



We Pray For Our Sick

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday Is 7:10-14, Rom, 1:1-7, Mt 1:18-24
 Monday Mal. 3:1-4, 23-24 Lk 1:57-66
 Tuesday Sm 7:1-5 8b-12, 14a,16 Lk 1:67-79
 Vigil: Is 62:1-5 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25, Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
 Wednesday Is 52:7-10, Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
 Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Mt 10:17-22
 Friday: Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Saturday: Jn 1:5-2:2, Mt.2:13-18
 Sunday Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Jennifer Lentini, Peter Donato, Josephine Lucas, Antonio Esposito, Michael Kruppenacker, Mary Jansen, Kathy and Irwin Reich, Lorraine and James Reinheimer, Jim Keough, Corinne and Tom Clark, James Butler, Carolyn Fitzgerald, Sean Tuohy, Mary Messina, Florence Morris, George Natarus, Theresa Kessler, Raymond Victor, Diane Pomercy, Robert Genzale, Lorraine Mierzejewski, Thomas Santangelo, Margaret Ann Sweeney, Frank Portaro, Jermey Longoria, Lukas Melendez, Angelique Cadarr, Lourdes Mulligan,, Patricia Stutts, Ann Calza

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY Dec. 23, 2019, St. John of Kanty
 7:00AM *Mary and Charles Grossane*
 9:00AM *Louis Smith*

TUESDAY December 24, 2019
 7:00AM *Nicola Lamberti*
 9:00AM *Dolores, John, Jean, Pirozzi & Family*
 4:00 PM *William and Catherine O'Grady*
 5:30PM *Tara Wright (Living) Healing Prayers*
 7:00PM *World Peace Mass in Spanish*
 12 Midnight *George O'Grady*

WEDNESDAY December 25, 2019 Christmas
 7:30AM *Deceased Members of Sebastiano Family*
 9:30AM *Increase in Vocations*
 11:00AM *Our Military*
 12:30PM *Deceased Members of Della Ratta Family*
 2:30PM *German Parra- Mass in Spanish*

THURSDAY December 26, 2019, St. Stephen
 7:00AM *Only one Mass at 9am*
 9:00AM *Robert Romeo*

FRIDAY December 27, 2019, St. John, Apostle
 7:00AM *Parishioners on our Sick List.*
 9:00AM *Mary and Dominic Sanzoverino*

SATURDAY December 28, 2019, Holy Innocents
 9:00AM *The Homebound & their Caregivers*
 5:00PM *Louis Parmigiani, Sr.*

SUNDAY December 29, 2019, Holy Family
 7:30AM *Patricia Marfoglio*
 9:30AM *Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola*
 11:00AM *Margaret Errick*
Earnest Zagars
Frank Linkletter
 12:30PM *End to Domestic Violence*
 7:00PM *German Parra -Mass in Spanish*

*We Pray For Our Dead
 And We Mourn With You*

*Michael J. Dempsey
 Alice Dwyer
 Maryann McLoughlin*



**The Nativity of the Lord
Christmas**

The Rectory hours for Christmas week are as follows:

Tuesday, Christmas Eve	9am to 12 noon
Wednesday, Christmas	Closed
Thursday, December 26th	Closed

We would like to wish our parishioners a very Blessed and Merry Christmas. May the peace and joy of this Christmas be with you and those you hold dear now and throughout the New Year.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2019

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24th

Mass in **English** in Church 4:00 p.m. and 5:30pm

Mass in **Spanish** in Church 7:30 p.m.

Mass in **English** in Church 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day

Wednesday December 25th

All Masses in Church

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

NO EVENING MASS

2:30 p.m. Mass in **Spanish** (Church)

New Year's Schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday December 28th 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

New Year's Eve Mass

For New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday December 31st – Mass in Church 5:00 p.m.

Mass in Spanish – 7:00 p.m.

