



# Our Lady of Hope Church

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## Staff

Rei Cornelius, Parish Office Manager

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Director of Religious Education

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 am

Holy Days as announced

Weekday Mass Schedule-Mon to Fri 9:00 am Mass

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday at 4:00 pm or by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 3rd Sunday at 1:00 pm.

Please register in advance. There is a Baptismal Preparation Video available on the Our Lady of Hope website ([www.olhope.org](http://www.olhope.org)). Parents are asked to view the video prior to the child's baptism. It may also be shared with the Godparents.

**Godparent Pre-Requisites** - Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Church Office at least nine months in advance to begin the process.

## CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Church Office when someone is seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.

## OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office 334.6288

Mon to Fri 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, Sat 9 am to 2 pm

Sunday closed

Religious Education Office 334.4781

Maria Vargas, Coordinator

Email [rel-ed@olhope.org](mailto:rel-ed@olhope.org)

See [www.olhope.org](http://www.olhope.org) for more information

**St. Brigid / Our Lady of Hope Regional School**  
333.0580

101 Maple Ave, Westbury, NY 11590

Mr. Paul Clagnaz, Principal

**St. Vincent de Paul Society 334.6288 x 18**

## REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Church Office.

## ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact the Church Office at 334.6288.

## PRAYER

Novena Tues after 9:00 am Mass

Rosary after each weekday Mass

Holy Hour Thurs 1:00 pm

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the parish family of Our Lady of Hope, commit ourselves to continue the mission of Jesus Christ, to proclaim His Gospel, and to love one another as He loves us. We are a welcoming community of faith, guided by the Holy Spirit and centered on God's Word and the Eucharist. Through the Sacraments, prayer, and the stewardship of our God-given gifts, we provide opportunities to grow closer to God and to serve members of the community.



## Our Lady of Hope This Week

### GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord reaffirms the promise of a savior for His people, a savior born under unusual circumstances who would clearly be God's chosen one. After many years had passed since that promise—years in which the Lord continued to guide and prepare His people—we hear of its fulfillment in Matthew's Gospel. In this final week of Advent, let us rejoice and praise God for He is faithful and keeps His promises.

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah prophesies that the Lord will give His people a sign: A virgin shall conceive and give birth to a son and will name Him Emmanuel. Paul introduces himself to the Romans as one *called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God*, specifically among the Gentiles. In the Gospel, Matthew recounts how the birth of Jesus Christ came to pass, in accordance with Isaiah's prophecy.

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### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of how St. Joseph trusted in God's plan for Mary and himself.

Sunday's collection 12/11/22	\$10,985.00
Same last year	\$9,279.00
Weekly amount needed	\$9,456.00
Attendance	454
Envelopes	303
<i>Thank you for your generosity in returning to God some of what He has given you.</i>	



### CHRISTMAS INITIATIVE FOR 2022

Thank you for your participation in this year's program. It was very successful and very much appreciated! Your generosity helped to make this Christmas season merry and bright for so many and help sustain the Food Pantry going forward. You always amaze us with your unfailing support! We are proud to call you the family of Our Lady of Hope! God bless you all!

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Thank you to those parishioners who heeded the call and came to help with the crèche on Friday, December 9. Thank you to Cathy & Steve Fleming, Felice & Jack Stein, John Donohue, Chris Colgan, Maria & Manuel Vargas, George Sardos, Wayne Welch, Jim Hickey & Rich. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you to St. Nicholas, Louis Monaco, who came and spoke to the children Last Sunday, December 11th, His message was most appropriate for the season. Thank you to our children, and their parents for their generous response to our SOCK COLLECTION. Thank you to Annette Finnazzo and her family for the success of Cookies, Cards and Carols for our veterans. We had a wonderful response and great fellowship.

2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL	
Goal	\$58,200
Pledged	\$37,740
Paid	\$36,815
% of Goal pledged	65%
% of Goal paid	63%
Donors	137

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Level 2**-1st Reconciliation Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 11:30am. All children are required to attend. First Holy Communion, Saturday, May 6, 2023.

**Level 8**- Sponsor information, Christian Autobiography, the completed *Called to be Catholic* book and Confirmation name and assignment to be submitted to the Religious Education office **NO later than January 9.**

Any questions or concerns please contact Religious Ed Rel-Ed@olhope.org or call 516 334-4781.

