

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 28, 2022

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

The book of Sirach was written in the second century B.C. by a wise sage in Jerusalem named Ben Sira (meaning son of Sirach). Sirach falls in the category of wisdom literature in the Old Testament and contains the teachings of Ben Sira to one of his students, referred to here as "my child." Today's passage focuses on humility, as will today's gospel. We are challenged to heed the wise instruction to "conduct your affairs with humility." But what does it look like to be humble? As C.S. Lewis put it, "True humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less." In other words, to be humble does not mean we need to be down on ourselves. Humility is about putting others before ourselves. In order to be humble, we need to have a correct view of who we are and our right place in relation to God and all of crea-

tion. Humility also involves understanding our own limitations so that we do not strive after "what is too sublime" or "things beyond [our] strength." Humility also requires us to have "an attentive ear." Docility (which means to be teachable) and humility go hand in hand. The humble person is "quick to listen and slow to speak" (James 1:19). Humility also involves giving freely of oneself to help those in need. We'll see in today's gospel how Jesus connects the dots between humility and caring for the poor. Today's first reading ends by bringing up that point in saying, "alms atone for sins." By helping those in need (i.e. giving alms) we follow the words of St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians: "Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but [also] everyone for those of others" (2:3b-4). Let us strive for that radical humility that is expressed through love.

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Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1157 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29**

2nd Reading: **Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 14:1,7-14**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Lord of All Hopefulness **#663**

God Has Chosen Me **#761**

Lord, When You Came **#781**

Sing of the Lord's Goodness **#610**

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

Important Announcements

- ♦ See Page 18 for Useful Social Services phone numbers
- ♦ See Page 6 for Faith Formation Enrollment Procedures
- ♦ See page 7 for important announcement on the suspension of Livestream Services of the 9:30 am Sunday Family Mass during the summer months.
- ♦ See page 18 for Service Opportunities

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: (Confessionals)

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

Parish Social Ministry Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Other hours by appointment only.

Email: socialministry@sscmdp.org

BAPTISM: Saturday at 12:30 pm and Sunday at 2:00 pm. Contact the Parish Office 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 to make an appointment for the initial intake.

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

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Saturdays after the 8:30 am Mass (inform priest before Mass or request for it after 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. Patrick Grace, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 166

Rev. Christopher Deh, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 165

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

Rev. Gregory Cappuccino, *Occasional Help*, (Retired)

Deacon John F. Fitzpatrick, Ext. 124

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

Deacon William Sperl, Ext. 112

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

Ms. Janet McEnany, *Social Ministry*, Ext. 105

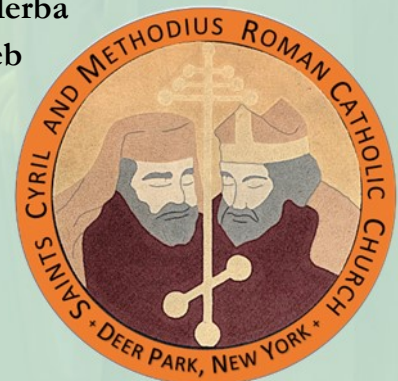
Mr. Timothy Leitch, *Youth Ministry*, Ext. 154

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

PARISH TRUSTEES

Mary Malerba

John Grieb



Mrs. Joan Ann Loring, Ext. 122

Parish Secretary / Bulletin Editor

Mrs. Marianne Saffran, Ext. 115

Baptism & Wedding Coordinator

Ms. Allison Taibi Ext. 111, *Bookkeeper*

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday August 29

7:00 AM: Fr. Charlie Srion
8:30 AM: Raymond Grieb
12:15 PM: Catherine Salegna

Tuesday August 30

7:00 AM: David and Harry Cartwright
8:30 AM: For Father Gius's intentions
12:15 PM: John McMahon

Wednesday August 31

7:00 AM: For Bailey Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM: Ester Ward
12:15 PM: Catherine Salegna

Thursday September 1

7:00 AM: For Robert Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM: Stella Pepe
12:15 PM: Eileen T. Doyle

Friday September 2

7:00 AM: For Father Paul Bersamin's intentions
8:30 AM: Michael Lyons
12:15 PM: Annette Giaccone

