

Mid-June 2020

St. Anthony's Oceanside Parish Newsletter

A CATHOLIC PARISH IN THE JESUIT TRADITION

110 Anchor Avenue ▪ Oceanside, NY 11572 ▪ 516-764-0048

www.sacli.org ▪ www.facebook.com/stanthonyoceanside

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic community of faith in the Jesuit tradition gathered around Jesus Christ and centered in the Eucharist.

In a diverse and changing world we struggle to grow in our relationship with God and with one another.

Through our worship, our ministries and our promotion of peace and justice, we walk with Jesus of the Gospel who reveals God's love for all.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

**Masses will resume at St. Anthony's
on Saturday, June 13 at 5:00 pm**

Some key points:

1. Limited schedule -- subject to change
- 2. Holy Communion will be distributed after the Final Blessing --
Holy Communion may be received only in the hand at this time.**
3. Masks are required for admittance--
Children under two and those with breathing problems are excepted.
4. Strict **capacity limit of 25%** -- Maintain **6-foot** social distancing
5. Seating in **marked areas** only
6. There will be no printed **Bulletins** or **Missalettes** provided.
7. Please follow the directions of ushers and clergy

Full Details and Guidelines: Page 2

Please Note:

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect indefinitely. We strongly encourage those who are sick or vulnerable due to age or health conditions to remain at home and to view the Mass on TV or online media.

Vehicle Procession & Blessing in Celebration of the Feast of St. Anthony

Sunday, June 14 -- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

See Page 3 for details

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MASSES WILL RESUME AT ST. ANTHONY'S ON SATURDAY, JUNE 13 AT 5:00 PM

**NOTE: ALL SCHEDULES & GUIDELINES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
PLEASE CONSULT THE PARISH WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION**

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (Church) • 7:30 PM Spanish (Cafeteria)

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM (Church) • 9:30 AM (Church)

11:00 AM (Church) • 12:45 PM Spanish (Cafeteria)

5:00 PM (Church)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - SATURDAY: 9:00 AM (Church)

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 12:00 PM (Church)

ABOUT THE DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY MASS

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect indefinitely. We strongly encourage those who are sick or vulnerable due to age or health conditions to remain at home and to view the Mass on TV or online media.

Final details about resuming Masses and the other sacraments here at St. Anthony's are still somewhat in flux. Masses will begin again on Saturday, June 13th at 5:00 pm (anticipated Mass). See the full schedule above. If we find that adjustments are needed, the updated schedule will be posted at our parish website (www.Sacli.org) and at St. Anthony's Facebook page.

MASS SCHEDULE

We will be following a modified summer Mass schedule, as shown above. There may be overflow Masses in the cafeteria, depending on demand. **As in our summer schedule, there will be no chapel Masses.** Daily Masses in the church will resume Monday, June 15 at the usual times.

GUIDELINES FOR MASS ATTENDANCE

With the threat of COVID-19 spread still real, certain distancing and cleaning rules will be in effect. **The church may hold no more than 25% of its capacity for any Mass.** NOTE: Although that would mean a total of 75 people, maintaining proper distancing might reduce the number by half if most of the congregation is made up of individual parishioners.

Parishioners will enter through one door and are asked to sit only in designated areas that have been set up and marked to properly allow for social distancing. When full capacity is reached, no other parishioners may enter

the church. We will try to have another priest available for an overflow Mass in the cafeteria if the church is full. The cafeteria can also hold 75 parishioners maximum.

SOME ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES:

- Please follow the directions of our ushers and clergy.
- Masks are required except for children under 2 or those with breathing difficulties.
We ask that you supply your own mask or face covering.
- Individuals must distance by 6ft. (This limit also applies to any other spaces we use for Mass.)
- Some pews will be reserved for families so that family members may sit together.
- We will distribute Holy Communion after the Final Blessing.
- Receive Communion in the hand only and maintain 6 feet separation as you approach.
- We ask you to leave as soon as Mass has ended (both to maintain social distancing and to allow for cleaning between Masses.)

OTHER SACRAMENTS

Confessions will resume at a later date. Confessions must follow social distancing guidelines, but must also remain private. The staff is working to find a proper solution and will inform you as soon as we have things in place.

Baptisms are being rescheduled, and all

baptisms must follow the same rules as those for Mass.

Anointing of the Sick continues as usual.

