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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

JUNE 24– THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

- 6:30 Mass for the People of the Parish
- 8:00 Book of the faithful Departed
- 9:30 Teresa Pecere
- 11:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 12:30 Carmela Criscuolo
- 5:00 Paul Bagnoli
- 6:30 Polish Mass

MONDAY: JUNE 25— Weekday

- 8:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 12:00 Hugo Mascari
- 7:00 John Boland
- 7:30 Devotions (Novena)

TUESDAY: JUNE 26– Weekday—

- 8:00 Peter Caputo
- 12:00 Thomas Maher
- 7:00 Alex Polanco

**WEDNESDAY: JUNE 27 -Weekday St. Cyril of Alexandria,
Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

- 8:00 Enthronement of Jesus Christ the King in Poland
& all over the World
- 12:00 Claudelle Michel (Thanksgiving Mass– Living)
- 7:00 John Chionchio

THURSDAY: JUNE 28-St. Irenaeus, Bishop and martyr

- 8:00 John Chionchio
- 12:00 Carmela Criscuolo
- 7:00 Joan Mensching

FRIDAY: JUNE 29—Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

- 8:00 Joe Siano
- 12:00 Antonio Bonventre
- 7:00 Thomas Amendolare

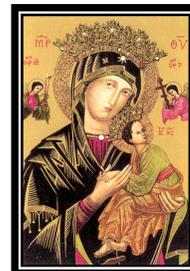
SATURDAY: JUNE 30—Weekday

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

- 8:00 Charlotte McAuley
- 9:00 Frances Barbaccia

VIGIL MASS –

- 5:00 Concetta Taiano



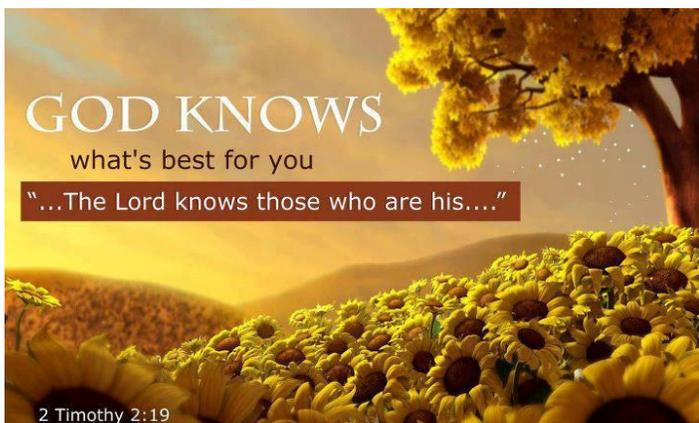
Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam



Mission Statement

“Trusting in God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and, motivated by Christ’s Life, Death and Resurrection, we, the people of God, under the protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, accept as our mission, the evangelization of our parishioners both active and inactive. We accept the call to bring all to a personal, Covenant relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior, to live the Paschal Mystery and to promote the spiritual health and growth of everyone in our parish community.”

- The OLPH Pastoral Council



From the Pastor's Desk -

Archbishop Oscar Romero, the Bishop of San Salvador on the Pacific Coast of Central America, dedicated his life to spread and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He died for what he believed and for his energy in the protection and advancement of the poor of his country.

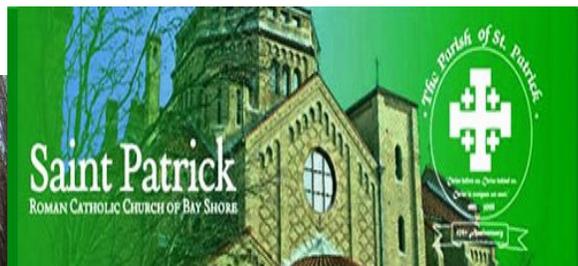
As I leave you this Wednesday, I leave knowing that God knows what's best for me and for you. I leave knowing and believing that my work for Christ and his Church here at OLPH is completed and that it is time for "New Beginnings".