**ALTAR SERVERS!**

Calling all children in grades 4 and above! You are invited to join our church's altar servers. Returnees are welcome! For more information please contact Patty Kelly at olh.altarserver@gmail.com.

**WEEK 4**

*Light four candles and sit for a moment in silence.*

*Christ our Peace,  
Glow brightly in each moment.  
Enlighten our vision so that we see beyond  
the trappings of the holidays.  
Relieve us, if just for a moment,  
of our worries and stress.  
We await your coming with serenity.*

*Amen.*



**Sadlier Religion**

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**RELIGIOUS GIVE THANKS**

A sister writes, "we remember the many people who believe in the Retirement Fund for Religious, thanking them in prayer for their great generosity and compassion." God bless you for donating the last week's second collection. Visit [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org) to learn how your gift supports elderly sister, brothers, and religious priests.



**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S  
AT A GLANCE**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24**  
4 pm (upper church) (live streaming in the lower church)  
10:00 pm  
**There is NO Mass at Midnight**

**Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25**

8:30 am  
10 am  
11:30 am

**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

**New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31**  
4 pm

**New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1**

8:30 am  
10 am  
11:30 am



**OUR LADY OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

The Food Pantry Staff greatly appreciates that our parishioners donate the **specific items** that are on the "needed list". We thank you for your continued generous support, especially during these difficult economic times. We are now servicing upwards of 35 families.

At this time the items following are needed:

- Red & white beans
- Mac & cheese
- White rice-instant & regular
- Plain oatmeal-instant

**Please check expiration dates before donating items to the Food Pantry.**

**YOU CAN HELP**

With sincere thanks,  
The Food Pantry Staff



# Let us pray...

## FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN UNIFORM

Sgt. Gina Alexandro, US Army, Sgt. Joseph T. Hughes, USMC, Steven J. LaRosa, USMC, Michael B. Kilgannon, USAF, AC1 Eric Cullum, US Navy (D), Captain Kristofer Seibt, US Army (D), Cpl. Matthew Ketcham (D), Lt. Col. Matthew Kessler, USMC, Robert Weingartner, Matthew Ziminsky, Daniel J. Vincent USAF, Timothy Vincent USMC, Captain Caitlin M. Drumm, USAF-MC, LT Joe Wengler (D), US Navy.

*\*D = Deployed*

## FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

especially those closest to our hearts.

## FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

Maria Acierno, Amanda Alves, Aurora Antunes, Tom Baldwin, Dorothy Buttgerit, Diana Cabral, Victor Castillo, Carol Cirulli, Joan Clarke, Elizabeth Dick, Eileen Friel, Andrew Hogan, Mary Lou Lavelle, Madison Milio, Elaine Schwind, James Tirone, Bridget Vesloski



Sanctuary Candle  
\$15



Rose for Life  
\$5



Altar Bread & Wine

In memory of Pasquale N. Bavaro  
-by the Bavaro-Flach family

*\*\*Please call the parish office, if someone on this list has returned to reasonable health and can be removed from the list. At times, names may be taken off when we do not have any information about the person listed.*

## MINISTERS AT MASSES for December 24 & 25

	4pm	10pm	8:30am	10am	11:30am
PRESIDER	Fr. Dillon	Fr. Dillon	Fr. Dillon	Fr. Griffin	Fr. Dillon
LECTOR	N. Moir	D. Oreste	L. Masucci	B. Corrigan	A. Santana
ALTAR SERVERS	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	E. Kelly P. Kelly	V. Daly	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	E. Santana A. Santana
MUSIC MINISTERS	Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ		Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ

# St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School



## FAMILY MASS CHOIR SERVICE TRIP!

The **Family Mass Choir** visited the residents of The Bristol on Post Avenue and shared several Christmas Carols and seasonal songs. They handed out homemade greeting cards to the residents. The choir and their families headed up Post Avenue for pizza at Gino's before singing at the Village of Westbury Tree Lighting Program. The Family Mass Choir is open to all children who would like to share their gifts with the congregation and the community. They sing at the 9:30 am Mass in the Chapel every Sunday.





# COFFEE with JESUS

## Advent Reflections

From the comfort of your home,  
with a cup of coffee and ZOOM connection,  
join **Bishop Andrzej** at 10:00 am  
on Friday mornings during the Advent Season:

**December 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022**

for Advent Scripture Reflections

**...WORD made FLESH...**

This is a great opportunity to prepare and  
nourish your mind, spirit and heart  
in anticipation of Christmas.



