

 <b>MASSES FOR THE WEEK</b> <b>May 3, 2009</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 PM	<b>May 3 4th Sunday of Easter</b> Mary Jane Hartigan Carmine Chiara Cretella Alice LaPorte Louise K. Ligeri
<b>MONDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>May 4</b> Bernard Kelly
<b>TUESDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>May 5</b> Bernard Kelly
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>May 6</b> Lisa Raimo
<b>THURSDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>May 7</b> Robert M. Buckley
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>May 8</b> Richard Russell
<b>SATURDAY</b> 8:30 AM       5:00 PM	<b>May 9</b> Sister Mary Francisca Josephine Belcastro & Mary Peters Angelina Canigiani Josephine DeMaria Michael Curry     Fran Brower Michael Lynch Louis Martone Filomena Meola St. Peter's Parishioners
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:00 PM	<b>May 10 5th Sunday of Easter</b> Mary LoGiudice Mother's Day Novena Monica DeNisco & Kathryn Boccieri Betty Beljean (7th Anniversary)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesdays, 11:30 am to 5:30 pm  
 Benediction at 5:30 pm

Holy Hour at Our Lady of Fatima on First Friday at 7:30 pm.

“Kneeling before the tabernacle I can think of only one thing to say to our Lord: ‘My God, You know I love You!’ And I feel that my prayer does not weary Jesus: knowing my weakness, He is satisfied with my good will.”

St. Theresa

**WEDDING BANNS**



**Third Time**

Colleen McGuire, St. Peter's and  
 Thomas Moore, St. George Greek Orthodox

**First Time**

Nicole Theresa Matteo, St. Joseph's in Collingdale, PA. and  
 Peter Joseph Scoma, St. Peter's

**First Time**

Pasqualina Abbatiello, St. Brigid's and  
 Joseph Gordon, St. Dominic's

**First Time**

Melanie Davis, St. Mary's and  
 Christopher Coby, Our Lady of Martyrs



**Please Pray For...**

**The Sick**

Richard Izzo, Peter Davidson, Andres Parra  
 and Michael Caprariello

Names of the sick will appear for **two weeks**. If you would like an extension for another two weeks, please call the rectory.



**Scripture Readings**

May 10th, 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 9: 26-31

1 John 3: 18-24

John 15: 1-8



**Family Mass Breakfast Today!!**

IN THE CAFETERIA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
 THE 9 AM MASS. ALL ARE INVITED.

Our Mother's Day Novena begins on Mother's Day, May 10<sup>th</sup>. All those wishing to enroll their mothers, living or deceased, in our 9 days of masses are asked to fill out the Mother's Day envelope and drop it off in the collection or at the rectory. Extra envelopes may be found at the doors of the church.



**Living Stewardship**

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who bring the Good News of Jesus to the homebound and hospitalized.

**SAINT PETER'S REACHES OUT TO THOSE WHO MOURN**

Bereavement Support Group meets every Friday at 8:00 pm in St. Peter's Pastoral Center. For more information, call Rose Osterberg at 767-1460, or Yvonne Calabrese at 883-4817, email ycal@optonline.net.

Children's Bereavement: Individual counseling is available. Please call Sr. Peggy Tully at 883-2782 for assistance.



Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday, May 9**

5:00 PM Main Church Fr. O’Konsky

**Sunday, May 10**

7:30 AM Main Church Fr. O’Konsky  
 9:00 AM Main Church Msgr. Simmons  
 10:30 AM Main Church Fr. Pat  
 12:00 PM Main Church Fr. Pat  
 9:30 AM School Church (Spanish) Fr. George Onida

**APRIL BAPTISMS**

*Welcome to St. Peter’s Parish Family!!*

*Elia Rose Cucunato*

*Rafe McCunn Alfonso Gonzalez*

*Patrick James Hillier*

*Aubrey Rae Kollar*

*Holly Marie Marcell*

*Shannon Kelly Santoro*



† **A Mini-Course on St. Paul and His Writings:** Msgr. Richard Henning continues his presentation on Tuesdays May 5, 12, and 19. All sessions are from 7:45 pm to 9:00 pm in the School Church. Please call Sr. Peggy at 883-2782 to register. Free will offering.