Funeral and Wedding Masses are now permitted following the same rules as above.

Couples preparing to marry will be contacted for updated scheduling of Weddings.

ABOUT ONLINE MASSES FROM ST. ANTHONY'S

It is not clear yet how we can provide online Masses. There is no way to live-stream from the church (We do not have WiFi available in the Church). We are exploring the possibility that a Sunday Mass be recorded and then posted to Facebook.

While Mass at St. Anthony's isn't back to what we would like it to be, we should still rejoice and give thanks to the Lord that we can gather again to worship Him in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

As we do, we also remember the many family, friends and parishioners who have been lost during this terrible pandemic. We cherish their memory and pray for their souls and the comfort of their families.

Finally, we ask for your patience and good will as we feel out how to make all of these changes work smoothly.

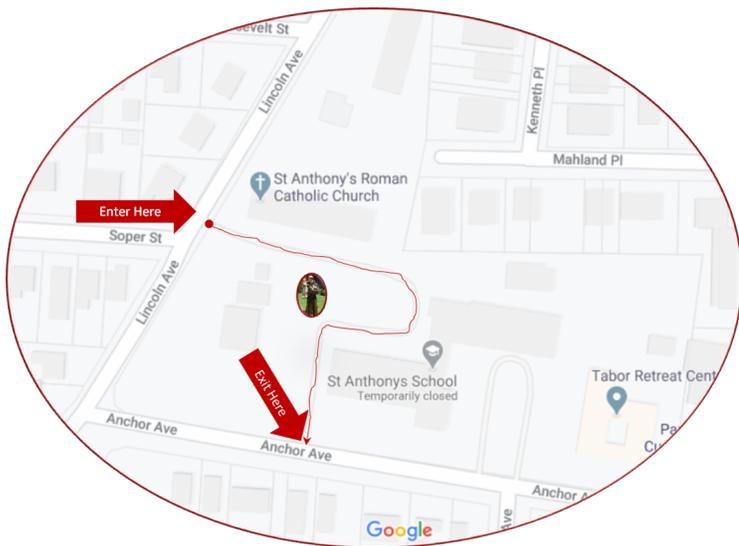
Thank you and God bless you all.

Fr. Jim Donovan, S.J.
Pastor

Announcing
**ST. ANTHONY'S
PARISH BLESSING**
in celebration of
**THE FEAST OF
ST. ANTHONY**

Vehicle Procession
through the Church Parking Lot
--Please enter from Lincoln Avenue--

Sunday, June 14, 2020
2:00 pm -- 3:00 pm



About the Feast Procession and Blessing

As you no doubt have already heard, this year's St. Anthony's Feast, which was scheduled for Thursday, June 11 through Sunday, June 14, has been postponed (at the very least) until September 24-27.

At the request of some parishioners who indicated that they will sorely miss the camaraderie and unity of the Feast, we will hold a **vehicle procession** in celebration of St. Anthony's Feast Day on Sunday June 14 (that's the day that we would have normally concluded our annual Feast).

From **2:00 pm - 3:00 pm** that day, we will display the statue of St. Anthony's by the fountain, and our priests will be giving blessings as people drive by.

Directions: Cars will enter off of Lincoln Avenue., then proceed around the fountain and exit onto Anchor Avenue. **(See the map to the left).**

In order to at least partially compensate for some of the many weeks of lost collections that have put a large strain on parish finances, we will also have a collection basket for your donations to the parish.

We recognize that these are difficult times for many, but we ask you to be as generous as you can. Even if you are not in a position to donate, we urge all parishioners to participate in the procession and blessing on Sunday, June 14 from 2:00 pm.-3:00 pm.

We hope to see you there.

St. Anthony's Feast Committee

"Thank you for continuing to support your parish and the vital ministries of our Church as your means allow during this most challenging time for all of us. The Church continues to serve the spiritual and physical needs of people during this crisis. Weekly collections mailed or given online will be critical to the sustaining and reemergence of our parishes."

-- Bishop John O. Barres in his Easter letter to the Diocese

A Message of Gratitude

At St. Anthony's, we are keenly aware that too many of our parishioners are now suffering financial stress brought on by the pandemic. And so, we are deeply thankful to the many who have continued supporting our parish with their contributions since Masses at our church were suspended in mid-March.

Because it has become necessary to postpone our annual St. Anthony's Feast in June and to cancel all parish activities for the duration of the crisis, St. Anthony's is now wholly dependent on contributions from parishioners made by mail or through online services for our financial well-being.

