

# Roman Catholic Church of St. Mark

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### MASSES:

**SATURDAY EVENING:** 5:00 P.M.

**SUNDAYS:** 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 A.M.

**WEEKDAYS:** Monday-Friday 9:00 A.M.

**HOLY DAYS:** Vigil 7:30 P.M. (Day) 8:45, 10:00 A.M.

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday thru Friday: 9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Closed for lunch from 12:00 Noon till 1:00 P.M.

Saturday: by appointment only

Sunday: closed

Emergency - Anytime 744-2800

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions celebrated Saturday from 4:00-4:45 P.M., or you may schedule another time with a priest at the rectory.

**MARRIAGE:** Please call the rectory at least 7 months prior to your wedding, and before a date is finalized with the reception hall.

### WEDDING TIMES:

Saturday: 1:30 and 3:00

Sunday: 2:00 and 3:00 (Ceremonies only)

### PRO-LIFE COORDINATOR:

John McNamara - 744-2800

**BAPTISMS:** The parish community celebrates this sacrament at 1:00 P.M. on the third Saturday of each month. Please contact the rectory before your child is born to make arrangements for the Pre-Baptism program.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Periodically we have a parish celebration. However if you or someone in your family is seriously ill or going to the hospital for a serious operation, then call the rectory. Anyone going to a hospital or who may be sick at home should inform the rectory so the parish can pray for you.

**R.C.I.A.:** Adults seeking to become Catholic; or adults wishing to receive First Communion or Confirmation please call Mr. John McNamara at 744-9525.

**A.A.:** Meetings held every Sunday Evening at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Center.

### PRAY WITH THE PARISH:

Rosary daily before the 9:00 A.M. Mass

Eucharistic Devotion & Benediction - First Friday

1:00 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Miraculous Medal - Mondays after 9:00 A.M. Mass

Fatima Devotions - First Saturday after 9:00 A.M. Mass

**WE ARE GLAD TO HAVE YOU WORSHIP GOD WITH US! PLEASE FEEL AT HOME.  
IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR AREA, PLEASE REGISTER AFTER MASS WITH AN USHER  
OR COME TO THE RECTORY DURING THE WEEK. WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S PARISH.**

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

*Today, November 19th, there will be an ecumenical Thanksgiving service at St. Johns in Wading River at 4 PM.*

*On Thanksgiving Day, the Mass will be at 10 AM.*

*Thanks to Jane and her volunteers for packing the Thanksgiving baskets last Wednesday.*

*Thank you to the Catholic Daughters who ran the bake sale for St. Mark's. They made \$587 for the parish. Thanks for buying the cakes.*

*Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!*

*Fr. Jeff*

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, November 20, 2017**

9:00 AM Bridget Andriani - son, Thomas

**Tuesday, November 21, 2017**

9:00 AM Victor DiPentima - His Children

**Wednesday, November 22, 2017**

9:00 AM Peter Piazza - Loretta Perry  
Dotty & Peter Pacheco - The Family  
Peter Inguanta - His Parents  
Peter R. O'Brien - Thomas G. Bunce

