Cooper Dugan Nieves  
Valentino Luciano Passalacqua Padilla



### Rest in Peace

*We remember those who have died  
in our parish community this week:*

Gloria Anderson  
Eleanor Michalowski

*Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord; and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen*



### First Announcement

Casey Nacarlo (St. Kilian) & Danielle Demola  
Adam Fragale & Maria Randazzo (St. Kilian)  
John (Jack) Opel & Jacqueline Sanders (St. Kilian)

### Second Announcement

Kristofer Fetter & Ashley Scotti (St. Kilian)

### Third Announcement

Joseph Balducci & Pamela Jane Anderson (St. Kilian)  
Richard Cheek & Kim Falcone (St. Kilian)



*As a praying community, we automatically ask prayers for all those who are ill. Names added to the list will remain on for a maximum of 3 weeks. If the individual is still in need of prayers, the office would have to be notified to continue for an additional 3 weeks. If you do not desire to be listed, please inform us.*

### PRAY FOR:

Matthew Malley; Cyndi Keats; Sarita Donald; Denise Wagner; Helen Norjen; John Nelson, Sr.; John Nelson, Jr.; Kerri Ihm; Hugh Gilmore; Theresa Ross; Rosemary Oliver; Linda Asparro; Vincent Thomas Marino; Fr. Chuck Romano; Deacon Mark Wetzel; Dee Asparro; Marie Gilmore; Rheta Karasz; Loretta Witek; Frank Witek; Donna Cruz; Nicole Christiansen Grogan; Seth Baines; Josephine Lubrano; Fr. Robert Lubrano; Marguerite Nalbach; Joy Bologna; Mary Cecile Loria; Chad Arant; Nicholas Rivera.

*And prayers for our children:* Gwendolyn Rose; Kyle Patrick Johnson; Jillian Cordi; Baby Julia Rose Manno; Olivia Macchio; Collin Huber; Michael Cardone; Baby Kathleen Scelfo; Baby Olivia Scelfo; Kaelyn Maureen McCandless; Kairi Knudsen; Isabella Marie Inzerillo; Vincent Moran; Baby Cameron Robert; Andrew Guarna.



**ST. KILIAN PARISH MEMORIAL FOR  
HOSTS AND WINE** to be used at all  
Weekday Masses (Nov. 20-24, 2017) were  
donated in Memory of  
+Antonio, Natalina & Vancenco Luca  
Gift of: *Carmela LaRocco*



The rectory office will be closed  
on Thursday, November 23rd  
and Friday, November 24th in  
observance of the Thanksgiving  
holiday.

*Pray for Peace in  
the World*

## St. Kilian Faith Formation



**NEEDED ASAP** a catechist to work with our special needs children on Mondays at 4:30pm – 5:30pm. There is one lead catechist currently working with the children but we ideally need 2 catechists in the room to provide the best learning experience for the children.

Please call the office at 516 694 0633 Monday thru Thurs or email [stkilianre@gmail.com](mailto:stkilianre@gmail.com) to let us know you would like to help.

## 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal

### Serving God by Serving Others

St. Kilian's goal for 2017 is \$147,300.00. So far pledges total \$102,025.00 or 69.3% of goal for the 2017 Appeal. Payments received so far total \$97,289.50 Average donation is \$222.28. So far 459 parishioners have contributed to the Appeal. Thank you for your generosity.



### **Thanksgiving Day Mass -** **Thursday, November 23rd** **9:00 am**

***There will be only one Mass on Thanksgiving morning at 9:00 am in the Church.***

*If you would like, you may bring a symbolic basket of food to be blessed on Thanksgiving morning for your feast later in the day.*

***PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th.***

***On Friday, November 25th the 7am Mass will be in St. Benedict Chapel and the 9 a.m. Mass will be in the Church .***

## Our Church has given you *one less thing* to worry about.

Set up your donation online today and leave your checkbook at home forever.

- ① Go to <https://stkilian.weshareonline.org>
- ② Create your account
- ③ Set up your donations

Change the frequency or the amount of your donation with a few easy clicks, right from your computer. *No forms, envelopes, pens needed!*

***Set up your online donations today!***

Contact the church office with questions.



## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

This week, we will take up the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development which includes Home Missions (CCHD). CCHD was founded 40 years ago by the bishops of the United States when they realized that the lives of those in need would not improve until the systems and policies that keep people in poverty were changed. For 40 years, CCHD has funded community groups that seek justice and create lasting change.

