

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

4th SUNDAY of EASTER

Mother's Day

May 11, 2025

Mother's Day is a wonderful opportunity to highlight the beautiful vocation of motherhood 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.**

Readings and Songs this Sunday

No. 1072 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: **Acts 13:14,43-52**

2nd Reading: **Revelation 7:9,14b-17**

Gospel Reading: **John 10:27-30**

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)



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 Center to arrange for an interview and to register for the required preparation class.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance and prior to wedding reception plans. Call the Parish Center to make an appointment for the initial intake.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Holy Communion will be ministered by appointment to those confined to home. Contact the Parish Center to schedule a visit by a Eucharistic Minister.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Saturdays after the 8:30 am Mass (inform priest before Mass or request for it after Mass) . In an emergency, call the Parish Office to request a priest. Outside office hours, call (631) 667-4044, Ext. 9.

PASTORAL STAFF: (631) 667-4044

Rev. Gius Garcia, *Pastor*, Ext. 121

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

Rev. 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

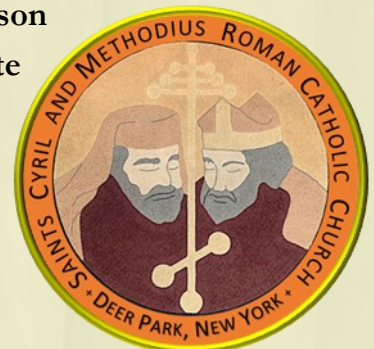
Mr. Timothy Leitch, *Youth Ministry*, Ext. 154

Deacon Philip A. Mills, Jr. *Business Manager*, Ext. 110

PARISH TRUSTEES

Tom Richardson

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	May 12
8:30 AM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
Tuesday	May 13
8:30 AM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
Wednesday	May 14
8:30 AM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
Thursday	May 15
8:30 AM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
Friday	May 16
8:30 AM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM:	For All Mothers Living and Deceased
Saturday	May 17
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	Richard, Marcellina and Michael Solomita, Ann Barcia, Dolores Laura Butera
Sunday	May 18
8:00 AM	For Our Parishioners
9:30 AM	Dennis LaMotte
11:00 AM	Anne P. McCormack, Thelma and Boysie O'Kelley, Chuen Kam Chan—Shek
12:30 PM	Rebecca Guerin
6:00 PM	(Open: no offered intentions)

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

Saturday,	May 17
5:00 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
Sunday,	May 18
8:00 AM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin
9:30 AM:	Fr. Gius Garcia
11:00 AM:	Fr. Paul Bersamin
12:30 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
6:00 PM:	Fr. Gius Garcia

REST IN PEACE

Ronald Haszto, Edmund Gerard Orlowski, Frank V. Agolia

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Banns

Josh Paradiso —

Caitlin Sullivan — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Second Banns

John T. Sherlock — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Crystal Hopkins — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Vito Massimo Asaro, Anthony Paul Elias, Francesco Luciano Oliverio, Josephine Mia Oliverio, Bryan Yoel Cruz Reyes

MEMORIALS

MAY 11 TO MAY 17

BREAD AND WINE -

In memory of my beloved niece, Dolores Laura Butera. Love, Uncle Mickey and Martha Torres.

ST. JOSEPH SHRINE FLOWERS -

In memory of my beloved niece, Dolores Laura Butera. Love, Uncle Mickey and Martha Torres.

