Celebrating the Eucharist at Saint Christopher’s

**Sunday Masses**
- **Saturday**: 5:00pm
- **Sunday**: 7:30am, 9:30am (Family Mass), 11:30am (Choir), 5:00pm, 7:00pm Spanish Mass

**Weekdays**
- **Mon thru Fri**: 7:00am (Convent Chapel) and 9:00am (Church)
- **Saturday**: 9:00am

**Holyday Masses**
Please consult the weekly Bulletin on the Sunday before the holyday.

Parish Mission Statement
“We the People of St. Christopher’s Roman Catholic Church, united by faith in one God and Father, nourished by Jesus Christ through the Word and the Eucharist, and anointed with the power of the Holy Spirit, strive to meet the spiritual needs of our parish family and the local community as we journey in faith together through prayer, faith formation, evangelization, stewardship, and fellowship.”

Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Devotions
- **Rosary**: Monday thru Saturday after 9:00am
- **Miraculous Medal Novena**: Monday after 9:00am Mass
- **First Friday Benediction**: 7:45pm

Rectory Office Hours
Monday thru Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Rectory Phone: (516) 223-0723
Rectory Fax: (516) 867-5678

Bulletin E-Mail: bulletin@stchrisbaldwin.org
Parish Web Site: www.stchris.com
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### Parish Information

**Clergy**
- Rev. Nicholas Zientarski, Pastor
- Rev. Celestine Nwosu, Parochial Vicar
- Rev. Emmanuel Arthur, Hospital Chaplain
- Rev. Cornelius Dery, Hospital Chaplain
- Deacon Anthony Banno
- Deacon James P. Carroll
- Deacon Ralph Muscente
- Deacon Charles Muscarnera (Retired)

**Parish Administration**
- Mrs. Tara Scanlon, Business Manager
- Mrs. Terri Riley, Administrative Assistant, School
- Mrs. Diane Geschwind, Executive Assistant, Parish

**Music Ministry**
- Mr. James Montalbano, Director of Music

**Faith Formation of Children & Youth**
- Mrs. Marianne Carberry, Principal
- Sr. Joan Klinski, Director of Religious Education
- Mr. James LaRocca, Confirmation Coordinator

**Parish Social Ministry**
- Ms. Julia Santiago, Director

**Parish Council**
- Paul Cavanagh
- William Deignan
- Regina DeJesus
- Craig Donlon
- Joseph Fragola
- Nikki Hammond
- Leo McGinity
- Rosemary Rattoballi
- Marie Jose Saint Surin
- Rosemarie Scarola

**Parish Trustees**
- John Kornobis
- Tony Wilkens

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### Sacraments and Parish Life

**Baptism**
Second, third, and fourth Sundays of each month at 1PM and the second and third Saturdays at 1PM. The required Baptismal Preparation class is held on the first Sunday of each month at 9:30AM, with Mass in the Church and class to follow in the Buckley Room. Pre-registration is required two months before Baptism for the preparation class and the actual date of Baptism. Contact the Rectory beforehand.

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**
This is the process for adults wishing to become Catholic, complete their Sacramental initiation, or attain full membership in the Church. For further information, please contact Deacon Anthony Banno at the Rectory at 223-0723.

**Reconciliation (Confession, Penance)**
Saturdays from 4PM to 4:45PM in the Church. At other times, please feel free, and most welcome, to make an appointment with one of the priests.

**Matrimony**
Please make an appointment with one of our priests or deacons at least nine months before an anticipated wedding date to begin preparations for marriage and to obtain information regarding the required Pre-Cana conferences. Either the bride or groom or the immediate family must be resident parishioners.

**Communion for the Sick**
Anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness may receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis. Deacons and Eucharistic Ministers assist the priests in this ministry. Please call the Rectory.

**Parish Membership**
Every family in the parish should be registered. Census registration forms are available at the Rectory.

**Bereavement Support**
We focus on the emotional turmoil of the bereaved with understanding and experience to provide support and reassurance to one another. Please call the Rectory at 223-0723 for an appointment.