**Fight poverty in America. Defend human dignity. Give to the CCHD Collection.**



**ATTENTION:** all new and current altar servers.

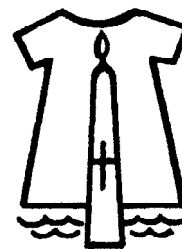
Training for **New Servers** will take place in the church on the following Monday afternoons at

4:00pm: November 27th, December 4th, 11th and 18th.

**EXPERIENCED SERVERS:** please join us for a mandatory meeting on December 18th at 4:00pm to welcome the new servers and to have a refresher training session. Thank you and your parents for your commitment and service to the Lord in our great parish of St. Kilian. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email deacon Bill @ [uweiss165@gmail.com](mailto:uweiss165@gmail.com)

*Please consider remembering St. Kilian Parish in your will. Catholics of generations to come will thank you for your thoughtfulness and remember you in prayer.*

**DO YOU LOVE BABIES AND YOUNG FAMILIES... then our two baptism ministries are for YOU!!!**



We are in great need of both baptism ministry assistants and baptism prep class assistants. Both are "welcoming" ministries in which our volunteers currently serve 3 or 4 times a year. No experience is required. This is a wonderful and joyful opportunity to serve our Lord. If you would like more information, please complete the Response Form below or email Deacon Bill at [uweiss165@gmail.com](mailto:uweiss165@gmail.com) or call the rectory and ask for Deacon Bill.



### BAPTISM RESPONSE FORM

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_







## Please Join Us for Ministry Hospitality Sunday

Today, November 19<sup>th</sup>, we have another ministry-hosted fellowship/hospitality following the 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Due to a conflict in the afternoon, there will be no hospitality after the 12:30pm Mass. We hope that you will stop downstairs in the Parish Center blue room to have a bagel, Danish, and breakfast beverage and spend time with fellow parishioners.

This month's fellowship is being hosted by the following ministries and questions are welcome! A brief description of each ministry is provided.

**Consolation** - This is a care giving group of believing parishioners dedicated to the needs of the family and friends when they have suffered the death of a loved one. Consolation Ministry is one of the first hands to reach out and help others in our faith community during a difficult time. Assistance is given to the family in planning the funeral liturgy through readings, music and prayers. These ministers also attend the Funeral Mass and guide the family. The Consolation Ministry is under the direction of Deacon Francis Marino.

**Bereavement** - The parish offers this Ministry to provide support groups for spouses, relatives, friends and children who have suffered the loss of a loved one. All facilitators are trained and accredited and have experienced the pain and suffering of the particular group. Six week spring and fall sessions are available and held in the lower level of the church. Individual counseling is also available. Deacon Frank Barone oversees the Bereavement Ministry.

**Guardian Angel Perinatal Support Group (GAPS)** - This Ministry offers bereavement support for parents whose babies have died during pregnancy or in infancy - miscarriage, stillbirth, premature birth or infant death (Including SIDS). This group offers understanding, friendship and bereavement support to help parents in knowing they are not alone in their grief when their baby has died. Meetings are currently held in the lower level of the church on the first Friday of the month from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. This group is led by parishioner Martha Weiss.

*The following prayer groups will also be hosting:*

**Poor Souls in Purgatory** - The mission of this group is to pray for our loved ones and all Holy Souls in Purgatory who are undergoing their purification from sin before they can share God's presence in Heaven. The group currently meets on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in St. Benedict's Chapel. Parishioner Mary Thomas leads this group.

**Bible Study** - This group reads Bible passages and then discusses what God is saying, how God shows His love for us, and what God wants us to do. Discussion of how we respond to God's direction follows. Currently the group meets on Wednesdays (except in the summer) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the lower level of the church. Parishioner Kathy Schwantner is in charge of this group.

**St. Kilian Prayer Group** - This is an intercessory group, enjoying some of the Charismatic gifts and who sit before our Lord present in the Tabernacle. This group currently meets on Wednesday evenings from 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. in St. Benedict's Chapel and is also run by Kathy Schwantner.

We are grateful for all of our ministries who help to make Stewardship a way of life at St. Kilian's!

Blessings,

St. Kilian Stewardship Committee

Please feel free to contact the Stewardship Committee at (516) 249-0127 Or email:

[Barbarag@stkilian.com](mailto:Barbarag@stkilian.com)





## SOCIAL MINISTRY/OUTREACH

Outreach is our parish community's response to the Gospel call to help those in need.

We serve anyone who lives within our parish boundaries regardless of religion, race or ethnicity.

We are located at 140 Elizabeth Street but our main entrance is in the parking lot facing Conklin Street.

