



# St. Aidan Parish Ministry Fair

Sunday, May 21st  
8 AM to 2 PM on Dover Street

## Renewed in Christ

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JOIN US ON SUNDAY MAY 21***

# Respect life. All life is sacred.



## 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.

## ST. AIDAN BULLETIN

The bulletin is published on Wednesday morning. Items for publishing should be emailed to [staidanbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:staidanbulletin@gmail.com).

## BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENTS

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## 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.

## PARISH GROWTH 2023

1. Pastoral Care of Our Youth
2. Hospitality & Social Events
3. Formation & Education in Faith Matters
4. Spiritual Resources & Direction
5. Information about Groups & Activities

## THE CHURCH IS OPEN 6 AM TO 6 PM

Daily Mass can be viewed on [staidanparish.org](http://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. For

the safety of all, the church doors will be closed when school children attend services during the week.

## MEETINGS AT ST. AIDAN

Contact the Rectory for more information.

## PARKING AT ST. AIDAN

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. 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.

## BAPTISM

To arrange a baptism contact the rectory office. 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 PM Mass. Parents are asked to gather at St. Joseph's statue to the right of the altar.

## 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. If you know of someone homebound who would like to receive Communion from a Eucharistic Minister, please contact the Rectory.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00

PM in the church.

## 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 an appointment with a priest by calling the rectory office.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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.

## MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at the Rectory office at least 9 months in advance. Pre-Cana and FOCCUS registrations must be arranged. Pre-Cana at St. Aidan consists of a ONE DAY SATURDAY COURSE. The moderator is Deacon Rudy Martin (917) 952-6521. Email: [Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org](mailto:Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org).

Information on the Pre-Cana Course offered by the Diocese of Rockville Center can be found at [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org) or call 678-5800 ext. 223.

## 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 EMAIL

To be added to email distributions of the Parish Bulletin please email Bonnie Parente at [bparente@verizon.net](mailto:bparente@verizon.net).

## PLANNED GIFTS FOR YOUR PARISH

Consider your Christian responsibility to be a wise steward of the gifts God has given you. How will your gifts (assets) be passed on to those you love and care for when you die? Planning now will help those we love live peacefully in the future. Call Barbara Kilarjian at the Diocese of Rockville Centre at 516-678-5800 ext. 257 to find out how you can pass on your love to your family.

# LIVESTREAM DAILY MASS

WEBSITE ST AidanParish.org

VIMEO ST. AIDAN, WILLISTON PARK

FACEBOOK CHURCH OF SAINT AIDAN WILLISTON PARK

## MONDAY, MAY 22

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM

Fr. Ken 9:00 AM

Fr. Ken 5:30 PM

## TUESDAY, MAY 23

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM

Fr. Ken 9:00 AM

Fr. Ken 5:30 PM

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM

Fr. Solomon 9:00 AM

Fr. Solomon 5:30 PM

## THURSDAY, MAY 25

Fr. Solomon 6:30 AM

Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM

9:30 AM

Fr. Adrian 5:30 PM

Fr. Solomon 7:00 PM

## FRIDAY, MAY 26

Fr. Adrian 6:30 AM

Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM

Fr. Solomon 5:30 PM

## SATURDAY, MAY 27

Fr. Ken 9:00 AM

Fr. Adrian 5:00 PM

Fr. Solomon 7:30 PM

## SUNDAY, MAY 28

Fr. Solomon 7:30 AM

Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM

Fr. Ken 10:30 AM

Fr. Adrian 12:00 PM

1:00 AM

Fr. Ken 5:00 PM

## EASTER WEEK SEVEN

Lvg. Int. for Mary Ellen McNulty  
(96th B'day)

Mother's Day Novena

Robert F. Vachris (34th Anniv. Rem.)

## EASTER WEEK SEVEN

Timothy Garvey (B'day Rem.)

Paterno V. Martin (38th Anniv. Rem.)

Marie Bengivango (B'day Rem.)

## EASTER WEEK SEVEN

Peter Pagano (Anniv. Rem.)

Stasia Terlecki (B'day Rem.)

Daniel P. Murphy (24th Anniv. Rem.)

## EASTER WEEK SEVEN

Lvg. Int. for Mary Ellen McNulty  
(96th B'day)

Dominic Ondryas (23rd Anniv. Rem.)

SCHOOL MAY CROWNING

Kevin Grady

United Hearts of Mary

## ST. PHILIP NERI

Lvg. Int. for John & Lisa Berning

Pauline & Leroy Smith

Bruce Turner

## EASTER WEEK SEVEN

Alice Marie Linehan (5th Anniv. Rem.)

Bernard & Frances Currid

(55th Wed. Anniv. Rem.)

John Tully (2nd Anniv. Rem.)

George Pyle

Dorothy Kennedy

Maureen Farrelly (1st Anniv. Rem.)

Lorraine Murphy

Sophia Lobaziewicz (80th B'day Rem.)

Nora Sullivan (B'day Rem.)

Robert Young

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

Parishioners of St. Aidan

Dario Fellin

Marco Bellasalmo (16th Anniv. Rem.)

Camillo Beccarelli

Kevin Alan Grady (1st Anniv. Rem.)

Margaret Tockarszewsky (B'day Rem.)

Robert W. Smith

Aidan Scott

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Sister Timothy Marie Hogan

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9 AM to 12 PM 1 PM to 4 PM  
Saturday & Sunday  
9 AM to 12 PM

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Rev. Fr. Ken Grooms

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Rev. Jerry Magaldi  
Rev. Salvatore B. Villani

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## *What's Pastor Thinking*

I hope you can join us Sunday morning at our PARISH MINISTRY FAIR on Dover Street, beside the Upper School. This is an event that connects parishioners as we discover more about all the wonderful things going on here at St. Aidan Parish. You will be amazed at the number of ministries and organizations at St. Aidan, and may find an opportunity to meet that person you saw for years at Mass, and now finally talk to them.

Before Mass begins you will be offered a strip of free raffle tickets. The raffle prizes are on the tables on Dover Street. Place your tickets, with your phone number, in any 5 draws, NO COST.

As you view the tables you will see creative posters and flyers that our various parish groups came up with to explain more about themselves. Our groups and organizations are not just about keeping people busy at church. They're not just about getting involved in doing things because those things have to be done anyway. Rather, our parish ministries and organizations are about putting our faith in Jesus into practice by living it out in the life of the Church. These groups are one way that we can "put flesh" on our faith by what we say and do for others. It's about helping our parish family to grow so that our faith can grow more and more.

The theme of this event is 'Renewed in Christ.' We celebrate personal renewal and parish renewal through the mission of our groups and organizations. In a very real way, this is how the early Church grew with those first disciples after Jesus. What won over converts to Christianity was not just a set of teachings – even teachings as powerful as Jesus' resurrection from the dead and our eternal salvation in Christ. Much more, it was the living out of those teachings that showed others that



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these Christians are different than the rest of society. They showed great love and helped those who were in need—like our Social Ministries. They valued and fought for families and the sacredness of life – as our Catholic School, Faith Formation and Respect Life Ministry do today. They sought to share the beauty of the Catholic faith and invite others to grow in their reception of this treasure – as our Prayer Groups, RCIA, Baptism and Marriage preparation, and those who serve in our many liturgical ministries do today.

