

# Saint Kilian Parish

485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735



## MISSION STATEMENT

*THE CATHOLIC FAMILY OF ST. KILIAN PARISH SEEKS TO BE A VIBRANT, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF FAITH, GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, NOURISHED BY GOD'S WORD AND THE EUCHARIST, AND COMMITTED TO WITNESSING GOD IN AND THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORS.*

## PASTORAL TEAM

**Rev. Bruce J. Powers, Pastor -**

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**Rev. Michael F. Duffy, Parochial Vicar -**

fatherduffy@me.com

**Mrs. Claire Stiglic, Associate Director Religious Education**

**Mrs. Kathleen Singleton, Associate Director Religious Education -**

**Mrs. Nina Petersen, Social Ministry/Outreach**

**Mr. Paul C. Phinney, Music Director -**

**Mr. Edward Fronckwicz - Business Manager**

**Mrs. Barbara Geary, Director of Stewardship / Pastor's Secretary**

## HISPANIC MINISTRY

**Rev. José Luis Tenas**

## RETIRED CLERGY IN RESIDENCE

**Most Rev. John C. Dunne**

**Rev. Augustine Fernando**

## DEACONS

**Deacon Frank D. Barone**

**Deacon Francis P. Marino**

**Deacon Mark Wetzel**

**Deacon William A. Weiss**

## RETIRED DEACONS

**Deacon Lucio L. Cotone**

**Deacon George B. Owen**

**Ms. Mary Mullan - Youth Minister**

*"God is a Father who forgives.  
His mercy is greater than our  
sin."  
—Mother Teresa*

## THE ST. KILIAN VISION STATEMENT

**+ HOSPITALITY: ST. KILIAN PARISH STRIVES TO BE A WELCOMING, DYNAMIC FAITH COMMUNITY.**

**+ THE EUCHARIST AND LITURGY: WE SEEK TO NOURISH THE FAITH LIFE OF THE PARISH BY CELEBRATING MEANINGFUL LITURGIES, AND OFFERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR A WIDE RANGE OF PRAYERFUL EXPERIENCES.**

**+ LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION: WE ARE DEDICATED TO INSPIRING THE YOUNG AND THE OLD THROUGH LIFELONG EDUCATION, AND FORMATION OF MINDS AND HEARTS.**

**+ STEWARDSHIP: IN ALL ASPECTS OF OUR FAITH WE SHARE OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE THROUGH STEWARDSHIP.**

**+ PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY: WE BRING OUR FAITH TO LIFE BY SERVING OTHERS THROUGH COMPASSIONATE PERSONAL OUTREACH AND COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL JUSTICE.**

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**SATURDAY EVENING: 5:00p.m.**

**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL: 6:30 p.m. Saturday Cada Sábado**

**SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and  
12:30 p.m.**

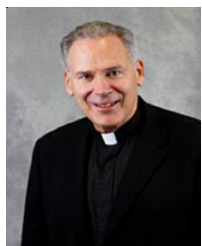
**FAMILY MASS & YOUTH MASS: 9:30 a.m. -  
2nd & 4th Sunday**

**WEEKDAYS: 7 a.m. - St. Benedict Chapel - 9 a.m. Church**

**SATURDAY: 7:30 a.m. - St. Benedict Chapel**

**HOLIDAYS: As announced in the bulletin**

**RECONCILIATION - CONFESSIONS - Mon.: 1-1:30 p.m.  
& Sat. - 4 - 4:45 p.m.**



## ***“How Wonderful Are Your Works, Lord Mighty God!”***

New York City’s Hayden Planetarium blew my mind as a child on a field trip from school. It has been completely redesigned since its 1935 opening. It is far more mind blowing. It’s on my bucket list. Scientists have long thought that there are 200 billion galaxies in the universe, besides our Milky Way galaxy. The new planetarium features the most technologically advanced Space Theater in existence featuring a Zeiss Mk IX Star Projector, and a powerful virtual reality simulator.

That of course is ‘outer space’. But what of ‘inner space’, filled with tiny particles like ‘quarks’ and ‘bosons’, so infinitesimal that if the atom were the size of the Milky Way, these particles would be smaller than the earth. I wonder why? Why space, outer and inner? Why time? Why me? Why anything at all?

For believers in God, the Lord mighty God is the merciful one, responsible for the entire expanding universe, and for our lives. Recently, the New York Times reported that there are about ten times as many galaxies as scientists previously thought. “The new number, *2 trillion galaxies*, is the result of work led by Christopher J. Conselice, an astrophysicist at the University of Nottingham in England, published last week in the *Astrophysical Journal*.”

To further blow your mind, the new finding came about through analysis by teams of scientists of sky surveys by the Hubble Space Telescope and other telescopes able to see far back in history. How far back were they looking? About *13 billion years of time!* Dr. Conselice had this to say about the new findings. “*It’s much bigger than anyone would have guessed, and the real number could be even higher.*” Most scientists believe that the universe is expanding.

Dr. Conselice is looking forward to a new Space Telescope that will be launched in 2018, the more powerful *James Webb Space Telescope*. With this

new instrument, scientists will be able to study lower-mass galaxies that are the first galaxies of the universe.