**Ministry of Consolation**
The ministry assists families in the planning of funeral liturgies. Deacon Anthony Banno is the moderator.

**Adoration - Convent Chapel**
- Exposition, First Friday of the month after 7AM Mass
- Rosary For Life at 6PM
- Prayers at 7PM, Benediction at 7:45PM
- First Saturday of the month at 8AM in the Church.
**Mass Intentions**

**Week of April 20th**

**Monday**
- April 20 – Monday of the Second Week of Easter
- 7AM: Joanne Fantozzi - Living Intention
- 9AM: Barbara Tunney

**Tuesday**
- April 21 - Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter
- 7AM: Jimmy Carroll
- 9AM: Jean Silano

**Wednesday**
- April 22 - Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter
- 7AM: John Giamundo, Vincent Corrao
- 9AM: Phillis Quigley Greiner

**Thursday**
- April 23 - Thursday of the Second Week of Easter
- 7AM: John Gredys
- 9AM: Anna E. Rischer

**Friday**
- April 24 - Friday of the Second Week of Easter
- 7AM: Donal Keogh
- 9AM: Mary Chabus

**Saturday**
- April 25 - Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist
- 9AM: Marguerite McLaughlin
- 8PM: Murphy & Glimm Families
- Candy Neville
- Mary Chabus

**Sunday**
- April 26 - Third Sunday of Easter
- 7:30AM: Dorothy Boe-Healy
- 9:30AM: Edwarda Edith Rosa
- 11:30AM: Parishioner's of St. Christopher's
- 5PM: Tina Ackerman

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**Sanctuary Light**

The Living Flame of the Sanctuary Light will burn in prayer for:

For healing of all those suffering from the coronavirus, physically and emotionally.

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**Eucharistic Offering of Bread & Wine**

The Eucharistic offering of Bread and Wine is offered this week for:

Dieudonne Mardigras

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**Please Pray**

Please pray for all Parishioner born into eternal life. Keep them and their families in your prayers.

Matthew Pomerico

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**Parish Schedule**

The Church will be open:
- Monday through Friday from 10AM until 7PM
- Saturday from 10AM until 5PM
- Sunday from 12 noon until 5PM

**All events are cancelled until further notice.**

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**Thank You**

Many thanks to our generous parishioners who have financially supported the parish during these tough times. Please know that it may take slightly longer than usual to make deposits and bank personnel may be delayed in processing the checks. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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**Stewardship: A Way of Life**

“What shall I return to the Lord for all that He has given to me?”

Collection for Easter Sunday

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**Good Friday Holy Land Collection**

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**Ministry Appeal - 2020 - Goal - $95,000.00**

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*Thank You as always, for your generosity to St. Christopher's!*
Please Pray

Lucille Guarino  
Rose Vrabel  
Patrick Cashin  
Jane Cottle  
Helen Donlon  
Laura Frisella  
Max Berlin  
Barbara Kaempf  
Nathan Edward  
Anna Kunz  
Joseph Wiegars  
Brian O’Connor  
Cookie  
Virginia  
McWalters  
Lily Caitlyn  
Maisano  
Douglas Knahr  
Annamarie Guinta  
Kathy Buonocore  
Karen  
Dugan-Rivera  
Robert Hanhan  
Julia PasquAlongino  
Christopher  
Kroboth  
Catherine  
Pomerico  
Theresa Ryan  
Rosanne  
Dellasperanza  
Debra Ann  
Alibrandi  
Mary Murphy  
Celm P. Magner  
Kaylee Lindauer  
Fred Wilner  
Everett Williams  
Eddie Denaro  
Phyllis Senner  

Steven Roth  
Joseph Popvic  
Annika Allen  
Lilith Mullings  
Nadine Durden  
Rebecca Manning  
Elizabeth Proctor  
Eleanor Crippen  
Griffin Keogh  
Mary Anne  
Banevicus  
Hilda Telman  
Pirkku Lee  
Carlo Marcel  
Theresa King  
Thomas Brennan  
Arnold Aquilano  
Joseph Kearns  
Lee Baldwin  
Yolanda Paralikas  
Gio Villante  
James Connors  
Henry Garay  
Patricia O’Brien  
Sean O’Brien  
George Nielsen  
Joan Marks  
Elva Vargas  
Marcia Brown  
Ken Brown  
Rene Caldas  
Ethan Anthony  
Watkins  
Richie Carroll  
Kathleen Wenk  
Jennette Filangieri  
Christopher  
Blisett  
John Rueman  
Peggy Fennelly  

