

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

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

**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of EASTER**

**April 21, 2024**

*Celebrating*

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Harry & Lorraine Lipps - 62 years  
Tim & Helene Horodnicki - 62 years  
Francis & Teresa Voegler - 58 years  
Thomas & Mary Cagnard - 58 years  
Edward & Kathleen Hoschler - 58 years  
Edward & Sylvia Roth - 54 years  
Kit & Lorraine Covington - 52 years  
Charlie & Nancy LaBella - 52 years  
Richard & Margaret Baum - 52 years  
Ray & Libby Hoban - 51 years  
John & Josephine Facilla - 50 years  
Dominick & Ann Pisanta - 50 years  
Maryann & Michael Rich - 40 years  
William & Lyn Martinetti - 40 years  
Hilario & Jeanette Aybar - 37 years  
Charles & Wendy Walsh - 35 years



**Readings and Songs this Sunday**

**No. 1071 in the Blue Gather Hymnal**

1st Reading: **Acts 4:8-12**

2nd Reading: **1 John 3:1-2**

Gospel Reading: **John 10:11-18**

**LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:**

I Know That My Redeemer Lives **#527**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is **#712**

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart **#940**

This Is the Feast of Victory **#520**

**(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)**



Let us join together in praying for our children in Faith Formation who will be receiving the **Holy Eucharist** for the first time and also those receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation** towards the end of this month and in May.

(Images depicting Confirmation and Eucharist are two of the stained glass windows in the transepts of our Church.)

## 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:** (Confessionals)

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. 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

Ms. Carol Tannehill, *Rel Ed Coordinator*, Ext. 145

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

Tom Richardson

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 April 22

- 7:00 AM: For Joyce and Danny Ratushny's intentions  
8:30 AM: Rev. Msgr. Francis X. Gaeta  
12:15 PM: Anthony Todaro

### Tuesday April 23

- 7:00 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)  
8:30 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)  
12:15 PM: Gerardo Gaceta

### Wednesday April 24

- 7:00 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)  
8:30 AM: Chuen Kam Chan-Shek  
12:15 PM: Remedios Dolauta

### Thursday April 25

- 7:00 AM: Bart Campagna  
8:30 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)  
12:15 PM: Ada Plumitallo

### Friday April 26

- 7:00 AM: (**Open**: no offered intentions)  
8:30 AM: Gloria Penafiel  
12:15 PM: Richard Colapinto

### Saturday April 27

- 8:30 AM Purgatorial Society  
5:00 PM Gennaro Girardi, Anthony Rubino

### Sunday April 28

- 8:00 AM Angelo and Ethel Benvenuto  
9:30 AM Maria and Pasquale Nappo  
11:00 AM Chuen Kam Chan Shek, Vincent Ferraro, Jim Montallana, Gerardo Lourdes Gaceta, Dr. Ricardo Ledesma, Antonieta Coronel  
12:30 AM Arthur Pichardo  
6:00 PM Damian Aiello II

## PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

### Saturday, April 27

- 5:00 PM: Fr. Gius Garcia

### Sunday, April 28

- 8:00 AM: Fr. Christopher Deh  
9:30 AM: Fr. Paul Bersamin  
11:00 AM: Fr. Patrick Grace  
12:30 PM: Fr. Gregory Cappuccino  
6:00 PM: Fr. Patrick Grace

## REST IN PEACE

Angelo Lanzilotta, James P. Kerrigan

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING DEACONS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

David Vallone, Albert C. Vigliotta, Fred Finter, John Mc Gauvran

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Banns

Eric Heissenbuttel — Ss. Cyril and Methodius  
Patricia Kelly — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Robert Edward Connor V, Angelo Christopher Lombardi, Adrianna Marie Lack, Niko Gene Tharpe, Nino Robert Tharpe

## AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

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|------------|------------------|
| April 23 - | 7:00 am, 8:30 am |
| April 24 - | 7:00 am          |
| April 25 - | 8:30 am          |
| April 26 - | 7:00 am          |
| April 29 - | 7:00 am          |
| April 30 - | 7:00 am, 8:30 am |
| May 2 -    | 7:00 am          |