It is the God of the universe whom human beings have personally encountered, beginning with the Jewish people. “*I am Yahweh, your God*”, he told them at Mount Sinai. Then he entered into a covenant of eternal love that extended not only to Jews but to all people. God will always be faithful to us. We need to give ourselves over again and again to the marriage that God has made with us, and has immeasurably deepened in the coming of His Son, Jesus Christ. “*I believe in the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.*” (Nicene Creed) Do you think that there will be room for us in one of the 2 trillion galaxies?

Christianity is all about our response to the cosmic creator’s personal and infinite love for each and every one of us. There is nothing more important than loving and being loved. We find our happiness in knowing that we are deeply cared about. It sustains us, and we feel like singing and dancing and celebrating and sharing our joy with others.

The God of 2 trillion galaxies and more, is crazy for you! That is why we have a church *-to celebrate* the wonderful love of our awesome God; and *to invite* everyone we meet to join us in the celebratory dance of the people that God has destined for eternal life with him.

*“Dance then, wherever you may be. I am the Lord of the dance, said He. And I’ll lead you all wherever you may be, I’ll lead you all in the dance, said He.”*  
(The ‘Lord of the Dance’ hymn)

*Peace, Father Bruce*



**Sunday - November 20 - Our Lord Jesus Christ - Readings:** 1st—2 Samuel 5:1-3; 2nd—

Colossians 1:12-20; Gospel—Luke 23:35-43

- 8:00 For the Parishioners of St. Kilian
- 9:30 Anna Rutigliano
- 11:00 Pasko Markovina
- 12:30pm Anthony & Natalina Luca  
Barbara Bartlett  
Cecelia Colletti  
Mile Lipovac

**MONDAY - November 21 - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- 7:00 Joseph Trudden, Jr.
- 9:00 John Ankelman

**TUESDAY - November 22 - St. Cecilia**

- 7:00 Intentions of Rosario Gravina
- 9:00 Pasko Markovina

**WEDNESDAY - November 23 - Weekday**

- 7:00 Mildred Corwin
- 9:00 Brian Dowling

**THURSDAY - November 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priests, Companions & Martyrs**

- 9:00 Charles & Vina Nardi

**FRIDAY - November 25 - Weekday**

- 7:00 Mildred Corwin
- 9:00 Edward & Assunta Nardi

**SATURDAY - November 26 - Weekday**

- 7:30 Carol Ann Dunn
- 5:00pm Gerald Flynn  
Francis Berkhout  
Bernard Schrank  
Gloria Ciaravino
- 6:30pm

**Sunday - November 27 - First Sunday of**

**Advent - Readings:** 1st—Isaiah 2:1-5; 2nd—Romans 13:11-14; Gospel—Matthew 24:37-44

- 8:00 Frank Triforo
- 9:30 For the Parishioners of St. Kilian
- 11:00 Ralph Porpora
- 12:30pm Francis O'Brien  
Intentions of Romy Maramot  
Margaret McGurk  
Robert LaMontanaro



**Stewardship**  
*A Way of Life*

The following are the weekly collections for:

November 12, 13, 2016 .....\$22,505.91  
(Last year 2015) .....\$26,196.48

**Attendance**

November 12, 13, 2016.....1819  
(Last year 2015) .....2115

**Parish Collection report-Week of Nov. 13, 2016**

Mass	Number Of Envelopes	Amt. in Env. Cash/Checks	Loose Cash	Total
5pm - Sat.	175	\$4682.75	\$572.00	\$5254.75
6:30pm-Sat.	27	\$281.00	\$988.00	\$ 1269.00
8:00am-Sun	115	\$3449.00	\$328.00	\$3777.00
9:30am	108	\$2801.00	\$570.00	\$3371.00
11:00am	136	\$3409.00	\$432.00	\$3841.00
12:30pm	88	\$2407.00	\$602.00	\$3009.00

**Thank you for Placing  
God  
first in your life!**

Mail in Envelopes: \$287.00  
Online Donations: \$1697.16  
**Total: \$22,505.91**

**Bulletin Reflection:**

*Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of my life?*

**Living Stewardship:**

*We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to responsibly connect their faith in day-to-day activities, such as participating in community or school organizations.*

**NEXT WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANTS**

**Saturday-Nov. 26**

- 5:00pm - Fr. Bruce
- 6:30pm - Fr. Fr. José Luis

**Sunday-Nov.27**

- 8:00 a.m. - Fr. Gus
- 9:30 a.m. - Fr. Duffy
- 11:00 a.m. Bishop Dunne
- 12:30 p.m. Fr. Bruce



**ST. KILIAN PARISH MEMORIAL  
FOR HOSTS AND WINE to be used at  
all Weekday Masses (Nov. 21-25 2016)  
were donated in Memory of  
+The Ihm Family  
Gift of: The Meunier Family**



As a praying community, we automatically ask prayers for all those who are ill. Names added to the list will remain on for a maximum of 3 weeks. If the individual is still in need of prayers, the office would have to be notified to continue for an additional 3 weeks. If you do not desire to be listed, please inform us.



