ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF

Ss. Cyril. METHODIUS



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4th SUNDAY OF LENT

March 30, 2025

The parable Jesus tells in today's Gospel is unique to the Gospel of Luke. Jesus has been teaching the crowds as he journeys to Jerusalem. As he teaches, the Pharisees and scribes complain and challenge Jesus because he is welcoming sinners at his table. Today we hear the third of three parables that Jesus tells in response to his critics. These three familiar parables—the lost sheep, the lost coin, and today's parable of the prodigal son—invite us to consider the depth of God's mercy and love.

The Pharisees taught a scrupulous observance of Jewish Law. In their interpretation and practice, observant Jews who shared table fellowship with sinners would be made unclean. Like Jesus, the Pharisees hoped to lead sinners back to God. The Pharisees, however, required that sinners first become ritually clean—observant of the Pharisees' interpretation of Jewish Law—before sharing

table fellowship. This appears to be one of the major differences between the Pharisees and Jesus. Jesus reaches out to sinners while they are still sinners, inviting them to conversion through fellowship with him. Jesus is God acting among us; by befriending us, he is inviting us to return to friendship with God. Through friendship with Jesus, our sins are forgiven and we, in turn, bear fruit for God. Recall last Sunday's Gospel and the barren fig tree.

Our familiarity with today's parable risks dulling us to its tremendously powerful message. We call this the parable of the lost son or the prodigal son. Any focus on the younger son, however, must also be balanced by an examination of the unusual behavior of the father.

First we must imagine our first response to the audacity of a son who asks for his inheritance before his father has died. Indignation would certainly be a justifiable response to such a re-

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Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1027 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Joshua 5:9a,10-12**2nd Reading: **2 Corinthians 5:17-21**Gospel Reading: **Luke 15:1-3,11-32**

LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:

The Time of Fulfillment
Amazing Grace #645
We Remember #681
Hosea #484
(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: 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 - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Other hours by appointment only. Cell#631-275-7116, Fax#631-392-1070 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. 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 Coordinmator, 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 Anna L'Abbate



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	March 31
8:30 AM:	For JoAnn Signorelli's intentions
12:15 PM:	Frank Mulligan
Tuesday	April 1
8:30 AM:	Anthony and Fannie Messina
12:15 PM:	Christopher Papa
Wednesday	April 2
8:30 AM:	Teresa Allers
12:15 PM:	Anne McCormick
Thursday	April 3
8:30 AM:	Rosary Altar Society
12:15 PM:	Aniello Balzano
Friday	April 4
8:30 AM:	Frank DiMaio
12:15 PM:	Marcolina Rodriquez
Saturday	April 5
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM:	Christina and Giovanni Andriola, Delores Kelly
Sunday	April 6
8:00 AM	Ismael R. Cacnio Sr.
9:30 AM	(Open: no offered intentions)
11:00 AM	William O'Dell, Mary Ciccarelli, Angelina Castellano, Thomas Fitzgerald, Chuen Kam Chan Shek
12:30 PM	For Our Parishioners
6:00 PM	Dorothy Mallon

Presiders	FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES
Saturday,	April 5
5:00 PM:	
Sunday	April 6
8:00 AM:	
9:30 AM:	PRESIDERS SCHEDULE
11:00 AM:	NOT AVAILABLE
12:30 PM:	AT THIS TIME
6:00 PM:	

REST IN PEACE

Frances Feminella, John F. Miller, Grace E. Sanzone, Pompea Guglielmi

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Banns

Joseph Burlandi — Ss. Cyril and Methodius Cristina Merendino —Ss. Cyril and Methodius

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Mia Noelle Joseph

AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

April 6-		9:30 am
April 8-		8:30 am
April 11-		8:30 am
April 14-		8:30 am & 12:15pm
April 15-		12:15pm
April 16-		12:15pm
April 21-		12:15pm
April 22-		8:30 am
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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

