



Catholic Church & School

ST. AIDAN LENTEN MISSION 'SPRINGTIME FOR YOUR SOUL'

WITH MSGR. BOB HAYDEN
SR. JOANN BONAURO S.C.

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**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
MARCH 7TH, 8TH, 9TH**

TALK FOLLOWS 9:00 AM MASS
AND 7:00 PM EVENING PRAYER

*WEDNESDAY EVENING
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION*



March 6, 2022

**THE CHURCH OF
ST. AIDAN**
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WELCOME TO ST. AIDAN

Our parish is a vibrant and active Catholic community located in Nassau County, Long Island, New York. We are a Roman Catholic parish in the Diocese of Rockville Centre serving the communities of Williston Park, East Williston, Albertson, and parts of Mineola, Roslyn Heights, and Searingtown.

RECTORY OFFICE 516-746-6585

HOURS MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish family of the Church of St Aidan, strengthened by the Eucharist and encouraged by the Word of God, welcome all, for we encourage that everyone is a child of God and no one should be excluded. Guided by the Holy Spirit through prayer, we strive as one to build the Body of Christ. We commit ourselves to nurturing lifelong faith formation, fostering lay leadership, promoting social justice, engaging our youth in every aspect of parish life, and offering care and compassionate service to all. We invite everyone to walk with Jesus and experience His healing power and love.

THE CHURCH OF ST. AIDAN IS OPEN

Daily 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Daily Mass can be viewed on staidanparish.org, Facebook and Vimeo. The faithful are required to attend Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation Masses. This obligation does not apply to those who are ill, those who are confined to their home, a hospital, or nursing facility, or those with serious underlying health conditions. Masks are no longer required and are optional when participating in any activities on parish grounds.

PARKING AT ST. AIDAN

As you are aware the number of parking spaces is limited at St. Aidan. The parking lot at the rear of the Upper School and the one on Dover Street are available on weekends and when school is closed. The Lower School has an area that is designated a children's play area. For safety reasons please do not park there. People with disabilities may park in the three reserved parking spaces in front of the rectory on Willis Ave. This special area is needed for church access by people who use wheelchairs and specially-equipped vehicles. Thank you for being parking considerate.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion unites us more closely to Jesus, and it is also a sign that we are living in communion with His Church, following the teachings that Jesus has handed down to us. One

should only receive Holy Communion if he believes what the Catholic Church teaches, and is living as a member of the Church, following the way of life that she sets out for her children. If one is conscious of serious sin, he should receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before approaching Holy Communion.

CONFESSION

Confessions are available in the church, screen only, on Saturday from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM and 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. You can also make a confession appointment with a priest by calling the rectory office.

BAPTISM

To arrange a baptism contact the rectory at 516-746-6585. Forms need to be completed giving information on the parents, child's date and place of birth, as well as the names and religious affiliation of the sponsors. At least one sponsor must be a practicing Catholic. Baptisms are held on the 1st Sunday and 3rd Sunday at 1:30 PM. To hold a private baptism you must make arrangements with a priest or deacon to perform the baptism. Private baptisms are held on Saturday or Sunday when the church is available. First time parents are required to attend a Baptism Class. Classes are held in the church on the second Sunday of the month after the 12 Noon Mass. Parents are asked to gather at St. Joseph's statue to the right of the main altar.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at the Rectory office at least 9 months in advance. Pre-Cana and FOCCUS registrations must be arranged.

ANOINTING

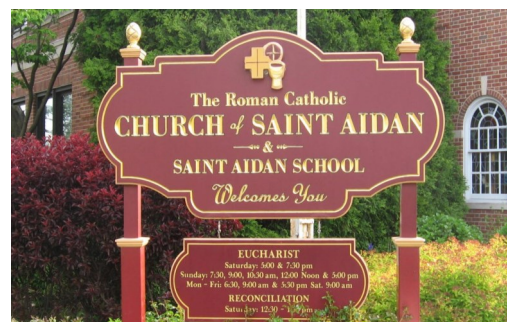
The anointing takes place at 1:00 PM on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please wait for the priest at Our Lady's Shrine.

ADORATION

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00 PM in the church.

PARISH EMAIL

To be added to email distributions of the Parish Bulletin please email Bonnie Parente at bparente@verizon.net.



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LYNNP@ST Aidan PARISH.ORG

TO PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT ON THE COVER,
CONTACT THE CHURCH BULLETIN 631-249-4994. THE
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SPONSORS.

JOIN US FOR DAILY MASS FROM THE CHURCH OF
ST. AIDAN AT ST Aidan PARISH.ORG AND ON
FACEBOOK



MONDAY, MARCH 7

Fr. Solomon 6:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM

Bishop Andrzej 5:30 PM

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Fr. Solomon 9:00 AM

Fr. Adrian 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Fr. Solomon 9:00 AM

Fr. Solomon 5:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Fr. Solomon 6:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM
Fr. Adrian 5:30 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM
Bishop Andrzej 9:00 AM

Fr. Solomon 5:30 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

Fr. Ken 9:00 AM
Fr. Adrian 5:00 PM

Fr. Solomon 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

Fr. Solomon 7:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM
Fr. Ken 10:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 12:00 PM

Fr. Ken 5:00 PM

LENT WEEK 1

Claudia Edwards
PARISH MISSION
Tomas Tolentino (Birthday Rem.)
Orazio Bettalico (38th Anniversary Rem.)

LENT WEEK 1

Richard P. Cosgrove, Jr. (13th Anniversary Rem.)
PARISH MISSION
Philomena Gillespie (20th Anniversary Rem.)
Adrienne Robinson

LENT WEEK 1

Maria Nicastrò (1st Anniversary Rem.)
PARISH MISSION
Janet D'Addario
Mary Rogan

LENT WEEK 1

Mary Jane Bunge
Anita Donovan (1st Anniversary Rem.)
Luz Dominguez (Birthday Rem.)

LENT WEEK 1

Robert J. Caden
SCHOOL MASS
Sophie & Robert Hoffmann
Aldo Recine (1st Anniversary Rem.)

LENT WEEK 1

Maryann Rietschlin (1st Anniversary Rem.)
Marie Callahan (1st Anniversary Rem.)
John McCann (Birthday Rem.)
John McCann (Birthday Rem.)
Theresa Hugh Eamonn & John Fitzpatrick
Mary Maye
Augusto Rodrigues (1st Anniversary Rem.)
Steven Pahl (Birthday Rem.)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Kevin Patrick Crennan
Liza Lee Bordoy (25th Anniversary Rem.)
Parishioners of St. Aidan
Joseph Grippaldi
Luci Almeida
Daniel Kopetic (Birthday Rem.)
Edward Kennedy
Joseph Watts
Catherine Peterson

FILLED
WITH THE
HOLY
SPIRIT,
JESUS
RETURNED
FROM THE
JORDAN
AND WAS
LED BY THE
SPIRIT
INTO THE
DESERT
FOR FORTY
DAYS, TO
BE
TEMPTED
BY THE
DEVIL.

Forty Days *Of Lent*



What's Pastor Thinking

Forty days is a long time. Moses was on the Mountain of God for forty days. Forty were the years

that Israel wandered in the wilderness. For forty days Jesus went without food in the wilderness. That's why we have forty days of Lent.

'Forty' says conversion is a process — not a once-for-all event. No quick fixes, that's what Lent is about. It's forty days of peeling away the veneer that overlays our soul.

Lent reminds us that we need God's grace to grow, and that we cannot rely on what we can do for ourselves. I recently met a man who knew what it was to rely on God's grace. He was a father, businessperson, and an addict. As we talked, this man told the story of powerlessness over an addiction that had spiraled out of control. The cost of such addiction was severe. It cost him a marriage, his job, and family, before he was willing to admit his addiction. Though my friend has practiced sobriety or quite some time, he knows what addiction can do.

But he also knows what God has done for him.

When he was finally able to be honest to God, self, and his family, he admitted that he tried to fill in the blank in his life with the wrong things, and it was then that the healing began. And healing is a process.