*Rest in Peace*  
*We remember those who have died in  
our parish community this week:*

Evangelio La Porte  
Angela Benevento

*Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord; and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen*

**PRAY FOR:**

Frank Burnside; Sarita Donald; Denise Wagner; Helen Norjen; John Nelson, Sr.; John Nelson, Jr.; Kerri Ihm; Hugh Gilmore; Theresa Ross; Vincent Thomas Marino; Rosemary Oliver; Roy Tewes; Chad Aarant; Fred Schumeyer; Joan Fullam, Maria Lutz, Frank Furnari; Ursula Cancila; Brenda Paul; Ali Marie Ambrosio; Cynthia Simpson; Michael Mondiello Sr.; Carl Ferrigno; Denis Winter Sr.; Denis Winter Jr.; Ursulla Tadaro; Linda Asparro; Dolores Menze; Kenneth Klem; Geri Kowalik; Cyndi Keats; Matthew Malley; Doreen Asparro; Ann Henry; Christine Makuskie; Patrick OöDea; Scarlett Bowne; John Venezia, Sr.; Gina Cece.

**And prayers for our children:** Gwendolyn Rose; Kyle; Patrick Johnson; Jillian Cordi; Baby Julia Rose Manno; Olivia Macchio; Collin Huber; Michael Cardone; Baby Kathleen Scelfo; Baby Olivia Scelfo; Mackenzie Jordan Borchers; Olivia Molloy; Kaelyn Maureen McCandless; Kairi Knudsen.



**Second Announcement**

Eric Michael Zwerling (St. Kilian) & Nicole Robyn Camerino



Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, November 23 at 10 a.m. to help the Sacristan change the Missal Books in the Church pews. Thank you for your help.

**2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal**  
**Serving God by Serving Others**

So far pledges total \$96,882.00 or 68.08% of goal. Payments received so far total \$93,393.50. Average donation is \$206.57. There is still time to pledge for this year, if you haven't done so.



**Thanksgiving Day Mass -**  
**Thursday, November 24th**  
**9:00 am**

***There will be only one Mass on Thanksgiving morning at 9:00 am in the Church.***

*If you would like, you may bring a symbolic basket of food to be blessed on Thanksgiving morning for your feast later in the day.*

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, November 23rd, Thanksgiving Day, November 24th and Friday, November 25th.**

## Parish Directory

RECTORY OFFICE: (516) 249-0127 -

FAX: (516) 249-7131

WEBSITE: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com) -

E-MAIL: [info@stkilian.com](mailto:info@stkilian.com)

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

MON. - FRI. - 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. and SUNDAY: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Mrs. Kathleen Singleton, *Assoc. Director Religious Education*

Mrs. Carmela Petraglia - *Secretary*

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Mrs. Dee Asparro - *Secretary*

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Mr. Paul Phinney - [paulp@stkilian.com](mailto:paulp@stkilian.com)

### YOUTH MINISTRY - (516)249-0127

Ms. Mary Mullan - [Skyouth@stkilian.com](mailto:Skyouth@stkilian.com)

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### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Mrs. Addie DeVincentis - Mrs. Lillian James  
Mr. Geoffrey Fenwick - Ms. Diane Markunas  
Mr. Brian McKenna - Mr. David Rodenburg  
Mrs. Melissa Suwalski

Pastoral Council e-mail: [stkpc@stkilian.com](mailto:stkpc@stkilian.com)

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Pierre Lehmuller - *Trustee*  
Mr. Richard Merzbacher - *Trustee*  
Mr. Victor Albanese - *Deacon Frank Barone*  
Ms. Jill Von Hegel  
Deacon William Weiss - Mr. Stephen G. Wilson

## Sacraments

**Baptisms** are celebrated on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the church. Spanish Baptisms are celebrated on the 4th Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. Parents are required to participate in one Sacramental Preparation session. These meetings are held on the **first and third Sunday of each month**. After attending the 9:30am Mass, parents should proceed to the Social Ministry/Outreach Conference Room (across the parking lot) for the Baptism Preparation Class. Godparents are welcome. Please call the rectory to arrange an interview with a deacon or priest to register for the preparation session and the Baptism ceremony. Additional information on Baptism is available on the parish website: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com)

**Reconciliation** - Confessions are heard in the church on Mondays, 1:00-1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m.; and in the rectory by appointment. *Confessions are not heard on Mondays that are Holy Days or public holidays.*

**Confessions in Spanish** by appointment. Please call the rectory at (516)249-0127.

**Matrimony** - Marriage arrangements should be made with a deacon or priest **at least six months** before the proposed wedding date. No dates for marriage will be given over the phone. *Note: The interview to schedule the marriage date at St. Kilian should be completed before commitments are made with a catering hall.* Additional information is available on the parish website: [www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com).

**Anointing of the Sick - The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** may be received by any Catholic who is preparing for surgery, or is of advanced age, or is seriously ill. The sacrament is the Church's prayer for health and healing and should not be delayed until there is danger of death. Please call the rectory to speak with a priest. Also, to arrange for Communion to be brought to the homebound, please call the rectory to have a priest visit. After the priest visits, arrangements can be made for a Eucharistic Minister to regularly bring communion to the homebound.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**RCIA (Becoming A Catholic)** Anyone who is inquiring about becoming a Catholic, and who has not been baptized, or who has been baptized in another Christian community is invited to inquire into the **RCIA**. Please call the rectory for information at (516)249-0127.