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

Leonard Caltabiano, Joyce Ratushny, Kristen Tonnesen, Brendan Gould, Olivia Marie, Baby Marina Grace, Donald Martino, Baby Ryan Thomas Racioppo, Crystal LaCalamita, Maureen Booth, Loretta Gleeson, Ken Mannale, Grace Rapuano, Providence Henry, Catherine O'Neill, Nancy Lanni, Donna Daly, Marie Muenkel, Allen Kirsch, Edward Muldowney, Owen Chapman, Marc Baboff, Carmine Lagattuta, Marguerite Dawson, Kathleen Jacobi, JRV

We ask that you email [jloring@sscmdp.org](mailto:jloring@sscmdp.org) or leave a message at X122 with 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](mailto:jloring@sscmdp.org) if you want a name included.

## FROM THE PASTOR

Chris & Denise Piccininni - 32 years  
 Rich & Maureen Donoghue - 30 years  
 Nik & Alaina Vezzi - 25 years  
 Rutherford & Gina Flores - 25 years

More names of couples will be published in next week's bulletin.

Daniel & Maritess Fajardo - 25 years  
 Patrick & Christina Bietsy - 20 years  
 Vincent & Lauren Sinacori - 15 years  
 Nicholas & Lorelei De Gregorio - 5 years



### Stewardship

APRIL 14, 2024

Regular Collection	\$19,257.50
Online Giving	\$ 927.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,184.71</b>

#### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

Goal \$125,200

\$49,766.00 Pledged 39.75% of Parish Goal

**VANCO**  
FAITH

#### PARISH FINANCIAL CONDITION

This week we are up **+ \$3,184.71**

We are still running a deficit of:

Year to date: **(- \$4,404.38)**

Please consider whatever way you can to support upcoming fundraisers:

**Msgr. Ted Rooney GOLF OUTING in June**  
**Family Festival in August**



We praise you, O God,  
 we bless you, Creator of all things,  
 who in the beginning made man and woman  
 that they might form a communion of life and  
 love.

We also give you thanks  
 for graciously blessing our family life  
 so that it might present an image  
 of Christ's union with the Church.

Therefore, look with kindness upon us today,  
 and as you have sustained our communion  
 amid joys and struggles,  
 renew our Marriage covenant each day,  
 increase our charity,  
 and strengthen in us the bond of peace,  
 so that we may for ever enjoy your blessing.



# 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)



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

### SPONSORS NEEDED FOR:

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| 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 need 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,  
**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

**\$170.00** per golfer  
(Soft Spikes required),  
Lunch, Green Fees,  
Beverage Cart, Dinner  
& Cocktails  
**\$75.00** Dinner only

- 12:00 PM Lunch and Registration
- 2:00 PM Shotgun Start
- 6:30 PM Cocktail Hour at SSCM
- 7:30 PM Dinner, coffee, tea and dessert

**ALL FLAG ORDERS DUE BY MAY 16 ALL MONEY DUE BY JUNE 6**

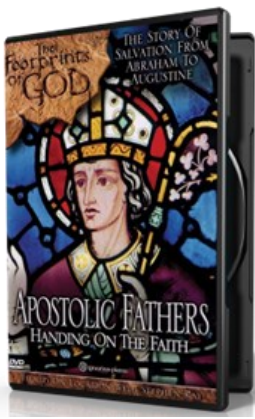
Please find enclosed a check payable to:

**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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## **THE STORY OF SALVATION FROM ABRAHAM TO AUGUSTINE**

Strap on your sandals and step back in time to discover the  
**APOSTOLIC FATHERS HANDING ON THE FAITH**

Stephen Ray, best-selling author and popular Bible teacher, takes you on an exiting journey to the Roman Empire and the world of the first Christians. You'll sit at the feet of the apostles, celebrate the Eucharist in hiding, and tremble at the suffering they endured for Jesus Christ.