† **“A Circle of Women”:** *Is Prayer Good for your Health? - A psychological perspective.*



Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in The Martha & Mary Room. As we cope with the various challenges in our life, an internal physical ‘stress response’ is activated. Psychologists are studying how this physical response can be influenced by certain attitudes and behaviors in order to promote wellness. **Mary Houlihan**, PhD, a clinical psychologist and a St. Peter’s parishioner will lead a discussion on this topic with an emphasis on the relationship between prayerful attitudes, social behavior, and women’s health.

† **Lectio Divina:** May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in The Martha & Mary Room. A prayerful reading, reflection and sharing using the upcoming Sunday Gospel. For more information call Larry Cardano at (516) 944-4408.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER’S**

<u>Sun.</u>	<u>May 3</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:45 AM	Prep and Breakfast	Cafeteria
11:15 AM	Spanish Coffee Hour	Cafeteria
12:00 PM	CYO	Gym
12:00 PM	Spanish Choir Practice	School Church
7:00 PM	Youth Group	All of Pastoral Ctr.
<u>Mon.</u>	<u>May 4</u>	<u>Location</u>
2:30 PM	Enrichment	School Facilities
3:30 PM	Middle School Sports	Gym
4:15 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	Pastoral Center
6:00 PM	CYO	Gym
7:15 PM	Religious Formation	School Facilities
<u>Tues.</u>	<u>May 5</u>	<u>Location</u>
2:30 PM	Enrichment	School Facilities
3:30 PM	Middle School Sports	Gym
4:00 PM	Religious Formation	School Facilities
6:00 PM	CYO	Gym
7:30 PM	A Circle of Women	Martha & Mary Rm.
7:45 PM	Letters of St. Paul	School Church
<u>Wed.</u>	<u>May 6</u>	<u>Location</u>
2:30 PM	Enrichment	School Facilities
3:30 PM	Middle School Sports	Gym
4:00 PM	Religious Formation	School Facilities
6:00 PM	Baptism	Martha & Mary Rm.
6:00 PM	CYO	Gym
7:15 PM	Spanish RCIA	Pastoral Center
<u>Thurs.</u>	<u>May 7</u>	<u>Location</u>
2:30 PM	Enrichment	School Facilities
3:00 PM	First Communion Rehearsal	Main Church
3:30 PM	Middle School Sports	Gym
6:00 PM	CYO	Gym
7:30 PM	Spanish Charismatic	Pastoral Center
7:30 PM	Cursillo	Faculty Room
<u>Fri.</u>	<u>May 8</u>	<u>Location</u>
7:00 PM	Spanish Charismatic	School Church
8:00 PM	Bereavement	Pastoral Center
<u>Sat.</u>	<u>May 2</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:00 AM	CYO	Gym
10:30 AM	First Communion	Main Church
5:00 PM	Spanish Mother’s Day Prep	Cafeteria
6:00 PM	Spanish Choir Practice	School Church

If you have reserved a meeting room on parish grounds but have decided to cancel the event, kindly contact the parish secretary well in advance of the reserved date. This would be very helpful to all ministries and staff at the parish.

*Mary, holy virgin mother, I have received your Son, Jesus Christ. With love you became his mother, gave birth to him, nursed him, and helped him grow to manhood. With love I return him to you, to hold once more, to love with all your heart, and to offer to the Holy Trinity as our supreme act of worship for your honor and for the good of all your pilgrim brothers and sisters.*

*Mother, ask God to forgive my sins and to help me serve him more faithfully. Keep me true to Christ until death, and let me come to praise him with you forever and ever. Amen.*



**PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 3, 2009**

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 I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. (John 10:14) We are all part of that sheep-fold. Can we know the Jesus in all people as He knows us?  
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We received the following note this week, and think it is a great idea. If you too think so, you can drop off your unused cell phone in our PSM or Parish offices.

