

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024

Baptism of the Lord

January 8, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

The liturgical Christmas season traditionally ends this weekend with the Feast of the Epiphany popularly known to many as the Feast of the Three Kings. The feast used to be celebrated on January 6th, the 12th day after Christmas. It was later moved to the first Sunday after January 1. The day commemorates the visit of the Three Magi from the East (traditionally referred to as Melchor, Gaspar and Balthazar) to the newly born Jesus in Bethlehem. They brought with them gifts of gold (signifying that Jesus is king), myrrh (signifying that he is savior) and frankincense (signifying that he was priest offering a fitting prayer to God).

Epiphany is a worldwide feast of the Catholic Church. One theologian described it as a festival principally solemnized in honor of the discovery of Jesus Christ made manifest to the Wise Men, who by a particular inspiration from God, came to pay homage and adore him.

There are many customs and traditions around the feast. In Italian folklore, La Befana, an old woman, brings gifts to children on the eve of the Epiphany in much the same way as Santa Claus does on Christmas Eve. In Mexico, people prepare mile long Rosca de Reyes (King's bread) with a baby Jesus figurine hidden in the bread; the one who gets the figurine is obliged to prepare tamales for everyone on the day of Candles on February 2. In Bavaria and Austria, children dress up as kings and hold up a giant star as they

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Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1011 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Isaiah 60:1-6**

2nd Reading: **Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6**

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 2:1-12**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

The First Nowell	#460
Away in a Manger	#448
We Three Kings of Orient Are	#463
As with Gladness, Men of Old	#465

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am: Family Mass - LIVESTREAM,
11:00 am, 12:30 pm
4:00 pm (Vietnamese Mass) & 6:00 pm

Weekdays: 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

Saturday: 8:30 am

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

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 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. Patrick Grace, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 166

Rev. Christopher Deh, *Associate Pastor*, Ext. 165

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

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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 January 8
 7:00 AM: For Richard P. Newcombe's intentions
 8:30 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)
 12:15 PM: Jack Puszc

Tuesday January 9
 7:00 AM: For Joseph Aiello's intentions
 8:30 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)
 12:15 PM: Arthur Baumann

Wednesday January 10
 7:00 AM: Lina Morlacci
 8:30 AM: Cormac B. Gerrity
 12:15 PM: Souls in Purgatory

Thursday January 11
 7:00 AM: Lina Morlacci
 8:30 AM: Angela Mento
 12:15 PM: Gerard Pepe

Friday January 12
 7:00 AM: For Meaghan Newcombe's intentions
 8:30 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)
 12:15 PM: For Anthony Mistretta's intentions

Saturday January 13
 8:30 AM Purgatorial Society
 5:00 PM Anthony Graziano Sr., Margaret Anna Maria Ascoli

Sunday January 14
 8:00 AM For our Parishioners
 9:30 AM Laura Kase
 11:00 AM Chuen Kam Chan- Shek
 12:30 PM (**Open**: no offered intentions)
 6:00 PM Myrtha Mathieu

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday, January 13
 5:00 PM: Fr. Christopher Deh

Sunday January 14
 8:00 AM: Fr. Paul Bersamin
 9:30 AM: Fr. Patrick Grace
 11:00 AM: Fr. Christopher Deh
 12:30 PM: Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
 6:00 PM: Fr. Gius Garcia

REST IN PEACE

Margarita Acevedo, Antonio Luciano, Anthony F. Signorelli, Dawn Karen Mayerle, Laura Kase, Diane C. Donohue

AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

January 8 - 8:30 am
 January 9 - 8:30 am
 January 12 - 8:30 am
 January 14 - 12:30 pm
 January 16 - 7:00 am, 8:30 am
 January 17 - 8:30 am
 January 18 - 7:00 am, 8:30 am
 January 21 - 9:30 am, 6:00 pm
 January 22 - 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
 January 23 - 8:30 am
 January 24 - 8:30 am
 January 25 - 7:00 am, 12:15 pm
 January 26 - 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
 January 28 - 9:30 am, 12:30 pm, 6:00 pm

Please see or call the receptionist during office hours to offer Mass intentions for family members and loved ones, living or deceased.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Kathleen Jacobi, JRV, Lucy Benivegna, Phyllis Otto, Leonard Caltabiano, Joyce Ratushny, Vickie Lynch, Kristen Tonnesen, Christopher M. Wall, Julio C. Rivera, Lydia Reveron, Joseph E. Farren, Ralph Viera, Brendan Gould

We ask that you email jloring@sscmdp.org or leave a message at X122 for the name of your sick family member.