**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.** Any questions call Lucille at 631-586-2438.

### **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.

### **SS CYRIL AND METHODIUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Our next 6 Hour Defensive Driving Course is May 18th 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.

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

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on how Jesus laid down His life for us, His sheep. But even in death Jesus did not abandon us. He is still with us (His sheep) as our good shepherd, leading us to where we need to be. Therefore, let us follow our good shepherd (Jesus) wherever He leads us.

Is there a family or someone you know who may need assistance in addressing rent, utilities or other crucial bill arrears, or needs assistance with furniture or clothing, please have them email us at [sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com](mailto: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 on 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](http://www.svdpli.org) for additional information.

## **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

Our next meeting will be **Monday, May 6th in the Church at 7:30 p.m.** for the Living Rosary, May Crowning and election of the new board. Any questions call Alba Barra at 631-274-5570.

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

Our next meeting will be **May 13th 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 May 4, 2024.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

## **SENIOR CLUB**

Our next meeting will be on **May 14, 2024 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Please join us as we will be planning our June Picnic. Any questions call Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

## **CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

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



## **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.

# LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

## SPRING 2024

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training in Spanish and English for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance with a letter from their pastor.

**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. A Lector Workshop is available for both new and experienced lectors.

### Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

#### Training in SPANISH:

- **Lector Workshop:** Sat., April 20 – Our Lady of Loretto / Hempstead – Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 – 1:00 pm
- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part A:**  
Sat., April 27 - Our Lady of Loretto/ Hempstead – Divine Mercy Chapel 9:00 – 1:00 pm

#### Training in ENGLISH:

- **Lector Workshop and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A:**  
**Tuesday, April 16** - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm  
**Sat., April 27** – Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall; 9 am – 12:00  
**Tuesday, May 21** – St. Christopher/Baldwin – McGoldrick Hall; 7 pm – 10 pm  
You may register for EITHER Lector OR Extraordinary Minister training at each session.  
Doors open 30 minutes before the training start time.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Part B** – presented in conjunction with Catholic Health  
**Sat., April 27\*** – Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall; 1 – 4 pm  
**Tuesday, May 14** - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm  
**Tuesday, June 4** - St. Christopher/Baldwin – McGoldrick Hall; 7 pm – 10 pm

\*On **April 27**, 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 1 pm Part B session. Please indicate if you are doing BOTH on your registration letter from your pastor. This will be in English only.

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions relating to the Spanish training, call Ingrid Oliva at 516-678-5800, ext. 560. For questions regarding the English training, call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.



**This year our Paschal Candle is donated  
by Steve and Kerry Brennan**

**in memory of**

**Rev. Msgr.**

**Frank X. Gaeta**



# **FAMILY FESTIVAL OF FUN**

**Thu, Aug 15: 6 - 10 pm**

**Fri, Aug 16: 6 - 10 pm**

**Sat, Aug 17: 5 - 10 pm**

**Sun, Aug 18: 2 - 8 pm**

**ENJOY THE RIDES,  
GAMES, FOOD & RAFFLES**



# Respect Life

## **SSCM Maternal Support Services/Walking with Mom's Ministry**

Thanks to the generosity of so many of our parishioners our "Moms ministry" has been able to assist well over 30 young families with much needed necessities for their newborn and toddler children.

If you find yourself in need of assistance for your newborn, toddler, or expectant baby; Please call the Respect Life Ministry @ 631-**667-4044 Ext 120** and leave a voice message. We are here to help and will get back to you and help in any way that we can!



Facing a difficult pregnancy?

Say "Yes" with

# FIAT

*Let it be done*

# Pregnancy Support



## Hope is here.

If you or someone you know needs assistance with an unexpected or difficult pregnancy, help is available:

**Call 631-476-LOVE (5683) any day, any time (24/7).**

*All conversations are safe and confidential.*

The Diocese of Rockville Centre

# **GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

## Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who celebrated Fifty Years of marriage in 2024 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

**Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.**

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre  
Celebrant: Most Reverend Andrzej Zglejszewski

**Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 16, 2024**



Meets every Sunday After the 6:00 pm Mass  
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  
timeitch@aol.com



# A FAITH & FUN JOURNEY TO

## 12 Days With Fr. Gius Garcia ROME - ASSISI - SICILY

### OCTOBER 13 - 24, 2024

# Italy

#### OCTOBER 13 (Sun) NEW YORK – ROME, Italy

Take the flight to Rome.