We have accomplished much in the past five years and not just physical beauty, repairs and renovations. We have accomplished the initial and most important task of bringing Christ not only back into the center of our lives as

we enter the doors of our Church, but He has become a more prevalent center of the personal lives of so many individuals and families. Remember our Mission Statement dedicated "To the Greater Glory of God": "Trusting in God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and motivated by Christ's Life, Death and Resurrection, we, the people of God, under the protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, accept as our mission, the evangelization of our parishioners both active and inactive. We accept the call to bring all to a personal, Covenant relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior, to live the Paschal Mystery and to promote the spiritual health and growth of everyone in our parish community." Keep the focus on Christ in the Eucharist. May the Sacraments of the Holy Catholic Church be your friends, your comfort, your lifetime support and your sacred trust. I go now in peace, in love and in forgiveness. Keep up the good work with your new team of priest: Msgr. DeGrocco, Fr. John, Fr. Ignace and Fr. Mike, Fr. Moise and Msgr. Hamilton. Be true and faithful to the parish, the Diocese, our Bishops, our Holy Father and to the Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Here now are the words of Archbishop Romero, Servant of God and Martyr.

It helps, now and then, to step back and take the long view. ~ The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, ~ It is even beyond our vision. ~ We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. ~ Nothing we do is complete, ~ Which is another way of saying that The Kingdom always lies beyond us. No statement says all that should be said. ~ No prayer fully expressed our faith. ~ No confession brings perfection. ~ No pastoral visit brings wholeness. ~ No program accomplishes the church's mission. ~ No set of goals and objectives includes everything. ~ This is what we are about. ~ We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, ~ Knowing that they hold future promise. ~ We lay foundations that will need further development. ~ We provide yeast that produced effects far beyond our capabilities. ~ We cannot do everything, ~ And there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. ~ This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. ~ It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, ~ A step along the way, ~ An opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, ~ But that is the difference Between the master builder and the worker. ~ We are workers, not master builders, ~ Ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future that is not our own. Amen. **-Archbishop Oscar Romero**

May God +bless you, and yours, today and forever. ~ Father Anthony



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Time:

*Michael Pinto & Ann Marie Romeo
Robert Kalinowski & Monika Kosakowska*

Second Time:

*Piero LaRocca & Teresa Oliverio (Both of OLA, Copiague)
Patrick Lambert & Christine Keller (Both of OLPH)
Anthony De Angelis (OLPH) & Marieann Vitello (OLG, West Babylon)
John Ashcroft & Ashley Kienle (OLPH)
Keith Annunziata (St. Rose of Lima, Mass. Park) & Elizabeth Alessi (OLPH)*

First Time:

*Nicholas Marciano & Frances Higgins (Both of OLPH)
Conrad Saint-Joy & Agnieszka Godleuska (Both of OLPH)*



PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Herb Otten
Frank Lent*



Dear God,

*We place our worries in Your hands and ask that You
restore Your servant to health again.*

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

*Pauline Labella Villani Joseph Serra
RoseMary Ann Taccia John V. Vaughn*

*We ask you, O God,
to be our quiet strength and consolation*

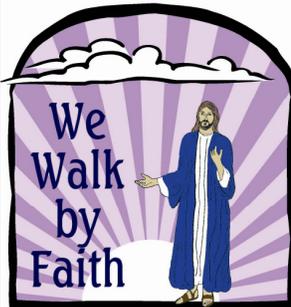


As Christian Stewards in Today's World, We "Walk by Faith."

June 24, 2012 — Nativity of St. John the Baptist

St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that "John heralded His (Jesus) coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel." How faithful are we to our baptismal promises?

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who embrace the obligation to serve others as opportunities to live out our own baptismal promise of service in and through the Church.



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Your Parish Finance Council has suggested that this simple bar graph be added to our weekly bulletin to illustrate the gap between the Sunday collection and the amount needed to achieve a balanced parish budget. Since the beginning of our fiscal year, September 1, 2011, we have experienced a weekly shortfall in collections. It is urgent that we begin to reverse this trend.

**OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH
DEPENDS ON YOUR GENEROSITY**

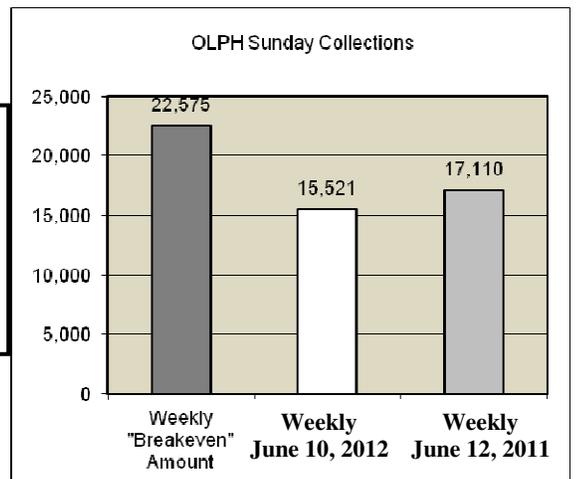
All envelopes must have your account number and offering amount indicated in order for your account to be credited (for taxes) those weekly and special donations. Separate checks in each envelopes, please.

*The account number, after the #267, is located under the date. Remember you **must be registered** (filled out an information card) in the parish in order to receive envelopes. Thank you.*

PLEASE HELP CLOSE THE GAP!

JOIN FAITH DIRECT

YOUR DESIGNATED OFFERING IS MADE AUTOMATICALLY!



PARISH NEWS

- This weekend, **June 23/24**, our diocese will take up the **Peter's Pence Collection**, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.
- **Both Fr. Trapani and Fr. Anselm will be leaving for their new assignments on June 27 and will concelebrate their last Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Sunday, June 24 at 12:30 pm. A farewell reception, hosted by the Christian Mothers, will follow in the auditorium. All are welcome to come.**
- **The OLPH Community of Praise Prayer Group** meets Tuesday evenings at 7:45pm in the Convent Meeting Room. Please enter through the front Convent door. *All are welcome.*
- **FACE THE TRUTH PRE-INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENT** Sat. **June 30** - 1:00 – 2:30 PM Exit 70 S of the Long Island Exwy. & Cty. Rd. 111, Manorville, Long Island. Join us as we stand united before the anniversary of our Nation's Independence to show that everyone has an inherent right to life, including the unborn. Sponsored by the *L.I. Coalition for Life and Peconic Respect Life Assn.* Call Bill Matthews at 631-288-3263 or LICL at 631-243-1435. Signs will be provided at site.

JUNE 21 to JULY 4, 2012

**FORTNIGHT
FOR FREEDOM**
FORTNIGHT4FREEDOM.ORG

FORTNIGHT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

On April 12, 2012, the Ad Hoc Committee on Religious Liberty of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) issued a document, "**Our First, Most Cherished Liberty**," outlining the bishop's concerns over threats to religious freedom both at home and abroad. The bishops called for a "**Fortnight for Freedom**," a 14-day period of prayer, education and action in support of religious freedom, from June 21 – July 4, 2012.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre has identified six station churches throughout the Diocese where opportunities for prayer will take place. In addition, many parishes in the diocese will be conducting their own events to celebrate the fortnight. For more information on fortnight events throughout the diocese, please consult www.drvc.org.

Station Churches

Nassau County:

Freeport: **Our Holy Redeemer Church**, 37 S. Ocean Ave., Freeport, NY 11520 Website: <http://www.ohrfreeport.org/>
Hicksville: **Saint Ignatius Loyola Church**, 129 Broadway (Rt. 107), Hicksville, NY 11801 Website: <http://www.st-ignatius-parish.org/>

Rockville Centre: **Saint Agnes Cathedral**, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 Website: <http://www.stagnescathedral.org/>

Suffolk County:

Bay Shore: **Saint Patrick Church**, 9 N. Clinton Ave., Bay Shore, NY 11706 Website: <http://www.stpatrickbayshore.org/>
Center Moriches: **St. John the Evangelist**, 25 Ocean Ave., Center Moriches, NY 11934 Website: <http://www.stjohntheevangelistcm.com/index.html>

