

READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1st Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b;64:2-7 Isaiah prays for the Lord's forgiveness of the people.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Paul gives thanks to God for the faith of the Corinthians.

Gospel Reading: Mark 13:33-37 Jesus warns his disciples to be watchful so that they will be ready when the Son of Man comes.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This week we begin the season of Advent as the whole Christendom prepares to celebrate the birth of the Messiah on Christmas. Advent echoes the cry of John the Baptist, a voice crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord."

During Advent there are three prevalent themes we see as we wait patiently for the coming of Christ. We long for the Messiah, are urged to be alert for Jesus' Second Coming, and meditate on Christ's presence in our lives now. The Scripture readings for the four weeks of Advent and the Liturgy of the Hours revolve around the first two of these themes. They encourage proper preparation, point to the grace and humility of Mary, show us how to adore God in the Incarnation, and recognize the glory of Jesus and how he frees us from sin and ingratitude. We hear from the prophet Isaiah and are drawn to the compelling message of John the Baptist in the Gospels.

It is important to consider how we can grow in spiritual wholeness during such a busy commercial season. Take time for silence and reflection each day with Scripture, a devotional

UPCOMING EVENTS

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ADVENT Retreat - Fr Greg Cappuccino speaks on themes associated with Advent. The talk will be at 5:00 pm, and he will preside at the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Vigil Mass 7:00 pm, December 7. Masses on the day: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm and 7:00 pm

Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil) Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am: Family Mass - LIVESTREAM, 11:00 am (Choir), 12:30 pm 4:00 pm (Vietnamese Mass) & 6:00 pm Weekdays: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm Saturday: 8:30 am

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE Eve of Holy Day: 5:00 pm Holy Day: 7:00 am, 8:30 am 12:15 pm & 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Children's Chapel) Monday, Wednesday & Friday: after the 12:15 pm Mass Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm and by appointment by calling the Parish Office

PARISH OFFICE

Tel: (631) 667-4044 Fax: (631) 589-9010 Email: parishoffice@sscmdp.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

PANTRY HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

BAPTISM: Saturday at 12:30 pm and Sunday at 2:00 pm. Contact the Parish Center to arrange for an interview and to register for the required preparation class.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance and prior to wedding reception plans. Call the Parish Center for an appointment with a priest or deacon for the initial interview.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Holy Communion can be received by the sick and the homebound through a co-resident minister. Call the office to make arrangements.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Saturday morning at the 8:30 am Mass. In an emergency, call the Parish Office to request a priest. Outside office hours, call (631) 667-4044, Ext. 9

PASTORAL STAFF: (631) 667-4044

Rev. Gius Garcia, Pastor, Ext. 121 Rev. Moise Aime, Associate Pastor, Ext. 120 Rev. Patrick J. T. Grace, Associate Pastor, Ext. 166 Rev. Francis D. Sang, In Residence, Ext. 170 (Retired)

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Family Faith Formation and Religious Education



Weekly Greeting from Ms. Laucella

Happy Advent! Advent brings us into the new Liturgical Year, which we now have officially begun! Advent is a time of waiting, preparation, and anticipation of the good that we know is coming soon; The Birth of our Savior! Advent is my favorite time of year, especially because it walks us through all of the events of the Old and New Testament that bring us to how Christ comes to dwell with us, while being like us as a human being. The Son of the Most High God, choosing to be like us in every possible human way; What a concept, and what great love!

November Family Project

For every month in our Program, we have a project that we have given to all of our families to do something faith-based in their homes. November's Family Project is called, "In November, We Remember". We have asked our families to create a prayer space in their homes to honor loved ones that have gone home to God in Heaven, or Saints that they admire. Once everyone's pictures of their prayer spaces are sent in to us, we will be able to share some of these beautiful spaces with all of you!





December Newsletter

This week, all of our parents will be receiving our December Family Newsletter, sent to their emails. This Newsletter has reminders for the month, the schedule of Virtual Instruction, the description of our December Family Project, and other notifications for those families who have students receiving Sacraments.

December Family Workshops

Our December Family Workshops will be taking place this week! Parents, please be sure to check your emails for our Google Form that was emailed home so that you can sign up for the timeslot that works best for your family. Families are reminded that due to safety regulations, each of the four timeslots offered have a capacity cap, to make sure that everyone is spread out and socially distanced properly. Remember to wear your masks!



Administration

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Office Information

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FROM THE PASTOR

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prayer, or with an Advent calendar. Dwell with the scene of the Nativity. What is it like to imagine the journey of Mary and Joseph and to be with them as the baby Jesus comes into the world? Consider praying with saints, with the Liturgy of the Hours. A prayerful journey with the Holy Family and the Church throughout Advent will lead to gifts of gratitude and joy when we enter the Christmas Season.