Saturday September 3

8:30 AM Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM Richard, Marcellina & Michael Solomita, Carmine and Raffaella Soldano, Marilyn Hildenbrand

Sunday September 4

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
9:30 AM Kenneth LaMotte Sr.
11:00 AM Dorothy Forstell, Catherine R. Salegna, James Kilkullen, Thomas Fitzgerald
12:30 AM Rafale Perez
6:00 PM Damian J. Aiello II

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday, August 27

5:00 PM: Fr. Paul Bersamin

Sunday, August 28

8:00 AM: Fr. Christopher Deh
9:30 AM: Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
11:00 AM: Fr. Patrick Grace
12:30 PM: Fr. Paul Bersamin
6:00 PM: Fr. Patrick Grace

REST IN PEACE

Marie Fasullo, Kevin Cantwell, Doris A. O'Connor

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Second Banns

Carmine Volante -Our Lady of Lourdes, Massapequa Park
Nicole Paparella — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

NEWLY BAPTIZED

We pray for the new members of our family

Leao Ivanovich Campos, Thiago Ivanovich Campos,
Jonathan James Krill-Zuniga, Anthony Luca Munoz,
Ryder John Tatarian, Wynter Joli Jean-Charles,
Amari Atiba Johnson, Grace Angelina Miranda-
Melara, Eva Sofia Todaro

PRAY FOR THE SICK

T. J. Hicks, Christian Daniel, Bella Barra, Frank Barra, Margaret McCartney, Theresa Schaefer, Leonard Caltabiano, Joseph Massa, Connie Rigert, Stanley Urbanowski Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Clemente Oropallo, Kevin Talbot, Jean Fortunato, Joyce Ratushny, Barbara Dunne, Louis Xavier Maldonado, Kristen Mills, Tony Bufalino, Jackie Becker, Susan Marsillo, Carmelo Mal Controne, Joseph Battista, Brianna Barra, Ezra Folcik, Omar Stuart, Carmine Soldano, Diane Ryan, Brendan Gould, John Viviani, Petey Muller, Mark Dixon, Troy Liddell, Rosemarie Maloney, Peter Franzese, Susan and Paul Mattei, Salvatore Piazzolla, Mark Glatzer, Rosemarie Dorsty, Annmarie Costiglio, MP, Mellie, Eileen Conlin, Marie Cipriano Merrifield, 50 Joey, Theresa Scheuer Smith, Sylvia H., Ronald Beauzais, Angelina Duramacco, William Shirk, Maria Garcia, Robert Glaser, Keith Thomas, Lydia Reveron, Jackie DeCerbo, Christopher M. Wall, Bob Walsh, Diana Walsh, Rose Guisti, Madelyn Simonetti, Angela Mento, Susan Semetsis, Anne Sheppard, Kathleen Jacobi, Louis D'Agostino, Ding Caliendo, Julio Cesar Rivera, Joseph E. Torres, Parette Gisele Torres, Sydney Ann Torres, Lucy Piazzola, Renee Hovanec, Eric, Joseph Pepe, Padraic Beach, Mary McMahon, Alex, Emma Villarola, Paulette Giusto, Kristin Piazzola, Ralph Savastano, Rocco Oliveri, Richard DiMaggio, Arlene McMahon

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Sgt. Joseph Evola, Karley Hawkins, Sean O'Farrell von Fenton, Lt. Patrick H. LaMonica, Lt. Jonathan W. LaMonica, 1st Lt. Charles Gulotta, Captain Matthew Gulotta, James Powers, Cordel Breitenstein, Commander Christopher Grande, Sgt. Vincent Tullo US Army, Thomas Anthony Brick US Marines, Staff Sgt. Jason Miller, Warrant Officer Kelly Johnston, Chief R. Travis Johnston, Petty Officer 2nd Class Kaitlyn Parisi, Petty Officer 2nd Class Kacey Medrano, Petty Officer 1st Class Hugo Medrano, Petty Officer 2nd Class Vincent Parisi III, Major Salvatore W. Garcia, Staff Sgt. Justin Gallo, Sgt. 1st Class William J. Braun. 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