**OUR FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 10AM-2:30PM.**

We are also available certain Saturdays by appointment only. Spanish translators are available Tuesdays and Fridays.

For further information please call 516-756-9656

Nina Petersen, Director of Outreach

THANK  YOU

In case you missed it last week, we would like to once again thank EVERYONE for the outpouring of generosity we experienced during our food drive. St. Kilian is truly a loving and giving community!

*Our work continues and this week our pantry is in need of:*

**Coffee**

**Juice**

**Mayonnaise**

*A SPECIAL THANK-YOU TO ST. KILIAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOR DONATING 25 TURKEYS AND.....*

**We do not need any more turkeys at this time!**

*HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program) opened 11/13/17 and is projected to close on 3/15/18. This is a low-income, federally-funded energy assistance program. For income-eligibility guidelines, please see <http://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>. You may also call our Outreach office for further information*



### **PROJECT CLOSET NEEDS WINTER CLOTHING FOR SCHOOL-AGE KIDS**

Project Closet will be hosting a clothing drive on

**Monday night, November 27th, from 5:30-7:00PM** in the lobby of St. Kilian school.

Please note that this is ONLY clothing for school-aged children, only for **winter**, and only like-new. Also, please do not bring donations to the Outreach building; if you cannot make this date, there will be another drive on December 18th.

***Do you need food assistance but work weekdays? Our pantry is open one Saturday per month, by appointment only. Please call for further information about this emergency assistance.***

### **GIFT STARS ARE UP FOR CHRISTMAS!**

We chose the symbol of the Star as a reminder of Jesus as the Light of the World. Here is how our Gift Star Program works:

- ❖ **Each family** is asked to take one or more Gift Tags from the wall. Please do not remove the star as it will be a happy reminder that Jesus, the Light of the World, is coming.
- ❖ **Purchase** the gift indicated on the gift tag.
- ❖ **Wrap the gift and attach the gift tag** so we know for whom the item is intended.
- ❖ **Return the gift to our new Outreach building when you come to Mass the weekend of December 9th and 10th. If your gift is not returned on either of those dates, that family will NOT receive a gift since we are distributing them soon after the collection takes place.**
- ❖ **REMEMBER OUR RETURN DATES – DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup>**

**Please note that our pantry will be closed for Thanksgiving from Wed 11/22 through Friday 11/24.**

*With grateful hearts, we extend to everyone a very **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**  
Thank You, St. Kilian Parish, for Helping Us Help Others!*



**December 4-6, 2017**  
**9am & 7:00pm**



*Fr. Michael  
Sullivan, O.S.A.  
will be  
conducting our  
Advent Mission,*

*beginning the weekend of  
December 2nd and 3rd.  
He will be preaching at all the  
weekend parish Masses.*

*On December 4-6, Monday  
through Wednesday,  
Father Sullivan will be  
celebrating the morning Mass at  
9am and an evening service at  
7:00PM each day.*

*Confessions will be on Tuesday  
night, December 5th, after the  
evening service.*



## Christmas Wreaths and Blankets

We will be selling Christmas Wreaths and Grave Blankets this year. The wreaths are Balsam and are 12" Double Faced and decorated with a red velvet bow, pine cones and silk like poinsettias.

The grave blankets are handmade on a wooden base and are decorated. This year we will be offering two different sizes - a large 24" size and an extra large size measuring 42". Also available is a 24" Cross.

If you are interested in purchasing, please fill out the tear-off below and return it to the rectory or drop it in the Christmas Box in the gathering space. by **Sunday, December 3rd.**

Please do not leave any money with your tear-off.  
We are taking pre-orders, so we know how many to order.

**Pick-up will be Saturday, Dec. 9 from 9AM to 12:00 noon or Sunday, Dec. 10, from 9AM to 2PM in the basement of the church.**

**Last day to order is December 3rd.**

Join us for some refreshments and Christmas Cheer during Advent and pick up your wreaths and blankets. Any questions, please contact Dave Rodenburg (249-3276) or leave a message at the rectory.