**Thursday, November 23, 2017**

10:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass

**Friday, November 24, 2017**

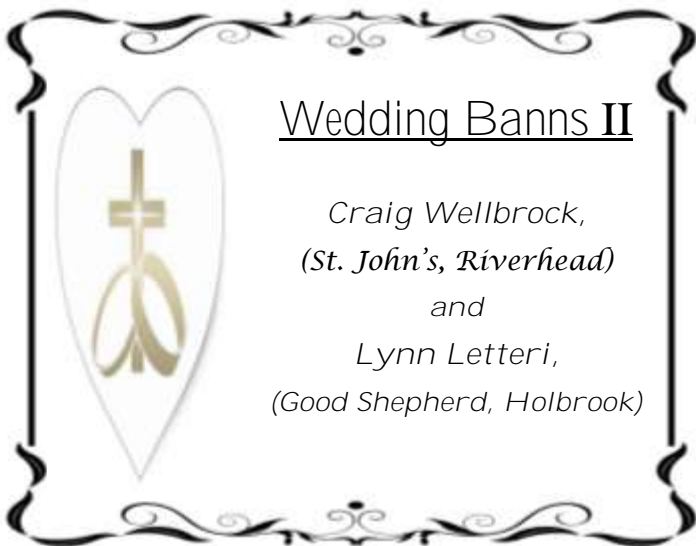
9:00 AM Jack Slattery - wife, Eileen

**Saturday, November 25, 2017**

5:00 PM Elizabeth Pagel - Regent 12 PEF

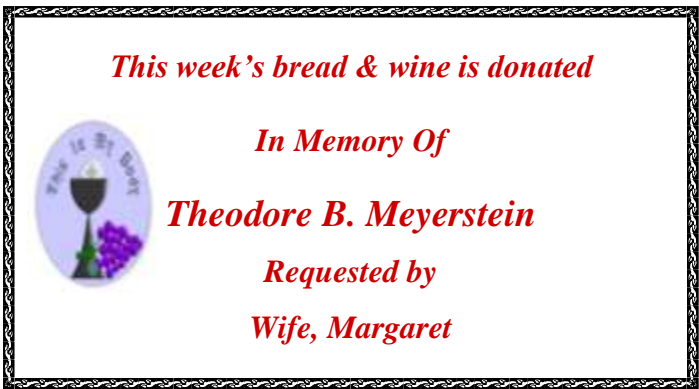
**Sunday, November 26, 2017**

8:00 AM Patricia Signorelli - Kathy & Artie Treiling  
9:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
11:30 AM Eugene Joseph Glennon -  
Ruth & James Glennon




Wedding Banns II

Craig Wellbrock,  
(St. John's, Riverhead)  
and  
Lynn Letteri,  
(Good Shepherd, Holbrook)



*This week's bread & wine is donated*

*In Memory Of*  
**Theodore B. Meyerstein**  
*Requested by*  
**Wife, Margaret**



**FINANCIAL CORNER**

By: Susan Schena

SUNDAY COLLECTION OF:  
November 11th - November 12th, 2017  
\$9,427.00



***Leaving a Legacy of Faith***

When you next update your estate plan, would you please consider continuing your lifelong support of your parish by remembering *St. Mark's with a bequest?*

**50/50 CLUB WINNERS**

***\* Weekend of Nov. 11th & Nov. 12th, 2017\****

<b>1st Prize</b>	<b>703839</b>	<b>\$12.50</b>
<b>2nd Prize</b>	<b>703853</b>	<b>\$ 7.50</b>
<b>3rd Prize</b>	<b>703835</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOME MISSIONS COLLECTION**

This weekend, we will be taking up the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development which includes Home Missions (CCHD). CCHD was founded 40 years ago by the bishops of the United States when they realized that the lives of those in need would not improve until the systems and policies that keep people in poverty were changed. For 40 years, CCHD has funded community groups that seek justice and create lasting change. **Fight poverty in America. Defend human dignity. Give to the CCHD Collection.**

**Preview of next Sunday's Readings**

Reading I: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 (160A)  
Psalm: Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6  
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28  
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS**



Susan McFee, Edward Heinssen, Frank Mordola, Gloria Mazza, Susan Quinn, Melanie Quintos, Santa Inguanta, Steve McCune, Keri Lynn Stromski, Ruth Bradley, Catherine J. Navetta, Joan Mueller, Ryan Brady, Roberta Gerish, Rosemary Fleming, Bernadette Salvador, John Schlauraff, Judi Lynch, Christine Lopiccolo, Frank Henn, Geraldine Sheets, Dana Jendrzewski, Walter Simonsen, William Watson, Jennifer Tomforde, Florence Lynch, James K. Glennon, Olga Camero, Joseph Olivo, Kristie Cleary, Ralph Lopez, Louise Knepple, Julie Esposito, Frances Roman, Samantha King, Melissa Black, Patricia Dansereau, Pasquale Cervini, Frank Lumia, Dana Hertzovitz, Helene Kenney, Kathleen Hynes, Luz Cadena, Diane Guarnieri, Fran Alvino, Joseph Minerva, Donna Byrnes, Jeanne Hughes, Donna Mirasola.