Many thanks to the members of our Parish Growth Team for coordinating this event. And thanks to God for the many ways that He has blessed this wonderful parish. We ask God to continue growing our parish family in all the ways He desires for us.

# Eucharistic Procession

## June 11, 2023

### After the 10:30 Mass



We invite all the children and their families who attend the Family Mass to join us, especially those who received First Holy Communion this year.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING – NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

May 20	First Communion
May 20	11 AM Diaconate Ordination St. Agnes Cathedral - 11 a.m.
May 21	St. Aidan Ministry Fair
May 21	CYO Swim Team attend 12:00 Mass
May 21	Golden Wedding Mass, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue
May 28	Pentecost
May 28	1 PM Anointing of the Sick
May 29	Memorial Day
June	Month of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Diocese of Rockville Centre
June 2	School Mass at 9:00 AM
June 2	Healing Mass at 8:00 PM
June 4	Pre- Cana Opening Mass 12:00 PM
June 4	3 PM Golden Wedding Mass, Church of St. James, Seaford - 3 p.m.
June 10	11 AM Priesthood Ordination - St. Agnes Cathedral
June 11	Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

#### STEWARDSHIP

05/15/22 \$24,724  
05/14/23 \$26,067

#### ATTENDANCE

05/13/14/2023 1,431

#### EXTRA ENVELOPE

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE

#### ONLINE GIVING

staidanparish.org.  
Click DONATE.

#### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

Goal \$180,400  
Pledges \$86,840 Donors 266  
Payments \$65,945

*Thank you for supporting St. Aidan. Please notify the Rectory Office if you have changed your address*

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

MARIA MATHOS  
PAUL ARDUINI  
CLARYCE KOHL  
CAROL BONGIORNO  
THOMAS LAGERMAN  
KATHLEEN A. GRUPPE  
CLAIRE J. BANTZHAFF

#### FUNERAL MASS

THEODORE MINOR  
SATURDAY, JUNE 3 @ 11:00

#### MEMORIAL FLOWERS BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE

In Loving Memory of  
GENEVIEVE ROBINSON  
(BIRTHDAY REM.)

Requested by  
JOHN ROBINSON

#### THOSE WHO ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM INCLUDE

Maureen Howard  
Jim Howard  
Michaela Reilly

Jean Lopardo

Mark Totten

AnnMarie Georgeou

Louise Blackford

Arianna DeOliveira

Jinny Gallagher

Bill Doyle

Judy Kostovich

Brian Closs

Hafeezan Jabar

Frank Connolly

Paul Kane

Nicole Blach

Doreen Downes

Rosa Barroca

Cathy Fleming

John Sweeney

Diane Mitra

Jimmy Elliott

Baby Bradley Marino Jelcic

P J Kennedy

Michael Kenny

Kevin Mulligan

Claire Monteleone

Eddie Marzocchi

Frank Gunn

Rita Grinsell

#### WEDDING BELLS

*If a parishioner is getting married in another parish and would like their wedding listed here, call the rectory office.*

JUNE 3, 2023

3:00 PM

Kira Zuniga

St. Agnes

Michael Bitsko

St. Aidan

JUNE 4, 2023

3:00 PM

Nicole Marie Viola

St. Aidan

William Connor Rettig

Incarnation

JUNE 11, 2023

3:00 PM

Veronica Jean Baierwalter

St. Aidan

Mike Robert Sorgie



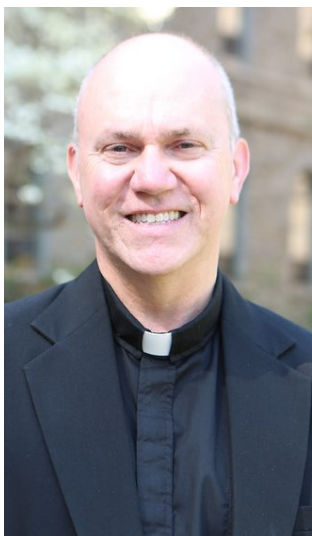
## **MINISTRY FAIR TODAY, SUNDAY MAY 21ST FROM 8 AM TO 2 PM ON DOVER STREET**

A Ministry Fair is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and gather information about the various ministries, committees, organizations, and educational opportunities that are available within the parish community. Our theme is 'Renewed in Christ' as we are all afforded an opportunity to recommit our faith, time, and talent to help build the Kingdom of God on earth. The Fair will run from 8 AM to 2 PM on Dover Street, beside the Upper School. Before Mass starts parishioners will receive 5 free raffle tickets. You can put one or more tickets in any box at the tables on Dover Street to win a prize. Looking forward to seeing you at the fair.

## **A PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY**

Lord, we thank you for the freedom you have given to us, and for the price that was paid by Christ so that we could live free. We remember today. The cost of it all. The great sacrifice for freedom. We thank you for the brave men and women who have fought, and continue to fight, so courageously for our nation. We ask for your covering and blessing over them and their families. We pray that you would be gracious and encircle them with your peace. We pray for your great favor and goodness to be evident in their lives. Please be with all those who wear the uniform, who serve our communities and nation every single day. We ask that you provide your protection, that you would be their guiding force who leads the way, and their rear guard who keeps them safe from behind. We ask that you would draw them to yourself amidst the dangers they face in a dark world, for you are the Truth, you are the Way, you are the Light.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. KEN WHO WAS APPOINTED PASTOR OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH IN WEST HAMPTON BEACH.**



Fr. Ken will leave at the end of June. A Farewell Mass will be held on Sunday, June 25th at 12:00 PM. Light refreshments to follow in Kirwin Hall. As soon as Bishop Barres appoints a new associate priest, we will let you know. Fr. Patrick Abem returns in July to assist us during the Summer. Fr. Patrick teaches at St. Joseph Seminary in Nigeria. Continue to pray for vocations and for the future of the church on Long Island.

## **THE COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN WILL BE TAKEN UP THE WEEKEND OF MAY 27-28**

This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!**

We wish to congratulate the children who celebrated their First Holy Communion this weekend! Our Catechism teaches that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. When we receive the Lord in the Eucharist, it is an act of thanksgiving to God. It recalls the Lord's Supper with his Apostles. The Eucharist is essential to the communal dimension of our faith. It is the nourishment that enables us to remain spiritually strong and healthy.

We give thanks for all the teachers, relatives, and friends of these children who have helped prepare them for First Holy Communion, and who assist them in their future growth in faith through their prayers and actions. We especially thank the parents who are the primary educators of the children in the ways of the faith.

The following "PRAYER AT A CHILD'S FIRST COMMUNION" is a prayer for those children preparing for their First Holy Communion and reflects our great appreciation of the Eucharist: Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.