*St. Kilian Parish Advent Retreat  
December 5-7, 2016*



*Directed by  
Father Kevin Cronin, OFM  
Franciscan Friar  
of Holy Name Province*

*Father Kevin Cronin, OFM, will be conducting our  
Advent retreat, beginning the weekend of  
December 3-4, preaching at all the parish masses.*

*On December 5-7, 2016, Monday through Wednesday,  
Father Kevin will be celebrating the morning mass at  
9 AM and an evening service at 7:30 PM each day.*

*Confessions will be on Tuesday, December 6, only after  
the evening service*



## *St. Kilian Pastoral Planning* -



Since the fall of 2014, using demographic studies as resource, and a parish survey taken at weekend masses in November 2014, St. Kilian parish has been developing a Pastoral Plan to invigorate the parish and focus our energies for the next five years. A St. Kilian Steering Committee made up of members from The Pastoral Council, and other parishioners interested in the project, developed a parish Mission Statement, followed by a St. Kilian Vision Statement. It is hoped that the dreams and desires, the hopes and aspirations of our parish community will be realized effectively.

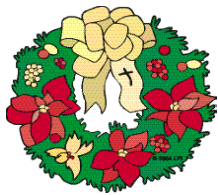
The Mission Statement is more global. It attempts to create a word picture that captures the essence of who we are. What is our purpose? Why do we exist as a Catholic faith community in Farmingdale? "The Catholic family of St. Kilian parish seeks to be a vibrant, welcoming community of faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, nourished by God's word and the Eucharist, and committed to witnessing God in and through our neighbors." (St. Kilian Mission Statement) The Vision Statement flows from the Mission Statement. It tries to concretize the global Mission Statement by means of Five Pillars or major themes with specific goals and objectives in our parish life. The First Pillar- Hospitality; The Second Pillar - the Eucharist and liturgy; The Third Pillar - Lifelong Faith Formation; The Fourth Pillar ó Stewardship; and the Fifth Pillar ó Parish Social Ministry.

**Following the 12:30 PM mass this Sunday, November 20, the St. Kilian Pastoral Council and the St. Kilian Pastoral Team, will host an open meeting for all parishioners.**

The results of the brainstorming sessions on the Five Pillars of the St. Kilian Vision Statement, will be presented. There will be time for Q and A. Your perspective on the results of the brainstorming sessions are welcome. Your active involvement is solicited. Refreshments will be served. The results of the brainstorming sessions (specific goals and objectives in each area of parish life) can only be realized over the coming years by the commitment of as many parishioners as possible. Your service is critical for our future as a faith community.

Please join us for sharing, fellowship and community building. "Come, Holy Spirit-

**Sponsored by the St. Kilian Pastoral Council and the Pastoral Team.**



## Christmas Wreaths and Blankets

We will be selling Christmas Wreaths and Grave Blankets this year. The wreaths are Balsam and are 12" Double Faced and decorated with a red velvet bow, pine cones and silk like poinsettias.

The grave blankets are handmade on a wooden base and are decorated. This year we will be offering two different sizes - a large 24" size and an extra large size measuring 42". Also available is a 24" Cross.

If you are interested in purchasing, please fill out the tear-off below and return it to the rectory or drop it in the Christmas Box in the gathering space. by **Sunday, December 4th.**

**Please do not leave any money with your tear-off.**  
**We are taking pre-orders, so we know how many to order.**

**Pick-up will be Saturday, Dec. 10 from 9AM to 12:00 noon or Sunday, Dec. 11, from 9AM to 2PM in the basement of the church.**  
**Last day to order is December 4th.**

Join us for some refreshments and Christmas Cheer during Advent and pick up your wreaths and blankets. Any questions, please contact Dave Rodenburg (249-3276) or Margaret Barrett (420-0674) or leave a message at the rectory.



## Christmas Wreaths and Blankets

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

			<u>Quantity</u>
Cross	24"	\$25.00	_____
Christmas Wreath	12"	\$15.00	_____
Grave Blankets	24"	\$25.00	_____
	42"	\$35.00	_____

***Last day to order is December 4th***



## Thanksgiving Day Table Grace

*Blest are you, Lord, God our Father.*

*Through your goodness we enjoy the fruits of the earth and share the loving gifts of family and friendship.*

*We ask your blessing on our guests, our table, and our home.*

*We offer thanks for the Love with which this festive meal was prepared,*

*And for the love and joy which bring us together to partake of it.*

*In gratitude for your continued care over us, make us mindful of the needs of others,*

*That we may show our thanks in the manner of our living.*

*May our hearts be filled with love and praise, as we pray in your holy name.*

*Amen.*

### PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS

Let us say THANK YOU by supporting their businesses. Please let them know that you saw their ad in our Parish Bulletin.



## SOCIAL MINISTRY/OUTREACH

Outreach is our parish community's response to the Gospel call to help those in need. We serve anyone who lives within our parish boundaries regardless of religion, race or ethnicity. We are located at 140 Elizabeth Street but our main entrance is in the parking lot facing Conklin Street. **OUR FOOD PANTRY AND OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 10AM-2:30PM.** We are also available certain Saturdays by appointment only. Spanish translators are available Tuesdays and Fridays. For further information please call 516-756-9656 Nina Peterson, Director of Outreach

### CHILDREN'S CLOTHING DRIVE



#### **PROJECT CLOSET NEEDS MORE WINTER CHILDREN'S CLOTHING**

Pay It Forward Long Island was created in 2010 by a group of women who wanted to make a difference and Pay It Forward to those in need in the community. Their Project Closet has been a great resource for our Outreach families and they will be holding several clothing drives here at Outreach to re-stock.

