

St. Aidan

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL
WILLISTON PARK NEW YORK

OCTOBER 29, 2023

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YOU
SHALL
LOVE

the Lord your God with all your
heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your mind.

MATTHEW
22:37
NRSV

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.

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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, 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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

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.

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.

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

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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 Aidan Parish.ORG

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ST. AIDAN, WILLISTON PARK

FACEBOOK

CHURCH OF SAINT AIDAN WILLISTON PARK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 01

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

Fr. Adrian 12:00 PM
Fr. Jacob 5:30 PM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 02

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 03

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

1 – 3 PM
Fr. Jacob 5:30 PM
Fr. Solomon 8:00 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 04

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

Fr. Jacob 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 05

Fr. Jacob 7:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 9:00 AM

Fr. Solomon 10:30 AM
Fr. Adrian 12:00 PM

Fr. Solomon 5:00PM

ORDINARY TIME WEEK 30

Paul Kane
Anne Arcario (B'day Rem.)
Edward Lock

ORDINARY TIME WEEK 30

Lvg. Int. for Clare Haugh
Steven & Louise DiBiasi
Lvg. Int. for Austine Oh & Alison Oh (Birthday)

ALL SAINTS DAY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Evelyn Monica
SCHOOL ATTENDING
Rose Marie Brech
Rev. James T. Devine (1st Anniv. Rem.)
Parishioners of St. Aidan

ALL SOULS' DAY

Charles Nicoletti (1st Anniv. Rem.)
All Souls' Novena
READING OF NAMES

ORDINARY TIME WEEK 30

Frank Berni
SCHOOL ATTENDING
All Souls' Novena
ADORATION
Michael DeCristoforo (B'day Rem.)
HEALING MASS

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

All Souls' Novena
Frances Currid (3rd Anniv. Rem.)
Antonio F. Martins (B'day Rem.)
Nora Murphy
Maria Liberatoscioli
Atty. Dodo Sarmiento
Flavia Contratti
Sarah Wilder
Tony Dushaj
Paul Kane

ORDINARY TIME WEEK 31

Bridget Cronin (4th Anniv. Rem.)
ROSARIANS ATTENDING
All Souls' Novena
Deceased Members of the Rosarians
Clara Calamari & Mary Ellen McNulty
Alessandro Di Re (B'day & Anniv. Rem.)
PRE-CANA OPENING MASS
DEACON DENIS GANNON PREACHING
Miryam Meza (1st Anniv. Rem.)
Michael Peppard
Frank Accardi (2nd Anniv. Rem.)
Paul Kane
Barbara Grossman
Lvg. & Decd. Mbrs. of the St. Aidan Legion
of Mary
Parishioners of St. Aidan

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9 AM to 12 PM

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Rev. Fr. Jacob Quansah Kyei

Deacons
Rev. Rudy Martin
Rev. Jerry Magaldi
Rev. Salvatore B. Villani

St. Aidan School
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ext. 302, 303 Grades 3-8
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Assistant Principal
Mrs. Barbara Graham

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Thursday appointment.
Closed Friday
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Ms. Rosemarie Cavallaro



What's Pastor Thinking

Today Jesus is confronted by a Pharisee lawyer who wants to trap him, make him look bad in front of

the crowd. So he asks a trick question, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" Whatever law Jesus picks, He's going to be criticized for leaving something out. This is an old trick. If you can't attack what someone says, attack what they didn't say.

Jesus answers, not with one law, but with two, taken from different parts of the Scriptures. He reaches back into Exodus and Leviticus, and responds, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." There you have it. That settles that. Not 613 commandments but two great commandments that sum up and support the whole teaching of the Old Testament. It's so simple! - yet so hard. Simple to say, hard to do.

Many things get in the way of our following the commandments of God. When we make decisions about how to spend money, we too easily put personal wishes ahead of the claims of God. When we choose what life values to follow, it is easier to follow the consensus than stand up for Christ. Our selfishness, our sinfulness, and our distorted sense of what's good for us make it hard to love God completely.

And then Jesus goes on to say, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Talk about impossible! It's hard enough to love God, who is perfect; so how can Jesus expect us to love our neighbor, who is sinful and imperfect - just as we all are!

The word Jesus uses for love is 'agape,' unconditional love. It's love without limits, love without strings, love for the unlovable. We can't love like that.

But God can; God can and God does love like that! God loves with agape love - love for the unlovable, and love for those who find it hard to love others. God loves like

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Thirtieth Sunday
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October is
Respect Life Month:
*We are not just for Life, but for
Eternal Life with God
in Heaven*

"...I came that they may have life,
and have it abundantly."
- John 10:10

respect life
month
OCTOBER 2023

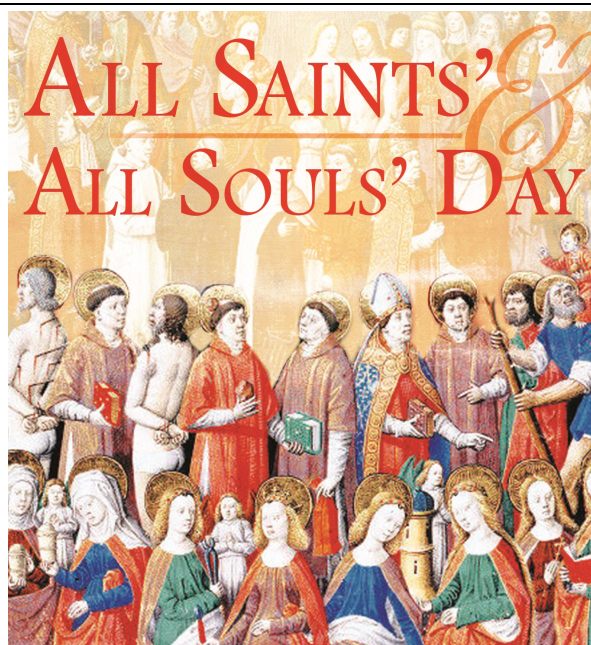
"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its
conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to
defend the dignity of every human person with courageous
determination. Christ is with you: be not afraid!"
- Pope St. John Paul II

Learn more →

that - unconditionally. Why, God even loves our world, in spite of our failure to love God and others! No, it doesn't come easily, the ability to love. It takes a whole lifetime of practice, and practice we must. We love, because God has first loved us. God is love.

