

MARY, Mother of God

January 1, 2023

Today's reading is a continuation from the Gospel proclaimed at the Christmas Mass at midnight. In it the shepherds act upon the message they receive from the angel and go to find Jesus in the manger in Bethlehem. In their visit to the manger, the shepherds find things just as the angel had said. The shepherds' visit, therefore, is a moment of fulfillment, manifestation, and the beginning of the salvation we receive through Christ.

In the context of today's Solemnity, this reading also helps us focus on Mary as the Mother of God. The reading tells us at least three things about Mary as a mother. First, Mary is described as a reflective person, keeping the reports of the shepherds in her heart. Second, we are reminded of how obedient Mary was to God when she named the baby Jesus as the angel Gabriel had directed. Third, this reading shows Mary and

Joseph faithfully observing their Jewish tradition by having Jesus circumcised.

Mary's faithfulness to God is evident in all three of these things. Her reflection upon the events in her life indicates that she was a person of prayer. This prayer made possible her obedience to God and God's will, even if the outcome was not clear. Finally, her faithfulness to a community of faith grounded her relationship with God and enabled her to participate in God's plan of salvation.

Because of Mary's faithfulness to God, she was able to receive the gift of God's Son and accept her role in God's plan for salvation. By doing so, she models for us the path of discipleship and is also called Mother of the Church.

Our call to discipleship also includes these three aspects. First, discipleship means

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Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1010 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Numbers 6:22-27**

2nd Reading: **Galatians 4:4-7**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 2:16-21**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing **#424**

What Child Is This **#466**

Angels We Have Heard on High **#430**

Let There Be Peace on Earth **#829**

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)



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

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

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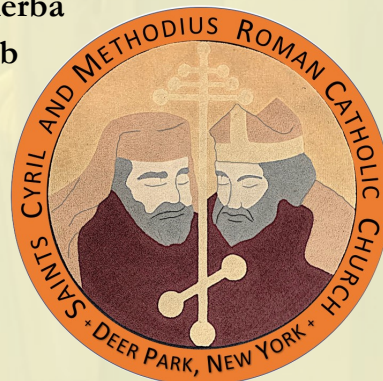
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Bookkeeper

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday January 2

Only one Mass at 8:30 AM

8:30 AM: Karin Granelle

Tuesday January 3

7:00 AM: For Russell Salerno's intentions

8:30 AM: Sacred Heart of Jesus

12:15 PM: Charles F. Bermudez

Wednesday January 4

7:00 AM: For Bailey Kravitz's intentions

8:30 AM: Louise Mangano

12:15 PM: Salvatore Bruccolen

Thursday January 5

7:00 AM: For Lisa Malerba's intentions

8:30 AM: Edward Tyler

12:15 PM: John McLoughlin

Friday January 6

7:00 AM: Benny Morlacci

8:30 AM: For Ellen Bland's intentions

12:15 PM: Joseph Carfino

Saturday January 7

8:30 AM Purgatorial Society

5:00 PM Angelina and Cathy Mazzella, Pierre Robert Pernerat, Marie Lormelie, Georges Pernerat Files, Jerome Pernerat

Sunday January 8

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners

9:30 AM Debra Penberg

11:00 AM Laura Pernerat, Jean Claude Pernerat, Marie Lormelie Jerome, Franci Lus Jerome, Electa Jean Pierre, Kathy Henry, Patricia LaPine

12:30 AM Jack Puszcz

6:00 PM Alphonse Melillo

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday, January 7

5:00 PM: Fr. Gius Garcia

Sunday January 8

8:00 AM: Fr. Christopher Deh

9:30 AM: Fr. Patrick Grace

11:00 AM: Fr. Gregory Cappuccino

12:30 PM: Fr. Christopher Deh

6:00 PM: Fr. Patrick Grace

REST IN PEACE

James F. Garcia, Bruce T. Ricciardo, Kenneth J. Vighi, Sadie Calandra, Tuy Do

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

First Banns

Christopher McCarthy — Ss. Cyril and Methodius
Gabiella Arias — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

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, Mark Dixon, Troy Liddell, Rosemarie Maloney, Susan and Paul Mattei, Salvatore Piazzolla, Mark Glatzer, Rosemarie Dorsty, 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 Providence Hulsen, Lisa Hulsen, Thomas Kane, Baby Dominic, Danielle E. Shingler, Bob Lockwood, Heather Dunne, Ellen Bland, Tammy Walsh, Mary Theresa Deegan, Edmond Fitzgerald, Inez Schillinger, Jackie McDonald, JoAnn Oberlies, Paul Kabaservice, Phillip Luppy, June Vasilakis

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. La-Monica, 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, Sgt. 1st Class William J. Braun

FROM THE PASTOR

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prayer and reflection on the events of our lives that we might see God's presence and work in our lives. Second, discipleship means obedience to God and God's will. Third, discipleship includes fidelity to a community of faith.

