The Parish of the Holy Cross

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LET ALL BE WELCOMED AS CHRIST!

Vision Statement: Holy Cross is a vibrant Catholic community striving to maintain a spirit of welcome to all, serving as a guiding beacon to nourish and sustain prayer, work and play.



Come and pray with us!

Easter Sunday - March 31, 2024

We celebrate Eucharist

Mon.-Thu. 9:00 AM; Sat. 5:00 PM (except Holy Sat.); Sun. 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM The 9:00 Weekday Mass & Sunday 11:30 Mass are livestreamed on Facebook.

We celebrate Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM (except Holy Sat.); Wednesdays after 9:00 AM Mass

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

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> New Life in Christ

Mrs. Mary Inghilterra Weekend Sacristan

Remembering Our Sick

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Please pray for those in our parish who are sick, their families and caregivers:

Bob Alderdice Alejandro Astegiano

Kathy Barry
Cole Brennan
Judy Carlson
Manuela Diaz
Vincent Esposito
Yolanda Fattarusso
Linda Heinrichs
Kristen Kennedy

Carol Leahy
Charlotte Lynch
Jeanne Marie Malley
Loretto Narducci
Darin Pitkanen
Liam Richards
Casey Schultz

Dolores Serri

Celeste Sichenze

Grace Van Epps

Ann Callari
Jason DeLuca
Ann Egan
Ralph Farino
Sienna Fricke
Debbie Jablinowski
Roberta Lamb
Gerald Losquadro
Viola Malek
Olivia Melia
Patricia Pitkanen

Theresa Arzillo

Barbara Bombace

Jo Barry

Carina Ranieri Elaine Ruane Kathy Schwinn Barbara Sherry Bill Tanner Peter Warns **Upcoming Mass Intentions**

Week of Sunday, March 31st, 9AM Masses

Mon. John Daniel Trasco

Tue. Marlene Byrnes (living)

Wed. Anthony Musso

Thu. Sr. Maura Costello (living)

Saturday, April 6th, 5 PM Mass

Mary E. Knipper, Henry Knipper, Bobby Alderdice, Tomasz Gawrys, Marie Pierre, Kathryn Clock

Sunday, April 7th, Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Gloria Posimato, Josephine Posimato,

Catherine Berdon, Elaine Lynch, John

Sichenze

11:30 AM Lynda Judge

If you would like to have the name of your loved one listed in our prayers for the sick, please call 631-265-2200 x122.

FIGHT MY BATTLES - HE IS RISEN!

by Father Michael

Throughout the days of Lent, you were invited to "fight your battles." In what ways did fear, anger, depression, laziness, etc., get in the way of experiencing and sharing the love of Christ? It was an opportunity to allow our personal journey to be strengthened. The days of Lent are now complete; we celebrate Easter. Does that mean that all the woes of your life are now resolved? With this day, does it mean that you are now forever victorious in your fights? That is highly doubtful. So, what does it mean to once again approach the empty tomb and to share in the joy of the women and first disciples who proclaimed, "He is Risen"?

We have to allow the fullness of this day to take hold of our hearts. It is so much more than one day of singing "Alleluia." This is not just a nice story from Scripture. This story is timeless. This story has crossed the boundaries of nation and culture. This is THE story that can define our lives. Evil and sin are real. Sometimes lives are forever changed through the worse of what humanity can do. We can't deny the reality of what we sometimes face, but we also cannot come to the conclusion that those difficult situations are the end of the story. The Father assures us that even death does not win out in the end. His Son triumphed over death. There is the promise of new life that displaces the brokenness we experience.

For how many families are there factions and discord? Are those knots that have been tied because of anger, jealousy, and pride stronger than God's ability to loosen? We find ourselves in the midst of political quagmires. Is party loyalty and ideology stronger than God's message of compassion, mercy, and newness of life? Evil only wins when we give it the title as having ultimate and final power. When we allow the power of the Risen Christ to touch our hearts, we know there is always light in darkness. When Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and life," he really was offering a life plan for us.

Unfortunately, you will leave from this celebration today, and you will need to continue to fight your battles. Those ongoing battles will feel insurmountable if seen from the perspective of despair or defeat. This day assures us that precisely from the depth of the tombs of our lives, the Risen Lord is there to offer hope and strength.

