

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday,	<u>May 17, 2010</u>
7:00 am	Mother's Day Novena
9:00 am	Mary and Peter Dowdall
Tuesday,	<u>May 18, 2010</u>
7:00 am	John Voltz
9:00 am	Tom O'Brien—3rd Anniversary Rem
Wednesday,	<u>May 19, 2010</u>
7:00 am	Jack Carroll
9:00 am	Patricia Ecke-Pas
Thursday,	<u>May 20, 2010</u>
7:00 am	Gabe & Val Santanastaso-Living Birthday Congratulations
9:00 am	Mary and Anthony Balcuck
Friday,	<u>May 21, 2010</u>
7:00 am	Adrian Lopez-Silvero
9:00 am	Kenneth Obre
Saturday,	<u>May 22, 2010</u>
9:00 am	Rose Popolizio Kristin M. Clark Helen M. Fedoronko Eizabeth McManus-Kelleher Anthony Previte Joseph Bonavero Roy W. Shellard
4:00 pm	Ernest and Martha Affinito
5:30 pm	Lillian Bacchi—1st Anniversary Rem.
Sunday,	<u>May 23, 2010</u>
7:30 am	Michael Green and Margaret & John Mc Cormack
9:00 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners
10:30 am	Jenna Devine—3rd Anniversary Rem.
12:00 pm	Harriet Chiappardi
5:00 pm	Members of Purgatorial Society



ALTAR BREAD & WINE
Our Altar Bread and Wine for the
week of May 16th, 2010
are in memory of Al Carey
Donated by Tim, Lynn, Jay & Jan



ALTAR CANDLE DONATIONS
Our Altar Candles for the week of
May 16, 2010 are in memory of
Patricia Ecke-Pas
donated by Raymond Ecke

**Please pray for the deceased of our parish
and those who mourn them:**

Ella Noreika

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Michael Glose	Marilyn Kromer	Richard Strejlau
Bonnie Kmiotek	Danny Davino	Linda Farese
Colleen Clark	Nicole O'Neill	Joan Nauss
Frank Kennedy	Emily Brophy	Rose Vroman
Sally Waskewich	Terence Sullivan	Theresa Gorozdi
John Dominic Morea	Robert Furey	Alejandro Montilla
Michael McRae	Annette Pavone	Doris Fasano
Deusa Reis	Lee Viola	Domenick Burdi
Frank Kubicki	Dorothy Vella	Theresa Gorozdi
Frances Vindigni	Julianna & Jessica Buttner	
William Ford	Christine Lisle	Bill Wiebke
David Golpanian	Mae Bonano	
Cheryl Craddack	Baby Triplets Gianni, Dante and Christopher Basmas	
June Huber	Theresa Carosella	
Alan Meyer	Laureen-Quinn Sturge	
Baby Gianni Maola		

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR MILITARY

CPT. ERIN BATES ROPELEWSKI
CPT. ADAM ROPELEWSKI—ARMY
CAPTAIN THOMAS J. LISLE—ARMY
WARRANT OFFICER ANTHONY CAVALIERI
AIRMAN GREGORY NORDQUIST—AIRFORCE
SPECIALIST JAMES T. HARRIS—ARMY
AIRMAN JOSHUA GEORGE ROTONDO—AIRFORCE
LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL JON GELLER—USMC
MARC MITCHELL—USMCAF
SSG. MICHAEL DUNDON—ARMY
CAPTAIN CHRIS CAIOZZI—ARMY
PFC. KEVIN ZWIJCAZ—ARMY
MAJOR CHAPLAIN TIMOTHY J. HIRTEN—AIRFORCE
LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL JACKVONY—USMC
SGT. CHRISTOPHER ECKERT—USMC
COL. KEVIN W. BRADLEY—AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COMMANDER JOSEPH CARROLL—US COAST GUARD
LANCE CORPORAL JAMES BRIDA—USMC
CORPORAL DANIEL KLEIN—US MARINE CORP
MSG. JAMES FENTON—ARMY
PVT. 1st CLASS PETER ROMMEL—ARMY
CORPORAL JASON SPINELLA—USMC
SPEC. MURRAY N. GRIFFIN—ARMY
SGT. CHRISTOPHER MANZOLILLO—ARMY
2ND LT. GREGORY HOLOWNIA—ARMY
SA JAMES H. LISLE—FBI/DOD
SGT. STEPHEN ROSS, US ARMY
CAPTAIN MICHAEL SANCHEZ—ARMY
LT. DREW MASONE—ARMY
SPECIALIST NATHAN WHITE—ARMY
WARRANT OFFICER JOSEPH BRIAN BERDIS, ARMY
SPECIALIST JOHN T. HECKLER—ARMY
SPEC. 4 CHAD THORNTON—ARMY
PVT. EVAN MARCY—ARMY
STAFF SGT. LLOYD MERRITT—AIR NATIONAL GUARD
PVT. JOHN ZIMMERMANN—AIRFORCE
ABFAA ROBERT C. MICHELOTTI—NAVY
PFC RYAN HODGETTS — USMC
PVT. MICHAEL SIMEONE—ARMY
PVT. ALFRED SIMEONE—ARMY