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 Kriegsmann, Kathy Boggia, Mike Rodriguez, Kathleen Jacobi, Rick Bodt, Penny Dowd, Mike (Repel) Muller Jr., Grayson Danielski, Anna Rose Regan, Christa Erario, Janina Wiczynski, Josephine Marino Perry, Billy Davi, Tom Welch, James Antwon Williams, Frank Iannacchino, Stanley Horodnicki, Kit Covington

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

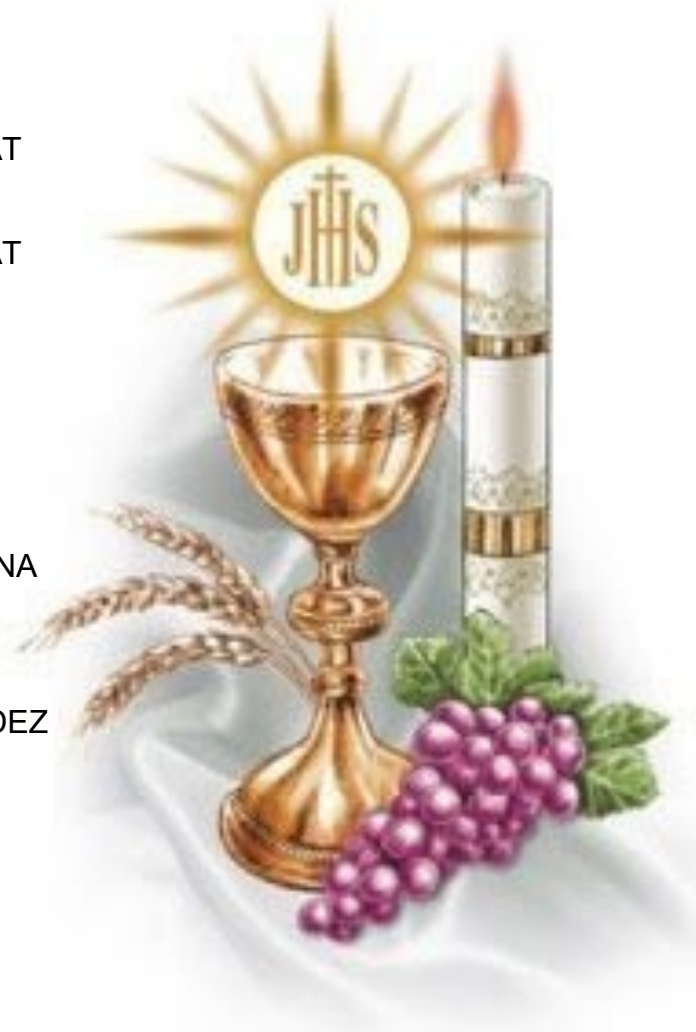
Luis Xzavier Maldonaldo Army National Guard
Corporal Louis Muniz US Marines
Isaiah Adams US Air Force Airman
Sgt. William Bozzello US Marines
Corporal Joseph Kirsch, US Marines
Lance Corporal Allen Kirsch, US Marines

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.

Congratulations

DOMINICK ABBRIANO
JOSEPH BAGGIO
ANDREW BARRERA
ALANY BEAUHARNAIS
BLANKA BEAUHARNAIS
ANGELO BERTIN
MILANA BONILLA
AIDAN BUCKLEY
LILLIANA BUCKLEY
VICTORIA BURI
BRITNEY CALLE
JOSHUA CAPUTI
AUDREY CARACAPPA
TESLA CARASQUILLO
JOSEPH CASALE
GIANNA ROSE COLLIS
LILIA COLON
PAULIE D'ACUNTI
NOAH DAGUILH

BREEANA DENIS
VICTORIA DENIS
GABRIELLA DUCENAT
MAKAYLA DOUCET
GABRIELLA DUCENAT
ZACHARY DUCENAT
ISAIAH EDOUARD
JORDAN EISENOFF
ALEXIA ESCOBAR
JACOB ESPINAL
SOPHIA MARIE ESPINA
ALEK ESPINOZA
RAFAYEL ESPINOZA
CAMERON FERNANDEZ
CHLOE FUNG
JACOB GARCIA
SOPHIA GARCIA
MARCUS GAYTGAY
RILEY GERARDIN



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Stewardship

MAY 4, 2025

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FAITH

PARISH FINANCIAL CONDITION

Regular Collection **\$17,639.93**
Online Giving **\$ 1,078.11**
Total **\$18,718.04**