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We remember how you loved us...
JANUARY 1 to JANUARY 7

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

- Available

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

DECEMBER 25, 2022

Christmas	\$65,139.73
Online Giving	\$ 1,899.90
Christmas Flowers	\$ 5,016.69
1000 Lights	\$11,482.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$93,660.00 Pledged

74.81% 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!

Today we honor Mary, the Mother of God. Christians throughout history have turned to the Blessed Mother for help, protection and an increase 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

Happy New Year

Thank You for your prayerful participation in our Christmas Season Masses and for your generosity in our Christmas & Poinsettia Offerings. Your faithful stewardship all throughout the past year is much appreciated and provides the financial resources necessary to continue our pastoral ministries.

We pray that God will Bless us all in the New Year of 2023 with health, financial stability, world peace, and hope.

Along with the Wise Men, may we continue our own journey to seek out, discover, and personally encounter the LOVE of God in Christ Jesus!



*Father Gius, the priests, deacons, and lay staff of
Saints Cyril and Methodius Parish Family*

Family Faith Formation and Religious Education



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

This 2022 year has been such a whirlwind in the world of Family Faith Formation. Transitioning back into everything that takes place in our normally scheduled Season has been both very busy, and such a blessing. Through everything that has taken place, for every Family Programming event, Faith Formation class, Parent Meeting, and everything in between, the two things that I am most grateful for are the blessings that God has bestowed on us and this Program, and the prayers, support, and love that we constantly receive on a daily basis from all of you, our beloved Parish Family.

Your children, your families, this Program, and this Parish means more to me than words can ever express. I am incredibly grateful for the gift of all of you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for a beautiful 2022.

When I was in Dublin for the World Meeting Families back in 2018, I had to prepare by reading and annotating Pope Francis' encyclical "*Amoris Laetitia*", in which he says, "***The Incarnation of the Word in a human family, in Nazareth, by its very newness, changed the history of the world.***" May this message be with us today as we celebrate the Season, and as we celebrate our own families today and every day. **Merry and Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year**, with love from Ms. Laucella and all fifty-three members of this year's Christmas Pageant! May all of our 2023 be just as blessed and beautiful!

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Instagram: SSCMFamilyFaithFormation
Facebook: SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC

CATHOLICISM



Join Father Grace on Tuesday, **January 17th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the Father Behan Hall. **Episode 8: "A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints,"** Bishop Barron celebrates some of Church's most extraordinary saints —Edith Stein, Mother Teresa, Therese of Lisieux and Katharine Drexel. **Please note we will resume January 17th.**

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. Welcome Christ Jesus at home on December 23rd and 30th with family. **We will gather again on January 6, 2023.**

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

You are the light of the world. Matthew 5:14 Meets 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. **Will resume in the near future.**

BLACK CATHOLICS MINISTRY

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

SENIOR CLUB

Our next meeting will be on **January 3, 2023 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call John Kelly at 631-586-0827. Registration for 2023 is now open.

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"

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We wish everyone a blessed, joyful and peaceful New Year! Today we celebrate the feast of Mary, Mother of God. Like Mary may we always treasure the events in our life and reflect on them in our heart and carry them with us in the New Year.

If you would like to donate clothing, the bins in the north side of the church are for clothing only. To donate furniture, please call 631-858-0380. To donate household goods, please visit the SVDP Thrift Stores at 1705 Jericho Turnpike, Huntington, NY 11743 or 2160 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park, NY 11040 or visit www.svdpli.org for additional information. Thank you!

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 and leave a message at 631-667-4044 ext.175.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

There is no meeting in January and February. We will resume **March 6th**. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting is **January 9th at 7:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Rosary Council on Long Island Ave. If you would like to become a member please call Inez Schillinger, President at 631-586-2176.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Please call Grand Knight Dan Thompson at 646-529-4850 if interested in becoming a member.

