

## 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 2, 2022

### 2022 RESPECT LIFE REFLECTION

Called to Serve Moms in Need

Our Blessed Mother models a profound witness to love and life in the Gospel account of the Visitation. Luke's Gospel tells us that, when Mary learns that her cousin Elizabeth is pregnant, she travels to the hill country "in haste" (Lk 1:39). Despite being unexpectedly pregnant herself, Mary responds to this news with urgency.

She embarks on a long and perhaps difficult journey to be with her cousin during her time of need, bearing Christ to her as He lay quietly hidden in Mary's womb. And, although Jesus is veiled from view, when Mary first arrives John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb, recognizing the presence of Christ (Lk 1:44). Mary, with Jesus, spends the next three months at Elizabeth's side. The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to be-

come more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges:



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### Readings and Songs this Sunday

#### No. 1172 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4**

2nd Reading: **2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 17:5-10**

#### LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty **#567**

We Walk by Faith **#680**

Bread of Life, Cup of Blessing **#947**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling **#641**

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

### Important Announcements

- ♦ See Page 18 for Useful Social Services phone numbers
- ♦ See page 18 for Service Opportunities
- ♦ See page 9 on a USSCB Initiative!
- ♦ **Please be aware of fraudulent requests for Gift Cards. No Staff member will request via e-mail or text for you to purchase Gift Cards.**

## 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 - 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. Christopher Deh, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 165

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

Rev. Paul Bersamin, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 167

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 October 3

- 7:00 AM: For Bailey Kravitz's intentions  
8:30 AM: For Timothy McEnany's intentions  
12:15 PM: Dr. Kevin Barry and James D. Sullivan III

Tuesday October 4

- 7:00 AM: For Mary Malerba's intentions  
8:30 AM: Renee Cortese  
12:15 PM: Monica Behnke

Wednesday October 5

- 7:00 AM: **(Open: no offered intentions)**  
8:30 AM: Sacred Heart for a favor granted  
12:15 PM: Annette Ricciardi

Thursday October 6

- 7:00 AM: **(Open: no offered intentions)**  
8:30 AM: Maria Albano  
12:15 PM: For Father Sang's intentions

Friday October 7

- 7:00 AM: Lina Morlacci  
8:30 AM: **(Open: no offered intentions)**  
12:15 PM: Dominick Giusto

Saturday October 8

- 8:30 AM Purgatorial Society  
5:00 PM Dr. Joe Matos, Roselie Neill, Theresa Weston, Denis McArdle and for Patricia McArdle's intentions

Sunday October 9

- 8:00 AM Raymond Pomerence  
9:30 AM For Our Parishioners  
11:00 AM Primo Fiore, Roselie Neill, Elfriede Muller  
12:30 AM Salifou Ouedraogo  
6:00 PM Ryan T. Horodnicki

## PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday, October 8

5:00 PM: Fr. Gregory Cappuccino

Sunday, October 9

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

## REST IN PEACE

Sharon Rogus, Mary Ann Del Pezza, Edward P. Walsh

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Charlee Catherine Davis, Gino Michael Lack, Emelia Elle Schnupp

## 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, Diana Walsh, Christopher M. Wall, Bob 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 McMahan, Alex, Emma Villarola, Paulette Giusto, Kristin Piazzola, Ralph Savastano, Rocco Oliveri, Richard DiMaggio, Arlene McMahan, Lisa Hulsen, Providence Hulsen, Thomas Kane, Baby Dominic, Danielle E. Shingler, Bob Lockwood, Heather Dunne

## 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.

## RESPECT LIFE MONTH

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facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child.

Following Mary's example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children. How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God's gift of life?

Throughout the whole of Scripture, Mary's words are few. Yet, in her sacred encounter with Elizabeth, a powerful declaration pours from her lips. Mary proclaims to all generations that the Lord lifts up the lowly, fills the hungry with good things, and remembers his promise of mercy from

age to age (Lk 1:46-56). In both word and deed, Mary speaks a message of hope—not only to Elizabeth, but also to every mother in need and to each of us.

Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone. By doing so, we too can bear Christ within us and help others experience His presence.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother's example and guided by the Holy Spirit, may we offer Christ's presence and love to mothers in their time of need through our faithful service and support.

