Sacred Heart Church

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Ms. Andrea Caracciolo, Coordinator
Monday through Wednesday 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Thursday & Friday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sat. Eve.	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:15 p.m.
Mon. – Sat.	8:00 a.m.
Holy days	7:00 p.m. evening before 8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. of Holy day

Confession

Saturday	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and as posted

Baptism

2nd and 4th Sundays at 1:15 p.m.
Pre-register for preparation classes.

Holy Matrimony

Arrangements at least six months in advance

Care of the Sick

Emergency calls anytime. Holy Communion for shut-ins on a weekly basis. Please call to make arrangements.

Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help	
Novena and Adoration	Sat. 3:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart (Mass)	First Friday 7:00 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration	First Friday 7:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Rosary	Mon. – Sat. 7:25 a.m.

Funerals

Arrangements are made through the funeral home. At Sacred Heart, the Mass of Christian Burial is seen as a time of prayer and reflection on the mysteries of death, resurrection, and eternal life. Family remembrances, favorite songs, poems and eulogies are incorporated into the wake service.

Parish Membership

We encourage every Catholic to register with us, use the parish envelopes, and inform us regarding changes of address.

Parish Activities

Adult Instruction (R.C.I.A.), Altar Servers, Altar Society, Choir, Folk Group, Children's Choir, Lectors, Right to Life, Rosary Society, San Gennaro Feast Committee, Ushers, Assistance Program, AA Women's Serenity Wed. 10:30 a.m. and Sat. 8:30 a.m., "No Matter What Club" AA (Nov.-Apr.) Mon.-Sun. 8:15 a.m., "Undercover Group" AA Mon., Wed., Fri. 7:15 p.m. & Sat. 7:30 p.m., Al Anon "Double Winners" Women's Fri. 10:30 a.m.,

Food Pantry Open

Tuesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF MAY 17TH, 2026

MONDAY, MAY 18TH
8:00 ✝ **Carmen I. Rosa**
r/b Lillian Bonilla

TUESDAY, MAY 19TH
8:00 ✝ **Floyd Rivera, Jr.**
r/b Louise Luisi

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20TH
8:00 ✝ **Camille D'Aniello**
r/b Valerie & Joe Gembecki

THURSDAY, MAY 21ST
8:00 ✝ **Carmela DeJesus Pena**
r/b Lourdes Amendolia

FRIDAY, MAY 22ND
8:00 ✝ **Given Intention**

SATURDAY, MAY 23RD
8:00 ✝ **Jacqueline O'Grady**
r/b Marty O'Grady

5:00 ✝ **Steve Ried**
r/b Barbara Ried
✝ **Edward Reap**
r/b Anne M. Reap
✝ **Frank Stoeger**
r/b Diane & Joseph Annarella

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH
PENTECOST SUNDAY
8:00 ✝ **Billy Maisonet**
r/b Diana Maza & Family
✝ **Russell Dunn**
r/b Maria Ines Burns
✝ **Marcelina Mendoza**
r/b Barbara Ried

10:00 ✝ **Rose & Anthony Mingione**
r/b Family
✝ **Eileen Murphy**
r/b The Ryder Family
✝ **Jose Pena**
r/b Maria Pena

12:15 ✝ **People of the Parish**

*"If men only **appreciated the value of the holy Mass** they would need traffic officers at church doors every day to keep the crowds in order."*
– St. Pio of Pietrelcina

PRAYER BEFORE MASS
Father in heaven, we wish to prepare well for participation in this Mass, in which we enter the Last Supper, Passion, Death and Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. He is as present to us today in his Word and in the Eucharist, as he was with his apostles.

