



## Network of Religious Communities of Western New York

*Honor Diversity. Work for the Common Good.*

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Dear Friend:

The Network of Religious Communities cordially invites you to join us for the 37<sup>th</sup> consecutive annual Appreciation Dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at Salvatore's Italian Gardens, 6461 Transit Road, Depew, NY 14043.

Each year we proudly honor outstanding members of our Western New York religious communities for their volunteerism. **Individuals are chosen by their congregations to receive the NRC Religious Service Award for outstanding service to their congregation and/or community.**



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Please help make the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual NRC Appreciation Dinner a success:

- **NOMINATE an HONOREE by April 20, 2017**  
*Nominate a member or members of your congregation to receive the NRC Religious Service Award. Return the enclosed Nomination Form by April 20, 2017.*
- **PURCHASE ADVERTISING by April 20, 2017**  
*Use the enclosed Souvenir Program Advertisement Form to purchase an advertisement. It's a great way to share information about your congregation members or upcoming events. Return the enclosed form by April 20, 2017.*
- **RESERVE YOUR SEATS by April 25, 2017**  
*Use the enclosed Ticket Order Form and return it by April 25, 2017.*

We look forward to seeing you at this very special event! Thank you for your support of the Network of Religious Communities and the many programs we sponsor that connect faith groups in Western New York.

Dr. G. Stanford Bratton  
Executive Director