New Year' Day

Wednesday, January 1-Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30pm

7:00pm Spanish



*The Bread and Wine this week
Are in Loving Memory*

Of

Christine Rigert

From

Rigert Family



*The Candles this week are
In loving memory of
Elizabeth and Charles Lang
From
Children, Grandchildren and
Great Grandchildren*



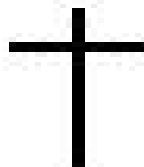
*We Celebrate our Sacraments
Marriage Banns*

*Don Fortgang, St. Ignatius Loyola
Reneanne Fortgang, St. Ignatius Loyola*

*For your convenience, below is a directory of our
parish staff e-mails and extensions.*

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING



Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019 \$13,169

Sunday, Dec. 16, 2018 \$10,252

4th Sunday of Advent Matthew 1:18-24 Christmas Day Luke 2:1-14

Last weekend, St. Ignatius celebrated the many gifts that we find in our parish of St. Ignatius Loyola. On Saturday, in our Faith Formation Program, on December 14th we celebrated a special prayer service in honor of our Blessed Mother as Mother of God and Mother of us all. On Sunday, December 15th, we celebrated the Feast Day of our Lady of Guadalupe who revealed herself to a young peasant, St. Juan Diego in Mexico. Many people came representing the local indigenous people of the Mexican countryside and the various Hispanic countries in the Caribbean, Central and South America, showing their great love for Our Lady. We also



celebrated our third Ecumenical Advent Prayer Service of Lessons and Carols at Holy Family Parish. What better way to celebrate the coming of Jesus than in our children, our many cultural families in honoring the Blessed Mother and praying in unity with others. We often say Christmas was made for children. The world will tell us that is because we only think of Santa Claus, the presents under the tree, and a child's joyful face on opening the gifts. Our children can also teach us the real reason and gift for the season; Jesus Christ. They can teach us how to accept Christ more lovingly into our lives and to allow him to be born more into our hearts. Jesus always said "let the children come to me for such is the Kingdom of God". What he meant was that we are to be child-like faith in our faith with God and with one another. We do this by opening our hearts, by seeing our God is incarnate around us and in each of us and by letting go of our fears and prejudices. Children often teach us that we need to depend on God as they depend on the love of their parents. This Christmas, may we learn more from St. Joseph and Mary in always thinking about and serving the other. May they be our role models of faith in being more loving, more forgiving, more selfless and more giving toward one another. This is how we make our hearts a home for Jesus. God came as a child for a reason, to remind us of what the gift of innocence and beauty of life is all about and that it can never be lost, if we don't let it.



On behalf of the Sisters of St. Dominic: Sr Karen, Sr. Kathy, Sr. Mary and Sr. Joan from the Mother House; and our Parish Priests: Fr. Miguel, Fr. Benjamin, Fr. Frank, Fr. Emmanuel (visiting), our Deacons: Mario, José and George; our lay Staff: Colleen, Joe, Tony, Jeanne, Joan, Jim Sheehan and I, we wish you and your families a very Blessed and Merry Christmas. May the light of Christ always glow in your hearts and may He help you to be a true light and gift for all who come into your midst. May the King of Peace help each of us to rise above the negativity, the media bias and the political rhetoric of our country so that we can embrace the objective truths that God has implanted in each of our hearts. Remember to pray for our Jewish friends who celebrate Hanukkah this week. May God bless you and Mary keep you and your families always. May we remember to always do things for the greater glory of God.
St. Ignatius Loyola, pray for us! Merry Christmas!

Fr. Jim



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Boy Scout Troop 382

Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish
Hicksville, New York 11801
129 Broadway, Hicksville, N.Y. 1180
Committee Chairman - Matthew Santarpia
Scoutmaster - Ben A. Lupo



Michael Livingston to the
St. Ignatius Loyola Church Parish

My name is Michael Livingston, I began my scouting journey at the age of six with the Cub Scouts and at age eleven, I crossed over into the Boy Scouts. I am now a Life Scout having completed more than 50 Merit Badges, held several positions of responsibility and have been very active with the growth of our troop and its activities. My long journey is now at the point where I am working toward earning the highest and most honored rank in Scouting, that of Eagle Scout. I lived in Hicksville until age 10 and have attended St. Ignatius School and have been involved in the Boy/Cub Scout Troop since the 2nd grade. I'm nearing the end of my 12-year Journey and I have loved every second of it. All in all, it has helped me become someone I never saw myself becoming and I owe that to Scouting.