St. Augustine prayed, 'You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.' 99% of us are addicted to something — food, fashion, accumulation, blaming, shopping, fitness, diets, the pursuit of happiness. Emptiness becomes unbearable and it's quite easy to fill that emptiness with something other than God to numb the pain. Yet, as Augustine discovered, there is nothing on earth that can fill emptiness of the soul but God.

Lent says to us, 'pay attention to your life.' Enter the wilderness of Lent and expect great things from God. Join us this week at the Lenten Mission. Believe that with God all things are possible.

**WE PRAY FOR OUR
DECEASED**

ALPHONSE DALIENDO
STEPHANIE MC CARTHY
JANICE LYNN
STEPONAITIS

**WE PRAY FOR OUR
SICK**

Lily O'Rourke
John Joseph Mulrooney
Steve Pomticello
Kay Perro
Mark Cristello
Maryann Katkowsky
Sean Anderson
Francesca Caccavale
Judy Kostovick
Jack Groothuis
Sharon Devis
Agnes Chun
Blaise DeCario Webber
Virginia Fallon
Kathleen Donnelly
Frank Keenan
Isabella Mueller
Eileen Fitzgerald
Richard Arcario
Janet Stemberger

Jho Martin
Mercy Velasco
Anthony Bosco
Tony Sigonolsi
Shirley Aguirre
Ambrose Donnelly
Alicia Zumbrunn
Anthony Siconolfi
Geraldine Massey
Ann McGarry
Dominic Caccavale
Greg Sasso
Noel McPartland
Dana Cavanaugh
Flavia Marino
Florence & Paul Simmons
Mary Mone
Juliana Kim
Rosie Bischoff
Rebecca Ross
Michael Horowitz
Robert Marino
Deanna Tadej
Joseph Nolan
Dahlina Paul
Edward Dirrane
Linda & Michael Hayes
Nina & Charles
Procaccini

Maureen Salzano
Joseph Peter LaBianca
David Shaffsick
John Sweeney
Hilda Escobar
Kimberly Prichett
Corine Capozzi
Vincent Cianciulli
Michael Procaccini, Jr.
Yovone Forde
Catherine (Katie) Ruoff
Michael Crusello
Jean Lopardo
Ralph & Julie Sepulveda
Barbara Seixas
Joe A. Ferguson
Anita Albanese Dorane
Linda
Margaret Kewn
Deborah Zenir
Eileen Murchie
All sick children of St.
Aidan Parish
Sean Regan
Veronica Rhoda
Mary Shreck
Joshua Lowenthal
Sam Donato
Nicole Blach

Michael Manzolillo
Lulu Grimaldi
Nicole Husch
Ryan Carroll
John Hughes
John Healey
Nikki Georgeou
Joseph Guardino
Corey Govier
Rosalie Szoke
Eleanor Brassill
Joan Reising
Thomas Curren
Robert Miceli
Bob Travis
Baby Cairo John Isaac
Madeline Corrigan
Jane Gross
Joel Melamed
Douglas Lamere
Edward & Loretta McKay
Dolores Rossi
Veronica B. Breznak
Leslie Rosier
Ludwig Odierna Jr.
John Messina
Virginia Gallagher

**BREAD & WINE
MEMORIAL**

In Loving Memory
STEVEN DANIEL CLANCY
Anniversary Remembrance
Requested by
His Loving Family

MASS ATTENDANCE

02/12-13/22 1,001
02/19-20/22 1,253
02/26-27/22 1,337

ONLINE GIVING

Go to staidanparish.org.
Click DONATE.

STEWARDSHIP

02/28/21 \$31,633
02/27/22 \$30,851

**EXTRA COLLECTION THIS
WEEKEND**

Church in Need
Facilities Maintenance
Ash Wednesday

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
APPEAL**

Pledges \$115,169.89
Donors 399
Payments \$114,559.89



**WHAT WILL BE YOUR
LASTING LEGACY?**

Your estate plan can
include a Catholic Legacy
Will that consists of
inspirational testimony
which expresses to your

family your deep and
lasting love for Christ. For
ideas on how you can leave
your lasting legacy contact
Barbara Kilarjian, 516-678
-5800 ext. 257, email
bkilarjian@drvc.org

Lent

SEASON

LENTEN MISSION

MONDAY MARCH 7
TUESDAY MARCH 8
WEDNESDAY MARCH 9
9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

MSGR. ROBERT
HAYDEN
SR. JOANN BONAURO

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY
7:00 PM

ADORATION

FRIDAY
1:00 TO 3:00 PM
MARCH 18, APRIL 1

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

SUNDAY MARCH 27
1:00 PM

ST. PATRICK & ST. JOSEPH CONCERT

SUNDAY, MARCH 13
3:00 PM

TEEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

SATURDAY MARCH 19
8:45 AM—6:00 PM

BETHANY RETREAT

FRIDAY MARCH 25
SATURDAY MARCH 26

PRESENTATION ON THE SHROUD OF TURIN

SUNDAY MARCH 27
2:00—4:00 PM

REQUIEM

SUNDAY APRIL 3
6:30 PM

AGONY IN THE GARDEN RETREAT

SATURDAY APRIL 9
11:00 AM TO 4:30 PM

CONFESSION

EVERY SATURDAY
12:30 PM—1:30 PM
4:00—5:00 PM

MONDAY APRIL 11
2:00—4:00 PM
6:00—9:00 PM

HOLY THURSDAY
APRIL 14
4:00—6:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 15
4:00—6:00 PM

PALM SUNDAY
APRIL 10

HOLY THURSDAY
APRIL 14

OFFICE OF READINGS
8:30 AM
MORNING PRAYER
9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION
4:00 TO 6:00 PM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
7:30 PM

NIGHT PRAYER
11:45 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 15

OFFICE OF READINGS
8:30 AM
MORNING PRAYER
9:00 AM

SEVEN LAST WORDS
12:00 PM

THE LORD'S PASSION
3:00 PM

RECONCILIATION
4:00 TO 6:00 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY
APRIL 16

OFFICE OF READINGS
8:30 AM
MORNING PRAYER
9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION
12:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

EASTER VIGIL
7:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 17

MASS 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:30 AM, 12:00 PM
1:30 PM



A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



'LENT' MEANS 'SPRING'

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**'Behold now is a very acceptable time;
Behold, now is the day of salvation' (2 Corinthians 6:2)**

ST. AIDAN PARISH MISSION 2022

We are delighted to welcome Msgr. Bob Hayden and Sr. JoAnn back to St. Aidan. They will speak at all Masses this weekend and then lead the Parish Mission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

Both have given Retreats at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Centerport (via Zoom during the Pandemic); for the Sisters of Charity, in Wellesley, MA; and at Our Lady of Lourdes in Malvern. Both Msgr. Bob & Sr. JoAnn ministered at St. Aidan.

- Our theme for Monday March 7th: "Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." What does this message mean during this Lent of 2022?
- The theme for Tuesday March 8th: "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:9)
- The theme for Wednesday March 9th: "Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful" (Joel 2:13)

Biography of Msgr. Bob:

Monsignor Hayden was ordained in 1970 for our Diocese, and has served in four Parishes. You will remember him as Pastor, here, at St. Aidan's from 1997-2009. He also served as the Pastor at St. William the Abbot in Seaford. Before becoming a Pastor, Msgr. Bob was the Vice Rector and

Academic Dean and taught Scripture at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington.

