

The logo for Saint Aidan Catholic Church & School, featuring the words "saint" and "aidan" in a blue, serif font, stacked vertically inside a white circle.

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aidan

Catholic Church & School

Lord, Help us to
Live in the
Gladness and
Grace of
Easter Morning,
Every Day

A photograph of the Saint Aidan Catholic Church & School, a large, light-colored stone building with a prominent steeple topped with a cross. The church has three main entrances and is surrounded by trees and parked cars. The image is framed by a blue border.

April 17, 2022

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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

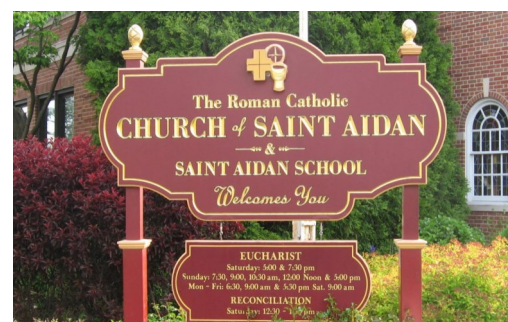
The anointing takes place at 1:00 PM on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please wait for the priest at Our Lady's Shrine.

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 AidanPARISH.ORG**

**TO PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT ON THE COVER,
CONTACT THE CHURCH BULLETIN 631-249-4994. THE
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**JOIN US FOR DAILY MASS FROM THE CHURCH OF
ST. AIDAN AT ST AidanPARISH.ORG AND ON
FACEBOOK**



MONDAY, APRIL 18

NO MASS 6:30 AM
Fr. Ken 9:00 AM
Bishop Andrzej 5:30 PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

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

Fr. Solomon

7:30 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

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

MONDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

RECTORY CLOSED
Philip Calvin Amico
Eileen Forrest (1st Anniversary Rem.)

TUESDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

Patricia Sullivan (Anniversary Rem.)
Edathnakom Ulahannan
Dolores Owens (7th Anniversary Rem.)

WEDNESDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

Rosemary Ruffenach (2nd Anniversary Rem.)
Ruben Velasco (2nd Anniversary Rem.)
Christine M. Nastasi (Birthday Rem.)

THURSDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

Uldarico Matas, Sr.
Lv. & Dcd. Mbrs. of the Legion of Mary
Joseph Watts

FRIDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

Lv. & Dcd. Mbrs. of the Kelly Family
John Hayes
Hope Caporale (4th Anniversary Rem.)

SATURDAY OCTAVE OF EASTER

William R. Hannan, Sr. (Anniversary Rem.)
Peter & Marie Tedesco (78th Wedding Ann. Rem.)
Matthew Roshan (3rd Anniversary Rem.)
Daniel F. Lynch
Edward H. Wolinski (Birthday Rem.)
Joseph Silvaggio, Sr. (Birthday Rem.)
Rose Repke (2nd Anniversary Rem.)
Daniel P. & Tri Murphy (Birthday Rem.)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Parishioners of St. Aidan
William McGuire
Miriam Zaid (Birthday Rem.)
Edward William Blatz, Jr. (6th Anniversary Rem.)
Daniel J. Lynch (2nd Anniversary Rem.)
Maria Amico
Ivan Bubalo
Mary DiFazio (25th Anniversary Rem.)
Catherine Dore (Birthday Rem.)

WHEN SIMON
PETER ARRIVED
AFTER HIM, HE
WENT INTO THE
TOMB AND SAW
THE BURIAL
CLOTHS THERE,
AND THE CLOTH
THAT HAD
COVERED HIS
HEAD, NOT
WITH THE
BURIAL CLOTHS
BUT ROLLED UP
IN A SEPARATE
PLACE. THEN
THE OTHER
DISCIPLE ALSO
WENT IN, THE
ONE WHO HAD
ARRIVED AT THE
TOMB FIRST,
AND HE SAW
AND BELIEVED.
FOR THEY DID
NOT YET
UNDERSTAND
THE SCRIPTURE
THAT HE HAD
TO RISE FROM
THE DEAD.

Remembering Resurrection



What's Pastor Thinking

Today's gospel of Luke is about remembering- and about resurrection! Luke tells us that it was

very early on the first day of the week when the women went to the tomb with their spices to prepare Jesus' body for burial. They were confused when they got to the tomb and found the stone rolled away and Jesus missing. When two men in dazzling white suddenly appeared, the women were terrified- they were so afraid, they couldn't even look at the strangers. The men said something very strange: why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, He is risen. Remember how He told you?

The men at the tomb gently coaxed the women to remember: Remember how Jesus told you this would happen? It was back in Galilee! Remember He said He would be handed over? He told you that He would be crucified! Remember? And He said that He would rise again on the third day. Well, it happened just as He promised. Remember? And Luke tells us that the women remembered Jesus' words! Suddenly it all came back to them- like a

flood of light- not that it made any sense- but the women remembered that this was what Jesus said would happen and it did. The women remembered and so they returned to tell the others.