For my Eagle Scout project, I will be leading a project to renovate and beautify the open plot where the old house used to be located next to the Stations of the Cross. I will be leading an install of an Engraved Brick layout with a statue in the middle of it with leading brick walkways. Benches will be put there to for people to relax and sit after or before a Mass, maybe even both.

The bricks will be sponsored and engraved for Passed loved ones, Families, Friends, etc..... The price of the engraved brick will cost \$100 each and all the money raised from them will go directly to funding the project. The leftover funds will be donated directly to St. Ignatius Loyola Church. "You Shall Not Steal" This project is a limited time opportunity to be a part of St. Ignatius's grounds. Thank You very much for your time and I hope you participate in my project. Contact Information is Located Below.

Have a Great Day ☺

Yours in Scouting,
Michael K. Livingston

Life Scout

Troop 382 Hicksville NY

St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church

Theodore Roosevelt Council

Rough Rider District

Contact Information: (631)-449-4745, mliv13002@gmail.com



Prayer for the Homeless

Christmas is a time to be filled with joy.

Not only because God took on our flesh and dwelt among us, but because of the birth of Christ in our hearts. It has been said, "If Christ is not born in our hearts today, then his birth 2,000 years ago is not complete." He hungers to be born in us. And we hunger for fullness of life by giving him life today.

The reality today has not changed from 2,000 years ago. Christ is still in need of food and shelter. He said to us, "I was hungry, and you fed me; I was homeless, and you gave me shelter." We don't need to ask when. He told us, "Whenever you did it to the least of my sisters and brothers."

We are blessed in many ways, not the least of which is that when we get up in the morning, we can turn on the light, go to the bathroom and turn on the faucet to brush our teeth, shower, shave, etc. Most of our sisters and brothers don't have that luxury. They live in shacks of poles, a tin roof, and a dirt floor. They have no electricity. They have no water, not only to wash but to drink. They are not just "poor people." They are Christ in our sisters and brothers. Christ still says to us, "I hunger. I thirst. I need shelter."

May we not simply pray words for peace and joy this Christmas. May we pray through our actions to give food and shelter to our Lord. Let us pray for open hearts, to give birth to him in us, and to us. Now that's a real Christmas present.

~ Fr. Francesco Iacona ~

Diocese of St. George's, Grenada • Cross Catholic Outreach Priest

"Continuing our Mission"

Our goal: \$1,500,000. We have as of December 2, 2019, received \$1,480,232.62 in paid pledges.

Please remember to fulfill your pledge.

When sending in your Capital Campaign payments in the Sunday Collection baskets, please use a separate envelope marked "Capital Campaign". It makes it hard for the counters to distinguish some of these checks as they may go toward the weekly collection. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church

Authorization Agreement for Parish Automated Giving Program

I, _____, hereby authorize **St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church, Hicksville, NY** to initiate debit entries to my Checking () Savings () account indicated below and the depository named below to debit the same such amount.

Amount \$ _____ Weekly (Every Monday morning)

OR

Amount \$ _____ Monthly on the 15th of the month.

Depository: Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____

Banking Transit-ABA# _____
(always nine digits)

Bank Account Number: _____

(Attach to this form a voided check if checking account debit or a pre-printed savings deposit ticket if savings account.)

This authorization is to remain in full force effect until **St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church** has received written notification at least five business days in advance of the desired termination date.

(Authorized signature for above account) (Print Name) Date: _____

If second signature is required:

(Authorized signature for above account) (Print Name) Date: _____

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Cancellation of Automated Giving

I, _____, direct **St. Ignatius Loyola R.C. Church, Hicksville, NY** to discontinue automatic debit entries to my bank account.