TEXT or CALL +1 (516) 262-1324

EMAIL: [frgius@sscmdp.org](mailto:frgius@sscmdp.org)

#### OCTOBER 14 (Mon) ROME

Arrive Rome. Rest of the day is free at leisure. Dinner and stay at Starhotels Michaelangelo (4\*) or similar in Rome.

#### OCTOBER 15 (Tue) ROME

Enjoy a full-day guided tour to the major basilicas: St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. John in the Lateran, Scala Santa, Saint Mary Majors, St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican. Shop for religious articles at the Vatican area. Don't forget to throw three coins in the Trevi Fountain -- so that you can come back to the eternal city of Rome! Dinner and stay at hotel in Rome.

#### OCTOBER 16 (Wed) ROME – ASSISI - ROME

Enjoy a guided walking tour of mystical Assisi: St. Mary of the Angels with its Porciuncula and Rose Garden, Basilica of St. Francis and Basilica of St. Clare. Return to Rome for dinner and stay at hotel.

#### OCTOBER 17 (Thu) ROME – CATANIA – GIARDINI NAXOS, Sicily

Take the flight from Rome to Catania in Sicily. Visit Catania, Sicily's second largest city at the foot of Mt. Etna. Take a walk around the Piazza del Duomo to see the emblem of Catania: The Fontana dell' Elefante. Visit Duomo Di Catania, the Cathedral dedicated to the patron saint of the city, Saint Agatha. Dinner and stay at UNAHOTELS Naxos Beach Sicilia (4\*) or similar.

#### OCTOBER 18 (Fri) TAORMINA – GIARDINI NAXOS, Sicily

Visit Taormina nicknamed "the Pearl of Sicily" and tour its Greek Theater. Admire the beautiful view on the Etna and the sea from Piazza IX Aprile. Climb the 300 steps leading to the Madonna della Rocca Church to enjoy a bird's-eye view of the surroundings. Dinner and stay at hotel in Giardini Naxos.

#### OCTOBER 19 (Sat) GIARDINI NAXOS – MT. ETNA – RAGUSA

Visit Sicily's majestic Mt. Etna, the sacred mountain of legend and myth. Etna is the tallest active volcano in Europe, visible also from the moon. Take the cable and a jeep excursion to the upper regions, which are covered with snow for four months of the year. Dinner and stay at San Giorgio Palace Hotel (4\*) or similar in Ragusa.

#### OCTOBER 20 (Sun) RAGUSA - MODICA – NOTO – RAGUSA

Discover palaces, churches and cathedrals in the Baroque towns of Ragusa, Modica and Noto, all listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Stroll through the historic centers and enjoy it! (Tip: With an ice cream, it's even better). Dinner and stay at hotel in Ragusa.

#### OCTOBER 21 (Mon) RAGUSA - PIAZZAARMERINA – RAGUSA

Another of Sicily's most famous tourist attractions lies in Piazza Armerina. Some of the world's best preserved mosaics can be seen at the famous Villa Romana del Casale. Built in the middle of the fourth century AD as a hunting lodge by a Roman patrician, here you can see some of the most extensive Roman mosaics. The villa is one of the most luxurious of its kind. It is especially noteworthy for the richness and quality of the mosaics which decorate almost every room; they are the finest mosaics in situ anywhere in the Roman world. The site is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Dinner and stay at hotel in Ragusa.