#### **FRIDAY CHARISMATIC PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

Join us every Friday from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. Healing Mass. June 2.

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00 PM in the church. June 2, 16. July 7, 21.

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

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. May 28.

#### **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST - CORPUS CHRISTI, WILL BE CELEBRATED THIS YEAR ON SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023.**

To mark the beginning of the Parish Year of the Eucharistic Revival (June 2023-July 2024), every parish in the country is invited to plan a Eucharistic procession. The time of the procession at St. Aidan will be after the 10:30 AM Mass. In Eucharistic Processions, the missionary aspect of the Eucharist is emphasized as we go forth into the world. Not only gazing upon our Eucharistic Lord, but walking with him, we experience what the disciples did 2000 years ago as they walked with Jesus, proclaiming the Good News to the world. A parish community that undertakes a Eucharistic Procession has made the decision to publicly proclaim its belief in Jesus' True Presence in the Eucharist. By this public witness of faith, the parish invites people in the community to encounter the Risen Lord present in the Eucharistic Host. For those who participate in the procession, it is an opportunity not only to proclaim their faith but also to grow in their faith. The procession is, finally, an invitation to Jesus himself to be a part of our daily lives, to be immersed in the world in which we live.

*Don't Forget  
Your Baby  
Bottle!*



The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide?

- ✓ Free pregnancy test kits
- ✓ Free sonogram
- ✓ Maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals
- ✓ Medical care referrals
- ✓ Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing, diapers, and many other needed baby items
- ✓ Male advocates available to speak with fathers

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation.

**(Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)**

**PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup> AND 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

*Let us pray for the conversion of a mother's heart to give  
the gift of life to her preborn baby!*

## **ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION ON JUNE 10, 2023**

All are welcome to attend the Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at 11 a.m. in St. Agnes Cathedral, 29 Quealy Place in Rockville Centre. Bishop Barres will ordain Deacon Steven McClernon to the priesthood of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and Deacons Subin Wilson and Michael Nam into the Idente Missionaries. The ordination will also air live on Catholic Faith Network (CFN) at 11:00 a.m. It will be replayed later that evening at 8 p.m. CFN can be viewed on Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296 and Time Warner Cable channel 471. CFN is also available on select cable and satellite systems and through live stream on [cfntv.org](http://cfntv.org). You may also view CFN on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android, or by downloading the CFN iOS mobile app at the app store by searching "Catholic Faith Network" or "CFN".

## **TOMORROW'S HOPE FOUNDATION GALA**

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation will host its 18th Annual Stars for Students Gala on Wednesday, May 24th at 6:30 p.m. at RXR Plaza in Uniondale. Proceeds from the event will help provide tuition assistance to students in need attending Long Island's Catholic elementary schools. The Stars for Students Gala is the Foundation's signature event in celebration of Catholic elementary education on Long Island and its champions. This year, Tomorrow's Hope is honoring Michael Maturo, President of RXR, Crisler Quick, President & Founder of The Finance Department and the Honorable Peter Quick, Mayor of Mill Neck for their steadfast support of the Tomorrow's Hope mission. Please consider supporting the Tomorrow's Hope Gala by purchasing a sponsorship or ticket to attend the event by visiting the website at [www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org](http://www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org). Today's Children are Tomorrow's Hope!

## **ARE YOU SEARCHING?**

Are you searching for a faith to follow? Do you know someone who may be interested in learning more about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches? Were you baptized as an infant but not raised in the faith or raised in another Christian faith? Whatever your situation, wherever you are in your faith journey, OCIA (formally RCIA) is here for YOU. OCIA stands for Order of Christian Initiation for Adults. It is a process by which adults can inquire about the Catholic Church. There is never any pressure put on any inquirer to become a Catholic. If an inquirer or seeker decides to move closer toward becoming a Catholic, he/she receives instruction in a small setting guided by a team of dedicated parishioners. The inquirer decides if he/she wants to move

forward one step at a time. The whole parish family supports this process through prayer and witness. Those who choose to become Catholic are welcomed into the Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you would like to learn more, please call 516-746-6585 x406 or email [esmith@staidanparish.org](mailto:esmith@staidanparish.org).

## **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 the second and fourth Monday of each month at 9:45 am in the Dorothy Day room in the Finamore Center to knit or crochet prayer shawls or lap blankets for our sick and homebound parishioners. If you know of someone who could benefit from receiving one of these blessed shawls, please contact our office. New members are always welcome. You need not know how to knit or crochet. We have talented parishioners who can teach you. The next meeting will take place on Monday, May 22nd and Monday, June 12th. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Social Ministry office at: (516) 746-6585 and press 5
- Food items needed: BABY WIPES, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, DISHWASHING LIQUID, SPONGES, BREADCRUMBS, OIL, TOOTHBRUSHES, NAPKINS, COOKIES, OATMEAL, TOOTHBRUSHES, SOS PADS AND INDIVIDUAL BAGS OF SNACKS. 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.

## **LEGION OF MARY CAUSE OF OUR JOY PRAESIDIUM**

- In person meetings-Upper School Youth Room every Wednesday throughout the year at 7pm or call Lisa at 516.857.7664 for details on getting connected via zoom. All are welcome. Can't make weekly meetings? Become an auxiliary member. Call Ellen at 516.567.9816 for details.
- 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 Joe at 917.576.6589. Wouldn't you like to have her statue in your home?
- Do you know a home bound person who would appreciate a visit or call? Contact Eileen at 516.816.9504

to schedule a convenient time. Follow us online at [staidanlom.com](http://staidanlom.com)

### THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society is a group of women dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. We meet once a month. We start the meeting by saying the Rosary together. Members will be available at the St. Aidan's Ministry Fair to answer any questions you may have. New members are always welcome.

### 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 to follow.

### THE HOLY ROSARY.

The Rosary is said immediately after the 6:30 and 9 o'clock Masses daily. Please join to honor Mary, our mother.

### COME & PRAY WITH US!

The Mary, Queen of Peace Prayer Group meets on Wednesdays at 7Pm in the sacristy on St. Joseph's side. All are welcome to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet to Jesus through Mary. Use the entrance around the corner from the playground. Info: Call Gloria, 516-859-6593.

### NEW PRAYER COMMUNITY FORMING

MONDAY, JUNE 5TH AT 7PM IN THE CONVENT YELLOW ROOM. COME, JOIN WITH OTHERS AS WE SHARE OUR FAITH JOURNEY GROWING DEEPER INTO THE HEART OF JESUS AND INTERCEDING FOR OTHERS. (FOR INFORMATION YOU CAN CALL MAUREEN 516-248-5445).