Biography of S. JoAnn:

Sister JoAnn Bonauro, SC is a Sister of Charity of Halifax. Like Msgr. Bob, Sister also served here. From 1992-2000 she was the Co-Director of Faith Formation and Director of Family Ministry and Evangelization. She also was the Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of Peace (Lynbrook) and St. William the Abbot (Seaford). She is now a Spiritual Director and offers Spirituality Programs both here at St. Aidan and in other Parishes. We hope you can join us as we SPRING FORWARD IN 2022 on March 7th 8th and 9th. All are welcome at 9:00 AM or 7:00 PM. Bring a friend.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 6	7:30 AM North Shore Fire Department Holy Name Society attending 9:00 AM Rosary Society attending 10:30 AM Girl Scout Sunday
March 7, 8, 9	Parish Mission at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM
March 11	9:00 School attending Mass 7:00 Stations of the Cross
March 13	Daylight Savings Spring Forward 3:00 St. Patrick & St. Joseph Concert
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 18	7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
March 19	St. Joseph Teen Day of Recollection Teens attending 5:00 PM Mass
March 20	First Day of Spring Collection for Landscape Expenses
March 25	The Annunciation of the Lord 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
March 25, 26	Bethany Retreat
March 27	Collection for Catholic Relief Services 10:30 AM Junior Catholic Daughters 1:00 PM Anointing of the Sick 2:00 PM Presentation on the Holy Shroud of Turin

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Aidan School Class of 1977-45th Reunion on Saturday, July 23rd 2022 at 5pm Mass in St Aidan Church. 7:30-11:30 Knights of Columbus, 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, N. Y. 11501. More info to follow!

DAILY ROSARY FOR LENT

The rosary will be said after the 6:30 AM and 9:00 AM Masses every weekday during lent.

MEMORIALS AND PLAQUES

Many thanks to the St. Aidan family who recently made a donation to purchase six new ciboria for the church. Having inquired about repairing the ciboria we currently use to distribute

communion, we were advised they should be replaced as repair would cost more than their worth.

It is always difficult to retire memorialized gifts that are given to a church. However, chalices crack, vestments are worn and torn, ciboria get tarnished, glass breaks, benches buckle, trees die. Understandably, people get upset when the gift they gave to the church is no longer used, or the tree they gifted dies. It's because, plaques and memorials are placed on objects and in places that are not permanent. I remember the story of a particular church that had pews for many years. Almost every pew had a plaque attached to it. Then the pews became old and worn, so the church decided to replace them with better pews. The fight was brutal when the pews were removed. 'That's MY pew,' they said. The story can be even more intense when an entire building or street named for someone is replaced.

Please understand that retired vestments, chalices, ciboria etc. are kept in storage or are sent to a church that is in greater need. Every year there is an appeal for items from churches in North and South America and churches throughout Africa. It is better to use sacred items than keep them in storage. And although trees die and are not replaced, their plaques still remain in our garden for people to view.

If you wish to memorialize a vestment, chalice etc. for a loved one, please do not purchase any item without asking us what we need. We will soon publish a list of items that are needed for the church. Thank you for your understanding and your continued generosity.

Fr. Adrian



PARISH BETHANY RETREAT

Learning from Mary to Live in the Moment. Bethany is an appropriate name for a retreat given here in our parish home. Bethany was the home of Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary. It was where Jesus went when he needed rest and refreshment from the trials of his life and ministry. There he could be fed and cared for. It was where he could pray and think. It was where he could be invigorated and energized for the journey that lay ahead. Our little home

here at St. Aidan is built with love of friends and community and is a place that calls deeply to the heart with the voice of Jesus, "Come and rest with me for a while." In that spirit, we are again having the Bethany retreat using all Covid precautions. Seats are limited this year so save the date and register early! Any questions call 516-859-6593. Friday evening March 25th & Saturday March 26th.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

"That Christians inspired by the Word of God May Serve the Poor & Suffering!" – Pope Francis.

- **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** – Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 9:45 am in the Dorothy Day room located in the Finamore Parish Center (please use the side entrance which can be found on Dover Street to access the room) to knit or crochet prayer shawls or lap blankets for our sick and homebound parishioners. New members are always welcome. You need not know how to knit or crochet. We have talented parishioners who can teach you. The next meetings will take place on Monday, March 14th and 28th. If you have any questions, please call Parish Social Ministry at - 746-6585 X 410.
- Food items needed: LEMON JUICE, OIL, NAPKINS, MAYONNAISE, TOILET TISSUE, CANS OF SOUP, BRILLO, DISHWASHING LIQUID AND SPONGES. Please bring all non-perishable food/ personal hygiene items to the Parish Social Ministry office or to our new food box which is located near the St. Vincent de Paul clothing box. Please do not leave anything in the food box which requires refrigeration or any frozen food items.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Social Ministry office hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00-3:00 pm.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE (FOR ADULTS 18+)

HANDICAPPED ENCOUNTER CHRIST MINISTRY is a ministry for adults with physical, mental, cognitive and/or sensory disabilities. It is based on the Cursillo movement of the Catholic Church. HEC brings together the communities of disabled and enabled-adults so they can all get to know our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the year, we have many different events and annually there is a three-day

COME AND SEE CATHOLIC TEEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION



Join Us for a day of Fun, Faith, Prayer, Food and Great Music

Who Can Attend: Anyone in 7th – 12th Grade

When: Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 8:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Where: Church of Saint Aidan, Monsignor Kirwin Hall

Cost: Free

Name: _____ Age: _____

School: _____ Email: _____

In case of emergency please contact: _____ at _____.

Relationship to child: _____

I/we the parent(s)/guardian(s) of _____ grant permission for our son/daughter to participate in St. Aidan's Parish Day of Recollection. We hereby release and save harmless the Youth Group, its leaders, the Diocese of Rockville Centre and the Church of St. Aidan from any liability arising to your child as a result of participation in this event.

Parent(s)/ Guardian(s) Signature(s)

X _____ X _____

If you would like to register for the event please return above form to Church of Saint Aidan 505 Willis Ave Williston Park, NY 11596 Attn: Steve Loewenthal or have any questions **contact:** **Steve Loewenthal at SaintAidanYouthGroup@gmail.com or (516) 410-6461**
Please register by March 4, 2022, Walk-ins are welcome

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SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022 AT 3PM

TICKETS: \$15

HEC Retreat held each spring. We are always looking for participants to join this ministry — those that are disabled and those who are not — so that together we are one community learning from each other, enjoying the company of one another and establishing many beautiful friendships together as we all get to know our Lord. PLEASE join our first HEC #38 (April 21 - 24, 2022) planning meeting: Monday, Feb. 21 @ 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn. At the first meeting, there will be HEC retreat overview and a review of the different jobs that need volunteers. Light refreshments will be served. Additional meetings will be Monday, March 14 and April 11. All are welcome. Please join us. Any questions, call Diana @ 631-806-6213 or Bob @ 516-241-4122.

COAT DRIVE

Donations can be dropped at the Rectory. For information call Tecky (516) 655 9755 or Cathy at comayu27@gmail.com.

THE UNITED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY PRAYER GROUP

We're Back-The United Hearts of Jesus and Mary will resume their monthly meetings on Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the church. Meetings will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and consecration to Jesus and Mary. Future meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month-April 28, May 26 and June 30. For more information, please contact Tecky at (516) 655-9755.

THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The 9AM Corporate Mass on March 6 is offered in memory of deceased Rosarians Margaret Leprine, Dorothy Perry, and Joan Iannotta. The March 14th meeting at 7 PM will feature speaker, Kelly Melore, Coordinator of the Peanut Butter and Jelly Gang of St. Aidan's. The Rosarians will also be treated to an Irish dance demonstration. New members are welcome. Please see the church bulletin for information on the St. Patrick's Day Dance on March 5th. Tickets are on sale now.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Next monthly meeting will be held on March 8, 2022 at 7:30 PM in Kirwin Hall. New members always welcome.

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Schedule of events & Meetings 2021/2022

- March 6, 1pm - 2:30pm Meeting, convent

- March 27, 10:30am Mother/ Daughter Brunch Mass, church Lucky Duck 12pm - 4pm
- April 24 9am - 1pm Mommas House & Birthright Drive Finamore Parish Center Meeting at Convent 1pm - 2 pm
- May 1, 9am - 1 pm Plant & Bake Sale, St. Francis Garden Meeting, Convent 1pm - 2 pm
- May 15, 1pm - 3pm Meeting/ Elections Convent
- June 14, 7:00 pm Installation Mass, Church 8:00 pm reception Kirwin Hall

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION

The rosary will be said in the St. Francis Garden after the 5:30PM Mass on the third Wednesday of each month for the year 2021. Date for your diary: Wednesday March 16, April 20, May 18.