Easter is such a joyous day when so many come to share in these celebrations. Please open yourself to the life and strength that comes from the Lord and this community. You need us! We offer a message that helps keep the pressures and struggles of life in check. It can be a blessing for you. And, we need you! Your very presence brings life and energy. Without the gifts and support of so many, we cannot continue our work. All of us together can truly be a people who proclaim the glory of God, receive His strength, and do His work. Allelma!

Alleluia, He is Risen!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Weekly Calendar

Saturday, March 30th 9 - 9:30 AM
• CONFESSION Chapel
• EASTER VIGIL 8PM Worship Area

(No 5PM Mass today & no afternoon confession)

Sunday, March 31st 8,9:30 & 11:30 AM
• EASTER MASSES Worship Area

Monday, April 1st 7 - 8:30PM
• KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Fr. Joe Room

Tuesday, April 2nd 10 AM

IN STITCHES
 LEV. 8 YOUTH MINISTRY
 7PM Atr., Wor. Ar.

Wednesday, April 3rd 1:30 - 3:30 PM
• BEREAVEMENT Fr. Joe Room

Thursday, April 4th 10 AM

WOMEN'S BIBLE CIRCLE
 LEV. 8 YOUTH MINISTRY
 7PM Atr., Wor. Ar.

• WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP 7PM Chapel

Saturday, April 6th 3:45 - 4:45 PM
• HOLY HOUR Worship Area

Sunday, April 7th

• DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

• CHILDREN'S LITURGY 11:30 Mass Fr. Joe Room

• BAPTISMS

1PM Worship Area

Scripture Readings for April 7, 2024



+ Acts 4:32-35

+ 1 John 5:1-6 + John 20:19-31

Celebrants for Next Weekend's Masses, April 6th/7th



5:00 PM Fr. Michael 8:00 AM Fr. Michael 9:30 AM Fr. Michael 11:30 AM Fr. Michael



Banns of Marriage Second Time

Ashley Volz & Sal Abbamonte

Holy Hour

We offer our Holy Hour on the first Saturday of the month from 3:45 to 4:45PM in the Worship Area. The next one will take place on **Saturday, April 6th**. Please come and spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament praying for God's gift of life to be recognized by all.

Due to the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer after the 9:30 Mass on April 7, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick has been moved to Sunday, April 14.



Women's Prayer Group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the Chapel.

All women in the parish and new to the parish are welcome to attend.

Join us this Thursday, April 4th, at 7 PM!

Holy Cross Parish Mission

"Signed and Sealed with the Cross"

Over three evenings, Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, will lead us in examining the ancient gesture of the Sign of the Cross. What challenges do we face and what responsibilities do we accept when we sign ourselves with the cross?

Please join us from 7:00-8:00 PM on:

Sunday, April 21: Our Image of God

Monday, April 22: Finding Jesus in the Storms of Life

Tuesday, April 23: Being Sent on Mission

Fr. Albert is a former missionary to mainland China, and a popular teacher and preacher. He is the award-winning author of over 15 books on spirituality and the presenter of 5 best-selling videos. He currently resides in San Antonio, TX. Visit his website at www.AlbertOFM.org

This promises
to be an
inspiring and
enriching
experience
for all.



Come
and
bring
a
friend!

LITURGY BYTES

Happy Easter



Our Palm Sunday column dealt with Holy Week and the three most important days of the Church year – the Triduum. We concluded with Good Friday, and so today we begin with Holy Saturday.

Holy Saturday is typically a day of preparation for Easter Sunday. In parishes, this day is also the time to prepare for the Easter Vigil which takes place in the evening. The Easter Vigil is the most beautiful and lengthy liturgy that begins in darkness, like the darkness of the tomb. We renew our baptismal promises and people are received into the Church, receiving all three Sacraments of Initiation or, in some cases, just Confirmation and Communion if they were already baptized. It is such a joyful experience from start to finish. There are additional prayers, more Scripture readings and lots of music. We hear the Gloria and the Alleluia verse once again. A new Paschal candle is blessed and presented as we sing Christ, Our Light! This is a very moving, high point of the Church year for all who participate and attend.

