

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS

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To bring the universal love preached by Christ

Good Shepherd Sunday

May 3, 2020

READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41 Peter and the other apostles baptize 3,000 people.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25 We have been healed by the wounds of Christ.

Gospel Reading: John 10:1-10 Jesus is the gate for his sheep.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

While we are “locked” in our homes during this time of quarantine, it is important for us to find some normalcy in the rhythm of our daily lives. To achieve this we need to put in place some structure. Since we are at home, the tendency is to do things when I “feel” like it and I won’t do it if I don’t feel like it. But when we do it this way, we realize we start to slack, to be unruly, and also we lose purpose. That is why it is crucial to schedule regular and “routine” things throughout the day. I would like to encourage to make PRAYER the regular and fixed thing you do everyday. And I would like to ask that you consider what we offer in the parish as times for prayer in your daily schedule. I would like to promote first two old prayer traditions: The **Regina Caeli** and the **Angelus**.
(See below)

REGINA CAELI

Leader: Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
All: For He whom you did merit to bear, Alleluia.
Leader: Has risen, as he said, Alleluia.
All: Pray for us to God, Alleluia.
Leader: Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.
All: For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ANGELUS

Leader: The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:
All: And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...
Leader: Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
All: Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary...
Leader: And the Word was made Flesh:
All: And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...
Leader: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
All: that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Leader: Let us pray:
All: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PARISH OFFICE

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NEW OFFICE HOURS (tentatively until May 15, 2020)

Monday, Wednesday and Friday **9:00 am - 1:00 pm**
Phone calls only

NEW SOCIAL MINISTRY PANTRY HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday **9:00 am - 1:00 pm**
Phone calls only

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Priests have been asked to say their assigned Mass in private for the scheduled intentions.
- **LIVESTREAM:** Daily Mass (Monday to Saturday) at 8:30 am. Starting this weekend, we will only Livestream 2 Masses: **Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm** and **Sunday 9:30 am**.

Please subscribe to our **YouTube Channel:** **Saints Cyril and Methodius, Deer Park, NY**
or like us on **Facebook:** **SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC**

- The Church continues to be closed. Weather permitting, we ask people to use the Blessed Mother's Grotto for prayers. We are adding **2 opportunities for daily prayer:**
 - 1.) Every 12:00 noon, the bells of the Church will be rung for the angelus. If you wish, you may tune in to our Facebook page and YouTube channel to join the communal praying of the Angelus as recited by parishioners with some moments of silence.
 - 2.) Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6pm you may tune in to the communal recitation of the Rosary on ZOOM CONFERENCE as led by the members of the Holy Rosary Society of Saints Cyril and Methodius. Download the **Zoom app** on your phone or login to **zoom.us**.
Meeting ID: 829-2223-8588 and **Password: 0S6Qt1**
- During this very difficult time, we ask you to consider mailing your weekly contribution envelopes or drop them off at the mail slot of the Parish Center. For online giving, visit our website at **sscmdp.org**. Text to give coming soon.

With faith and prayers, and together, we will get through this challenging time.

Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

Program Updates from Ms. Laucella

Students, parents, families, and parishioners: As all of right now, all meetings and activities across our Diocese here on Long Island have been **CANCELLED** at least until **Friday, May 15th**. We miss all of you very much, but we still have some activities planned for you that you can take part in and enjoy from home with your families! We hope that all of you are well and staying safe, and that all of us will be able to celebrate the Easter Season together in joy and in person soon!

Email Updates & Contacting Our Office

We have been sending weekly updates to all of our Program's families via email since the period of social distancing started. If you have not been getting our emails, please contact our Office via our Program email at faithformation@sscmdp.org with your most current email address so that your contact information can be updated. Our Office has been **CLOSED** due to the pandemic, so this is the best place to reach us with general questions.



Mass Reports, Paperwork, & Assignments

With our Office currently being closed, we are asking for everyone to hold on to all Mass Reports for now. Once the period of social distancing has passed, we will be able to let everyone know when they can drop off whatever paperwork they have for us to our Office. As soon as we reopen, we will be able to let everyone know when you can come by!

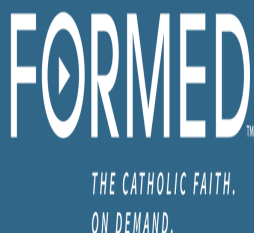
Sacraments Updates

As all of you by now have seen, and as stated above, the new social distance end date, as announced by the State, is Friday, May 15th. This is right in the middle of our Sacrament Season. After advice from the Diocese and in accordance with this new social distance ruling, the decision has been made to postpone all First Holy Communion, to a new date to be announced. Once we are able to monitor the curve and receive both State and Diocesan updates, we will then be able to reschedule the First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliations, for those who did not yet receive. The light at the end of the tunnel here is that First Holy Communion are not cancelled; They are postponed. I will have new dates for everyone as soon as we get clearance for social distancing, which I hope and pray is as soon as humanly possible.