If you know of any of the above names that should be removed from the list due to a return to good health, please inform the rectory office at 744-2800.

**Names will be removed on the first of each month, unless we are notified. Kindly call the rectory with any updates. Thank you.**

**Altar Servers**

We welcome any children in the third grade or older who've received their First Holy Communion to join St. Mark's Altar Servers. It's a special way to serve God, be part of our parish community, and fulfill church volunteer requirements for Confirmation.

For more information, contact Carla Silva or Marianne Minarik. E-mail: [altarservers@stmarksrcc-shoreham.org](mailto:altarservers@stmarksrcc-shoreham.org)

## Thought for the Week

How many ways can we express our thanks? Our Lord has given us everything in Jesus, His Son.  
Thank you, Jesus, for coming to live among us, and showing us the way to Heaven!



### The Eucharist

Jesus' gesture at the Last Supper is the ultimate thanksgiving to the Father for His love, for His mercy. "Thanksgiving" in Greek is expressed as 'eucharist'. That is why the Sacrament is called the *Eucharist*; it is the supreme thanksgiving to the Father, who so loved us that He gave us His Son out of love.

(Pope Francis Feb. 2014)

### Respect Life

*Lord, during this season of thanksgiving, we thank You for every time you have touched a heart,  
and made that heart treasure all You have created.*

We are thankful for:

the little one in the womb, waiting to have a chance to experience life;  
the girl or boy, man or woman, struggling with a disability;  
the elderly who long to see Your face;  
all individuals who struggle daily to do the right thing;  
every young or older person who longs to feel accepted and loved.

### Words from Pope Francis ...

"If we can realize that everything is God's gift, how happy will our hearts be!  
Everything is His gift. He is our strength!"

(St. Peter's Square, October 13, 2013)



### A Scripture to Ponder..

*"Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;  
His love endures forever."*

(Psalm 118:1)

### Just a Thought

Thanksgiving is such a wonderful holiday. Most of us would agree that  
it's a time to just enjoy each other. No presents, no pressure—*just getting  
together*. Let's enjoy this great day!





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## Our “Giving Tree”



Our “Giving Tree” is up. Thank you for taking a tag and purchasing a gift for someone in need. This year, in addition to the tags we have for our Outreach families, there are tags on the tree for :

### The Rees Specht Foundation:



This foundation was set up by little Richard Eihmer Specht’s family after the little toddler tragically drowned in the pond in his backyard while the family was preparing for Hurricane Sandy. Their mission is to make the world a better place—one kind act at a time.

### The Kevin Williams Foundation:

This foundation was set up by Kevin’s family after he lost his life on September 11, 2001 in the Towers in NYC. Kevin was a 1995 graduate of Shoreham-Wading River H.S., where he was an honor student, as well as MVP in golf, basketball, and baseball. Kevin is remembered for his love of life. His younger brother said this about Kevin:

*“He was brought up with love, and it’s love he gave to the world.”*

### A Little Humor...

Q: What did the mama turkey say to her naughty child?

A: “If your Papa could see you now, he’d turn over in his gravy. (Groan)”

### “Friendly Visitors”

If you would like to be a “Friendly Visitor” to someone in the parish who is homebound, please call the rectory, and leave your name and phone number.



Thanksgiving Day Mass

10:00 a.m.



FAITH FORMATION  
631 821-0550  
[reiform@verizon.net](mailto:reiform@verizon.net)  
Lynn Fein, Director

- Registration for our classes for Levels 1 through 9, for the 2017-18 Catechetical Year continues. Children entering first grade in school need to be registered at this time to prepare over two years for the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Children then continue with each level, growing in our faith and leading to the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation in the first year of high school. We also welcome any new families to our parish, families with older children and teens who may not have received any of our sacraments, and also children and teens with special needs. Our classes have begun so please call or e-mail the Faith Formation Office during the week to register. Registrations are also always taken following our 9:30 Sunday Mass.
- The yearly Ecumenical Thanksgiving Prayer Service, sponsored by the North Shore Clericus which our parish plays an active role in, is being held this Sunday, November 19 beginning at 4 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Church in Wading River. Refreshments are served following the service. This gathering provides a perfect opportunity to thank the Lord for the many gifts he has bestowed on us, while being with those of other faith traditions who like us wish to deepen their relationship with the Lord and with each other.
- I hope that parishioners of every age group will join us on Wednesday, December 6 for our Advent Family Night. Let us come together **as we prepare for the Lord's coming during this special season in our Church's year.** Please use the response form found in the bulletin so we can prepare for your participation.