The chart to the right gives a good account of the impact of all the sudden cancellations and postponements. But as we all have begun to adjust to the reality of sheltering-in-place and social-distancing, increasing numbers of you have found new ways to continue blessing our parish with your generosity: you have greatly helped us to sustain St. Anthony's during these trying times.

If your means allow and you can help, please mail your contribution in your Weekly Offering envelope to:

St. Anthony's Church, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572

For those who do not have church envelopes, please print out this page, clip and use the coupons to the right to mail your contributions.

Please also consider enrolling in Faith Direct, at least until we are given permission to resume Masses and restart ministries and activities. Information about enrolling is below.

And, again, thank you for all you do for St. Anthony's. May God bless you and keep you safe and well.

**Fr. Jim Donovan
and the Priests, Deacons and Staff of St. Anthony's**



Because Masses at our church have been cancelled in response to the COVID-19 outbreak and Offertory Collections at weekend Masses are not possible, we ask you to help St. Anthony's by automating your contributions to the parish through Faith Direct.

Visit <https://www.faithdirect.net/> for full details about supporting St. Anthony's through Faith Direct.

You'll find that the Faith Direct service puts you in complete control of your donations: the amounts, the frequency of contributions and the length of time you participate.

Enroll today. It will simplify your giving and make sure that St. Anthony's has your consistent financial support throughout the year, especially at this difficult time.

You can enroll at:

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/NY581/61>

Or, call the Parish Office: 516-764-0084 ext 2513

ST. ANTHONY'S OFFERTORY REPORT

PARISH FISCAL YEAR: SEPTEMBER 1 - AUGUST 31
FISCAL YEAR 2020 BEGAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

MOST HOLY TRINITY -- JUNE 7, 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Weekly Collection	\$4,941.00	\$9,019.00	\$(4,078.00)
Collection - YTD	\$351,459.83	\$433,574.66	\$(82,114.83)
Faith Direct YTD	\$83,394.50	\$77,287.54	\$6,106.96
Total -- YTD	\$434,854.33	\$510,862.20	\$(76,007.87)

My Offering supporting St. Anthony's Parish
CORPUS CHRISTI -- JUNE 14, 2020

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail _____

Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: **St. Anthony's Church**
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572
We are deeply grateful for your continuing support.

My Offering supporting St. Anthony's Parish
12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 21, 2020

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail _____

Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: **St. Anthony's Church**
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572
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My Special Offering in Celebration of
St. Anthony's Feast

VEHICLE PROCESSION & BLESSING / SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail _____

Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: **St. Anthony's Church**
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572
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Support St. Anthony's



Saint Anthony's Oceanside

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<https://sacli.org/>

Office Hours/Parish Center

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

PASTOR

Rev. James T. Donovan, S.J.

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Donald C. Gannon, S.J.

Rev. Daniel A. O'Brien, S.J.

Rev. Bret J. Stockdale, S.J.

WEEKEND ASSOCIATE

Rev. Pierce A. Brennan, S.J.

DEACONS

James O'Neill • John O'Connor •
Philip Savarese

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FAITH FORMATION

Rose Dillon
516-764-0048 ext. 2520

PARISH OUTREACH

Antoinette Wagner-Teague
516-764-0048 ext. 2530

PRE-SCHOOL

Ellie Grubb
516-764-0048 ext. 2520

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Daniel Gibbons

BUSINESS MANAGER

Deacon John O'Connor
516-764-0048 ext. 2513

PARISH BULLETIN & WEBSITE EDITORIAL GROUP

We welcome your submissions of news, events
photos of Parish Events.

We invite questions or suggestions about our
Bulletin or Website.

Email - bulletin@sacli.Org

PRAYER REQUESTS

**WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE COMFORT, HEALING
AND WELL-BEING OF PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL... AND FOR
THE HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE**

A Prayer Amid an Epidemic

Published in America Magazine

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness."

At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve.

Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

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A special request from parishioner Diane Ferchland that you pray for the healing of her brother **Frank Ciccone**.