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Kyle Chanley US Army

We will only publish 5 names at a time for 2 weeks to highlight them. We will publish their names 2x after that they will be taken down. This is to make room and accommodate more names that we could publish. Email jloring@sscmdp.org if you want a name included.



go door to door to sing in exchange for money and candies. In France, the day is marked by sharing the round and flat Gelete des Rois or King's cake with children and adults. In Spain, children place their shoes on their front door and fill these with straw or hay for the three kings' horses to eat.

Regardless of how the day is celebrated, the Solemnity of the Epiphany reminds us of the simplicity and humility with which Jesus came into this world. It also shows that God could lead us to Jesus if we would allow Him to.

In one of his homilies on the Feast of the Epiphany, Pope Francis asserted how "our lives are a continuous search to encounter the light of Jesus." He urges that "we be cunning in our defense against darkness." He points out that "The destiny

of every person is symbolized in this journey of the Magi of the East."

In Opus Ministerii

Fr. Gius Garcia



Stewardship

DECEMBER 24, 2023

Regular Collection	\$13,740.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,195.99</u>
Total	\$14,935.99

CHRISTMAS 2023

Christmas Collection \$40,894.00

DECEMBER 31, 2023

Regular Collection	\$15,854.62
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,140.72</u>
Total	\$16,995.34

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$89,794.00 Pledged 71.72% of Parish Goal

CHRISTMAS 1000 LIGHTS

1000 Lights Campaign - to date: \$16,573.00

Goal: 100,000 (- 83,427.00)

Total Collection last week: \$16,995.34

We are short of **\$4.66** to reach the weekly collection goal of **\$17,000** in order for our parish not to operate on a deficit. Collection figures in the past weeks have also shown a decrease.

We are aware of the increased cost of living that we all experience in Long Island. In fact we in the parish feel this even more as we try to maintain a very big property.

If you are able, we appeal to your generosity if you are able to increase with **\$2, \$5 or \$10** dollars your weekly donation to the Church. This would help us much. Thank you for your generous support to your Church family.

VANCO
FAITH

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY (Three Kings) - January 7, 2024

The **Wise Men (Three Kings)** from the Christmas Pageant return!!! This Sunday at the 9:30 am Mass, dressed in their kingly attire, they will be offering the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory.

CHALKING OF THE DOORS: On the Feast of the Epiphany, the family gathers to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. Marking the doorway to one's home is rooted in the Old Testament. Holy Scripture reminds us that God has at times commanded his people to mark their doors. The Israelites marked their doors with the lamb's blood on the night of the Passover (Exodus 12:7).

A traditional way of doing this is to use chalk to write above the home's entrance. It can also be written somewhere inside the home. **20 + C + M + B + 24.** The letters C, M, B have two meanings: They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: **Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.** They also abbreviate the Latin words ***Christus mansionem benedicat***, "**May Christ bless the house.**" The "+" signs represent the cross and 2024 is the year. One may say the following prayer: "*May the Lord watch over our going out and our coming in, from this time forth and forevermore. Amen.*"

"Chalking the door" is a way to celebrate and physically mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time the chalk will fade. It is a reminder to let the meaning of the written symbols sink into the depths of our heart and be manifested in our words and actions.

PEACE BE WITH THIS HOUSE AND ALL WHO LIVE HERE

20 + C + M + B + 24

CASPAR MELCHIOR BALTHASAR

CHRISTUS MANSIONEM BENEDICAT

PARISH OF SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS, DEER PARK, NEW YORK

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Calling Faith Formation Parents who would like to help us connect what our children learn in the classroom to the Sunday Mass, and host for them Church events and activities. If interested, call the Faith Formation Office and leave your name and phone number or email us at faithformation@sscmdp.org.