Judy Steimel  
Tess Dailey  
Timothy Mallard  
Linda Geraci  
Bajada  
Mariela Canales  
Ethel Ulrich  
Kenneth Martone  
Joseph  
Montalbano  
Patrick Thomas  
McNamara  
Martin Raymond  
McNamara  
M/M Robert  
Tuffano  
Peter Hughes  
Lisa Mahr  
Lorenzo Anthony  
Mazzuco  
Kaitlyn Lally  
Ryoko Bonafede  
John Peters  
Holly Johnson  
Michele  
Kitzerow-Frasca  
Robert J. Oswald II  
Sandra Murdaugh  
Cathy Petrarca  
Michael Goold  
Rosemary Pisanello  
Deacon Jimmy  
Carroll  
Phillip McCluskey  
Baby Marius Parisse  
Carl Capasso  
Shawn Scanlon  
Lexi Centeno  
Louis and Jennette Filangieri  

Pray for our Troops

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen

Brian Kevin Carroll  
PFC Andrew Gubelli  
Ryan Reilly  
SFC Carlos Casanova  
Michael Catalano  
Capt. Claudio Casanova  
Lt.Cmdr. Frank Walter  
Matthew Houk  
Cona  
Toni Mantia  
Gregory McGlynn  
Lt. Michael Selover  
Thomas R. Petit  
Cpl. Joseph Giannonte  
James Harris  
Navy Chief Brian Berretta  
Lt. Cmdr. Christopher F. Mercurio USCG  
Cpl. Christian Roldan  
Cmdr. James D. Grant USN  
Matthew Brule  
Eric McDermott  
Darren P. Phelan  
Sgt. Jeffrey Houck  
Christopher D. Phelan, Jr.  
Shawn Bowe  
Kerri Parks  
Sgt. Debbi Bailey  
Lt. Cmdr. Christopher F. Mercurio USCG  
Margaret A. Phelan  
Craig Meekins  
Commander Chris Schwarz  
Padraic McDermott  
Sgt. Bryan M. Davies  
Steve Mendez  
Cody Bonora  
Christopher Pizzol  
Paul Delaney, USMC  
Charles Guarnieri  
S.N. Ryan Neugebauer  
Capt. Terence M. Bellow  
John Chervenak  
Ryan Locke  
Lt. Timothy Duffy  
Robert Gallagher  
Robert Eacobacci  
Michael Connell  
Arnold Aquilano  
Pvt. Kevan John McCabe  
Stefano Mazzone  
Conner Jamison  
Capt. Claudio Casanova  
Lt. Anthony J. Posillico  
M/M Robert  
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Religious Education

All classes are suspended until April 29th per the Governor.
Communion Retreat is cancelled.
Watch for re-registration in your email. The office is also closed.

Parish Outreach

The Pantry will be Closed
Until further notice.

However, those that are in need may still pick up food at the rectory between the hours of 10AM—5PM Monday—Friday.

Next Sunday’s Readings

Readings for the weekend of April 26th & 27th
Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14, 22-23
Psalm: 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
1 Peter 1:17-21

If you (or a family member) are listed on the “Please Pray” list and have been returned to good health, please call the Rectory at 223-0723, to make room for others. Thank you.
Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday, when we think of the mercy that Jesus showed to his Apostles after His resurrection (below left) and the devotion developed by St. Faustina several decades ago (below right).