Maria Regina Parish
We need \$25,000 to reach goal

Catholic Ministries
Appeal
One Faith, One Hope, Many Gifts

We can make a difference in the lives of those around us by making a gift to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal

Every Gift Counts!

A gift of \$25 helps pay the gas for a Meals On Wheels van to deliver food for a day.

A gift of \$50 from an emergency fund helps pay the electric bill in a cold winter month for a family in need.

A gift of \$100 can help care for a newborn infant in Catholic Charities Regina Residence.

A gift of \$250 will help a student remain in a Diocesan high school after a parent has lost their job.

A gift of \$1,000 will help support a Seminarian's education at our Seminary.

Because of you, every year we are able to serve more than 500,000 people in our Long Island Community. This support enables our children to continue to receive the gift of spiritual formation, sacramental preparation, and quality education. It allows seminarians and lay leaders to fulfill their calling to serve the community. With your support Catholic Charities can maintain its services for the poor and disadvantaged, and we can continue to reach out to our young people and others to find the best ways to guide and pass on our faith from generation to generation.

Our Commitment

100% of every dollar raised goes to support the five critical ministries of the Appeal

Please consider what you can do to make this campaign successful.

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Please make your check payable to: Pledge: \$ _____

Catholic Ministries Appeal Down Payment: \$ _____

Balance: \$ _____

Parish: _____

Name: _____ Monthly Quarterly

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City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Donor Signature: _____ Acct# _____

Gifted and Called



To Reflect

To Celebrate

To Serve

Our parish has entered into a time of reflection and renewal. Each year during our parish stewardship renewal we are invited to become aware and conscious of our God-given gifts and of the many ways God has blessed us. We are invited to evaluate our priorities and how well we have stewarded our time and talents this past year. We are also invited to celebrate these gifts and the good we have done with them! Finally, we are challenged to take another look and see if we are able and ready to take-a-step on our journey as faith-filled followers of Christ.

Our parish renewal is a journey. A journey that begins with awareness and reflection. As we begin our journey this spring, we assure ourselves of these simple truths:



- I have been gifted by God!
- My gifts are special and unique!
- I am grateful to God for the gifts and blessings that I have received.
- The gifts that I have been given are for a real purpose!
- I am called to use my gifts to serve with love and gratitude.
- I am called to share my gifts at home, at work, at school, at my parish, in my community and in the world!
- I have been gifted by God and I am called to serve as a follower of Christ - as a Christian steward.



Stewardship

A Way of Life

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*The Parish of Maria Regina celebrates
Fr. Peter's 40th Anniversary with a
Pot Luck Feast*



**Saturday, June 5, 2010 in the School Auditorium
following the 5:30pm Mass**

Pot Luck Admission:

Each family needs to bring a favorite dish to feed 6 to 8 people.

SEATING IS LIMITED AND TICKETS WILL GO QUICKLY!

