

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2023



**NEVER FORGET
9-11-01**

Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1158 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Ezekiel 33:7-9**

2nd Reading: **Romans 13:8-10**

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 18:15-20**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Christ, Be Our Light! **#590**

Ubi Caritas **#696**

Where Two or Three Are Gathered **#907**

God Bless America

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)

Upcoming Events

Sept 14 - Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sept 15 - Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

Sept 20 - Memorial of Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong and companions

Sept 21 - Feast of St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Sept 23 - Memorial of St Padre Pio

Sept 27 - Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

Sept 29 - Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Sept 30 - Memorial of St Jerome

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 — 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. 170
Rev. Gregory Cappuccino, *Occasional Help, (Retired)*
Deacon John F. Fitzpatrick, Ext. 124
Deacon James A. Murano, *Liturgical Music* Ext. 127

Mrs. Janet McEnany, *OFS, Social Ministry*, Ext 105
Mr. Timothy Leitch, *Youth Ministry*, Ext. 154
Deacon Philip A. Mills, Jr. *Business Manager*, Ext. 110

PARISH TRUSTEES

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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

Monday	September 11
7:00 AM:	Len Tompkins
8:30 AM:	William Gould
12:15 PM:	Diana Weire
Tuesday	September 12
7:00 AM:	For Jeffrey Kravitz's intentions
8:30 AM:	Kevin Johnston
12:15 PM:	Daniel Palumbo
Wednesday	September 13
7:00 AM:	For Matthew Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	Roger Thorley
12:15 PM:	Mary Polywoda
Thursday	September 14
7:00 AM:	Mary Sloan-Malerba
8:30 AM:	Marie Fischetti
12:15 PM:	Lucy Bivona
Friday	September 15
7:00 AM:	For Mary Babier Malerba's intentions
8:30 AM:	(Open: no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	For Anna Mancini's intentions
Saturday	September 16
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	Jose Antonio Sr., Marie Fishetti, Adam Zazzera, Tony Pintauro
Sunday	September 17
8:00 AM	Kevin Donnelly
9:30 AM	William J. Neveroski
11:00 AM	Valentino, Anthony, Angela and Anthony Jr. Manetta, Philip J. Romano, Janet Miller
12:30 AM	J. C. Deguzman
6:00 PM	John Hartz

We still have open Masses for 2023

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday	September 16
5:00 PM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
Sunday	September 17
8:00 AM:	Fr. Patrick Grace
9:30 AM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
11:00 AM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
12:30 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
6:00 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace

REST IN PEACE

John Rizzo, Charles F. Grimaldi, Frances M. Preziosi, Margaret Mary Tyson

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Banns

Jesse Mattera —
Ashley Lombardi — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Second Banns

Mateusz, Malinowski — Ss. Cyril and Methodius
Gina Marie Hock — Ss. Cyril and Methodius
Robert Palladino — St. Joseph the Worker, E. Patchogue
Victoria Morabito — St. Joseph the Worker, E. Patchogue

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Margaret McCartney, Leonard Caltabiano, 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, JoAnn Oberlies, Paul Kabaservice, Lauren Lombardi, Maggie McLoughlin, Joseph Castellano, Eliana Vasquez, Olivia Marie, Dennis Lombardi, David Lombardi, Joseph Fay, Hilde Fenton, Vita Rose Cacace, Baby Harry, Anthony Luparello, Dolores Otten, Roseanne Pupillo, Sebastian Viera, Doreen Hulsen, Matthew DiCamillo, Mary Anne Tarquinio, Christopher Wall, Lydia Revero, Maria Garcia, Rosemarie Dorspy, Kathleen Jacobi, Rosa Maria Calvo, Angela Mento, Mary Morgan, Kristen Tonnesen, Vincent Ferraro, Richard DiMaggio, Joe Battista, Lauren Cruess, JoAnn Sciacca, David Kriegsman, Angelina Duramacco, Robert Gnam, Edna Cappetta

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 PASTOR

Today's Gospel reading is taken from a chapter of Matthew's Gospel, which is sometimes called the "discourse on the Church" or the "church order" discourse. In this part of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks more directly about matters of Church discipline and order. In today's reading we find one of only three instances in which Jesus uses the word church in Matthew's Gospel. In Matthew's record of Jesus' teaching, we can hear echoes of the kinds of issues faced by the early Christian community.