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings in the Convent Chapel the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month. Next meeting on March 9 and 23rd. Zoom meetings held on alternate weeks. Call Lisa at 516.857.7664 for more details on getting connected. All are welcome. Home Visitation Program of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The Legion of Mary will bring the Pilgrim Statue to your home if you call Bridget at 516.581.3056. Wouldn't you like to have her statue in your home?

MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP,

Meets every Wednesday at 7 PM in the Convent. All are welcome! We pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet to Jesus through Mary. Questions? Contact: Gloria 741-5399.

MONDAY NOVENA

Please join us every Monday morning after the 9:00 AM Mass for a Novena to the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. Rosary will follow.

FATHER TULLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AND JOAN P. FOY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, Court St. Aidan #1577. All children of St. Aidan Parish, whether they attend public or private school, are eligible to apply for the Father Tulley Memorial Scholarship and the Joan P. Foy Memorial Scholarship. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Student must have taken the High School Placement Test in October or November of 2021.
2. Student must have been accepted and plan to attend a Catholic High School in September of 2022 and must

not have received a full tuition scholarship to said school.

3. Families must be registered parishioners of St. Aidan Parish.

Students who attend St. Aidan School will receive an application from the principal or their homeroom teacher. All other interested students please contact the Court Education Chairperson at (516) 747-1579 for an application and further information. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 15, 2021 TO QUALIFY.

CHARISMATIC PRAISE AND WORSHIP WITH BLD GROUP

Every Friday from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. Healing Mass on the first Friday of the month.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The anointing of the sick takes place at 1:00 PM on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please wait for the priest at Our Lady's Shrine on Sunday March 27, April 24.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00 PM in the church. March 18.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Any adult, who has not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 2022, is asked to contact the Faith Formation Director at (516) 746-6585 x406 or email esmith@staidanparish.org. Adult Confirmation is usually celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, which this spring will be on June 5th. A class will begin on Tuesday nights in early 2022.

ARE YOU SEARCHING?

Do you know someone searching for a spiritual home? Our "no strings" inquiry is open to anyone searching that you may know. This is ideal for learning about Catholicism and for Catholics who have not yet received the Eucharist and/or Confirmation. There is no obligation to continue. To set up an appointment to speak to someone please call the rectory at 516-746-6585 ext. 406.

ST. AIDAN'S RESPECT LIFE GROUP.

The next meeting for the Respect Life Group will be held on Tuesday, March 22, at 7pm in the convent. Help us by continuing to pray for the unborn. Come join the St. Aidan's Respect Life group and meet other prolife parishioners as we discuss how prayer and action can

Bethany Retreat

Learning from Mary to Live in the Present Moment

Focus: *How did Mary do it? We will learn from Mary how she navigated her life and its unbelievable calling. Give yourself a gift, live moment to moment and treasure each one. That is her gift to us.*

St. Aidan's Bethany is open to both men & women. This is a time of spiritual refreshment, a place to come and be with other parishioners as Jesus did in Bethany with his friends. A place to prepare yourself for the Great Season of Easter!

Where will it take place? The place is the Convent, 16 Pembroke St., on Friday evening, after which you will return to your own homes. You will meet again on Saturday morning. We will end at the 5 PM Mass and then break bread together as we have our dinner.

Friday Evening, 03/25 at 7:30PM & Saturday, 03/26/2022 at 8:30AM.

Doors will open at & 7PM for refreshments. Start promptly at 7:30.

Friday Night Speaker: Fr. Daniel Griffin, S.M.

Cost: \$25.00 per person (Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner on Saturday)

Due to Covid our attendance will be limited, please register early

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ * E-mail _____

Amount Enclosed ____ I Will ____ Will not ____ have dinner with the group.

If you are registering for friends, please list all names & phone numbers attending on the back. Return to St. Aidan's Rectory. **There will be no reservations or payments at the door.** Please mark the envelope, "Bethany Retreat."
Any Questions, call 516-746-6585

"My Father, If it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will." Mt 26:39

Come to Listen, Reflect, and Pray with us

Agony in the Garden Retreat



**Church of St Aidan
Msgr Kirwin Hall**

**April 9, 2022
Saturday
11:00am - 4:30pm**

Cost: FREE
Walk Ins are Welcome

I Will Attend the Agony in the Garden Retreat

Name _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Return to: St Aidan's Rectory c/o Deacon Rudy Martin

Or Call to Register:

St Aidan Rectory Office: (516) 746-6585
Charlie & Loreen Ragnanan: (646) 573-1966
Gil & Anna Liza Ocena: (407) 346-2075

help bring about the end of abortion in our country. We will be praying outside the Planned Parenthood in Hempstead on Saturday, April 2nd at 12 pm. The group operates under the Diocesan Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics. This office enunciates and promotes the principle that human life, at all stages from conception to natural death, is a gift from God, worthy of respect and protection. This ministry encompasses prayer, education, advocacy, and care & services. More information about the office can be found at the Diocesan web site at www.drvcclife.org. The group is meeting with the purpose of promoting pro-life activities through prayer, educational opportunities, raising funds for pro-life efforts and new mothers. For more information or if you are interested in joining the Respect Life Group, please contact Anne Marie Egan at elamjoe@aol.com 516-873-8320

DIVORCED OR SEPARATED CATHOLICS OF LONG ISLAND

Including widows, widowers and singles. A social organization for single persons. New Member Orientation Meeting on Tuesday March 15th at 7:00PM at St. Frances Columbus Club, 1869 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793. (Parking in the rear of building). Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME. Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues \$30. Refreshments following the meeting. Proof of vaccination or a recent negative test required. For further information, please call also to verify there will be a meeting -Angel at 631-574-0368 or Janet 516-579-4016

I LOVE A PARADE!

On Sunday, March 6th, Corpus Christi Council #2502 will hold a party during and after the annual St Patrick's Parade in Mineola. Celebrate at the Council Hall, 186 Jericho Turnpike). FREE ADMISSION – Doors open at 12:00 Noon. Live music by Billy & Jacinla. Serving Corned Beef, Shepherd's Pie, Guinness, Irish Coffee and other favorite drinks at reasonable prices. Plan to join us!

SPEND A NIGHT WITH MISTY MOUNTAIN

Corpus Christi Council #2502 is presenting Misty Mountain, a premier Led Zeppelin Tribute Band, in concert at the Council Hall (186 Jericho Tpke, Mineola) on Saturday, March 26th from 7:00 – 11:00 pm. The cost is \$ 40 per person and includes a Buffet Dinner and the show. Dinner is from 7:00 – 8:00 pm with the show starting at 8:00 pm. A cash bar will be available. Reservations required. For reservations call (516) 746-8643 and leave message, or via email to chefpea1@kofc2502.net.

CEAD MILE FAILTE! (100,000 WELCOMES)

After a two year hiatus, Corpus Christi Council #2502 will once again host a St Patrick Dinner-Dance. This year's gala celebration will be held on Saturday, March 12th at the K of C Hall (186 Jericho Tpke, Mineola) from 8:00 – 12:00 pm (Doors open at 7:30 pm). We will honor Liam & Kristin Patterson as our Irish Couple of the Year. Tickets are \$ 65 each and include Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner, Shepherds Pie, Open Bar, dessert & coffee. The band Switch returns to provide live music for our dancing and listening pleasure, and members of Feis na Nollag, students from the Donny Golden School of Irish Dance, will present a demonstration of their talent that is bound to enliven the evening, get your hands clapping and your toes tapping. For reservations contact Jim Corrigan: voicemail - (516) 270-3744; email - kofcjm2502@gmail.com or via text - (516) 282-6774.