To register for **Coffee with Jesus**  
please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850 or  
email [westernvicariate@drvc.org](mailto:westernvicariate@drvc.org).  
Once you are registered, you will receive the  
ZOOM information prior to each session.





**Thank you for your generous support of the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal.**

Completing your 2022 pledge ensures that our Parish will benefit by receiving our full rebate.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Appeal. To give securely online, please go to: <https://www.drvc.org/donate/cma/>

**There's still time to make a gift.** Please remember that all new pledges must be in by December 31, 2022 and paid in full by January 31, 2023.



**Focus on Religious Freedom**

From Catholics for Freedom of Religion  
[www.cfor.org](http://www.cfor.org)

*"Christmas is built upon a beautiful and intentional paradox; that the birth of the homeless should be celebrated in every home."*  
- G.K. Chesterton

**Keeping Christ in Christmas at 40 State Capitol Buildings**

Christmas Season, which celebrates the birth of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has been fast changing from a religious holy day to a secular holiday. One effort to combat this goal of a secular, indifferent and often atheist society is from the American Nativity Scene project and their mission to give away free, large nativity scenes for public display on public property with a particular aim to put nativities in front of all 50 State Capitol buildings. This Christmas, 40 State Capitols have now erected Nativity Scenes and are proof that the religious and many non-religious alike, value the true reason and joy of the season that celebrates the humble birth of the Christ Child - the King of Kings. In fact, a 2022 poll by the Washington Times "showed an overwhelming majority of 72% of the citizens agreed that religious scenes displayed on public property by private individuals should be allowed as our constitution allows."<sup>(1)</sup>

The Thomas More Society and the American Nativity Scene are helping groups of private citizens across the nation to display Biblical manger scenes on government property. "Many erroneously assume that government entities are prohibited from allowing a religious display," said Thomas Olp, Senior Counsel at the Thomas More Society. "The law is clear: Government entities may erect and maintain celebrations of the Christmas holiday, including nativity scenes, as long as a creche's sole purpose is not to promote its religious content, and it is placed in context with other symbols of the season ... We pray that the nativity scenes of the Christmas season will help to foster a sense of unity and peace on earth."<sup>(2)</sup>

This year Juneau, Alaska's State Capitol, will display a Nativity scene for the first time. "The true joy of Christmas is a newborn baby lying in a manger and wrapped in swaddling clothes," said Andrew Klausner, coordinator of the Juneau State Capitol Nativity.<sup>(3)</sup> With this addition of Alaska, now 40 state capitols have nativities. The states that have, as of yet, not erected a nativity scene from the American Nativity Scene project are Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Nevada, New York, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, and Virginia.<sup>(4)</sup>

*"Awake mankind! For your sake God has become man." St. Augustine*

(americannativityscene.com, (1)(4); thomasmoresociety.org, 12/15/21(2); thomasmoresociety.org, 12/1/22(3); returntoorder.org; juneauempire.com, 12/1/22; drik.news, 12/1/22)



## *Qualified Charitable Donations (QCD)*

### *Direct transfers from IRAs to Charities – a tax benefit for you*



This unique opportunity allows taxpayers to make charitable contributions through a direct IRA transfer.

If you would like to make a gift using your Ira and if:

1. You are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift
2. Your IRA is a traditional (some Roth IRA's may qualify)
3. You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions

**Tax Saving Advantages:**

1. QCDs are not included in your adjusted gross income.
2. QCDs deliver a tax benefit while "regular" charitable donations might not since the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act almost doubled the standard deductions amounts.
3. QCDs taken from your traditional IRA counts as a distribution for the required minimum distribution (RMD) rules. Therefore, you can donate all or part of your RMD that you would otherwise be forced to receive and pay taxes on.

The best way for you to start is with your IRA custodian. Tell them you want to make a "qualified charitable distribution." In most cases you will only have to fill out a simple form.

**VERY IMPORTANT!!** Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the Charity. If you receive the money first then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution.