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024

Goal \$125,200

\$48,220.00 Pledged 38.51% of Parish Goal

This week we are up **+ \$1,218.04**

We are still running a deficit of:

Year to date: **(- \$135.75)**

Please consider whatever way you can to support upcoming fundraisers:

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

Congratulations

JAYCE GIANNINI
GABRIELLA HEGEMAN
MAXWELL HILLER
JAMES KERRINGER
JOSEPH LAMBERTI
JAKE LEVY
WILHANDIE LOUIS-JEAN
WILHODIE LOUIS-JEAN
MIA LUGO
GABRIELLA MADELOS
LIAM MARANZINO
ISABELLA MARTINEZ
ISAIAH MARTINEZ
GIANNA MATASSA
HARLOW MATTIMORE
ANTHONY MEDINA
AGATHA MEDRANO
VALESKA MEDRANO
ARIANA MEJIA-RIVAS
KANE MERCAD
VALENTINA MIRANDA
ANGELINA MONTIGLIO
EVE MORA
BARTOLO MORALES
SOPHIA MORALES
URIEL MORALES
HOPE NAGUIT
JUSTIN OLARTE
JACKSON ORENSTEIN
LUCY O'SULLIVAN

ROCCO PADUANO
JACK PALMA
JACOB PERALTA
JENI ANN POLETTI
ETHAN RAMOS-BAUGH
HAZEL RIVERA
KELSEY RIVERA
RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ
JACE ROMERO
JOSEPH ROMERO
RICHARD ROSSANO
JAMES RUGE
THOMAS RUGEL
ANDREA SALES
JULIETT SANCHEZ
MICKEY SANSONE
LOGAN SANTIAGO
JAMES SAVINO
CHARLOTTE SHINGLER
KILLIAN SHINGLER
JOHN SIMONETTI
JAXSON SMYTHE
JULIAN SMYTHE
JADE SPANN
EMMA-LYNN TANDIAMA
CATALINA TEJERO
LAYLA THEODORE
XAVIER THORNTON
VICTORIA TUTOLI
JAMESON TWEED
EMMA VECCHIO

ELLIE VERDEJO
MAXIMILLIAN VIDAL
NOAH WALKUSKI
ELLIE WHITE
KAYLEE WOLFE
OLIVER WONG
MARYAM YOUSAF
DAVID ZAPATA
DANIKA ZHINDON

*Thank You to all our
Parents, Godparents,
Grandparents for support-
ing our Children in their
journey of Faith. Thank
you to our dedicated
Catechists who taught our
children on the value of
the Holy Eucharist.*

*Thank you to Deacon
James, our altar servers
and all who served at
Mass.*

*SSCM Clergy and Faith
Formation Staff*



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 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.

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 June 7, 2025.** Any questions call Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.

SENIOR CLUB

Our next meeting will be on **June 3, 2025 at 2:30pm** in the Father Behan Hall. Our Annual Picnic at Phelps Lane is June 18th. Any questions call Debbie Vickovich at 631-520-4455, Dorothy Gallub at 631-587-8731, Mary Indelicato at 631-667-2998.

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.

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.

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

Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, and anyone in a Mother position.

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for us. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. Please place your donation in the poor box. Thank you!

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.

CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY - SSCM ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Our next meeting is **June 2, 2025 at 7:30 pm in the Senior Room**. Any questions call Rose Guerin at 631-806-6578.

Rosary Altar Society Meeting Tuesday, May 13th at 6pm in the Church. Fr. Gius will discuss the future of the Rosary Altar Society. **It is important that all Rosarians attend this meeting.**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES

Our next meeting will be **May 12, 2025**. If you would like to become a member please call Geri Cavanaugh, President at 973-479-4234.

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](tel:631-831-6234) or via email at richartj1959@gmail.com.