For many, it is Easter Sunday when they gather at Mass, viewing the beauty of the spring flowers and colorful banners. The penitential rite is replaced by a sprinkling rite as we renew our baptismal promises. The Gloria is sung, and we hear the Alleluia verse before the Gospel reading, once again. Truly, it is a great celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection – the most important teaching of our faith – Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead so we could share eternal life with him in heaven. Easter focuses on hope and our thankfulness for the gift of God's son, Jesus.

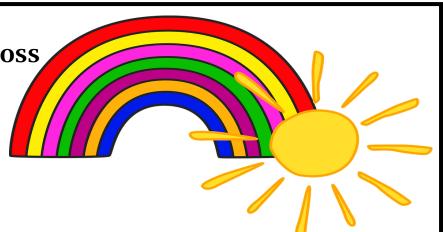
May you celebrate this beautiful Easter season with much joy and be a beacon of light to all you encounter! Happy Easter~~~~ *Michele Hall*

PARISH OUTREACH

Parish of the Holy Cross

Bereavement

Support Group



Losing a loved one is painful for anyone. How we cope is as unique as our fingerprints. It can be experienced as losing the ability to see the beautiful colors in a rainbow. Our world seems so gray.

Making the time to listen to others dealing with grief enables us to begin to see the colors of life once again. This also allows us to share our stories and gain ways to move forward. Come join us as we work together and share this journey.

This Bereavement Group is for anyone dealing with grief.

All are welcome

We will meet for six consecutive Wednesdays beginning April 3rd through May 8th from 1:30 to 3:30 in the Father Joe Room.

If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please call Outreach at **631-265-2200**. All who will be attending will be asked to complete a registration form.

"Come to me, all who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you." Matt: 11:28

Next Saturday and Sunday, **April 6th/7th**, will be our monthly Food Drive for our Parish Outreach Pantry. The following items would be most helpful: mayonnaise, coffee, pasta, jarred sauce, rice, and shelf-stable milk. Thank you!



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Eat Simply

HAPPY EASTER! Just a reminder to return your Eat Simply envelopes in the collection basket today. We are so very grateful for the ways you have sacrificed this Lent in order to participate in our Eat Simply Program. Through your efforts, the light of the Resurrection has shattered the darkness in the lives of our struggling neighbors. May the joy of Easter continue to be a blessing for you throughout the coming year!



Press a Girl Around the World

Come and check out our next "Cut-Up" session and join in the fun! At our gathering we cut out the pockets, bindings, and the body of the dress for our *Dress a Girl* dress kits. Kits are then created and are ready to be sewn. *Dress a Girl* leaders are there to offer guidance or answer any questions you may have.



What happens to the kits? Kits are available in the Outreach office to all who would like to participate in becoming a "Sew-Up" or someone who sews the dresses in the comfort of your home. There is no limit to how many dresses you can sew, we just ask that you craft each dress with love and skill.

If you have never taken one of our kits home to sew a **Dress a Girl** dress but are a **skilled sewer**, we invite you to join this wonderful ministry. We need your talent! Our next meeting is **Tuesday, April 16th, from 1-3pm.** Please call Outreach if you are interested, have any questions, or to let us know you will be joining us! Thank you!

Outreach Volunteer Renewal

Thank you to all who have volunteered for one of our many programs or have given time and offered a helping hand for Outreach projects. I thank you for sharing your time and talent with those we serve in our community. Your help and support, both physically and monetarily, have allowed Outreach to flourish and grow and helped to fulfill our Baptismal promise.

We invite all those who have served in the past along with those who would like to share their gifts to review volunteer opportunities in Outreach for the upcoming year and beyond.

Our special projects section is a short commitment for that project's duration. Our ongoing opportunities are available throughout the year and are a weekly or monthly commitment. The need varies, depending on the time of year, but your help is important and makes Outreach possible.

