

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF
**Ss. CYRIL &
METHODIUS**

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

Feast of Saints Cyril and Methodius

February 14, 2021



Dear parishioners,

February 14, 2021
is the Feast Day of our
patron saints, **Saint Cyril**
and Saint Methodius. To

commemorate this, in all
of the Masses this
weekend, we will be
saying special prayers in

their honor and incensing the icon by the main
entrance of the Church. As they showed their
love for God's Word and His people by
translating the Bible and making liturgical texts
accessible to the Slavs, may we also become
bearers of the Word to those who may not
have access to it and find ways "to bring the
universal love preached by Christ" to
everyone.

Ash Wednesday (February 17, 2021)

Because of the instruction from the

Vatican and due to the current state of the
pandemic, this year the Diocese of Rockville
Centre will administer ashes to the faithful by
sprinkling the blessed ashes on the top of the
head of the recipient.

In the Diocese of Rockville Centre this
year, it is **not permitted** to impose ashes on
the forehead of a member of the faithful with
the thumb of the hand, even if that hand is
gloved. Hands and gloves would be considered
"contaminated" after each imposition of ashes if
physical contact were made. Please follow the
schedule of services as indicated below.

The Rite of Election: (February 21, 2021)

Next week, at the 9:30 Mass, we will have
the Rite of Election. This is the conclusion of the
Period of the Catechumenate in the **RCIA** (Rite of

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Readings this Sunday

1st Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 The Law
regarding leprosy is given to Moses and
Aaron.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1 Paul
urges the Corinthians to imitate him as he
imitates Christ.

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:40-45 Jesus cures a
person with leprosy, who reports his cure to
everyone.

Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

MASSSES: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

SERVICES: 4:00 pm (Family), 5:30 pm (last service).

NOTE: No evening Mass

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am: Family Mass - LIVESTREAM,
11:00 am, 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) 667-6237

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 the priest or deacon you wish to officiate at your wedding.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Holy Communion will be ministered by appointment to those confined to home. Contact the Parish Center to schedule a visit by a Eucharistic Minister.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Each 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. 165

Rev. Patrick Grace, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 166

Rev. Francis D. Sang, *In Residence*, Ext. 170 (Retired)

Deacon John F. Fitzpatrick, Ext. 124

Deacon James A. Murano, Ext. 127

Deacon William Sperl, Ext. 112

Ms. Amora Laucella, *Religious Education*, Ext. 145

Ms. Georgette Fromigia, *Social Ministry*, Ext. 105

Mr. Timothy Leitch, *Youth Ministry*, Ext. 154

Deacon Philip A. Mills, Jr. *Business Manager*, Ext. 110

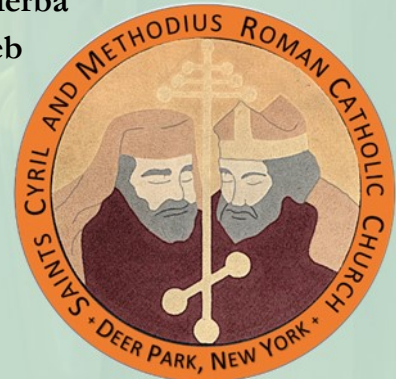
Deacon James A. Murano, *Liturgical Music* Ext. 127

Sister Susan Snyder, CSJ, *School Principal*, Ext. 133

PARISH TRUSTESS

Mary Malerba

John Grieb



Mrs. Jane Carleo Ext. 111, *Bookkeeper*

Mrs. Joan Ann Loring, Ext. 122

Parish Secretary / Bulletin Editor

Mrs. Marianne Saffran, Ext. 115

Baptism & Wedding Coordinator



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	February 15
	Presidents Day
8:30 AM:	For Our Parishioners Only one Mass at 8:30am
Tuesday	February 16
7:00 AM:	Timothy David Lage
8:30 AM:	For Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions
12:15 PM:	Debbie Cotugno
Wednesday	February 17
	Ash Wednesday
	Masses at 7:00am, 8:30am and 12:15pm
	Prayer Services at 4:00pm and 5:30pm
Thursday	February 18
7:00 AM:	For Laura Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	Anthony Palmieri
12:15 PM:	Felice Perdichizzi
Friday	February 19
7:00 AM:	For Russell Salerno's intentions
8:30 AM:	Joseph Sanfilippo
12:15 PM:	For Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions
Saturday	February 20
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	Giovanna Artese
Sunday	February 21
8:00 AM	Gina Giuliano
9:30 AM	For Our Parishioners
11:00 AM	Joan Keyes, Ernesto Ramos, Joseph Wulfken, for Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions
12:30 AM	Anthony D'Amico
6:00 PM	Joyce Chadwick

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday,	February 20
5:00 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
Sunday,	February 21
8:00 AM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
9:30 AM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
11:00 AM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
12:30 PM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
6:00 PM:	Fr. Gius Garcia