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### We remember how you loved us... OCTOBER 2 to OCTOBER 8

#### BREAD AND WINE

- Available

#### ALTAR CANDLES - Available

#### CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Available

#### CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

#### FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Available

#### FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

- Forever in our hearts, Salifou Ouedraogo.  
Love, Mommy and Children.

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

## Stewardship

### SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Regular Collection \$15,229.00

Online Giving \$ 1,402.62

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$84,604.00 Pledged

67.58% 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!

"In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about the power of faith.

#### **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.

**VANCO**  
FAITH



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION

### Training Opportunities - Fall 2022

This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This “BASIC” training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the home-bound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training.

**Lector Workshop** is available for both new and experienced lectors.

### Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

**Tuesday, Oct. 25** - St. Elizabeth of Hungary/Melville Msgr. Kane Hall 7pm—10pm  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A and Lectors\*  
\*This is the only Lector Workshop being scheduled at this time.

**Saturday, Oct. 29** - St. Rosalie / Hampton Bays Community Center 9am—noon  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A ONLY

**Saturday, Nov. 5** - St. Paul the Apostle/Brookville Lower Level 9am-noon  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy communion, Part A ONLY

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B** presented in conjunction with Catholic Health

**Saturday, Oct. 29** - St. Rosalie / Hampton Bays Community Center 1:00pm-4:00pm  
**Tuesday, Nov. 15** - St. Elizabeth of Hungary/Melville Msgr. Kane Hall 6:30pm—9:30pm  
**Saturday, Nov. 19** - St. Paul the Apostle/Brookville—Lower Level 9am –noon

Doors will open one half hour prior to start time so that attendees can check-in and pick up materials.

Those 18 years and above, interested in serving the parish as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion should request to be registered for this training. Please call the parish rectory for more information.

# Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

## Starting our Season!

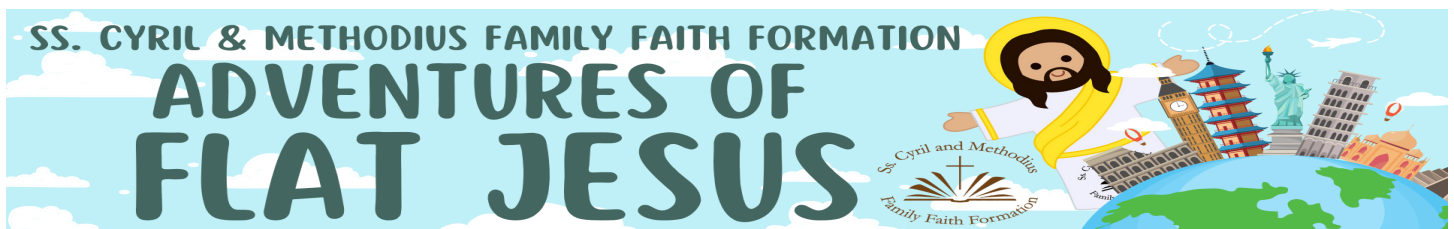
We are so excited for all of the upcoming events that will be starting our 2022-2023 Season! This past week, all of our families who registered with us for this year received our September Newsletter with everything that will be coming up for the start of all things Family Faith Formation. Letters regarding all students' class assignments, parent meetings, and other information will be mailed home shortly. Please keep our Office Staff in your prayers as we prepare all of these logistics for all of our Catechists, students, and their families!



## Blessing of the Animals

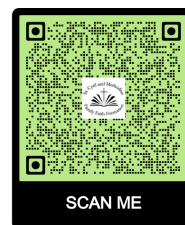


We are very excited to share with all of you our first Family Programming event of our Family Faith Formation Season! This upcoming Tuesday, October 4th, is the Feast Day of Saint Francis, Patron Saint of animals, nature, and ecology. To celebrate, all are invited to bring all of their beloved animal friends to the **gazebo on Tuesday, October 4th at 5:00pm**. Join us in prayer, as we ask God to bless these very special members of our families. We hope to see all of you, and can't wait to meet all of our Parish Pets!