On this beautiful Easter Day, we gather at St. Aidan to remember. We remember Jesus who was crucified, who died, and who rose again. And we tell the story to our children and grandchildren that we (and they) might carry something of Him within us, each and every day- that we might live our lives as His faithful followers. Yes, we gather on this day to remember the incredible story of resurrection: And as we watched the sun at sunrise this morning, we remembered the first Easter! And as we look around this Church at the beautiful flowers and lilies, we remember. As we hear the organ play 'Jesus Christ is Risen today', we remember!

We remember that Christ has risen and we respond in joy: In Christ's resurrection, we find our reassurance that death does not have the final word. We are promised eternal life if we believe in Him. And this is good news indeed.

**WE PRAY FOR OUR
DECEASED**

SHARON DEVIS
IRENE CRONIN

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
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
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
Louise Oliveri
Cary Rochell
Rosa Barroca
Jesse Garafola
Baby Adam Turvankar
Brian Madden,
Christopher Morris
John Dillion
Kathleen Finn
Mary Kennedy
Cole Faller
Mary Lou Grady
MaryLou Lavelle
Christopher Morgan

WEDDING BELLS

APRIL 22 @ 3:30 PM
JODI LEWIS
KEVIN MOLONEY

APRIL 29 @ 3:15 PM
JULIANNE FALOTICO,
BRIAN GAFFNEY

MAY 28 @ 3:00 PM
CAITLIN WENZEL
MICHAEL CRACCHIOLA

MASS ATTENDANCE

03/19-20/22 1404
03/26-27/22 1488
04-03-04/22 1,643

**BREAD & WINE
MEMORIAL**

In Loving Memory of
CLARA LOSORDO
Requested by
MARGARET & GEORGE
LYONS

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
APPEAL**

Pledges \$60,821.65
Donors 210
Payments \$46,815.65

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PARISH EASTER
COLLECTION**

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Go to staidanparish.org.
Click DONATE.

**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

DEAR FRIENDS

What a glorious Holy Week!

I cannot thank you enough for all the faithful hours of decorating, prayer, music and worship. We were blessed to have St. Aidan Church filled with people during the week, and to welcome so many to Mass on this joyous Easter Sunday morning! Thank you especially to our incredible staff who decorated the church for days, moving gracefully from Palm Sunday's splendor, to the stark reality of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, to the transformation of our sanctuary for Easter. In today's bulletin you can read the names of those who are memorialized by the arrangements of flowers on the sanctuary and around the church. God bless them all!

Thank you to the National Junior Honors Society of St. Aidan School who filled over one thousand Easter water bottles for today. I hope you, and all the children at St. Aidan School and Religious Education enjoy a well deserved break from school.

Thanks to all our parishioners who participated in every aspect of our liturgy; to our altar servers, ushers, lectors and Eucharistic Ministers; to the choir and cantors who sang so beautifully all week; to those who organized beautiful services for children; and to those who had their feet washed on Holy Thursday and who participated in the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

Looking back over the weeks of Lent we are thankful to Msgr. Bob Hayden and Sr. JoAnn Bonauro SC for leading our Lenten Retreat. We are also grateful for the many other retreats and prayer days offered by Lenten Journey, Bethany and the BLD Adult & Teen Groups. We all enjoyed the Requiem and the other choral events. This was truly a blessed time in the parish.

In the early hours of Easter we welcome Brittany Gross as a new members of the Church. Thanks to my brother priests for making each service meaningful and poignant, and for the many hours spent hearing confessions. To all our parishioners who attended the Holy Week Services — there is no greater pleasure than being with Jesus, here in the Church of St. Aidan. Wishing you, and all those you love, a joyful Easter time.

Fr. Adrian

IMPORTANT DATES

PARISH OFFICES WILL RE-OPEN ON TUESDAY APRIL 19TH AT 9:00 AM

April 17	EASTER SUNDAY
April 20	Rosary for Religious Freedom
April 24	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 1:00 Anointing of the sick
April 26	2:00—4:00 Intercession for Priests
April 28	United Hearts of Jesus & Mary Prayer Group
April 30	First Communion
May 1	9:00 am Rosary Society Communion Breakfast Collection for Mother's Day Catholic Elementary Schools

SPRING 50/50 RAFFLE

We are happy to announce that we will hold a Spring 50/50 Raffle from April 30-June 30, 2022. Raffle information will be mailed out shortly.

RCIA

On Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil, Brittany Gross was welcomed into the church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. She is now a fully initiated member of our parish family. We congratulate Brittany as she begins her life as a Catholic. Please keep Brittany in your prayers as she continues in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) process until June. Many thanks to the RCIA team for all their hard work .

WE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

WAR IN UKRAINE – MANY WAYS TO HELP

Various Catholic agencies are collecting donations to aid with the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, as people flee to escape Russian bombing and shelling. Here are some places to donate. This list is not exhaustive.

- The international Caritas confederation is collecting funds to help Caritas Ukraine. In the United States, that is through Catholic Relief Services. Internationally, you can donate through Caritas Internationalis.
- The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia also has a link to donate.
- Two pontifical agencies also are taking donations for Ukraine: Catholic Near East Welfare Association and Aid to the Church in Need. Internationally, Aid to the Church can be reached here.
- The Knights of Columbus launched the Ukraine Solidarity Fund for humanitarian needs in Ukraine and through refugee sites in Poland.
- Donations can also be made to Jesuit Refugee Service to support the agency's work with those forced to flee conflict in Europe.
- The U.S. Bishops' Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe designated its annual collection, taken in most diocesan parishes on Ash Wednesday, to support Ukraine and the surrounding region as a result of Russia's invasion. It offers two ways to give: electronically, through iGiveCatholicTogether, or by mail with an address here.
- The Salesians also are accepting donations to help refugees.
- The International Catholic Migration Commission has set up an emergency appeal for Ukraine.
- AVSI-USA also is collecting for partners helping with Ukrainian refugees.