In the first part of the "discourse on the Church" (Matthew 18:1-14), Matthew addresses the Christian community's concerns about rank. Jesus responds to the disciples' question about who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Jesus indicates that those who wish to enter the kingdom of heaven must be like children, and he cautions those leaders who might lead these "little ones" astray. He also responds with the parable of the lost sheep, indicating how God will seek out and bring back those "little ones" who have strayed.

In today's Gospel reading, Matthew 18:15-20, Jesus addresses a common occurrence in the Christian community: a dispute between two members of the Church. Jesus outlines a procedure for settling such matters fairly. The victim should privately address the offender and attempt to resolve the dispute without outside involvement. If that fails, then the victim should bring two or three witnesses and confront the offender again. If the dispute is still unresolved, the matter should be brought to the attention of the entire community. If the offender refuses to adhere to the reparations prescribed by the community, then Jesus suggests that the offender may be expelled from the Church.

Jesus does not discourage disagreement within the community of the Church; he acknowledges the reality of conflict and error and offers his disciples a means for addressing such matters. It is in the conclusion to this teaching that the message of hope is found: Jesus is present with the community and will guide the community in its relations. If decisions are taken in prayer, then the community can be assured of God's assistance.

SEPTEMBER 10 to SEPTEMBER 16

BREAD AND WINE

- In gratitude to Anna Mancini for all she does in the Ministry. God Bless You from Flame of Love Devotion and Love of Christ Prayer Ministries.

ALTAR CANDLES - In gratitude to Anna Mancini for all she does in the Ministry. God Bless You from Flame of Love Devotion and Love of Christ Prayer Ministries.

CANDLES AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

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CANDLES AT ST JOSEPH'S SHRINE

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FLOWERS AT BLESSED MOTHER'S SHRINE

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ALTAR FLOWERS

- Available

Stewardship

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Regular Collection \$15,006.48

Online Giving \$ 1,010.20

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$82,388.00 Pledged

65.81% 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!

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

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

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE 2023-2024

REGISTRATION FOR FORMATION YEAR 2023-2024 CONTINUES! All of our current families have been emailed their Registration Forms! If you have a child **between the school grades one through eight** and would like your family to be part of our Program for the upcoming Fall, you may now pick up a hard copy of the REGISTRATION FORM from the parish rectory office during office hours. When completed, you may mail them at 125 Half Hollow Rd, Deer Park, NY or drop them off at the Rectory Office. We look forward to journeying together with you as we assist our children appreciate and grow in their Catholic faith. We welcome you all to the **SSCM Parish Faith Formation Family!**

Be sure to fill up the Registration Form that applies to your family:

1. **Current/Active Families:** enrolled with us last academic year
2. **New First-Time Students and/or Families:** Families whose children have never enrolled their children in Faith Formation in our parish or in any other parish
3. **Transfer Students and/or Families:** families transferring from another parish; or previously enrolled with us but not enrolled last academic year.

Share your Catholic Faith.

Help form the future of our Church and our community.

JOIN US AND BECOME A CATECHIST OF SSCM.

Requirements:

1. Regularly attends Church and practices the Catholic Faith
2. Virtus Training
3. Background check
4. Attends quarterly meetings and twice a year training

Class is only 1 hour a week and runs from October to April.

We have extended the deadline for the Registration to Friday, SEPTEMBER 15th.
For questions and inquiries, please email us at faithformation@sscmdp.org

The SSCM Parish Faith Formation is **NO LONGER** connected in any way with the ff. Social Media sites and pages:

Instagram: SSCMFamilyFaithFormation
Facebook: SsCyrilandMethodiusRCC
linktr.ee: SSCMFamilyFaithFormation

We will be informing you of the new and updated sites and pages very soon!