Flat Jesus is still enjoying lots of adventures before we start classes for the year! He is loving sharing in all of the fun that our families are including Him in! Not only did Flat Jesus spend time with our families this summer, but He also spent some of His summer with our clergy!

On this trip, Flat Jesus went with Father Greg to **Frankenmuth, Michigan!** They both went to **Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland**, which is the largest Christmas store in the world! Flat Jesus loved seeing so many things that reminded Him about the celebration of His Birthday!



Have you done something fun with Flat Jesus this summer? We want to know all about it! Make sure to tell us what Flat Jesus has done with your family using the QR code to the right so that we can share all of 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



## WORD ON FIRE PLUS

Please join Father Grace on Tuesday, **October 11th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the Father Behan Hall.

## SEEKING INNER PEACE

Come to Saint Joseph Parish Mission, 39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, October 3rd—6th Morning Mission Mass 8:30am. Evening Mission Hour 6:45pm Come to one session or both “Different Talks”.

### 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

Join the Rosary Altar Society every Tuesday and Thursday 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: 82505467253** and **Password: TV369x** Any questions call Leslie Barra at 631-586-1663.

### THE LOVE OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

“In the same way the tongue is a small member and yet it has great pretensions. Consider how a small fire can set a huge forest ablaze.” James 3:5 Please join us every **Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Senior Room.** 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

Our next meeting will be on **October 4, 2022 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call John Kelly at 631-586-0827. Join us at our Christmas Party at Captain Bills. For more information call Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

### 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.

## **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - “We Help People”**

The New York State Child Care Assistance Program is administered locally through the Suffolk County Department of Social Services and overseen by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. The goal of the Child Care Assistance Program is to help eligible families pay for child care in order to allow parents to work in order to become self-sufficient. Information about the program, to include eligibility criteria, can be found at [ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/ccap](https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/ccap), or by calling the Suffolk County DSS at 631-854-9930. The New York State run website [Mybenefits.ny.gov](https://mybenefits.ny.gov) is a good resource to learn about various programs available to assist persons and families in need.

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](mailto: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**

Our next meeting is **October 3rd at 7:30 p.m.** in the Fr. Behan Hall. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

## **OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES**

Our next meeting is **Oct. 10th at 7:30 p.m.** Questions call Inez Schillinger at 631-586-2176.

## **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 November 5, 2022.** Any questions call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078.

## **SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Our next 6 Hour **Defensive Driving Course** is **October 8th**, in the Father Behan Hall. Coffee and bagel breakfast at 8:30am donated by Mangano Funeral Home. Pizza lunch will be provided. Space is limited. No Walk Ins allowed. If you would like to sign up for the Defensive Driving Course, please contact Phil Hogan at 631-667-9148.

## **Praying the Rosary for America Fatima Rosary Rally**

Please join the Rosary Altar Society

**Saturday, October 15, 2022 at 12 Noon**

Outside by Mary's Grotto

As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems,  
we turn to God through His Holy Mother asking His urgent Help.  
The solution was given by the Blessed Mother at Fatima in 1917  
when She told people to pray the rosary for world peace.