*Bill has a \$125,000 in a traditional IRA and would like to contribute \$5,000 to his parish. Upon hearing of the **Charitable IRA Rollover** opportunity, he directs the custodian of his IRA to transfer this amount not later than December 31, 2022 directly to the Parish as the family's 2022 gift. He gets to exclude the IRA distribution given to charity from income.*

**This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.**



## MASS INTENTIONS for the week of December 17, 2022



### Saturday- December 17, 2022

#### *Mass of Anticipation*

- 5:00 PM – Richard J. Parissidi (by Fr. Arnao)  
 -Ronald Forino (by Regina & Marianne Lavery)  
 -Rev. Francis Midura (by Nadine Moir)  
 -Antonio Perrino (by his wife, Maria)  
 -Thomas & Elizabeth Burke (by the family)

### Sunday- December 18, 2022

- 8:30 AM – Kathleen Fleming & Salvatore Tranchina (by the family)  
 In the missions:  
 -Elizabeth Mirecki (Happy Birthday in Heaven) (by Roman Mirecki)  
 10:00 AM – For the People of the Parish  
 11:30 AM – Jean Prommersberger (by the Panchyk family)  
 In the missions:  
 -Maria Dileva (by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sforza)

### Monday- December 19, 2022

- 9:00 AM - For the intentions of Michael O'Brien (by Monica & Gerald O'Connor)  
 In the missions:  
 -Nuestra Senora de las mercedes

### Tuesday- December 20, 2022

- 9:00 AM - Davis, Shanely, Mc Nerney & Nolan families (by James Davis)  
 In the missions:  
 -Christofer Comito (2nd Anniversary in heaven) (by Fran & Rich Comito)  
 -Frances & Edward Chiusano (by Ed Chiusano)

### Wednesday- December 21, 2022

- 9:00 AM - Alfonso Valdivieso (by his daughter/granddaughters)  
 In the missions:  
 -Rose Palumbo (by the Palumbo & Coulter families)

### Thursday- December 22, 2022

- 9:00 AM - Special Intentions

### Friday- December 23, 2022

- 9:00 AM - John Ryan (by Mary Ryan)  
 -Marrinan, McGovern & White families (by the McGovern family)

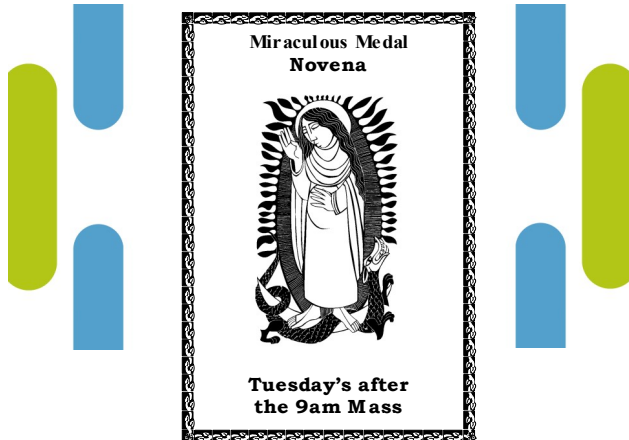

### Saturday- December 24, 2022

- 4 PM - Christmas Flower Fund  
 10 PM - Christmas Flower Fund

### Sunday- December 25, 2022

- 8:30 AM - For the People of the Parish  
 10:00 AM - Christmas Flower Fund  
 11:30 AM - Christmas Flower Fund



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
*...bringing hope for a better future to people in need.*

*"The St. Vincent DePaul Society is a lay Catholic organization that aspires to live the Gospel by serving the poor. In attending to the needy in our community, we are ministering to Christ himself. If you or someone you know needs assistance, or if you would like to join the ministry, call (516) 334-6288 ext. 18"*

**Online giving is available at Our Lady of Hope and it's safe, simple and convenient. It can also add to any "rewards" your credit card company offers! If you have questions please do not hesitate to call the church office or WeShare directly at 855 800-4273 or visit [olhope.weshareonline.org](http://olhope.weshareonline.org).**

**KING KULLEN RECEIPTS**

Please save your register tapes from King Kullen in Garden City Park. 1% of your purchases are donated to the parish. Proceeds from register receipts are forwarded to various charities through the St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Our Lady of Hope.

**MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Starting December 31, 2022 the 5pm Saturday evening Mass will change to 4pm with Confessions at 3pm.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER LOVED ONES**

There are opportunities to remember your loved ones by way of *Mass intentions, the Rose for Life, the Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread*. There are multiple intention Masses available on Fridays and Saturdays and Mission Masses anytime and Rose for Life, Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread as early as this month. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

**VIRTUS TRAINING-PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!**

Virtus is a program that gives us a specific plan in identifying and preventing child sexual abuse. The training is required of all diocesan personnel and volunteers in all parishes.

If you are a volunteer or are thinking of volunteering, please visit [Virtusonline.org](http://Virtusonline.org) to fulfill your Virtus requirements.