Mercy is that intentional act of the will whereby a person has every right to vengeance after being wronged but instead forgives the wrongdoers and offers the seed of peace and reconciliation. In the case of Jesus, we think about how he was abandoned on Good Friday and even betrayed by those closest to Him when He needed them the most. Upon His resurrection, He could have been angry with them and perhaps punished them, yet instead He offered “peace” and reconciled with them. This beautifully represented in the image given to us by St. Faustina, where we see the loving gaze of the Lord and the rays of mercy that extend out to the world. We consider our own sins and how displeased Jesus must be with us, yet instead of eternal punishment, He offers us second chances with a merciful heart. Please read more about this in the Bishop’s letter found in this bulletin.

It is regrettable that we are not able to offer the sacrament of confession as we normally do. State and diocesan orders demand that we not engage in activities that would place us in proximity to one another—even drive-through confessions have been forbidden now. We should make an act of contrition for our sins and amend our lives according to God’s will and the Ten Commandments. In wartime—and we are at war against the corona virus—the sacraments aren’t available as they usually are. But this doesn’t mean we cannot have contrite and humble hearts desiring and welcoming God’s mercy. If we have been impatient, lazy, angry, envious, lustful, or otherwise sinful, let us have recourse to the merciful Sacred Heart of Jesus!

-Fr. Zientarski
St. Pope John Paul II proclaimed to us, “We are the Easter people and Hallelujah is our song”. Each of us is called to live in the light and joy of Jesus’ Resurrection. We believe that Jesus is alive and is always with us. During this Easter season, also known as The Great Fifty Days Feast, it is important to remember we are called to live our lives in praise of God. For it is through God that we receive all we need. As John wrote in his Gospel, “Jesus said of himself, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.’” (Jn 8:12) We are the light in the world. We are called to be the witnesses of Jesus’s love and compassion. How do we bring Jesus’ light to others? We do it through our words and how we live our lives everyday. We are called to be patient, kind, and merciful to all those around us.

Prayer for Mercy in our Catholic Schools

God of Love and compassion,
Help us to open the door of mercy in our Catholic school communities,
In our families and in the world.
Let mercy guide our actions and bring us closer to the heart of the Gospel,
That we might live as Jesus
With the mercy that welcomes, loves, forgives
And calls us to live His Gospel joyfully.
We make this prayer in Jesus’ name.
Amen.

K. Kenny, Renfrew County CDSB, 2015

St. Christopher’s online classes will resume on Monday, April 20th. Under Gov. Cuomo’s Executive Order schools continue to be closed through April 29th.

Remembering Mrs. Krauss
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Twenty years ago, on April 30, 2000, Pope Saint John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina Kowalska, the humble messenger of Divine Mercy. During his homily at the Mass of her canonization, while reflecting on the timeliness of the message of mercy for the twentieth century, the Polish pontiff pondered what humanity’s future might be like. He answered plainly. “We are not given to know. However, it is certain that in addition to new progress there will unfortunately be no lack of painful experiences.”

The COVID-19 pandemic, which has impacted families, parishes, and communities across Long Island and beyond, stands today as one of those painful experiences. What Pope Saint John Paul II knew vaguely to be on the horizon then is sadly ours to experience firsthand now. The devastating effects of the coronavirus – death, illness, fear, uncertainty, isolation, unemployment, financial distress – have invaded our lives. The weight of this Cross has fallen on our shoulders.

Although Pope Saint John Paul II could not have foreseen the particularities of the pain we are enduring, he knew the soothing balm that would bring us peace. He understood what would “illumine the way” during this time, namely, “the light of divine mercy,” the supernatural gift that uplifts every generation. What he proposed to humanity in his homily two decades ago, he still proposes from “the window of the Father’s house” today: A radical receptivity of God’s “great and unfathomable mercy.”

This Divine Mercy Sunday 2020, encouraged by Pope Saint John Paul II who points to merciful light in the midst of darkness, the Diocese of Rockville Centre receives anew the message of mercy entrusted to Saint Faustina. Together, on this Second Sunday of Easter, we look upon the Image of the Divine Mercy. In contemplating this serene painting of Our Lord, we discover again three aids for these days of crisis: Christ’s gaze, His action, and a timely prayer.