Holy Spirit, please quiet our minds from the busyness and distractions of our day, so that we will have hearts and minds attentive to the words of Jesus and ready to receive his Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

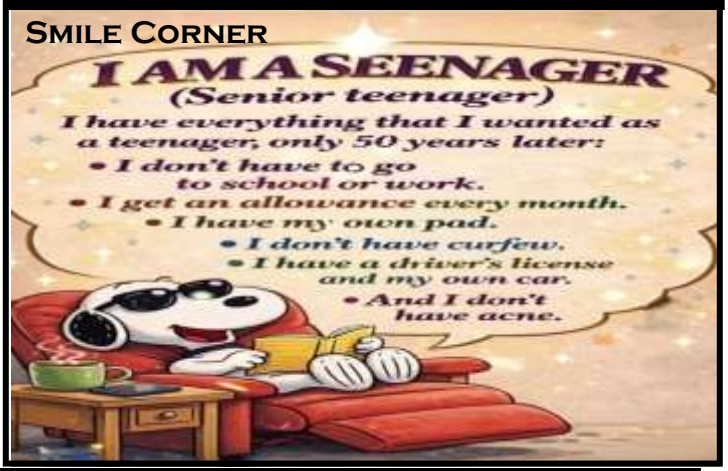
*Blessed Mother, take our hearts and give us yours, that like you, we may ponder Jesus' words and do whatever he tells us to do. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, **Amen**.*

DAILY ROSARY
The **Rosary** is recited **in the Church**
Monday through Saturday mornings at **7:25 AM.**
All are welcome to come and pray!

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church
Saturday's at 3:00 p.m.

FEAST DAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

May 18th	St. John I, Pope & Martyr
May 20th	St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
May 21st	St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest & Companion Martyrs
May 22nd	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
May 24th	**Pentecost Sunday**

SMILE CORNER


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Congratulations,

to the Children in **Grades 1-6** who completed their Religious Education Classes for 2025-2026. Stay tuned to the bulletin for when Registration for 2026-2027 begins.

Please continue to attend Mass weekly, especially students preparing to make their Sacraments in 2027. Participation in the Eucharist is essential to your child's religious education journey. Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Thank you *to all the* ***Catechists*** *who helped!*

May God bless them all!

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CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2025/2026

7TH GRADE CLASS / MASS

May 17th

9 AM in Church
& Stay for 10 AM Mass

Parents, please plan to join the Mass.

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Any questions, please contact
Ms. Andrea, Religious Ed Coordinator
(516) 431-7877

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Dear Parishioners,

We want to start by expressing gratitude for your unwavering support and generosity towards our church. Your contributions have been essential to our ability to continue carrying out our mission and serving the needs of our community.

We also want to take this opportunity to introduce our new e-giving platform, Vanco. This platform provides a secure and user-friendly way to give to our church online, and we are confident that it will make giving more convenient for many members of our congregation.

The link is available on our website, (**www.sacredheartislandpark.com**) under the **GIVE** tab. **Please create an account on Vanco before contributing.** This way you will create a transaction history for your tax receipt.