BABY NECESSITY DRIVE FOR MOMMAS HOUSE AND BIRTHRIGHT

Junior Catholic Daughters of America is hosting a Baby Necessity Drive for MOMMAS House and Birthright on Sunday April 24, 2022 9am-1pm at the Rotunda Items needed include:

- Sippy Cups/Baby Bottles
- Baby Lotion
- Health Kits(nail clippers, thermometer, nasal aspirators, and toothbrushes)

- Health Supplies(infant tylenol and motrin, saline drops, rash cream)
- Infant Clothing
- Gift Cards

Please no Diapers

DON'T FORGET YOUR BABY BOTTLE!

On May 7th and 8th, Mother's Day, Saint Aidan Parish will launch a BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN to benefit THE LIFE CENTER OF LONG ISLAND. The Life Center is a pregnancy help center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. You can put coins and notes in the Baby Bottle and return to the church on June 18th 19th, Father's Day. Did you know that the life center provides:

- free pregnancy test kits
- free sonogram referrals
- maternity housing with eligibility
- requirements referrals
- medical care referrals
- Material aid including car seats, cribs, cloths, diapersand many other needed baby items
- Male advocates available to speak with fathers

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle on Mother's Day. Fill it with your donation (make checks out to the Life Center of L.I.) and return the bottles to St. Aidan on Father's Day Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life Center in the first place. Let us pray with our whole heart for the lives of our preborn children.

ST. AIDAN'S RESPECT LIFE GROUP.

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 help bring about the end of abortion in our country. The next meeting is on April 21 at 7:00 PM in the Convent. 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

NOTES FOR THE BULLETIN

Please email any notes you would like published in the bulletin to lynnp@staidanparish.org. Bulletins are assembled and printed on Wednesday. The 4-24 bulletin will be sent 4-20.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

St. Aidan will soon offer a Ministry of Consolation to parishioners. Ministers of Consolation help guide recently bereaved families through the planning and celebration of the funeral Mass for their loved one. Thank you to our volunteers who are offering their time to serve in this wonderful ministry. If you would like to join, please contact Fr. Adrian. Ministers of Consolation are known for their compassion and we are grateful for their service to our faith community.

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 April 24, May 22, June 26.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00 PM in the church. May 6, May 20, June 3, June 17.

THE UNITED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY PRAYER GROUP

Meetings are held at 7:00 PM in the church on the last Thursday of the month. April 28, May 26, June 30. Join us for Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and consecration to

Jesus and Mary. For more information, please contact Tecky at (516) 655-9755.

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings in the Convent Chapel the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month. Next meeting on April 27. 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?

SCAM LIKELY

If you receive an email or text from Fr. Adrian or any other member of St. Aidan staff requesting gift cards or donations, delete it immediately and block the caller's number or email. It is not from St. Aidan Church or School.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

HE IS RISEN! WISHING EACH OF YOU A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER!

- **BEREAVEMENT GROUP** - Our bereavement program began on April 13th. and will run through May 25th (no meeting on April 27th). Please consult flyer in bulletin for more information.
- **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 April 25th. If you have any questions, please call Parish Social Ministry at - 746-6585 X 410.
- **Food items needed:** PANCAKE MIX, SALTINE CRACKERS, TOOTHBRUSHES, SIZE 5/6 DIAPERS, BABY WIPES AND DISHWASHING LIQUID. 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.

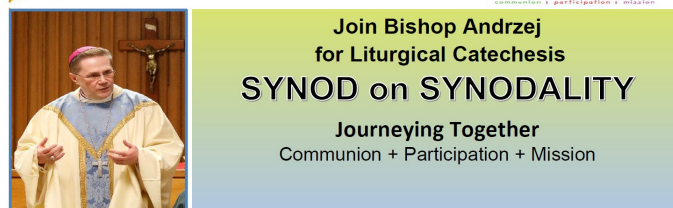
BEREAVEMENT GROUP SPRING 2022

COPING WITH GRIEF: A DIFFICULT BUT IMPORTANT JOURNEY. When a loved one dies, a period of grief usually follows. It is almost impossible for humans to experience loss without feeling some kind of grief. Grief can be painful, confusing and overwhelming. To share with others who are experiencing what you are experiencing can be supportive and healing. A Bereavement Group for people whose loved one has died (parent, spouse, sibling, or friend) will be held in the Peter & Paul Room of the Finamore Parish Center by trained Bereavement Facilitators. Wednesdays 9:45 am, April 13th, 20th, & May 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th (no meeting on April 27th). Please call the Parish Social Ministry Office at 746-6585, ext. 410 to register. *"The only feelings that do not heal are the ones you hide."* Henri Nouwen