“There is nothing for you to buy or sell to participate in this drive. We simply ask that you donate your extra inactive cell phones...Please put these phones to good use. They will raise funds for the Parish and will benefit your family, our parish and the environment by keeping the harmful materials the phones contain out of our landfills.”

We will mail off the phones we receive to the address given us and keep you posted on the results. This is a small effort and we want this campaign to be active only for May. So if you wish to help, just drop off your phones and batteries in our offices. THANKS!

Some job openings have become available to our needy clients in the fields of painting, landscaping and construction. As our weather becomes more spring-like (hopefully) there will be further opportunities. If you or a friend can offer any work, big or small please call on our job-bank service at 883-0365. We are most grateful to each person who has/will help.

Our pantry needs for this week are: canned fruits, peanut butter and personal care items.

We also have clients in need of sofa beds, double bed, a baby carriage and an infant car seat

**ONCE AGAIN WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR SHARING WITH YOU  
 IN THIS SOCIAL MINISTRY OF ST. PETER’S PARISH**



**St. Peter’s Thrift Shop**

Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
 Saturday/Sunday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
 Closed Fridays

**APOSTOLADO HISPANO**

**IV DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

**3 de Mayo, 2009**

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*Alabemos al Señor, llenos de gozo, porque la tierra está llena de su amor y su palabra hizo los cielos. Aleluya.*  
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*(Salmo 32)*

- 1. XVI CONGRESO DE LA MUJER LATINA EN LONG ISLAND:**  
 La Oficina del Ministerio Hispano Diócesis de Rockville Centre. Invita a todas las Mujeres Latinas a disfrutar de un día de información, alegría, espiritualidad y música. Invitada especial Dra. Amalia Días, Psiquiatra. **Tema:** Como manejar los problemas y conflictos en tu vida y en el hogares en estos momentos de crisis. **Fecha:** Sábado 13 de Junio 8:30 am a 3:30 am. **Lugar:** Parroquia Blessed Sacrament 201 N. Central Ave., Valley Stream, NY 11580. **Donación:** \$15.00 incluye material de apoyo desayuno y almuerzo. Para mayor información llamar: (516) 568-1027.
- 2. A causa del “School Family Breakfast”,** el día 3 de Mayo, no tendremos nuestra regular hora de café.

**SERVIDORES DEL DOMINGO 3 de MAYO, 2009**

**Animador:** voluntarios.  
**Lectores:** voluntarios.  
**Lectura de los Niños Grupo 2:** Dora Castillo, Julia Altamirano y Flor Platero.  
**Ministros:** M. González, R. González y C. Delgado.  
**Acolitos:** Grupo: Voluntarios.  
**Café:** No habrá hora de café.

**SERVIDORES DEL DOMINGO 10 de MAYO, 2009**

**Animador:** voluntarios.  
**Lectores:** voluntarios.  
**Lectura de los Niños Grupo 3:** Celina Castillo, Maria Romero, Carolina Platero.  
**Ministros:** A. González. R. González y M. Anyarin.  
**Acolitos:** Grupo: Voluntarios.  
**Café:** Grupo 6: Edy y Maura Taz, Pilar González, Alfonso González, Elva González y Marina González.

**RCIA for Hispanic Adults**

Wednesdays in the Pastoral Center, 7 - 8:30 pm  
**Meeting of Young Hispanic Adults**  
 Sundays in the Pastoral Center, 11 am - 12:30 pm



## Update on the “Heart of Jesus” Mission in Guatemala

*“How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!”*

*“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.” 1 John 3:1, 16-18*

This is Good Shepherd Sunday where we hear about Jesus as the Good Shepherd who cares for us and loves us and searches for us. What a great love that is, to have a father who seeks after us no matter how far we may stray. No matter what we are suffering through He is there to gently draw us back to Him. We are His children! We are sons and daughters of the King! And because we are His children we receive His inheritance of salvation and love and healing and wholeness. And because we are His children we have certain expectations and hopes placed upon our lives. In 1 John it says that we are to love our brothers and sisters in need by our actions not just our words. God continues to gather His sheep from all over the world. He does so through the Church which is His body, the people. He needs us to be His hands, His feet, and His heart in this world. And we are equipped to do this because we have received the Holy Spirit.