Joyce Ratushny, Kristen Tonnesen, Brendan Gould, Olivia Marie, Baby Marina Grace, Donald Martino, Baby Ryan Crystal LaCalamita, Catherine O'Neill, Owen Chapman, Donna Lagattuta, Bill Luce, Connie Rigert, Phil Hogan, David Kriegsman, Kathy Boggia, John Morgan, Mike Rodriguez, Kathleen Jacobi, Rick Bodt, Penny Dowd, Mike (Repel) Muller Jr., Grayson Danielski, Anna Rose Regan, Christa Erario Janina Wiczynski, Josephine Marino Perry, Joseph DeSena, Lisa Hulsen, Ramone Antonio Delgado, Mark Bonito, Jerrilyn Bressari, Kyle Chanley, Bernard Arnella, Lois McLoughlin, Carol Avitable Miller, Carl Zajac, Madeline Palladino, Patricia Goldstein, Carol Schoeneich, Billy Davi, Tom Welch

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Luis Xzavier Maldonaldo Army National Guard Corporal Louis Muniz US Marines Isaiah Adams US Air Force Airman Sgt. William Bozzello US Marines Corporal Joseph Kirsch, US Marines Lance Corporal Allen Kirsch, US Marines

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.

FROM THE PASTOR

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quest. Yet the father in this parable agrees to honor the son's request and divides his property among his two sons. How might we describe such a father? Foolish comes to mind, but so does trusting. Without property of his own, the father must rely upon his sons to provide for his well-being.

The younger son takes his inheritance and leaves home. The older son remains, continuing to provide for the father and the household. Having been disgraced by the younger son, the father spends some time watching the road for the return of the lost son. When he eventually sees his wayward son returning, the father not only welcomes him but also runs out to greet him and then honors him with a party. We say that this father is loving and forgiving. Yet these adjectives only begin to describe the depth of love and

mercy that characterize the father.

We find no surprise in the anger of the older son. Yet the father appears sad and even confused by the older son's indignation. He says in reply that they should celebrate because the lost son had returned. The father is filled with gratitude and love for the older son's faithfulness. This love is in no way diminished by the father's rejoicing at the return of the younger son. Yet the older son's jealousy reveals his limited understanding of the depth of his father's love.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus. Through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Christ has reconciled us with God and one another.



MARCH 23, 2025

Regular Collection \$16,588.60

Online Giving <u>\$ 1,111.86</u>

Total \$17,700.46

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$39,877.50 Pledged 31.85% of Parish Goal

This week we are up \$200.46 to reach the weekly collection goal of \$17,500 in order for our parish not to operate on a deficit.

We are still running a deficit of:

Year to date: (-\$5,408.95)

Thank you for your generous support to your Church family.



MEMORIALS

Altar Candles and Candles at Our Lady's Shrine and St. Joseph's Shrine Offering \$25; Bread & Wine \$50 Flowers at Blessed Mother and St. Joseph's Shrine \$50; Altar Flowers \$50 per Vase \$100 for both.

MARCH 30 to APRIL 5

BREAD & WINE -

In loving memory of Terry Anne

HOLY WEEK

APRIL 13-20, 2025

PALM SUNDAY, April 13 – (Regular Sunday Mass Schedule)

HOLY MONDAY, April 14

Masses: 8:30 am, 12:15 am

Confessions: 2:00 - 4:00 pm; 6:00 - 9:00 pm

HOLY TUESDAY, April 15

Masses: 8:30 am, 12:15 am

4:00 pm – Chrism Mass, St. Agnes Cathedral

(Please check www.drvc.org for TV coverage and livestream)

HOLY WEDNESDAY, April 16

Masses: 8:30 am, 12:15 am

HOLY THURSDAY, April 17

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

8:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Vigil/Solemn Adoration until 11:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

12:00 noon – Outside Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm – **Service** (Livestream)

7:00 pm - Service

HOLY SATURDAY, April 19

8:30 am – **Morning Prayer** (Livestream)

8:00 pm – The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20

8:00 am **Mass**

9:30 am **Mass** (Livestream)

11:00 am **Mass**

12:30 pm **Mass**

NO 6:00 pm Mass



LIVE STREAM

We continue to look for more volunteers "8th graders and above". Highschool and College students may consider volunteering to gain experience and to complete Service hours. You will be taught how to do it. If you are interested, please contact Peter Mercado at peter_mercado@yahoo.com or call the Parish front desk and provide us with your name and phone number.