To get your ADMISSION TICKET, follow these steps:

Procedure:

- 1) Please call the appropriate person by **May 20th** with your food choice & head count. *(Be sure to leave your name & telephone # if you leave a message!)*

Appetizer— Alice Moran: 798-6842

Hot Pasta— Carolann Malinowski: 781-1314

Chicken— Debbie Barbone - 826-4572

Other Main Dishes— Carol Horn: 541-7530

Side Dish— Mary Jayne Oliva: 679-2281

Kids' Buffet— Vicki Spinelli: 809-6345

Cold Salad— Judy Fasano: 795-8758

Dessert— Mary Jayne Oliva: 679-2281

Other Items— Kathy Ryan: 795-7438

- 2) Come to the front of the rectory after the 4:00 or 5:30 Mass on **May 22nd**, or on **May 23rd** between 9 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., to pick up your food tray and food sign.

- 3) Food must be placed in the tray and dropped off in the auditorium prior to the 5:30 Mass on June 5. **Hot food should be brought HOT!** Receive an ADMISSION TICKET.

**SEATING IS LIMITED. ONLY 250 ADMISSION
TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.**

Please Note: In lieu of food, you may be asked for a small cash donation.

General information: Carol Tannehill 541-0921 (Religious Education Office)



MARIA REGINA R.C. CHURCH

Religious Education
Seaford / Massapequa
4045 Jerusalem Avenue,
Seaford, N.Y. 11783-1631

Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm

Do You Feel “Called”?

From personal experience in your own family, you know that parents, grandparents, godparents, and other elders have been passing on the Christian faith for years. Indeed, the Church has always maintained that the parents are the prime catechists of their children.

The Religious Education Office is asking you to consider taking the next step. That would be as a catechist for a group of children, including your own, for next year. Your children would come together each week, from September through April to pray and share and learn about God.

I am asking you to prayerfully and seriously consider making this commitment as you continue to develop your own faith formation while traveling this journey with your own child. All the training, resources, and support you need will be available for you.

Think about some of the people in your life who have provided you with a model of what it is to be a follower of Jesus. Who were, or who are they? Were they faith-filled or religious or both? What kind of qualities do you see in them? If you are the kind of person you would like others to model, because of the faith formation you received, please search your heart and consider sharing these qualities with other children as well. You may call the Religious Education Office for additional information (541-0921). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Carol Tannehill
Director of Religious Education

Parish Social Ministry: 795-7438

Maria Regina Parish Social Ministry's Support Group to assist those who have experienced the loss of employment—"Morning Brew" meets on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Transitions

There is nothing permanent but change! If you are struggling with changes in your life due to the death of a family member, end of relationship, etc. plan to attend this video workshop on May 17 & 24, 2010 in the St. Francis Room. Call Kathy Ryan for more info or to make a reservation: 795-7438.

Planning for your Retirement?

Concerned about your current retirement financial situation? Come to our lecture by John Merendino and Joseph Liana, Senior Financial Advisors from Merendino and Liana Associates of Ameriprise Financial Services Inc., Westbury

Presenting:

Helping you plan for a new retirement:

- What does your dream retirement look like?
- Will you have enough money to retire and stay retired?
- How will you invest in this tough economic time?
- What will you leave behind?

Come to the Parish Center, St. Michael's Room, May 19th @ 10 am. Call Kathy Ryan for reservations for the lecture and more info: 795-7438.

Last Lecture

A Conversation with Fr. Peter and Kathy Ryan. Our meeting on the Last Lecture has been postponed to June 9th, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Michael's Room of the Pastoral Center. If you signed up for the meeting or missed signing up for the last session, we are on again.

Please call Kathy Ryan so I know how many to prepare for at: 516-795-7438.

All are welcome!

INNKEEPERS

Team #1 & #5 is working Wednesday evening, May 19th, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

EVANGELIZATION—Go freely in the name of Jesus, proclaiming the Good News to all people. Bring to them His love, peace and joy.