## SAINT MARK'S YOUTH MINISTRY

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN  
7<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADES



FAITH FORMATION  
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[reiform@verizon.net](mailto:reiform@verizon.net)

Our next Youth Mass is Saturday, December 16 at 5 p.m., followed by a get-together in the parish center. We invite all of our young people from seventh through twelfth grades and their families to join us in the celebration of the Eucharist, followed by our get-together with pizza and activities.

Our upcoming dates for our weekly gatherings are: November 20 and 27 and December 4 and 11. All seventh through twelfth graders are invited to come and to bring a friend for discussions, prayer, activities, service and snacks. We meet from 7 to 8:30 in our parish center.

Please contact the Faith Formation Office with any questions about St. **Mark's Youth Ministry.**

**ADVENT...A TIME TO PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD!**

To help us set aside time in our busy schedules, as we fully reflect on the true meaning of the upcoming Advent season, a special evening is being planned.



DATE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017

TIME: 6:30 TO 8:00 P.M.

PLACE: PARISH CENTER

Parishioners of every age group, and especially our Levels 1 and 2 children and their families, are invited to **attend as we share about this special time in our church's year and join in prayer. Come and gather in the** parish center to enjoy crafts, refreshments and the company of one another. In order to provide adequately for those who will be with us, we ask that you complete the form below and return it to the Faith Formation Office by December 1. Beverages will be available, but we ask every family to bring their favorite cookies to share.

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**Yes, I/we will attend on Wednesday, December 6 to prepare for the Lord's coming. (A donation of \$3.00 per person, \$6.00 per family is requested to cover the cost of the craft materials.)**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING: \_\_\_adults\_\_\_children\_\_\_

## **Catholic Daughters**

THANK YOU to Our Members and Parishioners for a Very Successful Cake Sale Fundraiser last weekend. Proceeds of \$548.75 going to St. Mark's.

WATCH FOR Announcements, in the New Year, of Our Open House celebration and a change to evening hours for our meetings.

Happy Thanksgiving To All.

In Unity & Charity,

Mary Cannon, Regent  
631-744-9347



**Fr. Francis Pizzarelli  
and  
Hope House Ministries  
would like to extend to you a  
very special invitation to the  
following event:**

**34<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Hope at  
Christmas & the Holiday Season**

*Monday, November 27, 2017, 7:00 p.m.  
Held at Villa Lombardi's in Holbrook  
Cocktails-Buffer Dinner-Coffee & Dessert  
Silent Auction*

*Contact: Theresa Zeis (631)473-8796*



Join the **Friends of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception** for a **Celebration of Mary** to be held at the Seminary on **Sunday, December 3, 2017**. Journey to the heart of Mary through Theology, Spirituality, and the Arts. Beginning with Mass at 10 AM, celebrated by Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski, Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre, the day will include lunch, presentations by Fr. Michael Whalen, CM, Associate Professor at St. John's U., Brother Timothy Driscoll, SM, Kellenberg Memorial H.S Faculty member, and Theresa Bissex, Music Director at Church of St. Rocco, Glen Cove. **Advance registration required.** \$40 per guest. For reservations & information, contact Seminary Development Office, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743. 631.423.0483 x 102; [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu)





THE NORTH SHORE CLERICUS, COMPRISED OF THE CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT CHURCHES IN OUR AREA INCLUDING OUR PARISH, PRESENTS THE ANNUAL ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE. WE WILL BE JOYOUSLY LED IN SONG BY THE COMBINED CHOIRS FROM EACH CHURCH.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19-4 p.m.  
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
WADING RIVER

We look forward to seeing our parishioners at the service and at the reception which follows.