# Tell the Federal Government to Do No Harm to Catholic Health Care Ministries

**ACT NOW! Visit [www.usccb.org/do-no-harm](http://www.usccb.org/do-no-harm) to learn more. ACT NOW!**

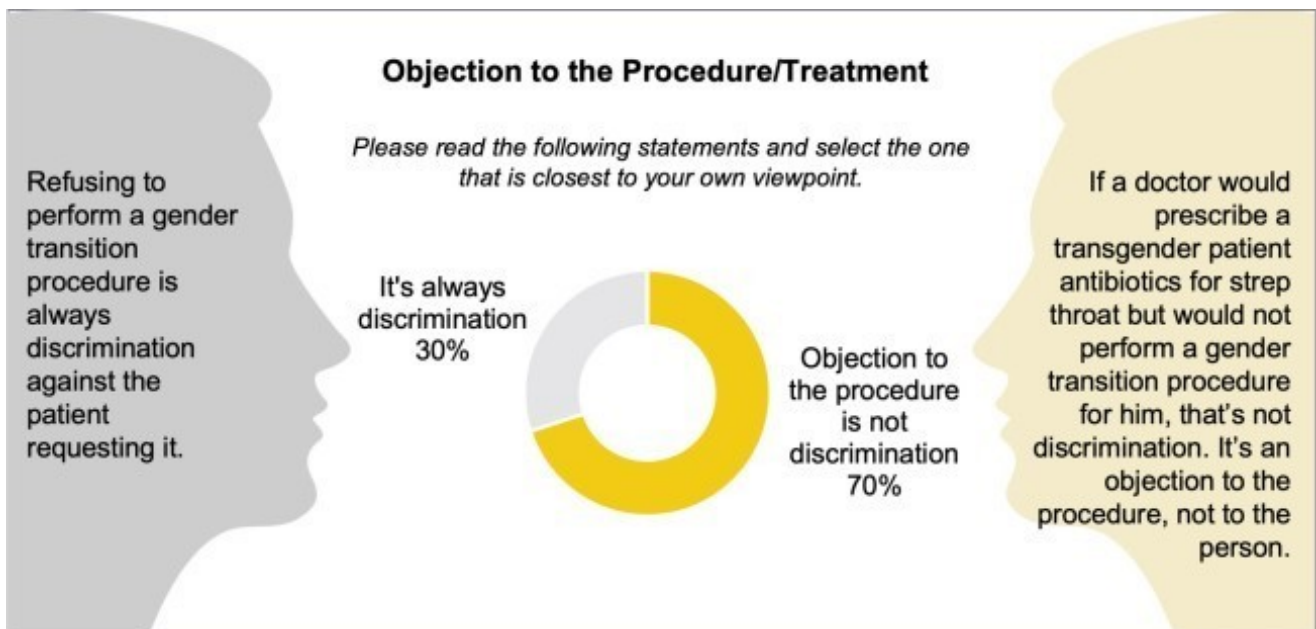
The Church’s ministries of healing, education, and social services bear witness to Jesus Christ and build up the common good. Church institutions are not mere providers of social services. They are expressions of Christian ministry dedicated to human flourishing. We serve all people, without regard to race, sex, religion, or any other status, because God has imbued every person with inherent human dignity. Most Americans understand that mission-driven organizations should be free to operate in accordance with their missions. But a recent rule proposed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) would prevent Catholic hospitals, clinics, assisted living facilities, and health care workers from carrying out their work. [HHS needs to hear your opinion by October 3rd, so take action today!](#)

## New Unjust Mandates from HHS

The HHS rule implements the nondiscrimination provision of the Affordable Care Act, Section 1557. It protects people from discrimination on the basis of their sex in health care. But HHS interprets Section 1557 to impose new mandates about gender identity. According to the new rule, it would be considered discrimination for a health care worker or Catholic hospital to object outright to performing gender transition procedures, regardless of whether that objection is a matter of religious belief or clinical judgment. The proposed rule also suggests that the government may refuse to honor the right of health care workers and providers not to perform or participate in abortions. **The proposed HHS Section 1557 rule could function as both an abortion mandate and a gender transition procedure mandate.**

## Objection to gender transition is not discrimination.

All people should be treated in accordance with their God-given dignity, and no individual should be denied health care because of his or her sex. Most people understand that when medical professionals determine gender transition procedures—such as the administration of puberty blocking drugs or surgery to remove healthy body parts—to be harmful, they are making clinical judgments, not discriminating against persons. A study commissioned by the USCCB found that 70% of registered voters recognized that objection to the procedure is not discrimination.



## No protections for health care workers to oppose abortion and gender transition procedures.

Although the proposed regulations say that HHS will consider whether conscience and religious freedom laws apply, the regulations offer no assurance that HHS will ever agree that anyone has the right to follow their beliefs or convictions. In fact, HHS is currently fighting court rulings that hold that HHS violated religious freedom laws the last time they tried to impose this mandate.