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**If you would like to have someone included in our Prayer Requests,
please call the Parish Office at 516-764-0048
or email your request to Bulletin@Sacli.org**

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH OUTREACH

MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY SINCE 1991

Antoinette Teague - Director
ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH CENTER
110 ANCHOR AVENUE, OCEANSIDE, NY 11572
Phone: 516-764-0048 ext. 2530

CHANGES IN PROCEDURES EFFECTIVE MONDAY, 3/23/2020 -- UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ALL REQUESTS FOR FOOD MUST BE CALLED IN TO THE FOLLOWING

NUMBER:
516 764-0048 EXT. 2530
OR EXT. 2532

PRE-PACKAGED FOOD WILL BE READY FOR PICK-UP ON: FRIDAYS FROM 10AM TO 1PM (DELIVERY MAY BE POSSIBLE -- FOR SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES ONLY)

WHEN YOU CALL PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AND A TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED. YOU MAY ALSO CALL OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE ON ALTERNATE WEEKS FOR PICKUP OR DELIVERY:
516 678-6152

NOTE: OUR CLOTHING ROOM WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.



FOOD PANTRY

Food donations may be dropped off in the Parish Center lobby
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Monday- Friday.

Please help us serve people in need in our community. At this time, we would especially appreciate donations of these in-demand non-perishable items:

Canned ham, 1lb. or 2lb. size
Canned potatoes
Cooking oil, 32 oz. or smaller
Hamburger Helper
Mayonnaise
Pancake syrup
Rice, 2 lb. size
Shelf stable milk

Please contribute REUSEABLE Shopping Bags so that we can eliminate single-use bags in our program.

CAMBIOS EN LOS PROCEDIMIENTOS EFFECTIVO de 3/23/2020 -- HASTA NUEVO AVISO

TODAS LAS SOLICITUDES DE ALIMENTOS DEBEN LLAMARSE AL SIGUIENTE NÚMERO:
516 764-0048 EXT. 2530 OR EXT. 2532

LOS ALIMENTOS PREENVASADOS ESTARÁN LISTOS PARA RECOGERSE:

VIERNES DE 10AM A 1PM (LA ENTREGA PUEDE SER POSIBLE - POR ESPECIAL CIRCUNSTANCIAS SOLAMENTE)

CUANDO LLAME POR FAVOR DEJE SU NOMBRE Y UN NÚMERO DE TELEFONO DONDE PUEDE SER LLEGADO. TAMBIÉN PUEDE LLAMAR AL SERVICIO COMUNITARIO DE OCEANSIDE EN SEMANAS ALTERNATIVAS PARA SU RECOGIDA O ENTREGA:
516 678-6152

NOTA: NUESTRA SALA DE ROPA SERÁ CERRADA HASTA NUEVO AVISO.



St. Anthony's Pre-School

Registration is now open for the 2020-2021 School Year.

For enrollment information, please contact:

Miss Ellie Grubb, Director

Phone: 516-764-0048 / ext 2520

Email: egrubb@sacli.org or ellieg621@aol.com



**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL
THOSE WHO ARE
CURRENTLY SERVING
IN THE U.S. MILITARY**

- Dominick Albanese, IS2, Navy •
- Candace L. Bonsignore, Staff Sergeant, Marines •
- Ryan Calkin, Corporal, Marines •
- Doug Callagy, Corporal, Marines •
- Michael Connell, Sergeant, Marines •
- Paul Joseph Delaney, Marines •
- Kayla Curtis DeLuca, Captain, Marines •
- Nicholas J. DeLuca, Captain, Marines •
- Ray Christian Demafiles, Crew Chief, ANG, •
- Edward Durkin, GMC, Navy •
- Iralys Estevez, Lance Corporal, Marines •
- Christopher Kear, ETN, Navy •
- Matthew Kear, CTR, Navy •
- Timothy R. Kear, CTT, Navy •
- Christopher Kapp, Specialist, Army •
- Robert Koehler, Lance Corporal, Marines •
- Carl A. Misitano, Lieutenant., Navy •
- William C. Misitano, LTJG, Navy •
- Mark Montaruli, Lieutenant Commander, Navy •
- Christopher L. Morales, Specialist, Army •
- John Nitti, CPO, Navy •
- Connor Paul, Sergeant, Marines •
- Ryan Reilly, PO, Navy •
- Sanghu Richards, Captain, Army •
- Timothy Richards, Captain, Army •
- Tom Shanley, PO2, Navy •
- Christopher Smith, First Lieutenant, Army •
- William Stuber, SN, Navy •
- Michael Summit, PFC, Army •
- Nikolas Vidic, Lance Corporal, Marines

