ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF

SS. CYRIL& METHODIUS



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

7th SUNDAY of EASTER

Mother's Day

May 12, 2024

Mother's Day is a wonderful opportunity to highlight the beautiful vocation of mother-hood and the gift of human life. It calls us to cherish the gift of life that we receive from our mothers and to pray for all women to whom God has entrusted life in a very special way. As we pray in thanksgiving for the gift of mothers, we remember mothers experiencing difficult pregnancies and pray they may find support and encouragement in choosing life for their children.

While Mother's Day is not a liturgical or Catholic observance, many parishes still use this holiday to honor and pray for mothers. The month of May has traditionally been dedicated to Mary, Mother of Jesus. Mother's Day provides an opportunity to pray for mothers while honoring and seeking the intercession of Our Blessed Mother. It is a fitting day to ask God's special blessing on all mothers.

In our efforts to celebrate the vocation of motherhood, it is also important to remember that Mother's Day can be a difficult holiday for many people: married couples struggling with infertility; parents who have lost a child; those who have lost their own mothers; couples longing to welcome a child through adoption; and women and men who are suffering because of their participation in abortion. As one community, we remember them in prayer.

A SIMPLE GIFT FROM THE PARISH WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL MOTHERS WHO COME TO CHURCH THIS WEEKEND.

At the 9:30 am Family Mass this Sunday, the kids who recently received communion for the first time will gather in their communion attire to do the ceremonial crowning of the Blessed Mother, who is Mother to Jesus and to us all. Reception follows at the Gazebo generously hosted by the Holy Rosary Society.

Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1081 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: Acts 1:15-17,20a,20c-26

2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16 Gospel Reading: John 17:11b-19

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus #949
God Has Chosen Me #761
Bread of Life, Cup of Blessing #947
City of God #766
(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: (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.

<u>PASTORAL STAFF</u>: (631) 667-4044

Rev. Gius Garcia, Pastor, Ext. 121

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

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

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Mr. Timothy Leitch, Youth Ministry, Ext. 154

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Baptism & Wedding Coordinator

Ms. Allison Taibi, Ext. 111,

Bookkeeper

MASS INTENTIONS

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Presiders for Next Week's Masses

Saturday,	May 18	
5:00 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace	
Sunday,	May 19	
8:00 AM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin	
9:30 AM:	Fr. Christopher Deh	
11:00 AM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino	
12:30 PM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin	
6:00 PM:	Fr. Patrick Grace - 3 -	-

REST IN PEACE

Luzviminda M. DeLosReyes, Daniel M.Agababian Janese Guiliano, Thomas Whelan

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Banns

William (Matt) Groh — Ss. Cyril and Methodius Stephanie Gebert —Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Peter Demarco - St. John the Evangelist, Hopkinton, Ma Courtney Brown - Ss. Cyril and Methodius

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Violet Skye Breckles, Nina Jane Hickam, Alyssa Izidor, Zurya Sanchez

MEMORIALS MAY 12 to MAY 18

BREAD AND WINE -

for my Maid-of-Honor, Annette O'Rourke, in celebration of her 95th birthday. Love, Anna, John and Luisa

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, Owen Chapman, Marc Baboff, Carmine Lagattuta, Marguerite Dawson, Kathleen Jacobi, Bill Luce, Estelle Breckles, Tony Kennedy, Rosemarie Dorsty, Allison Arbeiter

We ask that you email 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

Luis Xzavier Maldonaldo Army National Guard

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.

CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDI May 7, 2024 3:30 pm Ceremony Sophia "Fatima" Abrego Alvarez

"Dymphna" Jennecia **Alguera** Nathalye "Philomena" **Alvarado** Pablo "Teresa" **Andrade** Belliard Angeley "Michael" Kendra "Rosa" **Buleje Zuta** Angel "Gabriel" Buri Cindi "Padre Pio" Buri "Philomena" Melissa Cannet Christian "Sebastian" Chauca "Padre Pio" Shelby Cordero "Anthony" Crispo Lorenzo Luciano "Joseph" Crispo Joseph "Francis" **DeFilippis** Giovanna "Maria" George "Thomas" John Paul Grande Daniel "John" Hernandez Thomas "James" lovine Megan "Barbara" Limbauan "Cecilia" Ashley Louis Italia "Catherine" Lulu-Abad Esmeralda "Robert" **Melgar Avalos** Piero "Francis" **Montes** Aubry "Cecilia" **Morales** Kaitlyn "Catherine" Mosquera Ryan "Romanus" Olsen Suleiky "Sebastian" **Oropeza** Ava "Gemma" Ortlieb Olivia "Elena" **Paduano** "Francis" **Pasqualicchio** Francesco "Lucy" Romero Zayle Jennifer "Anthony" Ruiz **Shine** Mary "Cecilia" Emma "Lucia" Sullivan Vincent "Thomas" **Tesoriero** Melissa "Cecilia" Vasquez

5:30 pm Ceremony

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Lauren	"Peter"	Alfaro	
Tyler	"Nicholas"	Balcan	
Jackson	"Francis"	Bianco	
Jack	"Christopher"	Breslin	
Matteo	"Anthony"	Castelli	
Siena	"Francis"	Cotto	
Ava	"Teresa "	Cullen	
Tyler	"Sebastian"	Dawson	
Giovanni	"Donald"	DiCaro	
Skylar	"Christina"	Esposito	
Kaida	"Cecilia"	Fico	
Sofia	"Catherine"	Flores	
Gavin	"Francis"	Galati	
lan	"Sebastian"	Golden	
Gianna	"Cecilia"	Gratia	
Giovanni	"Cyril"	Grotta	
Nicholas	"Joseph"	Guido	
Greg	"Michael"	lm leaviu	
Ronnie	"Honore"	Horner	
Isabella	"Nicole"	Ingenito	
Michael	"Francis"	Isaac	
Lauren	"Elizabeth"	ludica	
Rylan	"Quintin"	Keating	
Anthony	"Michael"	Kern	
Matthew	"John Paul"	Kuhn	
Joseph	"Charles"	LaBella	
Peter	"Sebastian"	Lamberta	
Nicholas	"Francis"	Luppy	
Cooper	"Patrick"	Lynch	
Michael	"Nicholas"	Mazur	
Brendan	"Gerard"	McLaughlin	
George	"Joseph"	Montes	
Marcus	"Anthony"	Nazaire	
Nicholas	"Nicholas"	Petruzzelli	
Alyssa	"Cecilia"	Raymond	
Matteo	"Michael"	Salina	
Christopher	"Alexander"	Stoltz	
Sarah	"Sarah"	Tineo	
Ethan	"Patrick"	Tirado	
Alexis	"Victoria"	Tullock	



"Cecilia"

"Joseph"

Alison

Leonardo

VANCO

Velasquez Valladares

Villarreal

PARISH FINANCIAL CONDITION

MAY 5, 2024

 Regular Collection
 \$15,694.72

 Online Giving
 \$ 918.85

 Total
 \$16,613.57

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

Goal \$125,200 \$56,178.00 Pledged 44.87% of Parish Goal This week we are down - \$386.43

We are still running a deficit of:

Year to date: (- \$8,496.39)

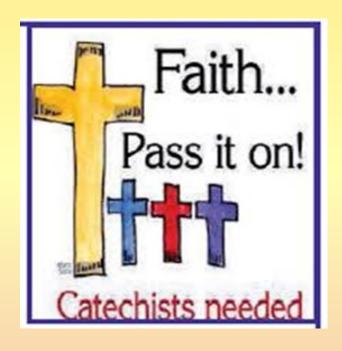
Please consider whatever way you can to support upcoming fundraisers:

Msgr. Ted Rooney GOLF OUTING in June FAMILY FESTIVAL in August



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION is underway for next year (SY 2024~2025). If you did not receive a Registration Form, please contact the office and we will send you one. EARLY BIRD RATES in effect until JUNE.

faithformation@sscmdp.org (631) 667~4044 exts. 145 & 147



Catechists and hall monitors needed!! Please contact the office to volunteer. The benefits are out of this world!!!