## Christmas Wreaths and Blankets

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity

Cross 24" \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Christmas Wreath 12" \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Grave Blankets 24" \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

42" \$35.00 \_\_\_\_\_

***Last day to order is December 3rd***



*Congratulations and blessings to the 174 young parishioners who received the sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Barres here at St. Kilian's on Wednesday, November 8.*

*Your parish family is praying for you as you continue your journey in faith.*

*Following are excerpts from letters prepared by these young people, and submitted to the pastor, Fr. Bruce, requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

**(cont'd from last week)**

*I have learned so much through the Church and my religious education studies. I have learned how to pray for strength and forgiveness, and to be generous with my time and energy for the Church.*

*I was very excited to ask my cousin to be my sponsor. She is a good cousin, and a good role model for me to follow.*

*After helping with parish food drives, I realized that I am very lucky to have a life like I have and have great parents. I am blessed.*

*I look forward to making my Confirmation and showing that my faith is important to me.*

*I took my Confirmation name after the saint my mother is named for. My Mom is a wonderful, caring person, and I want to be just like her when I grow up.*

*Through the Journal Project I learned that God is listening and that he is by our side always.*

*Doing the project about my gifts and talents showed me the amazing gifts God have given me.*

*Praying and going to Mass makes me feel more connected to God.*

*I understand that Confirmation is not the end of my religious experience but it is just the beginning of it. I hope to use the gift of leadership to do the right thing when I am with my friends and guide them as well.*

*Confirmation is more personal to me because it is my choice.*

*I learned the importance of the Church, the importance of attending Mass, the theme of Catholic Social Teachings, prayers and much more.*

*I learned that the Holy Spirit will guide and help me.*

*I lived in Farmingdale all my life. I was baptized at St. Kilian's Church and made my communion as well. I consider my friends and neighbors at St. Kilian Church as my family. I love being a part of this community and I look forward to being Confirmed here.*

*I try to be a good son, brother, and most of all a good member of my Church.*

*I built a bike from scratch for a kid down the block because he couldn't afford one. I shovel snow for others, and I am nice to elders. I pray to God for others and myself.*

*I am helpful because when my Grandpa is sick I help him, care for him, and pray for him even when he isn't sick.*

*I learned that no matter what you do, God will forgive you when you confess your sins, and that you are special in our own way.*

*I want to deepen my faith with the Church and have the Holy Spirit guide me through the good and bad influences in my hopefully long life.*

*Sometimes I get stressed from school, or have friend drama and I know that with Jesus I am strong and can handle it all.*

*I want to be closer to God and I also want God to know how much I care about him and love him.*

*In religion what I have learned is that the Kingdom of God is the power of God's love active in our lives and in the world.*

*I go to Sunday Mass every week where I can pray to God and thank him for all my blessings.*

*I would like to be Confirmed because I cherish and respect the Catholic religion.*





## Thanksgiving Day Table Grace

*Blest are you, Lord, God our  
Father.*

*Through your goodness we enjoy the  
fruits of the earth and share the  
loving gifts of family  
and friendship.*

*We ask your blessing on our guests,  
our table, and our home.*

*We offer thanks for the Love with  
which this festive meal  
was prepared,*

*And for the love and joy which bring  
us together to partake of it.*

*In gratitude for your continued care  
over us, make us mindful of the  
needs of others,*

*That we may show our thanks in the  
manner of our living.*

*May our hearts be filled with love  
and praise, as we pray  
in your holy name.*

*Amen.*



## *St. Kilian Week at a Glance*

### **November 19 (Sunday)**

Ministry Hospitality - 9:00 - 12:30pm - Parish Ctr.  
Family Ministry Craft - 9:30 - 12pm - Parish Ctr.  
Baptism Preparation - 10:30am - Outreach Meeting Room  
CYO Practice 1pm - 9:30pm - Gym  
Ecumenical Service & Hospitality- 4pm - Church  
Al-Anon - Support Group -7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

### **November 20 (Monday)**

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Seniors Meeting 11am - Parish Ctr.  
Reconciliation - 1-1:30pm - Church  
Eucharistic Adoration - 4-9pm - St. Benedict Chapel  
Divorced & Separated - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.  
CYO Practice - 7:45pm - 9:30pm - Gym

### **November 21 (Tuesday)**

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Seniors Meeting - 11am - Parish Ctr.  
Eucharistic Adoration - 4-8pm - St. Benedict Chapel  
CYO Practice - 4-9:30pm  
Holy Souls In Purgatory -6pm -7pm- St. Benedict Chapel  
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - 7pm - Outreach Meeting Room  
NA Meeting - 7:30pm Parish Ctr.