*Are there parish members and relatives of parishioners
who are currently serving in the military who should be included
in our prayer list?*

*Are there others currently on the list who have completed
their service? Have there been changes in rank?*

Please notify us by e-mail at **Bulletin@Sacl.org**

An Important Letter to Parents of Children
in Our Religious Education Program

PARISH OF ST. ANTHONY

Office of Religious Education / Faith Formation

110 Anchor Avenue • Oceanside NY 11572

516-764-0048 / Extension 2520

May 19, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe. The reality of the Covid19 virus has been a source of stress, anxiety and grief for many. We hope and pray that you and your family remain secure and healthy as these unsure days unfold.

On May 12, 2020, Bishop Barres sent a letter to all pastoral leaders of our Diocese. In his letter, Bishop Barres highlighted the extraordinary times in which we live. We would encourage you to read our Bishop's letter in full which can be found on our website www.sacl.org.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre has offered clear guidelines regarding the pastoral care of all parishioners while safeguarding the health and safety of everyone. Due to these factors the Bishop has encouraged parishes to postpone any public celebrations of the sacraments until current risks have been significantly decreased.

We recognize that you are anticipating the celebration of Confirmation and First Communion for your children. However, at present, we are unable to provide an exact day and time when these celebrations can occur. Be assured that when Diocesan directives are forwarded to us, we will inform you as soon as possible.

Due to our present situation, registration must be postponed until a later date. Likewise, at present, we cannot anticipate the form of instruction that of our program will take when it is re-opened: i.e., weekly classes in the school or online instruction.

We ask for your prayers, patience and faithfulness during this time of transition.

Sincerely,

Fr. James T. Donovan, S.J.

Pastor

Rose Dillon

Director of Faith Formation

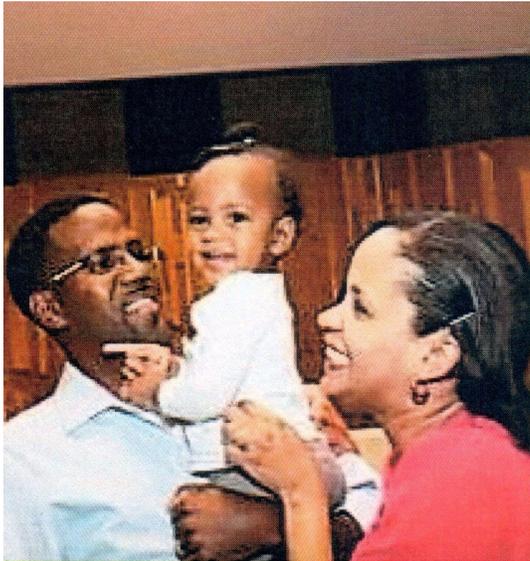


2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
St. Anthony's Parish Goal—\$76,900

Please join the 365 families who have donated to the Appeal this year and make a difference in someone's life.

Thank you!



"The Church, our Mother, is committed to supporting with all her strength the good and generous presence of fathers in families, for they are the irreplaceable guardians and mediators of faith through their goodness, justice, and protection."

- Pope Francis

Wishing You a Safe and Happy Father's Day

Please Support the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

The 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal is ongoing. We ask that you listen with an open heart and—as you have so many times before—give what you can to help our Parish meet its goal of \$76,900. To make a pledge,

- All you have to do is complete the pledge card in the bulletin and mail it to Catholic Ministries Appeal, Diocese of Rockville Centre, Box 4000, Rockville Centre, NY 11571 or make your pledge or payment online automatically at:
<https://www.drvc.org/donate/cma>
- You don't have to include a payment when you make your pledge. When the CMA Office receives your pledge, they will send you payment reminders for any balance and you can pay it over ten months.

100% of every dollar raised by the Catholic Ministries is restricted for the funding of Diocesan ministries and to aid the parishes of the Diocese

**Each and every gift, regardless of size makes a difference!
Please Participate—No Gift Is Too Small!**

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Senior Community Center at St. Anthony's Parish

For ages 60 and over
Monday-Friday, 9AM-1:30PM
516 764-9792

Meals on Wheels

This program is dedicated to delivering nutritious meals to home-bound seniors in Nassau County.