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Everyone is welcome to join the bi-annual tradition of praying for priests and seminarians of the Rockville Centre Diocese. Every priest and seminarian's name will be read aloud. Adoration and silent prayer will take place on Tuesday, APRIL 26, 2022. Prayer participants are welcome to come and go at these participating parishes:

- Cure of Ars, Merrick 4-9 pm
- Holy Name of Jesus, Woodbury 6-10 pm
- Holy Name of Mary, Valley Stream 1:30-3:30 pm
- Infant Jesus, Port Jefferson 7-9 pm
- Maria Regina, Seaford 4-8 pm
- Our Lady of Poland, Southampton 3-5 pm
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst 3-5 pm
- St. Agnes Cathedral, RVC Holy Cross Chapel 6-10 pm
- **ST. AIDAN, WILLISTON PARK 2-4 PM**
- St. Anthony, Oceanside Tabor Chapel 7-9 pm
- St. Anthony of Padua, East Northport 5-9 pm
- St. Barnabas, Bellmore 5-7 pm
- St. Isidore, Riverhead 6-8 pm
- St. Mary of the Isle, Long Beach 6-9:30 pm
- St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays 6-8:30 pm



This lecture will be presented via ZOOM

All are Invited to Participate.

NEW DATE!

Monday, April 25

Wednesday, April 13

Participation

Wednesday, May 18

Evangelization

All at 7:30 pm

To receive the ZOOM link, please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org. If you previously registered for prior ZOOM calls, there is NO need to register again – you will automatically receive the ZOOM link via email.



"The Synod calls the People of God, in all their diversity, to embark on a journey together toward a common mission to witness to the love of God at work in the world."

Synod Preparatory Document



Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

Please pray along with your fellow parishioners of RVC Diocese and help make praying for priests a regular devotion two times every year. Every Tuesday before ALL SOULS DAY and every Tuesday after DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY. Email requests for information on how to host a parish PrayForPriestsDRVC@aol.com or Arlene Lucas 516-458-0004

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Eucharistic Ministers, daily and weekends to serve Residents at Ozanam Hall Nursing Home, 42-41 201st Bayside, NY, (one block off Northern Blvd, one block off Francis Lewis Blvd). If interested, please contact: Gail O'Donovan, 718-971-2020

ST. AIDAN SCHOOL CLASS OF 1977-45TH REUNION

Saturday, July 23rd 2022 at 5pm Mass St Aidan Church and 7:30-11:30 Knights of Columbus, 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, N. Y. 11501. More info to follow!

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.

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 April 20, May 18.

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.

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Schedule of events & Meetings 2021/2022

- 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

LETS HAVE A GOOD LAUGH

Express Entertainment in conjunction with Corpus Christi Council #2502 presents The COMICHOOD Comedy Party on Friday, Apr. 22nd at the K of C Hall (186 Jericho Tpke Mineola) hosted by Curtis B. Sterling with music by DJ Izzy. \$ 30 admission includes Open Buffet. Doors open at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 with showtime at 8:00 pm. For reservations leave message for Pete @ (516) 746-8643.

DIVORCED OR SEPARATED CATHOLICS OF LONG ISLAND

Including widows, widowers and singles. A social organization for single persons. New Member Orientation Meeting Tuesday April 19th at 7:00PM, St. Francis 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

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.

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 (516) 410 - 6461.

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

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. Visit longisland.engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

The Ponies Are Back!

St. Aidan Holy Name Society
Presents 19th Annual



Food, Fun, Friends & Exciting Races

Msgr. Kirwin Hall Doors Open at 6:30 pm

First Race Starts at 7:30 pm

\$40 Admission gets you:

Exciting Races • Delicious Lite Fare
Beer/Wine • Door Prizes & More

For Tickets - Drop Name & Payment to the Rectory
(Checks payable to St. Aidan's Holy Name Society)
or Call: Fred Pachter- 516-294-3104, Kevin Keenan- 516-602-1218,
Tim Reynolds- 917-843-6958



Ladies and Gents — Don't Forget to Wear
your best Derby hat and Bowtie for a chance
to win a fabulous prize!



All Proceeds to Benefit St. Aidan School Scholarship Fund

Junior Catholic Daughters of America 34th Annual Spring Plant Sale 2022

All orders must be received by *Tuesday, April 19*
Pick up April 30, 11am -1pm at
28 Franklin Street Williston Park

Please mail order and checks, made out to JCDA to
Adele Lamere 83 Genevieve Court, Amityville NY 11701



NAME _____
PHONE _____
EMAIL _____

Hanging Baskets \$18.00

- Geraniums
- New Guinea Impatiens
- Petunias
- Lobelia
- Fuschia

Full Flats \$18/ Half Flats \$10 circle size

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| — Begonias | Full | Half |
| — Marigolds | Full | Half |
| — Lobelia | Full | Half |
| — Portulaca Petunias | Full | Half |
| — Salvia | Full | Half |
| — Ageratum | Full | Half |
| — Dusty Miller | Full | Half |
| — Coleus | Full | Half |
| — Carpet of Snow | Full | Half |
| — Vinca | Full | (circle 2 colors: purple, pink, white) |
| | Half | (circle 1 color: purple, pink, white) |

