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SHAMROCK NEWSLETTER

MARCH

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St. Patrick School
33rd Annual

Golf & Tennis Classic

Monday, May 19, 2025

Southward Ho Country Club



Honoring Denise Gibson

St. Patrick School

33RD ANNUAL GOLF & TENNIS CLASSIC

HONORING

Denise Gibson



A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF BRIGHTWATERS, DENISE IS PROUD ST. PATRICK PARISH HAS BEEN HER FAITH HOME SINCE BIRTH. DENISE IS A ST. PATRICK SHAMROCK, CLASS OF 1981. AFTER GRADUATING FROM BAY SHORE HIGH SCHOOL, AS THE SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT, DENISE ATTENDED HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY AND EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ELECTRONIC JOURNALISM. IN MARCH 1990, DENISE BEGAN HER CAREER AT CBS TELEVISION NETWORK IN NEW YORK CITY. WHILE AT CBS, SHE WORKED ON THE BROADCASTS OF EVERY MAJOR SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP FROM THE SUPER BOWL, NCAA FINAL FOUR, NBA, US OPEN TENNIS, MLB TO THE 1992, 1994 AND 1998 WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES. IN 1998, DENISE BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN TO HOLD THE POSITION OF SPORTS ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE NETWORK SALES & MARKETING. HER ON-AIR SPONSORSHIP DEALS INCLUDED THE NFL TODAY HALFTIME SHOW, SUPER BOWL PRE & POST GAME SHOWS AND NCAA CORPORATE CHAMPIONS. DENISE'S CLIENT LIST INCLUDED GENERAL MOTORS' CHEVROLET, CADILLAC AND BUICK, NIKE, ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR, NISSAN/INFINITI, NEXTEL/SPRINT/T-MOBILE AND LIBERTY MUTUAL. DENISE RETIRED FROM CBS AFTER 23 YEARS TO GROW HER LIFE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

DENISE LEARNED AT AN EARLY AGE WHAT IT MEANS TO GIVE BACK TO HER COMMUNITY. ONE OF HER EARLIEST MEMORIES FROM ST. PATRICK SCHOOL IS HELPING HER MOTHER, CAROL GIBSON, DELIVERING THANKSGIVING BASKETS TO FAMILIES IN NEED. DURING COLLEGE, DENISE WORKED WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES TO ELEVATE COMMUNITY AWARENESS ON THE PLIGHT OF THE HOMELESS AND THE CHALLENGE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN SUFFOLK COUNTY. SHE SERVED ON THE BOARDS OF THE GREAT SOUTH BAY YMCA, BRIGHTWATERS VILLAGE, BRIGHTWATERS SNAPPER DERBY. DENISE WAS JOURNAL CHAIR OF ST. PATRICK PARISH 140TH ANNIVERSARY, ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE OF GREATER BAY SHORE AND HOSPICE CARE NETWORK CHILDREN'S BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM. ALSO, AN EVENT COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR THE BAYS SHORE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME, YMCA BOULTON CENTER AMBASSADOR OF THE ARTS, ROSARY FOR PEACE, SOUTH SIDE GARDEN CLUB AND BAY SHORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ARTS FESTIVAL BY THE BAY.

THE MOST RECENT CALLING TO COMMUNITY SERVICE HAS LED DENISE TO BECOME THE DIRECTOR OF ST. PATRICK'S CYO BASKETBALL. THE JOY OF WATCHING OVER 400 CHILDREN LEARN AND PLAY IN THE SAME LEAGUE WHERE SHE PLAYED IS A FULL CIRCLE MOMENT. THE ENERGY AND EXCITEMENT EACH CHILD AND THEIR FAMILIES BRING TO THE ST. PATRICK SCHOOL GYM IS INFECTIOUS. EACH GAME GROUNDS ALL WHO COME TO THE GYM AS THE OPENING PRAYER WRITTEN BY FR. SEAN READ – “GIVE EACH ONE OF US THE COURAGE TO PLAY THIS GAME IN A MANNER WHICH BY OUR WORDS AND OUR ACTIONS ARE PLEASING TO YOU”.