A PRAYER FOR A WORLD AT WAR

Gracious God, we pray for all persons suffering from war. May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure great suffering and hardship. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and terror. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward peace in the Middle East; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace, and in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.



Remember your loved ones by enrolling them in the Masses for November. Envelopes can be found at the Church or in your envelope packet. Your list of names will be placed with the Book of Remembrance at the Shrine of Our Lady for the month of November. Those mentioned on the envelopes and in the Book of Remembrance will be remembered at Masses throughout November.

MASSES ON ALL SAINTS DAY

Tuesday, October 31st at 5:30 PM
Wednesday November 1st at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
12:00 PM & 5:30 PM.

MASSES ON ALL SOULS DAY

Thursday November 2nd at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM.
*The reading of names of those who died this year will be at the
5:30 PM Mass on All Souls Day.*

THOSE WHO ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM INCLUDE

Baby Bradley Marino Jelcic
P J Kennedy
Michael Kenny
Fearghal McHugh
Christopher Dand
Eileen Mary Ebert
Fran Lesser
Lisa Sorgi
Alex Grinacoff
Mason Guadagno
Colleen Cassidy
Dianne Karl
Cindy Albini
Sr. Mary Ann Ambrose
Jinny Gallagher
Cliff Pelzer
Joshua Lowenthal
Mafalda Leddy
Joseph & Diane LaBianca
Colleen Edwards
Rolanda John
Jean Lopardo
Gloria Maughn
Betty Gaffney
Christine Hogg
Rosa Barroca
Doreen Downes
Tecky Johnides
Irene McCann
Domiano Cottone
Theresa Yanotti

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

MICHAEL CONTE
JAMES P. HUGHES

WILLIAM J. DOYLE
Saturday, November 4
11:00 AM

BREAD & WINE

In Loving Memory of
Mary Creegan
Requested By
The Kandhi Family



STEWARDSHIP

10/16/22 \$22,701
10/15/23 \$22,745

10/23/22 \$22,701
10/22/23 \$29,611

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

ATTENDANCE

10/14/15/2023
10/21/22/2023

EXTRA ENVELOPE

All Saints Day

ONLINE GIVING

staidanparish.org.
Click DONATE.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

Goal \$180,400
Pledges \$109,740
Donors 328
Payments \$104,954

WEDDING BELLS

OCTOBER 28, 2023

3:00 PM

Sara Ashley Vandervort
Christopher Connolly
Sauvigne
St. Aidan

DECEMBER 1, 2023

3:30 PM

Connie Toala
St. Charles Borromeo
Christopher Daniel Rodriguez
St. Kevin

DECEMBER 2, 2023

3:00 PM

Alannah Gabrielle Basile
Guy Robert Barbano
St. Mary

DECEMBER 3, 2023

3:00 PM

Kathleen Anne Tantillo
St. Aidan
Daniel Ryan McCormick
St. Aidan

DECEMBER 8, 2023

3:30 PM

Kristina Tarnok
St. Aidan
James Matthew Kelly

THIS NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER

OCTOBER 2022

ANGELA GAGLIARDO
LORETTA MCKAY
THERESA D'ORSOGNA
JOYCE LAGRECA
WILLIAM J. BERGER
CATHERINE COLLINS
MARY ITA DWYER
MARY A. MEEHAN
JENNIFER GIARDINA
MAGALI AGOSTO
JAMES STOMPF
FRANK D. KEENAN

NOVEMBER

SUSAN SANELLI-RUSSO
CAROLINE ZGUTOWICZ
LEONARD LORUSSO
JOHN P. MANNING
JOSEPH WENGLER
JOSEPH J. FIORE
TERENCE J. MOONEY
THERESA LAMBERTSON
DAVID A. SCHEIDELER
DIANE THERESE DELESSIO

DECEMBER

CARMELA COLLETTI
GERARD DANA
MARY MONE
MARY JANE CAMPISE
MANUEL FUENTES
DOMINICK CONTE
NORMA ARANALDE
NICHOLAS SICILIANO
CATHERINE L. RUOFF
WALTER E. COVENY
FRANCIS GOMES
PATRICIA BANCONE
EDWARD L. RISING
CARL D. ECKOFF
THEODORE MINOR

JANUARY 2023

RICHARD HUGHES
SARAH PIHL
CECILIA LAHEY
EDWARD G. JOHNSON

JACK BIRBIGLIA
MARYLOU HICKEY
JULIUS JACOBSON
RICHARD TROIANO
MARY CREEGAN
REGINA L. ALLEN
JOSEPHINE ANSELMO
ISABELLA DRAGA RIVERA
OLIVIERO BOZZI
PAUL ROGAN
HELEN MULLIN
STEVEN PETER DI BIASI
LOUISE DI BIASI
DEAN LOUIS PAPPAS, JR
HELEN T. MCCAFFREY
EVELYN T. SINGLEMAN

FEBRUARY

PATRICIA BRENNAN
CRAIG J. HAUSER
MICHAEL C. FORTUNE
MAUREEN THRUSH
DONALD N. TRUSCH
JEAN KERN
DOMINICK NOVIELLO
MICHAEL WENGLER
JULIA "MICKEY" MASTERSON
MARIA ZAPPALA
JOAN MCGUCKIN
STEVEN H. LEHMANN
MARY V. DART
LILLIAN GIAMBASTIANI