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY

If interested in joining together in fellowship and prayer, 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.

THE LOVE OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Meets every **Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Senior Room.** All are welcome to attend our weekly prayer meeting. Any questions call Lucille at 631-586-2438.

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 April 5, 2025.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

SENIOR CLUB

Our next meeting will be on **April 1, 2025 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Any questions call Debbie Vickovich at 631-520-4455.

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"

In today's Gospel the prodigal son repents and finds mercy in the heart of his father. Know that your penance during Lent can give the poor the grace of finding the merciful heart of God the Father.

Is there a family or someone you know who may need assistance in addressing rent, utilities or other crucial bill arrears, or 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. Thank you.

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 http://www.svdpli.org.

CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY - SSCM ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

We will meet in the **Church on April 7, 2025 at 7:30 pm** for Stations of the Cross followed by personnel reflection. **NO MEETING** Any questions call Rose Guerin at 631-806-6578.

SSCM Rosary Altar Society invites you to an afternoon of prayer and reflection on Monday, April 28th after the 12:15pm Mass. We will meet in the Senior Room after Mass for prayer, reflection and fellowship. Fr. Gregory Cappuccino will be speaking on The Sacred Heart of Jesus. All are welcome.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting will be **April 14, 2025.** If you would like to become a member please call Geri Cavanaugh, President at 973-479-4234.

Discover Faith, Friendship, and Service with the Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes! Calling all Catholic women, 18 and over! We are actively seeking new members to join Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes. Experience the joy of serving our community through charitable works, deepen your faith, and build lasting friendships with like-minded women. If you're looking for a way to make a difference and connect with a supportive sisterhood, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact Inez Schillinger at 631-374-5906 or Geri Cavanaugh at 973-479-4234 for more information.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We meet on the 1st Thursday of the month. Please call Grand Knight Brian Breckles at 631-667-8542 if interested in becoming a member.

FIRST RESPONDER/HEALTH CARE WORKER MINISTRY

Any active/retired first responders or health care workers are invited to attend our newly established ministry. The meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **May 13th at 7pm in the Senior Room**. The mission of this ministry will be to assist the parish as well as to foster collaboration among organizations in the Deer Park and North Babylon communities. For more information please call Tom Richardson at 631-831-6234 or via email at richartj1959@gmail.com.



ADORATION

OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday from

1:00pm to 6:30pm in the Crying Room.

- 7 - Any questions call Carol Matos at 1-813-323-8602.



Registration Forms for 2025/2026 were sent home with the youngest student in the family. If you are registering a new student, please make sure you include a copy of their Baptismal Certificate.

If you did not receive one, please contact the office.

The classes are as follows:

Monday: 4:30pm Grades 3, 4, 5, 6

5:45pm Grades 3,4,5,6

Tuesday: 4:30pm Grades 3,4,5,6

5:45pm Grades 3,4,5,6

7:00pm Grades 7&8

Wednesday: 4:30pm Grades 1 & 2

5:45pm Grades 1 & 2

7:00pm Grades 7&8

Catechists are needed for all grade levels. If you are interested in sharing your faith with the children of the parish, please call the office: 631-667-4044 X145 and ask for Carol or Mary.

Easter Baskets for Kids in Need

Teens of the parish will gather after the 6 pm Mass on April 6th to make Easter Baskets for children in need.

Last year we were able to make over seventy baskets

thanks to the generosity of the teens and parishioners who participated. If you'd like to help out this year, please place donations of baskets, toys, candy or Easter Grass in the special containers near the exits by April 6th.

If you have any questions, please call/text Tim Leitch at 631-806-4715.

Ash Wednesday is February 14 and is the beginning of the Season of Lent. We encourage our children to follow the 3 disciplines of Lent: PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING. We have lined up more intense prayer activities for our children throughout the season and are preparing for a Special Children's Station of the Cross (details coming soon). And for all Sundays of Lent, we encourage our children to participate in a Lenten practice of Giving Up (fasting) and Giving (almsgiving) in a campaign we call:

KIDShelping KIDS

Each week during Lent we are asking our children to bring an item to be donated to Parish Outreach. The kids already do this and yet we want families not just to bring random items but specific items that kids have for meals and snacks and share them with those in the community who have less or none. Each week we ask our children to bring a specific item(s) to make a difference to another child in need in our own neighborhood. We ask parents to take time to explain to them the value of giving up and sacrifice and also of becoming aware of those who are less fortunate and what they can do to help.

