

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

**LAETARE SUNDAY**

**March 19, 2023**

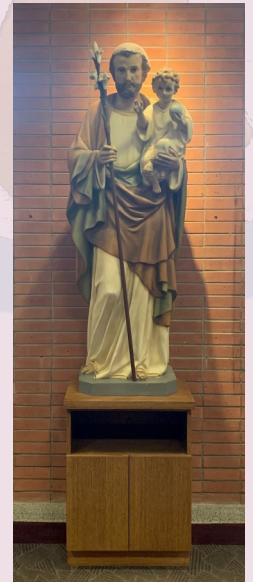


**ST. JOSEPH**

What is it that made Saint Joseph so great? Joseph is not great because he was given such incredible privileges. He was great because of the choices he made in life. The Gospels refer to him as a “righteous man” and as a man who “did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Thus, his greatness is primarily on account of his moral righteousness and obedience to the will of God.

Joseph’s obedience is especially seen in the fact that he obeyed the voice of God given to him in the four dreams recorded in Scripture (Matthew 1:20–21), (Matthew 2:13), (Matthew 2:20), (Matthew 2:22).

When these dreams are read in succession, it is clear that Saint Joseph was attentive to the voice of God. His dreams were clear communications from God that required a willing recipient. Joseph was open to the voice of God and listened in faith as that willing recipient.



Joseph also responded with complete submission and full determination. The commands Joseph received were not insignificant. His obedience required that he and his family travel great distances, take up residence in strange lands, and do so all in faith.

It’s also clear that Joseph took his vocation seriously. Pope Saint John Paul II gave him the title “Guardian of the Redeemer.” Over and over, he showed his unwavering commitment to his role as the guardian of his legal Son, Jesus, and of his wife, Mary. His life was spent providing for them, protecting them and offering them a father’s heart.

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**Readings and Songs this Sunday**

**No. 1025 in the Blue Gather Hymnal**

1st Reading: **1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a**

2nd Reading: **Ephesians 5:8-14**

Gospel Reading: **John 9:1-41 or John 9:1, 6-9,13-17,34-38**

**LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:**

The Time of Fulfillment

Amazing Grace

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Christ, Be Our Light!

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

**#645**

**#940**

**#590**

**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

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John Grieb



Mrs. Joan Ann Loring, Ext. 122

*Parish Secretary / Bulletin Editor*

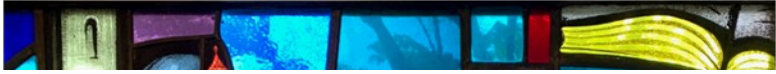
Mrs. Marianne Saffran, Ext. 115

*Baptism & Wedding Coordinator*

Ms. Allison Taibi, Ext. 111

*Bookkeeper*





## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 20</b>
7:00 AM:	For Mary Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	David and Harry Cartwright
12:15 PM:	Mariana Antonio
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>March 21</b>
7:00 AM:	( <b>Open</b> : no offered intentions)
8:30 AM:	Daniel Palumbo
12:15 PM:	Leo J. Bonacasa
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>March 22</b>
7:00 AM:	For Chelsea Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM:	Barbara Ann Renz
12:15 PM:	Edward Laine
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>March 23</b>
7:00 AM:	( <b>Open</b> : no offered intentions)
8:30 AM:	Kevin Donnelly
12:15 PM:	Matilda Amend
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 24</b>
7:00 AM:	For Marie Salerno's intentions
8:30 AM:	Anne and Rudolph Richter
12:15 PM:	Cecilia Kasubjak
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 25</b>
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM:	Richard, Marcellina and Michael Solomita, Vincent Cracchiolo and for Antonette (Sue) Sganga's intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 26</b>
8:00 AM	Angelo and Ethel Benvenuto
9:30 AM	Maria Peraza - McDermott
11:00 AM	Barbara Dunne, Michele & Michelangelo Giuliano
12:30 PM	Thomas Fitzgerald
6:00 PM	For Our Parishioners

## PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>March 25</b>
5:00 PM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 26</b>
8:00 AM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
9:30 AM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
11:00 AM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
12:30 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
6:00 PM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin

## REST IN PEACE

John Joseph Karaban, Irene DelPiano, Barbara Dunne, Nancy M. Prusi, Francesco Andreotti, Rose Rotella, Doris McDonald

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Olivia Abigal Messina, Jameson Thomas Hickam, Vincent Carmelo Merlino

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Margaret McCartney, Theresa Schaefer, Leonard Caltabiano, Connie Rigert, Stanley Urbanowski Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Clemente Oropallo, Kevin Talbot, Jean Fortunato, Joyce Ratushny, 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, 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, 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, Renee Hovanec, Eric, Joseph Pepe, Padraic Beach, Mary McMahon Alex, Emma Villarola, Paulette Giusto, 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, Dennis Lombardi, David Lombardi, Joseph Fay, Hilde Fenton, Vita Rose Cacace, Michael Castellano, Baby Harry, Anthony Luparello

## 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.



## **ST. PATRICK**

Raised in Britain, Patrick was captured by pirates in A.D. 405 when he was only sixteen years old. The kidnappers whisked him away to Ireland and sold Patrick into slavery. He spent eight years as a captive in this pagan land.

During his captivity, Patrick embraced the Christian faith of his upbringing, something that had mattered little to him beforehand. In his own words, Patrick explained: "And there the Lord opened the sense of my unbelief that I might at last remember my sins and be converted with all my heart to the Lord my God, who had regard for my abjection, and mercy on my youth and ignorance, and watched over me before I knew Him, and before I was able to distinguish between good and evil, and guarded me, and comforted me as would a father his son" (from The Confession of St. Patrick).

Inspired by a dream, Patrick finally escaped from Ireland and made his way back to his home in Britain. But, in time, he sensed God's call to return to Ireland, of all places, in order to share the good news of Christ with the pagans there. Even though he feared he wasn't sufficiently learned to be a mission-

ary, Patrick returned to Ireland, where he found unprecedented success in his evangelistic endeavors. His experience of Irish language and culture during his years as a slave enabled Patrick to communicate the Christian gospel with unusual effectiveness.

Though we can't be sure when Patrick died, tradition holds that he lived into his seventies and died on March 17 in the latter half of the fifth-century A.D. In twenty-five or thirty years of evangelistic work, he led thousands of Irish pagans to Christ and was responsible for Ireland's becoming one of the most Christian nations in Europe. For this reason he is called "the apostle of the Irish."

The story of Patrick reminds us, in a way, of Joseph's experience in Egypt. In both cases, what kidnappers and slave masters intended for evil, God intended for good (Gen. 50:20). Today we celebrate, not only Patrick's example of faithfulness, but also the mystery and majesty of God's redemptive sovereignty. It's not unusual for people who have experienced some particular trauma in life to end up ministering to others who suffer that same trauma. St. Patrick serves as an example of how God can work all things together for good, even things which are quite evil.

### **MARCH 19 to MARCH 25**

#### **BREAD AND WINE**

- Available

#### **ALTAR CANDLES**

- Available

#### **CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE**

- The Lombardi Family

#### **CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE**

- Happy Anniversary in Heaven, Leo J. Bonacasa.  
Always in our Hearts. Love, your Family

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

## *Stewardship*

### **MARCH 12, 2023**

**Regular Collection \$14,998.00**

**Online Giving \$ 1,799.38**

#### **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

**Goal \$125,200**

**\$32,610.50 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 opens the eyes of the man born blind.

### **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



# HOLY WEEK

**PALM SUNDAY, April 2** – (Regular Sunday Mass Schedule)

**HOLY MONDAY, April 3**

**Masses:** 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 am

**Confessions:** 2:00 - 4:00 pm; 6:00 - 9:00 pm

**HOLY TUESDAY, April 4**

**Masses:** 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 am

4:00 pm – **Chrism Mass**, St. Agnes Cathedral

(Please check [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org) for TV coverage and livestream)

**HOLY WEDNESDAY, April 5**

**Masses:** 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 am

**HOLY THURSDAY, April 6**

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

8:00 pm – **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Vigil/Solemn Adoration** until 11:00 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 7**

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

12:00 noon – **Outside Stations of the Cross**

3:00 pm – **Service** (Livestream)