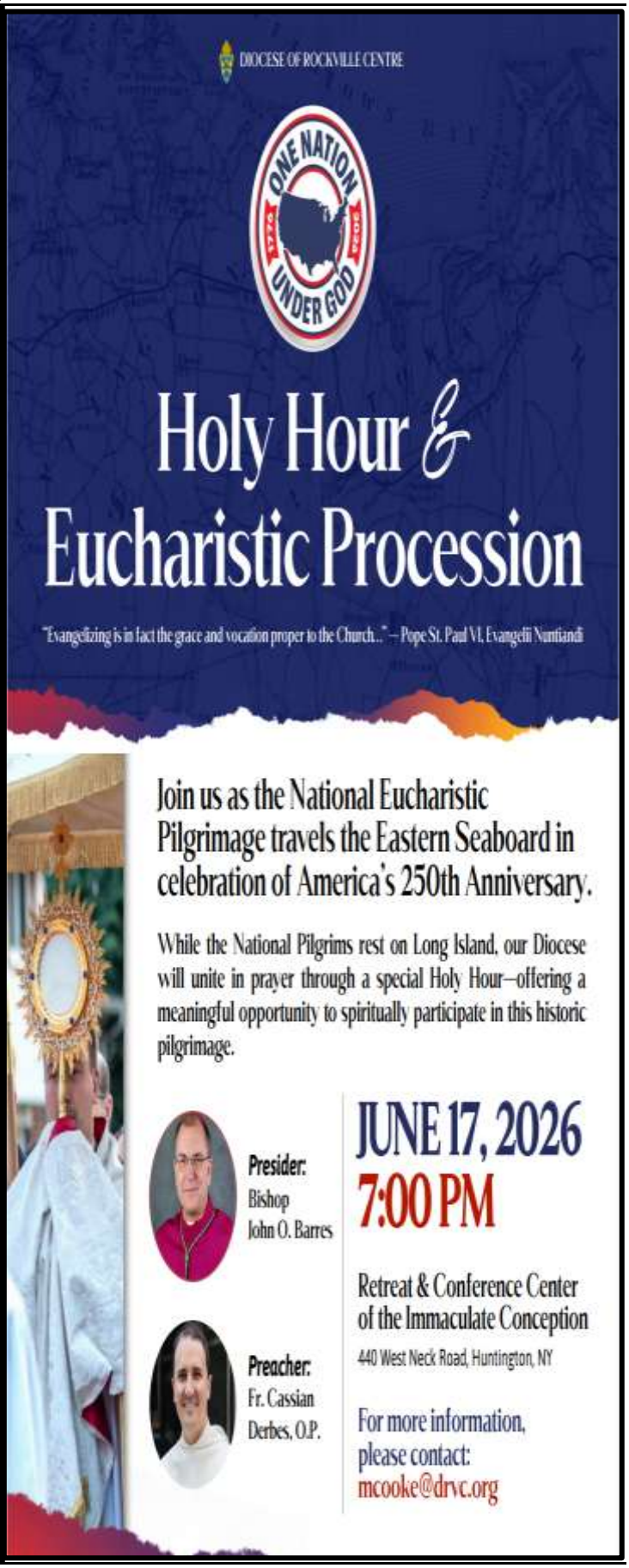
Whether you choose to give online or in person, your support is vital to the continued success of our church community. We are so grateful for your generosity and commitment to our shared mission.

Thank you again for all that you do.
Blessings,

Fr. John Tutoné, Pastor

ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Augustinian Nun, also called Margarita. She was born in Roccaporena, near Spoleto, Italy, in 1381, and expressed from an early age the desire to become a nun. Her elderly parents insisted that she be married at the age of twelve to a man described in accounts of her live as cruel and harsh. She spent eighteen extremely unhappy years, had two sons, and was finally widowed when her husband was killed in a brawl. Both sons also died, and Rita, still anxious to become a nun, tried unsuccessfully to enter the Augustinians in their convent at Cascia. She was refused because she was a widow and because of the requirement that all sisters should be virgins. Finally, in 1413, the order gave her entry, and she earned fame for her austerity, devotion to prayer, and charity.



Eucharistic Miracle of CASCIA

ITALY, 1330

In 1330, at Cascia, a gravely ill peasant called the priest to receive Communion. The priest, partly through carelessness and partly through apathy, instead of taking with himself the ciborium to carry the Eucharist to the house of sick man, took a Host and placed it irreverently in a prayer book. When he reached the peasant the priest opened the book and with astonishment saw that the Host was transformed into a clot of blood and the pages of the book were marked with blood.

At Cascia, in the basilica dedicated to St. Rita, is also preserved the relic of the Eucharistic Miracle, which happened near Siena in 1330. A priest was asked to bring Communion to a sick peasant. The priest took a consecrated Host and placed it irreverently in the pages of his breviary and went to the peasant. When he arrived at the house of the sick man, after hearing his confession, he opened the book to take out the Host which he had placed there. To his great surprise he found that the Host was stained with living blood, so much as to make both pages between which it had been placed. The priest, confused and penitent, went immediately to Siena to the Augustinian Priory to ask the counsel of Fr. Simone Fidati of Cascia, known by all to be a holy man. Fr. Fidati, having heard the story, granted pardon to the priest an asked to keep the two pages marked by blood. Many of the Popes promoted veneration conceding indulgences.

