



*Former Marydell
Camp Staff and Campers*

A Message from Sr. Veronica...



Dear Friends of Marydell,

As I write these lines my island of Puerto Rico and much of the Caribbean is trying to surface from the deluge of water & wind brought on by hurricane Fiona. Ukraine continues its struggle against an unjust invasion and our country appears more divided every day. Here at Marydell, while we are aware of all these things, we hope that our presence and availability adds a little grain of sand towards the healing of our hurting world.

We have had some very good months since our last newsletter. Parishes are returning for week-end and day retreats. The Neo-catechumens, who never really left us, continue to come for their Sunday days of recollection. Sr. Eileen continues with her Sunday to Sunday group, Centering Prayer gathers every Tuesday evening, and Sr. Cecilia's One to One is striving.

I wish I could say the same about our buildings. Prize money from One to One's Limited Raffle made it possible for us to replace Nikomis' roof. Now we are trying to do the same for the roofs of the Dining Room and Ogeechee/Nephawin. Needless to say, your contributions are worth gold to us.

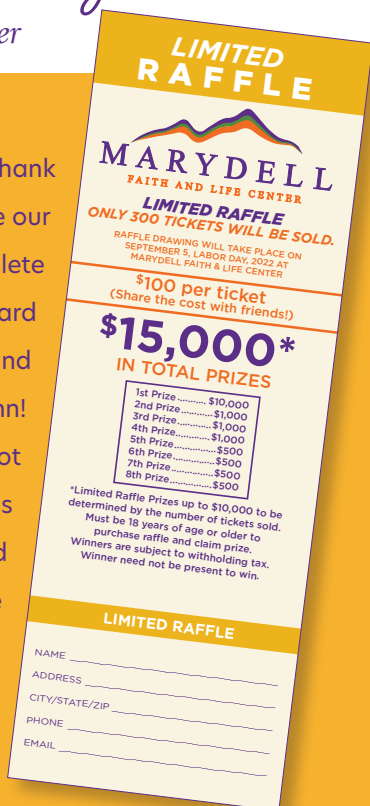
This year we had a very successful first try at doing a limited raffle. The winners are to the right of this letter. Next year we will do this again plus attempt a few other fund raisers. In 2024 we will celebrate the centennial of Marydell. We've already begun dreaming.

Thanking God for your continued support and asking him to grace you with all your needs, I am,

Sr. Veronica Mendez

Sr. Veronica, Board Member

We at Marydell would like to thank all those who helped make our first Limited Raffle a complete success! Thank you Board members, Sisters friends and parishioners of St.Paul/St. Ann! Everyone bought tickets and got others to buy them. Due to this great work we successfully sold all 300 tickets. As a result, we were able to give the full amount to the prize winners.



Limited Raffle Winners!

Mary Maggio	\$10,000	1st prize
Heather Linderman	\$1,000	2nd prize
Betty McLaughlin (& friends)	\$1,000	3rd prize
Kitty Forde	\$1,000	4th prize
Jennifer Herman	\$500	5th prize
John & Marcia Carroll	\$500	6th prize
Bill & Karen Lynch	\$500	7th prize
Rev. Joseph Kelly	\$500	8th prize

Thank you everyone for your support!

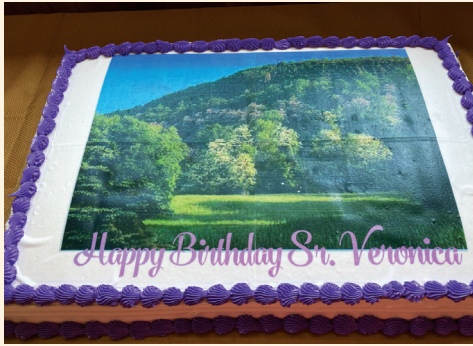
We lived streamed the pulling of the winning tickets. It could be watched on Marydell's live FaceBook page. Next year we hope to pull the winners during our Friends and family picnic.



Happy Birthday, Sr. Veronica!

Like other non-profits, fund raising occupies a lot of the time of the Board of Directors. This year the fund raising committee agreed with Sr. Veronica to turn the occasion of her 80th birthday into a fund raiser. Done! We raised a little more than \$4000.00 and had a lot of fun too.

Blessings upon blessings upon blessings!



At the height of COVID mass was celebrated at Marydell every Sunday during the summer. By the second summer we were back in our churches but the parishioners missed the masses at Marydell so last summer and this summer we have had the celebration of the mass on every last Sunday of June, July, August and September.



Friends & Family Picnic



Miss Melissa, Miss Dot, Emily and Miss Denise



Sr. Agatha and her family



Fr. Raj leads our Eucharistic celebration



Fr. John Gruben, Sr. Veronica and Sr. Virginia



Members of Sr. Angela Palermo's family

This year we were again blessed with wonderful weather for our Friends and Family picnic. We had the largest number of former campers and counselors in recent years.

Summer Activities

This summer we again benefited from the participation of three day camps: Nyack Center Day Camp, Strawtown Day Camp, and New Settlement Day Camp.



Nyack Day Camp



Some of our immigrant children benefited from the swimming lessons Marydell offered. The lessons also helped to increase the bottom line for the year.



The Children's Garden had a great summer. The children really enjoyed digging and wonderful things were grown like this giant cucurbit squash!



Summer weekend and day retreats. This group was from St. Joan of Arc in the Bronx. Fr. Paul LeBlanc is their wonderful pastors.

Prayer Day on Laudato Si

On Sept. 10, Sr. Carol DeAngelo, SC and Christina Leaño led us in a prayer day on Laudato Si, Pope Francis encyclical on the care of our common home. A concrete result of this day is the creation of a Laudato Si circle that will meet in Marydell.



Prayer Group



Prayer Ritual of hanging our flames on the tree



Prayer Altar



Sr. Carol DeAngelo



Conference



Christina Leaño



Flames on the tree

Good Shepherd Catechesis

This year we are trying to have two sessions of the Good Shepherd Catechesis. The first for the little ones, 5-7 year olds, and the second hour for the older ones, 8-13 year olds. So far we have 5 children in the first session and 8 in the second. It was a pleasure to see how eager the little ones were to return to the classes!



A student sets up the parable of the Good Shepherd



Two students line up the seven sacraments



Sessions begin and end with prayer



An older student helps a younger one with the vestments for mass.



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FUTURE EVENTS

TREE OF PEACE & LIGHT
December 3, 2022



FRIENDS & FAMILY PICNIC
July 15, 2023



Good Shepherd Catechesis children with Sr. Margie, Bob Stein, Enid Weishaus on top to Hook Mountain.

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