DENISE BELIEVES THIS HUMBLING HONOR WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE LOVE AND SUPPORT OF HER MOTHER AND FATHER, SISTERS CAMMY AND JUDIE, JOHN AND GALE WAHLBERG, HER SEASTARS - DEIRDRE, KAREN AND ERIN, HER ST. PATRICK CHURCH AND SCHOOL FAMILY, SO MANY NEIGHBORHOOD FAMILIES, HER SoHo FAMILY AND HER FIRE ISLAND FAMILY.

ONE PERSON DOES STAND OUT, HER MOTHER, CAROL. WITHOUT HER MOTHER'S LOVING GUIDANCE AND QUIET WAYS OF SERVICE, DENISE WOULD NOT BE THE PERSON SHE IS. HER MOTHER'S PRESENCE IS ALWAYS AROUND, ESPECIALLY IN THE SCHOOL. DENISE DOES NOT THINK IT'S A COINCIDENCE PRINCIPAL GLYNN WAS GUIDED TO LEAD OUR ST. PATRICK SCHOOL. (PRINCIPAL GLYNN JUST HAPPENS TO HAVE THE SAME INITIALS, CEG, AS HER MOTHER.)

AS OUR BELOVED DEACON JOE SAYS-
GOD IS GOOD, ALL THE TIME. ALL THE TIME, GOD IS GOOD.



MOVIE NIGHT

★ ST. PATRICK SCHOOL
SON & SPECIAL SOMEONE ★

A great night for the boys of SPS to enjoy a night out with Mom, Grandma, Aunt or another special lady in their lives.

★ ★ ★ SOUTH BAY MOVIE THEATER ★ ★ ★

MARCH
27

THURSDAY
6:00 PM

Arrive 15 min early



South Bay Movie Theater
495 Montauk Hwy, West
Babylon, NY 11704

TICKET
SALES
CLOSES
MARCH 20

NO Tickets sold at
the door

TICKETS
\$20
PER PERSON

Includes drink & popcorn
(additional concessions available
for purchase)

St. Patrick's School

PIZZA KIT FUNDRAISER



\$10 PIZZA KITS



Includes: 2 dough balls, sauce and cheese



Gluten-free option available!



Pre-orders due by **Friday 4/4**

PICK UP DAYS

MONDAY 4/7 | TUESDAY 4/8 | WEDNESDAY 4/9 | THURSDAY 4/10

**SCAN THIS CODE
TO PREORDER**



<https://st-patrick-s-school-pizza-kit2-fundraiser.cheddarup.com/>



the **PIZZERIA**
OF BAY SHHORE



This is my Vocation Story



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My name is Tess Austin. I am called to dedicate myself to evangelizing young people through reason, religion and loving kindness as a sister with the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians - Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco. This is my story.

In the Beginning

Growing up, my Long Island family was devoted to our Catholic faith and our parish was my home away from home. I was involved with a lot of ministries and felt particularly drawn to Jesus. In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Holy Spirit lit a fire for God within me. This flame may have flickered from time to time, but the Lord always drew me back.

In a Holy Hour for Vocations in high school, while the flame was low, I locked eyes with our Eucharistic Lord in the monstrance and He spoke to my heart, "I'm the answer. I'm what you're looking for. I'm right here." The fire for God burns true to this day.

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—Tess Austin

My Vocation

In the tenth grade, I attended a March for Life Youth rally. At the end of Mass, the presider asked for all women who felt called to religious life to stand up. Something in my heart told me, "Stand up!" and I did. From then on, I set my sights on religious life.

I knew I still needed to grow spiritually, though, so I went to college at Franciscan University of Steubenville. As I progressed through college, my calling to religious life fell dormant while the Lord worked on my heart in other ways. I served on mission trips to Russia and Albania, began working in Liturgical Music and Catholic Education throughout the Diocese of Rockville Centre, and received my Master of Arts in Theology, and knew that if God wanted, He would reawaken my calling.

When the day came, the Lord was clear and direct. I was back at my Alma Mater for the St. John Bosco Conference, praying in Eucharistic Adoration, and Jesus spoke to my heart, "I want you for Myself." A few



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—Tess Austin

months later, I had found my true home with the Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians – the Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco.

Called to Serve

Throughout my work and ministry, God awakened my maternal instincts in a profound way: spiritual motherhood. The Salesian Sisters educate and form youth around the world to be honest citizens and good Christians, and this is exactly where I feel drawn to follow my missionary and maternal call. I want to live in Salesian spirituality, centered on the Holy Eucharist, devoted to Mary, and bringing Christ to the youth of the world.