#### **Clothing must be:**

LIKE NEW  $\bar{o}$  ONLY CHILDREN'S CLOTHING  
*Especially needed for Middle and High Schoolers*

#### **Deliver to our Outreach building on:**

**Saturday, 11/26, 4:30-6:30pm**

**Sunday, 12/4, 9am-1pm**

THANK



YOU

In case you missed it last week, I would like to once again thank EVERYONE for the outpouring of generosity we experienced during our food drive. St. Kilian is truly a loving and giving community!

**We also extend a GREAT, BIG THANK YOU to BSA VENTURE CREW 601 who ran a food drive for us last weekend at Stop and Shop**

*Our work continues and this week our pantry is in need of:*

**Coffee  
Shelf-Stable Milk  
Mayonnaise (small jars OK)**

**Thanks to your generosity, we have enough turkeys and have no more room to accept any more at this time.**

## SOCIAL MINISTRY/OUTREACH

### **GIFT STARS ARE UP FOR CHRISTMAS!**

We chose the symbol of the Star as a reminder of Jesus as the Light of the World. Here is how it works:

- ❖ **Each family** is asked to take one or more Gift Tags from the wall. Please do not remove the star as it will be a happy reminder that Jesus, the Light of the World, is coming.
- ❖ **Purchase** the gift indicated on the gift tag.
- ❖ **Wrap the gift and attach the gift tag** so we know for whom the item is intended.
- ❖ **Return the gift to our new Outreach building when you come to Mass the weekend of December 10th and 11th.** If your gift is not returned on either of those dates, that family will **NOT** receive a gift since we are distributing them soon after the collection takes place.

### ❖ **REMEMBER OUR RETURN DATES – DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup>**

*HEAP, a low-income, federally-funded energy assistance program, opened 11/14 and should close by March. For eligibility guidelines, see <http://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>. Applications can be made (1) online at <https://www.mybenefits.ny.gov/> OR (2) senior citizens call the Office of the Aging (Nassau: 516-227-7386, Suffolk: 631-853-8326) OR (3) all others call: EAC in Nassau at 516-565-4327 or Central HEAP in Suffolk 631-853-8825. SNAP/TA recipients should be automatically enrolled. Call Outreach for further information.*

**Please note that our pantry will be closed for Thanksgiving from Wed 11/23 through Friday 11/25.**

*With grateful hearts, we extend to everyone a very **HAPPY**  
**THANKSGIVING***



**The rectory office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.**

On Thanksgiving Day there will be only one Mass, 9:00am in the Church.

On Friday, November 25th the 7am Mass will be in St. Benedict Chapel and the 9 a.m. Mass will be in the Church.

There will be **no Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, November 23rd, Thanksgiving Day, November 24th and Friday, November 25th.**

### **Readings for the Week of November 20, 2016**

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43  
Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 21:1-4  
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10-13/Lk 21:5-11  
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1-3, 7-9/Lk 21:12-19  
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 21:20-28  
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11<sup>o</sup> 21:2/Ps 84:3-6, 8/Lk 21:29-33  
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-7/Lk 21:34-36  
Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

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## St. Kilian Week at a Glance

### Nov. 20 (Sunday)

Family Life Costume distribution for Christmas Pageant - 8am - noon - Parish Ctr.  
Baptism Preparation - 10:30am - Social Ministry Conference Room  
Pastoral Planning Open Meeting - 1:30pm - 3pm - Parish Ctr.  
SKYouth Meeting - 5pm - 9pm - Cafeteria  
Spanish Baptism Preparation - 7pm - Parish Ctr.  
Alanon Support Meeting - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

### Nov. 21 (Monday)

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Seniors Meeting - 11am - Parish Ctr.  
Eucharistic Adoration - 4pm - 9pm - St. Benedict Chapel  
Divorced & Separated - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

### Nov. 22 (Tuesday)

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Seniors Meeting - 11am - Parish Ctr.  
Eucharistic Adoration - 4--8pm - St. Benedict Chapel  
CYO Practice - 4pm -9pm - Auditorium  
Holy Souls In Purgatory - 6pm -7pm- St. Benedict Chapel  
NA Meeting - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

### Nov. 23 (Wednesday)

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
Bible Study - 10:30am - 12:30p.m. - Parish Ctr.  
CYO Practice - 4-9pm - Auditorium  
AA Support Meeting - 7pm - Parish Ctr.  
Spanish Charismatic Renewal - 7pm - Cafeteria  
Boy Scout Religious Awards - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

### Nov. 24 (Thursday)

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church

### Nov. 25 (Friday)

Daily Rosary - 8:30am - Church  
CYO Practice - 4 - 6pm - Auditorium  
AA Spanish -7pm Parish Ctr.

### Nov. 26 (Saturday)

CYO Practice - 12noon - 9pm - Auditorium  
Reconciliation - 4pm - 4:45pm - Church  
Social Ministry - Project Closet - Winter Children's Clothing - 4:30pm - 6:30pm - Outreach Meeting Room  
Spanish Youth Group - 7pm - Cafeteria

### Nov. 27 (Sunday)

CYO Practice - 1pm - 9:30pm - Auditorium  
SKYouth Meeting - 5pm - 9pm - Cafeteria  
Alanon Support Meeting - 7:30pm - Parish Ctr.

## Everyday Stewardship

Most people look to the end of the calendar year to begin making resolutions for the next year. There seems to be this magical break in human time because of the changing of a year. Suddenly, the world is filled with new possibilities and promises of a fruitful future. However, an everyday steward does not need to wait for the first of January to make some resolutions or changes in life.