### ST. AIDAN RESPECT LIFE GROUP

The group, headed by Anne Marie Egan, 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.drvcilife.org](http://www.drvcilife.org). The group is meeting with the purpose of promoting pro-life activities through prayer, educational opportunities, and raising funds for pro-life efforts and new mothers. Please contact Anne Marie if you are interested in joining. [elamjoe@aol.com](mailto:elamjoe@aol.com) 516-873-8320

## SAINT AIDAN'S BOOSTER CLUB

### Weekly, Monthly and Bonus Prizes Chances to win every month!

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**\$50 Winner:** Sara Smith

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To purchase a membership, please visit our online registration site at <https://staidanschool.org/st-aidan-booster-club>. You may also register by completing this form and returning it to the Rectory (505 Willis Avenue, Williston Park, NY 11596) with cash or check payable to St. Aidan, attention: Booster Club.

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## **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. Join us for Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and consecration to Jesus and Mary. For more information, please contact Tecky at (516) 655-9755.

## **JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

- This Sunday, May 21, We will be having our plant and bake sale outside church from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Prior to sale we will have our monthly meeting and elections at the lower school, Msgr. Kirwin Hall at 9:00am
- June 13, Tuesday at 7pm Annual Installation Mass - The Church of Saint Aidan, followed by light refreshments at Msgr. Kirwin Hall

## **BUS TRIP TO WIND CREEK CASINO, BETHLEHEM, PA HOSTED BY CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, HICKSVILLE, NY**

When: Tuesday, May 23, 2023. Cost: \$50 per person, which includes the driver's tip. Give back: \$35 slot play.

Time: Please arrive at 8:30 am. Return approx. 8:30 pm.

Parking: # 999 So. Oyster Bay Road (dead end).

Reservations: call Barbara at (516) 935-5576. Please make checks payable to "CDA". The first to pay is the first on the bus, etc.

## **ST. AIDAN'S PRE-CANA PROGRAM**

St. Aidan's Foccus & Pre-Cana program consists of a FOCCUS Pre-Marriage Inventory and a ONE DAY parish program that is held on Saturday from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM. FOCCUS stands for Facilitating Open Couple Communication Understanding and Study. The FOCCUS and Pre-Cana Class Fee is a total of \$125.00 payable to: Church of St. Aidan

- Spring 2023 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun June 4, 2023 12 Noon – 1:00pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: June 10, 2023 8:30am – 5:00pm. Closing Mass: Sat June 10, 2023 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- Fall 2023 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun November 5, 2023 12 Noon – 1:00pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: November 11, 2023 8:30am – 5:00pm. Closing Mass: Sat November 11, 2023 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Diocese of Rockville Centre: 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](http://www.drvc-faith.org). On the left column click on "Marriage;". Scroll down to find Marriage Preparation and FOCCUS on line registration. To Register at St. Aidan Courses, call St Aidan Parish Rectory Office (516) 746-6585. The St. Aidan Moderator is Deacon

Rudy Martin: Cell (917) 952-6521 Email: [Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org](mailto:Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org).

## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Treat your wife to a special get together, just the two of you. 1 Peter 3:15-18: Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. John 14: 15: Jesus said to his disciples, If you love me, you will keep my commandments. Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You will learn new skills to enrich and enhance your loving relationship. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences listed below.

- June 2-4, 2023 in Upton, MA
- Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or <https://www.menyli.org/>.

## **WIDOWS / WIDOWERS SOCIAL GROUP**

Meetings 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1 PM - 3 PM in St. Joseph's Church, Franklin Ave. & Fifth Street, Garden City. Non-denominational. All are Welcome! REFRESHMENTS SERVED, \$3 PER MEETING. For additional information, feel free to call Diana (516) 481-9280

## **SAME SEX ATTRACTION AND GENDER IDENTITY DISCORDANCE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**

The Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics website is a rich source of authentically and faithfully Catholic websites and educational resources all rich in beauty to educate, form, and transform all Catholics earnestly seeking clarity on these topics, but in particular, those who experience same-sex attraction, gender identity discordance, and a range of other experiences. In addition, the websites and resources will be helpful to those with loved ones who have conveyed these experiences to them. Most especially, Clergy, Religious, Educators, Lay Leaders, Health Care workers, etc. will find these an invaluable foundation for their ministries. Visit <https://drvclife.org/ssa-gender-education/>

## **OZANAM HALL OF QUEENS NURSING HOME IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP**

Eucharistic Ministers for the Pastoral Care Department, or with any of the departments that work to enhance the lives of our Residents. Please contact the Volunteer Department at 718.971.2020/2022

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A CATHOLIC GROUP IN 2023?**

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 Hall 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola NY. RSVP to Ruth Ann at 516-317-6356 or Marge at 516-269-9178

### **TAKE CATHOLIC THEOLOGY COURSES THIS SUMMER AT ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY!**

Dates: May 31 through July 14. Courses are: Open to qualified lay men and women, clergy, and consecrated religious. Offered in person or online - Zoom in from any location to join a class. Reasonably priced - Affordable tuition rates! 50% tuition discount for new students, alumni auditors, diocesan and parish employees. Taught by world-class faculty. To learn more about our schedule of classes for summer, go to [www.dunwoodie.edu](http://www.dunwoodie.edu) or email: [sjs.academics@dunwoodie.edu](mailto:sjs.academics@dunwoodie.edu)

### **CHIEFS FOOTBALL REGISTRATION**

Chiefs PAL Football has upgraded its website so that online registration for the Fall 2023 Season is available at [www.mineolapal.org](http://www.mineolapal.org). The sign up is for flag (5 and 6 year olds) and for tackle (7's, 8's, 9's, 10's & 11's). The registration fee for tackle is \$250 and for flag is \$65. For those unable to register online, please email [mcavallaro@arcxs.com](mailto:mcavallaro@arcxs.com) or text or call 516-848-4248 so arrangements can be made to register.