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers, and Parish Musicians are invited to come together and reflect on Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection and discover its meaning for their lives, their ministry, and their parish communities. Presenter: Fr. Sebastian White, O.P., Editor-in Chief, Magnificat Magazine. Date: Saturday, March 12, 10am-3pm. Place: St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers. Registration fee: \$30 (includes lunch). More information and registration: nyliturgy.org/dayofreflection. Contact: liturgy@archny.org or 914.968.6200, x8177

SPIRITUALITY FOR SINGLES

Monthly Singles Gathering. Saturday, Mar 12, 2022, 8:30PM (after 7:30 St. Aidan Mass). St. Aidan Parish, 510 Willis Ave., Williston Park, NY, 11596. Our Monthly gathering for singles: Discussion & socializing. \$7.00 donation - snacks, pizza and beverages will be served. Ages 40+. Contact: Ray (516) 561-6994 or spiritualityforsingles@gmail.com

WILLISTON PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Informational Workshop with Carrie Deehan from Better Home Health Care. Carrie will present an information session for an overall understanding of how home care assistance can be arranged and how it's funded. Date: Wednesday, April 6th 2022. Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Place: Assembly Room of Village Hall. Fee: None. Sign Up: at the circulation desk or call library at 516-742-1820 or email: willistonparkprograms@gmail.com. Masks are required.

WILLISTON PARK LIBRARY

Free Educational Workshop on Stopping Identity Theft.
Given by Senior Services of North America. Learn the signs and reduce the risk of various identity thefts: SS number, medical, criminal, financial, and driver's license.
Date: Monday, April 11, 2022. Time: 10:45 am to 11:45 am. Place: Assembly Room of Village Hall. Sign Up: at the circulation desk, call library at 516-742-1820 or email: willistonparkprograms@gmail.com. Masks are required.

WILLISTON PARK LIBRARY PRESENTS CHEF BARBARA SHERIDAN

"Irish Heritage Cooking." Limited to 25 people. Join Chef Barbara Sheridan for her Irish Heritage Cooking Class.
Date: Tuesday, March 8th, 2022. Time: 6:00 p.m. Place: Assembly Room of the Village Hall. Sign Up: Call the library, stop by, or email willistonparkprograms@gmail.com

WILLISTON PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS.
Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022. Time: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. PLACE: ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL. \$30.00 PER PERSON (Any Age. (CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO EMPIRE SAFETY COUNCIL). (PAYABLE AT THE CIRCULATION DESK OR THE DAY OF THE PROGRAM). Upon completion of this course, you receive: 10% Auto Insurance Discount (each year for three years). Up To a 4-Point Reduction Off Your Driving Record. All Ages & All NYS Drivers are Welcome! Mandatory Registration required! Class is limited to 25 participants. Social distance seating and mask required. Call Williston Park Library at 516-742-1820 to Register.

COVID SELF TEST KITS AVAILABLE AT THE WILLISTON PARK LIBRARY

The library will be distributing self-test kits to the community, while supplies last. Each member of the household is entitled to one kit. The library's hours are Monday-Friday: 10am-5:30pm and Saturday: 10am-4pm.

MINEOLA SCHOOL DISTRICT ATTENDING ST AIDAN SCHOOL

Requests for Transportation for students from the Mineola School District attending St Aidan School for the school year 2022-2023 are due April 1, 2022. For further information, contact your school or the Mineola Transportation Department at (516)237-2080. Thank



We invite St. Aidan's Parishioners, Alumni and Friends to Swing for St. Aidan School Faculty!

We are honored to present the 2022 Deacon Frank Love Award to Mrs. Janet Pearles in recognition of her continued support to St. Aidan School and Parish.

Monday, May 2, 2022

Wheatley Hills Golf Club | 147 East Williston Ave. East Williston, NY

Featuring Brunch, On Course Lunch, Golf, Drinks & Dinner

\$375 per golfer or \$1,400 per foursome

If you don't golf, please join us for Dinner - \$150 per person / \$275 per couple

MANY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Parish families and friends are invited to show your support for our school via our sponsorship opportunities. Please also consider promoting your local business.

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RESERVE YOUR TICKETS TODAY

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TEXT SASGolf22 to 76278

Contact Kristen Breglio at (646) 321-7560 or email at staidangolf@yahoo.com



Open the camera app on your phone to scan the QR code for more information



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"...the holy shroud is a mirror of the Gospel."

Pope John Paul II,
visiting the relic in May 1998

you for your assistance, William Gilberg, Supervisor of Transportation, Mineola UFSD. 516 237-2089

THE COLUMBIETTES

Would you like to join a Catholic group in 2021? The Columbiettes, from Corpus Christi Council 2502, invite you to join our group. We are Catholic women 18 years and over. We meet at the Knights of Columbus 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola NY. We would love you to join us. RSVP to Ruth Ann at 516-221-6105 or Marge at 516-269-9178.

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group Program is open to young adults in the eighth through twelfth grades. The Youth Group Program offers meetings on Sunday's from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM. Email SaintAidanYouthGroup@gmail.com or call Steve Loewenthal (516) 410-6461. Meetings are held in the Saint Aidan Youth Group Room which is located under the Finamore Parish Center. The entrance is located in the rear parking lot of the Saint Aidan Upper School. Please follow the Youth Group on Instagram @Saint_Aidan_Youth_Group. New Members are Welcome! Feel free to invite a friend! For more information, please contact Steve Loewenthal at SaintAidanYouthGroup@gmail.com or at (516) 410 – 6461.

ARE YOU DISCERNING A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

DIOCESAN MONTHLY DINNERS FOR DISCERNERS are an invitation for men to come together with others who may be discerning a priestly vocation. The next dinner is on Wednesday, March 9th at 6:30pm in the rectory of St. Agnes Cathedral. The dinners are available for men (18 and older) who are open to the possibility of a priestly vocation. We encourage men from St. Aidan Parish to consider attending these dinners. To RSVP, please contact the St. Anthony of Padua Rectory (631-261-1077) for the 2/9 dinner and St. Agnes Cathedral Rectory (516-766-0205) for the 3/9 dinner.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Are you the son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson or daughter of a veteran who served in the Military or is presently serving? American Legion Auxiliary Unit 144 has scholarship applications available for 2022 for seniors who will be attending college in the Fall. Please contact Dianne Karl, Education Chair, Williston Unit 144 at 516-746-2625 or text 516-778-0006- email: dianneli@optimum.net. Applications can be downloaded on line, please contact me for info. Applications also available to be picked up at Williston Park

Library. All scholarship applications must be returned to me no later than February 28, 2022.

ST AIDAN'S SABL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

St Aidan's SABL Basketball league is looking for referees' boys or girls 12th grade or college kids with basketball knowledge. Games are usually 6, 7 and 8pm during the week at our local school gyms. Starting mid Dec. Please contact if interested Peter Best at 516 469 8369 or Psbbest@hotmail.com Or James Reilly at 516 355 8800 reillyjamesjr@yahoo.com

ST. AIDAN'S PRE- CANA PROGRAM

St. Aidan's Pre-Cana Class consists of a Four Week parish program that is held on a weeknight, (Wednesday) from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. The Pre-Cana Class Fee is \$90.00 payable to: Church of St Aidan.

To Register: Call St Aidan Parish Rectory Office (516) 746-6585

FOUR-WEEK EVENING SESSIONS:

- Fall 2022 Classes. Opening Mass: October 2, 2022 Sunday at 12Noon. Classes on Wednesdays: Oct 5, 12, 19, 26. Closing Mass & Dinner: October 29, 2022 Saturday @ 5pm
- Winter 2023 Classes. Opening Mass: January 29, 2023 Sunday at 12Noon. Wednesday Classes: Feb 01, 08, 15, 22. Closing Mass & Dinner: February 25, 2023 Saturday @ 5pm
- Fall 2023 Classes. Opening Mass: October 1, 2023 Sunday at 12Noon. Wednesday Classes: Oct 4, 11, 18, 25. Closing Mass & Dinner: October 28, 2023 Saturday @ 5pm.

WEEKEND SESSIONS:

- If you cannot make any of these dates, please contact the Diocese of Rockville Center at 678-5800 ext. 223 or go on-line to register at www.drvc-faith.org. On the left column click on "Marriage". Scroll down to find Marriage Preparation and FOCCUS on line registration. Moderator: Deacon Rudy Martin: Cell (917) 952-6521 Email: Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited

and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>. "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart."