MONTHLY MEDJUGORJE MESSAGES

April 25, 2025 Message to Marija

"Dear children, winds of peacelessness, selfishness and sin are catching hold of many hearts and leading them into peacelessness and perdition. That is why I am calling you, little children: return to God and to prayer, so that it may be good for you in the hearts and on the earth on which you live. I love you, little children, and that is why I am not tiring of calling you to conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call." (With Ecclesiastical approval)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Every 13th of the month in honor of Our Lady of Fatima **starting May 13th** and ending with October 13th From **1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (right after the 12:15 p.m. Mass.)**



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday from

**1:00pm to 6:30pm
in the Church until September.**

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



FAITH FORMATION



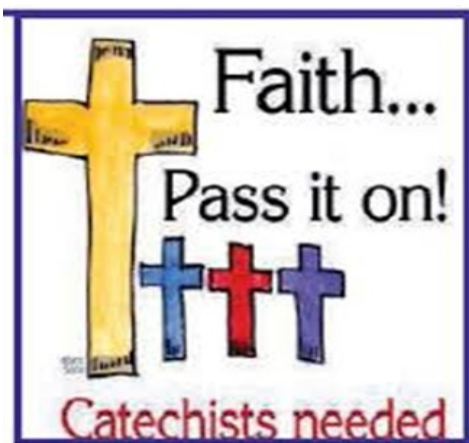
Registration Forms for 2025/2026 were sent home with the youngest student in the family. If you are registering a new student, please make sure you include a copy of their Baptismal Certificate.

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

The classes are as follows:

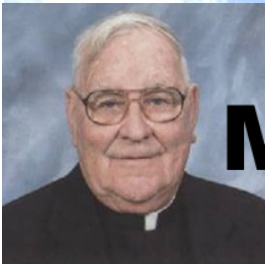
Monday:	4:30pm Grades 3, 4, 5, 6
	5:45pm Grades 3, 4, 5, 6
Tuesday:	4:30pm Grades 3, 4, 5, 6
	5:45pm Grades 3, 4, 5, 6
	7:00pm Grades 7 & 8
Wednesday:	4:30pm Grades 1 & 2
	5:45pm Grades 1 & 2
	7:00pm Grades 7 & 8

faithformation@sscmdp.org
(631) 667-4044 ext. 145



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

**Please call the office: 631-667-4044 X145
and ask for Carol or Mary.**



Rev. Msgr. Thaddeus Rooney Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner

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

SPONSORED BY

MANGANO FUNERAL HOME
BOYD -CARATOZZOLO
FUNERAL HOME

Honoring:

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

\$190.00 per person for
Golf (*Soft Spikes re-*
quired), 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

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:
\$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:

Sal Mangano

(631) 586-3600,

Mike Conboy

(631) 539-8932,

Tom Richardson

(631) 831-6234

Brian Dillon

(631) 335-8896

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, #_____ dinners

Names: _____

Item sponsored: _____ - 9 - Amount \$_____

Parish Social Ministry

As always, we thank everyone for being so generous with donations to us. We know things are more difficult for everyone right now. Also, because LI cares and Island Harvest, along with many other programs, have had millions of dollars rescinded from grants they were receiving, things are more difficult now. Of course, we are hoping that Congress will put back the grant money that was already approved. Until that happens, things will be more difficult to feed our poor. Your donations are even more important now.

We do know that many people feel they cannot give unless they give many items. Honestly, if every family picks up one item from the list when they shop for their family, the impact would be very noticeable.

ONFAITH

ASKING THE CLERGY

How did Pope Francis reach out?

BY JIM MERRITT

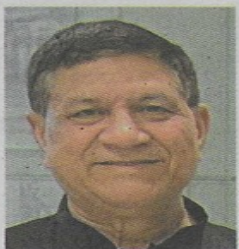
Special to Newsday

Widespread mourning and glowing tributes have followed the April 21 death of Pope Francis, the first Catholic pontiff from the Americas and from the Southern Hemisphere. This week's commenters discuss why Francis' 12-year papacy and its commitment to interfaith dialogue and social justice are also revered by people of other faiths.