You are eligible if you are:

- Over 60 years of age --Homebound
- Having difficulty cooking and shopping
- Living alone or with a spouse with similar needs

If you or someone you know would benefit from the services that Meals on Wheels provides, please call

516-377-2691

Alzheimer's Association

Offers the following services **free of charge**:

Round-the-clock information and support at their 24/7

HELPLINE: **1-800-272-3900**

- Caregiver Training and Community Education
- Support Groups
- Online Services: alz.org/longisland

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a United States-based suicide prevention network of 161 crisis centers that provides a 24/7, toll-free hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

Call **1-800-273-8255**

Mental Health Hotline

Call **1-844-863-9314**

Literacy (ESL, GED, Citizenship Preparation)

New Horizons Program
145 Merle Avenue
Oceanside, NY 11572
516 678-7577
(No fee to Oceanside Residents)

Literacy Nassau
187 Smith Street
Freeport, NY 11520
516 867-3580

Legal Representation

Nassau County Volunteer Lawyers Project
1 Helen Keller Way, 5th Floor
Hempstead, NY 11550
516 292-8100

United Way 211

<https://www.211ct.org>

Dial 2-1-1 connects callers, at no cost, to critical health and human services in their community.

Helpful Links

Diocese of Rockville Centre

<https://www.drvc.org/>
<http://catholiccharities.cc/>
<https://www.svdpli.org/>

Local Hospitals

<https://mercymedicalcenter.chsli.org/>
<https://www.southnassau.org/sn>

U.S. Catholic Resources

<http://www.usccb.org/>
<https://www.americamagazine.org/>
<https://catholicmom.com/>
<https://www.loyolapress.com/>



St. Anthony's Church

Your participation makes a difference!

"No Gift is Too Small"

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

100% of All Funds Raised are Restricted to Support the Ministries of the Catholic Ministries Appeal and Our Parish!

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Place this form and check (if any) in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Center. Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal.

PLEASE PRINT

Pledge \$ _____ Initial Payment \$ _____ Balance \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email: _____

If a balance is due on your pledge, the Catholic Ministries Appeal Office will send you a monthly reminder with a return envelope. Please return your payments to the Appeal Office. Do not return them to St. Anthony's.

A Guide to Giving

Pledge	10 Payments
\$1,500	\$150
\$1,200	\$120
\$1,000	\$100
\$ 800	\$ 80
\$ 500	\$ 50
\$ 400	\$ 40
\$ 250	\$ 25
\$ 100	\$ 10
\$ 50	\$ 5
Other	\$ ____

Help our parish meet its goal of \$76,900



An Invitation to Join the 40-Day Fast for Christian Nonviolence July 1 -- August 9

Each year Pax Christi (Global Catholic Peace Movement) Metro New York joins with others around the country to fast for Christian nonviolence. The fast is a response to and a prayerful protest against the culture of violence that plagues our society whether in our media, entertainment, language, or actions against individuals and nations. It is also a commitment to peacemaking in our everyday lives. The fast begins on July 1st and ends on August 9th, a very somber anniversary. On August 9th, St. Edith Stein was killed at Auschwitz, Franz Jaegerstatter was beheaded for refusing to serve in Hitler's army, and the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Nagasaki, the largest and oldest Christian community in Japan, killing 140,000 people and destroying the city.

This year, in a special way, we dedicate the fast to an end to the triple forms of violence that are assaulting our country and our world:

- covid-19 that became a pandemic because some who could have done more to help and done it sooner, chose to ignore, deny, and protect their images rather than protect their people;
- economic depression, a result of the pandemic, leaving vast numbers of individuals and businesses, especially the most vulnerable, without means to care for themselves; and
- racism, exposed in all its ugliness in the disproportionate number of covid cases, economic devastation, and unjustifiable murders of unarmed black people just trying to live their lives.

We also dedicate this fast to the reversal of the on-going violences of climate change and nuclear weapons proliferation as the current U.S. administration pulls out of treaty after treaty and promotes policies that will only worsen our chances for survival.

In addition to our traditional fast, there is an international call to fast from August 6th, the anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, to August 9th to demand nuclear disarmament. You can find the call here: <https://www.versöhnungsbund.de/sites/default/files/2016-InternationalFastersAppeal.pdf>. You might choose to participate in PCMNY's fast on these days.

