

One Family in Mission

Called to Evangelize



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Office of Parish Stewardship April 2019

We are pleased to present our April issue of **ONE FAMILY IN MISSION** newsletter. We invite you - as part of that **FAMILY** - to share articles, best practices and any other items that you believe would benefit our community of Stewards. Please send them to tzalud@drvc.org.

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STEWARD OF THE MONTH! APRIL 2019 Lutricia (Pat) Edwards

Lutricia (Pat) Edwards has been an active member of St. Martha RC Church in Uniondale since 2008. Prior to St. Martha, Pat attended St. John of God in Central Islip where she and her family were also very active members for 15 years.

Pat enjoys the richness of serving God, her family and the community. In the 11 years that she has been a member of St. Martha, she was appointed Trustee of the Parish, is a member of the Parish Finance Committee, a Religious Education Instructor, a Eucharistic Minister and Lector (when called upon), Chairperson of the SMRCC Ministry to Catholics of African Ancestry and a member of the Parish Event Planning Committee.



Pat truly enjoys helping others help themselves and loves to teach children about our faith and the love and blessing of God. Building upon successful leadership while at St. John of God, Pat replicated the Academic Achievement Award Program to assist young students of African Diaspora who are planning to attend a Long Island Catholic High School with monetary

awards for academic excellence and community service.

These awards help to defray some of the cost of attending a Catholic High School. Pat also organizes, with the help of Ministry members, the SMRCC Annual Mother's Day Tea Party that raises funds to compliment a grant received from the DRVC.

Pat resides in East Meadow, has been married for 33+ years to Michael Sr., and they have two children Michael Joseph and Theresa Ariel who both attended LI Catholic High Schools.

Pat also works full time as a Community Development Relationship Manager at Citi Bank where she is responsible for providing support to nonprofit organizations that help low and moderate income residents.

God bless you, Pat, for all you do for people on Long Island!

FORMED STEWARDSHIP CONTENT OF THE MONTH



Three Days That
Changed the World

by Fr. Hector R.G.
Perez

CALL TO EVANGELIZE

Every day, we have the option to do right or wrong. We can change the way we live with every minute we are alive. Yet, throughout the year we often select - and then choose - certain events to make the change. For instance, after Christmas we will begin a healthier diet or post-Super Bowl, we resolve to exercise more. Often, many of us adopt New Year's resolutions or on our birthdays we are inspired to make changes in the year ahead.

During Lent, we fast from certain things and deepen our prayer life to grow closer to God. Let us use this Easter season to do the same! Christ, our Lord and our God rose from the dead so that we can have new life.

For those of us this Lent who struggled to avoid sin - or an occasion of sin - keep fighting and ask the Risen Jesus to help you continue to grow in grace. Strive to be a good steward of your gift of faith!

Recognize the special graces which come from practicing what we preach and spreading God's Good News! Consider putting your faith in action by reflecting on your God given gifts, then utilizing them in your parish ministry or community. Share the mission to build God's Kingdom!

WHATS HAPPENING IN OUR DIOCESE



The Diocese of Rockville Centre Celebrates
Saint Gianna Feast Day
at
Saint Agnes Cathedral
Saturday, April 27, 2019

Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of Rockville Centre presiding

Part of the liturgy will include a blessing in thanksgiving for those celebrating, hoping for and expecting the gift of a child.

Mass will be televised on Catholic Faith Network

After Mass there will be an opportunity to venerate
the relics of St. Gianna.

View St. Gianna Intercessory Prayer
6:00 pm

Reception at the Pastoral Center

Speaker-Dr. Anne Nolte Co-Founder of the National Gianna Center

Representatives and resources will be available in the following areas:

- Gianna Center of Long Island (Restorative Reproductive Medicine)
- Fertility, Infertility
- Fertility Awareness Based Methods for Family Planning
- Labor & Delivery
- Maternal Fetal Medicine
- Comprehensive Services Supporting Life
- Catholic Pregnancy Support Services
- Regina Residence

- Mary's House
- Unplanned Pregnancy
- Emily's Gift (Pregnancy Loss)
- Gabriel's Courage (Prenatal Diagnosis)
- Project Rachel (Post Abortion Ministry)
- Circle of Hope (Postpartum Depression)
- Faith Formation
- Knights of Columbus

RSVP by April 19, 2019

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