Fill your hearts with joy by learning how to love your spouse to the fullest on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are provided with social-distancing during this time. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on March 19-20, 2022. Visit longisland.engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND

You Can Help Heal Your Marriage. Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships. Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend. Please visit our website www.helpourmarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help. Location: Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY. 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION ONLINE

Catholic Marriage Prep.com is the online solution for those looking for a solid sacramental preparation. We have been mentoring engaged couples online, one-on-one, for over 15 years, in English, Spanish and French. We can help you provide a deep sacramental and human marriage preparation to your couples. Easy Steps will help you get started with Catholic Marriage Prep.com. It is pretty simple. Step 1) Couples contact us and register online. We connect them with an instructor couple to lead them on this journey. Step 2) Parish priests will receive a certificate from the instructors when the couples complete the program. Email or call us for more information on how to get your parish set up to connect your parishioners with Catholic Marriage Prep.com.

The PONIES ARE BACK!



Get Your Tables Together Early,
Another Sell-Out Expected

Brought to you by St. Aidan's Holy Name Society

Easter Baskets for the Homebound



Family Mass is asking for donations of the following items to make Easter Baskets for the Homebound of our parish. All food items must be in original packaging.

Suggested items include:

- Small hand lotions
- Small bags of candy
- Small foil covered only chocolate bunnies and eggs
- Small boxes of cookies
- Small, decorated pads and pad sets
- Little Easter decorations and trinkets
- Small votive candles and little spring candle holders

Please bring donations to the collection boxes in the Church lobby, Faith Formation Rotunda or St. Aidan's School by March 27th.

Please remember to pray for our homebound every day.
Thanks for your help.





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Lent 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Lent is a journey from the desert of death to the springs of new life. We follow Jesus into the wilderness of the desert to renew our baptismal covenant with the Father. During this sacred time, we die to sin, and washed clean from our self-centeredness and attachment to the world, rise to divine grace and love. As we enter this privileged season, let us reflect once more on the three means we employ during this forty-day journey of penance and conversion: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Prayer. Prayer is most simply a conversation with God, and St. Paul reminds us that this conversation must be continual. The Apostle to the Gentiles enjoins us to “pray at all times” (Eph 6:18), “pray without ceasing” (1 Thess 5:17), and “be constant in prayer” (Rom 12:12). To pray this way requires effort. It demands silence, artful listening, and remaining in the presence of God. This Lent we remember two powerful ways we enter into this holy conversation: by sitting in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and through *lectio divina*, a prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture.

Fasting. The Church Fathers speak extensively on the power of fasting to break sin and open our hearts to the grace of God. Saint Peter Chrysologus writes: “Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy; if you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. If you do not close your ear to others, you open God’s ear to yourself” (*Sermo* 43: PL 52, 320, 322). Let us remember, too, that bodily fasting is useless unless it is joined with spiritual fasting, that is, fasting from our passions.

Almsgiving. Scripture brings the three marks of our Lenten journey together and puts the emphasis on the last: “Prayer and fasting are good, but better than either is almsgiving accompanied by righteousness ... It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life” (Tob 12:8-9). Almsgiving is better because it points to charity. We remember we are not only to give materially to those in need but also give of ourselves as we love God and neighbor.

Last October, Pope Francis invited the Church into a synod on synodality. The Holy Father wants the Church to journey together in a multi-year process listening to each other, hearing the Word and celebrating the Eucharist. As we journey towards Easter, let us be united in mind and spirit. May the spiritual exercises of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving prepare us for Easter and an experience of the power of God, which “dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty” (*The Easter Proclamation - Exsultet*). Then, alive in Christ, we can go forward evangelizing, as Pope Francis would want, with *parrhesia*: “Boldness, enthusiasm, the freedom to speak out, [and] apostolic fervor” (*Gaudete et Exsultate* 129).

May the loving presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who remained faithful to her son at the foot of the cross, protect and sustain us in our Lenten journey.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

ST AIDAN CHURCH EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS 2022

\$400 MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY RESURRECTION GARDEN

- ____ Left Side Sanctuary
____ Right Side Sanctuary

\$100 MEMORIALS

____ (26) Window Memorials-
Each window will receive (2) Kalanchoe plants
with intention framed and parish candle
in the center.

\$90 MEMORIALS

- ____ (15) Azalea Plants

\$80 MEMORIALS

- ____ 15 Triple Stem Lily
____ 1 Triple Lily Our Lady's Statue
____ 1 Triple Lily St. Joseph Statue
____ 1 Triple Lily St. Theresa Statue
____ 1 Triple Lily St. Anthony Statue
____ 1 Triple Lily Sacred Heart Chapel
____ 12 Hydrangea Plants



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. AIDAN SCHOOL

Our boys and girls Middle School Basketball Teams are heading to play-offs! It is great to see them back on the court!



TOGETHER IN LEARNING, TOGETHER IN CHRIST

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP
SUNDAY, April 3RD
End of 1st Qtr: \$50
Halftime: \$100
End of 3rd Qtr: \$50
Final: \$300

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP
MONDAY, APRIL 4TH
Halftime: \$150
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Time: 4-8pm
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PACE March Raffles

Lottery Scratch Off Ticket Bundle

\$100 worth of New York State Lottery
Scratch Off Tickets



\$20 per raffle ticket

<https://staidanschool.org/march-lotto-raffle>

Seussical The Musical Jr. Front Row Seats!

2 Front Row Tickets are Available for Each Performance



Friday, April 1 at 7 pm
Saturday, April 2 at 7 pm
Sunday, April 3 at 3 pm



\$10 per raffle ticket

<https://staidanschool.org/school-play-ticket-raffle>

American Girl Doll Bundle

American Girl - **Samantha**
with Matching Little Girl Outfit
(official American Girl Box not included)



\$10 per raffle ticket

<https://staidanschool.org/march-american-girl-doll-raffle>

Zales White Sapphire Bracelet

Valued at \$129

\$10 per raffle ticket



<https://staidanschool.org/zales-bracelet-raffle>



On-going Communication: FAITH FORMATION HAS ITS OWN PAGE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE: www.staidanparish.org/ff. Please visit this webpage throughout the year for updates and information.

Office Hours: The Faith Formation Office is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 2PM to 7PM. Thursdays and Fridays are by appointment only. Please call ahead whenever possible.

Transferring Families: Parents should call the Faith Formation Office at (516) 746-6585 x405 as soon as possible to provide the office with contact information. Baptismal certificates are required for all transferring students. Transfer students grade 2 and up must also submit a Letter of Transfer from the previous Religious Education program attended. Children are expected to participate in and successfully complete each grade level in the parish Religious Education program from grade 1 through grade 8. The sacrament of Confirmation is ordinarily administered to our young people in the fall of grade 9.

Urgent Need for Substitute Catechists:

Thank you to all who answered our previous need for catechists, office help and hall monitors. We continue to have a great need for Substitute Catechists especially at 4PM and 5:30PM to cover classes when catechists are absent. Substitute catechists are not expected to plan for classes. Materials and guidance are provided. If you like being with children, have a little extra time, and want to play an important part in spreading the Catholic Faith to the next generation of adult Catholics, please contact the Faith Formation Office at (516) 746-6585 x405.

Multisensory Religious Education: If you are interested in finding out more about how you can help us continue to reach out to children who need our help, please

contact the Director at (516) 746-6585 x406 or email esmith@staidanparish.org. We are always in need of more help.

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Grade 7 Spirit Night: Looking ahead, Spirit Night for all grade 7 Confirmation candidates will take place on Monday, March 28th at 7PM in the church for those who attend religious education classes on Monday nights and SAS class 7-1 and on Wednesday, March 30th at 7PM in the church for those who attend religious education classes on Wednesday nights and SAS class 7-2. Each student must be accompanied by a parent. If a parent is not able to attend, please plan to send your child with a trusted adult. Attendance at Spirit Night is necessary in order to complete Project #3 in the Confirmation Packets.

Grades 7 and 8 Confirmation

Candidates: This is a reminder that the first part of the Confirmation packets which includes some projects, Mass Reflections, and for grade 8 only Confirmation Registration paperwork was due on January 14th. Students should submit their work to their catechist/teachers or place it in the Drop Box outside the building. Be sure each student's name is on all the pages and back-up copies of all work have been made.