This Sunday marks the end of another liturgical year. Next Sunday, we begin looking toward Christmas with the First Sunday of Advent. Today is a great day to make some decisions and turn attention to improving our spiritual life.

Starting in Advent you could make a resolution to spend more time with the Scriptures. God is trying to tell you something, but you have to be more mindful to really listen. You could challenge yourself to each day do something generous that you might not normally do. The challenges don't have to be large or cost a lot, but they should push you a little out of your comfort zone. That's why we call them challenges. You could also resolve to keep a gratefulness journal, where you record daily your thanks for wonderful things in your life. This will help you examine your life more closely and will help you realize the wealth that God has given you, even in the small things.

Don't wait to strengthen your discipleship and stewardship way of life. The Church is beginning anew and that means you are too! You are the Church, right? Don't wait another month. Organize your life with the rhythm of the liturgical year, not the year defined by a party in Times Square.

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## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Today the Church calls us to celebrate the truth that Jesus Christ is King of the universe. As King, it is his mission to eliminate anything that is contrary to God's purpose and to establish a world based on justice and peace. Because God does not force his will upon us, it is our duty as believers to share in and cooperate with this mission and do all in our power to hasten God's kingdom.

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### *What are you thankful for?*

How often do we stop to think during the day about how grateful we are for God's blessings? The weather is nice, we haven't caught the cold or flu going around, we just got a phone call from a friend or family member who we haven't heard from in a while. Then of course we can be thankful for Jesus' love for us, the quiet strength of our Blessed Mother, the Holy Spirit filling us with the courage we need at just the right time. There are material things we can also feel grateful for in our beautiful church, a place to live, that special gift we received for our birthday, and on and on.

It has been a difficult time for our country, yet we are all here because of our loving and generous God. Even with all of the little and major things going on in our lives, we can be very thankful that we live in the United States of America!

I know friends and family members who do their best to keep a positive attitude no matter what is going on in their lives. This is not to say that they do not suffer or that everything always goes their way. It is not always easy in the face of disappointment, sadness, poor health etc. Some of these positive people keep what they call a "gratitude journal". I try to keep one in my head, but sometimes it has to be written down so that when I need it most, I can pull it out and be reminded of the things I am still grateful for.

So as we approach Thanksgiving Day, I invite all of you to begin or add to that "gratitude journal". I for one will be making an attempt to write down these blessings and to add to them each day if I can or even if I have to repeat something for 5 days straight! Our God is a generous God. Let us first be aware of the gifts that He has given us so that we in turn can use our gifts to serve Him.

Thank you for making the effort to embrace Stewardship in our parish.

**Happy Thanksgiving from the Stewardship Committee.**

*Living Waters*, located on Wolf Hill Road in Melville, on the grounds of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, provides individual and group therapy with a Christian perspective - 631-754-3990 email: carolr@livingwaterscounseling.biz.

Our pastor, Father Bruce Powers, besides his graduate degree in theology from the major seminary in Huntington, New York, holds a Masters degree in Pastoral Counseling from St. John's University ( M.S. in Ed.). In addition, he has received certification in substance abuse counseling from South Oaks Institute in Amityville, New York.

If you would like his counsel on personal and family difficulties, please contact him at St. Kilian rectory: 516-249-0127 or email him for an appointment: [brucep@stkilian.com](mailto:brucep@stkilian.com)

### The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

#### **Feast of Christ the King**

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

**In the month of November, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to help build the kingdom of God by assisting families providing food, utility and rent bills. etc. Thank You!**

If you are in need of assistance or would like information about joining or contributing to the Society, please call 516-473-9562. Leave a message and a phone number. A member will return your call as soon as possible. You may visit our website at [www.svdprvc.org](http://www.svdprvc.org). Please remember the Poor Boxes at the exits of the church. They are the Bread Boxes of the poor and hungry.

*Please consider remembering St. Kilian Parish in your will. Catholics of generations to come will thank you for your thoughtfulness and remember you in prayer.*



**FAMILY MINISTRY - Growing in Faith and Love!**

**On Christmas Eve – at a 3:30 Liturgy – children of our Parish will present the true story of Christmas.**

**Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men, Inn Keepers, and Narrators are needed.  
All children in grades 2 - 8 are welcome to join us. The only speaking parts are for the Narrators.**



Check the Parish Website for more information:  
[www.stkilian.com](http://www.stkilian.com)

**DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR -  
Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> – Christmas  
Pageant Parts & Costume Distribution  
immediately after the 9:30 Mass**

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas  
Pageant 1<sup>st</sup> Rehearsal  
immediately after the 9:30 Mass in the Gym**

**Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> – Christmas  
Pageant Final Rehearsal  
immediately after the 9:30 Mass in the Gym**

PARENT HELP IS NEEDED! Can you help?

**PLEASE EMAIL [STKILIANFAMILYLIFE@YAHOO.COM](mailto:STKILIANFAMILYLIFE@YAHOO.COM)**



Our PBJ Gang is going strong. THANK YOU to all who come out and help us each month. We are in need of creamy peanut butter, grape jelly, styrofoam plates & bowls.

Drop Offs can be made at the Religious Ed Office. **Please label for PBJ GANG.**

**CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION**

**Next Night: Thursday 12/1**

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# St. Kilian Respect Life



WHICH IS OUR  
PATH IN  
THE  
KINGDOM?