MARCH

FRANK SIMONE
JOSEPHINE PANTANO
WILLIAM M. HAGER
HENRY W. KEMPF
RONALD J. PUGLIESE
SOFIA DANIELLE ABBALLE
ALEYKUTTY KOZIKOTT
BERNADETTE DEFALCO

APRIL

JOHN R. ASAM
CATHERINE A. WALSH
THEODORE J. KRUKOWSKI
ARLENE BABYAK

MICHAEL W. NOVER
BRIDGET MURRAY
ANTHONY RICHARD COSTA
CONCETTA CACCAVIELLO
CATHERINE "KITTY" HOFFMAN
MARY T. SCHRECK
GRAZIELLA RISERVATO
KEVIN P. FLYNN

MAY

ANN MIRITELLO
MARIA MATOS
PAUL ARDUINI
NAT INFURNA
ANTHONY MERCURIO
KEVIN P. SHANAHAN
CLARYCE KOHL
CAROL BONGIORNO
THOMAS LAGERMAN
KATHLEEN A. GRUPPE
CLAIRE J. BANTZHAFF
LUCY PERILLO
GEORGE BASIL KAWAS
JAMES THOMAS SPEEDLING
ANNA RANDAZZO
ARTHUR WARD TOOFIG, JR
KEVIN MULLIGAN
HENRY "HANK" BREUER
ASSUNTA "SUSAN" TANGORRA

JUNE

MILIVOJ ANTIC
JOHN HUGHES
MARIE M. GUGLIOTTA
FRANCIS GUNN
GERALD UMLAUF
JOANNE MEZZETTI
PETER BENEDETTO
JOAN A. SHANNON
RITA GRINSELL

JULY

ANNA MAY RUMM
SIMON LUKOSE
JOSEPH SDAO
ANNA JEANNIE D'AMBROSIO
RALPH NUZZOLESE
FRANCIS M. SMITH

FRANCIS M. CONNOLLY
ALFONSO LACAMERA
BEATRICE PARRINELLO

AUGUST

ANGELA POLINO
GRACE M. KLVANA
MARY ANNE MICERA
AMELIA F. GOLDSMITH
PATRICIA E. FRISCHMANN
BRIAN J. JANICEK
ROSE ANN MCSORLEY
CLARA CALAMARI
MICHAEL ALBERTIERI
MICHAEL LANZETTA
KEVIN C. MORAN
THERESA ROSE DELLA CORTE
ROSE SWEENEY
SUSAN MARIE LORUSSO
CELESTE COSENZA
ANTHONY IOVINO
GAIL BEYROUTY
LEONOR C. HERNANDEZ
MARY ELLEN McNULTY
FRANCES SFERLAZZA GARGIULLO
EVELYN MONICA

SEPTEMBER

ITALINA COSTA
GLORIA A. COLOZZI
NORA MURPHY
ANDREW SUPPE
FRANK X. KOMLOSY
MARIE E. LIBERATOSCIOLI
BARRY DAVID WEAVER
MICHAEL FLEMING
PAUL V. KANE, JR.
WILLIAM J. DOYLE

OCTOBER

JOHN H. HENSON
MARIO H. SILVA
RAYMOND J. CASSIDY
JEANNETTE LENNEY
LAURA A. ANNETTA
MICHAEL CONTE
JAMES P. HUGHES

WELCOME MASSES FOR 8TH GRADE

STUDENTS FORM FAITH FORMATION & CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Dear 8th Grade Students and Parents

We are overjoyed that you are participating in our Confirmation Preparation Process. Our aim is simply to help you and your family to grow in relationship with Jesus and His Church.

FIRST MASS FOR 8TH GRADE

The first Mass for 8th Grade parents and students to attend is at 9 AM Mass on Sunday 11/12/23 **OR** 5 PM on Saturday 11/18/23. At this Mass 8th Grade candidates will present a letter addressed to the pastor requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation.

LETTER REQUESTING CONFIRMATION

The letter should introduce yourself and tell about your family, yourself and your interests. Why do you want to receive the sacrament of Confirmation? What type of follower of Christ do you want to be? What types of service can you perform in church, family and community? What is your Confirmation name? Why did you choose this name? Who is your sponsor? Why did you choose your sponsor? One page is good, but feel welcome to write more.

FULL RECEPTION IN THE CHURCH

St. Aidan's congratulates Landon Lee, who receives full reception into the Church at the 12:00 PM Mass on Sunday through receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation, and Eucharist. Our parish family of St. Aidan is blessed to have this young man join us. Please welcome him and keep him in your prayers.

NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

The month of November is traditionally a time in which the Catholic community remembers those who have died. It is related to the fact that the end of November is the end of the Liturgical Year with a new year starting the First Sunday of Advent – the four-week period of preparation before Christmas. The Church then uses this end of the year period as a time to think of the end of life and the end of all things and

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

Blessed Carlo Acutis shows us that even in such a short life, our lives can bear much fruit. The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness and self-control. One way you can bear fruit is through acts of kindness / service.

ACTS OF KINDNESS / SERVICE.

What acts of kindness or service do you think you could do for your family, your community and as a member of the Church? Your preparation for Confirmation includes participation in one or more service projects which consists of 10 hours of service for each Confirmation candidate. Pray about it! Examine your own talents and gifts. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you. Challenge yourself and be creative!

Besides ongoing established programs at school or locally, you might have some new ideas to explore or share with others. Can you serve at St. Aidan as an altar server, lector, choir member or classroom assistant? Can you discuss this with your parents, sponsor, teacher, and friends and plan to do a project as a group.

Keep a diary / log of your service. Later this year you will be asked to present a summary of your service hours. Why stop service at 10 hours! It's OK to keep going. Part of the reason for the service hour requirement is that we are called to serve for the rest of our lives.

Once again, thank you for participating in the St. Aidan Confirmation Preparation Process. Through CLASS, attending MASS and making acts of SERVICE to others, may we together become ALIVE IN CHRIST.