(Authorized signature for the parishioner bank account) (Print Name) Date: _____

(Only one signature is necessary to make this cancellation request)

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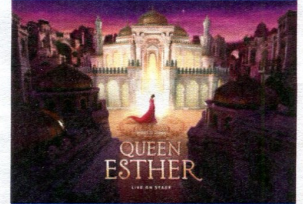
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Enjoy a Taste of Local Jams

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Day 2: Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will go to THE AMISH EXPERIENCE attraction. The Amish Country Homestead is a reflection of their commitment to accurately and sensitively portray the Old Order Amish as they live and work in today's world. The Homestead is the home of the fictional Amish family of Daniel and Lizzie Fisher, whom you have gotten to know in the Amish Experience Theater's "Jacob's Choice." Inside the Homestead, learn of Amish traditions and practices, plain clothing and life without electricity. The Fisher One-Room School is attached to the house and filled with authentic desks and furnishings from an actual Amish school. You'll learn the tradition of teaching eight grades in one room. From the pantry stocked full of freshly canned vegetables to the family's plain clothes... from propane-powered lamps to air-compressor driven appliances...the Fisher Family Homestead truly provides insights into the complex riddles of a culture so very different from our own. This afternoon, Sight & Sound Theatres invites you to experience QUEEN ESTHER. Set in the opulent yet perilous Persian Empire, Queen Esther is a captivating tale of beauty and bravery. Experience one of the most riveting Bible stories of the Old Testament as it comes to life with magnificent sets, special effects and live animals in this brand-new, original stage production! Tonight enjoy Dinner and head back to your hotel.

Day 3: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will head to KITCHEN KETTLE VILLAGE – a charming marketplace of shops and restaurants. Then, you'll depart for home... a perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great shows you've seen, and where your next group trip will take you!

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St. Ignatius C.Y.O

Basketball 2020 Instructional Season

Registration Fee ~ \$95.00 (includes tee-shirt and 10 weeks instruction)

REGISTRATIONS DUE December 15, 2019

Season Scheduled to Begin January 2020 (pending coach's schedule)

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETE

Registrant's Name		Date of Birth	
Address		Gender	
Town & Zip Code		School	
Mom e-mail Address		Mom Cell Phone	
Dad e-mail Address		Dad Cell Phone	

Practice Tee – Included with registration

Youth Medium
 Youth Large
 Youth XLarge
 Adult Small

Grade as of September 2019

Kindergarten
 1st Grade
 2nd Grade
 3rd Grade

I, the parent/guardian of the child listed above, hereby give my approval to his/her participation in any and all CYO activities during the current year. It is my responsibility to determine physical fitness of said child. I assume all risk and hazards incidental to such participation of my child including transportation to and from activities; and I do also hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless CYO, its organizers, supervisors, participants and any other volunteer personnel from any claim whatsoever arising out of my child's participation in CYO related activities.

Further, I, the parent/guardian of the child specified above, hereby authorize the St Ignatius Sports Staff to give oral and/or written consent to have emergency medical and/or dental care or treatment performed on the player specified above with the same force and effect as if I had given such consent myself. This authorization is given in order to avoid delay in treatment. This authorization is intended to remain in full force and effect until terminated by me in writing or at the conclusion of the playing season. I release St Ignatius of any liability from any injury incurred or treatment given during the playing season.

I further give permission for said child's image, likeness and/or name to appear in various print and electronic media in relation to activities associated with CYO. This includes, but is not limited to the St Ignatius CYO website as well as local newspapers.