DARK HISTORY OF EARTH

How the Universe Works: Season 10, Episode 4

Earth's history is marked by one cosmic disaster after another, forging the path of human evolution; now, experts explore how the Earth has teetered on the verge of destruction. Not catastrophic, not mystery, not luck but Divine Providence.

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 <u>your</u> 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 May18th 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"

Happy Mother's Day! As we celebrate our dear Mothers today, we also celebrate the feast of the Ascension and we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples . . . and now through us, Jesus' present day disciples.

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 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 for additional information.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be **Monday, June 3rd in the Church at 7:30 p.m**. for the Installation of the new board of officers for 2024-2026. 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 June 1, 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.

Rev. Msgr. Thaddeus Rooney Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner

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

Sponsored by MANGANO FUNERAL HOME, INC.



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

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:

Tee/Greens: \$110 Driving Range: \$300 Golf Carts: \$900

Barbeque: \$900

Dinner: \$900

Flag Sponsor: \$150 Beverage Cart: \$800 Cocktail Hour: \$900

Dessert: \$900

12:00 PM Lunch and Registration2:00 PM Shotgun Start6:30 PM Cocktail Hour at SSCM7:30 PM Dinner, coffee, tea and dessert

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

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	v Road, Deer Park 11729
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	In the amount of \$	to cover the cost of #	golfers.	
Names:				
Item sponsored:	-	Amount \$		

MEMORIAL DAY (May 27)

As we honor US Military personnel who died while serving and defending our country, we also use this opportunity to remember people in the parish who have passed from November 2023 to April 2024. A special remembrance is dedicated for them on Sunday, May 26th at the 12:30 Mass. We invite all family and friends of the names listed below to help us honor and celebrate them

Elizabeth Marino

Filippina Valenti

Joseph A. Delora

Rose Ann Pupillo

Henry Basile Romani

Chuen Kam Chan Shek

Grant Herbster

Anthony Grosso Jr.

Angela Mento

Carlos Calvo

Marie R. Medy

Vito Arena

Antonetta (Ann)

Colàngelo

Thomas E. Bartsch Sr.

Bessie Gruner

George Giannandrea

Anthony Benevento

December 2023

Augustino Traina

Rosemary Ruffino

Jennifer Jones

Margarita Acevedo

Antonio Luciano

Dawn Karen Mayelle

Anthony F. Signorelli

Diane C. Donohue

Laura Kase

January 2024

Lisa Young

Alberto C. Sanelli

Michael Donovan

Eric James Guerin

John J. Thompson

Thomas B. Pesa

Martha Hedwig Watkins

Paul Gimeli

Frank Mondiello

Arthur A. Pichardo

Madeline Ladouceur

Laurie Anne Lugo

Dolores Gulino

Marion V.

La Rochester-Belford

Joseph Troiano

Theresa Jacobs

Richard Citano

Charles Russell

Anna Russell

February 2024

Jean Pizzirusso

Theresa M. Connelly

Richard Citrano Jr.

Velma C. Jones

MaryAnne R. Lorello

Margaret M. Falese

Margherita Tudisco

February 2024

Jeanette Waterman

Lucy Benivegna

Robert S. Mayfield

JoAnn Ruggiero

Ann Wallace

Rose Gloria Marrazzo

Elizabeth Keller

Angelena Falcone

March 2024

John McKeon

Joseph Tyson

Michael Hayes

Suzanne Engrassia

Joseph Bitetto

Lois Biscardi

Margaret E. Duffy

MaryAnn Mahon

William T. DaCosta

Camille C. Jamieson

Louis LaDonna

Marcella E. Balestrieri

Marie LaDonna

Denise Brindle

Christina McGee

Louis P. Caroleo

Rosalie Dolores Alu

Margaret Papowitz

Concetta Spignolo

April 2024

Vincent A. Ferraro

Joan Roland Pintro

Angelo Lanzilotta

James P. Kerrigan

Patrick Jude Dockery

Maureen P. Marino

John Michael Gippi

Joseph Viglione

Edward F. Muldowney

Robert Marino

Bertha A. Banta

Dolores Rigert

Catherine Papa

Ann T. Barcia

John J. Winans

George M. Cipriano

Paolo La Porta

Alan Brower

Respect Life

SSCM Maternal Support/Walking with Mom's Ministry

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH A HAPPY & BLESSED MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL OUR MOM'S & MOM'S TO BE!