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 January 7th, 2023.** Any questions call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078.

CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY

The first phase of pew cleaning has been completed.. We thank the 5 volunteers who devoted many hours to removing the top layer of grime from the pews.

While we wait to continue this process. Just remember this is our church, let's keep the Church clean!

THE REACH OUT COMMITTEE

They have started contacting our parishioners to update our records and see what is needed. Right now we have only 6 volunteers calling 7,000 families so please be patient.

If you would like to be part of this ministry just call the parish office.





QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DONATIONS (QCD)

*Direct transfers from IRAs to Charities
– a tax benefit for you*

This unique opportunity allows taxpayers to make charitable contributions through a direct IRA transfer.

If you would like to make a gift using your ira and if:

1. You are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift
2. Your IRA is a traditional (some Roth IRA's may qualify)
3. You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions

TAX SAVING ADVANTAGES:

1. QCDs are not included in your adjusted gross income.
2. QCDs deliver a tax benefit while “regular” charitable donations might not since the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act almost doubled the standard deductions amounts.
3. QCDs taken from your traditional IRA counts as a distribution for the required minimum distribution (RMD) rules. Therefore, you can donate all or part of your RMD that you would otherwise be forced to receive and pay taxes on.

The best way for you to start is with your IRA custodian. Tell them you want to make a "qualified charitable distribution." In most cases you will only have to fill out a simple form.

VERY IMPORTANT!! Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the Charity. If you receive the money first then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution.

Bill has a \$125,000 in a traditional IRA and would like to contribute \$5,000 to his parish. Upon hearing of the **Charitable IRA Rollover** opportunity, he directs the custodian of his IRA to transfer this amount not later than December 31, 2022 directly to the Parish as the family's 2022 gift. He gets to exclude the IRA distribution given to charity from income.

This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.

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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, in the Father Behan Hall. For more information and **to register** please call Mary at 631.291.7020



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Thank you for your generous support of the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Completing your 2022 pledge ensures that our Parish will benefit by receiving our full rebate.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Appeal. To give securely online, please go to: <https://www.drvc.org/donate/cma/>

There's still time to make a gift. Please remember that all new pledges must be in by December 31, 2022 and paid in full by January 31, 2023.

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.**

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE AS A DEACON?

By virtue of Baptism, we are called to holiness—the lay faithful as well as bishops, priests, and deacons. But have you felt called to serve in a much deeper and committed way? If you are a man between the ages of 30 and 59, who feels that you are being called to ordained ministry as a deacon in the Church, you are invited to come for an Evening of Prayer and Discernment with other men of faith to discuss and explore that very question. There is no cost to the evening—just your time and openness.

COME TO ANY ONE OF THESE MEETINGS - PREPARED to LISTEN, to PRAY, to REFLECT, to DISCERN where God is calling you!

EVENINGS are being offered conveniently at **THREE LOCATIONS.**

7:00PM, Tuesday, January 10 - St. Joseph Ronkonkoma, 45 Church Street

7:00PM, Wednesday, January 11 - Maria Regina Seaford, 3945 Jerusalem Avenue

7:00PM, Thursday, January 19 - St. Aidan Williston Park, 505 Willis Avenue

with an **EARLY WEEKEND OPTION** to be held at

1:00PM, Sunday, January 15 -St. John the Evangelist Center Moriches, 25 Ocean Avenue

RSVP by Friday, January 6th, to 631-423-0483 Ext. 179 or by email to diaconateformation@drvc.org

We thank you and look forward to being with you.



1000 *Lights*

Below are the names
of those who were honored

La Bella & Sanfilippo

Jim Calcagno

Mrs. Esther Betty and Dannielle
Warner

Eric Carey

John A. McMahon

Charles Marcheschi

Vincente Conde/Carmen Matos/
Sra. Trance Hidalgo

William Smith

Dorothy Beckford

Jacqueline Barrera

Brian O'Dell

Rose & Anthony Caporaso

Thomas Joseph Cortese

Mr. & Mrs. Buthmann

Family & Friends of Zanchelli
Family

Kevin Cantwell

Marie & Michael Quatela

Tiberio and Cecilia

Garry, Scott & Christopher
Fitzgerald

The Family of the Kraft's &
Martino's Family

Perez Family

Campanello & Scammacca
Family

Stanislaw & Man Piasecka

Joseph Aliberti & Annmarie
Walsh

Violet & Adam Podraza and
Angel ☺

Raymond Downey

Jeffrey McLaughlin

James Waterman

Thomas J. Flynn Sr.