PARVEEN CHOPRA

Founder, alotusinthemud.com,
President, American Center for
Wellness & Spirituality, Hicksville

A day after Pope Francis' demise, my friend and Hindu leader Rajan Zed organized a prayer meeting in Reno, Nevada, featuring religious leaders from all major faiths and Christian denominations. This demonstrated to me the Pope's reputation as a bridge builder. What endeared him to so many people and alarmed some Catholics was his statement to a Singapore crowd in 2024, "All religions are paths to God." Hindus like me found him echoing the Rig Veda: "Ekam sat viprah bahuda vadanti" (There is one truth, the wise talk about it verily). While other popes before him had held ecumenical and interreligious dialogues, Pope Francis made it central to his papacy. Last week's article from Vatican News details his numerous interfaith summits and interreligious encounters, including with Islam. It was crucial, he had said



Parveen Chopra



Marie McNair



Lina Zerbarini

soon after his election in 2013, "to intensify outreach to nonbelievers, so that the differences which divide and hurt us may never prevail." When a Jain delegation visited him in the Vatican last year, he reiterated the shared belief that all humans, created equal in dignity, are called to live as brothers and sisters. Such sentiments coming from the "People's Pope" always sounded genuine and purposeful.

MARIE MCNAIR

Secretary, Regional Baha'i Council of the
Northeastern States

The Baha'is of Long Island join worldwide Baha'i communities in reflection on the legacy of Pope Francis, particularly his work on interfaith understanding. Because his aspirations have much in common with the principles and practices of the Baha'i Faith on that topic, we join people of goodwill everywhere in mourning the loss of this hum-

ble man of service to humanity.

The pope's focus on interfaith dialogue as a means towards peace and justice was certainly his greatest contribution. His statement that "We are all children of God" aligns with the concept of the oneness of humanity, the pivot round which all the teachings of Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i faith, revolve. Just as the pope spoke of the importance of interfaith relationships in recognizing the beliefs that different faiths hold in common, Baha'is believe that revelation from God has been progressive, with the spiritual teachings being the same and the social teachings varying according to the needs of the time. Additionally, the pope's important efforts to deepen understanding with leaders of other religions, largely through conversation, mirror the Baha'i practice of consultation, where those involved seek out truth and come to a unified resolution, thereby building relationships based on unity and love.

RABBI LINA ZERBARINI

Kehillath Shalom Synagogue,
Cold Spring Harbor

I could speak of Pope Francis' building relationships with the Jewish community through visits to synagogues and to Israel, his condemnation of all forms of antisemitism as "a sin against God," and his statement that "God is God for all; and if God is God for all, then we are all sons and daughters of God." But for me, his greatest contribution was the example of his life.

Through both his words and actions, he proclaimed: "Care for those in need." This is a universal message but also draws directly from our shared sacred text: "God . . . provides justice for orphan and widow, and loves the sojourner, by giving them food and clothing. So you are to love the sojourner, for sojourners were you in the land of Egypt!" (Deuteronomy 10:18). One of the main messages of the Torah and of Jewish tradition that grew out of it is that we must care for the vulnerable. As 19th century Rabbi Israel Salanter said: "Someone else's material needs are my spiritual responsibility." We envision the same kind of world: A world in which humans recognize each other as the Divine presence itself. I pray that my own life will further his message.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS you'd like Newsday to ask the clergy? Email them to LLife@newsday.com. Find more LI Life stories at newsday.com/LILife.