INVITE SOMEONE BACK TO CHURCH

Temporalities—May 9, 2010

Donations between \$1.-5.	273
Donations between \$6.-10.	334
Donations between \$11.-15	76
Donations between \$16.-20.	128
Donations between \$21.-25.	75
Donations between \$26.-30.	37
Donations \$31. and above	<u>105</u>
Total # of envelopes used:	1028



Banns of Marriage—3rd Time

Michael Juba & Carolyn Giachetti
Joseph DeRosa & Kristin Mavrosen
Jesse Roberts & Nicole Interlegi
Gino Orologio & Laura Lowry
James Desthers & Kelly Johnston
Christopher Smith & Amanda Scoca
Michael Hansen and Amanda Julian

April 2010 Bills-To-Pay-Bills Winners

1 st Prize	\$100	Anna Morea
2 nd Prize	\$30	Nancy Boruch
3 rd Prize	\$25	Kathleen & Dominick Ferello
4 th Prize	\$20	Dorothy DeStefano
5 th Prize	\$15	John Murray George Lyons Betty Riley Pat Looney Len & Angela Florio
6 th Prize	\$10	Skeans Family K. Gattung Marie Marsac Gene Saucci Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Decarlo Coleen Waldron Angelina Badamo Madeline O'Brien Tom Ficker Jean Randazzo

**The Diocesan Respect Life Office
PRESENTS**

Mother & Daughter Tea for Teens
(13-15 year olds)

**June 5th, 2010 from 11:30 am-2:00 pm
at St. Mathew Parish Center, Dix Hills**

We are inviting you as an important link in the Respect Life Ministry, to get involved in this Diocesan pro-life event.

Now, more than ever our youth need help and support. As vulnerable targets, they are bombarded with false information that only attacks their morals and values. This deteriorates their self-respect and principals. *Help them NOT to become a statistic to the Culture of Death!*

**Call your Diocesan Respect Life Office for more information. (516) 379-8292 Ext. 215
e-mail: respectlife@drvc.org.**



HUMAN LIFE COMMITTEE

John Short Memorial Mass for all deceased pro-lifers, Sun., May 16th @ 2 pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes School Chapel, Massapequa Park,

**Call 516-541-8056 with any questions.
All are welcome!**

DIOCESAN LITURGY

**Celebrating the gifts of persons
with Special Needs**

**Bishop Dunne, presiding
Sunday, May 16th, 2010
at 3:00 p.m.**

**St. Frances de Chantal Church
1309 Wantagh Avenue
Wantagh, NY 11793**

**Light refreshment will follow
for more information
Call: 516-678-5800, extension 540**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

EVANGELIZATION EXCHANGE

Conversion: Where is Our Passion

By Frank DeSiano, CSP

My gut feeling is that when it comes to inviting people to become Catholic we generally fizzle. Oh sure, we're all aglow at the Easter Vigil as catechumens and candidates are received into the Church. Our diocesan papers boast of the thousands who are becoming Catholic.

But, when we are less dazzled, we come to realize that the thousands whom the Spirit gives us at the Easter Vigil is an incredibly tiny percentage. And, even more, for the thousands who join at Easter, how many tens of thousands have either left the Church or have begun drifting away?

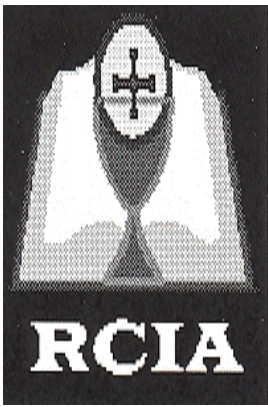
This is where our commitment to mission comes in. Where is our passion? Where is our burning desire to help people relate to God more fully and deeply as Catholics? Or have we lost some of the salt that Jesus talked about? Has our taste for the Catholic faith grown insipid?

Even though huge changes have taken place in the past half-century, even though some of the cultural glue that held Catholics together in the past has lost its stickiness. Our basic temptation is to take our faith for granted. Too many think of our faith the way we think of an old piece of furniture-something that's always there and never alluded to.