On this Sunday's Reading

...from cover page

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Like in the first reading, the focus in today's gospel is on humility. To be humble, according to Jesus, is to not exalt oneself, thinking of oneself more highly than one ought. Rather, the humble person chooses the lowest place at the table. That person chooses not to pursue status but to let other people be considered greater than they are. Still, God will reward the humble person in the end: "For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted ... [and] will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." This does not mean our motivation for being humble should be the reward that we will receive. That is false humility. True humility, as Jesus teaches, does not seek repayment. We are to serve others, not expecting to be

served in return. We should love others, whether or not they love us back. And one of the best ways to live out humility, according to Jesus, is to care for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind." It takes true humility to associate oneself with the downtrodden and outcasts of society, just as Jesus himself did. And to care for the needy (i.e. to give alms, as the first reading talked about) is not just about writing a check to a charity. Jesus' parable indicates that we need to encounter the poor. By inviting them to the banquet, it left no room for the poor to be out of sight and out of mind. True humility involves going out of our way and out of our comfort zone to interact with those most in need. It involves not just giving money, but giving ourselves.

We remember how you loved us...

AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 3

BREAD AND WINE

- In loving memory of Esther Simon Malunowicz on her 100th Birthday in Heaven. From her loving family.

ALTAR CANDLES - Happy Heavenly 92nd Birthday Primo Fiore. From the Russell Family.

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Available

CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Happy 100th Birthday Mom. Love, Dotty and Bob.

FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

ALTAR FLOWERS

- Available

Altar Candles, Candles at Our Lady's Shrine & St. Joseph's Shrine - Offering - \$25
Bread & Wine - \$50

Stewardship

AUGUST 21, 2022

Regular Collection \$14,073.50

Online Giving \$ 911.67

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$84,289.00 Pledged

67.32% of Parish Goal

Thank you, and God Bless you, for your faithful weekly Stewardship of our Parish and for your support of the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

"For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

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.

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Family Faith Formation and Religious Education



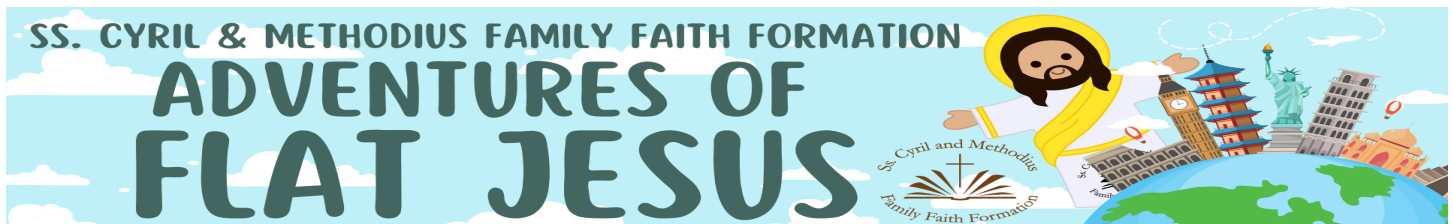
LAST WEEK TO REGISTER FOR 2022-2023

This week is our **LAST WEEK that Registration for the 2022-2023 year will be open**, after being open for Registration all summer long. **All QR codes to forms for all current, new, and transfer families are available for you, along with instructions on how to register**, in our Parish Bulletin, available both in print, and online on our Parish website. The last day to register is this **Thursday, September 1st**; Be sure to register your family if you have not already!

Becoming a Catechist

As we prepare for the upcoming year, one of the most important things that we prepare for is the formation of our Catechetical Team! I have such a great love for our team of Catechists, and am so incredibly proud of all of the work that we all do together in the Love of Jesus. With every year that passes, we grow with more and more members of our Parish Family who decide to be part of all that we do in the world of Family Faith Formation. I am constantly inspired by our Catechetical volunteers, all of who continue to bring their love, their time, and their care to all of our boys and girls, and their strong and firm support of this Program.

Being a Catechist is a once a week commitment for the Academic Year, and we are always looking for more members to add to our Catechist Family! Even if you have never thought about ministry in the form of education before, I encourage you to think about and pray about if this is a ministry that you could see yourself serving in. If you would like to be a Catechist for the first time this year with us, please fill out our **New Catechist Survey** via the QR Code to the right. You can also call me with any questions that you may have about joining our family; I would love to talk to you!