REST IN PEACE

Maria Nunziato, Joseph Aliberti, Armano Rio, Eleanor Furino, Daniel Calvagna, Freddrick A. Johnson, Joan McCarthy

PRAY FOR THE SICK

T. J. Hicks, Christian Daniel, Owen Chapman, 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, 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, Stanley Urbanowski Angelina Diramacco, Joseph Giammarino, Maryann Farrell, Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Edward Muldowney, Alberto Sanelli, Stephen M. Murphy, Clemente Oropallo, Kevin Talbot, 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, Myra Bianco, Hazel Mills, Kristen Mills, Caroline Palma, Diane Canavan, Phyllis Catapano, Michael Naglieri, Christopher Scheuer, Geralyn, Joseph, Nicole and Meala Vizzari, Glenn Tarquinio, Lisa Hulsen, Eleanor Collazo, Jean Simeone, Providence Hulsen, Antoinette Fisher, Patricia LaMotte, Tony Bufalino, Jackie Becker

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

FROM THE PASTOR

...from cover page

Christian Initiation of Adults) . This year, for the Parish of Saints Cyril and Methodius, we have two Catechumens, **Jason Denes** and **Jason Yu**, whose names will be recorded in the Book of the Elect. This is a very significant step in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is usually celebrated on the first Sunday of Lent at the local diocesan cathedral, led by the local bishop. This year, because of pandemic restrictions, the diocese has delegated the pastor or his representative to celebrate this Rite in our own home parish. The two Catechumens and their Godparents and Sponsors gather together on this day and joins the parish congregation. The Church formally ratifies the Catechumens' readiness for the

Sacraments of Initiation. In turn the Catechumens – from now on known as the Elect – publicly acknowledge their desire to receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

The Hallow App

Please follow the dedicated section for the **Hallow app on page 6**, where you will find step by step assistance to download the free app and use its upgraded features until Easter. In the next issues, It will also feature personal testimonies from our parishioners and practical tips and suggestions on how they are integrating its use in their daily routine. +++

MEMORIALS — February 14 to February 20

BREAD AND WINE - Available

ALTAR CANDLES - Available

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE - Available

CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE - Available

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

FEBRUARY 7, 2021

Regular Collection \$10,101.50

Online Giving \$ 2,378.18

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$124,100

\$151.25 Pledged

0.12% of Parish Goal

Thank you, and God Bless you, for your faithful weekly Stewardship of our Parish and for your support of the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

Jesus healed the leper in today's Gospel. Whatever trouble you are facing today (be it mind, body or spirit), turn to Him in prayer and ask Him to heal you.

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.

Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

Weekly Greeting from Ms. Laucella

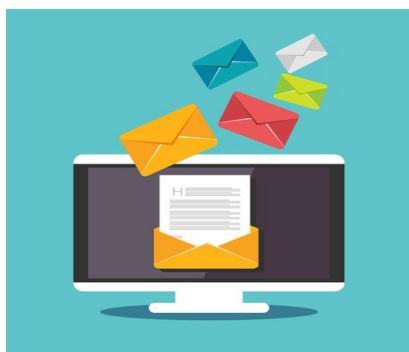
We have had so much happening in Family Faith Formation these last few weeks! February started with our monthly Family Workshops during the first week, our Level 2 First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Meeting during our second week, and then once we get back from February Winter Break, we go right into our Level 7 and 8 Confirmation meeting during our fourth week; February will have flown by! All of this is taking place while still planning for, teaching, filming, and posting lessons and assignments for ten separate Levels every single week. I am so excited to be able to formally share with all of our families what will be taking place with all of our Sacraments, and to share with all of you how well everything has been going! I am once again humbly asking for your prayers during this time, as we are now officially in Sacrament Season.

L.I. Catholic Youth Live!

This past Monday, I was graciously invited by Nolan Reynolds, our Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry, to be the featured guest on Long Island Catholic Youth Live. Thank you to everyone who tuned in for the segment, and who so kindly expressed how much they enjoyed me speaking on one of my most favorite things to talk about; *"Love for the Saints"*! To anyone who missed the episode and would like to watch, the segment is available on the Diocesan Youth Ministry Facebook Page and YouTube Channel, listed for you below!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DRVCYouthMinistry/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jRRDsunThGM>



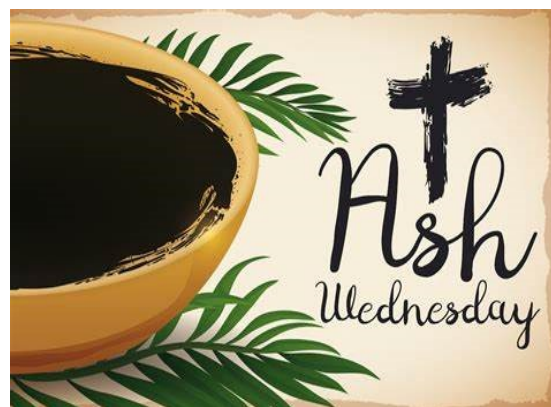
February Check-In and Reminders

This week is February Winter Break, and our Office is **CLOSED**. During this week, there will be no new lessons and assignments posted. Instead of assigning anything new, I am giving all students, parents and families a final reminder that **this week of February Break is everyone's final opportunity to complete any assignments that might be missing, lessons that still need to be finished**, and to make sure that everyone is where they need to be. The last day to turn in any missing assignments to get credit for your Formation Level for the year is this **Sunday, February 21st**.