First, beginning at the top of the Image, we encounter the gaze of mercy. There, the Lord’s eyes look upon us. How good this is to hear and know

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2 Ibid.
4 Faustina Kowalska, Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska: Divine Mercy in My Soul (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2007) no. 570.
again! Jesus looks at us. He sees us as we are, laden, especially now, with the anxieties, burdens, and challenges of life. He sees us just as he saw those Gospel figures whom we met this Lent - the Samaritan woman at the well, the man born blind, and Martha and Mary, the grieving sisters of Lazarus. He loves us as He loved them. When feelings of lonesomeness or discouragement arise, when questions pervade our hearts or perplexities disturb our peace, the Image reminds us that we can look to the Lord and always find Him looking at us. In his eyes, we can discover “the look of love which [we] crave.”

Second, in contemplating the Image of the Divine Mercy, we note the two rays emanating from Our Lord’s breast, one red and one pale. As the Lord told Saint Faustina, “The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls.” With the Church through centuries, we see in them the sacraments, Baptism and Eucharist, and we trace these gifts of life back to their source, His pierced side (cf. Jn. 19:34). These glorious rays flow from woundedness. Their origin is in the victory of the Cross. They highlight an act of love, a total gift of self. This pale ray and red ray remind us that the Lord has acted for us. Undeserving though we were, He loved us to the end (cf. Jn. 13:1) and laid down his life for us. “God is love, and Mercy is His deed.” And we are the beneficiaries of that mercy. In these weeks, when God might seem unmoved or distant, these rays proclaim again the tender mercy shown from the Cross. They profess that God has acted and that He still acts with a mercy that sustains the world.

Third, we read the “signature” at the bottom of the Image, “Jesus, I trust in you.” On this year’s Feast of the Divine Mercy, the familiar line is more striking. Its five words formulate perfectly a prayer in the midst of so much uncertainty. How good is the Lord! He still teaches his disciples how to pray (cf. Lk. 11:1), and He invites us to make these words the signature of our lives. This prayer is not offered blindly. It is said after having met the Lord’s gaze and having been vivified in His life-giving rays. Our bold placing of trust arises from “the ocean of mercy” He has shown to us and from which we have received. Through our contemplation of the Image, we recall that God has moved towards us, that He has loved us, and that He has shown mercy to us, and therefore, we know it is reasonable to say, “Jesus, I trust in you.”

The Lord’s look, His love, and that brief prayer are special gifts this year. They offer consolation. They provide peace.

The Image of the Divine Mercy also serves as “a reminder of the demands of [His] mercy.” As Pope Saint John Paul II said in his second encyclical, Divus Misericordia (Rich in Mercy), “Jesus Christ taught that man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but that he is also called ‘to practice mercy’ towards others.” In short, we who have received mercy are called to give mercy.

In these weeks, the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy are being lived radiantly. Witnesses of mercy are in our midst, and our gratitude flows to the many who are sharing what they have received.

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6 Kowalska, Diary, nos. 301 and 699.
7 Ibid, no. 299.
8 Ibid, no. 651.
9 Ibid, no. 47.
10 Ibid, no. 1319.
11 Ibid, no. 742.
We call to mind the heroic virtue and tender mercy alive in our families and among our neighbors. With Pope Francis, we think, too, of those women and men who are “writing the decisive events of our time: doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, deacons, religious men and women and so very many others.”

In this challenging time, mercy is on display.

Divine Mercy Sunday falls this year between two notable anniversaries in the life and pontificate of Pope Saint John Paul II. Both of which provide insight and wisdom for our present situation.

The first anniversary occurred on March 25th, when we marked twenty-five years since the release of Pope Saint John Paul II’s encyclical letter on the Gospel of Life (Evangelium Vitae). That letter shone the light of the Divine Mercy on threats against life. It articulated the good news of life, a gift from God that leads to eternal life with God, and it called every person to “respect, protect, love and serve life.”

The truth and beauty of the encyclical is underscored in these days when our fragility is before us and society is united in its concern for life.