Riverhead: **St. Isidore Church**, 622 Pulaski St., Riverhead, NY 11901 <http://www.mychurchandtown.com/mct/parishes/index.asp?pid=RC100>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- *Special Marian Mass for Our Lady of Medjugorje*, Monday, **June 25** 7pm Rosary / 7:30 pm Mass. *St. Mary's Church, 110 Bryant Ave., Roslyn*, refreshments afterwards. Come join us and pray for world peace. Contact: Dolores Santangelo 516-903-6630, Deacon Ed Case 516-621-1172 for more information.
- *Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty member Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ, Machu Picchu & The Land of the Inca, January 8-16, 2013.* For a detailed brochure call Sister Grace 631-654-0199 or email growland@sjcny.edu
- **Summer Sing!** The **Diocesan Choir** hosted by **John Buckel**, under conductor **Michael Wustrow**, Tuesday, **July 17** at 7:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima Church Massapequa. Come and join singers from all over Long Island. (Must be able to climb stair to the loft) Seating is limited. RSVP with your name and voice part to 516-678-5800 X 504 or choir@drvc.org.
- **Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy**—provided by NYS licensed therapists available to our parish and 102 other parishes. Services provided by Catholic Counseling Center. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. Confidential information and appointments: call Dr. Giuliani 631-243-2503 or go to our website thecatholiccounselingcenter.com.



On Sunday, **July 1st** we will begin our "**Hunger Does Not Take a Vacation**" program (7/1-7/29) at the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass. The children will pick a flower or summer symbol with the name of a needed food item for our **St. Vincent De' Paul pantry**. The item should be returned the following week with the flower or summer symbol attached and placed in the baskets located on the sanctuary steps.

"**Back-to-School**" Supplies Drive for needy children of our community will begin on Sunday, **August 5th through August 26th**. Please watch for sales on the following needed items:



marble composition notebooks, 2" & 3" three ring binders, Crayola crayons 24 ct., colored magic markers (fat), Crayola fine line markers, hi-liters, dry erase markers, zipper pencil case, small plastic supply box, Fiskar scissors, Elmers bottle glue, glue sticks, colored pencils, subject dividers, laminated colored folders, plastic folders, calculators, small package of colored construction paper, protractors, rulers 12 inch/inch/centimeters, blue or black erasable pens, post it notes, small pencil enclosed sharpener, tissues, baby wipes, antibacterial liquid soap, Spanish/English dictionaries, multiplication/division flash cards, back packs, lunch boxes. All parishioners are welcome to participate. (Due to the past generosity to this collection we do not need spiral notebooks, pens & pencils).



Thank you:

Hospitality & Family Life

A special **Thank you** to all the members of the **Hospitality & Family Life Ministry**; **Jane Aaron, Tricia Buckley, Chris Ferris, Laurie Gregg, Jenine Jimenez-Spina, Emily Kavanagh, Rocio & Anthony Gragnano, Deirdre Strigaro, Robin Taparata, Lorraine Zingraf, RoseAnne Rowe, and Adrienne Sliney** who give generously of their time & talent to ensure the success of the Hospitality & Family Life activities. **Thank you to the Hospitality Committee** for providing the home made pastries, pancakes, eggs & to **The Bagel Factory** who provided the bagels. We are grateful to all the **parishioners, music ministry and priests** who joined us at the breakfast and Family Life activities. We are especially thankful to **George Walters** who is always willing to be our special guest and for **Fr. Trapani's** supported all of our activities. We will resume the Hospitality breakfast in September. Have a safe and fun summer!

Debbie McDonough Hospitality & Family Life Coordinator.