Edward F. Lewanduski

Marie Fischetti

Natalie Laine

Berenice "Kewpie" Wisniewski

Charles & Jeanette Connolly

Francesco Catanzaro, Lillian
Diorio & Joseph Diorio

Julius Gentile

Bossio & Maniaci Family

Edward Myzwinski Jr.

Ralph & Eleanor DeVito

Lena & Fiore Sganga

Carmen Moffea

Buddy Gillespie

Thomas R. Thielemann

Clara & Philip L'Abbate

Russell Salerno

Joseph Werkmeister

Grace

Deceased Member McMahon

Gerard & Joan McCarthy

L. Bisiani

Hickam's Gone to Soon

Georgina Rosa

Salvador Calvo

Louise A. Mattone

Michael Biancardi

Richard Barth

Thomas Franscinella, Joseph
C. Santoro & Joseph J. Santoro

Annmarie Walsh & Joseph
Aliberti

Michael "Mickey" Wisniewski

Alfio & Maria Barbagallo

Arturo Espinoza

Joseph & Anthony Palmieri

Martino, Sabato, Kraft & Pandone
Families

Robert Zontini

Dorothy Forstell

Mom & Dad

Millie & Dom Benedetto

Sophie Kaminski

Chet Foley

Raymond Downey

Catherine Morgan

Anne M. Donoghue

Teresa D. Amaya
(In Loving Memory & Honor)

Michele Hutchinson & Valentine
Tarasenko

Sacred Heart of Jesus

William J. Gould

Vincent Parisi, Jr.

Winslow & Hayes Family

Rebecca & Jim Guerin

Raymond L. Pomerence

In Memory of Christopher Papa

Janet Graziano

Chester, Snickers & Foley Families

Mr. & Mrs. John Hovanec

Marge and Bob Rue

Vicki Frankenberg

David Wawrzynski

Tami J. Spindler

Richard Charles Staufenberg

Past Family

James Balletti

Jennifer Flynn

Walter Kabacinski

Marie Muenkel

Stella Cangro

Ann Harrigan

Harold W. Schillinger

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Muenkel

Christopher Lanni

Philomena

Addolorata Napolitano

Richard Kirschenheiter

Joseph Campell

Howard Bland Sr.

Julianne Finnegan

Dora Tortora & Margaret Vespa

Gloria & Andrade Saavedra

Cesare Litterini

Dorothy E. Mallon

Ronald Rosato

Kuhn/Connelly Family

Armando Spoto

Jean Mario Marcelin

Jean L. Balan

Lillian Mercurio

Maria Rutigiano Cotrone
In Our Hearts Forever!

Saveria Chiovaro

Agnes & Edward

Jack Puszcz

Roger Konecny

John McAllister

Lormelie Jerome Pernerat,
Georges Pernerat

Lormelie Jerome Pernerat,
Geroges Pernerat Fils, Pierre
Robert Pernerat and Family
Members

Harold & Marlene Gabe

Constance & Carl Gallub

John D. Fanning

Virginia Fanning

Joseph T. Reilly (Dad)
Mary B. Reilly (Mom)
James Reynolds
Dolores Reynolds
Cristin Bambino
Margaret Walsh & Patriolo Walsh
Sr. Mary Raymond
William & Frances Quinn
Ralph & Mary Hart
Aunt Marie
Ken LaMotte Sr.
George
Salvato Family
Francis Hannan
Freddie
Richard A. Closs
The Philips & Mullins Families
Mary Puorro
Carmen Rodriguez

Mercedes Delcon
Gray's & Moodie's
Lucy Dolce
Louise Martinez
Leona Richmond, Ernestine Charley, Marvin Norfleet
Ron Carey
Gabriella Pagan
Anne Matuck
Kevin Cantwell
The Spy Family
Barbara Renz
Natalie Laine
Rudy, James & Edward Kelly