7:00 pm – **Service**

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 8**

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

8:00 pm – **The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

**EASTER SUNDAY, April 9**

8:00 am **Mass**

9:30 am **Mass** (Livestream)

11:00 am **Mass**

12:30 pm **Mass**

**NO 6:00 pm Mass**

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*"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."*

*- Lk 15:10*

# Reconciliation Monday

***Experience the liberating grace of the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance).***

**Monday, April 3**  
**2-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.**

**Confessions will be heard at all parishes in the  
Diocese of Rockville Centre, the Diocese of Brooklyn  
and the Archdiocese of New York.**

To find a parish near you, visit: [drvc.org](http://drvc.org).





# LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING – SPRING 2023

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors.**

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:** Part A - 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 homebound 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, April 25** - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm.  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors

**Saturday, June 3** – St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville – Lower Level; 9 am – noon.  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors\*

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

**Tuesday, May 16** - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm  
**Saturday, June 3** - St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville – Lower Level; 1:00 – 4:00 pm.\*

\*We are offering Part A and Part B on the SAME day. Those who attend Part A in the morning are welcome to bring lunch or leave for lunch and return for the 1pm Part B session. Only those pre-registered for part B will be allowed to stay for this second session.



## **MASS AND BRUNCH FOR OUR SENIOR PRIESTS AT ST. PIUS X RESIDENCE**

**MARCH 26, 2023**

**Seminary of the Immaculate Conception**

**11AM Mass**

**12 Noon Brunch**

**Seats \$150.00**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL KATHY at**

**516-678-5800 ext. 264**

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Presented to you by:

(Pending response from Prospective Presenters)

## **Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church**

125 Half Hollow Rd.  
Deer Park, NY 11729

**May 20, 2023 at 7:00 pm**

**Tickets - \$100** (Sponsor – front rows)  
**\$30** (General Admission), **\$15** (Transept seating)

For more info: Email - [pbersamin@sscmdp.org](mailto:pbersamin@sscmdp.org) or Call **631-6674044**.



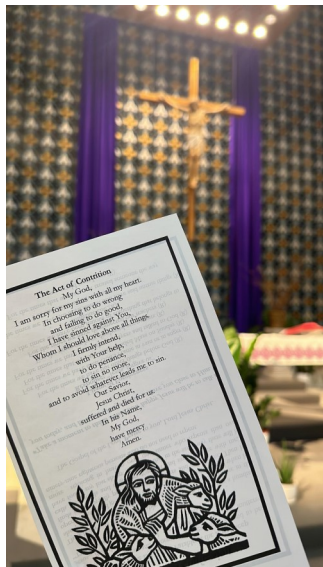
**Proceeds go to the refurbishing of the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church pews.**



# Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

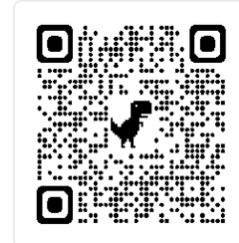
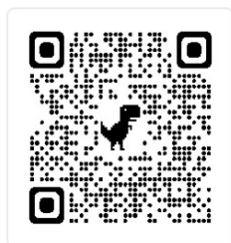
## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Our younger students were not the only ones who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation this month. Over these last few weeks, our older students in our Program also had the opportunity to make this Sacrament with their classes! After we all took time to pray together beforehand, we talked about how Lent is the Season of forgiveness, and how there is nothing that we can do that will make God love us any less. Special thanks to Father Gius, Father Grace, Father Chris, Father Paul, and Father Sang, who spent these evenings with our boys and girls!



## 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

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# Rev. Msgr. Thaddeus Rooney Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner

Thursday, JUNE 15, 2023 + Timber Point Country Club, Great River

Sponsored by MANGANO FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Honoring:

DCN. JOHN FITZPATRICK

FR. GREG CAPPUCCINO

FR. FRANCIS SANG

**\$170.00** per person  
for Golf (*Soft Spikes  
required*), Lunch,  
Green Fees, Beverage  
Cart, Dinner & Cock-  
tails

**\$75.00** Dinner only

**PRIZES INCLUDE:** Closest to Pin, Closest to Pin Sec-  
ond Shot, Longest Drive (60 and over, 70 and over,  
80 and over and 60 and under).