Flat Jesus is still soaking up the summer sun! These last few weeks, Flat Jesus has been enjoying His time outside with the Hauser Family boogie boarding at Overlook Beach, which is also where the Woolley Family was enjoying the sunshine! Flat Jesus also joined the Muller Family for a swim in the pool to enjoy the comforts of the backyard! Have you done something fun with Flat Jesus this summer? Make sure to tell us using the QR code below so that we can share His summer adventures with everyone!



Administration

Ms. Laucella
Director of Family Faith Formation,
Programming, & Religious Education
(631) 667-4044 ext. 145
amlaucella@sscmdp.org

Office Information

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-2:30pm
(631) 667-4044 exts. 146 & 147
faithformation@sscmdp.org
Instagram: SSCMFamilyFaithFormation
Facebook: SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC

Family Faith Formation & Religious Education Registration

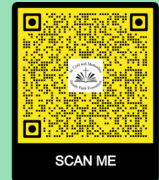
Registration for the 2022-2023 Academic Year is officially **OPEN** as of **Thursday, June 30th!**

How to Access Registration Forms & Program Information:

- Find which category your family falls into by reading each description below
- Follow the set of directions that applies for your family to access the corresponding Registration Forms via the below QR codes

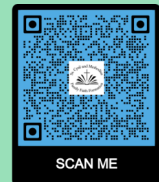
Current, Active Families:

These families had their students enrolled with us in Family Faith Formation for the 2021-2022 Academic Year. For these families, please remember that **Registration will only be processed if all 10 Mass Reports from the 2021-2022 Year have been handed in and completed.** These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.



New, First-Time Students and/or Families:

New families are families with students who have never been enrolled in any Faith Formation Program before. These new families require a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate and other Sacrament Information in order for our Office to process Registration for their child. If you are one of these families and would like to be put on our potential incoming students email chain, please email us. These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.

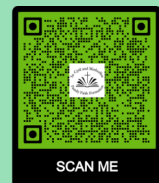


Transfer Students and/or Families:

Transfer families are families that were not enrolled in our 2021-2022 Program, but have been enrolled in another Parish's Faith Formation Program before. These families can be:

- Families transferring from a Parish they received Faith Formation during 2021-2022
- Families who have been enrolled with us in the past, but were not enrolled with us for the 2021-2022 Year

To be placed in the appropriate, corresponding program, these families require a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, and a transfer letter from your previous Faith Formation Program with what Levels the child completed, and the Sacraments that they received. If you are one of these families and would like to be put on our potential incoming students email chain, please email us. These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.



Registration Disclaimer:

We are very fortunate to have a thriving Family Faith Formation Program. The Catholic School and our Program have to work around each other's schedules to share the building and its classrooms. Certain Levels or days may fill up quicker, depending on the space available to us. For this reason, **those who mail back their Registration Forms to us sooner will be given first priority for the availability of having an in-person session.** Please know that we will do our best to work with everyone as best as we can, based on what we have available.



Our Family Faith Formation Program is one of the largest in our Diocese, and we are happy to serve all of our hundreds of families. We all have to work together to ensure that our Office can have all materials prepared for our families in time for the start of our year. For this reason, **Registration Form links will time out on Thursday, September 1st.** Be sure to mail in your Registration Forms before this date if you would like to enroll with us for this 2022-2023 Academic Year.

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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has three basic goals: 1) to increase the personal holiness of its members through works of charity; 2) to bring the love of God to persons in our community in need of assistance by performing practical works of charity; and 3) to foster fellowship among like minded Vincentians seeking to increase their personal holiness and serve their community. The Society differs from other charitable associations or agencies whose principal objective is not the spiritual advancement of their members, but the doing of good for someone else. Vincentians come together from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds, age groups and economic levels, and we welcome all who sincerely seek to better themselves and their community.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance in addressing rent, utilities or other crucial bill arrears, or needs assistance with furniture, clothing or dental needs, please email us at sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com or call us at (631) 667-4044 ext .175.