I, the parent/guardian of the child specified above, hereby agree to abide by all rules as regulations regarding Fair Play and Sportsmanship as specified by the CYO of Nassau/Suffolk, St Ignatius CYO, the Town of Oyster Bay and all other leagues, towns and municipalities.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

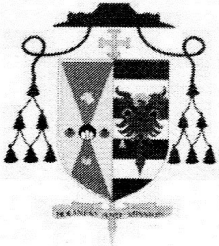
Relationship to Player: _____ **Date:** _____

Registration Forms & Checks Payable to St. Ignatius CYO Should Be Mailed To:

ST IGNATIUS CYO BASKETBALL

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 Hicksville NY 11801
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St Ignatius Pride: In our Church, In Our Children, In our Community



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Christmas 2019

To the People of God of the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

In his December 1, 2019 Apostolic Letter *Admirabile Signum: On the Meaning and Importance of the Nativity Scene*, Our Holy Father Pope Francis writes:

“The nativity scene is like a living Gospel rising up from the pages of sacred Scripture...I wish to encourage the beautiful family tradition of preparing the nativity scene in the days before Christmas, but also the custom of setting it up in the workplace, in schools, hospitals, prisons and town squares.

Great imagination and creativity is always shown in employing the most diverse materials to create small masterpieces of beauty. As children, we learn from our parents and grandparents to carry on this joyful tradition, which encapsulates a wealth of popular piety. *It is my hope that this custom will never be lost and that, wherever it has fallen into disuse, it can be discovered and revived.*”

The Holy Father captures so poignantly how we creatively share our Catholic faith generation to generation through the Nativity sets and creches that bring Christ’s light and love into our homes, our parishes and our public squares.

He also captures how the poor, the outcast, the ignored, the forgotten and the vulnerable have a privileged place in every Nativity scene: “The presence of the poor and the lowly in the nativity scene remind us that God became man for the sake of those who feel most in need of his love and who ask him to draw near to them. Jesus, ‘gentle and humble in heart’ (Mt 11:29), was born in poverty and led a simple life in order to teach us to recognize what is essential and to act accordingly. The nativity scene clearly teaches that we cannot let ourselves be fooled by wealth and fleeting promises of happiness. We see Herod’s palace in the background, closed and deaf to the tidings of joy. By being born in a manger, God himself launches the only true revolution that can give hope and dignity to the disinherited and the outcast: the revolution of love, the revolution of tenderness. From the manger, Jesus proclaims, in a meek yet powerful way, the need for sharing with the poor as the path to a more human and fraternal world in which no one is excluded or marginalized.”

As we celebrate the joy of Christmas and the power and presence of the Prince of Peace in our families, in the Church and in the World, we realize at the same time that the Christmas Crib can never be separated from the agony of Calvary’s Cross.

Even as we rejoice this Christmas of 2019, we remember and stand with the poor, the hungry, the addicted, the mentally ill, the global refugees and non-documented immigrants, and survivors of sexual abuse.

As we pray before the Christmas manger and see the beauty, the hope, the possibility in the birth of Jesus, we are compelled to remember that far too many children do not receive the welcome and joy they deserve for the miracle of their existence.

We cannot forget this Christmas season the great sadness that New York State, through the passage of the horrific Reproductive Health Act¹, has enshrined into law the killing of innocent human beings through abortion up until the moment of actual birth and beyond, as this radical law permits the killing of those children who survive abortion.

Together, we invoke the power of the Prince of Peace and His compassionate Word found in the Beatitudes and in His call to serve the poor and the most vulnerable among us in Matthew 25. Our Lord gives us the courage and the voice as the Catholic Church in New York State and around the world to speak of the beauty, the sanctity and the dignity of every human life.

We will continue to be “a sign of contradiction” by witnessing relentlessly and courageously to the Gospel of Human Life. As is said in the first words of the *Didache*, the earliest known non-Scriptural Christian writing: “There are two Ways, one of Life and one of Death...” We will always stand with our earliest ancestors in the Christian faith in favor of the Way of Life and opposed to the Way of Death.

We will continue to seek the intercession of St. Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians and lawyers for the conversion of the public servants who have supported this tragic legislation.

The Cistercian biblical scholar Father Simeon writes: “The Child, while present only in Bethlehem by his poverty and weakness, is already present in the pattern of the constellations by his splendor and his glory.”²

May our praise and glory of the Prince of Peace fill our hearts and homes and give us the courage and prayerful determination to bring the Joy of the Gospel and the Splendor of Truth to every public square in New York State and throughout the world.

