

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

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125 HALF HOLLOW RD, DEER PARK, NY 11729

**"Go and Do Likewise"**

*"Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?"  
He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.'  
And Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" (Luke 10: 36-37)*

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**July 13, 2025**

**Readings and Songs this Sunday**

**No. 1136 in the Blue Gather Hymnal**

1st Reading: **Deuteronomy 30:10-14**

2nd Reading: **Colossians 1:15-20**

Gospel Reading: **Luke 10:25-37**

**LITURGICAL MUSIC for the Holy Mass:**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling **#641**

I Have Loved You **#588**

Draw Near **#935**

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name **#615**

(All Masses except Sunday 6pm)



## **PARISH OFFICE**

**Tel: (631) 667-4044**

**Fax: (631) 667-6237**

**Email: [parishoffice@sscmdp.org](mailto: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](mailto:socialministry@sscmdp.org)

## **SCHEDULE OF MASSES:**

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM (*Vigil Mass*).

**Sunday:** 8:00 AM, 9:30 PM (*Family Mass*),  
11:00 AM, 12:30 PM,  
6:00 PM.

**Weekdays:** 8:30 AM, 12:15 PM.

**Saturday:** 8:30 AM.

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

- Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: after the 12:15 PM Mass.
- Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM. and by appointment by calling the Parish Office

- **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.
- **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Available Saturdays after the 8:30 AM Mass. Please inform the priest before or after Mass. For emergencies, contact the Parish Office or call (631) 667-4044, Ext. 9, outside office hours.

## **PASTORAL STAFF:**

- Rev. Anthony Saliba, *Pastor*, (Ext. 121), (email: [franthony@sscmdp.org](mailto:franthony@sscmdp.org)).
- Rev. Christopher Deh, *Associate Pastor*, (Ext. 165).
- Rev. Noel Sixon, *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.
- Mrs. Joan Ann Loring, *Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor*, Ext. 122
- Mrs. Marianne Saffran, *Baptism & Wedding Coordinator*, Ext. 115.
- Ms. Allison Taibi, *Bookkeeper*, Ext. 111.
- Mr. Tom Richardson, *Parish Trustee*.
- Mrs. Anna L'Abbate, *Parish Trustee*.



## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 14</b>
8:30 AM:	<b>(Open:</b> no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	Robert Anthony Coppola
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 15</b>
8:30 AM:	Irma Mayas Morales
12:15 PM:	Helen O'Hagan
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 16</b>
8:30 AM:	<b>(Open:</b> no offered intentions)
12:15 PM:	Valentino, Anthony, Angela, Anthony Jr. Manetta
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>July 17</b>
8:30 AM:	John Hovanec
12:15 PM:	Paulette Giusto
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 18</b>
8:30 AM:	Emily Powers
12:15 PM:	Gerry Saibertano
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 19</b>
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	George Jackson, Marie Fischetti, John and AnnMarie Vertullo, Ifasi Family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 20</b>
8:00 AM	Ricardo Sidamon
9:30 AM	Carmine Soldano
11:00 AM	Edward Monahan, Edward Muldowney, Kieran McNamara
12:30 PM	For Our Parishioners
6:00 PM	Carmine Soldano

## PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASSES

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 19</b>
5:00 PM:	Fr. Anthony Saliba
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 20</b>
8:00 AM:	Fr. Christopher Deh
9:30 AM:	Fr. Noel Sixon
11:00 AM:	Fr. Anthony Saliba
12:30 PM:	Fr. Gregory Cappuccino
6:00 PM:	Fr. Christopher Deh

## REST IN PEACE

Rita Shelley, Margaret Clare Crudden, Manuel Lopez, Silvia Iadevaia, Mary E. Biedermann

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Marc-Heraut DiMatteo Jan Bellerice, Ki'Mani Julia Fortunto, O'Mari Freddy Fortunato

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

First Banns

Jonathan McMahon — Ss. Cyril and Methodius  
Kate Schramm — Ss. Cyril and Methodius

Jonathan Luppens -St. John the Baptist, Wading River  
Jessica Manetta — St. Mary, East Islip

## AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

July 25	<b>8:30 am</b>
July 27	<b>6:00 pm</b>
July 29	<b>8:30 am</b>
July 30	<b>8:30 am</b>
July 31	<b>8:30 am</b>
August 1	<b>8:30 am &amp; 12:15 pm</b>
August 4	<b>12:15pm</b>

## 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, James Antwon Williams, Frank Iannacchino, Stanley Horodnicki, Joan Mecionis, Patricia Goldstein, Carl Zajac, Jennifer Loring, Baby Gianna Acquavita, Ezra Folcik, Michael Wright, Rosemarie Barbato, Carol Avitable Miller, Patricia Weber

## 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](mailto:jloring@sscmdp.org) if you want a name included.

*From the Pastor's Desk:*

# **The One Who Stopped**

## **15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Our Lord tells the familiar and powerful parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10: 25-37). A man is left beaten by the side of the road. Several passersby, both religious and respectable, ignore him. But a Samaritan, an outsider, stops. He **sees**, he **feels compassion**, and he **acts**.