### **November 22 (Wednesday)**

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Bible Study - 10:30am - 12:30pm - Parish Ctr.  
Eucharistic Adoration - 4-8pm - St. Benedict Chapel  
CYO Practice - 4-9:30pm - Gym  
AA Support Meeting - 7pm - Parish Ctr  
Spanish Charismatic Renewal - 7pm - Cafeteria  
Charismatic Prayer Group - 8pm - St. Benedict Chapel

### **November 23 (Thursday)**

**THANKSGIVING DAY - Rectory Closed**

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church

### **November 24 (Friday)**

**Rectory Closed**

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
CYO Practice 4- 6pm - Gym

### **November 25 (Saturday)**

Reconciliation - 4pm - 4:45pm - Church  
CYO Practice - 12pm - 9:30pm - Gym

### **November 26 (Sunday)**

CYO Practice 1pm - 9:30pm - Gym  
Al-Anon - Support Group -7:30pm - Parish Ctr.



Join us for an evening of  
friendship and fun at the St. Kilian  
Women's Guild Christmas Party  
Thursday, December 14th – 6:30 PM in the  
St. Kilian School Auditorium.  
Hot Buffet, Wine, Soda, Coffee, Tea &  
Dessert

Raffles - 50/50 - Ugly Sweater Contest

\$25.00 Per Person

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**"GIVE TO GET FOR OUTREACH"**

Donate a \$10 Gift Card to CVS, Walgreen's,  
Target, Walmart, Dollar Tree, Stop & Shop,  
or Best Market and receive  
**FREE RAFFLE TICKETS.**

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Mail or drop your check off at the  
St. Kilian Rectory along with your  
seating request.

Contact: Kathy Burdge (516-293-5783) or  
Terry Gannon (516-293-2481) for additional  
information.

**DEADLINE: December 6th**

# SKY

## Happy Thanksgiving!!

### A Prayer for Thanksgiving Day

**"O Heavenly Father:**

**We thank Thee for food and remember  
the hungry.**

**We thank Thee for health and remember  
the sick.**

**We thank Thee for friends and remember the  
friendless.**

**We thank Thee for freedom and remember the  
enslaved.**

**May these remembrances stir us to service.  
That Thy gifts to us may be used for others.**

**Amen."**

### Thanksgiving Feast!

11/19/17 6:00pm-9:00pm

All 7<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited as well as  
SKY alumni.

**11/26/17**

**The Creation Story as told by  
ice cream**

### The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The good news of today's Gospel is the extravagance of what is being given us. All we need do is be faithful in "small matters." The cost of fidelity has no comparison to the reward given.

**When you give the furniture, household items  
and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St.  
Vincent de Paul, you are sharing God's extravagant love.**

If you are in need of assistance or would like information about joining or contributing to the Society, please call 516-473-9562. Leave a message and a phone number. A member will return your call as soon as possible. You may visit our website at [www.svdprvc.org](http://www.svdprvc.org). Please remember the Poor Boxes at the exits of the church. They are the Bread Boxes of the poor and hungry.



## FAMILY MINISTRY

*Leading By Example!*



**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** Yes! Let's get ready for the Pageant.

On Christmas Eve our children offer their prayers and talents at the 3:45 Family Mass as they bring us the true story of Christmas.

**Children in Grades 2 – 8 are welcome to participate**



### Looking for Our Pageant Singers & Readers!

E-mail: [stkilianfamilylife@yahoo.com](mailto:stkilianfamilylife@yahoo.com) with CHRISTMAS as the subject so we can reach out to you. Erin Stoeber is the Coordinator of the Pageant this year.

**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** – COSTUME DISTRIBUTION immediately after the 9:30 Mass

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Pageant 1<sup>st</sup> Rehearsal immediately after the 9:30 Mass

**Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Pageant Final Rehearsal immediately after the 9:30 Mass

You can sign up to receive information about the pageant directly from the PARISH WEBSITE at [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com) just click on the angels!

THANK YOU to everyone who has been working with our PBJ Gang! It is truly a great way for our Parish to come together to help our neighbors.

**NEXT NIGHT: Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the School Cafeteria.**



Don't forget to check the parish website to reserve your seat for the next night!  
<http://www.stkilian.com/>



**CRAFT SUNDAY!** Our team is looking for a few more volunteers to help out once a month after the 9:30 Mass.

It is a great time to come together with our children and prepare a beautiful craft which reflects the message of the Mass and Church Season. Please send an email to: [stkilianfamilyministry@gmail.com](mailto:stkilianfamilyministry@gmail.com) with CRAFT as the subject so we can welcome you aboard. Jamie Mitus, Suzie Goench, and Jackie Watrous coordinate this committee.

