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SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS

125 Half Hollow Road, Deer Park, NY 11729

Anchored in the Eucharist - Formed by the Word - Committed to Charity

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ August 17, 2025

"I have come to set the earth on fire,
and how I wish it were already blazing!"

TODAY'S READINGS:

#1142 in the *Blue Gather Hymnal*

1st Reading: *Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10*

2nd Reading: *Hebrews 12:1-4*

Gospel Reading: *Luke 12:49-53*

HYMNS FOR THIS SUNDAY:

Lord of All Hopefulness, #663

The King of Love My Shepherd IS, #712

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart, #940

Sing of the Lord's Goodness, #610

(All Masses, except Sunday at 6pm)

PARISH OFFICE:

Tel: (631) 667-4044

Fax: (631) 667-6237

Email: parishoffice@sscmdp.org

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sunday - closed

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY:

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

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

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

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (*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.

- **BAPTISMS:** 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.
- **WEDDINGS:** 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.
- **ANOIDING 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. Fr. Anthony Saliba, *Pastor*, (Ext. 121 | email: franthony@sscmdp.org).
- Rev. Fr. Christopher Deh, *Associate Pastor*, (Ext. 165).
- Rev. Fr. Noel Sixon, *Associate Pastor*, (Ext. 170).
- Rev. Fr. Gregory Cappuccino, *Occasional Help*, (Retired).
- Deacon John F. Fitzpatrick, (Ext. 124).
- Deacon James A. Murano, *Music Director* (Ext. 127).
- Ms. Carol Tannehill, *Rel. Ed. Coordinator*, (Ext. 145).
- Mrs. Janet McEnany, *OFS, Parish 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 & Mrs. Anna L'Abbate, *Parish Trustees*.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	August 18
8:30 AM:	For Dorothy McCormick's intentions
12:15 PM:	Dominick
Tuesday	August 19
8:30 AM:	For Donna Longo's intentions
12:15 PM:	Ethel and James Holly
Wednesday	August 20
8:30 AM:	Carol Zajac
12:15 PM:	For Ethel and Ken Lesko's intentions
Thursday	August 21
8:30 AM:	Anne Sanfilippo
12:15 PM:	Mary Young
Friday	August 22
8:30 AM:	For Michael and Connie Santoli's intentions
12:15 PM:	Emma Kasubjak
Saturday	August 23
8:30 AM	Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM	Mario Diaz, Maureen Booth, Esmeraldo Culio Presbitero and for Rose Saliba's intentions
Sunday	August 24
8:00 AM	Monsignor Brendan Riordan
9:30 AM	Rafael Perez
11:00 AM	Tessie Reilly, Margaret Feeney, Fe Presbitero Casals, Denise LaVenture
12:30 PM	JoAnn Brudi
6:00 PM	For Our Parishioners

Presiders for next week Masses

Saturday	August 23
5:00 PM:	Fr. Noel
Sunday	August 24
8:00 AM:	Fr. Chris
9:30 AM:	Fr. Noel
11:00 AM:	Fr. Chris
12:30 PM:	Fr. Greg
6:00 PM:	Fr. Noel

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE

Lucia Marrone, Doreen Fenice

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Issara Yvonne Bedward, Ophira Mariette Bedward, Zahrina Genevieve Bedward

MARRIAGE BANS

(Third Banns)

Adolf Von Minguillon (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)
Minerva Abreu (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)

(Second Banns)

Marco Kushta (St. Teresa, Woodside, NY)
Giuseppina Maria Davi (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)

(First Banns)

Arthur Thiele (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)
Jade Caliendo (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joyce Ratushny, Kristen Tonnesen, Brendan Gould, Olivia Marie, Baby Marina Grace, Baby Ryan Crystal LaCalamita, Catherine O'Neill, Owen Chapman, Donna Lagattuta, Connie Rigert, Mike Rodriguez, Kathleen Jacobi, Rick Bodt, Penny Dowd, Mike (Repel) Muller Jr., Grayson Danielski, Joan Mecionis, Janina Wiczynski, Billy Davi, Stanley Horodnicki, James Antwon Williams, Frank Iannacchino, Patricia Goldstein, Carl Zajac, Baby Gianna Acquavita, Ezra Folcik, Michael Wright, Rosemarie Barbato, Carol Avitable Miller, Patricia Weber, Stacey Thompson, Jennifer McDonald, Tom Welch, Doug Oliva, Patty Jacobi, Mrs. F. Ferrante, Alma Patrinos, Frances Magliochetti, Theresa Pepe, Rose Saliba, Donna Belulovich