Fr. Adrian

the great hope that our earthly end is transition into a new life in God's heavenly reality. We give thanks for those who have gone before us and we look with prayer and hope to their new life in heaven and our desire to join them there one day.

At St. Aidan a Book of Remembrance and a collection of envelopes with your list of names will be placed at the Shrine of Our Lady. Members of the community are invited to write and add the name of a family member or friend who has died and place that name in remembrance. Masses are offered throughout November for those whose names are placed at Shrine. May they rest in peace.

ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints' Day is a solemnity celebrated on November 1st. On this day we celebrate the great Communion of Saints, which includes those holy men and women who have passed before

us but have not been canonized. Masses will be offered on All Saints Day on Tuesday, October 31st at 5:30 PM and on Wednesday November 1st at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM.

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls' Day is celebrated on November 2nd and is a day to remember and pray for all those who have died. Envelopes are available in church to list the names of your deceased. Masses will be offered on All Souls Day on Thursday November 2nd at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM. The reading of the names of those who died this year will be at the 5:30 PM Mass on All Souls Day.

ORDINATION TO DIACONATE

We pray for Dennis Gannon who will be ordained a deacon this week. May God's love and blessing be upon him, and may you receive continued grace, peace and wisdom as you enter the ministry. Deacon Dennis will preach his first Mass at St. Aidan on Sunday November 5th at 12:00 PM. We extend our congratulations to his parents Dennis & Eileen, family, neighbors and friends.

WELCOME TO PRE-CANA

We welcome couples attending the St. Aidan Pre-Cana Course at the 12:00 PM Mass on Sunday November 5th. The Church rejoices with couples as they approach the Sacrament of Marriage and we all wish to support them in living their married life to the fullest. This is a time for an engaged couple to discover and deepen their faith and receive direction. Thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers and to all the couples who attend.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023

Confirmation for 9th Grade students at the Church of St. Aidan will be celebrated at 11:00 AM and 1:30 PM on Friday, November 10, 2023. Bishop John Barres will preside at both services. Candidates and their sponsors will gather in the church before the celebration. All family members are welcome. You do not require tickets to enter.

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.

PRAY AS THE BLESSED MOTHER ASKED IN FATIMA

In 1917 Mary appeared to the three children in Fatima six times! On her very first apparition she asked that the Rosary be said everyday for Peace and at that time it was also to convert Russia. At this time in 2023 her requests still stand. Mary is calling us to pray for Peace in this world, for Israel, the Palestinian People and Russia and for all the world to return to

God. So come and join the Mary Queen of Peace Prayer Group to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Come once or every week or just drop in when you can. Wednesdays @ 7 PM in the Convent. We pray for our families, our priests, the church and for peace in the world. To Jesus through Mary. Everyone is welcome! For more info call Gloria, 516-859-6593.

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 ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Corporate Mass of the Rosary Altar Society will be on November 5th at 9am. This Mass will be offered in memory of deceased Rosarians Clara Calamari and Mary Ellen McNulty. The monthly meeting of the Rosary society will be on Monday, Nov.6th in Msgr Kirwin Hall at 7pm. At this meeting Dennis Bilgen, a former NFL Player will speak about the importance of organ donation. Dennis received a kidney from an organ donation program and will tell about his journey and his faith throughout the process. All women of the parish are invited to attend this meeting and think about joining the Rosary Altar Society. We are a faith filled group who volunteer, share and pray all in honor of the Blessed Mother. We welcome and encourage new members.

First Saturday Devotion Please plan to join the parish on First Saturdays for devotion to the blessed Mother. Prayers start at 8:45am, followed by Mass and recitation of the Rosary. Next first Saturday is November 4th.

LEGION OF MARY CAUSE OF OUR JOY PRAESIDIUM

Meetings in the Convent Ivory 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

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Any young lady in 6th grade through 12th that are interested in joining the Junior Catholic Daughters, you are welcome to come to our meetings. For more information please email jcdacourtstaidan1577@gmail.com. Coming up events:

- 11/4 - Food Drive at King Kullen (Garden City Park) 9 AM-12noon

- 11/5 - Meeting - Convent 9am-10am - assembling birthday boxes
- 11/16 - Ronald McDonald House 4pm to 6pm
- 12/2 - Meeting - Convent 4:30pm - Advent Wreath Candle Lighting, followed by 5 PM mass, then returning to the convent for our Christmas Party 6 PM-7:30 PM - dinner will be provided and please bring a dessert
- 12/14 Ronald McDonald House 4pm to 6pm

THE UNITED HEARTS OF JESUS & MARY PRAYER GROUP

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and consecration to Jesus and Mary. For more information, please contact Tecky at (516) 655-9755. The next gathering is November 30, at 7:00 PM in the church on the last Thursday of the month.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT #1577

New members are always welcome! We meet at 7:30pm in Monsignor Kirwin Hall. Please email cdastaidan.1577@gmail.com with any questions! Tuesday, November 14th, Tuesday, December 12th, Tuesday, January 9th, Tuesday, February 13th, Tuesday, March 12th, Tuesday, April 9th, Tuesday, May 14th, Tuesday, June 11th

THE COME AND SEE SPIRITUAL GROUP

Invites you to an experience of Lectio Divina. In anticipation of the upcoming celebration of the Eucharistic Revival, we will be praying with St. John's Gospel (Ch 6) including the Bread of Life Discourse and coming together for reflection and sharing. The dates will be Tuesdays. November 7 and 21, and December 5, 2023. Times: 10-11:15 AM or 7-8:15 PM. Location: St Aidan's Convent, Pembroke St, Williston Park. Facilitated by Jane Gelderman. If you are interested or have any questions, call or text 516 996-8843.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First and Third Fridays of the month 1:00-3:00 PM in the church. November 3, 17.

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. November 26, December 24.