OFFICE INFORMATION

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 am-2:30 pm

MORE ACCESSIBLE OFFICES to open SOON located by the Gym.

(631) 667-4044 extensions 146 & 147

faithformation@sscmdp.org

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 as soon as all \$50 tickets are sold.

Tickets are available at the Rectory

CATHOLICISM



WORD ON FIRE with Father Grace will resume in October.

ALTAR SERVERS

We are looking for boys and girls in 4th grade or above to become part of our Altar Server Ministry. For more information call Father Christopher Deh at 631-667-4044 ext.165.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Maintaining social distancing practices we gather weekly to recite the Novena near the statue of Mary. Make this powerful 20 minute prayer an essential and routine part of your spiritual life. Let our Blessed Lady intercede for your needs to her son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

FLAME OF LOVE DEVOTION

Will gather in the Church every **Friday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Our Mother is begging for our help! Won't you say yes? Any questions call Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

We will resume Tuesday, September 12th. 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

Meets every **Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Senior Room.** 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.

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.

SENIOR CLUB

Our next meeting will be on **October 3rd, 2023 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

BLACK CATHOLICS MINISTRY

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

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

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "... where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please ask them to reach out to St. Vincent de Paul so together we can help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them."

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.

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.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Due to poor attendance at our Saturday morning meetings we will return to our Monday night meetings. Our next meeting will be **Monday, October 2nd in the Father Behan Hall at 7:30 p.m.** Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

Rosary Rally -Please join us as we pray for peace in the world as Our Lady requested on **Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12 noon** in the north parking lot by Our Lady of Lourdes Garden. Please bring a chair. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting will be **September 11th at 7:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Rosary #4428 Council. 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 October 7, 2023.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our next 6 Hour **Defensive Driving Course** is **September 16th** in the Senior Room. 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

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.



SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS serving the community of Deer Park, NY is looking for a full-time, enthusiastic, self-motivating parish **DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION** to direct the parish's children's catechesis program.

Position Summary

The Director of Faith Formation is responsible for developing, implementing and directing parish's children's catechesis program that engage and empower members of the parish to deepen their faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. The Director supports, accompanies, equips and leads in all areas of catechesis and works in close collaboration with the parish pastor, other parish staff and parish committees.

Responsibilities

- Develop, implement and direct a comprehensive evangelization and catechetical program for children and parents of students in the faith formation program of the parish.
- Develop creative approaches for faith formation and evangelization for children, youth, and their families.
- Responsible for coordinating the sacraments (Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation) for the children in the faith formation program.
- Teach children in the faith formation programs and advise parents of the children in all areas relating to the faith formation program.
- Manage the recruitment, training, and assessment of volunteers, Catechists and other staff members involved in the implementation of the programs.
- Participate in parish staff meetings and other relevant meetings.
- Prepare and manage budgets for catechetical programs.
- Implements and oversees Thoughtful and Safe: Life Lessons program for children.
- Complete additional duties as assigned by the pastor.

Requirements:

- The candidate must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This relationship is made manifest through regular participation in the sacraments, reading of Scripture, and personal prayer.
- The candidate will be a faith filled Catholic in good standing with the Church, with a deep knowledge of the Catholic faith, capable of articulating the Gospel in a compelling manner through words and witness.
- The candidate must have a bachelor's degree, preferably in theology, pastoral studies, religious instruction or other related field.
- Have a minimum of two (2) years experience working in the field of evangelization, faith formation and/or leadership at the parish level.
- Must have knowledge in the processes of evangelization and lifelong catechesis with excellent interpersonal communication skills and excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- The candidate is to have a gift for being a dynamic speaker who can teach the faith in an understandable way to both adults and children.
- While the candidate will have administrative assistance, the candidate is to have strong skills in organization and strong computer skills with proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Teams and Zoom.
- The candidate must be able to frequently lift/move 20 pounds.

Additional Information

This position is salary based. Approximately 40 hours a week.

The candidate is to have availability to work certain nights and weekends throughout the year.

