

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

WWW.SSCMDP.ORG
125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

February 26, 2023

As we begin our Lenten observances, here are opportunities for everyone to GIVE of TIME, TALENT and TREASURE as a form of LENTEN sacrifice.

LITURGY

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.

Adult Altar Servers - opportunity for young adults and older adults to become altar servers at the 8:00 am Mass on Sundays. For more information contact Kerry Brennan at 631-586-6294.

Lectors – proclaim God's Word to the assembled faith community on Sundays, weekday masses, solemnities and certain feasts. For more information call Joan Loring at 631-667-4044 Ext. 122.

Eucharistic Ministers – after a training session, Ministers are invited to distribute the eucharist at various Liturgical celebrations and to homebound parish members. This Ministry is open to all over 18 years of

age. For more information contact Deacon Bill Sperl at 631-667-4044 Ext. 112.

Ushers – welcome and greet parishioners and provide assistance for seating. They collect the weekly parish donations and put an orderly flow of movement during the reception of communion. For more information speak to an Usher at the Mass you are attending or call Paul Coppola at 631-587-9649.

Greeters – A member of the Ministry of Greeters warmly acknowledges all coming through our parish doors at weekend Masses. For more information contact Kathy Taibi at 631-242-5174.

Liturgical Environment – We plan and execute decorating for the seasons, some holy days as well as major holidays. For more information contact Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715.

Livestreaming - The 9:30 Mass is livestreamed every Sunday. Training will be offered. A good inclusion to your resume if you are studying communications. College kids welcome. Contact Russell Salerno at rssalerno@gmail.com.

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Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1016 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

2nd Reading: **Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19**

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 4:1-11**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

The Time of Fulfillment

On Eagle's Wings

Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup

Forty Days and Forty Nights

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

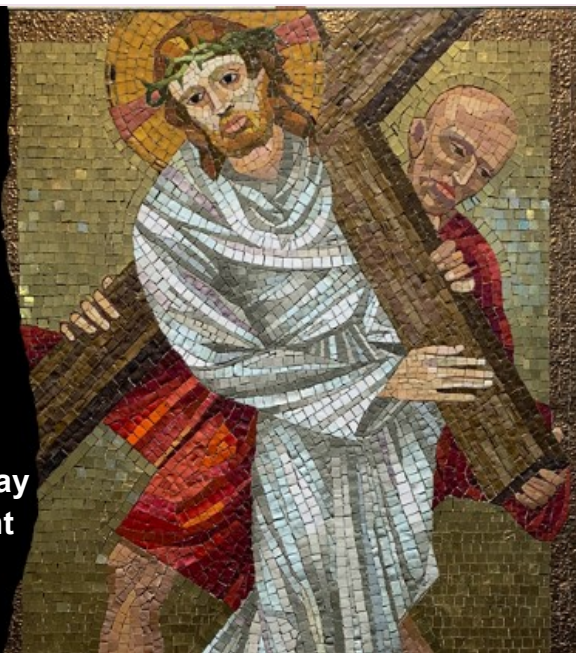
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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday
during Lent
12:45pm



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

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

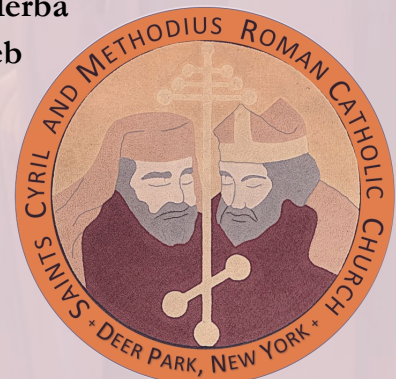
Mr. Timothy Leitch, *Youth Ministry*, Ext. 154