FRIDAY CHARISMATIC PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Join us every Friday from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. Healing Mass first Friday of the month. November 3, December 1.

ST. AIDAN RESPECT LIFE GROUP

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH! Prayer is one of the most powerful ways to change hearts and minds. Forty Days for Life has begun their campaign in Hempstead which will run through November 5. Please come join us to pray outside

Planned Parenthood in Hempstead. For more information, go to 40 Days for Life, www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/hempstead/. If you are in any way unfamiliar with the Respect Life/Pro Life message, or just want to show support, please stop by. The RESPECT LIFE GROUP will have its next meeting on Tuesday, November 7 at 7pm in the Blue Room of the Convent. Our 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, and raising funds for pro-life efforts and new mothers. Please contact Anne Marie Egan if you are interested in joining. elamjoe@aol.com 516-873-8320. Our next meeting will be November 7, at 7:30 pm in the Ivory room of the convent.

HGL INTERCESSORY PRAYER COMMUNITY

HGL Intercessory Prayer Community meets at 7pm on Monday in the Convent yellow room. All are welcome to journey with us into a deeper relationship with Jesus, interceding for our Church, our clergy, our families and our nation. Learn more about us at HISGLOBALOVE.org.

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED ST. AIDAN CHURCH & SCHOOL IN YOUR WILL OR ESTATE PLAN?

Your parish means so much to you, from the friendships you've made to the faith enrichment you've received. As a faithful parishioner you have assisted in the Lord's work by helping to build our faith community. Your stewardship over the years is commendable and much appreciated. Kindly remember St. Aidan in your Will or Estate Plan?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Since 1923, Corpus Christi Council #2502 of the Knights of Columbus has been serving its members, the Church and the Community putting the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism into action. To celebrate this milestone, we will have a 100th Anniversary Party on Saturday, November 11th and we invite you to join us. We will begin with the 5:00 pm Mass at Corpus Christi Church followed by cocktails and dinner-dance at the Council Hall (186 Jericho Tpke, Mineola). The cost for this gala is \$ 120 per person which includes open bar and a sumptuous dinner prepared by executive chefs Pete Augello & Joe Lester. Music to set your toes a-tapping will be provided by the band, Switch. We invite

you to make reservations now to join the party - Contact Tom Kelly; phone (516) 642-3242 or email tomkelly11501@gmail.com by Oct. 25th.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A CATHOLIC GROUP

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 at 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, NY. RSVP to Ruth Ann at 516-317-6356

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

- Food items needed: RAISIN BRAN CEREAL, MULTI-GRAIN CEREAL, JARS OF SAUCE, TOOTHPASTE, TISSUES, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, DISHWASHING LIQUID, SPONGES, APPLE JUICE AND OIL. 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.
- 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 of 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, November 13th and November 27th. Please use the side entrance to the upper school building located on Dover Street (the entrance is across the street from the Bishop’s office. If you have any question please call Parish Social Ministry 746-6585, ext. 410.

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

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

EUCHARIST

*The Sacrament
of Life and Love*

Bishop Andrzej

Mission

*November 6th & 7th
2023*

*Monday & Tuesday
evening
7pm to 8pm*

*Our Holy Redeemer
Church*

37 S. Ocean Ave.

Freeport

(516) 378-0665



THANKSGIVING 2023

*Whatever you do in word or deed
let's make a difference to those in
need!!*

This Thanksgiving we are planning on helping many families with a thanksgiving meal which they can enjoy! I am asking everyone to assist in making this happen. As many of you know we take care of our parish families who use the food pantry throughout the year as well the families of St. John the Baptist, New Ground and the River Fund. We are also accepting local food store gift cards (Stop n Shop, King Kullen, Food Emporium and Target) in any denomination that can be used to purchase turkeys or food items. Kindly bring all donations to Parish Social Ministry on or before November 9th. God bless you and your families!

Rosemarie Cavallaro



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.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Are you the son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great grandson or granddaughter of a Veteran who served in the Military or is presently serving? American Legion Auxiliary Unit 144 has scholarship applications available. Applications can be picked up at the Williston Park Library or please contact Dianne Karl. For the website to download the applications. Email diannel@optimum.net or call 516-778-0006. Please call if you have any questions. Note: Our unit has had scholarship winners for the past 10 years.

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

- Fall 2023 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun November 5, 2023 at 12 Noon – 1:30pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: November 11, 2023 from 8:30am – 4:45pm. Closing Mass: Sat November 11, 2023 at 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- Winter 2024 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun March 3, 2024 at 12 Noon – 1:30pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: March 9, 2024 from 8:30am – 4:45pm. Closing Mass: Sat March 9, 2024 at 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- Spring 2024 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun June 2, 2024 at 12 Noon – 1:30pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: June 8, 2024 from 8:30am – 4:45pm. Closing Mass: Sat June 8, 2024 at 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- Fall 2024 Classes. Opening Mass: Sun November 3, 2024 at 12 Noon – 1:30pm. Pre Cana Class: Sat: November 9, 2024 from 8:30am – 4:45pm. Closing Mass: Sat November 9, 2024 at 5:00pm – 6:00pm

To Register call St Aidan Parish Rectory Office (516) 746-6585. The St. Aidan Moderator is Deacon Rudy Martin: Email: Dcrudy@Staidanparish.org. if you cannot make any of these dates you can attend a course facilitated by the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Contact 678-5800 ext. 223 or go on-line to register at www.drvc-faith.org. Click on "Marriage. Scroll down to find Marriage Preparation and FOCCUS on line registration.

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. Our

next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 4 & 5, 2023. Visit longisland.Engagedencounter.com for information and registration.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Want to fall in love again? Here's a chance to get away for the weekend and focus on your spouse to renew and refresh your relationship. To help your good marriage be great!! Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood? Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage on a World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Every relationship is a journey. The grind of everyday life can cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This experience will help you listen, share and connect more deeply. Our next weekend experience will be November 10-12, 2023 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, Long Island. Register at WWME.org or contact: Kevin & Regina Hickson (516) 554-3835

BECAUSE NO MARRIAGE IS BEYOND HOPE...