(3/9) WEEK 1: Peanut Butter & Jelly (3/30) WEEK 4: Pancake Mix

(3/16) WEEK 2: Juice box (4/6) WEEK 5: Your favorite Snack

(3/23) WEEK 3: Syrup (4/13) WEEK 6: Easter basket treats

Please put your donations in the basket in the sanctuary at the beginning of the 9:30am Family Mass.







To learn more, visit: drvc.org/return25



Lent 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is no coincidence that the global inauguration of our 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope occurred on the Solemnity of the Holy Family. The Jubilee Year of Hope in this 2025 Lenten season runs through the family and fidelity to the splendors of the liberating and objective truths of Christ and the Catholic Church on Marriage and the Family.

Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving lead individual family members to Christ's light of conversion and repentance. Conversion and repentance, in turn, open families to a family spirit and daily chemistry animated by the Holy Spirit. Family patterns ensnared in the ruts of sin become family patterns transformed by the grooves of grace, humility, charity and the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Jubilee Year of Hope runs through every family experiencing Christ's Cross: grief, tragedy, crisis, tension, alienation and transition.

Pope Francis emphasized: "All of us have received the gift and task of bringing hope wherever hope has been lost, lives broken, promises unkept, dreams shattered and hearts overwhelmed by adversity. We are called to bring hope to the weary who have no strength to carry on, the lonely oppressed by the bitterness of failure, and all those who are broken-hearted. To bring hope to the interminable, dreary days of prisoners, to the cold and dismal lodging of the poor, and to all those places descrated by war and violence. To bring hope there, to sow hope there."

The Holy Family was a refugee family and they are deeply present today to every struggling refugee family in the world to rekindle their hope. The Lenten season of the Jubilee Year of Hope reminds us that while all families are imperfect and have their problems and challenges, all families are called to grow together in holiness and a missionary spirit.

And so we heed the powerful words of St. Paul as they apply to our daily family life: "Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another...Let the peace of Christ control your hearts...Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly." (Colossians 3:12-17)

Our Lady invites us to have a pondering heart as we contemplate God's providential design in the past, present and future of our families, especially as we begin this Lenten season in the Jubilee Year of Hope. In unity with the Holy Family, our own families are called to transform the world and history with Christ's love and the mission of mercy of the Church which He Himself founded.

In the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope, the Church presents us with the canonizations of soon-to-be Saint Carlo Acutis (1991-2006) and Saint Piergiorgio Frassati (1900-1924). As children, teenagers and young adults, they helped Christ transform their own families with their faith and their holiness as they helped Christ transform the Church and the world to this day. Together, they are asking every young Catholic to do the same in their time, in their place and in their own family.

The 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope is a time for us and our extended families to cast the nets of Eucharistic charity throughout Long Island, understanding that the Eucharist is a "Fountain of Charity" -- a Fountain of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, a Fountain of the Gospel of Life and a Fountain of every dimension of Catholic Social Justice teaching.

As the Successor of the Apostles on Long Island, I want to thank every Catholic family on Long Island and beyond for being Lights of Christ's Hope and Lights of Catholic evangelization to the world.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹Francis, "Opening of the Holy Door and Midnight Mass: Homily" (December 24, 2024). https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2024/documents/20241224-omelia-natale.html.

Parish Social Ministry

An Antiphon that we hear, especially during Lent is Hebrews 3:15 and Psalm 95:8. We hear Harden not your hearts.

I think we are being called to soften our hearts so that we can hear our Lord's call to conversion during this sacred time of Lent. To us at Parish Social Ministry that can mean many different things. Perhaps one way to think about it is to let your own past experiences and sorrows and allow them to make you more loving to that stranger having a bad day. Instead of judging maybe softening our hearts to realize we have no idea what people may be dealing with in their lives. Or the immigrants who are living in fear. Maybe softening our hearts to think about whether they are running to something or running away from something that is so frightening they leave their country and families behind.