FOOD

1. Cold Cereal
2. Canned Beans, Garbanzo, Kidney, Pinto
3. Pasta Sauce
4. Pasta
5. Crackers (Ritz type any brand)
6. Sugar Free Cookies
7. Progresso or Campbell's Chunky type soups (not condensed please)
8. Sugar Free Canned Fruit
9. Shelf Stable Apple Juice

PANTRY NEEDS:

SPECIAL ITEMS

1. Dish Detergent
2. Women's deodorant
3. Shave Cream
4. Men's Deodorant

GIFT CARDS TO

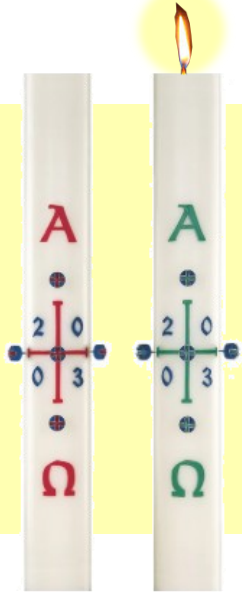
1. Lidl (primarily)
2. Stop & Shop (especially is very good to us at the Pantry.)
3. Walmart
4. Target
5. Gas Cards

Please do not put perishables in the bins.

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

LITURGICAL ITEMS OPEN FOR MEMORIALIZATION

FOR INFORMATION ON PRICES OF EACH ITEM, PLEASE CALL JOAN LORING AT
THE PARISH OFFICE 631-6674044 extension 122 or email—jloring@sscmdp.org



We are memorializing 2 **Paschal Candles**. These bees wax candles are consistently present and used in liturgies connected to Easter, and likewise during Funerals and Baptisms. We have ordered 2 as we have always done in the past since we always finish 1 in the middle of the liturgical cycle. The name of the person being remembered will be printed and pasted at the base of the Paschal candle.

(As of this publication, 1 Paschal Candle has already been taken for memorialization.)

We have also purchased matching vestments to be used for solemn liturgical celebrations with concelebrants such as on Easter, Christmas and other important Feasts and Solemnities. We have a **Presider's chasuble**, 3 **Concelebrants chasubles** and a **Dalmatic** for the deacon. For an extra cost, the name of the person to be memorialized may be embroidered on a cloth and sewn at inside back of the vestment.



We are also in the process of purchasing 2 sets of **Stacking Ciboria** with cover as we retire our older ones which are faded and worn out. You may wish to memorialize a whole set of 3 or just an individual ciborium. This is a good way to remember a family member or friend who has passed who served as a Extra Ordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist or someone who had a very strong dedication to the Holy Eucharist. For an extra cost, the name of the person being remembered maybe engraved at the base of the ciborium.

Respect Life

**We would like to wish a
Beautiful and Blessed Mothers Day
to all our Moms and Moms to be!**

**July 11-13, 2025
Huntington, NY**

If regret over a past abortion is
part of your life, you are not alone.
We care. We can help.

*Rachel's
Vineyard
Retreat*

your story is confidential

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats are a beautiful opportunity for
any person who has struggled with the emotional and/or spiritual pain
of an abortion. God's mercy awaits you. Come receive His healing.

Retreat Fee= \$300
Limited Space. Call now.

 **LIVING WATERS**
Therapeutic Catholic Counseling

Contact:
Donna Crean 631-258-5062
donna@livingwaterstherapy.org
www.rachelsvineyard.org

If you or someone you know needs assistance with a pregnancy
or newborn baby or toddler, the Moms ministry here at SSCM is
here to help. Call (631)667-4044 Ext 120 and leave a message.
If urgent call the **FIAT Hotline at (631) 476-5683**

*Testimonial Luncheon
Honoring
Our Lady of the
Rosary Columbiettes
Past President*

Inez Schillinger

June 1st, 2025 - 1pm to 5pm

Our Lady of the Rosary
Knights of Columbus
759 Long Island Ave, Deer Park NY 11729