Teen Retreat Day: All 8th grade students are strongly encouraged to attend a special day of prayer, fun, and food on Saturday, March 19th from 8:45AM to 6PM. Any 8th grader preparing to receive the Sacrament

of Confirmation in the Fall of 2022 can receive Confirmation retreat credit for attending this day and would NOT be expected to attend one of the Confirmation retreats scheduled for later in the spring. Parents have received emails and registration forms about this event and a flyer and registration form is also included in this bulletin.

Helpful Websites: The following websites may be helpful for parents to help connect Sunday Mass with Family Life: Google usccb.org (United States Catholic Conference of Bishops) which provides the Scripture readings for Mass. Catholicmom.com provides videos, fun worksheets, and articles about how to celebrate the Faith at home in the "domestic church." Loyola.press.com and religion.sadlierconnect.com contain family activities and informative articles.

Contact Us: The Faith Formation Webpage includes direct contact information for each member of the Faith Formation Office Team. Please contact us with your questions and concerns. We welcome your phone calls and emails. If you have paperwork to submit, there is a Drop Box outside of the building for your convenience. If you want to stop by the office, please call ahead of time if possible. Each week the Family Mass continues to provide some materials to help children participate at Sunday Mass and to enhance follow-up during the week. The Magnifikids magazines are available on a weekly basis along with the Children's Worship Bulletins for ages 3 to 7 and ages 7 to 12. They are located in the Children's Corner racks in the main lobby of the Church. Please do not leave them in the pews.



Today is the First Sunday of Lent. The liturgical color is purple/violet, the church's color for penance and preparation. Each week we have been

focusing on a Word, Phrase, or Short Sentence of the Week to help link the Sunday Gospel to Family Life. This week's Short Sentence of the Week is: GOD ALWAYS HELPS US! Write the Short Sentence of the Week and place it on your refrigerator as a reminder during the week.

Today's Gospel, (Luke 4:1-13), is the story of Jesus being tempted by the devil in the desert. Jesus often set aside time for prayer. You may recall that a few weeks ago we read about when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. The Holy Spirit manifested His Presence and identified Jesus as the Son of God. Jesus understood the value of preparing Himself for the work He was sent to do during His earthly life. Prayer and fasting were an integral part of this preparatory process. We hear today that Jesus fasted in the desert for 40 days and so He was hungry and being very hungry can cause a person to "give-in" more easily; however, the gospel writer, Luke, tells us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit. The devil tempts Jesus with good things. It is good to eat when hungry and to have authority to bring about change. It is also good to be protected from danger. Regardless of the challenge the devil presented, Jesus firmly responded by quoting God's Word from the Scriptures.

Lent is not intended to be a time of "gloom and doom." Lent is a time when the whole Church takes a spiritual breather by slowing down the pace of our busy every day lives to focus on our individual relationships with God. Where are we? How are things going? How can we carve out a little bit of extra time to "inventory" our spiritual state of being? What inside of each of us could use a "tune-up?" What Lent should not be is a chore that we take on from Ash Wednesday to Easter. The Catechism of the Catholic Church has a few citations, that can give us some food for thought as we begin this Lent. "Jesus' example in the desert encourages us to put our full trust in God." (CCC540). "Just as Jesus was tempted in the desert, we face daily temptations to place earthly bliss, goods, and dominion before God." (CCC,

540) "God is ever present to us, even in difficult times." (CCC, 2948) "We can rely on God in all things and trust that we will be saved by the power of Jesús Christ." (CCC, 301-307, 430) To summarize, in every dimension of our lives, GOD ALWAYS HELPS US.

When children are exposed to Lent in positive ways, they receive a huge blessing in understanding how to have and nurture a personal relationship with God. Reading Lenten Bible stories with children opens them up to becoming active listeners of God's Word. Helping them to establish even at young ages a special prayer time is SO important. Of course, focusing a little more on the spiritual during Lent should lead us to act more like Jesus. This is the reason the Church encourages the three practices of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving during Lent. Fasting for children (or most of us) should not be too drastic because the better road to take with the young is to try to ensure success. Encouraging some "fasting" action for a week at a time may be more realistic. Whatever they are "giving-up" should be replaced with some greater good. That is how children learn to value what is truly important. If they fail in their efforts, remind them to go to God for some help. Reinforce the Short Sentence of the Week, GOD ALWAYS HELPS US. Almsgiving can also take many forms such as giving of our time, talents, and financial resources.

This week, read about the Ten Commandments from a Children's Bible. Ask them which of God's rules they like most and why? Teach young children about the importance of being sorry when they make a wrong choice. Help them learn how to make-up a simple Act of Contrition. As a family, make a list of something extra each family member plans to do during Lent or at least during the First Week of Lent. Review how things are going mid-week and then at the end of the week. Celebrate every effort made. Cut out larger red paper

hearts followed by cutting out white paper hearts that are a little smaller than the red ones. Glue the white hearts on the red hearts. Write a line from the Bible that speaks about God's love and faithfulness to His people. Hang up the hearts and refer to them during the week. (Younger children will need adults to select a few simple quotes for them to choose from.) Make Lenten crosses. They can be drawn, downloaded, and cut out etc. Give one to each family member and divide the crosses into six sections. Each week, older children can draw or write a symbol of something they heard in church or accomplished that week as part of their preparation for Easter. Younger children can simply color in a section each week. Use it like a Lenten calendar. There are easy to download Lenten calendars that mark every day of Lent which is also helpful.

Lent is a wonderful time of grace. The Little Sisters of the Sick Poor have a Lenten expression that sums up the importance of this holy season. "You will never repent of a Lent well spent." Let us all take comfort in the fact that GOD ALWAYS HELPS US. May this Lent be a special time for each of us to explore how truly faithful and loving our God is. May our children see our example and grow closer to God because GOD ALWAYS HELPS US.

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THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.

There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good. There is mercy with the Savior, there is healing in his blood.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind, and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple we should rest upon God's word, and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

Psalm 91



1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Most High, who abide in the shadow of our God, say to the Lord, "My refuge and fortress, the God in whom I trust. **R:**

2. No evil shall befall you no pain come near For the angels stand close by your side, Guarding you always and bearing you gently, watching over your life. **R:**

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART O GOD

Create in me a clean heart Oh God!

1. And renew a right spirit within me. Restore unto me, the joy of thy salvation, and renew a right spirit within me. **R:**

2. Cast me not from thy presence Oh Lord, take not thy Holy Spirit from me. **R:**

THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS

The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise, for Christ, by whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.

Alone and fasting Moses saw the loving God who gave the law. And to Elijah, fasting, came the steed and chariots of flame.

So Daniel trained his mystic sight, delivered from the lion's might. And John, the Savior's friend, became the herald of Messiah's name.

BE WITH ME LORD

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.
Be with me, Lord, I pray.

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CHANGE OUR HEARTS

Change our hearts this time, your word says it can be.
Change our minds this time your life could make us free.
We are the people your call set apart, Lord, this time change our hearts.

Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams, one foot in paradises, one in the waste; drawn by your promises, still we are lured by the shadows and the chains we leave behind.

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Who abide in His shadow for life say the Lord my refuge my rock in whom I trust.

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading I Dt 26:4-10

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord, your God, 'My father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien. But there he became a nation great, strong, and numerous. When the Egyptians maltreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey. Therefore, I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O LORD, have given me.' And having set them before the LORD, your God, you shall bow down in his presence."

Psalms 91

R. (cf. 15b) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, say to the LORD, "My refuge and fortress, my God in whom I trust."

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. No evil shall befall you, nor shall affliction come near your tent, For to his angels he has given command about you, that they guard you in all your ways.

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. Upon their hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. You shall tread upon the asp and the viper; you shall trample down the lion and the dragon. R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. Because he clings to me, I will deliver him; I will set him on high because he acknowledges my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in distress; I will deliver him and glorify him.