Remember how bold the disciples became after the Holy Spirit came? Peter went from denying Jesus in fear to speaking out in confidence and bringing thousands to the faith and that was just in one day! We have that same Spirit living within us; we just need to access it. We need to believe it and start living it. Let us boldly step out and give for those we’ve committed to in Guatemala. After much prayer and discussion, Guatemala was chosen as the place to receive our support, the support of St. Peter’s Church. This is not a youth group initiative although they are certainly trying to raise funds too. The people in Guatemala are very excited about our commitment to them. They know we are trying to raise the money to build the community center for vocational training for them and they are waiting in faith and hope for it to come. They continue to scavenge the garbage dumps for food and items to recycle. Others work at nearby gravel pits, grinding stones. Many of the children do not attend school because they are obligated to help find food for the family. They continue in the only life they know until something different is offered them. We have been called to help provide this new way of life, a life of dignity and hope for them. We have been called to help provide a life in which they can be trained in new jobs so they can increase their quality of life. Let us remember that Jesus came that we might have life and have it to abundance. That promise is for all of us!

Everyone has been so generous thus far. **We have raised \$12,498** since October. **Our goal is \$48,611.30.** We will continue to update you as we have more information.

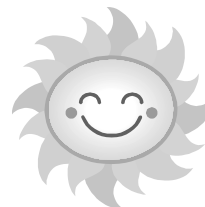
Soon to come: More pictures and stories from the Guatemalan people!

Julie Giunta

## Coming Soon - A New Ministry of Mass Greeters!!

*A Smiling Face is the only prerequisite*

*Join the 4 G's.... 4 G's?? What ?  
Great Greeters Gather for God*



Spread the St Peter's SPIRIT as you say hello and warmly welcome people coming into mass. A fun, friendly, easy way to meet and greet. Greeters will begin in the fall and will be assigned to one mass every 4-6 weeks. All parishioners welcome...EM's, Ushers, too.

Stay tuned for May 10<sup>th</sup> sign ups.

For more information contact:

Jane Harris 883-8878, Flower0449@optonline.net or Charles Roth 767-6185 or  
charles@rothadvertising.com.

### BAPTISM TEAM MINISTRY



St. Peter's Parish extends an invitation to any individual/couple who would be interested in participating in this ministry of hospitality to parents who are preparing to baptize their children. Perhaps you would consider serving as a Minister of Hospitality at a Sunday 1:30 pm Baptism in the Church, or being a Facilitator at a Baptismal Preparation Session held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm. Please call Sr. Peggy at 883-2782 for more information. We appreciate our parishioners sharing their time and talent for this important ministry.

Immaculee Ilibagiza, author of "*Left to Tell*" will be at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. Immaculee survived the genocide in Rwanda by hiding in a small bathroom with several other women for over a month. The trip to the Shrine will be inspirational in both the beauty of the surroundings and the heart of this speaker. The schedule for the day is:

11:30 am, Mass (in Pilgrim Hall); 1:00 pm, short film introducing Immaculee; 1:30 pm, Immaculee Ilibagiza to speak.

There is no fee. A free will offering will be taken. The Shrine is at 258 Eastport Manor Road in Eastport, telephone 631-325-0661.

Julie Giunta/Youth Minister

### HOLYLAND TOUR

*"Following the Footsteps of Jesus"*

November 10-20, 2009

\$2,195 (double occupancy)

Spiritual Leader: **Fr. James Drew**

To reserve your place, deposit \$350 per person plus \$185 optional cancellation insurance by **May 1st**. For all the information and a booking form, please call Fr. Drew at 516-352-2127.

### M.A.N. Foundation

1121 Rt. 106 in Muttontown

624-9033, [contactus@manfoundation.org](mailto:contactus@manfoundation.org)

### **Monthly Communion Breakfast**

Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9 am

Presenter Dr. John Palmer, PhD., coordinator for the Charismatic Renewal Department of the Rockville Centre Diocese. \$25 donation.