Readings for the Week—June 24—June 30, 2012:

Sunday, June 24: *Is 49:1-6/ Acts 13:22-26*

Monday, June 25: *2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/ Mt 7:1-5*

Tuesday, June 26: *2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21, 31-35a,36*

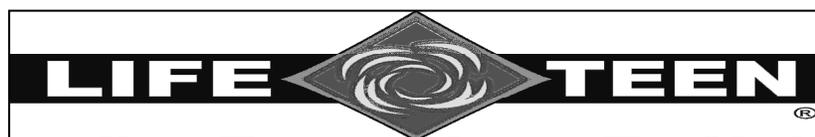
Wednesday, June 27: *2 Kgs 22:8-13, 23:1-3/ Mt 7:15-20*

Thursday, June 28: *2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Mt 7:21-29*

Friday, June 29 *Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19*

Saturday, June 30: *Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Mt 8:5-17*





Leading Teens Closer To Christ

"Preach the Gospel at all times. If necessary, use words." -- St. Francis of Assisi

TONIGHT- Live the Light!!!!

Next Week - TBD

Stay tuned for more events www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com

Are you in 8th - 12th grade? Bored on Sunday nights? Come to the Life Teen mass and our Life Night that starts at 6:15 in the convent basement. You won't be sorry, we have a group of 25-30 teens each week growing closer to Christ and making tons of friends along the way. Each week we have a different activity and theme, Summer BBQ's, and a retreat every year. Come once and I guarantee you will be hooked! Contact Brittany or Tom at OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com

Are you an adult 20-35 interested in leading our teens closer to Christ and being an active part in our community here at OLPH? We are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to apply please contact Brittany or Tom at OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com

****Remember Life Teen is still running a food drive for the poor until July 15th. Please contact the Life Teen office or drop off food between 4-6:30 on Sunday nights at the Life Teen office. We are looking for the following: Peanut butter, rice, beans (pinto, black, kidney), canned fruit, canned vegetables, cake mixes, canned meats, cereal, baby food, diapers, coffee, tea****



The Edge is for all middle school age kids – no matter where you go to school—this is the place for you! We meet in the basement of the Convent. Look for the blue door on the south side of the Convent. We meet from 7:30 til 8:45 pm. It's a great place to come, hang out, play great games and learn about our faith. **Just come on down**, no need to sign up!

Edge will be taking a break for the rest of June

Any 5th graders who would like to join us are also invited to come to Edge! Open to anyone in 6th, 7th and 8th grade! No cost! Just let us know you'll be here so we can plan food!

Email olphedge@gmail.com or call 226-6239 and leave message to let us know you'll be here!

Any questions call and leave a message for Peggy.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul: "WE HELP PEOPLE"

CANNED TUNA, CANNED MEATS, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, COFFEE, CANNED MEALS/SOUPS WITH MEAT, PORK & BEANS, CANNED PEAS, CARROTS, CANNED FRUIT, PANCAKE MIX, SYRUP, CAKE MIXES, DESSERTS, ANY PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOOS, SOAPS, TOILET TISSUE, PAPER TOWELS.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY!

In the Gospel today, Jesus calms the sea and then asks the disciples "Why are you lacking in faith?" In our life's journey, we also must learn to believe in God's presence and to trust in his care.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to continue to show God's love and care to others.

The office is open: *Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 am—12 noon.* Call 631-225-5531.



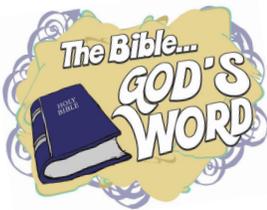
**HOLY NAME SOCIETY'S
PATRIOTIC ROSARY
AT THE VILLAGE SQUARE**

A letter from Mr. John Reynolds
for the Knights of Columbus:

"I just want to give you an update on the Holy Name Society's Patriotic Rosary at the Village Square this morning. George Walters and Robert Little organized a gathering in the Village Park by the new gazebo in the center of the village as a US Bill of Rights Rosary. The format was interesting in that each decade was started with a secular reading on good government from five famous Americans, from George Washington to Robert E. Lee. The decade was then dedicated to a branch of government (the presidency, the Supreme Court, Congress, Governors and County and Municipal officials) followed by the Our Father. Each hail Mary was introduced with "We plead the Blood of Jesus over Alabama and every soul in that state" for each of the 50 states. After the Fatima Prayer a patriotic song was sung and then on to the next decade."