That is the calling  
of Christians, that

is our apostolic task,  
the desire which should consume our soul: to  
make this Kingdom of Christ a reality, to  
eliminate hatred and cruelty, to spread  
throughout the earth the strong and soothing  
balm of love. Let us ask our King today to  
make us collaborate, humbly and fervently,  
the divine task of mending what is broken, of  
saving what is lost, of fixing what man has  
put out of order, of bringing to his destination  
whoever has gone off the right road, of  
reconstructing the harmony of all created  
things.

Christ is Passing By, 183 St. Josemaria  
Escriva.

The Respect Life Committee embraces this  
apostolic task and invites you to join us. See  
numbers below if you wish to become active  
in this ministry.

**11/20 (Sun)** - 10:30-10:55AM· PRO-LIFE meeting:  
Green Rm of St. Kilian Church  
Basement.

**11/26 (Sat)** - 10:30-11:30AM Prayer vigil outside  
Planned Parenthood, 35 Carman Rd,  
Massapequa.

**Support & Prayer Ministry for CatholicGays/  
Lesbians, Parents & their Families.** Third Tuesday  
of each month - 7pm. Info: Michael Coffey at 917-  
589-7146.

## ATTENTION

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE AS ONE COMMUNITY OUR BI-LINGUAL MASS IN HONOR OF:



### **“LA MORENITA.”** **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE”**

**DATE:** Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016

**TIME:** 6:30 pm - Church

**CELEBRANT:** BISHOP ROBERT J.  
BRENNAN

**Procession immediately following Mass  
to Reception in Cafeteria**

**INTERESTED IN THE RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY?**  
**Call/Text Paul Montenero:** 516-523-0373  
**Or Call Irene Muhs:** 516-249-6567

#### **FOR PREGNANCY HELP, CALL:**

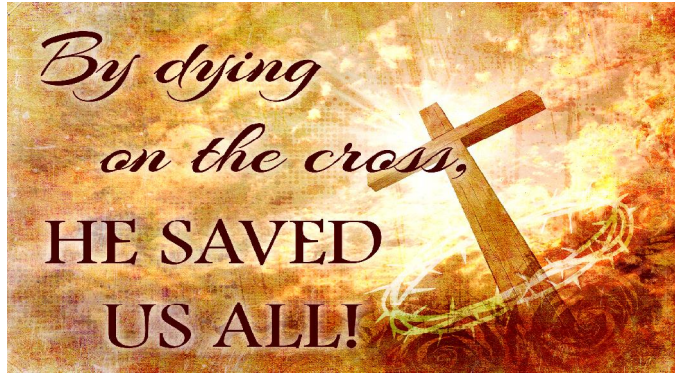
<b>Massapequa</b>	<b>Hempstead</b>	<b>Deer Park</b>
<b>516-798-9100</b>	<b>516-408-6300</b>	<b>631-243-2373</b>

#### **Life Centers:**

**Regina Residence** 516-223-7888  
**AAA Pregnancy Options** 631-243-0066

**FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING**  
**Project Rachel** 800-456-4673

## Cycles of Faith



### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

*“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”*  
The two thieves that were crucified next to Jesus show two very different ways of understanding who Jesus was. The first thief insulted Jesus, prodded him, mocked him. He didn't believe that Jesus had any power whatsoever. Like the sneering crowds, he thought that it was a joke to label Jesus as the “King of the Jews.”

But the second thief, known in tradition as “the good thief,” had a different perception. He understood that Jesus did in fact have power because, as Jesus had told Pilate only hours earlier, his kingdom “is not of this world.” The good thief understood that the kingdom of God awaits those who believe in the Lord. And when this man made that final act of faith on his own cross, Jesus promised him, *“Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”*

Today as we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King, we are challenged to have as much faith as the good thief. We are challenged to believe that Jesus is in fact the “King of the Universe,” even when it may not appear that way to those who stand by sneering. Jesus did not choose to hop down off the cross and make everything cheery. Instead he fulfilled his mission for an end result that was infinitely better than simply saving himself and those two thieves; by dying on the cross, he saved us all! So we too need to trust that just because Jesus doesn't always answer our prayers exactly how we want or expect, and just because we find ourselves carrying a cross from time to time, it does not mean he isn't in charge! On the contrary, we need to trust, as the good thief did, that Jesus' mission is to bring all of us to join him in his heavenly kingdom.

## DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY

### The Bulletin Board

#### Coping with the Holidays

##### St. Pius X School,

*Bridges to Hope*, the Bereavement ministry at St. Pius X Catholic Church, Plainview, invites anyone who has suffered a loss to join them for a meaningful discussion

Please join them on Sunday, November 20 from 1:30-3:30pm in Rm 1 @ St. Pius X School.

**There is never a time limit on grief.**

**All are welcomed.**

To register, please call the parish office at 516-938-3956 or Carol Ann @ 516-840-0000.

#### **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**The Sisters of St. Dominic are having a “THANKS-FOR-GIVING” benefit for their OPENING WORD PROGRAM on November 20, from**

noon - 3:30pm. We teach ESL, English as a Second Language, to women who are mostly from Central American countries, the Caribbean, and South America.