The lesson is direct and challenging: charity is not just a feeling; it's a decision to draw near to the suffering of others. The Lord calls us to see those in need, to interrupt our schedules, and to act with mercy - even when it's inconvenient, even when it's not expected.

This Gospel is not just about emergencies. It's about daily life: how we treat our neighbors, how we speak of others, and how we serve the vulnerable, the lonely, and the forgotten. Mercy is always the more excellent way.

As I begin my time here with you, this parable reminds me of the kind of parish we are called to be: **a community that doesn't walk past wounds but stops, helps, and heals.**

On that note, I want to **thank all of you** for the warm welcome you've extended to me and Fr. Noel. Your kindness has made our transition into this beautiful parish so much smoother. I also thank Fr. Chris for his generous help and support during my first weeks here.

With gratitude in Christ,

*Fr. Anthony*

## **SUNSET ROSARY IN THE GROTTO**

**Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

***at the North Parking Lot by the  
Statue of the Blessed Mother***

Lets gather together as a parish family to end  
our day in prayer to the Blessed Mother,

**Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

at the north parking lot, by the statue of the  
Blessed Mother, beginning on the

**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

**Wednesday, July 16th.**

*Bring a chair, your rosary, and a beverage.*



### *Stewardship*

JULY 6, 2025

**Regular Collection      \$16,207.50**

**Online Giving            \$ 1,323.75**

**Total                      \$17,531.25**

#### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

**Goal \$125,200**

**\$53,055.00 Pledged    42.38% of Parish Goal**

This week we are up **\$31.25** 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: **(-\$3,764.76)**

Thank you for your generous support to your Church family.

**VANCO**  
**FAITH**

## **MEMORIALS**

*~ Offering for the Altar Candles and*

*the Candles at Our Lady's Shrine and St. Joseph's Shrine: \$25 ~*

*Bread & Wine: \$50 ~ Flowers at Blessed Mother and St. Joseph's Shrine: \$50 ~*

*Altar Flowers: \$50 per Vase, \$100 for both ~*

# A Life of Faith in Action

## Parish Ministries & Devotion

**INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY:** If you are 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:** Held **Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.** This perpetual novena fosters a personal relationship with Mary, who always leads us to her Son, Jesus. As our Blessed Mother said to St. Catherine Labouré during the 1830 apparition: *"Come to the foot of the altar. Graces will be shed on all, great and little, who ask for them."*

**FLAME OF LOVE DEVOTION:** Gathers every Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Church. Our Mother is asking for our help! Won't you say yes? For more information, please call **Anna Mancini at 631-586-5214.**

**THE LOVE OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Meets Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Senior Room.  
N.B. *We will meet on July 15th and August 5th, and resume regular meetings on September 9th.*  
All are welcome. Questions? Call **Lucille at 631-586-2438.**

**FIRST FRIDAY & SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** Join us on the first Friday and Saturday of each month for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:00 a.m., followed by the 8:30 a.m. Mass.** After Mass we recite together the Holy Rosary.  
*The next First Friday and Saturday are August 1 and 2.* For more info, call **Annette Arena at 631-661-9109.**

**SENIOR CLUB:** Our next meeting will be **on August 5, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in Father Behan Hall.** Members are also invited to play **Bingo on July 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Senior Room.**  
For questions, please contact: **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 at the Mass you attend, please call **Paul Coppola at 631-587-9649.**

**GREETERS:** Greeters are also needed at all Masses. To serve in this important ministry of hospitality, please call **Cathie Taibi at 917-597-1559.**

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** We meet on the first Thursday of each month. If you are interested in joining, please contact Grand Knight **Brian Breckles at 631-835-6559.**

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES:** We do not meet during July and August. Our next meeting is on **September 8, 2025.** To become a member, please call **Geri Cavanaugh, President, at 973-479-4234.**

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - "We Help People":** If you or someone you know needs help with rent, utilities, clothing, or furniture, please email: [sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com](mailto:sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com) or call **631-667-4044 ext. 175** (you will receive a callback from a blocked number; please answer).  
To donate clothing, use the bins in the north side parking lot (clothing only).  
To donate furniture, call **631-858-0380** or visit [www.svdpli.org](http://www.svdpli.org) for more details.