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	February 27
7:00 AM:	For Father Paul Bersamin's intentions
8:30 AM:	(Open : no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	Dominick Giusto
Tuesday	February 28
7:00 AM:	For Robert Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	(Open : no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	(Open : no offered intentions)
Wednesday	March 1
7:00 AM:	For Mary Bridget Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM:	Anthony & Fannie Messina
12:15 PM:	CANCELLED
Thursday	March 2
7:00 AM:	For Russell Salerno's intentions
8:30 AM:	Joseph Carfino
12:15 PM:	John McMahon Jr., John Hatzidakus, Thomas Asseng, William Vermane
Friday	March 3
7:00 AM:	Gregorio Morlacci
8:30 AM:	Carmine Balboa
12:15 PM:	Damian J. Aiello II
Saturday	March 4
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM:	Gloria M. Giordano, Patricia Bianculli, Phil Schifini
Sunday	March 5
8:00 AM	Fred Caldiero
9:30 AM	Dennis Hovanec
11:00 AM	Caroline Palma
12:30 PM	John Murray
6:00 PM	For Our Parishioners

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday,	March 4
5:00 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
Sunday	March 5
8:00 AM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin
9:30 AM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
11:00 AM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
12:30 PM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
6:00 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace

REST IN PEACE

Vincent A. Fandetta Sr., Dominick Vincent Zagardo, Helen D. Cassidy

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Aaron Juan Meraz, Selena Maria Silberberg

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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 DeCerro, 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 McMahon Alex, Emma Villarola, Paulette Giusto, Kristin Piazzola, Ralph Savastano, Rocco Oliveri, Richard DiMaggio, Arlene McMahon 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, Kristen Tonnesen, Luis Sanchez, Helene Horodnicki, Lauren Lombardi, Maggie McLoughlin, Nicholas Schiralli, Joseph Castellano, Eliana Vasquez, Olivia Marie

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, Staff Sgt. Justin Gallo, Sgt. 1st Class William J. Braun.

FROM THE PASTOR

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MUSIC MINISTRY

The Adult Choir – sings at the 11:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday and rehearses from 7:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Church. For more information speak to Deacon James Murano after Mass.

Contemporary Choir – Music is a very important part of the 6:00 p.m. Youth Mass. Young people are encouraged to join this contemporary choir as singers or instrumentalists. Practice is on Thursday evenings in the church from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For more information contact Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715.

YOUTH MINISTRY SERVICES

CYO – offers our 1st-12 graders the opportunity to play basketball on intramural and travel leagues. Parishioners are encouraged to get involved with CYO by coaching, keeping score, selling snacks, etc. For

more information contact John Giebel at 631-893-0948 or Mike Gonzalez at 917-705-5355

Youth Group – 8th-12th grade students meet every Sunday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The meeting is primarily based on fun activities and small group discussion of issues important to teens. For more information contact Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715 or alternately Richard Taibi

EDUCATION AND FORMATION

Religious Education – Faith formation and enrichment programs children in levels one through seven; Sacrament preparation, ongoing formation and support for volunteer catechists, an opportunity for the whole community to be involved in basic and advanced courses for Diocesan certification. For more information contact Amora Laucella at 631-667-4044 Ext. 145.

We remember how you loved us...

FEBRUARY 26 to MARCH 4

BREAD AND WINE

- Happy Birthday in Heaven, Marie Tassey. Love, John and Gail Walther.

ALTAR CANDLES - Available

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Available

CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Not available during Lent

FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Not available during Lent

ALTAR FLOWERS

- Not available during Lent

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

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Regular Collection \$16,539.93

Online Giving \$ 1,262.55

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$0.00 Pledged

% of Parish Goal

Thank you, and God Bless you, for your faithful weekly Stewardship of our Parish and for your support of the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal!

In today's Gospel, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

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

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiations of Adults) – This ministry prepares adults for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. The candidates are introduced to the study of the Church, Sacraments and the Bible. For more information contact Deacon James Murano at 631-667-4044 Ext. 127.

Baptismal Ministry – It is our goal to help the parents gain a better understanding and appreciation of the Sacrament of Baptism. For more information contact Marianne Saffran at 631-667-4044 Ext. 115.

YEAST Adult Formation Program - aims to engage the Older Youth and Young Adults, offer on-going faith formation and create possibilities and paths for them to connect back with the Church. For more information contact Carol Tannehill at cmt1220@aol.com.

PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY

Miraculous Medal Novena – Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church we gather weekly to recite the Novena near the statue of Mary. For more information contact Connie Santoli at 631-587-5436.

Flame of Love Devotion – We gather in Church by our Blessed Mother's shrine every Friday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information contact Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.

Bible Study – meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Father Behan Hall. For more information contact Mary Malerba at 631-291-7020.