Ash Wednesday Family Service

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, which marks the start of the Season of Lent! I am excited to share that we will be having an Ash Wednesday Service in the Church at **4:00pm** to be geared toward our families!

We hope that all of our families will join us for our Family Ash Wednesday Service, but if you cannot make it at 4:00pm, you are more than welcome to join us for one of our Masses at 7:00am, 8:30am or 12:15pm, or our other service at 5:30pm.



Administration

Ms. Laucella

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Office Information

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Step 1: It's simple as 1,2,3. Use the QR code on the left or click on the link provided at the parish website (www.sscmdp.org) and select "Activate Your Free Hallow Plus Account".

A Catholic Prayer and Meditation App

We at Hallow are proud to support the St. John XXIII community in developing a personal relationship with God through audio-guided contemplative prayer. Get started today. No credit card required.

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Sign Up

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[Sign Up](#)

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Step 3: Enter Info and "Sign Up"

Step 4: Click "Continue"

The annual, monthly, and family subscription options are not relevant during the signup process as the parish has made Hallow Plus available for free through the start of Easter

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Catholic Prayer & Meditation App

Step 5: Click "Unlock Now".

No payment info is needed to complete Hallow Plus account creation. Parishioners will have full access to the app through the start of Easter with no credit card required.

Payment Info

No payment needed at this time. Click the button below to unlock access to Hallow.

[Unlock Now](#)

Step 6: "Click Here to Download"

If you're on a desktop computer, you'll need to download the Hallow app from the app store to start praying.



Congrats!

Your account has been created. Download Hallow and click "Already have an account?" to get started!

[Click Here To Download](#)

If you're on your computer, just open the App Store on your phone and type in Hallow

[Go To Portal](#)

Step 7: Start praying!

Once the app is downloaded, select "Already have an account?" on the log in screen and use the same email and password that you just registered online. We're so grateful to pray with you this Lent! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Hallow team at info@hallow.app

Join Bible Study Class this Lent for:

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion (Ascension Press DVD series by Edward Sri)

No Greater Love is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling catholic author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love as you draw closer to Jesus than you ever have before.

What was Jesus going through at each moment? How did the Old Testament foretell of Christ's death? Why did Christ die for us? What did it accomplish? What was the meaning behind of the tearing of the temple veil, the crowning with thorns, and other events during Christ's Passion? What do the cryptic last words of Jesus mean?

Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. beginning February 25th for 5 weeks in the basement of the school.

To register, please call Mary at 631-291-7020

BLOOD DRIVE K of C #4428 Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday, February 17, 2021 from 2pm to 8pm at 759 Long Island Ave., Deer Park

Each Donor will receive a T-Shirt To sign up please call Doreen at 516-478-5031 or

email her at dfiscina@nybc.org Please remember to eat, drink and

bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo

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

In the Gospel today Jesus, moved with pity, touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering. As we enter into the season of Lent, a season of renewal, let us renew our devotion to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering. By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, the hungry and the suffering.

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.

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 March 6, 2021. Please consider joining the Rosary Altar Society. Call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078. Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will be no meetings until after Easter.

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 your 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.** Our Mother is begging for our help! Won't you say yes? Any questions call Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Join the Rosary Altar Society 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: 83976675052 and Password: 0S6Qt1



SS CYRIL & METHODIUS

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- Chorus
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**Why am I here?
What is the life I was
made for?**

**Is there a God?
Does He even care
about me?**

These are questions we all ask ourselves. Are there answers? Can true peace be found? *The Search unapologetically reveals that you were made for God, that your home is found beyond yourself, and that Jesus is the way.*

This Lent, we are inviting YOU to journey through *The Search* with your own small group (and if you

don't have a small group yet...we encourage you to start one! It's easy, and The Search is a great resource to start with). In fact, each week Chris Stefanick from Real Life Catholic will be guiding us throughout Lent on how to use The Search in your own small group during his weekly show The Life You Were Made For.

Visit: reallifecatholic.com

Join us each week for the live show on RealLifeCatholic.com/live, beginning on Thursday, February 18. Click the link below to get notified each week when the show is live and join us for what could be your most meaningful Lent ever!