A marriage-saving program here in the New York/Metropolitan Area.

- Is your marriage tearing you apart?
 - Do you feel hurt and angry?
 - Does talking make it worse?
 - Thought of leaving or divorce?
 - Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction?
- Retrouvaille can help. Our Next Weekend is November 3-5, 2023 at The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington. To register or for more information: 1-800-470-2230 HelpOurMarriage.org. Retrouvaille is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges. It is not a marriage retreat, or counseling. You will not be asked to share the personal details of your story. Retrouvaille is different; it's a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthy, happier, stronger marriage. Catholic in origin, couples of all faiths, or no faith background, are welcome to attend. We are a Christian Peer Ministry offering tens of thousands of marriages hope in over 160 communities world-wide.

SPIRITUALITY FOR SINGLES

Monthly Singles Gathering on Saturday, Nov 4, 2023, 8:30PM, St. Aidan Parish, 510 Willis Ave., Williston Park, NY, 11596. Our monthly gathering for singles. Ages 40+; \$10.00 donation - snacks, pizza and beverages will be served. Contact: Ray (516) 561-6994 or spiritualityforsingles@gmail.com

WIDOWS / WIDOWERS SOCIAL GROUP

Meetings are held on the 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

2023 CATHOLIC FAITH NETWORK AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will host the CFN Award of Excellence Luncheon on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at the Garden City Hotel. This year's honorees include Bishop Richard Henning, Religious Leader, Dr. Peter Kilpatrick, Catholic Higher Education Leader and Frank and Lori DeLucia, Business Leaders. Bob and Diane Pape will serve as Co-Chairs for the event. For more information, please visit www.cfnawards.org.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

The Ragamuffin Parade has been a longstanding tradition in the Village of Williston Park. The Annual Halloween Parade will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023. All ghosts, goblins, witches and those who want to join the fun can come to the Village Hall at 3:30. The Parade steps off at 3:30 p.m. and will proceed west on Lafayette Street, north on Park Avenue, east on Center Street, crossing Willis Avenue, east on Dartmouth Street, north on Broad Street, to Kelleher Field. At Kelleher Field there will be games, races, best costume contest and DJ.

GREAT GIVE BACK

For the month of October, the library is participating in the Great Give Back. We will be collecting pet food and supplies for Baxter's Pet Pantry, a division of LI Cares. A donation box will be set up in the library by the front window.

BUS TRIP TO WIND CREEK CASINO, BETHLEHEM

Hosted by Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Hicksville, NY.
When: Tuesday, November 28, 2023. Cost: \$52 per person, which includes the driver's tip. Give back: \$35 slot play.
Time: Please arrive before 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.

FOCUS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WWW.CFFOR.ORG

Please Pray the "Rosary for America"

Printable from the website at www.cffor.org

When a new nation emerged from the thirteen British Colonies of the New World, the Catholic Church was to become a bulwark of the lives and the Judeo-Christian foundation of that nation. Although the Catholic church and its followers had been distrusted and unwelcome throughout most of the colonies from the earliest settlements, the Catholics persisted in their faith so that at the time of the first United States' census in 1790 there were almost 4 million people but only 65,000 Catholics.

SAINT AIDAN'S BOOSTER CLUB

Chances to win every month!

\$30 Annual Membership runs September 2023 – June 2024

Drawings every week including \$20 prizes *and* every month including \$50 and \$25 prizes.
Special drawings including \$500 winners in December and June *and* \$100 winners every other month.

The Booster Club is administered by The Saint Aidan's School Board.
All proceeds directly benefit the school.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR JOIN NOW!

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

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

E-mail address _____

I would like _____ numbers at \$30 each. \$ _____ enclosed

☐ Please check here if this is a *renewal* of an existing membership.

Any questions, please email StAidanBooster@gmail.com.
Thank you for your support of St. Aidan School!



DID YOU KNOW?

Planned Gifts of IRAs are not the best assets for family members to inherit?

WHY?

Heirs will pay taxes on these financial instruments.



On the other hand, IRAs are good assets to give to the Church or other charity when doing your estate planning since they will not pay a tax on retirement assets they inherit.

Making a planned gift of a retirement asset reduces the tax burden on a family. In addition, making a planned gift of an IRA is easy and affordable. All it takes is to update a beneficiary designation with a donor's bank or investment company.

For more information on tax-wise planned gifts, contact Barbara Kilarjian at 516-678-5800 ext. 257 or email her at bkilarjian@drvc.org

This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.

The first American born Bishop, John Carroll, was given the responsibility of organizing the Catholic church throughout these newly United States, governed by a Constitution proclaiming religious freedom for all. Bishop Carroll faced a daunting task but had within him an abiding faith in the Blessed Virgin Mary and the power of her intercession. Jesuit Bishop John Carroll, the first bishop and archbishop in the United States, and of Baltimore in his first pastoral letter of May 28, 1792, to the Catholics throughout the thirteen states, dedicated our country to the Mother of God.

He wrote: "I shall only add this my earnest request, that to the exercise of the sublimest virtues, faith, hope and charity, you will join a fervent and well-regulated devotion to the Holy Mother of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; that you will place great confidence in her in all your necessities..."

The Blessed Mother, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, has been the patroness of the United States since 1846 when so declared by the Bishops of the United States. At this time in the trials of our nation and its religious freedom please make it a habit to pray for each state and each of its officials by invoking Mary's intercession by reciting the "Rosary for America" available to print on the home page at www.cffor.org

Pope Adrian VI declared: "The Rosary is the scourge of the devil." Mary herself, immaculately conceived and full of grace, brings only fear and terror to the devil and his underlings. When we join her in the prayer she gave us, we receive her intercession and protection as we seek Christ."