A word of thanks for all who came to help create an environment in the Church that made it fitting for our Advent liturgies. Thank you to Tim Leitch for spearheading this important task. There will be another opportunity to help decorate the Church for our Christmas celebrations. Watch out for the notice in the bulletin.

A word about seating in the Church: I would like to remind everyone once more that the blue ribbons on the pews are meant to follow the guidelines set by the diocese and the state to use alternate pews for seating. They must not be removed arbitrarily. Some, I know are used to "their" pews. But the restriction is there for your safety and the safety of other Church goers. Furthermore, when falling in line at communion, please follow the blue dots on the floor in the isles which are placed six feet apart. They are intended to be a guide so that safe distance is maintained. And finally, please always follow the directions from our ushers when falling in line.

Fr. Gins Garcia

Outreach Christmas Giving Trees

Once again it is that time of the year when we reach out to our neighbors in need. This year our Christmas Giving Trees will be at all the entrances of the Church **Saturday**, **November 28th until Friday**, **December 11th**. The trees will be adorned with tags from the "Special Wishes" of the people who come to our Parish Outreach for help. Please take a tag, return your gift to either Outreach, or give to an usher at Mass. If you wish to adopt a family, call Georgette at Outreach 631-667-4044, ext. 108 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please return your gifts by December 11th in order for us to prepare them for Christmas. Thank you for all you do for Parish Outreach, and in the name of our clients we wish to thank you. May you and your loved ones enjoy a Blessed Christmas.

Saints Cyril & Methodius



Reusable Grocery Bags

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Ss. Cyril and Methodius Annual Parish Raffle

Grand Prize ~ 25% of proceeds of ticket sales 2nd Prize ~ 15% of proceeds of ticket sales 3rd Prize ~ 10% of proceeds of ticket sales \$25.00 each ticket

or a Book of Five Tickets for \$100.00

You may buddy up with friends & family Two Early Bird Winners of \$100 each Drawing to be held Monday, November 23rd

All winning tickets for Prizes will be drawn at the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish Raffle Drawing, Saturday, December 19, 2020 after the 5:00 pm Mass. *You need not be present to win.*



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 30

7:00AM - Catherine P. Horodnicki 8:30AM - Charles LaBella 12:15PM - William Olcott

Tuesday, December 1

7:00AM - Angela M. Mistretta 8:30AM - For Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions 12:15PM– Mary Sullivan

Wednesday, December 2

7:00AM - For Mary Bridget Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM - Dianne Clark Griffith
12:15PM – Neil and Ron DaCosta

Thursday, December 3

7:00 AM - For Bailey Kravitz's intentions
8:30AM - Hugh Halliday
12:15PM– Robert A. Coppola

Friday, December 4

7:00 AM - Angela M. Mistretta 8:30AM - Eva Celona 12:15PM– Kathleen Gatti

Saturday, December 5

8:30 AM - Purgatorial Society 5:00 PM - John Kaiser, Anna Scullion, Francesco and Antoinette Bongiovani, Amelia Garavello-Verme, Esther and Leo Garavello, Nancy (Annunziata), John and Ross Durso

Sunday, December 6

8:00AM – Angelo and Ethel Benvenuto
9:30 AM – For the Laucella Family's intentions
11:00AM – Lt. Colonel John W. Peterkin, Jonathan Mendoza, Kathleen Gatti
12:30PM– For Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions
6:00 PM - For our Parishioners

PRIEST CELEBRANTS

Saturday, December 5 5:00 pm - Fr. Moise Aime Sunday, December 6 8:00 am - Fr. Gius Garcia 9:30 am - Fr. Patrick Grace Livestream 11:00 am - Fr. Moise Aime 12:30 pm - Fr. Gius Garcia 6:00 pm - Fr. Patrick Grace NEWLY BAPTIZED We pray for the new members of our family