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Reading II Rom 10:8-13

Brothers and sisters: What does Scripture say? The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart—that is, the word of faith that we preach—, for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. For the Scripture says, No one who believes in him will be put to shame. For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Gospel Lk 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, One does not live on bread alone." Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve." Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and: With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

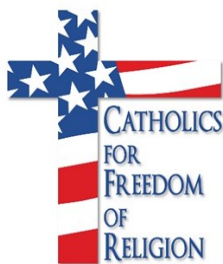


Following the introduction, we begin to see the meat of the GIRM in CHAPTER I: THE IMPORTANCE AND DIGNITY OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST. Here, again, the document reminds us of what the intent is, and why, as it prepares to go into depth as to how all this will be accomplished. As we go on looking at the GIRM, whenever I quote it, I will leave in the paragraph numbers so it will be easier to follow the logic, and, if you wish, to look for further detail by reading the GIRM yourself. They are numbered consecutively and in the past two weeks, the material cited was from the first fifteen paragraphs. Embedded in the document are numerous footnote citations which I will omit. In general, they refer to specific parts of the documents from Vatican II. So I'll begin with paragraph sixteen, the start of Chapter 1. "16. The celebration of Mass, as the action of Christ and of the People of God arrayed hierarchically, is the center of the whole of Christian life for the Church both universal and local, as well as for each of the faithful individually. For in it is found the high point both of the action by which God sanctifies the world in Christ and of the worship that the human race offers to the Father, adoring him through Christ, the Son of God, in the Holy Spirit. In it, moreover, during the course of the year, the mysteries of redemption are celebrated so as to be in some way made present. As to the other sacred actions and all the activities of the Christian life, these are bound up with it, flow from it, and are ordered to it. 17. It is, therefore, of the greatest importance that the celebration of the Mass or the Lord's Supper be so ordered that the sacred ministers and the faithful taking part in it, according to the state proper to each, may draw from it more abundantly those fruits, to obtain which, Christ the Lord instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice of his Body and Blood and entrusted it as the memorial of his Passion and Resurrection to the Church, his beloved Bride. 18. This will fittingly come about if, with due regard for the

nature and other circumstances of each liturgical assembly, the entire celebration is arranged in such a way that it leads to a conscious, active, and full participation of the faithful, namely in body and in mind, a participation fervent with faith, hope, and charity, of the sort which is desired by the Church and which is required by the very nature of the celebration and to which the Christian people have a right and duty in virtue of their Baptism." Here again we can see the intent of the Church Fathers and why. The celebration of the Mass is the center of our faith, and it is critical that all of us understand that and participate as fully as possible in that celebration. A few paragraphs later, this goal will be reaffirmed: "21. Hence this Instruction aims both to offer general lines for a suitable ordering of the celebration of the Eucharist and to explain the rules by which individual forms of celebration may be arranged." The rest of Chapter 1 deals mostly with the general duties of the ordained ministers, priests, deacons, and especially bishops, stressing their responsibility in ensuring that the directives of Vatican II are met. It covers the need to maintain the dignity of the liturgical celebrations, the importance of catechesis, how the synthesis of the many facets of our liturgy, music, art, prayer, teaching, must all contribute, and it recognizes that some adaptations may be necessary to reflect the various local conditions. Some of these adaptations can be made by the priest/celebrant. They deal with such things as the choice of certain rites or texts, that is, of the chants, readings, prayers, explanatory interventions, which are both suitable for the local congregation and lend themselves to better understanding and participation. For instance, some of the prayers at Mass have options in the missal and the priest may choose which of them he thinks most appropriate for the community at that time. But he cannot add or remove anything from the celebration of the Mass. There are some other adaptations which are reserved for the diocesan bishop laid out in the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy and a final note of more profound adaptations mostly concerned with traditions and culture of peoples and regions, which may be made in accordance with the CSL under

limited special circumstances which are detailed near the end of the GIRM.

As we will continue to see, the bishops who made up the membership of Vatican II, and that was the vast majority of all the bishops at the time, were very concerned with ensuring that all of the members of the faithful could understand and participate in the church, especially in the Mass. They repeatedly refer to the long-standing teachings and traditions of the Church and to how they must remain inviolate. They also maintain their sense of the need for the catholicity of the church. This is the word we hear in both the Nicene Creed at Mass and the Apostles' Creed when we say "one, holy, catholic, and apostolic" It is also part of the formal name of our faith, Roman Catholic, but what it means is "universal". And that is one of the main concerns of the GIRM, that the Church, in its celebration of the central part of our life in faith, will be universal with the same liturgy throughout the world.



Focus on Religious Freedom

Christian Values on Trial in Finland Will Affect Religious Freedom in Europe and the World

"Part of the scary thing about what's happening in Finland is that it could happen anywhere else," said human rights lawyer Paul Coleman. (1) Coleman cautioned that the Finnish cases are the "canary in the coalmine" for freedom of speech and freedom of religion in the Western world.

If the court finds them guilty, two Christians in Finland face fines or up to two years in prison and thus would set the precedent of making quoting the Bible a criminal offense in Western countries. Dr. Paivi Rasanen, member of Parliament (2011-2015), physician and mother of five and Bishop Juhana Pohjola of the Lutheran Mission Diocese in Finland, were charged with incitement against a minority group for publishing a pamphlet, "Male and

Female He Created Them," that states the theological and scientific truth that men and women are different. Bishop Pohjola warned that "the Gospel of Christ is at stake" as Western governments liken the Bible's teachings about marriage and sexuality to "hate speech." (2)

"The Prosecutors main idea seems to be that the Bible should not be taught in its own right in public, and that freedom of religion does not allow permission to speak out loud if what is said is considered to discriminate against a minority group," said Bishop Pohjola. "In this view, biblical teachings on marriage, sexuality, sin, and mercy could not be proclaimed publicly. This is an attack on religious freedom." (3)

"Although (the Prosecutor) stated this was not about the Bible or about freedom of religion or opinions, she went quite deeply into theological issues," said Bishop Pohjola. (4) Throughout her argumentation and questioning, the Prosecutor returned repeatedly to discussions of the nature of scripture, the defendant's interpretation of texts, and the Christian understanding of sin.

The defendants rejected all charges against them as false, arguing that the pamphlet in question and Christian teaching does not consider (minority groups) different before God. "All (people) are of equal worth, and all are under sin, and all are under grace," explained Bishop Pohjola. "We all have the same position before God...(all) are welcome in our churches, to live in contact with Christ, and to find their identity - just as each of us should find our identity - as the creation of God, redeemed by Jesus Christ." (5)

"It is incredible this trial is happening in a modern European country and not in a religious theocracy," said Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) International. (6) The court will announce its verdict on March 30, 2022. (thefederalist.com, 1/24/22(1); ncregister.com, 2/16/22(2)(6); lic-online.org, 2/14/22(3)(4)(5);



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Several members of our society will be attending the April 1-2 weekend, but other weekends are available in March.

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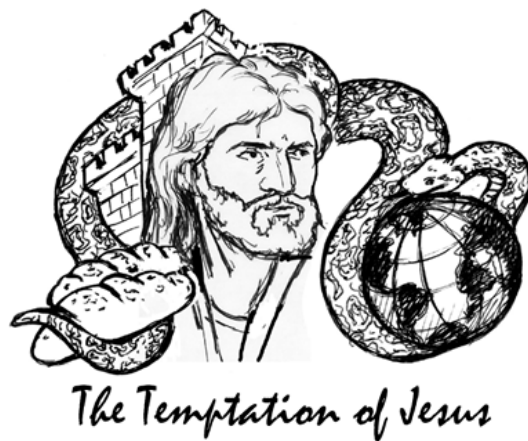
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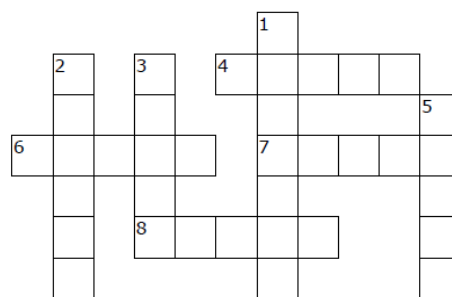
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ACROSS

- The entire Earth and all the places and things on it
- A heavenly being, often shown as a human figure with a halo and wings
- A small rock
- The evil ruler of Hell, and enemy of God

DOWN

- To show a strong feeling of love and respect for God
- To feel a need or desire for food
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