Potted Plants \$4.00

- Geraniums
- Begonias
- Wave Petunias

2022 EASTER MEMORIALS



HYDRANGEA PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
CALOGERO VILLA
& WILLIAM A. REZZO
DONATED BY
VIRGINIA VILLA

HYDRANGEA PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MOTHER MARIA
DEL CARMEN
DONATED BY
HER DAUGHTER

PASCHAL CANDLE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ROBINSON & TOMEI FAMILY
REQUESTED BY
THE ROBINSON FAMILY

AZALEA PLANT
LOVING MEMORY OF
KATHLEEN D. CONNELLY
DONATED BY
MARY CAROL CONNELLY

TRIPLE LILY
ST. THERESA'S STATUE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ILUMINADA EVANGELISTA
DONATED BY
ELIZABETH VIOLAGO

TRIPLE LILY
ST. ANTHONY STATUE
LIVING INTENTIONS OF
STEPHEN VIOLAGO
DONATED BY
ELIZABETH VIOLAGO

TRIPLE LILY
SACRED HEART STATUE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
LETICIA & UBALDO CLARETE
REQUESTED BY
ELIZABETH VIOLAGO

RESURRECTION
ARRANGEMENT (LEFT)
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MY DEAR SISTER
DIANE COPPOLO
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MONSIGNOR
JAMES M. MC DONALD
DONATED BY
JAMES DELGROSSO

AZALEA PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
LORETTA (NANA)
& RAYMOND MODENA
DONATED BY
THE BAILEY FAMILY

TRIPLE LILY PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ROBERT J. EILBACHER
DONATED BY
THE EILBACHER FAMILY

HYDRANGEA PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN W. FITZGERALD
DONATED BY
EILEEN FITZGERALD

TRIPLE LILY
MARY'S SHRINE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
BOB HESSE
DONATED BY
RITA HESSE

TRIPLE LILY PLANT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
FRED L. JAKOB
DONATED BY
DORIS JAKOB

TRIPLE LILY
ST. JOSEPH'S SHRINE
LIVING INTENTIONS OF
JOSEPH VIOLAGO
DONATED BY
ELIZABETH VIOLAGO

IN HONOR OF HER
95TH BIRTHDAY
MARY ELLEN MC NULTY

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#1 THE PISCATELLA FAMILY

#2 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EDWARD WILLIAM BLATZ, JR.

#3 THE KAMMER & COLAVITO
FAMILIES

#4 CATHERINE & TONY SOMMA
& FAMILY

#5 LILLIAN & PAUL DE MARCO
& FAMILY

#6 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PHILIP CALVIN AMICO
ANTHONY CERULLO
DONATED BY
MARIA & PHILIP AMICO

#7 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
AGNES YANDOLI
VERONICA PORTARO
JEANNE AMODIO
DONATED BY
CAROLYN MUELLER

#8 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
STEVEN MICHITSCH
DONATED BY
THE MICHITSCH FAMILY

#9 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
OUR PARENTS
LUCILLE & JOHN BITTNER
DONATED BY
MARY & KEVIN O'KEEFE

2022 EASTER WINDOW MEMORIALS



#10 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
OUR PARENTS
CATHERINE & JOHN O'KEEFE
DONATED BY
MARY & KEVIN O'KEEFE

#11 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
FILARDI & SADOWSKI FAMILY
DONATED BY
THE FILARDI FAMILY

#12 IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE FILARDI & SADOWSKI FAMILY
DONATED BY
THE FILARDI FAMILY


#13 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
STEVEN DANIEL CLANCY
DEEPLY MISSED, DEARLY LOVED
ALWAYS REMEMBERED
DONATED BY
THE CLANCY FAMILY

#14 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ANGELA MURPHY
DONATED BY
TOM MURPHY & FAMILY

#15 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MARIA JULIA OLIVEIRA
DONATED BY
SUSAN AZEVEDO

#16 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ANTONIO F. MARTINS
DONATED BY
THE LOBATO FAMILY

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#17 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
OLIVIA C. MACEDO
JOAO MACEDO
DONATED BY
THE LOBATO FAMILY

#18 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOAO LOBATO, SR.
DONATED BY
THE LOBATO FAMILY

#19 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
NATHANIEL BENJAMIN CALDER
DONATED BY
THE CALDER FAMILY

#20 HAPPY EASTER AND LOVE TO
MOM & DAD
DONATED BY
CATHERINE DORE & MARY JOHNSON

#21 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
BELOVED HUSBAND
EDWARD J. MC CRAIN
DONATED BY
MARY MCCRAIN

#22 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DEACON FRANK LOVE
DONATED BY
HIS LOVING FAMILY

#25 FOR WORLD PEACE

#26 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PETER & MARIE TEDESCO
DONATED BY
THE HAMMOND & TEDESCO FAMILY

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. AIDAN SCHOOL

Live theater is back at St. Aidan School! Congratulations to the entire cast and crew of *Seussical Jr.* for dazzling audiences April 1-3 in Monsignor Kirwin Hall. Under the Direction of Ms. Reagan Stone and Costume and Set Designer, Mrs. Denise Marotta, these students in Grades 5-8 shared their talents with so many people. We are excited to have live performances back on our SAS stage and very proud of each and every one of them!