To receive a more detailed job description and/or to apply, please email a cover letter, resume, and list of references, in confidence, to:

Fr Gius F Garcia - frgius@sscmdp.org

Respect Life

As another school year is beginning, I'd like to share with you an organization that has been doing incredible pro-life work across America!

The organization is: **The Students for Life of America** Check out their website: **STUDENTSFORLIFE.ORG**

Every year this organization works tirelessly traveling to college campuses, offering peaceful conversations, and mobilizing young student leaders in the effort to save the lives of the unborn. They have been changing lives one heart at a time, and having a lasting impact. They are an impressive organization worthy of support and in need of prayers for safety in their work!

[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.drvcflife.org \(EASY LINK ON TOP OF PAGE\)](http://www.drvcflife.org)

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Music Ministry is seeking new members!

If you prefer more contemporary music:

Join the 6:00 PM Youth Mass CONTEMPORARY CHOIR!

Rehearsals: every Thursday evening in the church from 7:30 to 9:00pm, beginning September 7. The CONTEMPORARY CHOIR sings every Sunday evening at the 6:00pm Mass throughout the year. Contact our Youth Minister, Tim Leitch, if interested.

If you prefer more traditional music:

Join our Traditional ADULT CHOIR!

Rehearsals: Most Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the church, beginning September 12. (rehearsals go a bit longer as we approach the Christmas and Easter seasons). The ADULT CHOIR sings at the 11:00am Mass every Sunday from September to June. For more information, contact Deacon James.

Questions? Please leave a message for Deacon James with the receptionist at the rectory office: **631-667-4044 x100.**

The OCIA process will begin in September!

What is the OCIA? *(formerly known as the RCIA)*

OCIA stands for "ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS" and is a process by which non-Catholic adults, or Catholic adults who did not receive all the Sacraments of Initiation, learn about the Catholic faith and gradually become full members. Every year adults are welcomed into the Catholic Community through the OCIA.

Do you know someone who has not been baptized and is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church?

Any adult who has not been baptized and would like to begin the journey in preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist), should leave a message for Deacon James at the Parish Center: **631-667-4044 x100.** *This process is also for adults of other Christian faiths who have already been baptized.

Adult Catholics who never received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation:

If you are an adult Catholic who was baptized and for some reason never completed your Sacraments of Initiation, you are invited into this process to help make that happen.

Please don't hesitate to Contact Deacon James with your questions and concerns!

Check out this webpage from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops for detailed info on the process:

<https://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/who-we-teach/christian-initiation-of-adults>

Parish Social Ministry

The parish Social Ministry had a very busy month. In July we welcomed 12 new families to our family here at Social Ministry Center.

As you can imagine there is a lot of need now. We appreciate all the donations that are here without fail when we arrive on Monday morning. As always the things we are most in need of follow this information. We are still welcoming families this month as well.

In July of 2022 we provided 562 services to our families of Deer Park and North Babylon. In July of this year, we provided 972 services to our families of Deer Park and North Babylon.

Some of our families came to us through the Cancer Coalition of Long Island. Your generosity allows our Ministry to help them. Every donation in food, gift cards or checks, and cash provides our neighbors with the help they need.

We still need Spanish speaking volunteers. The volunteers at Saint Cyril and Methodius are waiting to welcome you to the family.

Janet

PANTRY NEEDS:

NON FOOD ITEMS

FOOD

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| 1. Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. jars please) | 4. Tuna Fish | 1. Paper Towels |
| 2. Soup (Progresso or Campbells Chunky type please as long as it is not the type to add water to, brand does not matter, Chicken Noodle is most popular) | 5. Crackers (ritz type, brand does not matter) | 2. Tissues |
| 3. Oatmeal | 6. Cookies | 3. Razors (men & women) |
| | 7. Canned fruit | 4. Toilet Paper |
| | 8. Jello type gelatin (not sugar free) | 5. Bar Soap |
| | | 6. Deodorant (men & women) |
| | | 7. Shaving Cream & Shower wash |

The pantry is in dire need of everything on the list. This coming week is when the families get their every other month items.