**SPONSORS NEEDED FOR:** Tee/Greens: \$110; Flag  
Sponsor: \$150; Driving Range: \$300; Beverage Cart:  
\$800; Golf Carts: \$900; Cocktail Hour: \$900; Dinner:  
\$900; Dessert: \$900; Barbeque: \$900

**We are in need of prizes for our raffles:**

**Gift Cards**

**or Store Gift Certificates**

**in the \$10 - \$25 range.**

**New bottles of Liquor.**

FOR MORE INFO,

PLEASE CALL:

**Sal Mangano**

(631) 586-3600,

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(631) 291-7020,

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**Dcn. Phil Mills**

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**ALL FLAG ORDERS DUE BY MAY 26**

**ALL MONEY DUE BY JUNE 6**

Please find enclosed a check payable to:

**Ss. Cyril & Methodius, c/o Dcn. Phil Mills, 125 Half Hollow Road, Deer Park 11729**

In the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of #\_\_\_\_\_ golfers.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Item sponsored: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_



# CATHOLICISM



Join Father Grace on Tuesday, **March 21st from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the Father Behan Hall.  
**Episode 1: UNTOLD BLESSING: Three Paths to Holiness** The greatest calling for each of us is to become a saint, and the journey toward holiness is full of untold blessing. Bishop Barron describes this journey in three paths: Finding the Center in Christ; Knowing You Are a Sinner; and Realizing Your Life is Not About You.

## 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.** 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

"Therefore, thus says the Lord God: See, I am laying a stone in Zion, a stone that has been tested, a precious cornerstone as a sure foundation; he who puts his faith in it shall not be shaken." Isaiah 28:16 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 **April 4, 2023 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call John Kelly at 631-586-0827.

## USHERS

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

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

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing, and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

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](http://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](mailto:sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com) or call and leave a message at 631-667-4044 ext.175

## **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

We will meet **Saturday, April 1st at 9:00am in the Senior Room**. This is our Baby Shower meeting. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

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

Our next meeting is **April 10th at 7:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Rosary Council on Long Island Ave. Any questions call Inez Schillinger, President at 631-586-2176.

**Recruitment Weekend** for new members is this weekend **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 April 1st, 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 **May 20th** 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.

## **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.





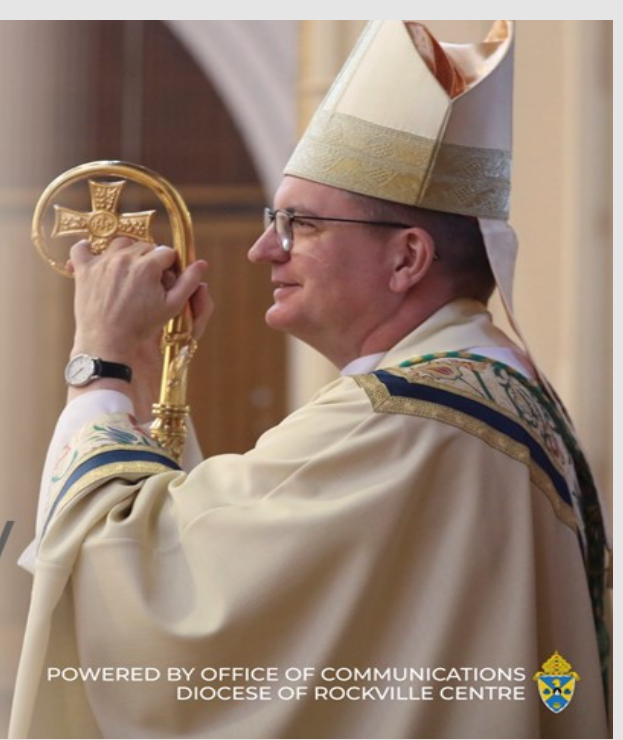
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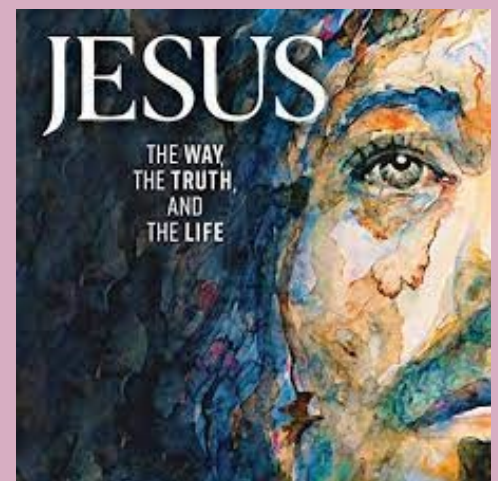