OFFICE INFORMATION

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

MORE ACCESSIBLE OFFICES are now open located by the Gym.

(631) 667-4044 extensions 145 & 147

faithformation@sscmdp.org



Rev. Msgr. Thaddeus Rooney Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner

Thursday, JUNE 13, 2024 + Timber Point Country Club, Great River

Sponsored by MANGANO FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Honoring:

FR. JOSEPH BAIDOO

FR BRIAN BARR

(Former Associate Pastors of the Parish)

\$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.

ALL FLAG ORDERS DUE BY MAY 26

ALL MONEY DUE BY JUNE 6

FOR MORE INFO,

PLEASE CALL:

Sal Mangano

(631) 586-3600,

Mike Conboy

(631) 539-8932,

Rosemarie Brady

(631) 681-6336,

Joe & Teri Schiano

(631) 595-1709,

Carol Tannehill

(631) 988-9906,

Dcn. Phil Mills

(631) 667-4044 X 110



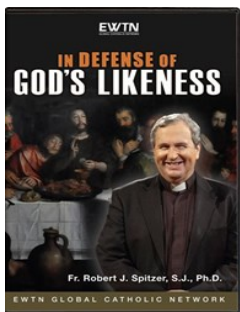
Please find enclosed a check payable to:

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 \$_____



Many try to fight against the culture of darkness, but Fr. Robert Spitzer's solid strategy for creating a culture of life succeeds. In *Defense of God's Likeness* details a hierarchy of rights, the four levels of happiness, the proper resolution of rights conflicts, proof-positive evidence of the human soul, and much more.

Join Father Grace on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Father Behan Hall

BLACK CATHOLICS MINISTRY

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

ALTAR SERVERS

We are looking for boys and girls in 3rd 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

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 not meet in January. We will return **February 20, 2024.** Any questions call Lucille at 631-586-2438.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every **Wednesday from 1:00pm to 6:30pm in the Church Crying Room.** Any questions call Carol Matos at 1-813-323-8602.

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.

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

Today is the Epiphany of the Lord (aka Little Christmas). We celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please place your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so comfort and peace can be given to our neighbors in need.

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, please email us at sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com or call and leave a message at 631-667-4044 ext. 175. You will receive a call back from one of our volunteers using a blocked number. Please answer the phone so we are able to assist you if we can.

If you would like to donate clothing, the bins in the north side parking lot of the church are for clothing only. To donate furniture, please call 631-858-0380 or visit www.svdpli.org for additional information.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

We will not meet in January or February. Our next meeting will be **Monday, March 4th in the Fr. Behan Hall at 7:30 p.m.** Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting will be **January 8th 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 February 3, 2024.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our next 6 Hour **Defensive Driving Course** is **January 13th** in the Fr. 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.

SENIOR CLUB

No meetings in January and February. Any questions call Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

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

The Respect Life Ministry would like to wish you and your family a Joyous and Wonderful New Year!

Our **Walking with Moms Ministry** is rapidly growing. To date we have assisted approximately 24 families with young children and/or expectant babies. This would not have been possible without all of the lovely contributions of baby necessities from our parishioners.

Please continue to support our Walking with Moms ministry with the donations of:

Diapers (sizes 2-6), Wipes, Warm Baby Clothing NB-4T, Receiving Blankets & toiletries etc.

(Call the number below if any questions)

Additionally, if your New Years Resolution is to Get Involved and Volunteer a little time ... Please call me at
631-667-4044 Ext. 120

Volunteers are very much needed—Any time Monday thru Thursday between 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Bi-Lingual Volunteers also very much needed)

Call and ask me any questions—I look forward to hearing from you.

Please visit our Pro-Life Material rack in the back foyer of the Church. (The Deer Park Ave Exit)

Here you will find many valuable resources for all of life's stages from Conception to End of Life and everything in between. Call if any questions and we will refer you to the proper resources.