**FIRST RESPONDER / HEALTH CARE WORKER MINISTRY:** All active or retired first responders and health care workers are invited to take part in this newly established ministry. Its mission is to support the parish and encourage cooperation among community organizations in Deer Park and North Babylon. For more information, contact **Tom Richardson at 631-831-6234** or [richartj1959@gmail.com](mailto:richartj1959@gmail.com).

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND RECITATION OF THE ROSARY in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima:**

No Adoration or Rosary on July 13th (due to other church activities)  
August 13th from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
September 13th & October 13th from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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## Eucharistic Adoration at Saints Cyril and Methodius



You are warmly invited to adore Our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament **every Wednesday from 1:00 PM to 6:30 PM in the Church**, continuing through the end of September.

*Beginning in October, Adoration will move to Tuesdays from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM, concluding with Vespers (Evening Prayer) and Solemn Benediction.*

**Take this grace-filled opportunity to rest in His Presence, bring your intentions, and be renewed in prayer.**

For more information, please contact **Carol Matos at (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

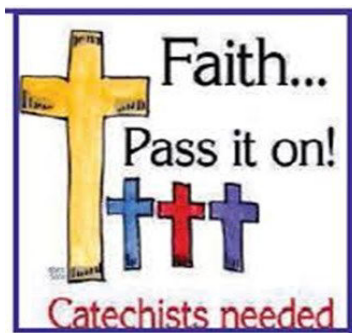
7:00pm Grades 7 & 8

**[faithformation@sscmdp.org](mailto:faithformation@sscmdp.org)**

**(631) 667-4044 ext. 145**

## Office Hours

**(Monday-Wednesday 3:30pm - 5:30pm)**



**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.**



# Respect Life

## Statement of the NYS Bishops on State-Sanctioned Suicide Bill

***“Euthanasia and assisted suicide are a defeat for all.  
We are called never to abandon those who are suffering,  
never giving up but caring and loving to restore hope.”***

**Pope Francis, 2019**

On Easter Monday, April 21, Pope Francis ended his earthly journey and entered eternal life. The Holy Father gave us many examples to emulate throughout his life and ministry, even right to the end when he gave us an example of a holy, natural death.

Sadly, the very next day, news reports indicated that the New York State Assembly would take up legislation (A136/S138) to legalize state-sanctioned suicide for those who are diagnosed with a terminal illness.

Euphemistically titled the Medical Aid in Dying Act, this bill would usher in a dangerous new era in our state, turning the Hippocratic Oath taken by physicians to “do no harm” on its head and leaving vulnerable individuals – people with disabilities, the elderly, and those in impoverished and medically underserved communities – subject to pressure and coercion to end their lives so as not to be a “burden” to society or an excessive cost to insurance companies.

One only need to look to the example of our neighbor to the north, Canada, to understand the risk. That country passed a similar law to New York’s bill in 2016. Within a few short years, it was expanded to allow not only those with terminal illnesses, but also those with “chronic” illnesses, such as arthritis, to end their lives. In 2027, the law is set to expand to those whose only underlying condition is mental illness, such as depression, anxiety or anorexia.

At a time when New Yorkers are rightly concerned with issues such as affordability, crime, homelessness, federal cuts to Medicaid, behavioral health access, and their children’s education, it is unconscionable that lawmakers would consider now an appropriate time to legalize suicide for a segment of the population.

Think of the message this sends.

Sadly, we are facing a suicide crisis among young people in our state, and the government rightly spends large sums of money to prevent these tragedies and to deliver a consistent message that life is worth living.

Now our state will be telling its citizens that some lives – perhaps where there has been a loss of autonomy or a disability – are not worth living.

We pray that the legislature reconsiders this disastrous public policy, and we call on Governor Hochul to exercise her veto authority should the bill come to her desk.