Mobilia Family
Frances T. Piccininni
Ryan T. Horodnicki
Theresa & Bob Ridder
Nick Keller
Frank Fusco
Thomas Inman
John J. Hartz
Maribel Aquino & Jane Wigntow
The Roth Family
Mary O'Connell
Remedios Dolauta
Dennis Arena

Mary "Lulu" Collins
Roger Thorley
Congro Family
Armando Rio
Mauro & Leticia Retoria



**CATHOLIC
MEN'S
2023
CONFERENCE**

Saturday, January 28, 2023
8:15 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.
Monsignor Kane Hall
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church
175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville, NY 11747

The Church needs men more than ever to stand up and be seen as faith leaders in our families and communities. Come together in brotherhood for a day of live presentations and videos on:

- The Cross and Suffering
- The Eucharist — Source and Summit of Our Faith
- The Deceiver — Our Enemy
- Spiritual Resources For Men

“Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” Eph. 6:10-11

The day will include Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and conclude with Mass (it will fulfill your Sunday obligation).

Tickets: \$25 in advance; \$35 at the door (Breakfast and Lunch provided)

Register at <https://www.mose-li.com> or 631-457-9250 (Tom LaMagna)

Make a Joyful Noise!

FUTURE EVENTS

Friday, March 10th, 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 26th, 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.

Respect Life

Please Visit our Pro-Life Material rack in the back foyer of the church, closest to Deer Park Ave. Here you will find many valuable resources for all of life's stages.

From dating and marriage to family planning, infertility, reproductive technology, and handling an adverse prenatal diagnosis. There are brochures that give us a better understanding of poverty and abortion, as well as Conscience protection for healthcare workers. We also have topics on Advanced Medical directives and Wills for Living, very informative for ourselves or loved ones who may be going through the final stages of life. You will also find brochures that inform much on the topics of healing from abortion, religious freedom, suicide, voting, and the death penalty. If any questions please call the RL Ministry number below.

Margie Reilly

A PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

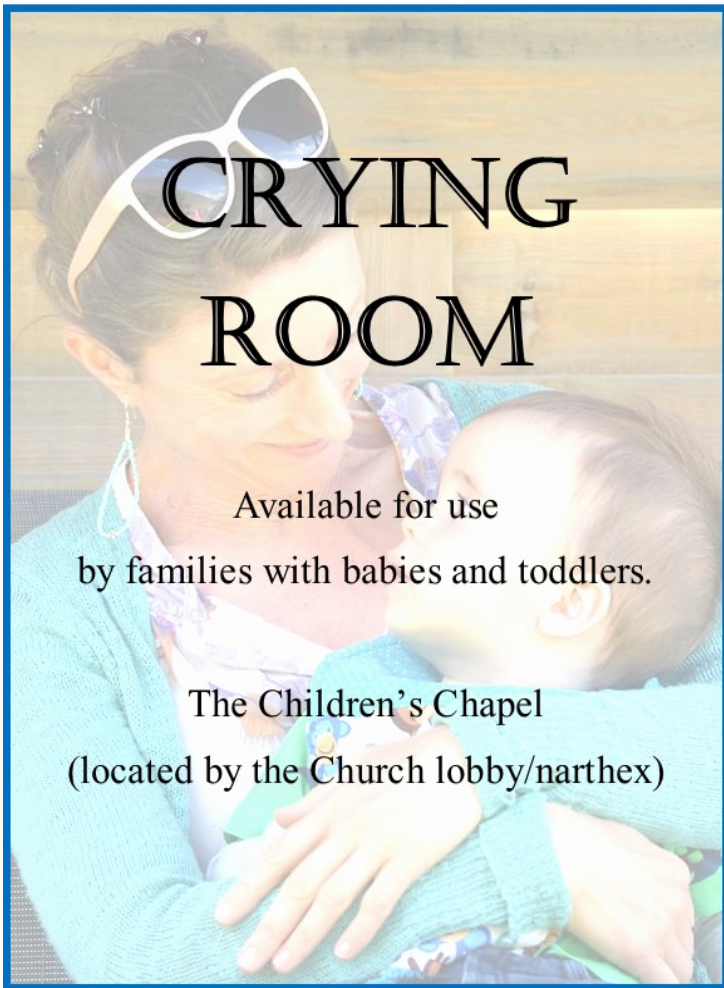
O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.* Amen.