## *St. Mark's "Giving Tree"*



*"Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy,  
a joy to be shared by the whole people.  
Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you;  
He is Christ the Lord."  
(Luke 2:10-11)*



Our "Giving Tree" has been a tradition at St. Mark's for many years. Many Christmas mornings have been brightened because of the love and generosity of our parishioners. Thank you for taking a tag from the tree and providing a gift for a very thankful child or adult. *If you can't give a tangible gift, remember that the most wonderful gift you can give is your gift of prayer.*

At times we might think that what we give is not enough, but God sees our hearts, and He loves the cheerful giver. We never know the effect of one act of kindness!

*Thanks to all of you who make the message of the  
Christmas Season come alive to so  
many, year after year.*

*May the Lord bless the cheerful givers at St. Mark's!*

*Have a Blessed Christmas!*

*In His Love,*

*Jane & Volunteers*

Please remember to attach the tag to your *unwrapped gift*, and return all gifts to the Parish Center by December 10.



*Our families will be coming in to receive your  
gifts on Wednesday, December 13.*



MUSIC NOTES

A month ago, more than 60 of our young men and women received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Wcela. **We wish upon our Confirmandi God's grace and bountiful blessings! Thank you to the Combined Choirs who provided music at this liturgy.**

**Last week, on November 8, St. Mark's held a parish-wide memorial mass for our parishioners who have died this past year (September 30, 2016 to Oct. 1, 2017).** Together with our wonderful Consolation Ministry headed by Carmen Aponte, and Jane Fagan of our Parish Outreach and her dedicated volunteers, **this mass of remembrance is one of the loving ways we, at St. Mark's, reach out to bereaved families to let them know in a tangible way that we are in fervent prayer with them in their grief.** At this mass, we also remembered children who have passed on. As a parish, it is important to have this liturgy because it brings us together to be one with those who are grieving. Our attendance makes us aware that, among our parish community, there are fellow parishioners who may be carrying this heavy burden and, that we may offer solace and comfort and help to ease their pain. Please join me in praying that Jesus hold in His loving **embrace all those who are in sorrow as they walk through grief, one of life's most difficult journeys.**

This Sunday, November 19, at 4:00 pm, the annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service will be held at St. John the Baptist in Wading River, followed by refreshments in their Parish Hall. The combined choirs of **the North Shore Clericus, of which St. Mark's is a member, will be providing music for this service.** It is always a beautiful ceremony in which one of the pastors of the Clericus delivers a Thanksgiving sermon on what it means to serve God. During the service, there is a free will offering that goes to a worthy cause. **One past worthy recipient was Maureen's Haven which provides temporary shelter and food to the homeless during the coldest months of the year, from November to March.** This year, the offering will go towards relief and assistance to those areas most affected by recent devastating hurricanes and earthquakes. This Ecumenical service serves as an opportunity to be united in our Christian faith and to heed the call to love our neighbor, especially those who are in most need. What an inspirational way to celebrate the holiday of Thanksgiving and begin the holy season of Advent!

Speaking of Thanksgiving, on Thursday, November 23 at 10 am, our Contemporary Ensemble will be providing the music for our Thanksgiving Day Mass. Whether you are cooking at home or going elsewhere to eat, start your day with this celebratory Mass in thanksgiving for all the blessings that the Lord has given! And speaking of thanks, I would like to thank the newest member of the Contemporary Ensemble, Deb Tonetti, for taking the step forward in joining our Music Ministry. As we celebrate the feast day of St. Cecilia on November 22, we pray that, through her example, Deb and we, in the entire Music Ministry, will **humbly continue to spread Jesus' gospel through His graciously bestowed gift of music.**

Lastly, next week, under the excellent direction of Pat Fellrath, our Christmas Pageant rehearsals will begin! With over 50 children participating either in the pageant or as helpers, it is certain to be another resounding success!!! So, mark your calendars and be sure to attend our Music Ministry Christmas Concert **and the children's Pageant on Sunday, December 10 at 3 pm. Refreshments will be served following the** entire program. If any child wishes to participate, we always have room for more angels and shepherds in this marvelous production, please come to the first rehearsal on Monday, November 20 at 5 pm.

*"Use what talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best."  
- William Blake, poet and painter, 1757-1827*

Till next time, keep singing,  
Carrie Logan