Those interested in donating furniture should call (631) 858-0380. Bins for clothing donations are available in the parking lot on the north side of the Church.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

There are no meetings in July, August or September. We will resume **October 3rd at 7:30 p.m.** in the Fr. Behan Hall. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

Our **Communion Mass and Luncheon** is **Sunday, October 2, 2022**, 11am Mass at Ss. Cyril and Methodius 1:00pm Lunch at Goccia D'oro Il Italian Restaurant in Lindenhurst. **Cost \$40 due by September 24th.** Make checks payable to the Rosary Altar Society and drop off in the Rectory.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting is **Sept. 12th at 7:30 p.m.** Questions call Inez Schillinger at 631-586-2176.

Victorian Tea Sold Out

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

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. **The next First Saturday of the month is September 3, 2022.** Any questions call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078.

Our **LIVESTREAM MINISTRY** would like to thank all who support and appreciate the services offered to the people of our parish and beyond. The ministry will take a two month break (July and August) during which time the live online broadcast of the 9:30 am Sunday Mass will be suspended. While members of the ministry fix their summer schedules, we will work on recording (but not livestream) any one of the Sunday Masses so that people who are restricted and homebound may still have access to the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration of our parish. We will resume livestreaming the 9:30 am Mass in September.

We wish to encourage anyone who is interested in learning and volunteering his/her time for this wonderful ministry, please email Russel at rssalerno@gmail.com for your contact info.



ALTAR SERVERS

We are looking for boys and girls in 4th grade or above to become part of our Altar Server Ministry. For more information call Father Christopher Deh at 631-667-4044 ext. 165.

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 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

We will be taking a break for July and August. **We will resume Wednesday, September 14th.** 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: 82505467253** and **Password: TV369x** Any questions call Leslie Barra at 631-586-1663.

THE LOVE OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Meets every **Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Senior Room.** There will be no meetings in July or August. **We will resume September 13th.** Have a safe and blessed summer. Any questions call Lucille at 631-586-2438.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every **Friday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in the Chapel.** The first hour we pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy. The last two hours we spend in silent prayer.

BLACK CATHOLICS MINISTRY

If anyone is interested please contact Donna Dixon at 631-664-5692.

SENIOR CLUB

There is no meeting in August. Our next meeting will be on **September 6, 2022 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call John Kelly at 631-586-0827.

USHERS

Ushers are needed at all Masses. If you would like to help out at the Mass you attend then please call Paul Coppola at 631-587-9649 for more information.

SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

6 HOUR DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE - Our next **Defensive Driving Course** is **September 10th**, in the Father Behan Hall. Space is limited. If you would like to sign up for the Defensive Driving Course, please contact Phil Hogan at 631-667-9148.



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process begins this Fall!

What is the RCIA?

The RCIA is a process by which non-Catholic adults, or Catholic adults who did not receive all the Sacraments of Initiation, learn about the Catholic faith and gradually become full members. Every year adults are welcomed into the Catholic Community through the RCIA.

Do you know someone who has not been baptized and is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church?

Any adult who has not been baptized and would like to begin the journey in preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist), should call Deacon James at the Parish Center: **631-667-4044 x100**.

This process is also for adults of other Christian faiths who have already been baptized.

Adult Catholics who never received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation:

If you are an adult Catholic who was baptized and for some reason never completed your Sacraments of Initiation, you are invited into this process to help make that happen.

More volunteers are needed to be a part of our RCIA Team!

If you would like to help the candidates along their journey of faith during their time in this process, please contact Deacon James.

*****MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS*****

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Music Ministry is seeking new members!

In a parish this large, there have got to be more people who love to sing and play! Why not share your gift of music with the rest of your parish family by joining one of our Music Ministry groups?

Here are some possibilities for you to consider:

If you prefer more contemporary music:

Join the 6:00 PM Youth Mass CONTEMPORARY CHOIR!

Rehearsals: every Thursday evening in the church from 7:30 to 9:00pm, beginning September 8. The CONTEMPORARY CHOIR sings every Sunday evening at the 6:00pm Mass throughout the year. Contact our Youth Minister, Tim Leitch, if interested.