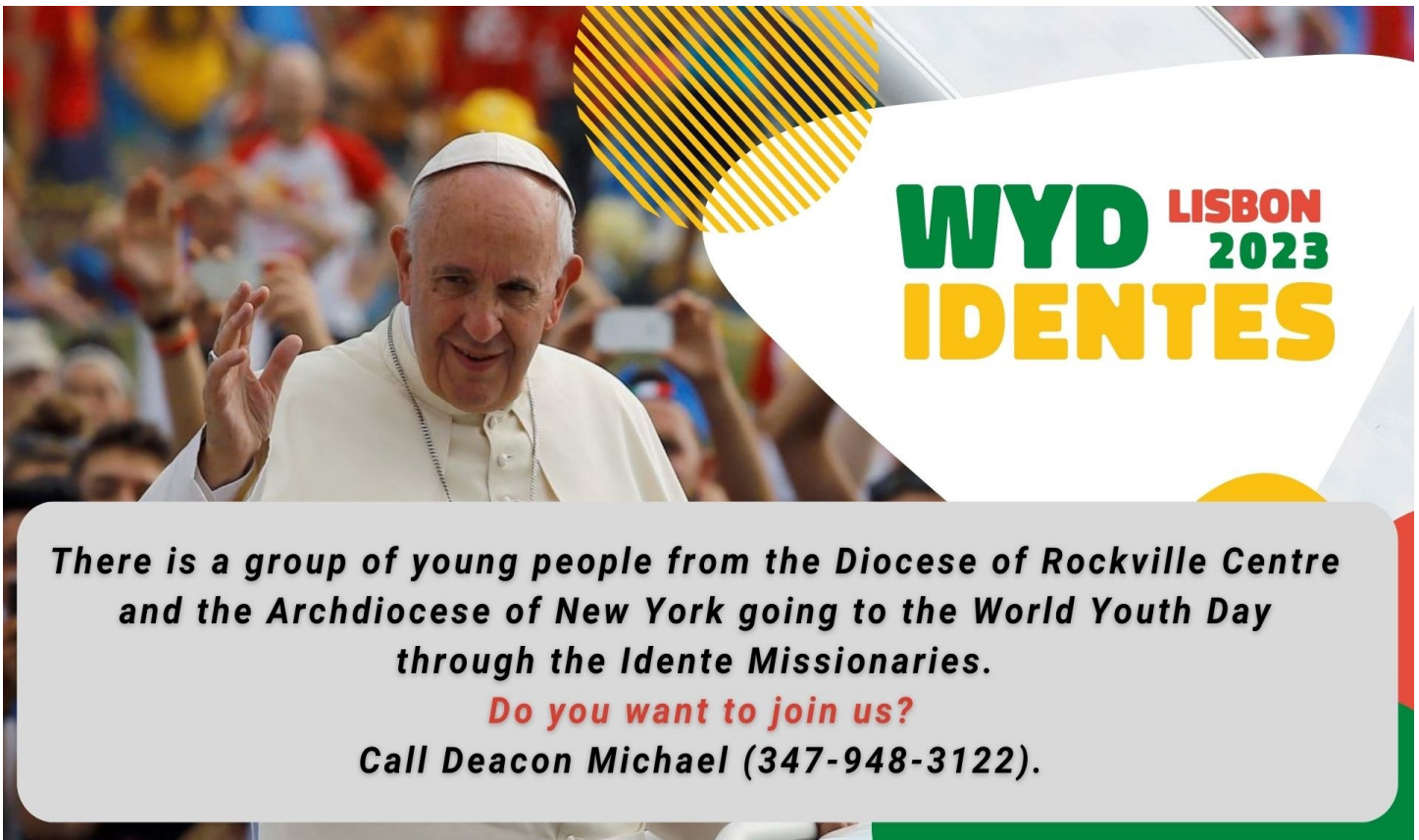
### **EVENTS AND RETREATS COMING UP AT THE NEWLY-RENOVATED THOMAS BERRY PLACE IN JAMAICA, QUEENS!**

TBP (the former Bishop Molloy Retreat House) offers a quiet oasis amidst the busy world around us. Our Retreat House has 50 newly renovated bedrooms, full-service kitchen, Board Room and conference rooms for up to 100 people, a Chapel for group and private meditation, beautiful gardens, grotto and seating and so much more!

Thursday, July 20 - Thursday, July 27, 2023: Experiencing God: Our interior movements understood using St Ignatius' Rules for Discernment. This guided retreat will make use of Ignatian contemplation, imaginative prayer, and the senses to engage in conversation with God. Our days will consist of two talks and mass. There is ample time to pray. This retreat is practical, encouraging curiosity, connection and compassion with ourselves and with God! Presenter: Fr. Jeff Putthoff, SJ is a Jesuit priest. He is deeply interested in creating communities of healing, empowering young people, brain health, and finding God in all things. This retreat begins on Thursday July 20, 2023 at 3:00 PM and ends on Thursday July 27, 2023 at 11:00 AM. There will be 2 conferences a day and Liturgy. The cost is \$700.00 per person.

### **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.



**WYD LISBON 2023 IDENTES**

***There is a group of young people from the Diocese of Rockville Centre and the Archdiocese of New York going to the World Youth Day through the Idente Missionaries.***

***Do you want to join us?***

***Call Deacon Michael (347-948-3122).***

## **FOCUS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WWW.CFFOR.ORG**

Why was St. Francis Health System in Oklahoma Threatened with Expulsion from Medicare, Medicaid and CHIP Over Its Long-Approved Sanctuary Candle?

The government has seen the light and has abandoned its attempt to force an Oklahoma hospital to blow out a small candle or stop serving elderly, disabled, and low-income patients," Lori Windham, vice president and senior counsel at the Becket religious liberty legal group, said May 5 on Twitter.

The chapel's candle has never been an issue in previous inspections. Other open flames are permitted at hospitals in kitchen stoves and ovens, gas dryers in the laundry room, flames in gas water heaters, and welding for construction purposes, Windham noted.

According to Windham, the hospital candle is "encased in a thick glass globe, which is itself encased in a second glass globe, covered by a bronze top that fits over the second globe." This globe rests in a bronze holder affixed to the chapel wall. There are fire extinguishing sprinkler heads around the candle and the local fire marshal has long approved it.

During a Feb. 21 inspection, Windham's letter to CMS recounted, a surveyor from The Joint Commission at Saint Francis Hospital South in Tulsa "expressly asked to go to the chapel to see if there was a living flame." The surveyor observed to hospital personnel that "other Catholic hospitals had complied and extinguished the living flame at their chapels, substituting it with an electric light." While federal standards do classify chapel candles as "flame-producing equipment," these are only barred within one foot of a nasal cannula, a device to provide supplemental oxygen. The hospital candle is never near such a device. The relevant codes and standards of the National Fire Protection Association expressly permit sanctuary candles.

Continue reading here: [bit.ly/3Io2Db9](http://bit.ly/3Io2Db9)

## **LITURGY**

Today will finish our tour through the Our Father. There is one more petition, then something called a doxology, which comes from the Greek "doxa" meaning "glory" and "logia" meaning "saying", hence a short hymn of praise to God often added to the end of psalms, prayers, and hymns. You are all familiar with one, the Final Doxology at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass ("Through Him, and with Him..."). There is a second one at the end of the Our Father, to which we now return.

The last petition in the Our Father is "but deliver us from evil". This is something Jesus specifically prayed for during His final discourse with His apostles. From the CCC, "2850