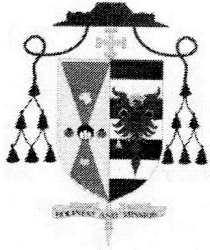
Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹ <https://www.drvc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/ReproductiveHealthCareAct.pdf>

² Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis (Fr. Simeon), *Fire of Mercy Heart of the World: Meditations on the Gospel according to St. Matthew Volume 1* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 1996), 76.



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Navidad 2019

Al Pueblo de Dios de la Diócesis de Rockville Centre:

En su carta apostólica *Admirabile Signum* del 1 de diciembre de 2019: sobre el significado y la importancia del *Belén*, nuestro Santo Padre, el Papa Francisco, escribe:

“La escena de la natividad es como un Evangelio viviente brotando de las páginas de las Sagradas Escrituras... Deseo animar la hermosa tradición familiar de preparar la escena de la natividad en los días previos a Navidad, pero también la costumbre de instalarla en el lugar de trabajo, en escuelas, hospitales, cárceles y plazas.

Siempre se muestra una gran imaginación y creatividad al emplear los materiales más diversos para crear pequeñas obras maestras de belleza. De niños, aprendemos de nuestros padres y abuelos a continuar con esta alegre tradición, que encierra una gran cantidad de piedad popular. *Espero que esta costumbre nunca se pierda y que, donde sea que haya caído en desuso, pueda ser descubierta y revivida*”.

El Santo Padre capta de manera tan conmovedora cómo compartimos creativamente nuestra fe católica de generación en generación a través de los pesebres de la Natividad que traen la luz y el amor de Cristo a nuestros hogares, parroquias y plazas públicas.

También capta cómo los pobres, los marginados, los ignorados, los olvidados y los vulnerables tienen un lugar privilegiado en cada pesebre: “La presencia de los pobres y los humildes en el pesebre nos recuerda que Dios se hizo hombre por el bien de aquellos que más necesitan su amor y que le piden que se acerque a ellos. Jesús, “gentil y humilde de corazón” (Mt 11:29), nació en la pobreza y llevó una vida sencilla para enseñarnos a reconocer lo que es esencial y así actuar en consecuencia. La escena de la natividad enseña claramente que no podemos dejarnos engañar por la riqueza y las fugaces promesas de felicidad. Vemos el palacio de Herodes en el fondo, cerrado y sordo a las noticias de gran gozo. Al nacer en un pesebre, Dios mismo lanza la única revolución verdadera que puede dar esperanza y dignidad a los desheredados y marginados: la revolución del amor, la revolución de la ternura. Desde el pesebre, Jesús proclama, de manera mansa pero poderosa, la necesidad de compartir con los pobres como el camino hacia un mundo más humano y fraterno en el que nadie está excluido o marginado”.

Al celebrar la alegría de la Navidad y el poder y la presencia del Príncipe de la Paz en nuestras familias, en la Iglesia y en el Mundo, nos damos cuenta al mismo tiempo de que la Cuna de Navidad nunca puede separarse de la agonía de la Cruz del Calvario.

Incluso cuando nos regocijamos esta Navidad de 2019, recordamos y apoyamos a los pobres, los hambrientos, los adictos, los enfermos mentales, los refugiados globales y los inmigrantes no documentados, y los sobrevivientes de abuso sexual.

Cuando rezamos ante el pesebre de Navidad y vemos la belleza, la esperanza, la posibilidad en el nacimiento de Jesús, nos vemos obligados a recordar que demasiados niños no reciben la bienvenida y la alegría que merecen por el milagro de su existencia.

No podemos olvidar esta temporada Navideña la gran tristeza que el estado de Nueva York, a través de la aprobación de la horrible Ley de Salud Reproductiva¹, ha convertido en ley el asesinato de seres humanos inocentes a través del aborto hasta el momento del nacimiento y aún más allá, pues esta ley radical permite el asesinato de esos niños que sobreviven al aborto.