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People maintains a confidential phone line: 516 594-9063. We are available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. All calls are responded to within 24 hours.

**WE SHARE ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving is available at Our Lady of Hope and it's safe, simple and convenient. Please visit [olhope.weshareonline.org](http://olhope.weshareonline.org) to get started. The site is very "user friendly", but if you still have questions please do not hesitate to call the church office or WeShare directly at 855 800-4273.




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**CATHOLIC FAITH NETWORK**

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## Courtesy Announcements

*The following are published as courtesies for a two-week period as space allows. They are not an endorsement of any functions or persons. If there are any difficulties or problems experienced with any ad, please call the Church Office so that we can remove the ad immediately. We apologize for any typographical errors.*

### FIRST NOTICE

#### PLEASE CONSIDER KIDNEY DONATION

Rich Lewis, a Carle Place native, is in urgent need of a kidney transplant and doctors have indicated that a living donor is his only option. Rich has had juvenile diabetes since he was 13 years old with chronic kidney disease occurring as a result. Rich will not be a good candidate for a deceased donor as his surgery will need to be well planned. Members of his family have been screened and have NOT qualified for donation. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the process of donating a kidney please contact the NYU Langone Transplant Institute at 212 236-3621 or register at [nyulangone.donorscreen.org](http://nyulangone.donorscreen.org). Please indicate Richard Lewis as the recipient. You can also let Rich know about your inquiry by texting 516 567-8858.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF LONG ISLAND – JOB OPENINGS** We are a growing medium size not-for-profit company that needs good, caring and dedicated people to help us serve the Church's burial ministry. We are the place to use your talents and skills to benefit others in a time of need. We have four cemetery locations on Long Island. We need to fill positions at our different cemetery locations, including at our exciting newest cemetery Queen of Peace in Old Westbury. Please visit our website for more information about the career opportunities. [WWW.CCLongIsland.org](http://WWW.CCLongIsland.org)

### SECOND NOTICE

**WIDOWS & WIDOWERS SOCIAL GROUP**-3rd Wednesday each month at 7pm St. Joseph's Church, Franklin & 5th St., Garden City. Non-denominational, all are welcome, proof of status required, light refreshments. For more information please contact Diana 516 481-9280.

**CHAUFFEUR WANTED-PT**-Local Limo/Car Service is looking for a part-time chauffeur for mostly airport work. Applicant MUST have a clean driving record and a professional well groomed appearance. Good people skills required. Knowledge of JFK and LGA airports helpful but not mandatory. Call 516 997-1111 and leave a message.

**MEALS ON WHEELS-EAC** Network program is available to individuals 60 years and older in Westbury, Carle Place and New Cassel. The basic requirements are; living alone, no longer driving and have a limited support system. 516 539-0150 ext. 219.

**TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**-Is someone you love unable to join us at mass on the weekend? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessing of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass of TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org).

**STEADFAST CAREGIVERS**-provides home companion services to seniors and home-bound adults. Our home care professionals are comprehensively screened, bonded, insured and monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure the highest quality care and companionship. Whether you need care on an hourly or live-in basis, Steadfast Caregivers offers affordable care. We offer a free and confidential in-home assessment and are happy to answer any questions. 516 747-0570.

**\*\*Please note\*\***

There is no parking directly in front of the church. This is reserved for emergency vehicles if needed. Please respect the safety of the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope Church. Thank you!



### Are You Being Called to Serve as a Deacon?

**COME to ANY ONE of THESE MEETINGS PREPARED to LISTEN – to PRAY – to REFLECT – to DISCERN where God is calling you!**

**EVENINGS** are being offered conveniently at **THREE LOCATIONS.**

**7:00PM, Tuesday, January 10**

*St. Joseph Ronkonkoma, 45 Church Street*

**7:00PM, Wednesday, January 11**

*Maria Regina Seaford, 3945 Jerusalem Avenue*

**7:00PM, Thursday, June 19**

*St. Aidan Williston Park, 505 Willis Avenue*

with an **EARLY WEEKEND** option to be held at

**1:00PM, Sunday, January 15**

*St. John the Evangelist Center Moriches, 25 Ocean Ave.*

RSVP by Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>,  
to 631-423-0483 Ext. 179

OR by email to

[diaconateformation@drvc.org](mailto:diaconateformation@drvc.org)

**We thank you and look forward to being with you.**