TOGETHER IN LEARNING, TOGETHER IN CHRIST



SWING for St. Aidan School Faculty!

MAY 2, 2022

Wheatley Hills Golf Club



Join us as we celebrate and show our appreciation to the remarkable teachers and faculty of St. Aidan School! We could not be more impressed by how our school has adapted to the challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. St. Aidan school continues to thrive and provide high quality Catholic education to our students.

We are also delighted to present the 2022 Deacon Frank Love Award to Mrs. Janet Pearles, alumna of St. Aidan School and current faculty member, for her tremendous support to St. Aidan School over the years.

All profits from this event go directly to benefit our students and allow us to continue our exemplary academic tradition.

Our Students Thank you!

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT:
<https://sasgolf22.givesmart.com/>
or text to SASGolf22 to 76278

For mail- in registration, please remit check & names of attending golfers and dinner guests to:
PACE • 510 Willis Ave Williston Park, NY 11596

*All reservations must be paid in full at registration *Reservations will be processed on a first come basis



ST. AIDAN SCHOOL
510 Willis Avenue • Williston Park, NY 11596
staidanschool.org

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Morning Golf Session:

Registration begins at 7 A.M. /
Shotgun Start at 8 A.M.
Continental Breakfast Included

Afternoon Golf Session:

Registration begins at 11:30 A.M. /
Shotgun Start at 1 P.M.
Full Brunch Included

- Lunch and beverages on course
- Cocktails and Dinner Registration begins at 6 P.M.
- Raffles and prizes at Clubhouse

GOLF PACKAGES

The tournament includes the following:

- Event giveaway bag
- Competition events
- Winning trophies and cash prizes

Single Golfer: \$375 | Foursome: \$1400

SPONSORSHIPS

Tournament Sponsor (\$8000):

1 Foursome, 8 additional dinner guests,
on course signage

Parish Sponsor (\$5000):

1 Foursome, 4 additional dinner guests,
on course signage

Principal Sponsor (\$3000):

1 Foursome, on course signage

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIPS

Dinner Sponsor (\$2000)
Cocktail Sponsor (\$1500)
Brunch Sponsor (\$1000)
Pro Shop Sponsor (\$800)
Tee Sign Sponsor (\$200)
Monsignor McDonald Sponsor (\$100)
Alumni Sponsor (\$25)

FACULTY SPONSORSHIPS

Platinum Faculty Sponsor (\$500)
Green & Gold Faculty Sponsor (\$150)

Faith FORMATION

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.

2022-2023 Religious Education School Year: Planning for the next Religious Education School Year has already started. We will need many catechists to help provide instruction to the children of the parish who attend public schools. If you can help or know someone who may be able to join us in the fall, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 516-746-6585 x405. No previous teaching experience is necessary. Training, mentoring, and user-friendly guide materials are provided. This is also a great opportunity for high school students who are considering careers that involve working with children.

Spread the Word: Religious Education classes begin in grade 1. If you know any Catholic families in the area who have children entering grade 1 in September 2022, please ask them to contact the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible so they can receive registration information when it becomes available. Thank you for your help!

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 assistance, please contact the Director

at (516)746-6585 x406 or email esmith@staidanparish.org.

Service Opportunity: If you are in grade 8 or high school, enjoy working with children, and perhaps considering a career that involves working with children, this is a great service opportunity for you! The Multisensory program is looking for a few dedicated teens to make a commitment to assist in the program. No experience is necessary. If you want to learn more, please call (516)746-6585 x406 or email esmith@staidanparish.org for more information. There are children waiting for your help. Documentation of service hours and Letters of Recommendation for college and scholarships are also provided.

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. The second part of the packets is due on April 15th. Students can submit their work by placing it in the Drop Box outside the building. Be sure the student's name is on all the pages and back-up copies of all work have been made.

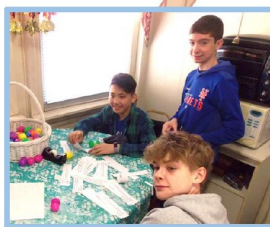
Confirmation Retreats: Confirmation Retreats are scheduled for Sundays, May 1st and May 15th from 9AM to 12PM. All Confirmation candidates are expected to attend a retreat unless they attended the Teen Prayer Day. To register for a retreat, please email carmsstrong@staidanparish.org. No phone registrations please. Placements are on a first come, first serve basis.

Helpful Websites: The following websites may be helpful for parents to help connect Sunday

Easter Baskets for the Homebound



Starting with donations of baskets, cards, non-perishable items and TONS of candy, 14 volunteers organized and assembled over 36 Easter Baskets for the homebound of the parish.



Thank you for your prayers and actions!

We are a Great Parish Family!



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.

The Faith Formation Office wishes everyone a Blessed Easter!
Carolyn, Maryann, Jim, and Elaine

St. Aidan's Family Mass

Today is the
Resurrection of the Lord!

Plan to join us
throughout the Easter
season at Family Mass.

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN!

ALLELUIA!

Happy Easter to All!

We welcome your ideas and suggestions.
Please email us at:
Faith.Formation@staidanparish.org.