In the act of recognition of the relic of the Eucharistic miracle of Cascia in 1687, a text was also reported of a very ancient code of the priory of St. Augustine in which are described numerous pieces of information regarding the miracle. Beyond this information, the episode is also mentioned in the Communal Statutes of Cascia of 1387 where is was ordered that "every year on the Feast of Corpus Christi, the authorities, the counsels, and the people of Cascia, should meet in the Church of St. Augustine and follow the priest who should carry the venerable relic of the Most Holy Body of Christ in procession through the city. In 1930, on the occasion of the sixth centenary of the event, a Eucharistic Congress was celebrated at Cascia for the entire diocese of Norcia; a precious and artistic monstrance as consecrated, and the entire historical documentation of the miracle was published.

A man's face can clearly be seen

Priory of St. Augustine in Cascia

Urn containing the body of St. Rita which is preserved intact

Ancient monstrance which contained the relic of the miracle

Upper Basilica with presbytery by the sculptor Manzu

Relic of the Eucharistic miracle

Tabernacle of the Eucharistic miracle

Chapel where the relic is kept in the Lowed Basilica

Painting depicting Blessed Simone Fidati

Enlarged reproduction of the face which appeared in the left-hand page

Enlarged reproduction of the face which appeared in the right-hand page

37 S. Ocean Avenue, Freeport, NY

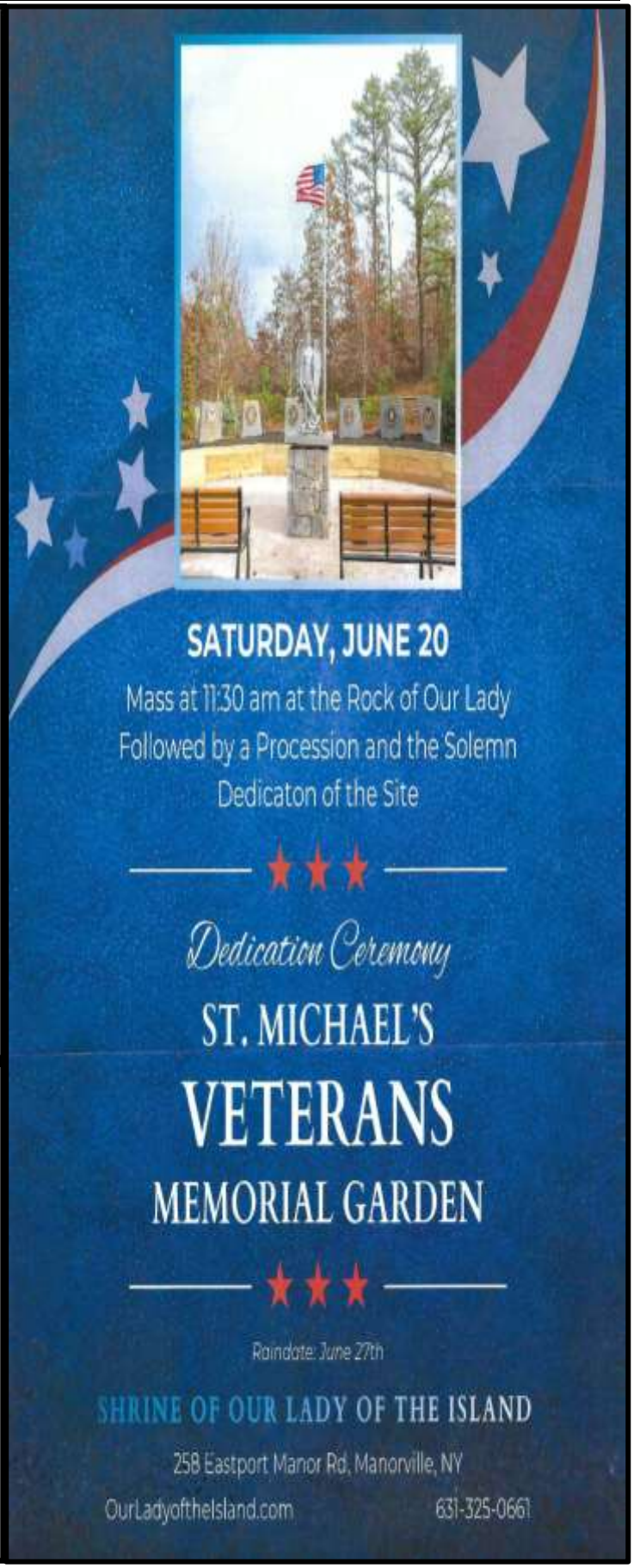
Join us in celebration with light refreshments
in the lower church after the May 17, 11:30 AM Sunday Mass.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR 2026 SAN GENNARO FEAST