If you prefer more traditional music:

Join our Traditional ADULT CHOIR!

Rehearsals: Most Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the church, beginning September 13 (rehearsals go a bit longer as we approach the Christmas and Easter seasons). The ADULT CHOIR sings at the 11:00am Mass every Sunday from September to June. For more information, contact Deacon James.

If you are proficient at playing an instrument, such as, trumpet, flute or violin:

Join our new Festival Music Ensemble!

We are hoping to find parishioners to help make our major celebrations extra special by featuring more instruments to play along with the organ, piano and guitar. If you are interested, please leave a message with the receptionist at the rectory office.

No matter which group you choose to join, here is what you can expect to find:

Joy in God's service and membership in a community of caring parishioners who just can't wait to have you ministering alongside them!

Questions? Please leave a message for Deacon James with the receptionist at the rectory office: **631-667-4044 x100.**

We would very much like to restart our **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**, however we can only do so if we have enough interested children to begin rehearsing. If your child would like to join, kindly leave a message for Deacon James at the rectory office.



Building a Community of Faith...The Diaconate

“Please let us remember that for the disciples of Jesus, to love is to serve and to serve is to reign. Power lies in service, not in anything else.” Since deacons are the guardians of service in the Church, they are the guardians of true "power" in the Church, so that no one goes beyond the power of service.”

-Pope Francis

As cheerful givers of service, Deacons work quietly behind the scenes, blending into the Christian faithful. You will certainly know them by their corporal works of mercy, ministering to the sick, imprisoned, and aged. Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports vocations to the diaconate in our Diocese. It ensures that those who are looking to serve their parish and diocese have resources and guidance they need to discern their call to service.

“A Deacon is called to serve and evangelize. One of the most important ways I can assist is to set an example to others. If I can show those I encounter that we can live a Catholic life in today’s environment, then we will inspire others to do the same – and in turn they will reach out to others. This is how we achieve dramatic missionary growth.” - Deacon Michael Boldizar, St. Anne, Garden City



Ordained in May of 2019, Deacon Boldizar serves at St. Anne in Garden City where he assists with Mass, communion and reaching out to others to bring awareness of God and the Holy Spirit, especially to those who need it.

To hear Deacon Larry Faulkenberry’s Homily from the Feast Day of St. Lawrence, go to: <https://bit.ly/3pdhz1t> To learn more about the Diaconate program at the Diocese, go to: <https://www.drvc.org/office-of-deacons-2/>

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____

Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA> or call us at **516-678-5800 ext. 296.**



We are presently looking for sponsors and donations of basket raffle items.
Contact Jane McMahon (516) 816 - 1930
Or
Kerry Brennan (631) 586 - 6294

*Masquerade Murder Mystery
Dinner Party*

Join the fun and help solve the mystery during this live interactive performance.

Masquerade attire optional

When: Saturday November 5, 2022

6 – 10 pm

Where: Father Behan Hall

Ticket cost - \$60 per person

Early bird special through
September 30 - \$55 per person

Includes beer, wine, soda, dinner, show and dessert.

No ticket sales at the door.

Space will be limited.

I would like to purchase tickets to the Masquerade Murder Mystery Dinner Party on 11/5/2022

Please find enclosed \$_____ for _____ tickets.

Names: _____

Make checks payable to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Send to: SVdP of SSCM 125 Half Hollow Road, Deer Park, NY 11729
Attention Jane McMahon



Tickets go on sale beginning this weekend June 26-27, 2022.

ANNUAL SSCM PARISH RAFFLE

1. The Family Festival Raffle

offers 3 - **\$5000 Raffles**

in **Blue, Yellow** and **Green**. Tickets are \$50 each.

There are only 200 tickets sold per color.

So your odds of winning are 1 in 200.

2. We also have a **55 INCH SMART TV RAFFLE**. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20



3. Our **FINAL RAFFLE** is for Charbroil BBQ, 2 Gravity Chairs, Outdoor Propane Heater, Fire Pit, and \$100 Visa Gift Card. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

All winners will be picked on Monday, August 29th, 2022.