The second anniversary falls on May 18th, when we will celebrate the centenary of Pope Saint John Paul II’s birth. Spending time with this indefatigable preacher of mercy, it is good to remember that his life was not immune to crisis and turmoil. He witnessed and experienced much that could have weighed him down. However, throughout his journey, he turned to the Lord and sought to know His mercy. May he help us invite the Divine Mercy into our lives, especially in these days.

Together with Pope Saint John Paul II and Saint Faustina, let us implore Almighty God:

I fly to Your mercy, Compassionate God, who alone are good. Although my misery is great, and my offenses are many, I trust in Your mercy, because You are the God of mercy; and, from time immemorial, it has never been heard of, nor do heaven or earth remember, that a soul trusting in Your mercy has been disappointed.

Let us pray for the souls of those who have died from the coronavirus and for the solace of their families. We entrust them to the Divine Mercy.

And whatever may come, let us never fail to say, Jesus, I trust in you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

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15 Kowalska, Diary, no. 1730.
ALELUIA!
Learn more about the Resurrection of Jesus:

https://formed.org/
(Parish code: DNQ2BH)
### Vida Parroquia Y Sacramentos

#### Misa en Español
Los domingos a las 7PM

#### Bautizo:
El Segundo Sabado del mes Clase de preparacion de Bautismo, el tercer sabado del mes a las 6:30PM Para matricularse llame a Regina DeJesus (516) 445-9780

#### Formacion para Ninos y Adolescencia
Primera Communion y Confirmacion llame a la Hermana Joan Klimski Directora de Educacion Religiosa (516) 223-5813

#### Escuela de St. Christopher
Anne Lederer, Directora de la escuela Para mas informacion llame la oficina (516) 223-4404

#### Matrimonio
Por favor llame a la oficina parroquiar para mas informacion (516) 223-0723.

#### R.I.C.A.: (Rito de Inciacion Cristiana para adultos)
Para adultos que desean convertirse al Catalicismo o completar los sacramentos Para mas informacion llame Regina DeJesus (516) 445-9780

#### Adoracion De la Eucaristia
En la Capilla del Convento Primer viernes del mes, despues de la misa de las 7AM Benedicion a las 7PM

#### Grupo de Oracion Renovacion Carismatica
Todos los Sabados a las 7PM en la cafeteria de la escuela Para mas informacion llame Jose Molina (516) 455-3930 Reina Argumedo (516) 554-7785

#### Communion Para los Enfermos
Si no puede asistir a la misa por enfermedad, puede recibir la CommunionSagrada en su hogar. Llame a la oficina parroquiar (516) 223-0723

### Ministerio Mariano Español

Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros en la capilla del convento todos los jueves a las 7 p.m. Iniciaremos el primer ministerio mariano de esta comunidad en español. Con la recitalcion del Santo Rosario, canciones y la reflexion del Evangelio del dia. Los esperamos para esta Gran Bendicion.

### Asistencia de Inmigración de Catholic Charities
Catholic Charity ofrece orientacion, asistencia y estabilizacion para los inmigrantes hasta que se vuelvan autosuficientes algunos de los servicios prestados a un costo minimo: Asesoramiento legal Reasentamiento de refugiados Abogacia Para más informacion, contacte al 631-789-5210

### Campana

"la Campana es un tiempo propio para abrir la puerta a cualquier necesitado y reconocer en el a su vez el rostro de Cristo, Carlo uno de nosotros los encontramos en nuestro camino.",
-Papa Francisco

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Catholic Health Services Offers Tips to Reduce COVID-19 Anxiety

As coronavirus continues to impact Long Islanders, growing health concerns along with the constant barrage of news is raising people’s anxiety.

Catholic Health Services’s (CHS) mental health professionals offer ways we can reduce our stress during this time of uncertainty. This includes eating healthy, exercise, adequate sleep, virtually connecting with friends and family and reducing exposure to news and social media. “The constant flow of information related to coronavirus can become overwhelming,” said Catholic Health Services Chairman of Behavioral Health Ronald Brenner, MD. “It’s important to take a break and step away from media reports and the constant scrolling through social channels.”

Anxiety is a normal response to a stressful situation and can inspire adaptive behavior in many situations. However, when facing mounting uncertainty, the brain can go into an anxiety spiral and cause atypical reactions. Knowing the body’s physical reactions to the different types of anxiety is important.