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 we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, the most important day of the Church's liturgical year. The liturgical color of the Easter season is white; however, on Easter Sunday some parishes do use gold vestments. Each week we have been focusing on a Word, Phrase, or Short Sentence of the Week to link the Sunday Gospel to family Life. This week's Short Sentence of the Week is: JESUS IS RISEN. Write

the Short Sentence of the Week and place it on the refrigerator as a reminder during the week.

Today's gospel, (John 20:1-9) describes how Mary of Magdala arrived at Jesus' tomb only to find that the large stone used as the door of the tomb was removed. John's Resurrection story tells us that Mary, clearly upset at what she saw, ran to get Peter and John. Understandably, Mary must have thought that someone stole Jesus' body. John arrived at the tomb first and saw the burial cloths but didn't go into the tomb. When Peter arrived, (recall that Jesus put him in charge of the followers), he entered the tomb first followed by John. They didn't really understand but John tells us that even with their lack of understanding, they believed that God was active and at work.

Today is our day! Today we get to celebrate the greatest event that has ever taken place: JESUS IS RISEN. Did Jesus speak of His Resurrection? Certainly, He did, sometimes more clearly than other times, but He did. Did His followers "get it"? Obviously not, but we shouldn't be too hard on Jesus' disciples. Even though they personally interacted with Jesus during His public ministry, rising from the dead on one's own power had to be beyond their comprehension! It is good for us to ask ourselves about how do we think we would have reacted? Yet, with the evidence of what they saw, even without totally understanding, they believed. Throughout the 50 glorious days of the Easter season, we get to see through the gospels and other readings how Jesus, now glorified, helped to prompt His followers from disbelief to belief. You may also notice that on the Sundays of the Easter season, the First Reading is not from the Old Testament as it usually is during all the other seasons of the Church Year. The readings come from the Acts of the Apostles, which is like a history book of how the early church was established. It is a book of transformation as we get to see Jesus's followers be transformed into dynamic, fearless witnesses of what they have heard, what they saw, what they experienced, and what they have come to know.

The celebrations of Easter like many things in our secular society, have often been reduced to chocolate bunnies and eggs, colored Easter eggs, and spring decorations. None of these things are bad in and of themselves. Surprisingly, they find their roots not in how to get the public to buy more things, but rather they are rooted in the deep themes of new life, beauty, and family. Did you know that historically decorated Easter eggs were used as the first catechisms? Children can easily relate to all blossoming beauty around them. The sweetness of the candies were used to remind children in ancient Christianity about God's sweetness as He offers us new life. The

greatest thing is that new life in God is offered to children and adults over and over again, anytime we want to grab onto it. We are offered continuous mercy, healing, love, comfort, and the list could go on and on. Children need to be nudged as is age appropriate to connect with what we believe as Christians: JESUS IS RISEN!

The original name for the week immediately following Easter Sunday was Bright Week. So, this week make it glorious! With older children, introduce or reinforce that the Rosary is really a prayer of meditation. The Resurrection is the first glorious mystery. Use some prompts about that first Easter such as how Jesus' followers felt when they saw an empty tomb. zaPoint out that although this gospel is from John's gospel, the other gospel writers, Matthew, Mark, and Luke have also written their accounts of the Resurrection. Putting all the accounts together gives a more complete picture of the overwhelming power of God. Make simple signs or small posters to display in your windows proclaiming JESUS IS RISEN. Remind children that placing such a sign in your window gives witness to Jesus and helps to spread the greatest news ever. Write J-E-S-U-S on a paper and ask each family member to think of a word or sentence that uses that particular letter to describe what Jesus taught. Bring children to the church and point out the signs of Easter such as the big Paschal Candle, Holy Water, many spring flowers and Easter banners. Plant some seeds and watch them grow as a sign of new life. Use the analogy of how caterpillars transform into beautiful butterflies to help younger children understand how God transforms us. Explain the meaning of the word Alleluia. Alleluia is a prayer of great joy. In this one word, we praise God who raises us to new life. Use this word at the end of bedtime prayers or prayers at mealtime throughout the 50 days of Easter.

Regardless of how observant we were during Lent or how prepared we think we are for Easter, this whole season offers us many opportunities to embrace God and to open children up to the love, joy, and peace that truly passes our human capacity to understand. To celebrate Easter means to let the risen Jesus become more alive in us and our families. Remember the best way to reinforce teaching about Jesus is to act more like Jesus so acts of kindness should become part of the way we live every day. Finally, take you children to Mass. Don't worry about the children making noise or bothering others. Come to Family Mass. There are lots of other little holy noisemakers praising God. Let your children experience the power of being Church. This is how we celebrate the Resurrection and the promise it holds for each of us every day. Celebrate JESUS IS RISEN! Savor it; love it, live it! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

EASTER HYMN

JOHN WALSH (1708)

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross,
suffer to redeem our loss.

Hymns of praise then let us sing
unto Christ our heav'nly King,
who endured the cross and grave,
sinners to redeem and save.

But the pains which he endured,
our salvation have procured;
now above the sky he's King,
where the angels ever sing.