Please come and support this event which will be held at the Sisters of St. Dominic Motherhouse, Mother Josepha Hall, 555 Albany Ave., Amityville, NY 11701

#### **Holy Trinity Diocesan High School**

Holy Trinity Diocesan High School in Hicksville will be holding their annual Christmas and Holiday Craft Fairs on Saturday, November 19th and Saturday, December 10 from 10 Am until 4 PM.

Holy Trinity is located at the intersection of Newbridge Road (Rt. 106) and Stewart Ave. in Hicksville, NY.

#### **Retrouvaille**

A lifeline for married couples

You can help heal your marriage. Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, please call

1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.



## Ciclos de Fe

### 20 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2016 NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO

Jesús fue crucificado entre dos ladrones y uno de ellos conocido en la religiosidad popular como el buen ladrón reconoce en el Señor su reino y que él es Rey. Él sabe que es un pecador pero que Jesús es inocente y todos sabemos la forma tan rápida, inmediata, momentánea que se gana el paraíso. “*Señor, cuando llegues a tu Reino, acuérdate de mí*’. Jesús le respondió: *‘Yo te aseguro que hoy estarás conmigo en el paraíso’*” (Lc 23, 42).

Para nuestro aprendizaje catequético de este domingo es bueno saber que el personaje central de toda la historia de la salvación es Jesús, el cual hoy celebramos con alegría su fiesta de Cristo Rey. Marcamos el final. El próximo domingo daremos comienzo al principio, al Adviento, a lo nuevo de otro año litúrgico.

La fiesta de Cristo Rey fue instaurada por el Papa Pío XI el 11 de diciembre de 1925. El papa quiso motivar a los católicos a reconocer públicamente que el Rey de Reyes universal es Cristo Rey. Ahora, el Papa Francisco nos enseña que Jesús no es un rey al estilo de este mundo: para Él reinar no es mandar, sino obedecer al Padre, entregarse a Él, para que se cumpla su designio de amor y de salvación (homilía, el 23 de noviembre de 2014). Para los hispanos mexicanos en los Estados Unidos, esta solemnidad tiene una connotación muy especial, ya que muchos de nuestros sacerdotes y laicos incluido un niño José Luis Sánchez del Río dieron la vida por defender su fe. Sus últimas palabras fueron ¡Viva Cristo Rey y Santa María de Guadalupe! (La fecha de su canonización para el Beato José Sánchez del Río será 16 de octubre de 2016).

## ATENCION

COORDIALMENTE INVITAMOS A TODA  
LA COMUNIDAD, PARA QUE  
CELEBREMOS JUNTOS LA MISA BILINGUE  
DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS, EN HONOR A  
NUESTRA QUERIDA MADRE:



### “LA MORENITA”

### “VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE.”

**DIA:** SÁBADO 10 DE DICIEMBRE, 2016

**HORA:** 6:30 PM

**LUGAR:** IGLESIA

**PRESIDIDA POR:** MONS. ROBERT J.

**BRENNAN**

**COMPARTIMENTO SIGUE EN CAFETERIA**



## **Celebremos Los Sacramentos**

### **LA SANTA MISA:**

Todos los Sábados a las 6:30PM.

### **BAUTISMO:**

Se celebra cada cuarto domingo de mes, a las 2:00 de la tarde. Es requisito para los papás y padrinos, atender la clase pre-bautismal, cada tercer miércoles de mes a las 6:30 PM, en la parte baja de la Iglesia. Por favor llame a la rectoría para hacer su cita con el sacerdote, para llenar el formato; usted deberá traer el certificado o registro de nacimiento de su niño. Los niños de 6 años ó más, deberán asistir a las clases de catequesis regular.

**PADRINOS:** Deben ser católicos, con los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación; solteros ó casados por la Iglesia. Deben traer una notificación indicando que están registrados o son miembros de la Parroquia, en donde viven ó adonde asisten a misa. No pueden ser padrinos las personas que tienen parejas sin haberse casados por la Iglesia.

### **QUINCEAÑERAS:**

Deben haber recibido los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación ó estar asistiendo a las clases regulares de Educación Religiosa ó RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos).

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS: (RICA)** Les invitamos a una preparación espiritual de conversión a la fé católica. Favor comunicarse con la Hna: Reina Vásquez (631)902-9969. Las clases iniciarán en septiembre.

### **MATRIMONIO:**

Es necesario hacer una entrevista con el Sacerdote ó Diácono de la Parroquia con 6 meses de anticipación, para la celebración de su boda. Es imprescindible que todas las parejas, asistan a PRE-CANA (charlas pre-matrimoniales), para poder casarse. Para mayor información, llamar a la Rectoría (516)-249-0127 ext.129 P. Jose o hablar con él, después de la Misa, los sábados.

### **RECONCILIACION/ CONFESIONES:**

Todos los miércoles de 6:00 a 9:00 PM, en el Grupo de Oración. Lugar: Cafetería.

### **UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS:**

Llamar a la Rectoría, inmediatamente en caso de emergencia o enfermedad, para que la persona reciba los Sacramentos necesarios. (516)- 249-0127 Ext. 129 Padre Jose.

### **GRUPO DE ORACION:**

(Renovación Carismática) Todos los miércoles de 7 a 9:30 PM en la cafetería, Y Hora Santa en la iglesia todos los Segundos miércoles de cada mes, de 7:30-8:30pm.

### **GRUPO JUVENIL:**

Se reúnen todos los sábados, después de Misa. Para información, hablar con Nelson (516)351-8913/ Erlin (631)705-1229.