This brings us to our having a few small stone hearts over in the Parish Social Ministry building. It helps to keep one in a pocket, and when you put your hand in your pocket for something, it is a reminder to not harden your heart. So I invite you to come on over and get a heart to keep in your pocket perhaps not for just Lent but just as a reminder in life generally.

As always thank you for your generosity to donating food and the monetary donations to us.

Have a Blessed Lent and I hope to see you when you pick up a heart!

We have been consistently receiving Sysco food that is meant to be refrigerated in the bins. This must always be thrown out as is all refrigerated foods that arrive in the bins.

Also, please do not put clothing, toys, books, or any items like that in the bins. The bins are meant for the food and other things we ask for in the bulletin. We appreciate that you want to help however, these types of things cannot be used here. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

FOOD

- 1. White Rice (not instant)
- 2. Dry Beans
- 3. Pasta Sauce
- 4. Canned Chicken
- 5. Oatmeal
- 6. Canned Carrots
- 7. Canned Peas
- 8. Canned Peas and Carrots
- 9. Shelf Stable Milk
- 10. Shelf Stable Apple Juice

PANTRY NEEDS:

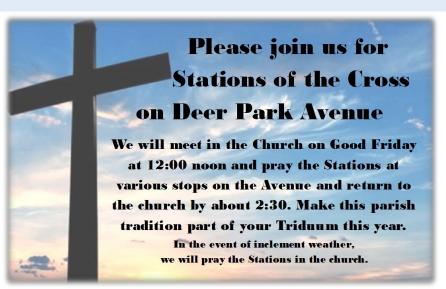
SPECIAL ITEMS

- 1. Dish Detergent
- 2. Women's deodorant
- 3. Shave Cream
- 4. Men's Deodorant
- 5. Paper Towels
- 6. Oil
- 7. Salt
- 8. Mayonnaise
- 9. Coffee

GIFT CARDS TO

- 1. Lidl (primarily)
- 2. Stop & Shop (especially is very good to us at the Pantry.)
- 3. ShopRite
- 4. Walmart
- 5. Target
- 6. Gas Cards

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





Respect Life

THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU

On behalf of the

OLOR Columbiettes & Knights of Columbus

The Respect Life ~" Walking with Moms" Ministry

Would like to Extend a HUGE

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!

to ALL our SS. Cyril & Methodius Parishioners
For Supporting the FIRST BABY BOTTLE TAG EVENT!!

We are ALL so truly grateful for the beautiful items that came in for our families in need!

The Compassion, Kindness and Support you have shown in all of the thoughtfully purchased items is truly heartwarming and goes a very long way in letting these families know that they made the right decision in choosing life, and that their surrounding community is here to help and support them as they need!

May God Bless our Beautiful SS Cyril and Methodius family!

In Sincere Gratitude,

The Respect Life/Walking with Moms Ministry team!

THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU ~ THANK YOU













Reconciliation Monday

Monday, April 14th

Experience the liberating grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance).

Confessions will be available in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Rockville Centre from 2 - 4 pm & 6 - 9 pm.

To find a parish near you, visit: www.drvc.org/maps



OLG CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

PARISHIONERS ARE
WELCOME TO PURCHASE
CHOCOLATE DIRECTLY
FROM THE OFFICE DURING
SCHOOL HOURS

SALE ENDS 4/30



SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH ~ 9:00 - 11:00 AM SUNDAY, RAIN DATE: APRIL 13TH ~ 1:00 - 3:00 PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FIELD
759 LONG ISLAND AVENUE, DEER PARK, NY

- JOIN US FOR A PHOTO OPPORTUNITY WITH THE EASTER BUNNY! ENJOY CRAFTS, FACE PAINTING, BAGELS, AND BEVERAGES. DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR FAVORITE EASTER BASKET ALONG!
 - EVENT IS FREE BUT YOU MUST RSVP BY FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH BY TEXTING/CALLING: (631) 774-8253 OR (973) 479-4234

LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING-SPRING 2025

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training 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

•Lector Workshop and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part A:

Saturday, March 29* - Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall; 9 am – 12:00

Thursday, April 3 – St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Hall/RVC – Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7pm–10pm

Tuesday, April 8 – St. Elizabeth /Melville – Msgr. Kane 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.

