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ANNIVERSARY  
**New York**  
Awards Dinner



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Thursday, September 17, 2026

New York Athletic Club  
New York City

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Bishop Edmund J. Whalen  
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**SOAR! 40th Anniversary**  
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## SOAR! 2026 HONOREES



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**Thursday, September 17, 2026**

6:00 pm Reception

7:00 pm Dinner and Awards Presentation

New York Athletic Club  
180 Central Park South • New York, NY

Business Attire

For more information, please contact  
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Proceeds will support the mission of SOAR!  
to ensure the safety and dignity of aging religious.

# PAST NEW YORK HONOREES

## ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON AWARD

- 2025 | Jeannie Gaffigan
- 2024 | Mario J. Paredes, K.G.C.H.S.
- 2023 | Tania Tetlow
- 2022 | Debra and John MacDonald
- 2021 | Most Rev. John J. O'Hara  
The Mara Family
- 2020 | Gary S. Horan  
Joseph E. Nyre
- 2019 | Father Edwin Leahy, OSB
- 2018 | Deacon Kevin J. McCormack  
and Rabbi Joseph Potasnik
- 2017 | Catholic Charities of the  
Archdiocese of New York
- 2017 | Wally Probst
- 2016 | Reverend James Martin, SJ
- 2015 | Monsignor Kevin L. Sullivan
- 2014 | James J. Landy
- 2013 | Sister Patricia Codey, SC, Esq.
- 2012 | Michael A. Maron
- 2011 | Timothy Cardinal Dolan
- 2010 | Sister Francis Raftery, SC
- 2009 | The Rambusch Company
- 2008 | Kathy DiFiore
- 2007 | Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli
- 2006 | Joseph P. Delaney
- 2005 | Denis Hughes
- 2004 | Monsignor Peter G. Finn
- 2003 | Catholic Daughters of the Americas
- 2003 | John J. Fialka
- 2002 | Detective Denis P. Mulcahy
- 2001 | Drs. John and Yvonne Driscoll
- 1998 | Dr. Francis J. Macchiarola
- 1997 | William G. Parrett

## ST. KATHARINE DREXEL AWARD

- 2025 | J. Eustace Wolfington
- 2018 | Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.
- 2016 | ArchCare
- 2015 | Deloitte
- 2014 | Ziegler
- 2004 | Sister Patricia Cruise, SC

## DOROTHY DAY AWARD

- 2019 | Notre Dame Clubs of  
The Archdiocese of New York
- 2017 | Helene Shepard

## FATHER VICTOR YANITELLI, SJ AWARD

- 2025 | Sister Norma Pimentel, MJ
- 2024 | Mother Dolores Hart, OSB
- 2023 | Sister Eileen McCann, CSJ
- 2022 | Sister Maryann Seton Lopiccolo, SC
- 2021 | Sister Donna L. Ciangio, OP
- 2020 | Sister Ann Marie Pierce, IHM
- 2019 | Sister Gerardine Mueller, OP
- 2018 | Sister Tesa Fitzgerald, CSJ
- 2016 | Sister Mary O'Neill, PBVM
- 2015 | Sister Margaret McDermott, OP
- 2014 | Sister Florence Speth, SC
- 2013 | Sister Joan Donovan, OP
- 2012 | Sister Catherine O'Leary, SC
- 2011 | Sister Rose Bernadette  
Gallagher, MM
- 2010 | Father Benedict Groeschel, CFR
- 2009 | Sister Mary T. Clark, RSCJ
- 2008 | Sister Dorothy Burns, OP and  
Sister Jeanne Burns, OP
- 2007 | Sister Jacinta Fernandes, OSB
- 2006 | Sister Marjorie Hebert, M.S.C.
- 2005 | Sister Gabrielle Raftery, I.s.p.
- 2004 | Sister Ann Taylor, CSJP
- 2003 | Sister Carmel Therese, CSAC
- 2002 | Sister Alice Matthew Thees, OP
- 2001 | Avery Cardinal Dulles
- 2000 | Sister M. Teresa Murray, RGS
- 1999 | Sister Geraldine Calabrese, MPF
- 1999 | Sister Elizabeth Eugene  
Costello, O.Carm.
- 1998 | Sister Mary Jane Fulton, OP
- 1997 | Sister Eileen Kelly, PBVM
- 1996 | Sister Mary Carita Pendergast, SC
- 1996 | Brother Anthony Flynn, FSC
- 1996 | Reverend John Mitchell, CSP
- 1995 | Sister Ellen McNamara, CND
- 1994 | Sister Eileen Mary Taylor, RSM
- 1993 | Sister Annunciata Bethell, OSU

**Reservations must be received no later than Wednesday, September 9, 2026.**

I have purchased \_\_\_\_\_ tickets. My guests are listed below.

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SOAR! is a 501(c)(3) organization and contributions are tax deductible.

The estimated fair market value of the dinner is \$200 per person;

the remainder is tax deductible as allowed by law.





## 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NEW YORK AWARDS DINNER

*Thursday*  
*September 17<sup>th</sup>*  
*— 2026 —*

### HONORING

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- ☐ **SILVER SPONSOR — \$5,000**  
Table of 10; half-page ad; name on  
event signage and in journal
- ☐ **SPONSOR A RELIGIOUS — \$400**  
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- ☐ **Individual ticket** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$400 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Under 40 ticket** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$250 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Table of 10** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$4,000 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I / We cannot attend but would like to support  
SOAR! by making a tax-deductible donation of  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_.

### UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITIES *(incl. 2 tickets)*

- ☐ **Reception Sponsor** — \$4,000
- ☐ **Bar Sponsor** — \$3,500
- ☐ **Table Wine** — \$3,000
- ☐ **Dessert and Coffee** — \$2,500

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**I wish to place an ad in the SOAR! Dinner Journal**

☐ Full Page \$1,500 (6w x 9h in.) ☐ Half Page \$750 (6w x 4½h in.) ☐ Quarter Page \$400 (3w x 4½h in.)

Journal size is 7w x 10h in. All pages are black and white.

Print-ready ads are due on or before **Tuesday, August 25, 2026.**