Recitation of the Rosary – Join the Rosary Altar Society every Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom Conference. For more information contact Leslie Barra at 631-586-1663.

SOCIAL AND PASTORAL MINISTRIES AND ACTIVITIES

Parish Social Ministry – This ministry is a catholic social teaching in action. It encompasses direct service or provisions to person in need living within our parish geographic boundaries. For more information contact Janet McEnany at 631-667-4044 Ext. 105.

YEAST Social Services - finding ways to reach out to the community in service providing for the most basic needs of the less fortunate. For more information, contact Jane McMahon at 516-816-1930.

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.

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! Contact Kerry Brennan at 631-586-6294 for more.

Ministry of Consolation – offers consolation to those who are bereaved and suffering the death of a loved one. We assist the families with help in preparing parts of the Funeral Liturgy. For more information contact Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715.

Rosary Altar Society – This ministry of women are devoted to the Blessed Mother and the rosary. The monthly activities include the 11:00 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday and meetings in the Father Behan Hall at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. For more information contact Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes – The primary requirements to be a member is to be 18 years of age or older and a Catholic female in good standing with the Church. Through various activities - spiritual, social and charitable—we promote the welfare of our members and the community. We meet the second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m at Our Lady of the Rosary #4428 Council on Long Island Ave. For more information contact Inez Schillinger at 631-586-2176.

Holy Name Society – Programs include instruction in faith, normal business affairs, good fellowship, stopping moral decay. For more information contact Phil Hogan at 631-667-9148.

Bingo – is held every Thursday night in the Father Behan Hall. This is a major fundraiser for the Parish. For more information contact Anna Ortiz at 631-243-0256.

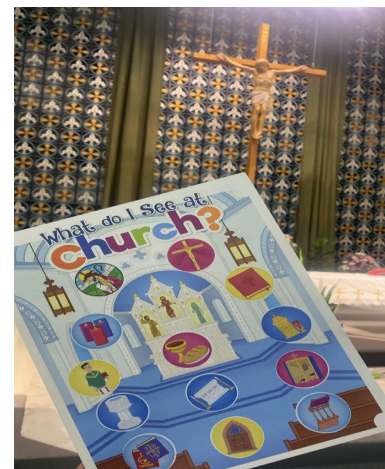
YEAST Stewardship – We use our gifts of time, talent and treasure to support our parish family and encourage growth in cultivating our gifts out of love for God and one another. For more information contact Kerry Brennan at 631-586-6294.

Senior Club – offers many activities but also a place for our seniors to meet one another, make friends and to go on outings that they would not do by themselves. We meet on the first Tuesday of the month. For more information contact John Kelly at 631-586-0827.

Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

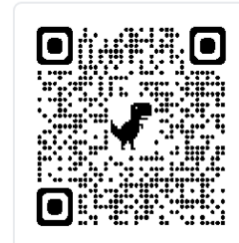
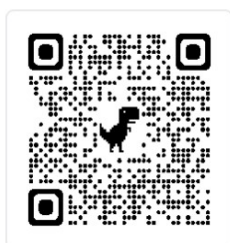
Level 1 Grown-Up Day

Level 1 had a very exciting class this session; Grown Up Guest Day! All of our Level 1 students were invited to bring their parents, families, or other grown up in their life to their class for a very special activity; A Church Scavenger Hunt! Everyone learned about all of the different things that we can find at church, and why each item at church is so important. All of our boys and girls left that night with their scavenger hunt church card and their very own model of Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church, to remind them that our Parish is their family. We loved sharing this special time with everyone who joined us!



FORMED Recommendations

FORMED has some really wonderful media content for Lent this year that I am very excited to share with all of you to enhance your Season! This month, I am recommending two series from the Brother Francis Collection: "[Let's Learn about Lent](#)", for an introduction to Lent as a whole, and "[Brother Francis' Lenten Reflections](#)" for short daily meditations every day of the Season, perfect for your whole family! Use the QR codes below to take you directly to the videos; Just scan with your phone in the camera app to start watching, and enjoy!



