

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

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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 23, 2023

God Bless to you and your family,

I hope that your summer has been restful and fulfilling. I also hope you allowed yourself to just enjoy all of the blessings you have received in your lives from God, much like the way that we enjoy the flowers of a garden when it is well cared for. There aren't any weeds unless they haven't been removed by someone who really cares about how that garden looks. My wife is that person in our house and she works painstakingly to remove all those weeds and sometimes I don't appreciate that work until she asks me to help her on one of my days off and that work shows me how something like weeds could get out of hand.

We have been hearing a lot about the planting of seed parables lately in our readings both this Sunday and last. Jesus uses parables as a way of reaching and teaching the people in a way that they will understand without too much

need for over thinking, plus they are much easier to remember and then share with others.

I would offer this scenario to you to consider. You have been given a packet of seeds for some beautiful flowers and you truly want those seeds to grow and flourish. There are simple rules for making that happen. 1. Plant them in a good soil where there is good sunlight. 2. Make sure you water them regularly. 3. Protect them from weeds that can over grow them. As a matter of fact, it is pretty hard to mess that up if you follow those 3 rules. God has given us an almost full proof plan for beautifying the world around us.

Now apply that to ourselves. God follows very similar rules when planting the seeds of faith in us. We are also called to attend to the growing of those seeds as well. 1. God has planted those seeds in all of us because He believes that we are good people, like good soil

Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1137 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Wisdom 12:13,16-19**

2nd Reading: **Romans 8:26-27**

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Seek Ye First **#658**

Ubi Caritas **#696**

In the Breaking of the Bread **#918**

City of God **#766**

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

Upcoming Liturgical Feasts

July 25 - Feast of Saint James, Apostle

July 26 - Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

July 29 - Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

July 31 - Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola

August 1 - Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori

August 4 - Memorial of Saint John Vianney

August 6 - Feast of the Transfiguration

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

Please check the Bulletin and the Parish Website.

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, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday and Saturday

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday:

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sunday - Closed

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 Center 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 will be ministered by appointment to those confined to home. Contact the Parish Center 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	July 24
7:00 AM:	For Mary Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	Anthony Bastardi
12:15 PM:	Ryan T. Horodnicki and his four organ recipients
Tuesday	July 25
7:00 AM:	For Chelsea Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM:	(Open: no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	Arthur Panebianco
Wednesday	July 26
7:00 AM:	Phillip and Mary Santoli
8:30 AM:	For Brendan Gould's intentions
12:15 PM:	Reinaldo Navarro
Thursday	July 27
7:00 AM:	Robert Malerba
8:30 AM:	Thadius and Edwin Motyka
12:15 PM:	Arthur Baumann
Friday	July 28
7:00 AM:	Sheila Malerba
8:30 AM:	Charles D'Ambra
12:15 PM:	Margie Falzarano
Saturday	July 29
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	Angelo and Anna Cotugno, Jorge Castro, Angela LoMonaco, Alfred Weston, Donald Colaianni, Vincent Chiamont
Sunday	July 30
8:00 AM	Kevin Donnelly
9:30 AM	For Our Parishioners
11:00 AM	Robert Kostuk, William Matthes, Anna Romano, Dennis P. O'Berg and For Chuen Kam Chan-Shek's intentions
12:30 AM	Mary Anna Newman
6:00 PM	Damian J. Aiello II

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday	July 29
5:00 PM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
Sunday	July 30
8:00 AM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin
9:30 AM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
11:00 AM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
12:30 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
6:00 PM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin

REST IN PEACE

Michael Joseph Castellano, Daniel Michael Bivona, Anthony F. Yacullo

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Vincent Corotan Naguit

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Margaret McCartney, Leonard Caltabiano, Connie Rigert, Stanley Urbanowski, Theresa Schaefer, Stephen Neveroski, Eugene Sheehy, Clemente Oropallo, Kevin Talbot, Jean Fortunato, Joyce Ratushny, Louis Xavier Maldonado, Kristen Mills, Tony Bufalino, Jackie Becker, Carmine Soldano, Diane Ryan, Brendan Gould, Julio Cesar Rivera, Joseph E. Torres, Parette Gisele Torres, Sydney Ann Torres, Eric, Joseph Pepe, Providence Hulsen, Lisa Hulsen, Thomas Kane, Baby Dominic, Danielle E. Shingler, Inez Schillinger, Jackie McDonald, JoAnn Oberlies, Paul Kabaservice, Helene Horodnicki, Lauren Lombardi, Maggie McLoughlin, Joseph Castellano, Eliana Vasquez, Olivia Marie, Dennis Lombardi, David Lombardi, Joseph Fay, Hilde Fenton, Vita Rose Cacace, Michael Castellano, Baby Harry, Anthony Luparello, Dolores Otten, Roseanne Pupillo, Rosa Maria Calvo, Sebastian Viera, Doreen Hulsen, Matthew DiCamillo, Mary Anne Tarquinio, Christopher Wall, Lydia Revero, Maria Garcia, Rosemarie Dorpsy, Kathleen Jacobi, Rosa Maria Calvo, Bob Lockwood, Angela Mento, Mary Morgan, Kristen Tonnesen, Vincent Ferraro

WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Staff 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, 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, Kyle Chanley US Army

FROM THE DEACON BILL

and we can grow our faith into a beautiful flower, becoming a part of this beautiful garden called the church and ultimately the Kingdom of God. 2. We water these seeds by the things that we do to feed our faith by coming to church, saying our prayers and looking to be fed by God's daily blessings. 3. We need to protect our growing faith by looking for those weeds in our lives and by pulling them out and throwing them away through confession and making the correct choices we need to make, otherwise those weeds will grow a little at first and then before you know it, you will be covered by them and everyone else will only see the weeds instead of the flower.

I believe God has more faith in us than we do and that is why He has given us such a

beautiful lesson to learn in these readings, so the next time you are driving to a store or doing an errand, I want you to look for examples of gardens to appreciate. First look for the ones that are cared for and show the beauty God intended by seeing the beautiful flowers and then try to find ones that have been neglected and overgrown with weeds and then decide which garden you would rather be a part of if you were a flower.

I pray that the remainder of your summer is a beautiful reflection of this lesson and that by the end of it, you have witnessed the most beautiful gardens, created your own to be part of and have taken that active part in caring for the seed of faith in you.

God Bless,

Deacon Bill Sperl

JULY 23 to JULY 29

BREAD AND WINE

- Available

ALTAR CANDLES - Available

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- In Thanksgiving to St. Jude.

CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

- Available

FLOWERS AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

- Available

ALTAR FLOWERS

- To our beloved sister, Cathy on your 1st Anniversary in Heaven. Love, the Salegna Family.

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

JULY 16, 2023

Regular Collection \$15,146.00

Online Giving \$ 1,097.25

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$80,478.00 Pledged

64.28% 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!

As we hear in the First Reading, there is no god other than our loving God.

OUR STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE: THREE (3) HOURS TO THE LORD

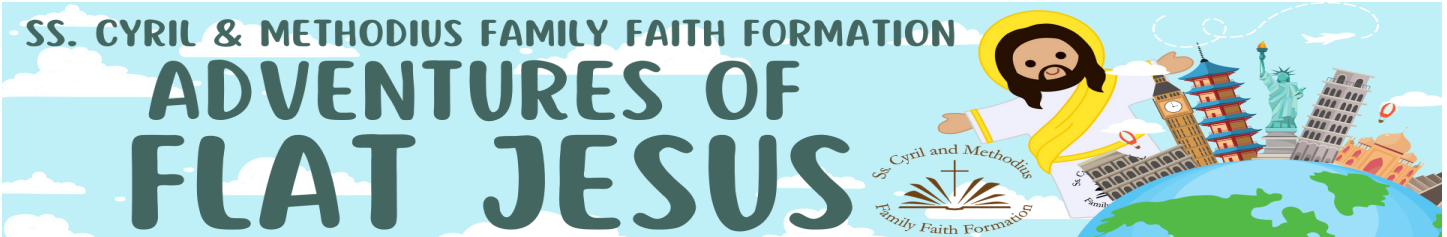
- One hour in prayer each week
- One hour in service to others each week
- One hour's wages financial support of our parish family.

VANCO
FAITH

Family Faith Formation and Religious Education

Flat Jesus is Back!

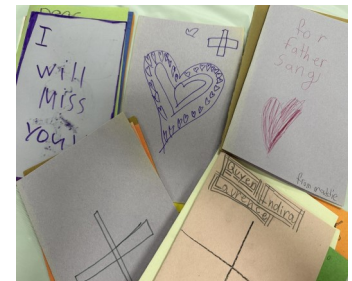
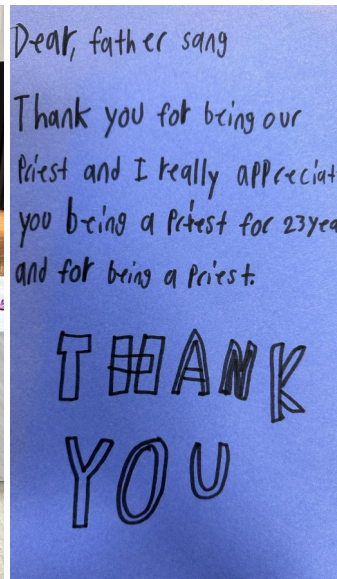
We know that everyone has summer plans, and it is our prayer that God protects our families wherever they go! Whether our families are on a road trip, at the beach, the pool, or having any other family adventures, we will be sharing all of Flat Jesus Adventures here and on our Instagram all summer long! Be sure to keep up with us here to see all of the places where Flat Jesus goes!