End time is an estimate, session may end prior to 10 pm, please be prepared.

• Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B – presented in conjunction with Catholic Health

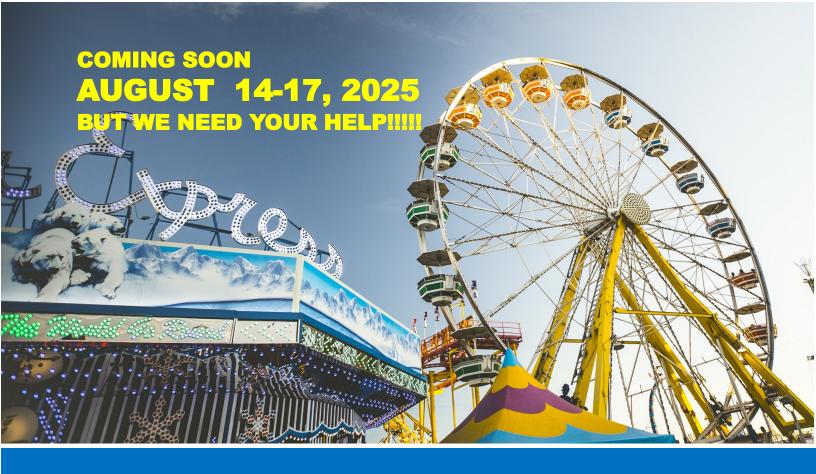
Saturday, March 29* – Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall; 1 – 4 pm Tuesday, April 29 - St. Elizabeth / Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm - 10 pm Thursday, May 8 – St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Hall / RVC – Msgr. Kelly Parish Center; 7 pm – 10 pm

End time is an estimate, session may end prior to what is stated here, please be prepared.

*On **March 29**, 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.

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 register please contact Joan Loring at 631-667-4044 ext 122 or jloring@sscmdp.org





Meets every Sunday After the 6:00 pm Mass
Upcoming Youth Group Meetings

March 30

We're making Easter Baskets Sunday, April 6th
Regular meeting April 13th
NO MEETING April 20th Easter Sunday
We meet in the breezeway at 7:00 pm. Our meeting takes place
in the parish center which is near the playground
* These meetings will dismiss at 9pm from the parish center.

FAITH + FRIENDSHIP + FUN + SERVICE

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact: Tim Leitch
631-6674044
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Rev. Msgr. Thaddeus Rooney Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner

Thursday, JUNE 12, 2025 + Timber Point Country Club, Great River

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BOYD -CARATOZZOLO

\$190.00 per person for Golf (Soft Spikes required), Lunch, Green Fees, Beverage Cart, Dinner & Cocktails
\$75.00 Dinner only



Honoring:

TOM RICHARDSON, Retired FDNY Chief, PHIL MANIACI, PGK, DD, KERRY BRENNAN and Deacon PHIL MILLS

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

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; Flag

Sponsor: \$150; Driving Range: \$300; Beverage Cart: \$1000; Golf Carts: \$1000; Cocktail Hour: \$1000;

Dinner: \$1000; Dessert: \$1000; Barbeque: \$1000

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 19
ALL MONEY DUE BY JUNE 6

FOR MORE INFO,

PLEASE CALL:

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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, #	dinners
Names:	:			

 Item sponsored:
 - 16 Amount \$

Renewed by the Eucharist Sent on Mission



"...let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them."

- Pope Francis

Almsgiving in Lent

During the Lenten Season we are asked to pray, fast and give alms.

Lent is a perfect time for us to pray for those in need - whether it is for their material, emotional or spiritual needs. And when you practice fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those of our neighbors who reach out to us for help.

One way to do this is by making a gift to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, which supports programs that help people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs.



For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit Catholic Ministries Appeal.org or call 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Saturday, April 12 from 8:30 am—3:00 pm in the Senior Room Cost \$35

Benefit of taking the course is insurance discount and point reduction.

No food or beverage will be provided. Please make checks payable to Ss Cyril and Methodius

For information please call Paul Coppola at 631-587-9649



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