



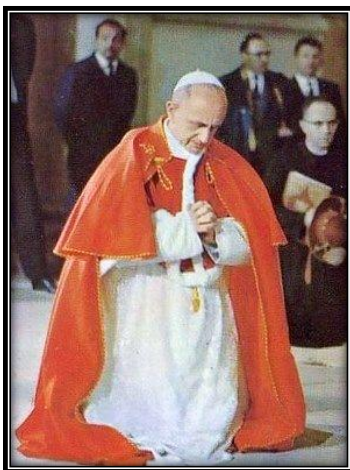
On Tuesday, 24 July 2018, Richard G. Henning became The Most Reverend Richard G. Henning in a “filled-to-capacity” Saint Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre! Under the direction of Diocesan-liturgist Father Nicholas Zientarski, all in attendance were able to experience the living God during the celebration of Holy Mass that was (dare I say): “absolutely beautiful”!

In his comments before the final Blessing, our newly ordained Bishop spoke about surfers and waves asking those in attendance: “What is the surfer without the wave?” And while I (as one of the concelebrants) could provide you with his answer and its connection to our relationship with Christ, I will refrain; just in case he is preparing to make that connection on Sunday, 19 August 2018 at 10:00 A.M. during Holy Mass on Grover’s Dock (175 Woodcleft). Yes you read correctly, Bishop Henning is planning to come to the water in Freeport!

Before Bishop Henning made his comments, the Ordinary of our Diocese (Bishop Barres) offered a few of his own and when he did, he took the opportunity to acknowledge the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Blessed Paul VI’s Encyclical: *Humanae Vitae*. Those comments, and in fact the entirety of the Bishop’s homily, can be found with an online visit to <https://www.drvc.org/home/2018-press-releases/episcopal-ordination-of-bishop-elect-richard-henning-homily-of-bishop-john-barres.html>. (There too, at [drvc.org](http://drvc.org) you can find the answer to the question: “What is the surfer without the wave?”)

Bishops have the responsibility to teach the Truth; even the so-called hard Truths of *Humanae Vitae*. Bishop Barres said as much to Bishop Henning, as he did to the flock at Saint Agnes Cathedral gathered for Holy Mass on Sunday, 22 July 2018. The contents of that homily were the subject matter of a recent “tweet” from Our Holy Redeemer @OHRFreeportNY that read as follows:

**Our Holy Redeemer** @OHRFreeportNY Jul 22 Please ask Blessed #PaulVI and #SaintGianna to pray for our Shepherd @BishopBarres and the flock entrusted to his care @RVCDiocese that together, we might be set free to "transform the world and history with Christ's love." (Pope Francis @Pontifex) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jc558pgW00E ...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jc558pgW00E)



AVOID HAVING TO CRY OUT:  
“ME TOO”  
“Another effect that gives cause for alarm is that a man who grows accustomed to the use of contraceptive methods may forget the reverence due to a woman, and, disregarding her physical and emotional equilibrium, reduce her to being a mere instrument for the satisfaction of his own desires, no longer considering her as his partner whom he should surround with care and affection.”  
(*Humanae Vitae*, 17)



Please read *Humanae Vitae* and/or the Pastoral Letter: *The Supreme Gift: the Gift of Life* that Bishop Barres has made available to all of us. And let us pray that men and women of influence may embrace and teach others to embrace the Supreme Gift!