Mission needs passion. Passion needs investment. Investment means seeing values-us seeing more clearly the value of our faith and, therefore, us having a lot more zest when it comes to telling people about our faith.

Are we anemic when it comes to inviting people to conversion? What might put more iron into our blood?

NOTE: Traditionally, we wear RED on Pentecost Sunday to celebrate the fire of the Holy Spirit descending on us just as it did on the apostles that day. So, mark your calendar now and put a sign on your closet reminding you to "WEAR RED" on May 23rd as we celebrate this glorious feast day!!!



RCIA Members Needed
WHAT IS RCIA? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church. RCIA is not a program or a class on Catholicism. RCIA follows an ancient practice of the Church and was restored by Vatican Council II as the way to prepare adults for Baptism.

It is intended for:

- *all those who are unbaptized and express a desire to learn about Catholic beliefs and practices
- *all those who are baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to explore membership in the Catholic Church.
- *Catholics who have been baptized but have not celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

Individuals who go through the RCIA process can expect to know themselves and God better, to find themselves in a deeper relationship with God, and to understand Catholic teachings and practices more clearly. All that is needed is a desire to grow and learn.

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Memorial Walkway
and

Children's Garden of Remembrance

Here at Maria Regina, we have the Children's Garden of Remembrance as well as the

Maria Regina Memorial Walkway.

(These are both located behind the school)

Engraved bricks can be purchased with the name of your loved one, a special occasion, or a prayer of gratitude.

Each brick is \$100.; forms can be picked up at the Rectory Office.

If you have any questions, call the Rectory at 798-2415 and ask for Judy Fasano.



Maria Regina Innkeepers

The Innkeepers is a group of dedicated parishioners who meet weekly to make sandwiches and hot meals for people within the parish as well as the Inn in Hempstead.

Since its inception in 2001, the Innkeepers have made over 320,376 sandwiches and over 64,490 hot meals. An average of 12 people serve food to people at the Inn in Hempstead weekly.

Thanks to your donations of peanut butter and jelly and monetary support the Innkeepers are able to continue their ministry.

If you would like to make a donation or donate your time, please call the Rectory Office. Thank you for your continued support. God Bless You!

MARIA REGINA SCHOOL NEWS



On Tuesday, May 11th, Maria Regina School's Spring Concert was held. The audience heard selections performed by the Beginner and Experienced Bands and the Junior and Senior Choruses. The school's bands are directed by Mr. Tony Orzano, and the choruses are directed by Miss Shannon Wunsch. It was a wonder musical evening performed by our talented students!

Maria Regina Cooks with Class

There is still time to purchase *Maria Regina Cooks with Class*. This fantastic cookbook contains 725 recipes from all over the globe, something for everyone. Contains recipes from Maria Regina's School and Parish Community!

One copy is \$15; each additional copy is \$13. Contact the school for more information or to purchase your copies today!

E-mail Mrs. Guarnieri if you have any questions:

equarnieri@mariareginaschool.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration Information:

Registration for NEW students will take place on June 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm in the Religious Education Office in the Pastoral Center. **Please bring a parish envelope and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.** The fee is \$130 per family plus a new student fee of \$15. After this week the regular Registration Fee of \$150 per family will take effect.

Returning Students:

Please return your child's Registration Form as soon as possible. The Early Bird Rate of \$130. per family has ended. The fee, per family, is now \$150. If there is a financial hardship, please note this on the form. If possible, please send the book fee of \$35.



YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS

Good Friends—Good Food!

We will be going to a luncheon at the Sea Haven Restaurant of Lindenhurst on Monday, May 24th @ 1 p.m.

You must let us know if you plan to attend so that we can secure a reservation.

Call Maureen @ 798-8253

Or Joan @ 579-3187.

We need your help!

We are in need of volunteers to help with our Spring Cleaning.

Two areas in great need of clean up are: The Children's Garden of Remembrance and the Maria Regina Memorial Walkway.

If you are able to donate some of your time on a Saturday morning, please call the Rectory Office at 516-798-2415

and leave your name and phone number and you will be contacted. Thank you!