LITURGY COLUMN

As Catholics, we have many prayers, but our one great communal prayer is the Mass. And why is this so important? First, obviously, because it is the prayer that includes the celebration of the Eucharist. But the fact that it is a communal prayer is part of what makes this possible. What did Jesus teach us about prayer? For one thing, when we pray together, we get results. Mt 18: 19 – 20 "Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." He also told us to ask in His name. Jn 16: 23b - 24 "Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete." And that is what we do at Mass. We, together, pray in His name, and this is most particularly the case immediately before and throughout the consecration during the Canon of the Mass. The Mass has several parts, but the core of the Mass is the Canon, the fundamental part of the Mass that comes after the Offertory and before the Communion. Unlike the rest of the Mass, it doesn't change. Think of the scriptural readings and the prayers offered by the celebrant prefaced by "Let us pray". They are different every day. But the Canon stays the same.

Yes, there are four versions of it, but they all say basically the same thing and they are essentially interchangeable. And it is because the Canon is the core of the Mass that the basic meaning of the prayers must remain unchanged. In particular, it is the words of the priest, praying on behalf of all of us, asking that God accept the gifts we offer and make them acceptable so that they may become the Body and Blood of Christ that demonstrate this. Here are the words of each of the four Eucharistic prayers. Eucharistic Prayer I: "Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ." II "Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ." III "Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries." And IV "Therefore, O Lord, we pray: may this same Holy Spirit graciously sanctify these offerings, that they may become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the celebration of this great mystery, which he himself left us as an eternal covenant." The words are different in each version of the prayer, but the premise is the same. We can offer these gifts (and notice that the priest says "we", not "I"), but only God can make them become the Body and Blood of His Son, which is what we, gathered together, ask in His name, as He told us to do. And since He promised that if we did so, His Father would do as we asked, He will bless and make acceptable these gifts so that they will become the Body and Blood of His Son. That is why we have the confidence to continue with the Consecration. For next, the celebrant recounts the setting, the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the Eucharist, and then uses exactly the same words recorded in the scriptures, and they are the same at every Mass, regardless of which Eucharistic Prayer is used: "Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my Body, which will be given up for you. Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me." These words cannot be changed. They are the words Jesus gave us so that through the request we jointly present to His Father, the bread and wine becomes His Body and Blood. Transubstantiation requires both the prayer for God to act and the words Jesus bequeathed to us. This is what is behind the Church's doctrine of the Real Presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus under the outward appearance of bread and wine. It is what the early Church Fathers knew and believed, and what has been the doctrine of the Church ever since. All the subsequent debate and discussion serve only to amplify this. The bottom line is, do we believe what Jesus says? They did.

ACTS OF SERVICE

ALTAR SERVERS & LECTORS

We believe in a God who washed feet, a God who calls us into service. Weekend Mass is a great place to offer service. Why not get involved?

- All students 5th Grade and older are invited to serve as altar server or lector.
- Students in 7th & 8th Grade can fulfill their required 10 hours of service in these ministries.

ALTAR SERVERS

The Ministry of the Altar Server provides young people with an opportunity to develop a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist. To qualify you must be Catholic, have received First Holy Communion, be in Fifth Grade or older as of September 2023.

- An Introduction Class will be held in the Church at 6:00 PM on Monday 11/06, Thursday 11/09, Monday 11/13, Wednesday 11/15, Thursday 11/16. You need to attend ONE class. Training includes instruction on the liturgy and altar server responsibilities.
- New altar servers will be asked to form a team of three altar servers and choose what Masses your team can serve. The altar server schedule is prepared by Mr. Kevin Duckfield.
- An Installation Mass for new altar servers will be held at 10:30 AM on Sunday November 19.

LECTOR

Lectors proclaim the Word of God. Teams of 2 lectors will be formed which could be two students or a parent and child. You need to attend a brief training session.

Return this form to Fr. Adrian
St. Aidan Rectory, 505 Willis Ave,
Williston Park, NY 11596

OR email rectory@staidanparish.org

STUDENT'S NAME:

GRADE YOU ARE IN AS OF 09/23

SCHOOL YOU ATTEND:

PARENTS NAMES:

ADDRESS:

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER:

PARENTS EMAIL:

I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME:

LECTOR
ALTAR SERVER

FOR ALTAR SERVING:

I CAN ATTEND CLASS AT 6:00 PM IN ST
AIDAN CHURCH ON (*CHOOSE ONE*)

MONDAY 11/06
THURSDAY 11/09
MONDAY 11/13
WEDNESDAY 11/15
THURSDAY 11/16



ONGOING COMMUNICATION: Please visit our webpages at 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 by appointment only, and closed on Fridays.

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: Thank you to all who volunteered to assist in the Faith Formation program. We are always in need of substitute catechists. Lesson plans and materials are provided for substitute catechists. Please contact the office for more information at x405. We need your help

MULTISENSORY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: The Multisensory Program serves children who would benefit from a smaller class setting. 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) 746-6585 x406 or esmith@staidanparish.org. We are always looking for additional adult catechists and volunteers. If you have some time and would like to learn more

about how you can help, please contact 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 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.

CONFIRMATION 2023 REHEARSAL:

There will be a rehearsal for each session of Confirmation 2023 on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:45PM for those assigned to 11AM and at 7:45 for those assigned to 1:30PM. Please be sure your children attend the correct rehearsal. Emails are being sent regarding seating assignments for the candidates and their sponsors, information to be passed on to the sponsors, and other important information regarding general directions for Confirmation 2023.

ATTENTION TUESDAY CLASSES:

THERE ARE NO CLASSES ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 BECAUSE IT IS HALLOWEEN. BE SAFE AND HAPPY TRICK OR TREATING!