If you or someone you know is in need of support (items like diapers/wipes, or formula) for your newborn, toddler or expectant baby, please call the Respect Life Ministry at **631-667-4044 Ext 120** and leave a voice message. We are here for you and will get back to you and help in any way that we can!

** Please join in the Diocesan Rosary for Life

GO TO: WWW.DRVCLIFE.ORG website for the zoom link **WHEN:** Every Friday at 3:00pm
This is a beautiful way to put your faith into action by way of saying the Rosary with others!



CRYING ROOM

Available for use
by families with babies and toddlers.

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

PARISH RELIGIOUS STORE

NOW 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**

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS Reusable Grocery Bags

Strong and Eco-Friendly

Available for Purchase at the Parish Office.

\$2.00 per Bag

Parish Social Ministry

Merry Christmas everyone

Next week I will be reporting to you about all the Christmas' you have given to needy people in our community.

For right now I will only say this parish has tremendous heart.

Thank you thank you thank you from all of us at Parish Social Ministry! That includes the 21 volunteers who come week after week religiously (pun intended) to attend to such an important ministry. I could not do any of the things I do without them! Please when you see them give them a thank you for all they do.

I cannot say enough about the Parish, from The Pastor to all the Priests to the Deacons and all the support staff here they are the most wonderful people on earth!

Merry Christmas may yours be Blessed Merry and Bright!

God Bless Everyone and their families at this most wonderful time of year.

Janet

PANTRY NEEDS:

FOOD

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| 1. Ritz type crackers | 9. Ketchup |
| 2. Vegetable Oil | 10. Mustard |
| 3. Vinegar | 11. Salad Dressing |
| 4. Sugar | 12. Cookies |
| 5. Flour | 13. Muffin Mix |
| 6. Jello | 14. Brownie Mix |
| 7. Pudding | 15. Cake Mix |
| 8. Mayonnaise | 16. Icing |

NON FOOD ITEMS

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| 1. Toilet Paper | 5. Laundry detergent |
| 2. Paper Towels | 6. Dishwashing Liquid
(not for dishwasher) |
| 3. Tissues | 7. Soap |
| 4. Napkins | 8. Shower Wash |

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

This year we are honoring 3 members of our Family who have served our Church for 25 years, 50 years and 50 plus years: **Deacon John Fitzpatrick, Fr. Greg Cappuccino and Fr. Francis Sang.** Please join us on Thursday, June 15th for Golf and BBQ at beautiful Timber Point Golf Club in Great River beginning at 12, followed by Cocktails and appetizers at 6:30 and Dinner at 7:30 at The Fr. Behan Hall at Ss Cyril and Methodius. Dinner includes full buffet, 2 full bars, dessert, coffee and tea. There will be a Silent Auction, 50/50 raffles and Chinese Auction. Guaranteed enjoyable day and evening honoring these 3 gentleman.



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

Pregnancy Support Hot Line:
631-476-LOVE (5683)

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** - The first phase of pew cleaning has been completed. While we wait to continue this process, just remember this is our church, let's keep the Church clean!
- 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.



We are looking for boys and girls in 4th grade or above to become part of our Altar Server Ministry.

The Altar Server's Ministry is a unique one in the Catholic Church. Other than the priests and deacons, no one else has the opportunity to participate so closely in the preparation of the Eucharist. Participation as an Altar Server is special. Essential life skills are built through teamwork, communication, reliability, and self-confidence. Altar Service also provides a unique way to earn valuable community service hours while growing in faith.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an Altar Server, please attend our information session on

January 9, 2023, at 7:00 pm in the church auditorium.

For more information, contact Father Christopher Deh at frchris@sscmdp.org or sscyril.altarservers@yahoo.com
You can also leave a message at the front desk of the rectory at 631-667-4044.

Dear Altar Servers, you are, in fact, already apostles of Jesus! When you take part in the Liturgy by carrying out your altar service, you offer a witness to all. Your absorption, the devotion that wells up from your heart and is expressed in gestures, in song, in the responses: if you do it correctly and not absent-mindedly, then in a certain way your witness is one that moves people. The Eucharist is the source and summit of the bond of friendship with Jesus. You are very close to Jesus in the Eucharist, and this is the most important sign of his friendship for each one of us. Do not forget it.

-excerpt from Pope Benedict XVI, Address to Altar Servers, August 2, 2006