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

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| 1. Ketchup | 3. Jelly | 5. Coffee | 7. Oil | 9. Dishwashing Liquid |
| 2. White Vinegar (not gallon size) | 4. Mayonnaise | 6. Flour | 8. Sugar | |



Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish Music Ministry Presents the 2nd Season of



Make a Joyful Noise!

Parish Music Series

Join your fellow parishioners and friends from around the diocese for these exceptional musical events throughout the year!

Tentative calendar of events:

- Friday, September 29th 7:00pm – **Organ Concert by Deacon James**, Director of Music Ministries at Ss. Cyril & Methodius and Associate Musician/Cantor at St. Agnes Cathedral. Journey through centuries of organ repertoire as Deacon James performs pieces from the 1600s into the present. There may even be a surprise or two!!
- Friday, December 8th 8:00PM (*immediately following the 7pm evening Mass for the Immaculate Conception*) – **A Ceremony of Advent Lessons and Carols**, featuring our choir members, cantors and guest musicians. This is the perfect way to properly prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas!
- Friday, March 8th 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 is a striking meditation on the meaning of the cross of Christ and is an essential Lenten experience.
- May/June 2024 ??? **Date and event TBD!**



As Pope Francis pointed out, "Work is fundamental to the dignity of a person. It gives one the ability to maintain oneself, one's family, to contribute to the growth of one's own Nation."



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!



SEMINARY COMMUNION BREAKFAST – SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 The Friends of the Seminary invite you to their Annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, September 24, 2023. Mass at 10 am followed by brunch and presentation by Fr. Matthew Browne, Director, Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, Diocese of Rockville Centre. Reservations required (\$60 per guest). Information/reservations, Seminary Development Office, bmalone@icseminary.edu, (631)423-0483 x 102, www.icseminary.edu/events.

Rosary Altar Society Luncheon

Friday, October 13, 2023

Plated lunch includes appetizer, salad, entrée, dessert, soda, coffee & tea

Lunch 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



CAPTAIN BILL'S

Waterview Room, 122 Ocean Ave., Bay Shore, NY

Cost \$40 (Money due by September 30, 2023)

MAKE CHECKS OUT TO ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Please drop off checks in the Rosary Altar Society mailbox at the Rectory

For more info contact: Alba Barra at 631-274-5570 or Leslie Barra at 631-586-1663

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

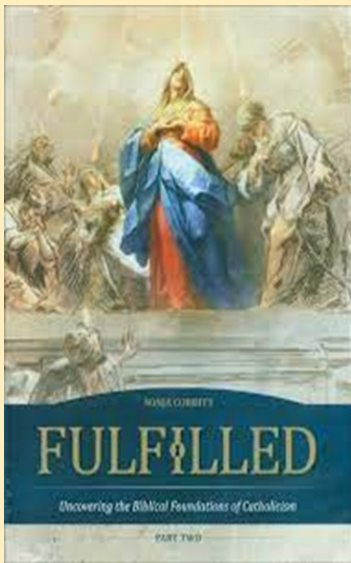
Our *Reach Out* committee of 5 has been slowly contacting our parishioners to update our records and see what needs they have. We can use more help in making these calls. See below on how to volunteer.

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 Continues.... All are welcome!



Fulfilled is a book and a two-part study exploring the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. It uncovers God's consistent design for our worship of him and his relationship with us. Learn where the blueprint for the Catholic Faith was laid out in the Old Testament and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament.

Part One Sessions:

- Session 1: Introduction
- Session 2: A Home for God
- Session 3: Keeping Time with God
- Session 4: A Kingdom of Priests
- Session 5: Sacrificial Love
- Session 6: Perfected by His Presence
- Session 7: Immersed in His Grace

Learn how the Old Testament tabernacle can be used as a blueprint for the Catholic faith and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament. Part two focuses on elements of the outer sanctuary of the tabernacle and how they connect to the Magisterium, the Eucharist, Incense, Mary and more.

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, beginning September 27, 2023 in Father Behan Hall
For more information and **to register** please call Mary at 631.291.7020

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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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