Our goal in Outreach is to have an updated directory of volunteers who can be called upon for help depending on what they signed up for. If you think you would be interested, please complete the form on the next page, and you will be contacted. If you have volunteered in the past, please fill out the form anyway. We are UPDATING our files and need to have your information even if you have helped in Outreach before. If you have any questions,

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please call the Outreach Office. **Please keep in mind that all volunteers need to be Virtus certified. Outreach can answer any questions about Virtus and how to become certified. **

As you contemplate your decision, please keep in mind that Outreach volunteers possess a strong awareness of confidentiality, a nonjudgmental spirit, a compassionate heart, and a belief that everyone deserves to be treated with dignity. If this sounds like you, please review the list below to see where your interest lies. If ready to commit, please complete the form below and return it to Outreach. Thank you!

Kelley

On-going Weekly/Monthly Commitments

- Food Pantry Team
- Friendly Calls
- Minor Maintenance/Yard Work
- Olsen's Rest Home
- EM to Homebound

Special Projects-Once a Year Commitment

- Advent Visit to Homebound
- Blood Drive
- Christmas Angel Program
- Easter Flowers to Homebound
- School Supplies
- Thanksgiving Basket Program
- Garden Volunteers
- Blessing Bags
- Dress a Girl
- Adopt a Grandparent
- Cook a Meal



For a detailed description of each Volunteer opportunity, please find details on the website or call Outreach.

Please return the completed form to the Outreach office. Thank you!

Outreach Volunteer Form

Name

Address

Phone

Yes, I would like to be a volunteer for the following Outreach program(s):

1. 2.

3. 4.



Easter 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Happy Easter to you and your families! Thank you for your love for the inspired Word of God. Thank you for your love for the Resurrection appearances of our Lord in this Easter season and the way your lives are set on fire in your meditation and contemplation of these mysteries.

Thank you for your fidelity to the Eucharist and the Sunday Mass and your Catholic spirit of evangelization. Thank you for being instruments of Eucharistic Revival.

In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis states: "Christ's resurrection is not an event of the past; it contains a vital power which has permeated the world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force...Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history...Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power." (276)

We continue to live through "the storms of history" and we rely on the Risen Lord and his glorified wounds to touch the wounds in Ukraine, the Middle East, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Armenia and Azerbaijan, the region of the Sahel, the Horn of Africa and Sudan, as well as Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, South Sudan and so many other troubled areas of the world. We ask the Risen Lord and his glorified wounds to touch the wounds experienced in our own country.

In *The Everlasting Man*, G.K. Chesterton captured the power of our Lord's Resurrection experienced in the cycles of history. He wrote: "Christendom has had a series of revolutions and in each one of them Christianity has died. Christianity has died many times and risen again; for it had a God who knew the way out of the grave."

This Easter and every Easter we celebrate this Everlasting Man who knew his way out of the grave and who invites us and the Catholic Church on Long Island to a great Resurrection.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Diocese of Rockville Centre

¹ See Pope Francis' December 25, 2023 Urbi et Orbi Message.

EASTER FLOWER REMEMBRANCES



We remember and pray for all our loved ones—those living and those who have gone before us.

GREGORY WIRTH MICHAEL WAKA **DOUGLAS STERNBERG ESTELLE STERNBERG** JOHN STERNBERG CECIL WIRTH ANN WIRTH THERESA BARTOLOTTO SEBASTIAN BARTOLOTTO DUMINUCO FAMILY SOTTUNG FAMILY SICIGNANO FAMILY PETRIZZO FAMILY **BRIAN GRASS** THOMAS DIMARCO JR. WILLIAM KOSCH **GRACE KOSCH** WILLIAM PISANO **IRENE PISANO** AUGUST CASSELLA THERESA BRESCIA RICHARD BORRILLO MICHAEL BRESCIA LILLIE MILLITO HARRY NORDIN ALFRED SANTOS **IRENE SANTOS** CANDICE RAUSE JOAN TALLMAN RICHARD MARCY **GLORIA POSIMATO ROSE GATTO** GLORIA GATTO JOE GATTO JOE D'ESPOSITO JOSEPHINE D'ESPOSITO HARRY NORDIN PATRICIA BECKER **ARTHUR RIVERS** KATHY RIVERS VICTOR PEREIRA JOAN HUTTIE WESLEY J. KAMINSKY **ELEANOR COURTNEY** AL COURTNEY ARDELL STEBBINS MARTIN ESPOSITO Tom Morselli