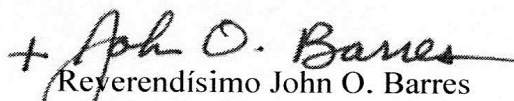
Juntos, invocamos el poder del Príncipe de Paz y Su Palabra compasiva que se encuentra en las Bienaventuranzas y en Su llamado a servir a los pobres y los más vulnerables entre nosotros como en Mateo 25. Nuestro Señor nos da el coraje y la voz como Iglesia Católica en el estado de Nueva York y en todo el mundo para hablar de la belleza, la santidad y la dignidad de cada vida humana.

Seguiremos siendo "un signo de contradicción" al testificar implacablemente y con valentía el Evangelio de la vida humana. Como se dice en las primeras palabras de *Didaché*, el más antiguo documento no-Bíblico Cristiano conocido: "Hay dos caminos, uno de vida y otro de muerte..." Siempre estaremos con nuestros primeros antepasados en la fe cristiana a favor del camino de la vida y opuestos al camino de la muerte.

Continuaremos buscando la intercesión de Santo Tomás More, patrón de estadistas, políticos y abogados para la conversión de los servidores públicos que han apoyado esta trágica legislación. El erudito bíblico cisterciense Padre Simeón escribe: "El Niño, aunque presente en Belén en su pobreza y debilidad, ya está presente en el patrón de las constelaciones por su esplendor y su gloria".²

Que nuestra alabanza y gloria al Príncipe de la Paz llene nuestros corazones y hogares y nos brinde el coraje y la determinación en oración de llevar la Alegría del Evangelio y el Esplendor de la Verdad a todas las plazas públicas del estado de Nueva York y en todo el mundo.

Sinceramente en Cristo,


Reverendísimo John O. Barres
Diócesis de Rockville Centre

¹ <https://www.drvc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/ReproductiveHealthCareAct.pdf>

² Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis (P. Simeón), Corazón de Fuego del Mundo de la Misericordia: Meditaciones sobre el Evangelio según San Mateo, Volumen 1 (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 1996), 76.

COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Misas Durante La Navidad 2019

Martes 24 - 7:30PM en la Iglesia
Miércoles 25 - 2:30PM en la Iglesia
Martes 31 - 7:00PM en la Iglesia
Miércoles 1, 2020 - 2:30PM en la Iglesia



MISA DOMINGOS

7:00pm. Invita un
amigo,
un familiar, un vecino.

**Dios te
recompensará!**

HORARIO DE BAUTIZOS

PROXIMA FECHA
Las charlas de bautizo
serán:

Enero 10 & 17 las 7:00PM

Bautismos:
Enero 25 a la 1:30PM

MUCHAS GRACIAS catequistas y lideres
de los grupos y
movimientos por su gran
servicio a Dios y a la
comunidad.

**INFORMACION: ROSA -JOSÉ
ROMERO. 516-749-4693 /
516-749-5135.**

SERVIMOS A DIOS

PASTOR: Rev. James T. Stachacz

PASTOR ASOCIADO: Miguel Rivera

DIACONADO: Mario y Dora Gómez

José y Judith Contreras.

En estos últimos días de Adviento toda la iglesia toma características Marianas. El semblante de la Iglesia esta estampado con marcas de nuestra Santa Madre, el Espíritu Santo esta trabajando en la Iglesia ahora como lo ha hecho siempre, de esa manera mientras nos preparamos a entrar en el misterio de la Eucaristía este domingo, cuando nuestro sacerdote ora sobre las ofrendas, "María el Espíritu Santo, oh Señor santifica estas ofrendas que ponemos ante tu altar, de la misma manera que llenaste con tu poder en el vientre de nuestra Santa Madre.

Así nosotros también por el poder del espíritu santo cargaremos en nuestros cuerpos a Jesus el mismo que María cargo en su vientre, y como ella nos apuremos a hacer el bien a otros como lo hizo ella, así nuestras buenas obras como las de ella, sorprenderán a otros con la presencia de Cristo y que les cause algo que puedan brincar de alegría como lo hizo Juan.