If you or someone you know needs assistance for a newborn, toddler, or expectant baby.

Call the Respect Life Ministry @ 631-667-4044 Ext 120

<u>Currently</u>, to sustain the help we are providing to our Young Mom's we are in need of the following items:

Baby Shampoo/Wash, Baby Wipes &

New or Gently used Spring/Summer Boy Clothing

Especially ~ 0-3 & 24 months, 3T, 6-7, 8, and 10-12 sizes. Items can be dropped off at Social Ministry Mon-Thurs. 10-3 or call and leave a message and we will come to pick up the items from you! Thank you in advance for your continued support!!

Rosary for Life: Every Friday at 3:00pm

Go to the <u>WWW.DRVCLIFE.ORG</u> website for the zoom link. This is a beautiful way to put your faith <u>into</u> action, by way of the Rosary.

2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
A P P E A L
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Revitalizing our Faith — Renewed by the Eucharist





Happy Mother's Day! As we join together to celebrate the wonderful Moms in our lives, let's also take time to remember and pray for all the thousands of Moms who worry about how they are going to put food on the table for their children this week.

No gift is too small and all gifts make a difference in the lives of others! For more information visit catholicministriesappeal.org or call 516-678-5800- ext. 296 Thank You!

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Please make checks pay	able to Catholic Ministries App	eal.
Parish		Total Pledge: \$
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City, State, Zip:		
Phone:	Signature:	Date:





Contact: Tim Leitch
631-6674044
timleitch@aol.com



A FAITH & FUN JOURNEY TO

OCTOBER 13 - 24, 2024

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

TEXT or CALL +1 (516) 262-1324 EMAIL: frgius@sscmdp.org

Take the flight to Rome. 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.

ROME - ASSISI - ROME OCTOBER 16 (Wed)

OCTOBER 13 (Sun) NEW YORK - ROME, Italy

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.

RAGUSA - PIAZZAARMERINA - RAGUSA OCTOBER 21 (Mon)

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

As always we want to thank everyone that donates to the food pantry every week. We have a record number of families in need of our help. We are in the process of recertifying the families as well as signing up new families. So it is pretty busy over here.

We still need Spanish speaking volunteers as well as a volunteer or two on Thursdays. Please call if you have some time to spare, we would love to meet you!

In two weeks we will be providing the necessary basic needs of living items. We are in particular need of paper napkins, paper towels and dishwashing detergent. If every parishioner just purchased one of the items to donate we would be stocked enough to take care of the needs of the families for the month of May.

Last month we provided food to 677people and another 667 basic needs of living items for a grand total of 1354. As you can see we do a lot over here.

As always we always invite you to come and see what we do over here.

Have a Blessed week.

FOOD

- 1. Ritz Type Crackers
- 2. Pasta Sauce (no cans please)
- 3. Cookies
- 4. Pasta
- 5. Canned Tuna Fish
- 6. Canned Chicken

PANTRY NEEDS:

- 7. Shelf stable juice (Lidl has the least expensive)
- 8. Sloppy Joe Mix

(Manwich type in a can)

- 9. Sugar free Jello
- 10. Sugar free Pudding
- 11. Jello
- 12. Pudding

NON FOOD ITEMS

Janet

- 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

It is important to donate what we have on the list as this is what we need 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

2. White Vinegar (not gallon size)

4. Jelly

7. Coffee

10. Mustard

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 50th 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.

An easy way when giving gifts to your family and friends, while SUPPORTING your parish!





Texas Roadhouse - \$100
Stop & Shop, Texas Roadhouse, VISA - \$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, Amazon, Target - \$10