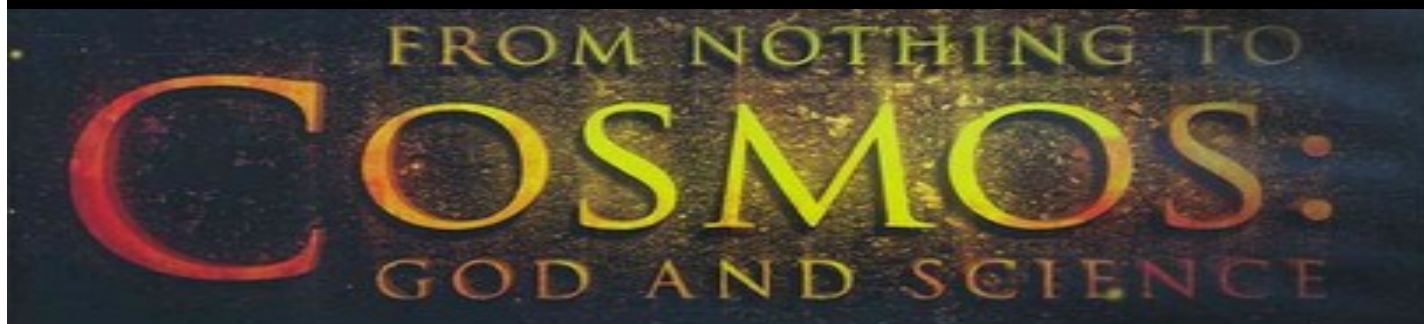
Administration

Ms. Laucella

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Programming, & Religious Education
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(631) 667-4044 exts. 146 & 147
faithformation@sscmdp.org
Instagram: SSCMFamilyFaithFormation
Facebook: SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC



Join Father Grace on Tuesday, **February 28th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the Father Behan Hall. **Episode 4: Near Death Experiences Continued and Evidence of a Soul from the Five Transcendental Desires.** This course responds to the pressing secular myths that threaten our faith and, indeed, our society. This series, featuring **Fr. Robert J. Spitzer S.J. Ph.D.**, is a full treatment of topics concerned with the evidence for God from contemporary science.

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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.** For the Lenten Season, we will join the community in praying the Stations of the Cross. We will gather again on Friday, April 14, 2023. However some members still wish to offer The Flame of Love devotion **AFTER** the Stations - Praise God - and you are most welcome. 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

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. 1John 4:7 Meets every **Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Senior Room.** Any questions call Lucille at 631-586-2438. **We will resume March 7th.**

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 **March 7, 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"

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

We will resume **March 6th at 7:30pm in the Church** for the Stations of the Cross as seen through the eyes of Mary. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting is **March 13th at 7:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Rosary Council on Long Island Ave. This is our Baby Shower meeting. Any questions call Inez Schillinger, President at 631-586-2176. Our **Lenten Mass is Sunday, March 12th at 11:00 a.m.** at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church. Any questions call Tammy at 631-242-1151.

Recruitment Weekend for new members is **March 18 and 19th** after all Masses in the Breezeway. For more information contact Donna Daly at 631-667-0503 or 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 March 4th, 2023.** Any questions call Nancy Lanni at 631-242-5078.

SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our next 6 Hour **Defensive Driving Course** is **March 18th** in the Father Behan Hall. Coffee and bagel breakfast at 8:30am donated by Mangano Funeral Home. Pizza lunch provided by Shannon Macleod Elder Law Attorney. 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.

STARTING IN MARCH

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the **2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Senior Room.** For more information call Diana at 845-428-2272.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets every **3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Room.** For more information call Diana at 845-428-2272.