\$45 per person
Buffet, Beer, Wine, Soda & DJ
RSVP by
May 23, 2025

Kariann Guido - 631-767-6265
Bob Lukenovich - 631-576-6899

Cash or Check
made payable to OLOR Columbiettes
Mail or Drop off at
Knights of Columbus - 759 Long Island Ave, Deer Park NY 11729
Ss Cyril & Methodius Church 125 Half Hollow Rd, Deer Park NY 11729

no payment at door
no refunds



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Abortion Pill Reversal Presentation: Monday,
May 19, 2025, 7:30pm at the Long Island Coalition
for Life meeting, held at St Joseph RCC parish
school building (gymnasium), 45 Church St.,
Ronkonkoma. Shantae Rodriguez, certified physi-
cian assistant and Director of Medical Services at
Soundview Pregnancy Services, will explain chemi-
cal abortion and abortion pill reversal (APR), includ-
ing her experiences with assisting pregnant women
who may be considering APR. APR may be used to
treat mothers who have taken the first pill of the
chemical abortion protocol but then change their
mind about continuing with the abortion. Please join
us for this informative presentation. For more infor-
mation, contact the LICL: 631.243.1435; [in-fo@prolifeLI.org](mailto:info@prolifeLI.org).

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

The St Cyril & Methodius Rosary Society was blessed on their wonderful trip to the Mother Cabrini Shrine & Arthur Avenue in the Bronx. They are grateful they all shared together a wonderful talk, tour & beautiful Mass in the Shrine & a delicious lunch at Ann & Tony's restaurant in the Bronx. They were thankful to also visit the beautiful Our Lady of Carmel Church.



The St Cyril & Methodius Rosary Society was blessed to have Father Greg share his wisdom & journey with a special wonderful talk on the Sacred Heart of Jesus. They enjoyed a delicious light lunch together. Thank you Father Greg for a wonderful talk and Rose and everyone who helped & attended to make this possible.





**This year, one of our Paschal Candles is
donated by Steve and Kerry Brennan
in memory of**

Rev. Msgr. Ted Rooney

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 2025 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue
Celebrant: Most Reverend Luis M. Romero

Registration must be received by Monday, May 5, 2025

Sunday, June 1, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre
Celebrant: Most Reverend John O. Barres

Registration must be received by Monday, May 19, 2025

Register on line at drvc-faith.org

For questions, please contact Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at
516-678-5800 ext. 200 or via email at lrobustelli@drvc.org

**COMING SOON
AUGUST 14-17, 2025
BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

**\$5,000 Raffle Tickets
will be on Sale Monday,
May 12th at the Rectory.**

Meets every Sunday After the 6:00 pm Mass

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE SPRING 2025

Regular Meetings May 18th, 25th, June 1st & 8th

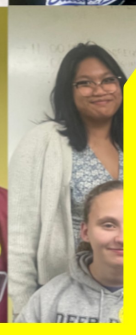
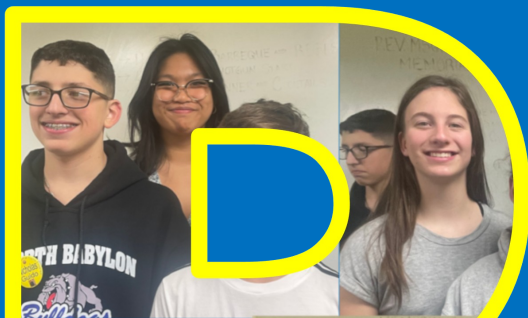
Questions? Call or text Tim 631-806-4715

*** These meetings will dismiss at 9pm from the parish center.**

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MINISTRY**

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



2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



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.



Please consider supporting the work of the **Catholic Ministries Appeal** so that we can continue to care for God's children and their families through our Parish Outreach programs and Catholic Charities.

Our hope is that each family will make a gift. We cannot ask everyone to consider the same size gift, but after prayer and reflection, each family is invited to make a gift in response to God's generosity in their lives.

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!



Please make checks payable to **Catholic Ministries Appeal**.

Parish _____

Total Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____

Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

BEHOLD 2025

PENTECOST
SUNDAY

LOCATION
ST. ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL
SOUTH HUNTINGTON, NY

JUNE 8



WWW.DRVC.ORG/CONGRESS



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