In regard to Confirmation, Confirmation for us is scheduled to take place on Friday, May 29th. Since this day falls exactly two weeks after the proposed social distance ending date, as of right now, in this point in time, Confirmation Day is still on as scheduled. This may change, in light of the current situation. We will be updating everyone with all information as soon as we receive it.

With social distance regulations and safety procedures constantly changing, this causes our Office, and every Faith Formation Office in the Diocese, to cancel and push back plans as soon as we make them, only to start over again and have those plans scrapped, too. Although a lot is uncertain for all of us right now, what I can guarantee as a sure thing to everyone is our dedication to your children and your families, and that our first priority is to keep everyone who would normally be in attendance for these special and sacred days safe and healthy. Please continue to pray for our world as we navigate all of this together.



FORMED

I'm sure that by this point, a lot of you have gone through countless movies and television shows on all of your streaming services. In times like this, it's amazing that we have platforms like Netflix, Hulu, Amazon Prime, Disney+, and so many other venues to catch up on our favorite programs and discover some new ones. If you are looking for something new to discover, I am reminding everyone of our own streaming service; FORMED! Formed is a Catholic media streaming platform with movies, books, music, podcasts, Bible studies, and more for every member of the family! Whether you are looking to deepen your prayer life during this trying time, or looking for a feature for your next family movie night, FORMED is a resource that we have made available for you to stream **FOR FREE**; Just make an account at <http://watch.formed.org>!

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FROM THE PASTOR

...from cover page

The **Regina Caeli** is said all throughout Eastertide and eventually when we return to Ordinary time, the **Angelus** is said. In monasteries they are said 3 times, at about 7, at noon and 6 pm. Here in the parish we encourage everyone to pray at noon. We are working on a video recitation of both prayers as I lead it while families from our parish join in the responses. They will be broadcast on YouTube and Facebook as a guide for prayer.

On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, please feel free to join the Zoom recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:00 pm. Details on how to join on page 2. I would like to thank the Holy Rosary Society for hosting this. We started a few weeks ago with about 6 people, and now we are up to an average of 11 participants. Here is the screenshot of those who regularly attend the rosary. Please help us promote this worthwhile devotion.

If the time and day does not work for you, I encourage anyone especially the younger families to start hosting your own Holy Rosary "parties". Invite your friends; and tell your friends to invite their other friends. Aside from Zoom, there are other good platforms you can use like Google meets and Skype. The key is to make it regular and non-negotiable. Send me an email and I will advertise it on our website and the Parish facebook page. If you need rosaries, materials and procedures, please email me and I will find a way for these to be delivered to you.



Of course, please continue to support and attend the **8:30 Mass** that we livestream daily through **YouTube** and **Facebook**. And on weekends of course, two livestream opportunities: the Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm and the Sunday 9:30 am Mass.

OFFERING MASSES

Because of the suspension of gatherings during Wakes and Funeral Masses and also a very limited way in which we can show our sympathies and condolences to bereaved families, we would like to inform everyone that you may as usual offer Masses for deceased family and friends to show solidarity with them. The following is a step by step procedure for you to be able to do this from your home.

To request for Masses:

Call the office (631-6674044) during office hours (new office hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm) and speak with the receptionist to check the availability of the day and time when you want your Mass(es) to be said. When available, your intention will be reserved for the date and time of your choice.

You may then proceed to either mail or drop off your check at the Parish Center indicating the Mass intention, and the date and time requested.

Or for your convenience, you may also pay online by visiting our website: sscmddp.org and clicking the green "Donate" button on the top right hand corner. Go to the bottom of the page and under Mass Intention, enter the amount and on the space provided the reserved date, time and the name for the whom the Mass is being offered.

For Mass Cards:

Call the office during office hours and speak to the receptionist. She will mail the card to the intended addressee once the payment is received. Payment options are the same as stated in "To request for Masses".

Fr. Gius Garcia

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, May 4****7:00 AM** - For Bailey Kravitz's Intentions**8:30 AM** - Charles D'Ambra**12:15PM** - For all Essential Workers**Tuesday, May 5****7:00AM** - For Mary Bridget Kravitz's Intentions**8:30 AM** - Ann Harrigan**12:15PM** - For Anna Rose Regan's Intentions**Wednesday, May 6****7:00AM** - For all those in Healthcare**8:30 AM** - Kathleen and Billy McKeon**12:15PM** - Carin LaMotte Rivera**Thursday, May 7****7:00 AM** - For Robert Salerno's Intentions**8:30AM** - Louise Fierro**12:15PM** - Richard Vaughn**Friday, May 8****7:00 AM** - Sophie Kassick**8:30 AM** - For all those in Ministry**12:15PM** - Wanda Heavey**Saturday, May 9****8:30 AM** - Purgatorial Society**5:00 PM** - Marcellina, Michael and Richard Solomita, Richard J. Daoust, Sophie and George Kassick, Carmine Barila and for Lilly Langan's Intentions**Sunday, May 10**

All of our mothers, living and deceased will be remembered at Masses beginning this Sunday, May 10th and all throughout the following week.

