

*One Family  
in Mission*

Called to Evangelize



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Hospitality



Prayer



Service

Office of Parish Stewardship  
February 2019

We are pleased to present our second issue of **ONE FAMILY IN MISSION** newsletter. We want 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](mailto:tzalud@drvc.org).

**PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE!**

**STEWARD OF THE MONTH!**  
**FEBRUARY 2019**  
**John Gatto**

**John Gatto is a good steward of his parish, his friends, family, and colleagues!**

John, a parishioner at St. Matthew Church in Dix Hills since 1969, has served as a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, Hospice and as a religious education teacher.

For more than 40 years, the Brooklyn native, who is also a former Marine and veteran of WWII, has also been a active member of St. Vincent de Paul Society, taking care of those who come to him for help and guidance.

Additionally, John serves as a speaker for the Catholic Ministries Appeal at Parishes across Long Island. John didn't learn a script - he visited every program the Appeal supports so that he could direct people to appropriate help if asked.

This month, John was honored by Father Robert Hewes for his service and dedication.

We join Fr. Hewes in thanking John for inspiring us all to be better stewards!!!



**THANK YOU JOHN!!!!!!**

**WHAT'S  
HAPPENING?**

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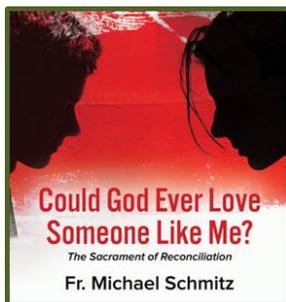
**February 25, 2019**  
**Night of Praise**  
Hosted by Charismatic  
Renewal of the  
Diocese of Rockville  
Centre

7:30 PM - 10:30 PM

St Martin of Tours  
330 Central Ave  
Bethpage, NY

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**STEWARDSHIP**  
**CONTENT OF THE**  
**MONTH**



**Could God Ever**  
**Love Someone like**  
**Me?**  
**The Sacrament of**  
**Reconciliation**

February may be described as the winter doldrums for some. The cold wind blows, the nights are still long and better weather is still a dream away. However, the cold outside doesn't have to dictate the temperature in our hearts. *Let your love and faith warm up those around you.*

God has given all of us the gift of others. We can be stewards of this gift if we make the effort to go out and care for those who need it this winter.

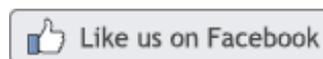
There are many people who could use warm clothes; perhaps you could go through your closet and donate clothes that you do not need.

The cold weather may also be harder on our senior community. Reach out to your older friends and relatives or those with disabilities and go over their house to visit them! *Say a prayer with them.*

Remember, we are the hands of Christ on this earth and He may be calling you to go and care for those who need it. One last tip for caring for our seniors and those with disabilities is to offer a ride to Mass on Sundays, especially those cold Sunday mornings.

*"Our own time, with humanity on the move and in continual search, demands a resurgence of the Church's missionary activity."*

- Saint John Paul the Great's encyclical, *Redemptoris Missio*



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