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GRACE MARRAZZO

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FRANK PANZARELLA

BERNADA PANZARELLA

SARA D'ANGELO GLORIA POSIMATO JOSEPHINE POSIMATO **NICHOLAS POSIMATO ANTHONY POSIMATO LUCILLE SERIO** MARY SERIO **EMILY PAGE** KELLY & BILLY SP ELEANOR KREEB EDWARD KREEB GERTRUDE GOGLIANO JAMES GOGLIANO JULIA MALEK JOE MALEK Marian Commisso OFFICER VINCENT PELLICCIO Joseph Frangosie ANGELINA FRANGOSIE **TONY FRANGOSIE** Rose Cardone DOMINICK CARDONE Rose Sicola MORENO FAMILY O'CONNOR FAMILY M/M O. DESANTO M/M G. GARGIULO VINCENT PELLICCIO THERESA WEISS THOMAS WHITE ALFRED IZZO Laura Izzo PAT DELPRETE JR. VINCENZO ZEZIMA LUISA ZEZIMA ANN ROMEO **LOUIS ROMEO** MARION BUDREO ANN LECHNER ANNA FRICIONE MYRTLE BUDREO PATRICIA CLARKE PLUME FAMILY RYAN FAMILY **PASCALE FAMILY** FARRUGGIA FAMILY FITZPATRICK FAMILY DENNIS KELLY **MARGARET DORNEY** JOHN DORNEY MAUREEN KELLY JOHN KELLY **COLIN DORNEY** BIAGIO CHIRAFISI WILLIAM RYDER

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EASTER FLOWER REMEMBRANCES

We remember and pray for all our loved ones—those living and those who have gone before us.

MARCUCCI FAMILY JAMES PENZAVECCHIA PENZAVECCHIA FAMILY **LUCA FAMILY HRONCICH FAMILY** JOHN MODAFFERI JOSEPH CARLONE FRANK SALEMI AGNES SALEMI **PHIL Hoos LORAINE HOOS DAVID Hoos** DENNIS NYHOLN ALAN HAHN ALLISON HALL MANUEL B. CAPELLA **LUCIA VITALE-TRAINO** BERTHA STISO **ALLISON STISO** PELECK FAMILY LIPNICKI FAMILY O'HANLON FAMILY **CANNIZZARO FAMILY** MARY McMahon JOHN McMahon ZALESKI FAMILY **ROSALIE PUMA** VITO РИМА MICHAEL VERDI **ROSE CABASINO** LOUIS CABASINO SUSAN O'SULLIVAN JOHN O'SULLIVAN MARIA FAVA **ROBERT A. PATTERSON II** SARA CONNOR JAMES CONNOR WARREN COTTER FRED BUSE **EMILY BUSE ANTHONY Coco** MARGRET COCO **MARY COTTER** MAUREEN E. JOST TARA LAPORTA **CAMPANELLI FAMILY** LANG FAMILY **GUY PLOURDE CHARLES SIMS IRENE SIMS** LAWRENCE ZELTMANN **DOROTHY ZELTMANN MARYANN TROMBETTA** MARCELLA SIMS PAUL DIGREGORIO PAUL A. DIGREGORIO JOSEPH FICAROLA HAROLD YAGER ANN YAGER