The **56th Annual San Gennaro Feast** is **September 10-13, 2026**.

- **Volunteers:** Ages 15 and Up
- Flexible Scheduling
  Around your Availability
  - Before the Feast – Set up, Cooking
  - During the Feast – Work in Booths
  - After the Feast – Clean Up

Contact Denise Ruscio
Call/Text: 516-852-0122
Email: deniseruscio@gmail.com



GOSPEL ACTIVITY

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

FAMILY ACTIVITY PAGE (Matthew 28:16-20)

Jesus appears to the disciples in Galilee and gives them an important mission. They are sent to go out and make disciples of all nations. Then He gives them a special promise. Even though He is returning to the Father because He completed His visible mission on earth, He does not leave them alone. He promises that He will be with them forever. What a beautiful thing! We are called to go out and make disciples for Jesus too. This looks a little different for us than it did for the disciples. Instead of traveling on foot and by sea to preach to lots of nations, most of us are called to evangelize (a fancy word for spreading the good news of the Gospel) to those around us. How can you share Jesus with those around you in school or on a sports team or at a dance recital?

ACTIVITIES:

- As a family, how are you called to evangelize others?
- Jesus has given you a special mission: to be holy! How do you and your family try to be holy?
- Do you ever feel lonely? Read this Gospel as a family and reflect on how the Apostles must have felt. What can we learn from the Ascension?

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE PRAYER OF JESUS
JOHN 17:1-11A