Meets every Sunday After the 6:00 pm Mass

We will meet on January 7, 14, 21, 28 & February 4, 18, 25. No meeting February 11th.

Meeting point at the Breezeway before proceeding to the Parish Youth Center at the second floor of the SSCM Pastoral Center.

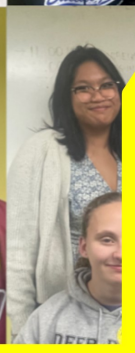
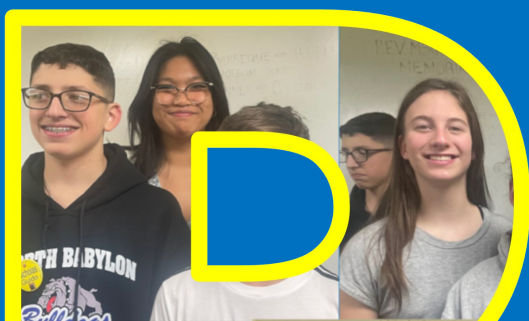
FAITH + FRIENDSHIP + FUN + SERVICE

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact: Tim Leitch

631-6674044

timleitch@aol.com



FOR YOUR GENEROSITY *Thank you*



Anthony Graziano
& Zully Colon-Papa
Joan & Bill Neuner
Lorraine Staufenberg
Maria Mattson
Grace Zontini
Ron Fedorowicz
Rosalie Downey
The Gallagher
Florence Parisi
Anthony & Jacqueline
Suarato
Rosalie Olszewski
Kevin McCann
Susan & Carmine Soldano
John Nga
Caroline DelPiano & Family
Rev. Gergory J. Cappuccino
Julio Amaya Jr.
Flavia Caiola
Nancy & Gerard Lanni
Bernadatte Waters
Vincent J. Castagana
Kit & Lorraine Covington
Nanna & Grandpa Mabanta
JoAnn Signorelli
Kimberly & Family
Charlotte Werkmeister
Mrs & Mrs Burnett
Alba Barra
James Ninivaggi &
Evelyn Hathaw
Kathleen Hoschler
Mr & Mrs. William Regalbuto
Lordes Retoria-Dauz
Jane & John McMahon
Carol Matos
LoReveron
Maria Barcenaz & Family

Carmen L. Jimenez
Jennifer Brillantes
Mary Ann Catanzaro
The McCarthy Family
Michael Mercurio
Johanna E. Pomerence
John Fischetti
Mary Lou Grieb
Diane Lange
Raymond Lombardi
Joseph Pavone
Foley Family
Jerry D. Jean-Pierre
Monica & John Wawrzynski
Patricia Cangro
The Massimillo Family
James & Eileen Prezorski
Doris Klem
Diane Inman
Lenore Roth
Leonard Visciano
Gerard A. Wright
Mario Marques
John Kelly
Jennifer Brillantes
Horodnicki Family
The Boody Family
George Hinchman
Stanley Urbanowski
Litterini Family
Robin Ann Gerbino
Perez Family
Carol Matos
Julie & Tom Richardson
Donna Ventruella
The Thielemann Family
Piccininni
Hovanec Family
ABIT of Floral Park

Paul Coonelly
Janet Hart
Gloria Family
George & Jennifer
Cordero
Theresa Vieta
Margaret Hroch
Susan & Philip Hogan
Jean Cardlin
Patricia Patasenko
Keith & Kathy Rooney
Lange Family
Annette & Al Arena
Linda Bisiani
The Lazarte Family
Ronald Carey
Harold Forstell
Cecelia & Patrick Block
& Family
Tammy Loring
Bette, Laura & Dave Stahl
Pat Moffett
Carol Caroll
Mr & Mrs. Cecil Chau
Edward Fanning
Herminie Tavares
Frank & Noah Gusmerotti
Regina O'Connell
& John Scrivani
Love of Christ Prayer Group
Laurance Taylor
Leslie Barra
Zanchelli Family
Mildred Vasquez
Amelia Dragotta
Cathy Roman
Helen & Paul Kabaservice
Cecilieta Gorospe
Marie Muenkel