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:

Wednesday, November 1st is All Saints Day, which is a Holy Day of Obligation meaning that Catholics are expected to attend Mass just as we do on Sundays. Please make every effort to attend. **WE DO HAVE CLASSES;** however, students attending 5:30 classes on Wednesdays will be attending the 5:30 Mass during part of their class time. Those children

Saturday - October 21 - 5 PM

7th Grade Confirmation Commitment



Parents Blessing Their 7th Graders

Students and Parents Completing the Commitment



should report FIRST to their classes. They will return to class after Mass.

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.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Spread the word! An adult Confirmation class will begin in January 2024 for any Adult Catholics (18+), who have not been confirmed and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Adult Confirmation will be celebrated in May. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 516-746-6585 x406 or email esmith@staidanparish.org.

SUPPORT 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 adult volunteers can sign up for whatever Sunday dates work best with their schedules. If you can help, please contact esmith@staidanparish.org.

CONNECTING CHURCH AND HOME: Today is the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The liturgical color is green.

Today's Gospel, (Matthew 22:32-40), begins with Jesus being questioned by the Pharisees, who were trying to trap Him. Their question was both simple and profound. They asked Jesus about which was the greatest commandment. He answered correctly quoting the Torah in Deuteronomy 6:5 which says that one who follows God's law must love God with one's whole being; however, Jesus continued by quoting

again from Leviticus 19:18, which is the command to love one's neighbor. Jesus put these two quotes together to form the Great Commandment, which is central to Christian practice and evident in Christian worship. These Jewish elders were not pleased at anyone equating loving God with loving others. Jesus emphasized that we must love God who created us but loving others, who are also created by God, is an integral part of following God's ways. You can't have one without the other!

Interestingly, for all the controversy Jesus' teaching would stir up among the Jews of His time, fast-forwarding to today, in our nation, founded on Judeo-Christian principles, many folks believe we have moved quite far from Christian principles; however, the Golden Rule of loving others can be seen reflected in the many self-help books on store shelves and in some school character education programs, but God is usually left out of most of them! People are searching to make sense of everything whirling around them and it has turned into big business instead of refocusing us on looking to God.

Children are easily influenced, which is the main reason we, as trusted adults in children's lives, should work even more diligently to put God and keep God in the center of our thinking and practice. This helps children understand that caring for the earth, caring for others, and making good choices must be rooted in God. This means that even at early ages, we must give good example by seeking justice and peace for all, especially those who are in need. God has called us to live in unity with each other and together, we are called to spread the Good News of Jesus to all.

St. Aidan's Family Mass

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This week, with younger children, talk about rules. Where do we have rules and why do they exist? God gives us rules, which are important so some day we, too, will become saints! Help young children identify this week what they did to love God, to love themselves, and to love others. School age children could make hearts of love with a special message for someone they love. Fold paper into three sections and put the following headings on each column: God in my heart, God in my actions, God in my mind. Have children write or draw something in each column. Older children should review the Great Commandment, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." List God and Neighbor and have them identify attitudes and actions that could be placed under each heading. Then tap their creative juices and encourage them to write a little poem about their ideas. Following the Great Commandment is a life-long commitment to being a true disciple or follower of Jesus. This is often called Missionary Discipleship! Embrace the challenge and Pass It On!



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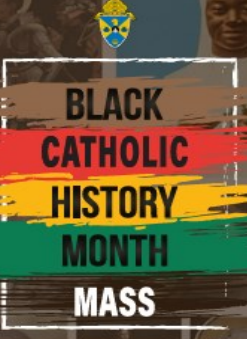
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AWARDS:

For best times, men and women runners, ages:
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RACE ROUTE:

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RULES:

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WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL MI

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Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found.

Brought here together
by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear
God's charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul
now love God in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess.
And let us love each other well,
in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease.
Be God's the glory that we seek,
be ours God's holy peace. **R:**



all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase, **R:**

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS MI # 535

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred
let me bring your love
Where there is injury your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life
let me bring hope,
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

Psalm 96



ONLY THIS I WANT MI # 505

Only this I want: but to know the Lord,
and to bear his cross,
so to wear the crown he wore.

All but this is loss, worthless refuse to me,
For to gain the Lord is to gain all I need. **R.**

I will run the race; I will fight the good fight,
So to win the prize of the kingdom of my Lord **R:**

FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS MI

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord.
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word,
Lead us forward into freedom.
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,

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In giving to all men that we receive,
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CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT MI # 599

Longing for light, we wait in darkness
Longing for truth, we turn to You.
Make us Your own, Your holy people
Light for the world to see.

**Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in
Your Church gathered today.**

Longing for peace our world is troubled
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us
Make us your living voice. **R:**

**OCTOBER 29—30TH SUNDAY IN
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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 Ex 22:20-26

Thus says the LORD: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans. "If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.
I love you, O LORD, my strength, O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer. R. I love you, Lord, my strength. My God, my rock of refuge, my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold! Praised be the LORD, I exclaim, and I am safe from my enemies.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.
The LORD lives and blessed be my rock! Extolled be God my savior. You who gave great victories to your king and showed kindness to your anointed.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Reading 2 1 Thes 1:5c-10

Brothers and sisters: You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

Gospel Mt 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which

commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

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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.

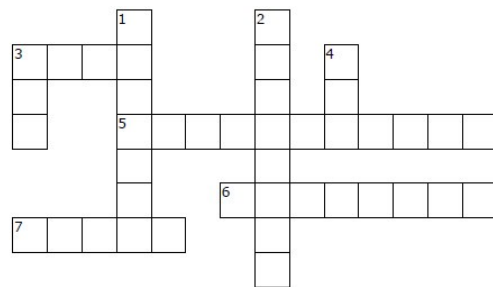
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I can show my friends that Jesus loves them.

**LOVE
ONE
ANOTHER**



ACROSS

3. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
5. A rule or law; direction or instruction to do something
6. A person who lives near or next to another
7. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings

DOWN

1. Someone who educates or trains others
2. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
3. A system of rules or principles
4. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

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