The last petition to our Father is also included in Jesus' prayer: "I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one...2851 In this petition, evil is not an abstraction, but refers to a person, Satan, the Evil One, the angel who opposes God...2852... Through him sin and death entered the world and by his definitive defeat all creation will be "freed from the corruption of sin and death." The Lord Who has taken away your sin and pardoned your faults also protects you and keeps you from the wiles of your adversary the devil, so that the enemy, who is accustomed to leading into sin, may not surprise you. One who entrusts himself to God does not dread the devil. "If God is for us, who is against us?" So here we are asking God to extend the protection Jesus purchased for us on the cross. It also reinforces our plea "to be holy as God is holy" as being protected from the lures of the devil will help us in our quest. Other than "Amen", this is the end of the prayer Jesus gave us, and as we pray it outside of Mass. Our "Amen" is a formal ratification of everything we have just said in prayer. But at Mass, there are two more brief additions. The first is said by the priest, and it further extends that final petition we just saw. "Deliver us, Lord, we beseech you, from every evil and grant us peace in our day, so that aided by your mercy we might be ever free from sin and protected from all anxiety, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ." And we all respond in unison with the final doxology, "For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever." In a way, this closes the circle of the Our Father by returning us to where we started. "2855 The final doxology...takes up again, by inclusion, the first three petitions to our Father: the glorification of his name, the coming of his reign, and the power of his saving will. But these prayers are now proclaimed as adoration and thanksgiving, as in the liturgy of heaven. The ruler of this world (Satan) has mendaciously attributed to himself the three titles of kingship, power, and glory. Christ, the Lord, restores them to his Father and our Father, until he hands over the kingdom to him when the mystery of salvation will be brought to its completion and God will be all in all. 2856 "Then, after the prayer is over you say 'Amen,' which means 'So be it,' thus ratifying with our 'Amen' what is contained in the prayer that God has taught us." And how could we not be in full agreement with the words Our Lord gave us? So to wrap up the Our Father, "2857 In the Our Father, the object of the first three petitions is the glory of the Father: the sanctification of his name, the coming of the kingdom, and the fulfillment of his will. The four others present our wants to him: they ask that our lives be nourished, healed of sin, and made victorious in the struggle of good over evil." In the first three petitions which relate to God, "2858 ..." we enter into God's plan, the sanctification of his name... 2859...the Church

looks first to Christ's return and the final coming of the Reign of God. It also prays for the growth of the Kingdom of God in the "today" of our own lives. 2860...we ask our Father to unite our will to that of his Son, so as to fulfill his plan of salvation in the life of the world." In the final four petitions in which we ask for what we need, "2861... by saying "give us," we express in communion with our brethren our filial trust in our heavenly Father. "Our daily bread" refers to the earthly nourishment necessary to everyone for subsistence, and also to the Bread of Life...2862 The fifth petition begs God's mercy for our offences, mercy which can penetrate our hearts only if we have learned to forgive our enemies, with the example and help of Christ. 2863 When we say "lead us not into temptation" we are asking God not to allow us to take the path that leads to sin. This petition implores the Spirit of discernment and strength...2864 In the last petition, "but deliver us from evil," Christians pray to God with the Church to show forth the victory, already won by Christ, over the "ruler of this world," Satan...2865 By the final "Amen," we express our "fiat" concerning the seven petitions: "So be it." I hope all this gives you a better understanding and appreciation of the richness of The Lord's Prayer.

## Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

### Spring Organ Recital

Sunday  
June 4, 2023



Main Chapel  
3 to 5 pm

Join us for an Afternoon of Sacred & Contemporary Compositions  
performed by Dr. Phoon Yu & Evangeline Ng



**Phoon Yu**, composer and organist with a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree in Organ Performance from The Juilliard School in New York City, is active both in Singapore and in the U.S. In Singapore, he has performed as a soloist in the Victoria Concert Hall, St. Andrew's Cathedral, and the Esplanade - Theatres by the Bay. Previous American solo recital appearances include performances at the Riverside Church, St. Thomas's Church at Fifth Avenue, and the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York City. Phoon currently serves on the Music Faculty at St. Anthony's High School in South Huntington.



**Evangeline Ng** is a rising Taiwanese-Singaporean soprano "destined for great things." A recent graduate of the Manhattan School of Music, she was most recently named the 2022 President Young Performer. Evangeline made her highly anticipated house and role debut at the Esplanade Theatre as Adele in Die Fledermaus with Singapore Lyric Opera. Other highlights of recent roles include: Micaëla (Carmen), Pamina (Die Zauberflöte), Rosalinde (Die Fledermaus), Susanna (Le nozze di Figaro), Governess (The Turn of the Screw), Poppea (L'incoronazione di Poppea), Eurydice (Orphée aux enfers) and the title role of Manon. Evangeline is a recent alumna of the Houston Grand Opera Young Artist Vocal Academy, and was a Project Inclusion Fellow at Chicago's Grant Park Music Fest.

Adults \$40 (Member of Friends) Adults \$50 (Non-Member of Friends) Students \$25

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. AIDAN SCHOOL



**Congratulations to the second grade class of Saint Aidan School! Last weekend the children were blessed to receive their First Holy Communion. The children were all smiles and the sun was shining beautifully on their special day.**

**The celebration was officiated by Father Adrian and Deacon Jerry. The students have been preparing all year with the guidance of their dedicated teachers, Ms. Cornils and Miss Jennings.**

**God Bless all of our First Communicants!**



**TOGETHER IN LEARNING, TOGETHER IN CHRIST**

# SAS DAY AT BELMONT

SATURDAY, JUNE 17



## ST. AIDAN PACE IS GOING TO THE RACES!

JOIN US AT THE TOP OF THE STRETCH AT BELMONT PARK FOR A GREAT DAY WITH FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND HORSES.

PACE HAS SECURED THREE OF THE TOP OF THE STRETCH PICNIC AREAS. BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH (NO GLASS BOTTLES).

THIS EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE!

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<https://staidanschool.org/sas-day-at-belmont>

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When: Wednesday, May 24th

Time: 4-9pm

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# Saint Aidan School

## "Just We Two"

St. Aidan School will host a weekly "Just We Two" program for children between the ages of two and three years accompanied by his/her parent or caregiver. The program will introduce your child to the idea of a school setting in a preschool classroom and allows bonding time for you and your child in a fun environment. There will be an age appropriate craft, free play, snack time (provided by parent for their own child), story and simple songs and finger plays.

September 2023 Session: Limited Space Available  
Class Meets:

Tuesdays: 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM or 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
Thursdays: 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM or 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Tuesday and Thursday activities are the same -  
Please only register for 1 day

Dates Program Runs:

Tuesdays: September 19, 2023 - December 12, 2023

Thursdays: September 14, 2023 - December 14, 2023

Cost: \$175.00

Location:

St. Aidan School (Lower School)  
525 Willis Avenue

If you are interested, please mail completed form and payment to  
Saint Aidan School 525 Willis Avenue, Williston Park, NY 11596 Attn: "Just We Two"  
If you have any questions, please call us at 516-746-6585 ext. 202 or  
email: [dvitale5547@staidanschool.org](mailto:dvitale5547@staidanschool.org).

### Saint Aidan School

### September 2023: Registration Form Just We Two (Cost: \$175)

Please indicate 1st and 2nd choice:

Tuesday \_\_\_\_ 9:00 AM-10:30 AM    Tuesday \_\_\_\_ 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

Thursday \_\_\_\_ 9:00 AM-10:30 AM    Thursday \_\_\_\_ 11:30 AM-1:00 PM  
(Tuesday and Thursday activities are the same)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Attending Class with Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

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

If you would like to register for the Just We Two program please return completed form with check payable to St. Aidan School.  
Mail to: Saint Aidan School  
Attn: "Just We Two"  
525 Willis Avenue Williston Park, NY 11596  
Thank you.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON MAY 20TH AND MAY 21ST. MAY ALL OUR 2023 FIRST COMMUNICANTS REMAIN CLOSE TO JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST THROUGHOUT THEIR LIVES!**

**On-going Communication:** Please visit our webpages at [staidanparish.org/ff](http://staidanparish.org/ff) for updates throughout the school year.