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO TRULY MAKE THIS PARISH OUR ST. KILIAN FAMILY!**



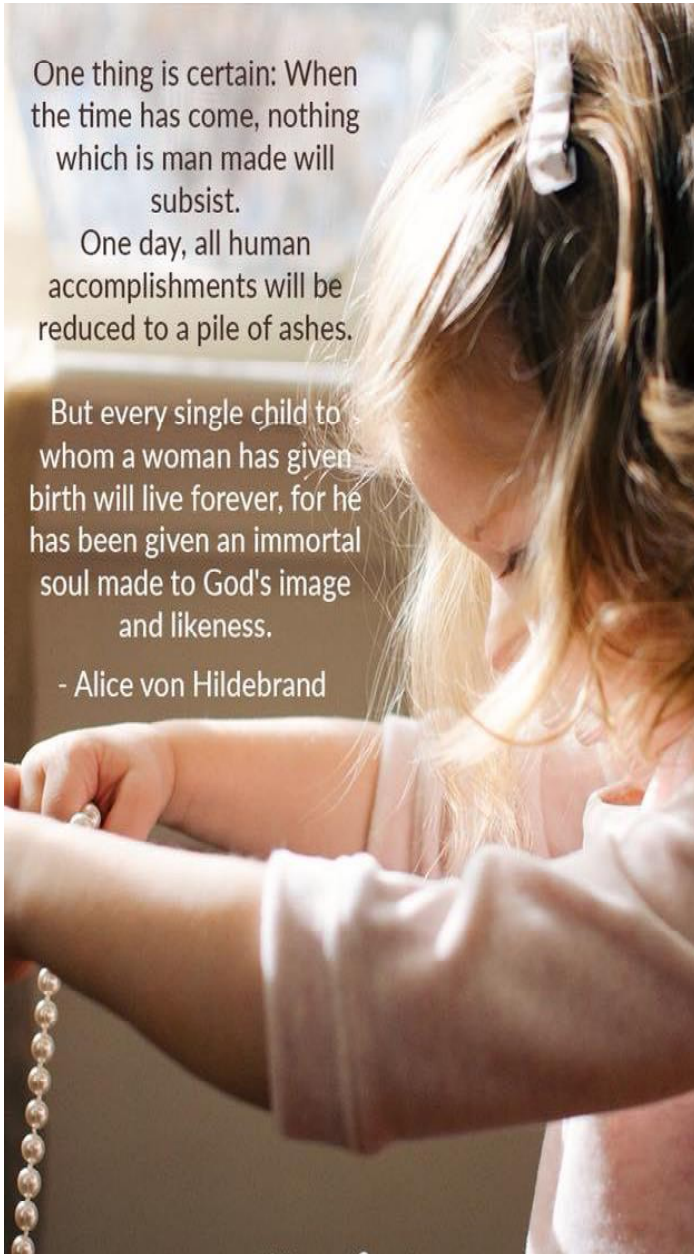
## St. Kilian Respect Life

One thing is certain: When the time has come, nothing which is man made will subsist.

One day, all human accomplishments will be reduced to a pile of ashes.

But every single child to whom a woman has given birth will live forever, for he has been given an immortal soul made to God's image and likeness.

- Alice von Hildebrand



### INTERESTED IN THE RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY?

Call/Text Paul Montenero: 516-523-0373

Or Call Irene Muhs: 516-249-6567

### FOR CRISIS PREGNANCY HELP, CALL THE LIFE CENTER:

| Massapequa   | Hempstead    | Deer Park    |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 516-798-9100 | 516-408-6300 | 631-243-2373 |

The Gianna Center 631-376-3232

Regina Residence 516-223-7888

AAA Pregnancy Options 631-243-0066

### FOR POST ABORTION HEALING:

The Life Center (Numbers shown above)  
Project Rachel 800-456-4673

## Counseling Information for Families and Individuals

**Living Waters**, located on Wolf Hill Road in Melville, on the grounds of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, provides individual and group therapy with a Christian perspective - 631-754-3990 email: carolr@livingwaterscounseling.biz.