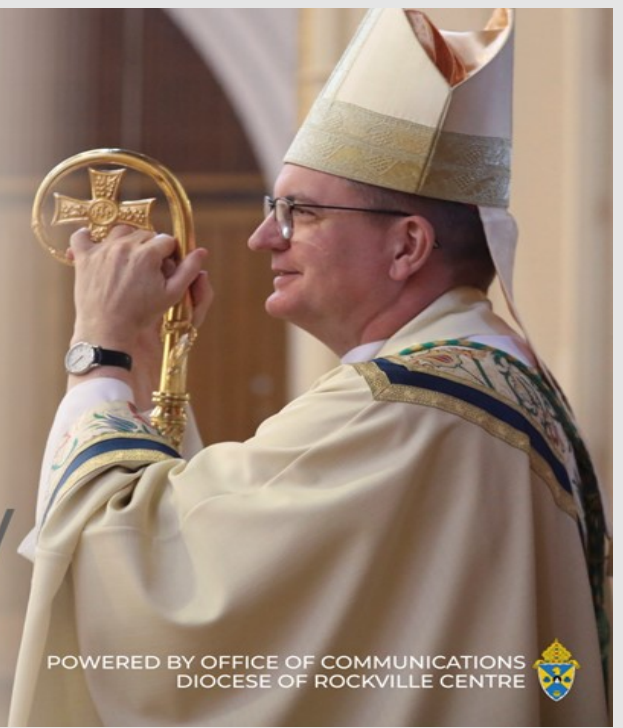
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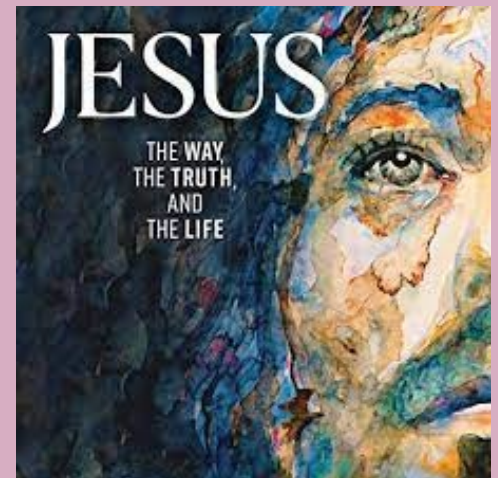


BIBLE STUDY CLASS CONTINUES... All are welcome!

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

is a 5-week study program presented by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. Filmed on-location in the Holy Land and anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today.

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, beginning March 1st – 29th, 2023 in Father Behan Hall For more information and [to register](#) please call Mary at 631.2917020



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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.

Date to be determined – 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 6674044 x100.

Respect Life

Respect Life Cause for Action:

Please go to the NYSCATHOLIC.ORG website and click on the "TAKE ACTION LINK". While there you can sign up for the Catholic Action Network, to receive notifications by Email of important issues being debated and brought to your elected officials.

Current Important legislative matter

Proponents of doctor assisted suicide are making a full court press to legalize this deadly practice in NY State, and lawmakers need to hear from their constituents if we hope to avoid yet another assault on human life here. Assisted suicide is dangerous for patients, caregivers, and vulnerable populations such as the elderly and people with disabilities. Suicide is NOT medical care. Please tell your State Senate and assembly representatives that you oppose this dangerous and deadly practice. This is Time sensitive!

Please Contact our State legislators now! Easy links for doing so are right on the above mentioned website. Alternately, a handwritten letter to our representatives would be even better:

Assemblyman Keith Brown

LOB 719
Albany NY 12248 or
District Office
6080 Jericho Tpk
Suite 310
Commack, NY 11725

Senator Monica Martinez

LOB Rm 806
Albany NY 12247 or
District Office
250 Veterans Highway
Hauppauge State Office Bldg Rm 3B-41-42
Hauppauge, NY 11788

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you experience regret, guilt, or grief after abortion, be assured that God's healing love and mercy are always available to the repentant heart.

your story is confidential

Contact:
516-766-2538 or 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) se habla español
projectrachel@drvc.org
www.drvcclife.org/projectrachel
Diocese of Rockville Centre, Project Rachel Office

Maternal Support Services: If you need Items like diapers or wipes for your newborn, toddler, or expectant baby, please call the Respect Life Ministry @ **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!

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



As we *Journey Together in Communion, Participation and Mission* this Lenten season, through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we have a wonderful opportunity to grow together in faith.

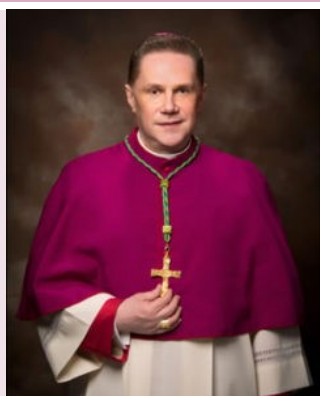
Our prayers are joined with our community of faith who are the living Body of Christ. Fasting is spiritual and physical purification; the pangs of hunger remind us of our hunger for God. Through our support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we join with our brothers and sisters all across Long Island to hear the Lenten call to almsgiving. One of the central lessons of the cross is compassion; the heavy burdens we carry help us to appreciate the suffering in others.