GASPER LOMBARDO MARY LOMBARDO ROSE MARIE CZYGIER MARIANNE YAGER ANNE RUDNICKI **EDWARD RUDNICKI** SARAH MOORE LEON RUDNICKI **ARNONI FAMILIES** AMENDOLIA FAMILIES MARCONENI FAMILIES **LICATA FAMILIES ALEC ROSS** FRANK PERRINO LOUIS ITALIANO MARY ITALIANO **CHARLES ITALIANO BERTHA PERRINO** FRANK PERRINO JAMES PICKEL **DAMIEN PICKEL** MARY CONLIN **PICKEL FAMILY** CONLIN FAMILY SALVATORE CASTRONOVO VINCENZA CASTRONOVO THEODORE J. KOERICK MARIE KOERICK JOSEPH PAPPALARDO CARMELA PAPPALARDO CARL PAPPALARDO ANTHONY PAPPALARDO ANTHONET GRIVAZ **CAROLINE DOWNS** JOHN SCHULTZ JOHN O'SHEA JOSEPHINE O'SHEA **CATHERINE BERDON REGINA HICKEY** CHRISTOPHER COTTER THOMAS GALLAGHER RICHARD HAUSER **CATHERINE HAUSER** JOHN AURRICHIO **ALEXANDER AURRICHIO** PATRICIA MESSINA FRANK MESSINA **DOMENICK ABBATE** JOHN ABBATE **ROSE NACLERIO ERNEST NACLERIO** JOSEPH FORNEIRO SR. **ANTHONY FORNEIRO** KATHRYNANNE PINKERTON **DOROTHY KOHLER** HAROLD KOHLER LOUISE KOHLER HAROLD KOHLER JR.

RITA MONJELLO

JOHN MONJELLO NATALIE DIFAZIO SEBASTIAN DIFAZIO STEFANO LOPICCOLO ROSARIO CARNESI Rosaria LoPiccolo GESUALDA PINNOLA VINCENT GALLO PETER GALLO MARIE GALLO BABY ROSE GALLO ANTHONY DIMICHELE ELEANOR DIMICHELE POLITO FAMILY M/M NICHOLAS LAMB M/M WILLIAM McQUADE M/M RICHARD LAMB JOHN PERSICH **GRACE PERSICH** GERALD MULDERIG SR. **ELIZABETH MULDERIG** STEPHEN F. LEWANDOWSKI PAUL KRUK MARIE MORRIS PAULINE KRUK TED KRUK THERESA CAROFANO **ROCCO CAROFANO** ANTONIA MINERVA VITO MINERVA BARBARA MARTIN Ann Tschumi LAWRENCE TSCHUMI JOSEPH MULLER Rose Muller **EDWARD CONATY** JOHNNY CONATY ALBERT CANNUSCIO ALICE CANNUSCIO JACQUELINE GOELZ ANNETTE PALAMARA SALVATORE FARACI J.S. KULESZA CZESLAWA WOLCZAK KAZIMIERZ KULESZA HALINA GROSFELD GINA PAPPAS **CARMEN COLON** ERIC SCHWARZ THOMAS BROPHY CARMELA TERRANOVA MICHAEL TERRANOVA ANTHONY MISITI CHRISTINA MISITI THERESA SCHWARZ ARTHUR VILARDI JOHN CATHERALL SR. JOHN CATHERALL JR. WILLIAM LEMOROCCO

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When Amanda's mom passed away in 2019, her mom's exhusband left, leaving her three stepsisters alone with the threat that they would be put in foster care. Without any hesitation she took the children in to care for them. "It's been a hard battle. We were homeless and in bad situations, but I know that God will not give you something you can't handle. You must keep the faith and push forward. With the help of the Parish Social Ministry program at St. John the Evangelist, Center Moriches, I was able to get through this hardship. In addition to food, the PSM has helped me to renew my lapsed insurance license and assisted in paying bills. If I need to talk to anyone, I can call or email to make an appointment. They have been there for me through everything. I really appreciate all they do for me and for everyone else. It is a blessing. They are angels on earth."



- Amanda, Client of St. John the Evangelist's Parish Outreach

The Director of the Parish Outreach, Katie Spellman, shared how her work allows her to grow in her faith. "Working in Parish Social Ministry has taken my faith outside of the Church. It's an opportunity for me to dig deeper into faith and think of the humble servant. It's a gift for me to work here – it feeds my soul."

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- \$10 per ticket
- Tickets are available for purchase through March, April and May.
- Drawing will be held May 30th.

This is the pay scale which will be offered:

- * 1 Prize @ \$250
- * 2 Prizes @ \$100
- * 10 Prizes @ \$50
- * 15 Prizes @ \$25



- This formula was based upon selling 250 tickets @ \$10 each. If more than 250 tickets are sold, the number of prizes will be increased.
- Please use the tear-off tickets below. You may return your entries by placing them in an envelope and depositing it in the basket on weekends, or returning them to the Parish Office.

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