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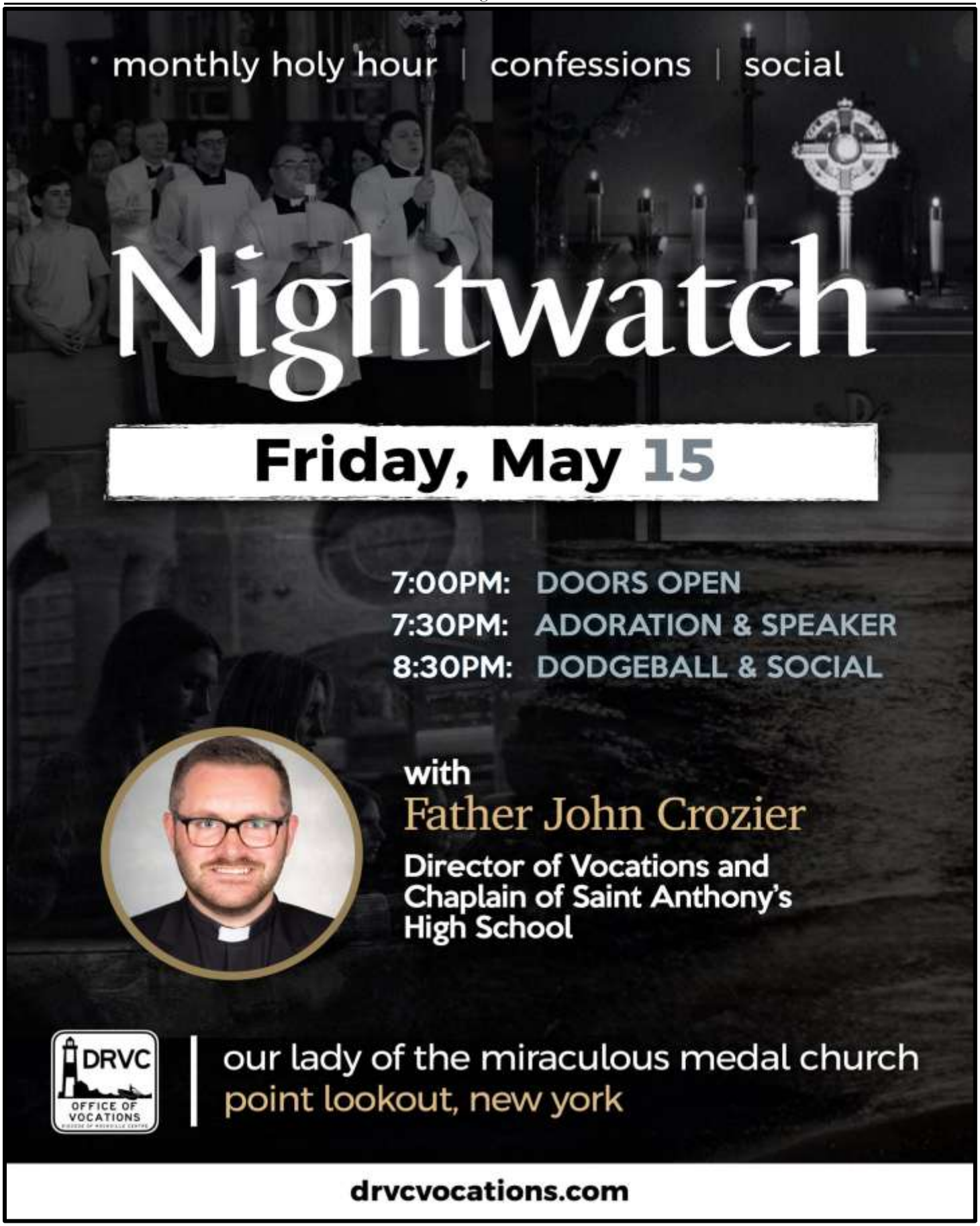
"The Family That Prays Together, Stays Together." - Venerable Patrick Peyton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Nightwatch
Friday, May 15
7:00PM: DOORS OPEN
7:30PM: ADORATION & SPEAKER
8:30PM: DODGEBALL & SOCIAL
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For Catholic Men (18+)
Considering the Priesthood
June 17, 2026
LOCATION:
Retreat and Conference Center
of the Immaculate Conception
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, New York
SCHEDULE:
7:00 PM National Eucharistic Congress Holy Hour and Procession
9:00 PM Pizza Dinner with fellow discerners
9:30 PM Brief Talk & Q&A about Catholic Priesthood
11:00 PM Compline (Night Prayer)
11:15 PM Departure
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Contact: vocations@drvc.org
Register: drvcvocations.com/discern617

Dear Friends:

I pray that you and your loved ones are experiencing love and hope this Easter season. Today, I am writing to ask you to share that love and hope with others by supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). Your gift, no matter what the amount, is so powerful and can make a difference in the lives of so many, including those in need of support and care.

Your gifts help support Catholic Charities' efforts to provide love, and care with dignity through their vast programs and ministries. Their Housing Department helps place seniors in housing, where they can have a safe and affordable place to call home.

Karen needed affordable housing when a Senior Advocate recommended that she apply to Catholic Charities Housing program. Temporarily living with her sister, an apartment came available at Bishop Ryan Village adjacent to St Rosalie Parish in Hampton Bays. Having Karen in a safe place to live is a comfort for her family and the fellowship amongst the community is a joy for Karen.

"I love living here, I feel safe, I have friends, and I am able to get involved with the Parish activities," shared Karen.

There are many other ministries funded by the CMA that bring hope and love to others. Pregnant mothers in need, seminarians, those studying for the Diaconate, and young people in Campus and Youth Ministry programs. I invite you to visit the website for the CMA to learn more about what the CMA does: https://www.catholicministriesappeal.org/.

Please know that I thank you for your consideration of this special request to make a gift to the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you already made a gift and have received this letter in error, thank you!

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Please make checks payable to: *Catholic Ministries Appeal*.

Parish **(027) Sacred Heart Island Park** Total Pledge: $_____

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