Farewell to Father Sang

It was a bittersweet Sunday last week, as we celebrated Father Sang's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood and his 85th Birthday, before he returned back to Vietnam permanently. Although Father Sang has been officially retired for the last few years, he has been a constant presence at daily Masses, the 4:00pm Vietnamese Sunday Masses, and at every single session of Reconciliations, Confirmation Interviews, and so many other countless events for our Family Faith Formation boys and girls. Father Sang so loves all of our children, and has done so for many years...even from when this Family Faith Director had her First Reconciliation with him twenty-three years ago. Father Sang also had another guest at his celebration who did not want for him to leave without a proper sendoff; Flat Jesus!

Back in the spring, all of our boys and girls took time in our classes to make Father Sang cards to thank him for all that he has done here at Ss. Cyril and Methodius, which we presented to him with before he left. He is a true staple of our Parish Family, and we will miss him so very much; Ss. Cyril and Methodius will truly not be the same without him.



Administration

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Office Information

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faithformation@sscmdp.org
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Facebook: SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC

Family Faith Formation & Religious Education Registration

Registration for the 2023-2024 Academic Year is officially **OPEN** as of **Thursday, June 8th!**

How to Access Registration Forms & Program Information:

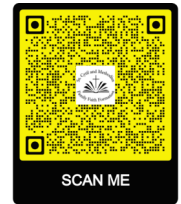
Find which category your family falls into by reading each description below

Follow the set of directions that applies for your family to access the corresponding Registration Forms via the below QR codes

Print out and mail in your Registration Form to us by **Thursday, August 31st**

Current, Active Families:

These families had their students enrolled with us in Family Faith Formation for the 2022-2023 Academic Year. For these families, please remember that **Registration will only be processed if all 10 Mass Reports from the 2022-2023 Year have been handed in and completed.** These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.



New, First-Time Students and/or Families:

New families are families with **grades 1 through 8 students** who have never been enrolled in any Faith Formation Program before. These new families require a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate and other Sacrament Information in order for our Office to process Registration for their child. If you are one of these families and would like to be put on our potential incoming students email chain, please email us. These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.



Transfer Students and/or Families:

Transfer families are families with **grades 1 through 8 students** that were not enrolled in our 2022-2023 Program, but have been enrolled in another Parish's Faith Formation Program before. These families can be: Families transferring from a Parish they received Faith Formation during 2022-2023 Families who have been enrolled with us in the past, but were not enrolled with us for the 2022-2023 Year To be placed in the appropriate, corresponding program, these families require a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, and a transfer letter from your previous Faith Formation Program with what Levels the child completed, and the Sacraments that they received. If you are one of these families and would like to be put on our potential incoming students email chain, please email us. These families can access their particular Registration Form via this QR Code.



Program Fees for the Academic Year are as follows:

Book Fees:

\$35 per one child

\$60 for two children

\$85 for three children or more

Registration Fees:

June: \$125 per family

July: \$150 per family

August: \$175 per family



Our Family Faith Formation Program is one of the largest in our Diocese, and we are happy to serve all of our hundreds of families. We all have to work together to ensure that our Office can have all materials prepared for our families in time for the start of our year. For this reason, **Registration Form links will time out on Thursday, August 31st.** Be sure to mail in your Registration Forms before this date if you would like to enroll with us for this 2023-2024 Academic Year.

THE FAMILY FESTIVAL RAFFLE

1. 3 (THREE) - **\$5000 Raffles**

in **WHITE, BLUE & YELLOW**. Tickets are **\$50 each**.

(printing sponsored by Boyd-Caratozzolo Funeral Home)

There are only 200 tickets sold per color. Odds in winning - 1 in 200



ANNUAL SSCM PARISH



2. A 65 INCH SMART TV. Raffle tickets are **\$5 each** or **5 for \$20**

3. GRAND PRIZE: APPLE IPAD. 2nd PRIZE: CHARBROIL BBQ GRILL, 3rd PRIZE: BISTRO SET and 4th PRIZE: \$100 VISA GIFT CARD. Raffle tickets are **\$5 each** or **Book of 5 for \$20**.