God bless all mothers.

Happy Mother's Day!

**MASSES WILL BE SAID PRIVATELY BY
PRIEST CELEBRANTS**

Saturday**5:00 pm** - Fr. Patrick Grace **Livestream****Sunday****8:00 am** - Fr. Moise Aime**9:30 am** - Fr. Gius Garcia **Livestream****11:00 am** - Fr. Patrick Grace**12:30 pm** - Fr. Moise Aime**6:00 pm** - Fr. Gius Garcia**REST IN PEACE**

Mary Sullivan

Eileen Jackson

Rosalie Maiorana

June L. Sutton

Joseph Catalano

Michael A. Cruz

Violet M. Dougherty

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Baby T. J. Hicks, Baby Christian Daniel, Baby Owen Chapman, Baby William Shirk, Rita Haggerty, Catherine Rizzo, Rosemarie Dorsty, Jamie Bufalino, Margaret McCartney, Richard J. Murphy, Kevin Lixfield, Nuala Egan, Theresa Schaefer, Leonard Caltabiano, Mary Massa, Joseph Massa, Jacqueline Lullis, Amelia Verme, Mary Anne Farrell-Tzanetos, Jonathan Pultz, Frank Persico, Louis Gerbino, Joan Olcott, Barbara Dunne, Barbara Wineberger, Connie Rigert, Joseph Catalano, Steve Peterson, Frank Peterson, Diane Peterson, Catherine Troiano, Luida Samson, Matthew Locascio, John Giusto, Omar Stuart, Robert Glaser, Lucille Sanelli, Michael Ferro, Charles Gulotta, Robert Flaherty, Stanley Urbanowski, Michael Rossano, Sean Jarrod Boyden, Carol Travers, Angelina Diramacco, Joseph Giammarino, Maryann Farrell, Jack Doyle Louise Whitehead, Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Angela Mistretta, Anthony DeAngelis, Robert Filardi, Clair Barneva, Marilyn Theiling, Edward Muldowney, Alberto Sanelli, Stephen M. Murphy, Rose Giusti, Ann Marie Franzese, Lucy Symes, Jean Fortunato, Glenn Tarquinio, Bertha Banta, Doris Friend, Marilyn A. McDonald, Martha Dagostino, Thomas Quigley, Armondo Rio, John Hyde, Eleanore Jablowski, Hugh Daly, Monica Alicino, Charles Fudzinski, Eileen Conlin, Theresa Fackner, Michael Sasuk, Anna Rose Regan, Al Arena, Denise Moore, Clemente Oropallo, Jean Oropallo

**WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR OUR
SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN**

Joseph Evola,

Karley Hawkins,

Gabiella Hawkins,

Ryan Prescia,

Ryan Ferrara,

Lt. Patrick H. LaMonica,

Lt. Jonathan W. LaMonica

James Powers

Commander Christopher Grande

If you would like your family member added to the list or if one has returned home, please contact the Parish Office or email jloring@sscmdp.org

MEMORIALS — May 3 to May 9**BREAD AND WINE** - Available**ALTAR CANDLES** - Fay Coe, Happy Birthday in Heaven. With Love, the Russell Family.**CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE** - Available**CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE** - Available**FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE** - Available**ALTAR FLOWERS** - Available**FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE** - Available

Altar Candles and Candles at Our Lady's Shrine and St. Joseph's Shrine Offering \$25; Bread & Wine \$50
 Flowers at Blessed Mother and St. Joseph's Shrine \$50; Altar Flowers \$50 per Vase \$100 for both.

*Stewardship***April 26, 2020**

Regular Collection
\$9,109.14

Online Giving
\$1,552.14

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$126,300
\$62,706.00 Pledged
50% of Parish Goal

Thank you, and God Bless you, for your faithful weekly Stewardship of our Parish and for your support of the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

The Gospel today reminds us that Jesus is always there to love, protect and help us. Though we are sinners, God loves us with a love we cannot begin to imagine. He calls us to repentance and true love with Him.

**OUR STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE:
THREE (3) HOURS TO THE LORD**

- One hour in prayer each week
- One hour in service to others each week
- One hour's wages financial support of our parish family.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**"We Help People"**

In these unprecedented times, many people are confronting challenges that they never had to deal with before. While many of us have been forced to stop working, the bills and expenses do not go away. The Governor has mandated a temporary suspension of all eviction and foreclosure actions, and most utilities have temporarily suspended termination of services based on non-payment of bills. If you are experiencing difficulty in paying your bills (such as utilities, insurance etc.), as a result of the Covid-19 crisis, you should alert your providers to your situation.

At this time, furniture and clothing donations for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul have been suspended. We kindly ask that you do not leave donations by the bins at this time. We will notify the community when collections will resume.

Although our conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has had to curtail certain activities, we are still here to provide some forms of assistance to our neighbors in Deer Park and North Babylon.

If you, or anyone you know is in need of assistance, please contact us at 631-667-4044 ext. 175, or at sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com.