Donald Mallon
Barbara Gould & Family
Jean Kirschenheiter
Grace
Anna L'Abbate
Rose Guerin
Jean Puszc
Stephen Walsh & Family
Rosina Mazzola
June Harris & Family
Peter & Annmarie
Eileen Mallon
Nancy Foley
Rose C Caporaso
Susan, John & Paul
John Burke
Albano Family
Hickham Family
The Spy Family
Nicholas Morales
Lucille Sciabarrasi
Anthony Graziano &
Zully Colon-Papa
Mark Spindler
Anthony Napoleon &
Family
Keith & Eileen Cochran
Kathleen Fuchs
Domenica Thorley
Hermosura Family
The Connolly Family
Robert & Victoria Ruvio
The Roth Family
Michael & Robin Vespa
Robert McElroy
C & A Cross
Angela Baker & Family



NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH

All types make a strong blood supply

BLOOD DRIVE

K of C #4428 - Our Lady of the Rosary

759 Long Island Avenue Deer Park

Main Hall

Thursday January 11, 2024

1:45pm –7:45pm



Each Donor will receive a Voucher for 2 tickets to a 2024 Islanders Home Game

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Mask requirements may change depending on CDC guidelines. Visit nybc.org/coronavirus for complete COVID-19 safety protocols.

 **New York
Blood Center**

800.933.BLOOD • nybc.org     [#nybloodcenter](https://twitter.com/nybloodcenter)

Parish Social Ministry

We are in need of some big-ticket items. It never hurts to ask if anyone has the means to help.

We need another commercial refrigerator. Now that we have 128 families it is hard to turn down perishables because we do not have enough refrigerators to accommodate the donations. We are also in need of a commercial freezer.

We have had the opportunity to receive meats and frozen vegetables from Long Island Cares we could actually order more if we had more freezer space.

We just received 150 dozen eggs from Long Island Cares so now we do not have enough space for milk that is so needed.

We also have the opportunity to receive 25 to 50 cases of shelf stable food from Island Harvest, unfortunately we do not have enough wheeled stainless-steel shelves for them.

Any help is so appreciated.

We have been given multiple grocery carts (the type city dwellers use) for our walkers so that is not a need right now.

Speaking of grocery carts, if anyone has a connection at a supermarket, we are in need of a supermarket grocery cart that we can use to bring groceries to client's cars.

Thank you for all you do and God Bless you!

Janet

PANTRY NEEDS:

FOOD

1. Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. jars please)
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)
3. Pasta or Spaghetti
4. Cookies

5. Sodium free canned lentils
6. Sodium free canned lentils
7. Sodium free lentil soup
8. Diabetic & Gluten free products (not pasta we have some right now)
9. Shelf stable juice (Lidl has the best price on Apple Juice)

NON FOOD ITEMS

1. Paper Towels
2. Tissues
3. Dishwashing liquid
4. Toilet Paper
5. Bar Soap
6. Deodorant (men & women)
7. Shaving Cream
8. 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 are in need of the following for our once a month and once every other month items

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|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|
| 1. Ketchup | 4. Jelly | 7. Coffee | 10. Dishwashing Liquid |
| 2. White Vinegar (not gallon size) | 5. Mayonnaise | 8. Flour | 11. Sugar |
| 3. Oil | 6. Salt | 9. Tea | |

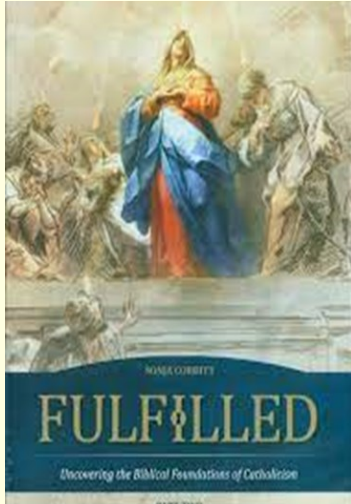
WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

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 Coming in January! All are welcome!

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