> Avianna Hope Mateo Kayla Ricky Wallace

REST IN PEACE

Frank Williams Stephen J. Berte Marina Saca

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Baby T. J. Hicks, Baby Christian Daniel, Baby Owen Chapman, Baby William Shirk, Baby Bella Barra, Rita Haggerty, Catherine Rizzo, Rosemarie Dorsty, Margaret McCartney, Richard J. Murphy, Nuala Egan, Theresa Schaefer, Leonard Caltabiano, Mary Massa, Joseph Massa, Jacqueline Lullis, Mary Anne Farrell-Tzanetos, Frank Persico, Louis Gerbino, Joan Olcott, Barbara Wineberger, Connie Rigert, Steve Peterson, Frank Peterson, Diane Peterson, Catherine Troiano, Luida Samson, Matthew Locascio, John Giusto, Omar Stuart, Robert Glaser, Lucille Sanelli, Michael Ferro, Robert Flaherty, Stanley Urbanowski, Angelina Diramacco, Joseph Giammarino, Maryann Farrell, Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Edward Muldowney, Alberto Sanelli, Stephen M. Murphy, Clemente Oropallo, Kevin Talbot, Maria Nunziato, Lisa Hulsen, Joseph E. Torres, Paretk Gisell Torres, Sydney Ann Torres, Julio C. Rivera, William Haile, Patrick Mendola, Keith Thomas, Jean Fortunato, Gayle Ryan, Jen Scicutella, Anthony Ferrero, Luke Vaughn, Joyce Ratushny, Barbara Dunne, John Townsend, Ann Fisher, Myra Bianco, Hazel Mills, Kristen Mills, Caroline Palma, Diane Canavan

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Sgt. Joseph Evola, Karley Hawkins, Gabriella Hawkins, Ryan Ferrara, Sean O'Farrell von Fenton Lt. Patrick H. LaMonica, Lt. Jonathan W. LaMonica 1st Lt. Charles Gulotta 1st Lt. Matthew Gulotta James Powers Cordel Breitenstein 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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"We Help People"

As we embark on the Christmas Season, please remember those who are less fortunate. Many people are facing difficulties because of the pandemic that they never had to face before. As Pope Francis has stated: " Prayer to God and solidarity with the poor are inseparable. In order to perform an act of worship acceptable to the Lord, we have to recognize that each person, even the poorest and most contemptable, is made in the image of God. . . Time devoted to prayer can never be an alibi for neglecting our neighbor in need. In fact the very opposite is true: the Lord's blessing descends upon us and prayer attains its goal when accompanied by service to the poor."

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

Rosary Altar Society First Saturday Devotions

Please join us every first Saturday of every month for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8:00am followed by the 8:30am Mass and recitation of the rosary. Our Lady requested at the Fatima apparitions her desire for this devotion for the conversion of all souls and world peace. The world is in great need of prayers at this time. The next First Saturday of the Month is December 5, 2020. Please consider joining the Rosary Altar Society. Call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078. The meeting scheduled for Mon., Dec. 7th has been cancelled due to increase in COVID cases.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Maintaining social distancing practices we gather weekly to recite the Novena near the statue of Mary. Make this powerful 20 minute prayer an essential and routine part of your spiritual life. Let our Blessed Lady intercede for <u>your</u> needs to her son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Flame of Love Devotion

Will gather in the Church, by Our Blessed Mother's Shrine, every **Friday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** starting on November 20th. Our Mother is begging for our help! Won't you say yes? Any questions call Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.

Love of Christ Prayer Group Advent Sale

Weekend of November 28 and 29

To start off the Holy Advent Season we will be selling Advent wreaths, candles, calendars, assorted Christmas items and Polish Wafers after all Masses this weekend. We thank you and many blessings to you and your family.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday, December 12th 5pm Mass

Due to COVID restrictions there will be no refreshments this year.

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NOVEMBER 29, 2020

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As we enter the final months of 2020, it is important to take a look back and see how the Catholic Ministries Appeal was present in our Church and community. In June and September, the DRVC celebrated the ordinations of 2 men to the priesthood and 9 men to the Permanent Diaconate. Throughout the lockdown, our youth and young adult ministries were virtually and spiritually connected thanks to the efforts of our DRVC ministries. Catholic Charities along with local parish outreach offices provided care and resources to individuals in need.







It is thanks to people like YOU who make the sacrifice to give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal so that the Good News of Christ can be spread across Long Island. If you have not made a gift yet for this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal, it is not too late! Every gift makes a difference because every gift is restricted to the ministries the Appeal serves. On behalf of everyone who is touched by your gift, thank you so much.

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MEMORIALS – November 29 to December 5

BREAD AND WINE - In loving memory of Mary Sullivan.

ALTAR CANDLES - Available

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE - In memory of Maryann Jacob.

CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE - In loving remembrance of **Stephen Joseph Neveroski**.

ALTAR FLOWERS - Available

FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE - 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

NOVEMBER 22, 2020Regular Collection\$12,791.20Online Giving\$ 1,130.70St. Vincent de Paul\$ 1,096.00CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$126,300 \$106,103.00 Pledged 84% 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!

Jesus reminds us to be vigilant in our faith, always seeking to do good and repent when we fall.

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.