## BIBLE STUDY CLASS CONTINUES... All are welcome!

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> – 29th, 2023 in Father Behan Hall** For more information and [to register](#) please call Mary at 631-291-7020



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# ENGAGE YOUR FAITH



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# Make a Joyful Noise!

## FUTURE EVENTS

**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.



## Easter Baskets for Kids in Need



Teens of the parish will gather after the 6 pm Mass on March 26th to make Easter Baskets for children in need. Last year we were able to make over seventy baskets thanks to the generosity of the teens and parishioners who participated. If you'd like to help out this year, please place donations of baskets, candy or Easter Grass in the special containers near the exits by March 26th. If you have any questions, please call/text Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715.

## Respect Life

### Maternal Support Service:

If you are pregnant and/or in need of assistance, for yourself, your newborn baby or toddler:

Call the Respect Life Ministry @ 631-667-4044 Ext 120 and leave a message.

Know that you are not alone, and we are here for you.

### Our Lady of the Rosary Annual Columbiette Baby Shower!



Thank you all for your generosity, making our first with Respect For Life Ministry at Ss Cyril and Methodius a huge success ❤️

**\*\* Please join in the Diocesan Rosary for Life\*\***

GO TO: [WWW.DRVCLIFE.ORG](http://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**



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# 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**



*"With Him we are never alone, even at difficult moments, even when our life's journey comes up against problems and obstacles that seem insurmountable, and there are so many of them!" -Pope Francis*

**Catholic Charities Outreach Programs journey with all who come through their doors.**

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Parish Social Ministry

I know you haven't heard from me in months. I am sure many of you are aware I broke my arm in the pantry at the end of November. Tripping over a case of frozen chicken! Not very glamorous I know. I wish I could say I was away skiing or something but I do not lead a very adventurous life evidently. I am back 3 days a week for now, I hope to be back at full speed as soon as possible.

While I was gone all this time Anna L'Abbate, (who only volunteered to come on Wednesday's) stepped in and was here four days a week for months. If you see Anna please thank her. Had she not stepped in the pantry would have had to severely limit the number of people we could help.

Also, I want to mention the Mass on March 1st. It has come to my attention that some groups felt they were supposed to be invited to the Mass. The Mass was a Catholic Charities 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass of the establishment of Parish Social Ministry formerly called Outreach. It was not a Mass celebrated for all those in Ministries in the Parish. However, perhaps that is something we should think about doing in the future. I just don't want there to be any hard feelings or anyone feeling left out in any way.

Thank you as always for your generosity. Honestly this parish is so very generous to Parish Social Ministry. We cannot thank you enough for all you do.

God Bless all of you and have a wonderful week.

*Janet*

### PANTRY NEEDS:

#### FOOD

1. Ritz type crackers
2. Vegetable Oil
3. Vinegar
4. Sugar (white only)
5. Flour
6. Jello
7. Pudding
8. Mayonnaise
9. Cereal
10. Oatmeal
11. Juice
12. Coffee

13. Pasta Sauce Jar
14. Ketchup
15. Mustard
16. Salad Dressing
17. Cookies
18. Soup
19. Pasta

#### 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

**You can buy flour and sugar at the Dollar Tree for a reasonable price and the size is suitable for most of our families.**

Thank you for your generosity.



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](http://www.deerparkfd.org)



## **COFFEE with JESUS** Lenten Series via Zoom

Join Bishop Andrzej at 10am on Friday mornings during Lent:

**March 24**

To register please call Suzanne 516-744-6850  
or email [westernvicariate@drvc.org](mailto:westernvicariate@drvc.org)

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

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