**Office Hours:** The office is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 2PM to 7PM. Thursdays and Fridays are by appointment only.

**Transferring Families:** Parents should call the Faith Formation Office at (516) 746-6585 x405 as soon as possible. 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.

**HELP US PASS ON THE FAITH IN 2023-2024:** Please consider volunteering as a catechist for the 2023-2024 school year so that every child will have a seat in our fully in-person Religious Education program. During this past school year, our enrollment was much higher than expected and staffing so many classes was a huge challenge. Every class offered must have at least one catechist. If you are concerned about the commitment by yourself, please think about teaching a class with a friend. Co-teaching works well because each co-teacher covers for the other and the children come to know both catechists. Co-teaching can be a very rewarding experience for all involved and would help us provide classes for more children. Our catechists include high school and college students, parents, grandparents, family friends of some of the students, and many dedicated parishioners who love being

Catholic and want to share their faith with children. Please call the Faith Formation Office at x405 for additional information. Training and mentoring are provided, and the materials are easy to follow. Substitute catechists and hall monitors are also needed. NO previous experience is needed. Materials and lesson plans are provided for all substitutes. Thank you for your consideration.

**2023-2024 School Year Grade 1:** Anyone who has a child entering grade 1 in September 2023 should call the Faith Formation Office at 516-746-6585 x405 to give us your contact information so you will receive registration information when it becomes available later in the spring. We are also asking all parishioners to help spread the word to any Catholic families in our area who will have a 1st grade child in the fall. Thank you for your assistance!

**Multisensory Religious Education:** The Multisensory Program serves children who would benefit from a smaller class setting due to a wide variety of challenges. This program meets on Thursdays. If you or someone you know has a child who may benefit from this type of program, please contact the Director at (516)746-6585x406 or [esmith@staidanparish.org](mailto:esmith@staidanparish.org). The Multisensory Program requires a substantial amount of staffing. If you would like to learn more about how you can help, please contact the Director at x406.

**Service Opportunity:** The Multisensory program is always looking for a few dedicated high school teens or local college students to make a commitment to assist in the program during the school year. No experience is necessary. If you want to learn more, please call (516)746-6585 x406 or email [esmith@staidanparish.org](mailto:esmith@staidanparish.org) for more information. Teens must be available on Thursday afternoons. This is a great

opportunity for any teen who may be considering a career in Nursing, Teaching, Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, Occupational, Speech, or Physical Therapies. Service documentation, college recommendation letters, and scholarship letters are provided. Please consider joining us for the 2023-2024 school year.

**GRADE 7 AND 8 CONFIRMATION PREPARATION REMINDERS FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES REGARDLESS OF SCHOOLS ATTENDED:** As of April 20th, all Confirmation packet assignments should have been submitted except for the Grade 8 Service Report, which is due in June. Please be sure that all the work for each submission date is stapled together and the student's name is on each page. All service reports should have service documentation verifications attached.

**Grade 8 FOR ALL:** Confirmation Registration Forms and Sponsor Testimony Forms were due stapled together on Feb. 16th. For those whose forms are still outstanding, please be sure the sponsor forms are signed and stamped with the parish seal from the sponsor's home parish. Sponsor Forms cannot be accepted without the home parish seal and authorized signature. Confirmation Interviews are scheduled for the evenings of May 22nd and May 24th. All Confirmation candidates have been assigned a specific day and time. Please be sure to arrive on time and follow the dress code. Thank you.

**RCIA/OCIA:** If you or someone you know has ever been curious about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches; our parish is here for you! Whether you grew up in a different religion or not raised in any religion, there is a great way to get your curiosity satisfied and your questions answered. Please call (516)746-6585 x406 or email [esmith@staidanparish.org](mailto:esmith@staidanparish.org).

## ADULT CONFIRMATION: Adult

Confirmation 2023 will take place at the 12PM Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 28th. Please keep our candidates in your prayers during this week: Rachel, Ava, and Tom.

## FAMILY MASS Please Help Family Mass!

Family Mass is looking for more adults to assist in supervising the young people who volunteer each week. It takes very little time and/or training. Supervising volunteers can sign up for whatever Sunday dates work best with their schedules. Please consider helping our young Confirmation candidates to continue to assist at Family Mass. They need us to support them. Anyone 18 or older may volunteer. If you can help, please contact [esmith@staidanparish.org](mailto:esmith@staidanparish.org).

**Family Mass:** Connecting Church and Home! Today, we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter. The liturgical color is white. Today's gospel, (John 12: 1-11a), is part of what is called Jesus' last discourse. It is set in the time very immediate to His death. We hear His deep prayer with the Father. He acknowledged those who follow Him are intimately joined to the Father, just as He and the Father are one. Those who belong to God are contrasted with those who belong to the world. Since we are also followers of Jesus, we proclaim to the world through our own actions our commitment to Jesus Christ. Thus, we are called Christians. This gospel also emphasizes how important prayer was to Jesus.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Prayer is crucial to the formation and life of the Church. During his earthly ministry, Jesus prayed to the Father, demonstrating to his disciples his unity with the Father and placing them under his care. (CCC, 2751) Through prayer, we are united to Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, who prays in us. Christian prayer is always Trinitarian, addressing the unity of the Father and the Son – who prays for us and in us – inspired and enabled by the power of the Holy Spirit." (CCC, 2749). The Catechism points out to us that prayer is our communication with God. All three Persons of the Blessed Trinity are involved in our prayer even if we direct our prayer to one specific Person of the Trinity for God is One. It is worthy to note that during times of extreme hardship, people readily flocked to

prayer and to places of worship. This was evident following political assassinations, the 9/11 tragic disaster, school shootings, as well as prayers even being encouraged across many avenues within the media during the pandemic. Our children need to be formed to be people who pray all the time. Besides the prayers that are memorized early in childhood, children should be exposed to the five kinds of prayer the Catechism teaches us. These forms of prayer are Blessing and Adoration (blessing God, who blesses us with all good gifts), Petition (asking God for what we need), Thanksgiving (thanking God for all that he gives us), Intercession (praying for things that others need), and praise (praising God, not because he has done something for us, but because he is God). These forms of prayer exist in their fullness at Mass as well as prayers spoken spontaneously, memorized, reflective thoughts directed to God, listening, and Lectio Divina, which is praying with the Scriptures. In family life, we can expose children starting simple and small to all the above forms of prayer. It's only natural, if we are devoted to prayer, to share prayer with our children. With older children, point out some of the prayer forms even as they occur during Mass. Making older children more aware of these kinds of prayer can help them as they grow. With younger children, talk simply about prayer being talking to God. Use some prayer starters such as continuing the following "God, please let me know what You want me to do when....." "Thank you, God, for .....", "God, please heal....." "Jesus, please bless ....." The Lord's Prayer commonly called the Our Father, is the prayer that Jesus prayed. Explain what each line of this prayer means because this prayer is memorized early in childhood and contains many of the forms of prayer. Here is the prayer with prompt questions or comments. Our Father (Why is the word OUR important? What kind of love does a father show?) who art in heaven, (We know heaven is our destination. We know God has a place for us.) hallowed be thy name, (How do we keep God's name holy?) Thy kingdom come. (We are part of the Kingdom. Our mission is to act in ways that others will also want to