TWO WAYS TO APPROACH THE FAST:

- **Individuals** are invited to fast in whatever way they choose. Some possibilities are choosing one day a week for the 40-Day period, choosing one single day, or choosing a block of days.
- **Groups** are invited to take one day of the week, e.g. Mondays. One member of the group will then fast on each of the Mondays (or whichever other day of the week your group chooses) during the 40-day period. Others can also fast, of course, but this insures that at least one member will be fasting each day.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR FAST DAY:

This fast is, traditionally, a fast from all solid foods from the time you get up until the time you retire in the evening. It is recommended that you drink fruit or vegetable juices. Drinking caffeinated beverages is not recommended.

If the traditional fast is not feasible for you, you can replace one, two, or all three meals with bread and water.

If you are unable to fast from food for health reasons, consider fasting from social media, texting, e-mail, television, or some other "addiction" that will be a sacrifice for you.

- Try to attend Mass, a religious service of your faith if not Catholic, or some other communal gathering at which you can share your hopes and prayers for and commitment to a more nonviolent world, especially a world free of nuclear weapons.
- A common bond in all faiths is belief in the power of nonviolent love. If you are a person of faith, pray that people of faith might re-commit themselves to the lesson of love taught in their faith.
- Seek forgiveness for your own violent tendencies.

As much as possible, occupy yourself with works of mercy.

An excellent book on fasting is *Fasting Rediscovered* by Thomas Ryan, published by Paulist Press.

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RE: Racism and George Floyd

FROM: Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre

Before the Civil War there was a block of stone on what later became the Belmont Abbey College property in North Carolina. It was called the “Slave Stone” because slaves being sold at auction were made to stand on that stone so that potential buyers could see them.

Years later, the Stone was turned and refashioned into a baptismal font that is now in the entryway of the Mary Help of Christians Basilica on the Belmont Abbey College campus. A plaque was placed on this font that is there to this day that connects the Waters of Baptism with the freedom to be children of God.

A slave rock transformed into a baptismal font is a powerful image that can help us to rediscover the relationship in our Catholic faith between repentance and conversion, and social change.

Each one of us today opens our hearts and lives to the Holy Spirit, the indwelling presence of the Holy Trinity within us and the power of the Body and Blood of Christ to transform us, heal us, inspire us so that we can be instruments of Spirit-driven social change that rejects hatred, violence, racism and blindness and embraces the love and peace of Jesus Christ.

Imprinted in this stone was the emotional memory of the coarse cruelty of the slave traders and the anguish and trauma of slave families being separated and further stripped of their human dignity. The Slave Stone carried some of the emotional imprint of the stones of Calvary itself as do historical images from our nation’s history of lynchings, Jim Crow laws, film footage of fire hoses turned on African Americans engaged in peaceful civil rights protests and now, the recent horrific video we all saw depicting the tragic and senseless killing of George Floyd, a man who was in police custody on a Minneapolis street.

On behalf of the faithful of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, I express my heartfelt prayers and condolences to the Floyd family. We pray for peace on the streets of our cities. We pray that peace, charity and justice may animate non-violent protests. We pray for our public servants, our police, our first responders and their families. We pray for the witness of our Church and the ecumenical and interfaith witness we have with our brothers and sisters of different faiths.

On Friday, September 25, 2015, Pope Francis celebrated Mass in New York City at Madison Square Garden. In his homily, he reminded us of Christ’s presence in every city around the world.

He said: “Knowing that Jesus still walks our streets, that he is part of the lives of his people, that he is involved with us in one vast history of salvation, fills us with hope...A hope which makes us see, even in the midst of smog, the presence of God as he continues to walk the streets of our city. Because God is in the city.”

We pray for peace on the streets of our cities and for justice. We pray for a powerful awareness, as our Holy Father says, of the presence of God as Jesus walks and carries His Cross through the wounded streets of our cities. Two years ago, on April 4, 2018, we commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and I shared a Pastoral Letter “The Dream and Our Deepest, Truest Selves” which has been reposted on our DRVC.org website. Little did we know as we prayed and prepared for that 50 year commemoration of Dr. King’s death how relevant it would be two years later.

Allow me to share a brief section of it: “With the help of God, whose love he preached so fervently, Dr. King’s sacrifice tipped the scales of human history and brought us closer to the fulfilment of a dream, one that recognizes the dignity of men and women of all races, one that recognizes that the sanctity of human life is the foundation of every human right, and one that recognizes the rich contributions and legacy of African Americans in our country.”

May each one of us stir the flame of Christ’s love and peace at every moment and in every situation in these painful and traumatic days.



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