BINGO

**Please consider becoming a VOLUNTEER
DOOR OPENS 6:00 PM**



CRYING ROOM

Available for use
by families with babies and toddlers.

The Children's Chapel
(located by the Church lobby/narthex)

PARISH RELIGIOUS STORE

SOON TO OPEN

At the Parish Office Reception

CURATED RELIGIOUS ITEMS

Special elegant Rosaries

Bibles

Parish logo Fleece jackets

Candles

Prayer Books

And many more!!!

THIS MY IS CHURCH

I WILL
PICK UP
I WILL
CLEAN UP



REMEMBERING LOVED ONES WHO HAVE PASSED IN CHURCH in WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS

Offering flowers and lighting candles are very unique and special ways we can remember the birthday and death anniversary of departed family members and friends while making our worship space pleasant and inviting. The shrines of St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother and the tabernacle are designated spaces offered for us to do this. Your gift remains in those designated spaces for a whole week. Bread and wine used for the Mass can also be donated. If interested, contact the Front Desk for availability & more information.



GIFT CARDS for sale at the parish office during office hours. The list is what we currently have in stock. If there is something else that you would like, please call 631-667-4044 ext. 110.

As requested, we now have Olympic Diner Gift Cards!



- \$100** - Amazon, Kohl's , Texas Roadhouse - **\$100**
- \$50** - Panera, Stop & Shop, Kohl's., Texas Roadhouse - **\$50**
- \$25** - Apple Bees, Barnes & Noble, Bed Bath & Beyond - **\$25**
- \$25** - CVS, Dick's Sporting Goods - **\$25**
- \$25** - Home Depot, Kohl's, Lowes, Macy's, Michael's, Olympic Diner - **\$25**
- \$25** - Panera, Pet Smart, Red Lobster, Regal Movie, Rite Aid, Shutterfly - **\$25**
- \$25** - Speedway, Staples, Stop & Shop, Tanger Outlets - **\$25**
- \$25** - Target, Texas Roadhouse, Walgreens - **\$25**
- \$10** - Dunkin Donuts, Panera, Regal Movie, Starbucks - **\$10**



An easy way when giving gifts to your family and friends, while SUPPORTING your parish!

PORTAL of SAINTS

ORDER FORM

Date: ____/____/____

Saint: _____

In memory of: _____ (optional)

Requested by: _____

Contact info: _____ (Email)

_____ (Phone number)

\$100 - Payment: (check one) Cash _____ Credit Card _____ Check _____

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS

Reusable Grocery Bags

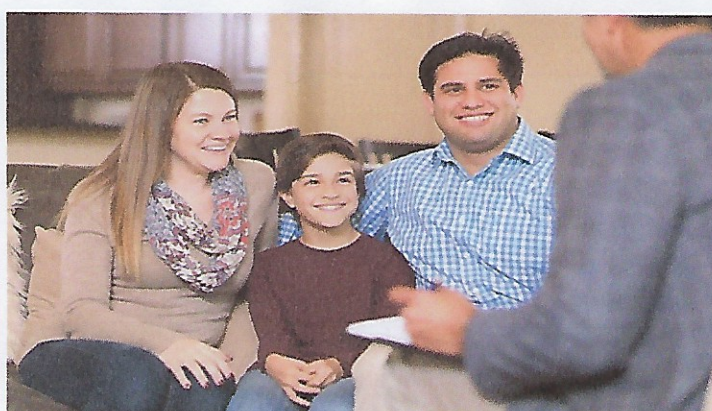
Make Excellent Gifts
Strong and Eco-Friendly

Available for Purchase
at the Rectory.
\$2.00 per Bag



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(631) 667-4044 ext. 175

Email: SSCMSTVINCENTDEPAUL@GMAIL.COM

Are you called to put your faith into action?

There are many ways to help...

Contact us and learn how

you can volunteer your time.

Do you know a neighbor in need?

Services We Provide

- Home Visitation
- Financial Assistance
- Spiritual Support

- Food Assistance (working together with Parish Social Ministry)
- Furniture & Clothing Referrals
- Referrals to Community Agencies

Director of Parish Social Ministry

This week my letter to the parish is short. My heart is heavy this week. On Wednesday August 17th we buried a wonderful woman, volunteer, and friend, Lucille Leipold. I have not been the Director of Parish Social Ministry very long, not quite a year and a half, however, Lucille was one of the first to welcome me and come back to volunteer when I was hired.