All winners will be picked on Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 6th, 2023.

Tickets are available at the Rectory

CATHOLICISM



Word on Fire with Father Grace will resume in September.

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

Please note, we will not gather for the months of July and August except for August 4th and then resume on September 1st. Any questions call Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

We will resume in September. 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

"And this is my prayer; that your love may increase evermore and more in every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." Philippians 1:9-11 We will not meet during July and August. We will resume on September 12th. 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.**

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.

There will be a Mass for all Ushers on Sunday, July 30th, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

GREETERS

Greeters are needed at all Masses. If you would like to greet at the Mass you attend then please call Cathie Taibi at 917-597-1559.

BLACK CATHOLICS MINISTRY

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

SENIOR CLUB

Have a great summer. Our next meeting will be on **September 5th, 2023 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

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

Hearing this Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom. This week please say a prayer for the poor and forgotten in our parish.

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.

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 are no meetings in July or August. We will resume in September. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

There are no meetings in July or August. Our next meeting will be September 11th. Enjoy your summer. 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.

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 August 5, 2023.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our next Defensive Driving Course will be in September. For more information please contact Phil Hogan at 631-667-9148.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

For more information call Diana at 845-428-2272.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets every **3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Room.** For more information call Diana at 845-428-2272.



Respect Life

Washington, D.C. – Pro-abortion politicians and pundits are dangerously spreading misinformation that the Supreme Court’s decision in *Dobbs* will prevent pregnant women from receiving necessary medical care in the event of life-threatening complications.

Dr. Christina Francis, M.D., a board-certified OB/GYN and associate scholar at Charlotte Lozier Institute, and CEO-elect of the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists (AAPLOG). responded: “My heart is breaking that women are being made to feel fearful by the misinformation that’s out there. Treating ectopic pregnancies or miscarriages or other life-threatening conditions in pregnancy is not the same thing as an abortion. **Chemical abortions, which are being heavily promoted by the abortion industry and its allies, cannot treat an ectopic pregnancy according to the FDA.** The treatments for ectopic pregnancy are not the same procedures used by induced abortions, which even Planned Parenthood **admits**. As a pro-life OB/GYN who’s practiced my entire career in hospitals that do not allow abortions, I have never been prevented from safely treating an ectopic pregnancy. “In the rare but tragic situations where a pregnancy puts the mother’s life at risk, there are **medical procedures** for compassionately separating the mother and her baby and working to save both lives. **The only intent of an abortion is to produce a dead baby.** Women deserve to be empowered by medically-accurate information.”

Dr. Tara Sander Lee., Ph.D., a Harvard-trained scientist who serves on the Biden Administration’s Health and Human Services Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Infant and Maternal Mortality, pushed back on another inaccurate statement currently making the rounds in legacy media and on social media: “**Just because someone like Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio– Cortez says that ‘people will die because of this decision’ doesn’t make it true.** The fact is that the quality of U.S. maternal mortality data is quite poor. Even the CDC recognizes that improved maternal mortality surveillance is needed. Plus, several of the states with the highest numbers of abortions don’t report their data. This creates a black hole, from which abortion advocates pull flawed statistics claiming that childbirth is more dangerous than abortion. “In Scandinavian countries with far more accurate and complete reporting on pregnancy outcomes, abortion, and childbirth, **multiple studies show that the risk of premature death from abortion is almost four times greater than that from childbirth.** Facts matter.”

Maternal Support Service:

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

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

Know that you are not alone, and we are here to walk this journey with you!

Join us on the Diocesan Rosary for Life by ZOOM

Fridays at 3:00 pm www.drvc.life (EASY LINK ON TOP OF PAGE)

LITURGY CORNER

What is Liturgy?

Liturgy is something that the whole Body of Christ celebrates together. Jesus, the one true High Priest, together with His Body, the Church in heaven and here on earth (all of us!).

While the Holy Mass is what we usually think of when we hear the word "liturgy," any public communal prayer event of the Church is liturgical. This includes the various rites the Church celebrates outside of the Holy Mass, including the Liturgy of the Hours, Baptisms and Wedding ceremonies, to name a few.

We all "do" liturgy together, with one another and with Jesus Christ present in and among us, as one body.

The crowning jewel of Catholic liturgy is the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, where Jesus becomes present to us in the Sacred Host. Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. What a glorious gift indeed!

Parish Social Ministry

I hope everyone is having a good week despite this humidity. I am sure many of our neighbors without air conditioning are suffering, please keep them in your prayers.