Our pastor, Father Bruce Powers, besides his graduate degree in theology from the major seminary in Huntington, New York, holds a Masters degree in Pastoral Counseling from St. John's University ( M.S. in Ed.). In addition, he has received certification in substance abuse counseling from South Oaks Institute in Amityville, New York. If you would like his counsel on personal and family difficulties, please contact him at St. Kilian rectory: 516-249-0127 or email him for an appointment: [brucep@stkilian.com](mailto:brucep@stkilian.com)

## WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

### Readings for the Week of November 19, 2017

- Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
- Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 1 19:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-7/Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15/Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44
- Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd-12/Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19/Lk 20:27-40
- Next Sunday:** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

### Support & Prayer Ministry for Catholic Gays/Lesbians, Parents & their Families.

Third Tuesday of each month - 7:00 PM.  
Info: Michael Coffey - 917-589-7146

## Parish Directory

RECTORY OFFICE: (516) 249-0127

FAX: (516) 249-7131

WEBSITE: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com) -

E-MAIL: [info@stkilian.com](mailto:info@stkilian.com)

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

MON. - FRI. - 9:30 a.m. - 12:30pm and 1:30pm - 8:00 pm

CLOSED 12:30PM - 1:30PM

SATURDAY: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. and SUNDAY: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Mr. Edward Fronckwicz, Jr. - *Business Manager* -  
[edwardf@stkilian.com](mailto:edwardf@stkilian.com)

Mrs. Barbara Geary - *Stewardship & Pastor's Secretary*  
[barbarag@stkilian.com](mailto:barbarag@stkilian.com)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE - (516) 694-0633  
[stkilianre@gmail.com](mailto:stkilianre@gmail.com)

Mrs. Claire Stiglic, *Assoc. Director Faith Formation*

Mrs. Kathleen Singleton, *Assoc. Director Faith Formation*

Mrs. Carol Cella, *Assoc. Director of Faith Formation*

Mrs. Carmela Petraglia - *Secretary*

Mrs. Marian Magadan - *Secretary*

### SOCIAL MINISTRY/PARISH OUTREACH

(516) 756-9656 - [ninap@stkilian.com](mailto:ninap@stkilian.com)

Mrs. Nina Petersen - *Director*

Mrs. Dee Asparro - *Secretary*

### MUSIC (516)420-0950

Mr. Paul Phinney - *Director* - [paulp@stkilian.com](mailto:paulp@stkilian.com)

### YOUTH MINISTRY - (516)249-0127

Mr. Eddie Fronckwicz - *Director* - [skyyouth@stkilian.com](mailto:skyyouth@stkilian.com)

### RECTORY SUPPORT STAFF

Mrs. Eileen Donohue - *Bulletin/Website* -  
[eileend@stkilian.com](mailto:eileend@stkilian.com)

Mrs. Nancy Farrell - *Bookkeeper*

Mrs. Maureen Ihm - *Secretary* - [maureeni@stkilian.com](mailto:maureeni@stkilian.com)

Mrs. Grace Kaufold - *Census Program* - [gracek@stkilian.com](mailto:gracek@stkilian.com)

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mrs. Carol Budinoff - Mrs. Barbara Byrne

Mrs. Addie DeVincentis - Mrs. Lillian James

Mr. Geoffrey Fenwick - Mrs. Janet Liotta

Mrs. Lorraine Pieloch - Mr. David Rodenburg

Mrs. Melissa Suwalski

Pastoral Council e-mail: [stkpc@stkilian.com](mailto:stkpc@stkilian.com)

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Pierre Lehmuller - Trustee

Mr. Richard Merzbacher - Trustee

Mr. Victor Albanese - Deacon Frank Barone

Deacon William Weiss - Mr. Stephen G. Wilson

## Sacraments

**Baptisms** are celebrated on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the church. Spanish Baptisms are celebrated on the 4th Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. Parents are required to participate in one Sacramental Preparation session. These meetings are held on the **first and third Sunday of each month**. After attending the 9:30am Mass, parents should proceed to the Social Ministry/Outreach Conference Room (across the parking lot) for the Baptism Preparation Class. Godparents are welcome. Please call the rectory to arrange an interview with a deacon or priest to register for the preparation session and the Baptism ceremony. Additional information on Baptism is available on the parish website: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com)

**Reconciliation - Confessions** are heard in the church on Mondays, 1:00-1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m.; and in the rectory by appointment. *Confessions are not heard on Mondays that are Holy Days or public holidays.* **Confessions in Spanish** by appointment. Please call the rectory at (516)249-0127.

**Matrimony** - Marriage arrangements should be made with a deacon or priest **at least six months** before the proposed wedding date. No dates for marriage will be given over the phone. **Note:** *The interview to schedule the marriage date at St. Kilian should be completed before commitments are made with a catering hall.* Additional information is available on the parish website: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com).

**Anointing of the Sick - The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** may be received by any Catholic who is preparing for surgery, or is of advanced age, or is seriously ill. The sacrament is the Church's prayer for health and healing and should not be delayed until there is danger of death. Please call the rectory to speak with a priest. Also, to arrange for Communion to be brought to the homebound, please call the rectory to have a priest visit. After the priest visits, arrangements can be made for a Eucharistic Minister to regularly bring communion to the homebound.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**RCIA (Becoming A Catholic)** Anyone who is inquiring about becoming a Catholic, and who has not been baptized, or who has been baptized in another Christian community is invited to inquire into the **RCIA**. Please call the rectory for information at (516)249-0127.