## Health care workers and religious facilities must be free to conscientiously object to these procedures.

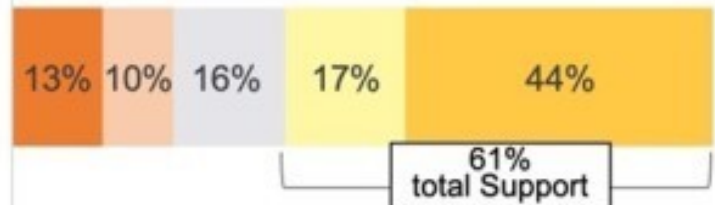
Pope Francis has frequently defended the rights of medical professionals to conscientiously object to harmful procedures. Most people agree with the Church on this issue.

**ACT NOW! Visit [www.usccb.org/do-no-harm](http://www.usccb.org/do-no-harm) to learn more. ACT NOW!**

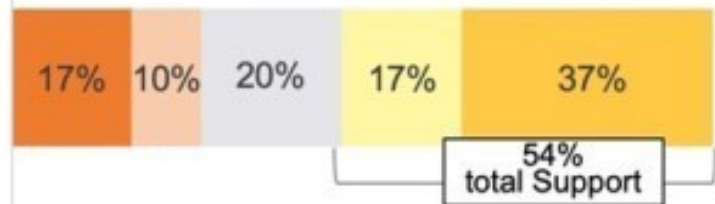
### Strong Support for Doctors' and Religious Hospitals' Religious Rights

■ Strongly Oppose ■ Somewhat Oppose ■ Neither ■ Somewhat Support ■ Strongly Support ■ Total Support

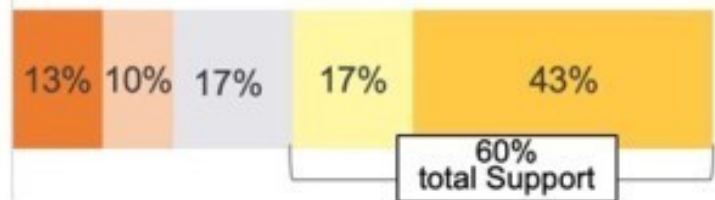
If a DOCTOR has a religious belief that God created human beings male and female, and that we are to accept our bodies as beautiful gifts from God, that DOCTOR should not be pressured or penalized by the government to perform gender transition procedures.



If a RELIGIOUS HOSPITAL believes that God created human beings male and female, and that we are to accept our bodies as beautiful gifts from God, that HOSPITAL should not be pressured or penalized by the government to perform gender transition procedures.



If a doctor has a religious belief that human life begins at conception, that DOCTOR should not be pressured or penalized by the government to perform abortions.



## Take action!

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is vigorously opposing the provisions in the rule that do harm to life and religious liberty. All Catholics and people of good will can help. Visit [www.usccb.org/do-no-harm](http://www.usccb.org/do-no-harm) to learn more about this and other harmful regulations, and find out how you can take action to let the government know you oppose them. Join the USCCB in encouraging the HHS to clarify that “discrimination on the basis of sex” is not an abortion mandate, and that health care workers and medical facilities must be free to conscientiously object to gender transition procedures. **Urge HHS to Do No Harm to Life and Liberty!**

# RCIA

## The 2022 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.

## 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 one who is gracious to the poor lends to the Lord, and the Lord will repay him for his good deed." Proverbs 19:17***

**The Facts about Long Island's Hungry According to Newsday, food-insecure Long Islanders as of June 2022: 250,000 residents, 67,000 of whom are children. Hungry children are put at an academic and social disadvantage.**

**How You Can Help!!!** Your support of the Catholic Ministries is crucial at this time. All donations regardless of size will make a difference in the lives of others and supports programs that provide pastoral care to those in need.

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.**

## **Support Our Baby Bottle Campaign**

Help our Baby Bottle Campaign by donating today! All donations go directly to making a difference in the lives of women and their unborn babies.

**F I L L   A   B O T T L E   -   C H A N G E   A   L I F E !**

The Baby Bottle Campaign is an integral part of the Life Center of Long Island's operation. It provides the necessary funding for the Center's vital Services to the individuals in need of pregnancy support enabling us to celebrate the beauty of the lives that have been touched and saved through the ministry of the Life Center.

# \*\*\*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.

# *Make a Joyful Noise!* FUTURE EVENTS

Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM – **A CEREMONY OF ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS**, featuring the combined choirs, cantors and musicians of our parish and those of several neighboring parishes. This will be the perfect way to properly prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas!

Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM – **LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS**, featuring Taize chants accompanied by piano, flute, violin and guitar in a prayerful atmosphere, uniquely lit by candlelight. This will be a striking meditation on the meaning of the cross of Christ and promises to be an essential Lenten experience.

Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm – **PARISH SPRING CONCERT**, featuring sacred and secular works performed by our own musicians, choirs, cantors and our pastor, priests and deacons! This concert will be a time to celebrate our parish and the gifts our Lord has showered on us all. This year's tentative theme: "**Encounter, Listen and Discern**".

If you would like to help defray the costs of these special events, as well as, regular Music Ministry expenses, please consider becoming a **Liturgical Music Patron**. If you have been blessed and are able to help, please leave a message for Deacon James with the receptionist at the rectory - 631 667 4044 x100.



## *Masquerade Murder Mystery Dinner Party*

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

*Masquerade attire optional*

Saturday, November 5, 2022, 6 – 10 pm

Father Behan Hall

Ticket cost - \$60 per person includes beer, wine, soda, dinner, show and dessert.

No ticket sales at the door.

SPACE WILL BE LIMITED.

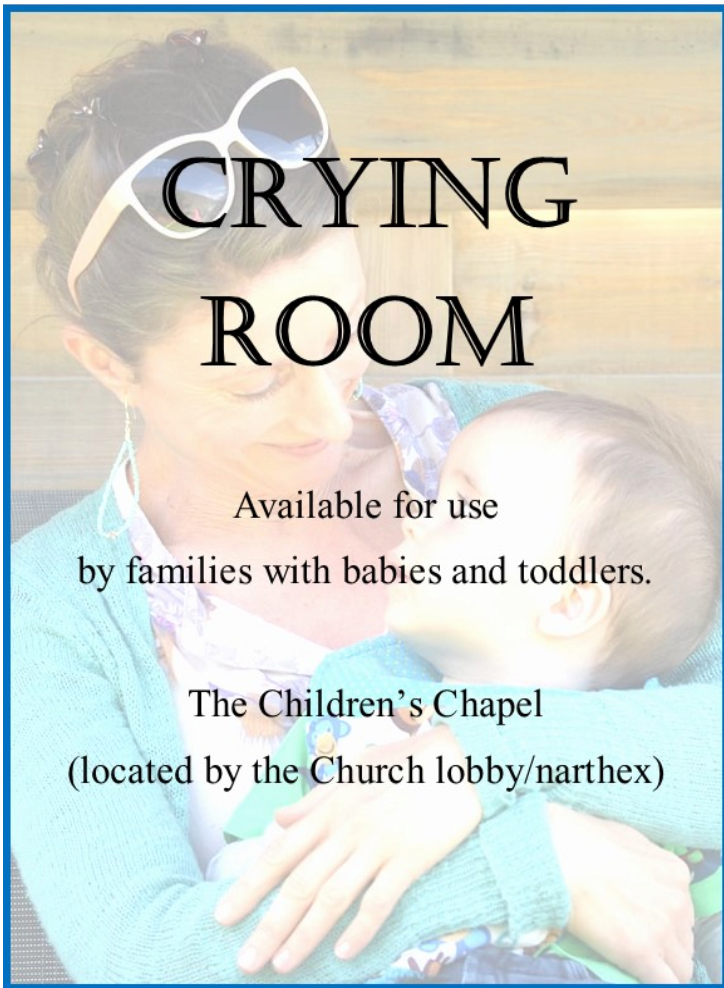
We are presently looking for sponsors and donations of basket raffle items.

Contact Jane McMahon (516) 816 - 1930 or Kerry Brennan (631) 586 - 6294

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



# 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.

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**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!**

# BINGO

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

## **ANNUAL SSCM PARISH RAFFLE**

The 3 - \$5000 Raffles as well as the Smart TV Raffle and our Final Raffle for the Charbroil BBQ, 2 Gravity Chairs, Outdoor Propane Heater, Fire Pit and \$100 Visa Gift Card will be picked after the 5:00 p.m. Mass this Saturday. Good Luck and thank you for your generosity.