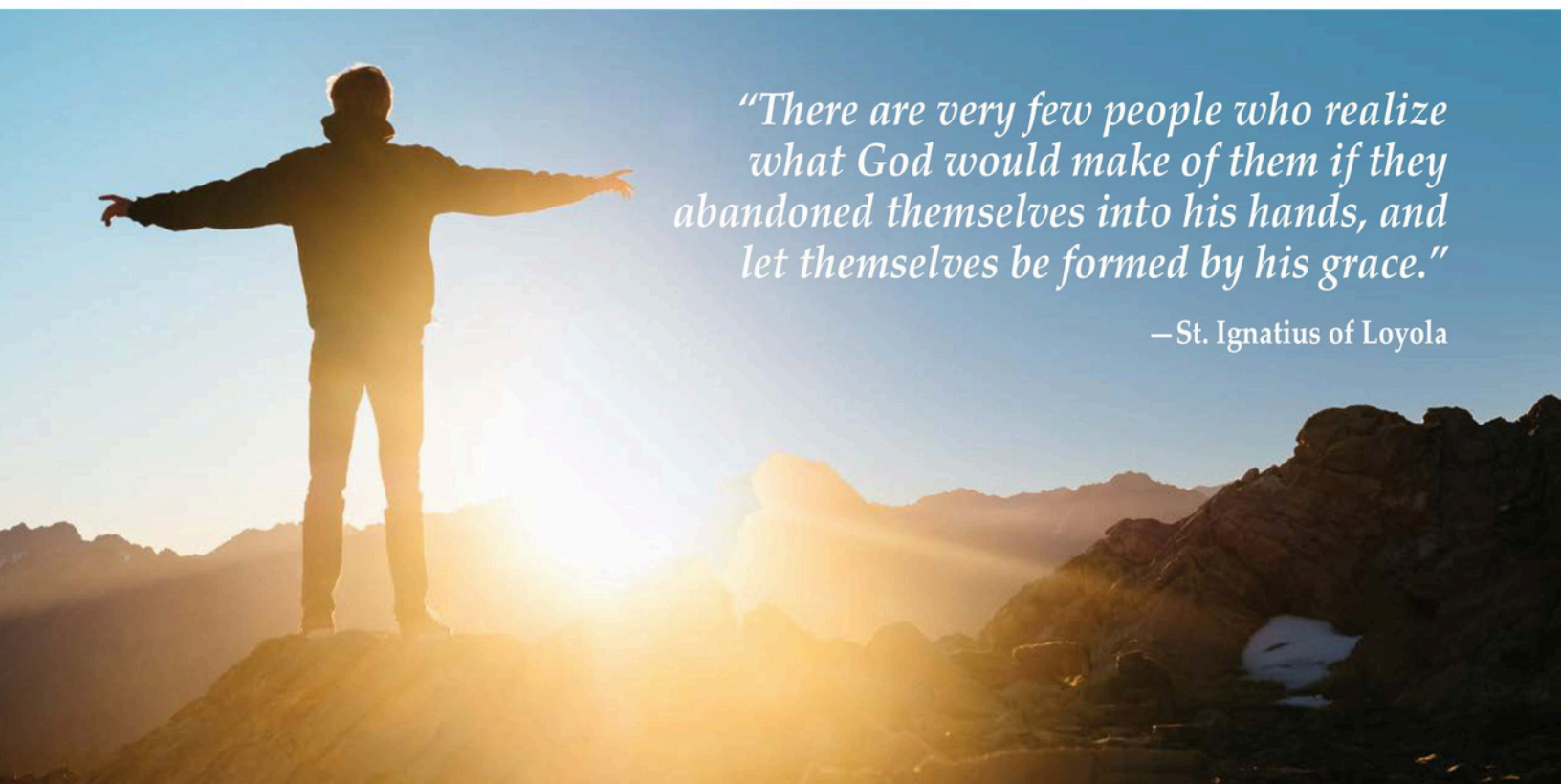
In schools, camps, retreats, oratories, parish education, day cares, and youth centers around North America, I will have numerous opportunities to serve the youth of the Church with my Salesian Sisters. I want to devote my life to loving God and helping to win the hearts of His children to Him.