## Ciclos de Fe



### MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO - ALENTAR ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA (Gospel Meditation)

19 de noviembre de 2017 33<sup>er</sup> Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Estamos terminando año litúrgico. Los preparativos durante este mes nos recuerdan que nos acercamos al final de este año. La vida pasa rápido, sin darnos cuenta de que avanzamos al final. La parábola de hoy coincide con la venida del Señor, y toma tiempo. Sin embargo, su llegada tomará a muchos por sorpresa. El relato del Evangelio nos invita a trabajar los talentos mientras llega el dueño. La parábola tiene tres momentos. El dueño se ausenta de la casa y encomiando a varios de sus servidores sus bienes de acuerdo a sus capacidades. En su ausencia, unos trabajan afanosamente, y duplican la cantidad. Pero uno de ellos se limita a conservar lo encomendado sin el más mínimo esfuerzo.

¿Con cuál servidor se identifica usted? ¿Esconde los dones que Dios le da por pereza? ¿Qué impide que sea fiel al Señor? Estamos de nuevo llamados a la vigilancia y a la espera, como las vírgenes prudentes del domingo pasado. El punto clave de estas dos parábolas es ¿qué se hace mientras se espera? No se trata solo de vigilar, sino también de fructificar, es decir, de luchar por una sociedad más justa. Dios confía en sus servidores que somos cada uno de los bautizados, duplicar los bienes, los talentos recibidos y compartir con todos para cuando llegue el Señor nos encuentre bien unidos, y repita sus palabras a nosotros: *“Te felicito, siervo bueno y fiel. Puesto que has sido fiel en cosas de poco valor te confiaré cosas de mucho valor. Entra a tomar parte en la alegría de tu señor”* (Mt 25, 23).



## Celebremos Los Sacramentos

### LA SANTA MISA:

Todos los Sábados a las 6:30PM.

### BAUTISMO:

Se celebra cada cuarto domingo de mes, a las 2:00 de la tarde. Es requisito para los papás y padrinos, atender la clase pre-bautismal, cada tercer miércoles de mes a las 6:30 PM, en la parte baja de la Iglesia. Por favor llame a la rectoría para hacer su cita con el sacerdote, para llenar el formato; usted deberá traer el certificado o registro de nacimiento de su niño. Los niños de 6 años ó más, deberán asistir a las clases de catequesis regular.

**PADRINOS:** Deben ser católicos, con los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación; solteros ó casados por la Iglesia. Deben traer una notificación indicando que están registrados o son miembros de la Parroquia, en donde viven ó adonde asisten a misa. No pueden ser padrinos las personas que tienen parejas sin haberse casados por la Iglesia.

### QUINCEAÑERAS:

Deben haber recibido los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación ó estar asistiendo a las clases regulares de Educación Religiosa ó RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos).

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS: (RICA)** Les invitamos a una preparación espiritual de conversión a la fé católica. Favor comunicarse con la Hna: Reina Vásquez (631)902-9969. Las clases iniciarán en septiembre.

### MATRIMONIO:

Es necesario hacer una entrevista con el Sacerdote ó Diácono de la Parroquia con 6 meses de anticipación, para la celebración de su boda. Es imprescindible que todas las parejas, asistan a PRE-CANA (charlas pre-matrimoniales), para poder casarse. Para mayor información, llamar a la Rectoría (516)-249-0127 ext.129 P. Jose o hablar con él, después de la Misa, los sábados.

### RECONCILIACION/ CONFESIONES:

Todos los miércoles de 6:00 a 9:00 PM, en el Grupo de Oración. Lugar: Cafetería.

### UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS:

Llamar a la Rectoría, inmediatamente en caso de emergencia o enfermedad, para que la persona reciba los Sacramentos necesarios. (516)- 249-0127 Ext. 129 Padre Jose.

### GRUPO DE ORACION:

(Renovación Carismática) Todos los miércoles de 7 a 9:30 PM en la cafetería, Y Hora Santa en la iglesia todos los Segundos miércoles de cada mes, de 7:30-8:30pm.

### GRUPO JUVENIL:

Se reúnen todos los sábados, después de Misa. Para información, hablar con Nelson (516)351-8913/ Erlin (631)705-1229.