# Director of Parish Social Ministry

I hope you have noticed that we have two new bins for the food for the pantry. These will make it much easier for the volunteers to empty and put the food on the shelves. This is quite difficult with the other bins.

I still need grocery carts for the people who must walk. Several of our clients have had to sell or give back their cars because they can longer either make the payments and or pay for the insurance. It was already very difficult for them to come here for food. Please keep them in your prayers.

Please do not forget that October 2<sup>nd</sup> is Respect Life Sunday.

We have just had an inspection of the pantry by Island Harvest. They were very happy with the cleanliness and order of our pantry. Thank you to all the people who make this possible. We had this inspection with Long Island Cares last year and they were also impressed.

I attend deanery meetings every month. The meetings give all the Parish Social Ministries in each particular deanery an opportunity to meet and discuss ideas and problems facing the different parishes.

I will also be attending an all-day conference at Long Island Cares in Hauppauge. These are very informative and helpful.

**The Catholic Health Services Bus will be in the Parish Social Ministry parking lot on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will be giving free Flu shots among other screenings. There will be a flyer in the bulletin next week.**

God bless you,

**"When we attend to the needs of those in want, we give them what is theirs, not ours. More than performing works of mercy, we are paying a debt of justice." –Pope Saint Gregory the Great**

*Janet*

## PANTRY NEEDS:

## NON FOOD ITEMS

### FOOD

1. Ritz type crackers
2. Jelly
3. Peanut butter
4. Canned vegetables (except green beans)
5. Oatmeal
6. Cereal
7. Pasta sauce (24 oz jars)
8. Pasta
9. Manwich
10. Spam
11. Jello
12. Pudding

1. Tissues
2. Shampoo
3. Conditioner
4. Shower wash
5. Deodorant (both men & women)
6. Shaving Cream
7. Soap
8. Toilet Paper
9. Paper Towels
10. Napkins

**Gift cards are always welcome.** Gift cards from anywhere are of course most welcome. I say Aldi and Lidl mostly because the dollar goes much further there. Even Dollar Tree has many things we can purchase. That is not to say we don't want gift cards to the other stores as well. We also want to support our local grocery stores as well.

## Respect Life

We would like to grow our **Respect Life Ministry** by way of the Parish Social Ministry!

We invite ANYONE in our area who finds themselves pregnant and needs assistance, needs someone to talk to, needs advice, or needs material aid to support and nourish that pregnancy to call us! \*

We need you our parishioners to encourage and steer any women in need to our Outreach office, where this support system can begin.

We also need you to support our efforts by providing diapers/wipes/formula and other items on a special "call list", for these women.

We (The Respect Life Ministry) will be working to implement this "Walking with Moms" ministry. This will be an evolving mission, and we will learn as we grow, where it will take us! (If being a part of this ministry in any way is of interest to you, please reach out to me through the Respect Life Ministry number below.

Respect Life Ministry #631-667-4044 Ext.120 (confidential line) Parish Social Ministry 631-667-4044 Ext.105

Thank you, Margie Reilly

Additionally if you would like to join in a Rosary for Life, go to the [WWW.DRVCLIFE.ORG](http://WWW.DRVCLIFE.ORG) website for the zoom link every Friday at 3:00pm and join us as we pray the "Rosary for Life" This is a beautiful way to put your faith to action, by way of the Rosary.

## 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.

## Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes

# SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN BINGO

### Proceeds to benefit SSCM Social Ministry

**Saturday, October 15 from 6:00 pm –9:00 pm — Ss. Cyril and Methodius Father Behan Hall**

Adults \$15    Children \$5    or a family of 4 for \$35    Costumes optional

Come and enjoy pizza and bingo games                      There will also be a spooktacular raffle

For information contact Sue Hogan at 631-667-9148 or Annemarie D'Attoma at 631-586-8551

Make checks payable to OLOR Columbiettes

All money due by October 10, 2022

Drop off checks in the Columbiette mailbox at the Rectory

**Last chance to get tickets will be on Saturday October 8th in the Breezeway  
after the 5pm Mass Only**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# OF ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_ # OF CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY OF 4 \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_