Meditemos como podemos llevar a Jesus a otros, como puedo llevar felicidad a aquellos que sufren o están tristes?
Santa María. Haz que la fe me lleve a la humildad, es decir, a entender la necesidad que tengo de que Dios me salve.

Misa Del Corazón de Jesus

A donde he de llamar sino a la puerta de ese Corazón Sagrado, a través del cual Dios viene a nosotros, y por mi

**Viernes Enero 3 a las 6:30PM, comenzaremos con el Santo Rosario y cerrando con la Santa Misa
En la Iglesia
Invita a un amig@**



LA COMUNIDAD DE ORACIO SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

Te invita a Orar juntos como hermanos a DIOS PADRE **TODOS LOS VIERNES**. Empezando 6:30PM. Con el Santo Rosario, compartiremos el Evangelio para conocer, Amar más a Dios y creer en su Palabra.

Lugar: En el sótano de la Escuela Nueva. **Cada Viernes Dios tiene una bendición especial para ti!! Te esperamos!!**

SCJ

**Come join us every Friday at 7:00PM
In the Old School Room
Upstairs in the Art Room!!!**



Próximos eventos:

Enero 19, 2019
Virgen de la Altagracia

Febrero 9, 2020
Virgen de Suyapa

Esperamos a todos para celebrar estos eventos de nuestra parroquia.

Sótano de la escuela vieja

A partir de las 2:00PM



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Anyone with a family member serving in the military, please forward their name and rank to our bulletin editor at bulletin1859@aol.com or bring the name to our Rectory Front Office.

We pray to give all of our military personnel the courage and strength to do the duty that is required of them. May they always remember our appreciation for the sacrifice they are making for us. We are thankful for the men and women who are willing to risk their lives to protect our freedom. I ask You to go with each of them and protect them wherever they go. Amen.

Sgt First Class. Matthew Loheide
MSgt. Kevin J. Hennelly
CDR. Jonathan W. Lang
CDR.. Jeanine A. Lang
SPC Justin T. Sikorski
Staff Sgt. Mathew Burrafato
Col. Paul J. Laughlin
Major Patrick O. Kelly, USMC
2nd Lt. Thomas P. McLoughlin, USMC
Atan Lisa Olynk, USN
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Pvt. Thomas Wright
Tech Sgt. Peter F. Clark, USAF
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SSGT Michael J. Mc Ilwrath, USMC
1st Lt. James Michael Vaz, U.S. Army
Gunnery Sgt. Brian Moran, USMC
Cpt. Richard Macchio
Pvt. Joseph Gergely, U.S.M.C.
LTJG Alie Disher, U.S.N.
LTJG John Patrick Orr, USN, C.E.C.
PVC Andrew Hughes
Sgt. Lotachukwu Okoye
PFC Jim Arbelaez, US Marine
Sgt. Dustin Lusby
LTJG Christopher Medford, US Navy
Airman First Class Gianinna Roldan (USAF)
PVT Lorenzo LaPlaca, US Army
Corporal William J. White, USMC
Pvt. Daniel Sullivan, US Army
PO3 Hunter Morales, US Navy
HA Morrigan Hayes, US Navy
SA Peter Cavallo, US Navy
Adam Cespo—Air Force
Oscar Martinez—Marines

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Sunday, December 22, 2019

8am Catholic Daughters-Church
8am Corona Self Help, Church
5:30-7pm Choir—Church—Spanish

Monday, December 23, 2019

7-9pm St. Martin's CYO—Gym
7:30-9pm St Ann Mother's Prayer Group—Rm B
7-9pm EMAUS—Science Room

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

Holiday

Wednesday, December 25, 2019
Christmas

Thursday, December 26, 2019

No Activities

Friday, December 27, 2019

7-9pm Charismatic Renewal—New School Cafe
7-9pm CYO—Gym
7-9pm Spanish Youth Ministry—Art Room

Saturday, December 28, 2019

8-9am Men's Prayer Group—Church

Thought
for the week

*Looking for the perfect
Christmas gift... try a hug.
One size fits all.*