Typical stress reactions can include temporary difficulty concentrating, irritability, fatigue, stomachache and difficulty sleeping. Atypical reactions can manifest in persistent and/or excessive worry that prevents you from completing daily tasks, changes to energy levels, eating patterns and/or prolonged and overwhelming worry. Dr. Brenner strongly suggests that anyone experiencing unusual or atypical reactions that won’t subside in a short period of time seek professional mental health assistance.

To reduce coronavirus-related anxiety, there are several steps individuals can take. These include:

- Find meaningful tasks and roles within your support network to channel your anxiety
- Create spaces that are not focused on coronavirus. This could include a social media thread on other topics, or watching movies
- Savor small positive moments, amplify positive stories and stay optimistic
- Practice mindfulness when managing anxiety such as performing exercises and deep breathing.

For those who wish to speak to a mental health professional, CHS offers a host of services including Telepsychiatry, which improves access to psychiatric services for emergency department (ED) patients, particularly after normal office hours. The service is currently offered in the EDs of Mercy Medical Center in Rockville Centre, St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center in Smithtown and Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center in West Islip.

More information on CHS’s mental health services may be obtained by calling 1(855) CHS-4500. 1-855-247-4500.

About Catholic Health Services

CHS is an integrated system encompassing some of the region’s finest health and human services agencies. With 18,000 employees, 6 acute care hospitals, 3 nursing homes, a home nursing service, hospice, a community-based agency for persons with special needs and a network of physician practices, CHS’s high standards have resulted in a 24% market share.
That those who thirst for the water of life - the unborn children, the terminally ill, the marginalized and oppressed - may be set free and embrace in love.

This month’s respect life rose devotion is for the grace to see Christ in each person we meet and extend the Lord’s mercy and compassion.

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Contribute the cost of the Processing Fee? Yes  No (Ex. For a $5 donation the fee is $.15)

I understand that my contribution amount will be transferred directly from my checking account
or credit card. I also understand that I may increase, decrease or suspend my giving by contacting the Rectory at 516-223-0723. Completed form should be brought into the Rectory Office.

Authorization Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________
“Lent is a favorable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ. Each of us meets people like this every day.”

- Pope Francis

Dear Friends:

During the special Lenten season, please allow me to share a special request with you. If you have never contributed to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, or if you haven’t contributed in a number of years, please consider making this the year that you join with me and other members of our Parish family to make a donation to the 2020 Appeal.

As you may already be aware, 100% of all the money raised is used to support the ministries of the Appeal that serve more than 600,000 people each year, and our parish shares in the money raised to use for our own local needs.

These programs include services to people in need; affordable housing for senior citizens; people with disabilities and our veterans; respect life initiatives; and formation of our priests, deacons, lay leaders, and young people. These are just a few of the programs that help make our church and this Island a vibrant and wonderful place to live.

But to help ensure that we can always serve those who come to us for aid, support and spiritual guidance, we need help from you!

If 100 of our parishioners who have not supported us in the recent past made a $25 contribution this year – think about how many more people we could help! If that amount is more than you can manage, consider $5 or $10.

Every gift counts and makes a difference in the lives of others! THANK YOU!!

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To make a donation, you can also visit drc.org/CMA
or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296
Thank You!
### Hibernians

McGuinness - Fitzsimons  
Division 14

Celebrate of your Irish Heritage and Catholic Faith?

Join the Ancient Order of Hibernians

We promote Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity! We are the oldest and largest Irish Catholic organization in the United States.

Learn to play the bag pipes. Lessons on Monday evenings with the Glor Na nGael Pipe Band. Contact Tom Piderit at Bytshore1@aol.com.

Gentlemen of Irish birth or decent, from either parent, and a practicing catholic over 16 years old are welcome to join.

Please contact Jim Henry at JHenryiii@aol.com or call 516-652-9850.