***Timothy Cardinal Dolan and the Catholic Bishops of New York State***  
***April 24, 2025***

**If you or someone you know is in need of assistance please call  
the Respect Life Line at 631-667-4044- ext 120 and leave a message.**

# Parish Social Ministry

- We welcome our new Pastor, Father Anthony, and our new Associate, Father Noel. We look forward to working with you both. The PSM volunteers are especially looking forward to your coming to the Social Ministry building to see what we do here.
- Father Chris, welcome back! Well, that was quite an experience!
- Hopefully, everyone had a wonderful 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration!
- I apologize for being repetitive; however, please **do not put** any food for refrigeration in the bins. I am sure we are sounding like a broken record. When the food is placed in the bin with other items, it defrosts and makes other items in the bin unusable. We do not like discarding food.
- As a food pantry, we are receiving large, canned items from Sysco, we are unable to use these items. Please reach out to us at the Parish Social Ministry, and we will provide Soup kitchens in the area that can use these items. **Please avoid** dropping them off and leaving them in the bins.

## PANTRY NEEDS:

It is important to donate what we have on the list as this is what we need the most.  
Of course all donations are appreciated.

Frozen and refrigerated food cannot be put in the bins under any circumstances.

Brand-specific is not important

### FOOD

1. Pasta Sauce (in jar not in can)
2. Flour
3. Sugar
4. White Vinegar 32oz.
5. Salt
6. Paper Towels
7. Progresso Soups (all types—not condensed)
8. Ritz Crackers (all types)

### 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
6. Shop Rite
7. Aldi

## Community Education:



**WORKSHOPS @ Food Pantry:**

**Starting June 25, 10:30am - 11:30am**  
**July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30**

**Pre-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Learn how to use Food as Medicine!**

## Food As Medicine

- Sign up for our Nutrition Workshop
- **Get \$20** in Vouchers each week
- **6 - Workshops - limited 20 participants**
- **Cornell University Certificate - complete all 6- Workshops**

# THE FAMILY FESTIVAL RAFFLE

## 1. 3 (THREE) - **\$5000 Raffles**

in **PINK, BLUE & WHITE** Tickets are **\$50 each**.

(printing sponsored by Boyd-Caratozzolo Funeral Home)

**There are only 200 tickets sold per color. Odds in winning - 1 in 200**



# ANNUAL SSCM PARISH RAFFLE

2. **GRAND PRIZE: \$1,000.00 2<sup>nd</sup> PRIZE: \$500.00 3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE: \$250.00**  
Raffle tickets are **\$5 each** or Book of 5 for **\$20**.

3. **65 INCH SAMSUNG SMART TV** (Donated by Mangano Funeral Home),  
**APPLE IPAD MINI, CHARBROIL BBQ GRILL, SOLO STOVE BON-  
FIRE 2.0 FIRE PIT** Raffle tickets are **\$5 each** or Book of 5 for **\$20**.

**All winners will be picked on Sunday, AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

**\$5,000 Tickets are available at the Rectory  
Or contact Deacon Phil at 631-667-4044 ext 110**



# FAMILY FESTIVAL OF FUN

**Thu, Aug 14: 6 - 10 pm**

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

**Sat, Aug 16: 5 - 10 pm**

**Sun, Aug 17: 2 - 8 pm**

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

## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

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**Raffles**

**Thu, Aug 14: 6-10 pm**

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**Games**

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

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**Tent/Prepared Food**

**Sat, Aug 16: 5-10 pm**

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**Security**

**Sun, Aug 17: 2-8pm**

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Please check the boxes of what booth/s to man and what days are best for you. Drop in the offertory basket at Mass or drop off at the Rectory Front Desk.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_



# Blood Drive

**THANK YOU**

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to all those who supported our blood drive. 40 pints of blood were donated

Members of the SSCM First Responders/Health Care Workers Ministry, Deer Park and North Babylon Lions Club, Deer Park and North Babylon Chamber of Commerce and members of Suffolk County Legislator Tom Donnelly's office conducted a successful Food Drive at Stop and Shop in Deer Park.

Thank you for your very generous donations to the SSCM Outreach and Food Pantry.





# July 13th Youth News



**Congratulations Sacramento  
Class 2025**

## SUMMER NEWS!

**7/19 BBQ 5-9pm**

**call Tim for**

**details 631-806-4715**

**Please let Tim know if  
you are coming by 7/16**

**Watch here for news about:**

**Open gym for volleyball**

**A trip to the shrine  
in Eastport and more.**

**Bring a Friend!**

**Someone brought you!!**



**If you know a high school teen who needs to make their  
sacraments, please contact Tim Leitch 631-806-4715.**

**A new class will begin in September.**

**Lectors and ushers are needed for the 6:00 pm Mass Call Tim -cell 631-806-4715 Home 631-667-8043**



**For information on Youth Program activities please contact Tim Leitch at:**

**Cell- 631-806-4715 Hm- 631-667-8043 Ofc-631-667-4044 X 154 Email- timleitch@aol.com.**



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