Sing we to our God above
praise eternal as his love;
praise him, all ye heav'nly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PSALM Ps. 18:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

R. This is the day the Lord has
made; let us rejoice and be glad. R.

EASTER SEQUENCE

VICTIMAE PASCHALI

GREGORIAN CHANT

Victimae paschali laudes immolent Christiani.
Agnus redemit oves: Christus innocens Patri
reconciliavit peccatores. Mors et vita duello
confluxere mirando: dux vitae mortuus,
regnat vivus. Dic nobis Maria, quid vidisti in via?
Sepulcrum Christi viventis, et gloriam vidi resurgentis
Angelicos testes, sudarium, et vestes. Surrexit
Christus spes mea: praecedet vos in Galilaeam.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

*Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed
let us then feast with joy in the Lord! R.*

I THIRST FOR THE LIVING WATER

TERRI SIMMONS

Refrain: *I thirst for the living water,
flowing from the springs of life!*

ALLELUIA, LET THE HOLY ANTHEM RISE

HOLY ANTHEM

EDWARD CASWALL (1814-1878)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the holy anthem rise,
And the choirs of heaven chant it
In the temple of the skies.
Let the mountains skip with gladness,
And the joyful valleys ring
With Hosannas in the highest
To our Savior and our King!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Like the sun from out the wave
He has risen up in triumph



Alleluia
He is
Risen

MUSIC
FOR
EASTER
SUNDAY
MASSES

From the darkness of the grave,
Glorious splendor of the nations,
And the lamp of endless day;
He's the very Lord of glory
Who is risen up today!

Alleluia! Alleluia! He has burst our prison bars
And has lifted up the portals
Of our home beyond the stars;
He has won for us our freedom,
Wounded feet our foes have trod;
He has purchased back our birthright
To the kingdom of our God.

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES

NOEL NOUVELET

FRENCH EASTER CAROL (1831)

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;

Quick from the dead the risen One is seen: Love
is come again like wheat that springeth green

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Jesus' touch can call us back to life again, Fields
of our hearts that dead and bare have been
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

REGINA COELI

*Regina caeli laetare, alleluia:
Quia quem meruisti portare,
Alleluia: Resurrexit, sicut dixit,
Alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
blood set us free to be people of God. R:

Power, riches and wisdom and strength, and
honor and blessing and glory are his. R:

Sing with all the people of God and join in the
hymn of all creation. R:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God
and the Lamb forever. Amen. R:

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading I Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 118

R (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD."

R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

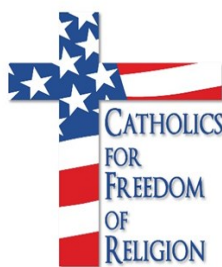
The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. R This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Reading II Col 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Gospel Jn 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.



Focus on Religious Freedom

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will

live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." John 6:51

Religious Re-Awakening and Revival Coming Soon

The Bishops of the United States (USCCB) are calling for a three-year grassroots

revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist called, "Eucharistic Revival: My Flesh for the Life of the World." Religious freedom in America, a fundamental and foundational right, guaranteed in the Constitution, protects this initiative to "start a fire" (1), beginning on June 19, 2022, and culminating in December, 2024.

The Bishops propose to invite U.S. Catholics of all ages to become part of a national movement "to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist," said Bishop Andrew Cozzens, chairman of the USCCB Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis. (2) This revival could be a time of healing for the entire church and a reawakening of understanding of the sacrament of the Eucharist. (3)

"One of the signs that the Holy Spirit is behind this is the incredible reception that so many different apostolates and movements have given to this idea," said Bishop Cozzens. (4) The development of the plan was spurred by a 2019 Pew Research study that found only about 30% of U.S. Catholics believe the Church's teaching that the Eucharist is truly the body and blood of Christ.

"I really believe our country and our world needs revival right now. In fact, each of us do. We get revived by the Sacraments and Sacramentals we use. We get revived by each other, our families, and thousands of (faithful) men and women...", wrote Fr. Richard Heilman. (5) This Eucharistic Revival within the Catholic Church could be the impetus for a national faith revival and a return to the vibrant religious liberty inherent in our Judeo-Christian roots.

(thecentralminnesotacatholic.org, 8/2/21(2); nrconline.org, 11/17/21(4); catholicnewsagency.com, 6/18/21(3)(1); novenaforournation.com, 1/19/22(5)



He is Risen! Alleluia!

I pray you and your loved ones know the peace of our Risen Lord in these weeks of Easter!

Last Easter, Pope Francis reminded us of our call to go to the peripheries to find the Face of Jesus in those we meet and those in need. This Easter season, join me in going to the peripheries and helping those in need in our community by making a gift to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

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You and your loved ones will be remembered in my prayers and Masses. May you and they know the love of our Risen Lord!

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Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

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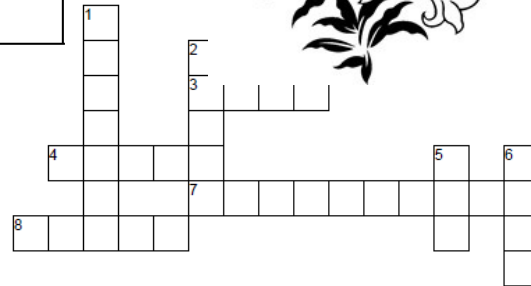
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