Please be aware that the food bins are not brought to the pantry to be shelved and distributed until Monday. Any unpackaged unsealed items such as cakes, past dated items or items purchased in bulk and then put in packaging in the home are not permitted to be distributed and must be discarded.

As always we appreciate your willingness to donate to the pantry. If you are in doubt please call 631-667-4044 ext 105 which is me or ext 106 which is the pantry.

I am always willing to try to meet you at a convenient time to arrange delivery of items you would like to donate.

If you see any grocery carts for walkers (like they use in the city) at a garage sale or on Craig's list and have the opportunity to get it at a reasonable price we can really use them. We have people who either cannot drive or cannot afford a car and insurance.

God bless,

Janet

PANTRY NEEDS:

FOOD

1. Pasta
2. Pasta sauce (24 oz. jars) (Please no cans)
3. Progresso or Campbells Chunky soups
(not the condensed add water)
4. Cookies
5. Tuna Fish

6. Ritz type crackers
7. Cereal
8. Mac and cheese
9. Chili with beans
10. Chili without beans
11. Sloppy Joe mix
(Manwich type)

NON FOOD ITEMS

1. Paper Towels
2. Tissues
3. Mens razors
4. Napkins
5. Toilet Paper
6. Soap (like zest, irish spring, dove)

If you shop in dollar tree the flour, sugar and oil are the perfect size. We have an abundance of canned vegetables.

We are in need of the following for our once a month and once every other month items

1. Ketchup
2. White Vinegar (not gallon size)
3. Jelly
4. Mayonnaise

*One Family - Journeying together in
Communion, Participation and Mission*



All gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal make a difference in the lives of those who are served by the Appeal.

Every Gift Counts!

A gift of \$50 may help pay the gas for a Meals-On-Wheels van to deliver food for a day.

A gift of \$75 from an emergency fund may help pay the electric bill for a family in need.

A gift of \$100 may help a new mom in Catholic Charities Regina Maternity Community Case Management Program.

A gift of \$250 may help subsidize a home for an adult who is developmentally disabled.

A gift of \$1,000 may help support a Seminarian's education.

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!

BLOOD DRIVE

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Sons of Italy
Constantino Brumidi Lodge
2075 Deer Park Avenue
Main Hall
Monday August 07, 2023
1:30pm – 7:30pm

Contact Linda Wienclaw at (929) 240-1722 to schedule your donation.

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.
Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

Our *Reach Out* committee of 5 has been slowly contacting our parishioners to update our records and see what needs they have. We can use more help in making these calls. See below on how to volunteer.

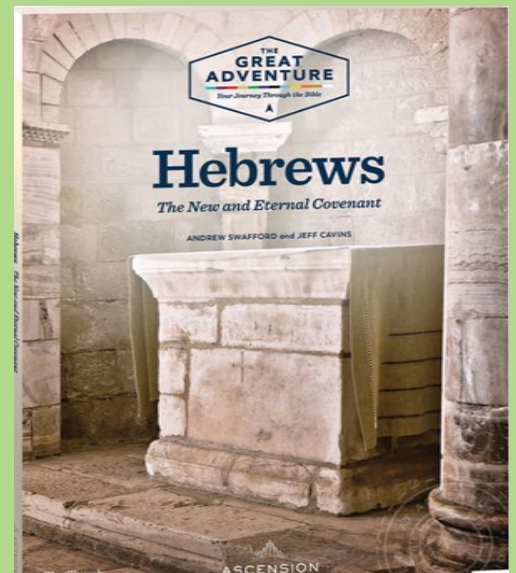
We have had requests for receiving the bulletin at home and also a friendly visit to those who can't get out. Won't you be a *neighbor* and drop off a bulletin to someone in your *neighborhood* on the way home from church.

Can you spare a bit of time to stop in and visit a *neighbor*, it would be so welcome.

Please call Kerry Brennan at 631 586 6294 to help

Bible Study Class will resume in September

Please watch for further details about
upcoming new exciting programs



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pamphlets, books and cd's available at the kiosk in the breezeway or rectory.

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there is something else that you would like,
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- CVS, Dick's Sporting Goods - **\$25**
- Home Depot, Kohl's, Lowes,
Macy's, Michael's, Olympic Diner - **\$25**
- Panera, Pet Smart, Red Lobster,
Regal Movie, Rite Aid, Shutterfly - **\$25**
- Speedway, Staples, Stop & Shop, Tanger Outlets - **\$25**
- Target, Texas Roadhouse, Walgreens - **\$25**
- Dunkin Donuts, Panera, Regal Movie, Starbucks - **\$10**

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