be part of God's Kingdom.) Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. (What is God's will or plan for us? How do we listen and respond to God's plan?) Give us this day our daily bread, (What do we need to live? Besides what we need to live, how else does God take care of us?) and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, (We ask for God's forgiveness, and we are challenged to extend the same forgiveness to others.) and lead us not into temptation, (We will always face temptation. How do we depend on God to help us avoid making bad choices?) but deliver us from evil. (We know that God loves us and will protect us. How does that give us the strength and courage to confront evil ourselves and help us bring goodness to the world?) Amen. (This is our saying YES to all the things stated in the Our Father.) Prayer changes us for the better! When we help children by sharing prayer and the forms of prayer with them, we are helping children establish a solid comfort level of communication with God. We know life will bring its challenges to our children so exposing them early in life to communicating with God will be a legacy that will empower them throughout their lives.

The Easter season will end next week on Pentecost Sunday. The church will be celebrating the Coming of the Holy Spirit. Pray this week as a family for each family member to be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit! COME HOLY SPIRIT!

## St. Aidan's Family Mass

### JESUS IS ALIVE! ALLELUIA!

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### Coming Events:

**May 21<sup>st</sup> Come visit the Formation Table at the Ministry Fair after Mass!**

**May 28<sup>th</sup> May Crowning. Arrive at 10:15 to participate!**  
**June 11<sup>th</sup> Procession for Corpus Christi**



We welcome your ideas and suggestions. Please email us at: [Faith.Formation@staidanparish.org](mailto:Faith.Formation@staidanparish.org).



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**Tuesday, July 11, 2023**

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# 2023 Priestly Ordination

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*(Diocese of Rockville Centre)*

**Rev. Mr.  
Jinwoo Michael Nam**  
*(Idente Missionaries)*

**Rev. Mr.  
Ditto Subin Wilson**  
*(Idente Missionaries)*

Let us pray for the three men who will be ordained by Bishop John O. Barres to the Holy Priesthood of Jesus Christ on Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of St. Agnes in Rockville Centre.

The Ordination will air live on Catholic Faith Network (CFN). It will be replayed later that evening at 8:00 p.m. CFN can be viewed on Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296 and Time Warner Cable channel 471. CFN is also available on select cable and satellite systems and through live stream on [cfntv.org](http://cfntv.org). You may also view CFN on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android, or by downloading the CFN iOS mobile app at the app store by searching "Catholic Faith Network" or "CFN".



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Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue

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**Sunday, June 4, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.**

Church of St. James, Seaford

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## PRaise TO THE LORD

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**P**raise to the Lord,  
the Almighty,  
the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he  
is your health and salvation!  
Come, all who hear;  
now to his temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, above  
all things so wondrously reigning.  
Sheltering you under his wings,  
and so gently sustaining!  
Have you not seen all that is  
needful has been  
Sent by his gracious ordaining.

Praise to the Lord, who will  
prosper your work and defend you  
surely his goodness and mercy shall  
daily attend you.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriends you.



## O BREATHE ON ME, O BREATH OF GOD

**O**breathe on me, O breath of God,  
Fill me with life anew  
That I may love the things you love,  
And do what you would do.

O breathe on me, O breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure.  
Until my will is one with yours,  
To do and to endure.

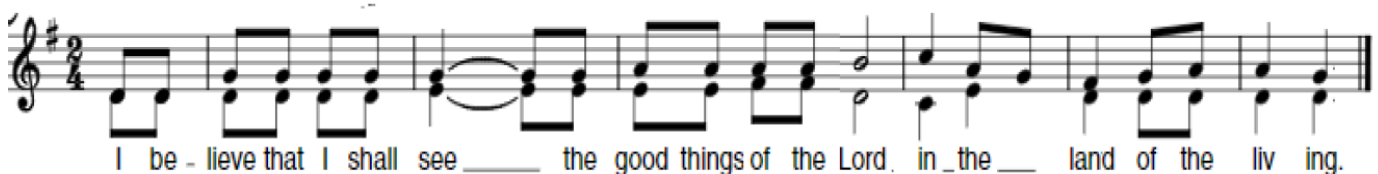
O breathe on me, O breath of God,  
My will to yours incline,  
Until this earthly part of me  
Glow with your fire divine.

## GO MAKE OF ALL DISCIPLES

**G**o make of all disciples, We hear the  
call, O Lord. That comes from you our  
Father, In your eternal Word. Inspire our ways  
of learning through earnest, fervent prayer and  
let our daily living reveal you ev'rywhere.

Go make of all disciples, baptizing in the name  
Of Father, Son, and Spirit  
from age to age the same.

## PSALM 27



## LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING

**L**ove divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art.  
Visit us with thy salvation;  
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive.  
Suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without  
Ceasing, glory in thy perfect love

**MUSIC**

**FOR**

**SUNDAY**

**MASS**



We call each new disciple to follow you, O Lord,  
Redeeming soul and body by water and the Word

## FESTIVAL CANTICLE

**T**his 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.

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:**

## **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you. We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **READING 1 ACTS 1:12-14**

After Jesus had been taken up to heaven the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they entered the city they went to the upper room where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 27**

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek: To dwell in the house of the LORD all

the days of my life, That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD and contemplate his temple.

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me. Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks.

R. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

### **READING 2 1 PT 4:13-16**

Beloved: Rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let no one among you be made to suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as an intriguer. But whoever is made to suffer as a Christian should not be ashamed but glorify God because of the name. Alleluia Jn 14:18 R. Alleluia, alleluia. I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### **GOSPEL JN 17:1-11**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began. "I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of the world. They belonged to you,

and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you gave me is from you, because the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted them and truly understood that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you."

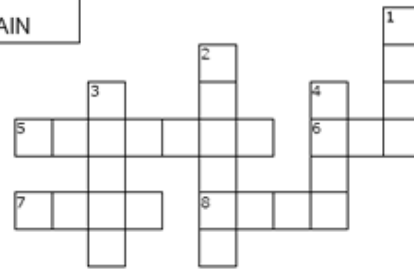
### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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#### ACROSS

5. To keep from being injured or harmed
6. To be a single unit, object, or living being
7. A combination of letters that represents a thought or idea
8. To speak to God

#### DOWN

1. To place in the hands of someone
2. To receive something
3. That which belongs to you
4. Deserving special respect or reverence; worthy of worship

PRAY	GIVE	HOLY	PROTECT
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