#### OCTOBER 22 (Tue) RAGUSA – ENNA – CEFALU - PALERMO

Located in the heart of Sicily, visit Enna, nicknamed "the navel of Sicily". The region of Enna is the only one without access to the sea. However, it has the most lakes, including Lake Pergusa, the only natural lake of the island. Perched on a promontory over 900 meters above sea level, Enna has retained its typical charm and offers points of interest: Lombardy castle, which offers an unobstructed view of Etna from the top of its main tower, its Duomo and historic center and Lake Pergusa, with a racing circuit on its shore. Leave for the small fishing town of Cefalu with its colorful boats moored at the pier. Admire the panorama from the old port and pier and stroll through its narrow streets full of shops and restaurants. Visit the Cefalù Norman Cathedral, the most important building of the city. Finally, climb to the top of La Rocca di Cefalù, the cliff that overlooks the town and offers spectacular views. Dinner and stay at Politeama Palace Hotel (4\*) or similar in Palermo.

#### OCTOBER 23 (WED) PALERMO – MONREALE - PALERMO

While in Palermo, visit the Palermo Cathedral, Norman Palace, Massimo Theatre and Ballaro Market. Not far from Palermo, see one of the most visited places in Sicily: Monreale Cathedral and its thousands of square meters of golden mosaics where 2200 kg of pure gold was used to make them! Dinner and stay at hotel in Palermo.

#### OCTOBER 24 (Thu) PALERMO – NEW YORK

Take your return flight back to New York. HOME SWEET HOME!!!

**EXTENDED DEADLINE: June 25, 2024**

# Parish Social Ministry

Spring has sprung at least we hope so! It is very busy over here at Parish Social Ministry.

Last month we welcomed 10 new families to our client list. Due to the wonderful parishioners here, we were able to give them not only food but also help them with references to other resources.

We still need Spanish speaking volunteers. We are also looking for a volunteer who can come and be with us on Thursdays.

Please read what we need in the area following this that lets you know what the pantry needs. If everyone picks one or two items to donate it becomes a matter of us getting what is needed without just a few people donating. We certainly never expect anyone to get everything on the list. We have many parishioners so with so many people and one or two items from the list it would be doable to keep the pantry going.

It is important to donate what we have on the list as this is what we need the most. We don't ever want to discourage the donation of any items. However, once again bread if donated early and is put in the bin other heavy things get put on top and then becomes unusable. We are still receiving things that have been opened and used and given the remainder. This we cannot give to anyone. Also, anything without the nutritional label, expired or homemade cannot be given. We realize everyone's heart is in the right place but as a food pantry there are rules issued by the federal and state governments that have to be followed to allow us to continue serving people in Deer Park and North Babylon as well as those who come to us from the Cancer Coalition. We appreciate your help.

*Janet*

## PANTRY NEEDS:

### FOOD

1. Rice
2. Ritz Type Crackers
3. Pasta Sauce (we have none)
4. Cookies
5. Pasta

6. Canned Tuna Fish
7. Canned Chicken
8. Shelf stable juice (Lidl has the best price on Apple Juice)
9. Sloppy Joe Mix (Manwich type in a can)

### NON FOOD ITEMS

1. Paper Towels
2. Body Wash
3. Women's deodorant
4. Shave cream
5. Men's deodorant
6. Shampoo
7. Conditioner
8. Bar Soap
9. Dish Detergent

**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

- |                                    |               |           |                    |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1. Ketchup                         | 4. Jelly      | 7. Coffee | 10. Mustard        |
| 2. White Vinegar (not gallon size) | 5. Mayonnaise | 8. Flour  | 11. Sugar          |
| 3. Oil                             | 6. Salt       | 9. Tea    | 12: Salad dressing |

## 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

## FOR SALE

SSCM 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
t-shirts available for  
purchase at the Parish  
Office. \$5



## 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.

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Stop & Shop, Texas Roadhouse - \$50

Barnes & Noble - \$25

Home Depot, Kohl's, Lowes, Macy's - \$25

Panera, Red Lobster, Shutterfly - \$25

Staples, Stop & Shop - \$25

Texas Roadhouse, Walgreens - \$25

Dunkin Donuts, Panera, Starbucks, Target - \$10

## REUSABLE BAG SALE



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# BINGO

**EVERY THURSDAY - Fr Behan Hall  
DOOR OPENS 6:00 PM**