"I had the unexpected honor of leading the fourth decade and singing "The Star Spangled Banner." (Steve Strigaro has nothing to worry about.) While it would have been nice to see more K of C shirts in the audience, I realize the difficulties in attending mid-day events. The point is that support for the Church's fight for religious freedom in this country is alive and growing. There will be other events that we can participate in before November. Thanks to the Holy name for pulling this together."

**RELIGIOUS ED
NEEDS VOLUNTEERS
TO TEACH ALL GRADES
(EXCEPT GRADE 2)
AND ALL SESSIONS**



And Student Assistant Teachers (ages 13-18)

PLEASE CALL THE *Rel. Ed. Office*—631 226-2384

Spiritual Adoption Program

MONTH 4 - - Developing Baby -- "I had a dream today!"

Well, your little baby now weighs six ounces. He has fingernails and eyelashes. He has his own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same until he dies. His taste buds are working. His sense of hearing is developing and present at 14 weeks. There are no major developments anymore. At this month rapid eye movements (REMs) can be detected – a

sign of dreaming. Your spiritually adopted baby is already well formed, internally and externally. All he needs now is time to gain weight and grow strong. What a miracle he is!



Pope John Paul II to those suffering because of abortion:
"Do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope...
The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness
and peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."
(*The Gospel of Life*, no. 99)

**Haitian-American Apostolate Ministry (HAAM)
Diocese of Rockville Centre (DRVC)**



Save the Date!!! Nap tann ou !!!

Samedi 23 Juin 2012/Saturday, Juin 23, 2012 - 7:00pm

Sanctuaire Notre Dame du Perpétuel Secours - Lindenhurst

Shrine of "Our Lady of Perpetual Help"

**210 S WELLWOOD AVE,
LINDENHURST, NY 11757
TEL: 631-226-7725**

**Celebration of the Eucharist In Honor of the Patroness of Haiti,
"Our Lady of Perpetual Help"**

**Selebrasyon Ekaristik nan okazyon fèt Patwòn Peyi DAYITI,
"Manman Pepetyèl Sekou"
(7:00pm.)**

**Presider/Celebrant: Most Rev. Bishop John C. Dunne, D.D.
Homilist: Father Eden Jean Baptiste**

Choir: "La Lumiere du Monde" from St Boniface, Elmont

**Candles w/ Holders for street procession will be available for \$1.00 Donation.
For Information/ pou enfòmasyon Call: 516-678-5800 xs/233/407 or
email: HAAM@drvc.org**

JUNE 21 to JULY 4, 2012

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FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

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Saint Ignatius Loyola Parish in Hicksville is joining with parishes and dioceses throughout the country in response to the U.S. Conference of Bishops' (USCCB) call for a two week period of prayer, education and action in support of religious freedom. **Beginning on June 21st-** the vigil of the Feasts of Saint John Fisher and Saint Thomas More- **and ending on July 4th-** Independence Day.



Our parish has been designated a "Station Parish" by the bishop's office. We invite members of surrounding parishes to join us for the events we have planned during this two week period.



Holy Hour and Adoration (Saint Ignatius Loyola Church, Hicksville)



Topic: Liberty and Religious Freedom



Tuesday, June 26th – 7:30 pm
 Speaker:
 Father Brian Barr,
 Director of Vocations,
 Diocese of Rockville Centre



Tuesday, July 3rd - 7:30 pm
 Speaker:
 Father Lachlan Cameron,
 Associate Pastor,
 Saint Rose of Lima



Adoration  Daily between the 7:00 am and 9:00 am Masses during the Fortnight.



Special Prayer at the conclusion of all Masses during the Fortnight.



Letter Writing Campaign weekend of June 30th/July 1st.



Closing Mass Wednesday, July 4th at 9:00 am.



The Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, June 24th

Let us pray with joy on **June 24**, the Collect from his feast day: " O God, Who hast made this day honorable to us on account of the birth of blessed John, grant Thy people the grace of spiritual joys, and direct the minds of all the faithful in the way of everlasting salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God... Forever and ever. Amen"