As He has done all throughout my life, the Lord calls me to go where He leads, and as a bride of Christ, I will follow.

Prayer & Invitation

Please pray for me and for my fellow Labouré classmates on our vocation journeys.

Feel free to reach out with any questions you might have at: Tess@rescuevocations.org



"There are very few people who realize what God would make of them if they abandoned themselves into his hands, and let themselves be formed by his grace."

— St. Ignatius of Loyola



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL**



2025



**Our Summer Sports Camps
are OPEN TO ALL!**

5 weeks of camps!

***All camps run Mon-Thurs/
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.***

***NEW this year! Girls' Flag Football
& Tennis/Pickleball (co-ed)***

Registration now open!

Scan the QR Code to view digital brochure

*Registration will be accepted
online or in person
on the first day of
the session.*



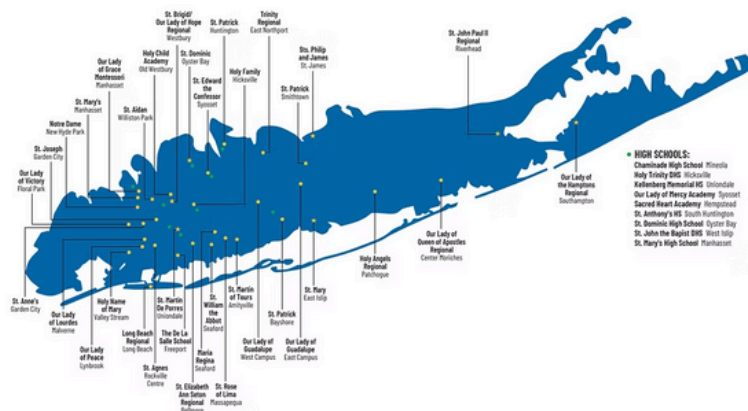
**Have fun & make friends at SJTB
Summer Sports Camps!**

1170 Montauk Hwy, West Islip, NY 11795



**Thank you to everyone who
walked in the St. Patrick's Day
Parade on Saturday!**





MARCH – APRIL 2025

upcoming events

Wednesday, March 12th 6pm Talent Show

Friday, March 14th St. Patrick's Day Dress Down

Monday, March 17th 9:15 St. Patrick's Day School Mass

Wednesday, March 19th 12:10 Mass

**Wednesday, March 26th 4th Grade Trip Fire Island Lighthouse
12:10 Mass**

**Thursday, March 27th Early Dismissal
Parent + Teacher Conference Day
Early Childhood Screenings**

Friday, March 28th School Closed for Professional Day

Monday, March 31st 8th Grade Graduation Pictures

Tuesday, April 1st Summer Uniform Begins

**Wednesday, April 2nd Living Art Exhibit
10:30 – 3rd Gr. Confessions
12:50 – 4th & 5th Gr. Confessions**

APRIL 2025

upcoming events

Wednesday, April 9th

7/8th Gr Lenten Retreat

in the Gym with Ms. Austin

10:30 – 6th Gr. Confessions

12:10 Mass

12:50 – 7th & 8th Gr. Confessions

Thursday, April 10th

NYS ELA Testing 4th & 6th Gr.

Friday, April 11th

NYS ELA Testing 4th & 6th Grade

Saturday, April 12th

PA Easter Bunny Breakfast

Sunday, April 13th

Palm Sunday

Monday, April 14th

Make-Up NYS ELA Testing

Tuesday, April 15th

Make-Up NYS ELA Testing

Wednesday, April 16th

12:15 Mass

Thursday, April 17th – 25th

Holy Thursday

School Closed: Easter Recess



**RUN
FOR**

10
YEARS

**TOMORROW'S
HOPE®**
FOUNDATION

**5K &
FUN RUN**

Saturday, April 12, 2025

St. Joseph School, Garden City, NY

**OPEN TO EVERYONE AWARD CATEGORIES BY AGE + SPECIAL
AWARDS EVERY FUN RUN PARTICIPANT GETS A PRIZE**

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TIMED BY



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Saint Patrick's Day

🍀 *Dress Down* 🍀

Friday, March 14th

WEAR GREEN!

REP SPS BAY SHORE!

ACCESSORIZE WITH SHAMROCKS!

CELEBRATE OUR PATRON SAINT