Diocese of Rockville Centre – The 5<sup>th</sup> annual **Mother/Daughter Tea "God's Plan for Growing Up"** to discuss growing up, sexuality, and chastity will be presented on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for 10-12 year old girls and on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> for 13- 15 year old girls. Each program will be held from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm in the Parish Center at St. Agnes Cathedral, 99 North Village Avenue, Rockville Centre. Reservations are required. For more information call the Respect Life Office at (516) 379-8292 Ext. 215.

### **Anthony Kearns in Concert**

Internationally Acclaimed Irish Tenor

Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 pm

St. Patrick's Church in Bay Shore

Tickets \$35

Call St. Patrick's at 631-665-4911 or

Ronnie Allen at 631-665-1371

## St. Peter's School News



### Summer Uniforms In Effect

Starting tomorrow, May 4<sup>th</sup>, students in grades K through 8 may wear their summer uniforms. Please consult page 8 of the school calendar for the proper attire for your child's grade.

### Kindergarten Orientation This Thursday

All incoming Kindergarten students who will make up the class of 2018 are invited to attend St. Peter's annual Kindergarten Orientation this Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Parents and children should join us in the Main Lobby by 9:00 am to begin the morning's activities. Children will get a chance to spend some time in a Kindergarten classroom while their parents have a Q & A with the Principal and the Parents Club President. The event takes place from 9:00-10:30 am. The uniform company will also be on hand to take measurements for your child's uniform needs.

### IHM Plant Sale After All Masses



The annual St. Peter's School Plant Sale to benefit our Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes place this weekend after all masses.

Come check out our hanging baskets, annual flats, potted plants and vegetables/herbs. It's time to dust off those potting supplies and recharge that green thumb!

### Calendar Change for the Week

Please note that the Diocesan Teachers Conference Day originally scheduled for this Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. As a result, there will be a FULL DAY OF SCHOOL for grades K-8 and there WILL be afternoon Pre-school and Pre-K classes.

### Boys Lacrosse Dominates in Season Opener



Congratulations to the Middle School Boys Lacrosse team, who in their inaugural season opener, cruised to a 12-0 victory over Greenvale. Young Liam Monarchio was a steel curtain in net and was helped out with some outstanding defense from Ryan Bergin and Malachy Mahon. Face-offs were handled deftly by Jack Stiuso and the scoring charge was led by Mario Veza, Dylan Neville, Bobby Eilbacher and a scorching attack. This week features two games. The boys have a home game on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 at Lions Field. Opponent to be determined after press time. On Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, they will travel to St. Martin de Porres for a 3:45 showdown.

### Girls Softball on the Road for the Week

This week, the Girls Softball team, under the guidance of coach (and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher) Nicole Bestany, will have two games on the road. On Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, the girls will travel to Greenvale, and on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, they will head east to The Eastwoods School. Start times had yet to be determined as of press time. It's been a soggy start to the season, but the girls are looking forward to getting into the full "swing" of things!

### Boys Baseball Update

Results of the games that took place during the last week of April were unavailable as of press time. This week, the Middle School Boys Baseball team will take on St. Raymond's on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Please join them at Eisenhower Park Field "C" at 3:30 and cheer them on. You may consult [www.leaguelineup.com](http://www.leaguelineup.com) for directions.



### New Uniform Company Coming This Week

This Thursday, Flynn & O'Hara, the new uniform company being used by St. Peter's School, will be on site to take measurements for the 2009-2010 school year. Please have your forms filled out and payment attached to ensure your order gets processed.



### **St. Peter of Alcantara School Timothy C. Kelly Golf & Tennis Classic**

**THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009  
NORTH HEMPSTEAD COUNTRY CLUB**

Honoring The Generations of St. Peter's Families Dedicated to Catholic Education

Questions? Call Monique Tierney @ 944-5142.



# ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA SCHOOL

## Kindergarten Open House & Orientation

Thursday, May 7  
9:00 am-10:30 am

- ◆ Parents and children are invited to experience a typical morning at St. Peter's Kindergarten.
- ◆ Spend time in our classrooms and learn about our program.
- ◆ On-site uniform measurement and orders.

Students currently enrolled for the 2009/10 school year and **prospective students are welcome.**