Your support of the CMA ensures that the ministries will have the funds they need to spread God's love to all those they serve. Ministries that include Faith formation of our seminarians, deacons and lay leaders; Faith formation for our young adult and youth ministry and our children in religious education classes; Respect Life initiatives; Catholic Charities affordable housing for seniors and people with disabilities, substance abuse programs, food programs and parish social ministry support. All these ministries and more are so vital to the over 600,000 individuals they serve. It is thanks to people like you, that they can support so many in need. Even throughout the pandemic, donors still came together to ensure that these ministries remained alive and vibrant.

I ask you to please join me and all Catholics within our diocese to prayerfully consider making a gift to the CMA. Please do so to the best of your ability-- every gift matters, regardless of the size. **Please remember that 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal.**

Finally, let me remind you, that if you are unable to make a gift as this time due to circumstances in your life—please reach out to the parish at any time, so that we may help you in any way that we can. You are never alone.

May God bless you, your loved ones and our parish as we begin our Lenten journey.



COFFEE with JESUS Lenten Series via Zoom
 Join Bishop Andrzej at 10am on Friday mornings during Lent:

February 24, March 10 and March 24

To register please call Suzanne 516-744-6850
 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org

Parish Social Ministry

PANTRY NEEDS:

FOOD

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| 1. Ritz type crackers | 11. Juice |
| 2. Vegetable Oil | 12. Coffee |
| 3. Vinegar | 13. Soup |
| 4. Sugar | 14. Pasta |
| 5. Flour | 15. Pasta Sauce Jar |
| 6. Jello | 16. Ketchup |
| 7. Pudding | 17. Mustard |
| 8. Mayonnaise | 18. Salad Dressing |
| 9. Cereal | 19. Cookies |
| 10. Oatmeal | 20. Rice |

NON FOOD ITEMS

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

Fun for all ages

Grab your **Very Important Partner** (Significant other, child, friend, grandchild, sibling)
and join us for a

SQUARE DANCE AND COUNTRY LINE DANCE PARTY

Singles welcome!

Music instruction by Jim Emory

Saturday March 4, 2023 1:00 – 4:30 pm

Light refreshments will be served

\$10 per person before 2/25

\$20 per person at the door

Contact: Jane McMahon (516) 816 - 1930 or Carol Tannehill (631) 988 - 9906

Name _____ Phone number _____

VIP _____ Amount enclosed _____

Make checks payable to SSCM and drop off at the rectory marked ATTN: Parish Social Events

Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes **Lenten Mass and Luncheon**

Sunday, March 12, 2023, 11 am Mass at Ss Cyril and Methodius

Followed by lunch at the Knights of Columbus Council #4428

DONATION \$15.00 and bring a dessert RSVP by March 4th No tickets sold at door

Make checks payable to OLOR Columbiettes

Please drop off checks in the Columbiette mailbox at the Rectory Attn: Tammy

Any questions or to purchase tickets contact Joan or Tammy Loring at 631-242-1151.

Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes

BUNCO NIGHT

Friday, March 24, 2023 Fr. Behan Hall Doors Open 6:30pm

No Experience Necessary! All you need to do is roll dice and socialize! Bring Your Friends!

Coffee, Tea & Refreshments, Prizes and Lots of Laughs Included

Tickets Must Be Purchased In Advance **\$15 per person**

For Tickets Contact Bobi Lukenovich 631-576-6899
or Donna Ryall 516-885-0606 or Geri Cavanaugh

Drop Off at KofC - Att: Bunco or Rectory - Att: Columbiettes (Bunco)

Proceeds will be donated to one of our charities.



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.

Deer Park Fire Department

& Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish *present:*

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS and SAFETY WORKSHOP

Saturday, April 29th

9:00 am—11:00 am

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church

Topics:

- Fire Safety at Home
- Pool Safety
- Storm Preparedness
- Car Seat Safety & Inspection



For more information:

631-6674430

www.deerparkfd.org