She was such a loving, funny, and supportive person. She touched many of the lives of the clients that come through our doors with a smile and a welcome and I am glad we can help you attitude. She was part of the Parish Social Ministry family of volunteers. If you didn't know her or meet her you missed knowing someone so special.

Everyone will miss her greatly, however, no one more than I will.

I wish more of you would come over to Parish Social Ministry so you could see all the good you do as a parish.

So, this letter is in memory of Lucille so loved and so loving. God Bless and welcome Lucille home and keep her family in your loving arms.

God Bless each and every one of you.

Janet

PANTRY NEEDS:

FOOD

1. Tea bags (50 or 100) no specialty tea bags
2. Coffee (1 lb cans)
3. Canned vegetables (except green beans)
4. Tuna fish
5. Beef stew
6. Pasta sauce
7. Progresso soup (the ones you add water to are not nutritious enough to be a meal)
8. Campbells chunky soup
9. Chili with beans
10. Chili without beans
11. Kidney beans
12. Black Beans

NON FOOD ITEMS

1. Toilet Paper
2. Paper Towels
3. Size 5 and 6 diapers

Gift cards are always welcome.

The most beneficial gift cards are from Aldi and Lidl as well as the Dollar Tree and gas cards. It is getting increasingly difficult to keep up with the need. New families are signing up every week. How they manage on the little financial support they have is a mystery to me.

Thank you as always for your generosity in taking care of the poor! May God bless you all abundantly for your love of the poor.

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Alcoholics Anonymous 24-Hour Hotline:

631-669-1124

Al-Anon Suffolk County: 631-669-2827

American Red Cross: LI:516-747-3500

Birthright (Pregnancy Support):

631-821-9727 or 1-800-550-4900

Brighter Tomorrow (Domestic Violence):

631-395-1800

Catholic Charities (Food Stamp Info):631-789-9546

Child Advocacy Center (CAC) (Child Abuse):

631-439-0480

Fidelis Insurance (Family Health Plus):

1-888-343-3547

Gamblers Anonymous Hotline: 1-855-222-5542

Good Shepherd Hospice:631-376-3758

Hope House Ministries:631-473-6030

L.I. Women's Coalition (Domestic Violence):

631-666-8833

Narcotics Anonymous:631-689-6262

National Suicide Prevention Hotline:

1-800-SUICIDE

Response Crisis Center:

631-751-7500 (Suicide Hotline)

The Retreat (Domestic Violence Hotline):

631-329-2200

Conexion Linea de Crisis (Mon-Fri: 5-10 PM)

631-751-7423

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

- In need of **Adult Altar Servers** for the 8:00 am Mass. Leave a message at the front desk for Fr Chris Deh or email him at frchris@sscmdp.org. Some training is involved

- **Cleaning Ministry** - Meets Friday at 1:45 after Confessions. To volunteer, contact jloring@sscmdp.org.

- In need of **Livestream Technician** for the 9:30 am Sunday Family Mass. Training will be offered. A good inclusion to your resume if you are studying communications. College kids welcome.

- **Reach OUT Ministry.** Volunteers are needed as "call center agents" to give about two hours per week to come to the parish office and call the numbers in the Parish Registry (about 6,000 members) over a period of time to check how people are and see how we can serve them better - if they are receiving their envelopes, if they have pressing needs that our Social Ministry can assist with, if they want to receive bulletins in the mail, and inquire about other concerns.

Bible Study Class Continues.... All are welcome!

The Bible Timeline The Story of Salvation with Jeff Cavins



The Bible Timeline® Study Program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows you **how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven through Scripture.** You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Faith.

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, beginning September 14th, 2022 in the Father Behan Hall. For more information and **to register** please call Mary at 631.291.7020

The Flame of Love Prayer Cenacle

Invites You to a Birthday Celebration

For: Our Blessed Mother

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2022

Where: Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church

Time: 1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.

Your Presence Is The Best Present You Can Offer Her.