For additional information please visit:  
[https://www.aohdiv14ny.org/](https://www.aohdiv14ny.org/) or  
[https://www.facebook.com/division14ny](https://www.facebook.com/division14ny) or  
[https://aoh.com](https://aoh.com)

### Knights of Columbus

Daniel J. Bradley Council  
Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are ordinary men of our parish who contribute their time and energy to building up our parish in faith and contribute their services to people in need in our local community and beyond. The Knights offer men a great opportunity to get involved in parish life.

The four hallmarks of being a Knight of Columbus are charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Thus, the Knights of Columbus are committed to both God and country.

Consider joining today. The Knights welcome men 18 and older. Our local council is the Daniel J. Bradley Council, which meets here at Saint Christopher’s. If you are a Catholic man who is looking for fraternity and getting involved in building up our community through service, contact:

Robert Llompart:  
rob@kingbearauto.com or  
516-366-8768

For more information on the Knights in general, see the following website:[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

### Office of Child Protection

Parishioners are advised to contact Mary McMahon at the Office of Child Protection if they suspect any instances of sexual abuse of minors by anyone on parish property:

(516) 678-5800 x 573.  
Confidential hotline: 516-594-9063

"Have you considered a vocation to priesthood or religious life?"

Find out if God is calling you:  
[www.LongIslandPriest.com](http://www.LongIslandPriest.com)
| **HOSPICE CARE** | **Good Shepherd Hospice**  
Mercy Hospital in Rockville Centre has opened a new wing to give comfort to those who are dying: Good Shepherd Hospice Care. Each patient receives a private room and professional, compassionate care is given to them.  
For more information or to take a tour: 516-586-1420  www.goodshepherdhsopice.chsli.org |
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| Catholic Health care for women and men, offering fertility assistance, issues with recurrent miscarriages, and a host of other services.  
www.chsli.org/gianna-center-long-island |
| **Life Center of Long Island**  
*Saving Lives by Changing Hearts* | Unplanned pregnancy? Need help?  
Care, counseling, and pro-life options for women. Find hope and solutions with the Life Center. Four locations: Deer Park, Massapequa, Riverhead, Hempstead.  
www.lifecenterli.org |
| **Project Rachel**  
Find hope, healing, forgiveness, and love after abortion. Project Rachel offers women and men opportunities to feel the Father’s love.  
Hopeafterabortion.com |
| **Courage**  
A Roman Catholic Apostolate | Catholic Charities, Talbot House  
Talbot House is a 24-hour voluntary chemical dependence crisis center, providing detox services to adult men and women who are in crisis.  
http://www.catholiccharities.cc/our-services/chemical-dependence |
| **Covenant Eyes**  
Break free from pornography and live a life of freedom.  
www.covenanteyes.com |
Please consider ways you and your family can financially support our parish so that we can meet our many expenses as a large, non-profit organization.

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<th>Weekly Giving- Collections</th>
<th>Sunday and Holy Day Mass collections keep our parish going. St. Christopher’s relies totally on the generosity of its parishioners every dollar helps! Consider using parish envelopes - or Online Giving, this way we can keep track of your donations and give you a statement at the end of the year for tax purposes. Go to stchris.com for more information on scheduled giving.</th>
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<td>Many of use credit cards that give us rewards or points for how much money we spend. Ocean Financial Credit Union offers a credit card that gives quarterly dividends to the parish. To date the parish has received over $19,000 from this program! It’s an easy way to help our parish financially—every time you use the card, a percentage is given back to the parish. Sign up today at: <a href="http://www.oceanfinancial.org">www.oceanfinancial.org</a> or visit the office at 45 Atlantic Avenue in Oceanside.</td>
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<td>Bread, Wine, Candles, Masses, and more!</td>
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**600 CLUB**

St. Christopher’s offers a monthly lottery program called the “**600 CLUB**”. For $60 per year, you are entered into the “Club” and have a chance of winning a prize each month: $600 for first prize, $100 for second, $50 for third.

Make a check for $60.00, payable to *St. Christopher’s 600 Club*, and we will call you to pick out your lucky number.

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Send the slip above to the Rectory at 11 Gale Ave, Baldwin, NY 11510 or place in the collection basket on Sunday.
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