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

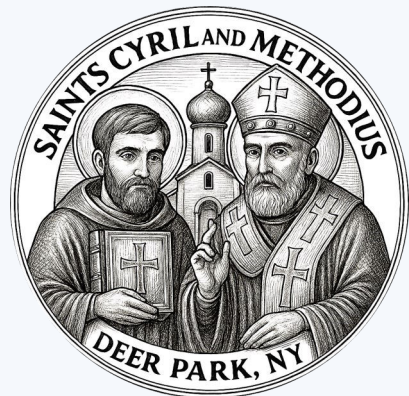
Luis Xzavier Maldonaldo, *Army National Guard*
 Corporal Louis Muniz, *US Marines*
 Isaiah Adams, *US Air Force Airman*
 Sgt. William Bozzello, *US Marines*
 Corporal Joseph Kirsch, *US Marines*
 Lance Corporal Allen Kirsch, *US Marines*

Email jloring@sscmdp.org to include a name in our prayer list.

A Word from Fr. Noel:

Set the Earth on Fire

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus makes a startling declaration: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" These words challenge the image of Jesus as merely gentle and peaceful. Instead, they reveal the fierce urgency and passion at the heart of His mission.

Jesus is not speaking of a destructive fire, but of a purifying one - the fire of the Holy Spirit, the fire of divine love and truth. This fire cleanses, refines, and transforms. It sets hearts ablaze with conviction, courage, and compassion. Jesus longs for this fire to spread, not just in a symbolic way, but in the real lives of His disciples.

He then goes on to say something even more jarring: "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." At first, this seems to contradict everything we associate with Jesus. After all, didn't the angels proclaim "peace on earth" at His birth? And didn't He preach love of neighbor and forgiveness?

Yes, Jesus is the Prince of Peace - but it is God's peace, not the peace of compromise or avoidance. True peace can only come through truth and conversion. And sometimes, when the light of Christ shines into dark places - whether in the world or in our own hearts - it causes tension. People resist change. They cling to what is comfortable or familiar. The Gospel forces a choice, and that can bring division, even within families.

This passage is not a call to conflict, but a sober reminder that following Christ comes with a cost. Discipleship isn't always met with applause. Speaking truth, living with integrity, and choosing love in a world that often rewards selfishness and indifference - these things can set us apart. Jesus is preparing His disciples - and us - for the reality that living for God will sometimes bring struggle, but it is a struggle that leads to freedom and life.

In a world that often prefers tolerance to truth, and comfort to conviction, this Gospel is a wake-up call. It asks us: Are we on fire for Christ, or are we lukewarm? Have we allowed the Holy Spirit to refine us, or do we resist His purifying flame?

May we have the courage to let Christ set our hearts ablaze. May we not fear the cost of discipleship, but embrace it with joy, knowing that His fire, though it may burn, will ultimately lead us to deeper love, deeper faith, and true peace.

May God Bless us all!

Fr. Noel

LIFT THEIR NAMES TO HEAVEN

A Prayerful Tribute of Love

Consider offering a Holy Mass for a loved one - living or deceased - as a powerful act of love, prayer, and remembrance. These sacred intentions unite us in Christ and bring grace to those we hold dear.



Available Mass Intentions:

September 4: 12:15 pm
September 7: 6:00 pm
September 9: 12:15 pm
September 10: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
September 11: 12:15 pm
September 14: 6:00 pm
September 16: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
September 17: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
September 18: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
September 19: 8:30 am
September 21: 6:00 pm
September 23: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

To arrange a Mass intention, kindly call or visit the Parish Office during regular hours.

Surround Them with Light and Prayer

In addition to Masses, Parishioners are also encouraged to consider offering the following Memorials: **Altar Candles, and Candles at Our Lady's Shrine and St. Joseph's Shrine:** \$25; **Bread & Wine:** \$50; **flowers at the Shrines of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph:** \$50; **Altar flowers:** \$50 per vase or \$100 for both vases.

These Memorials are a beautiful way to bring light, beauty, and prayer into our Church while remembering your loved ones in a special way.

Please contact the Parish Office during regular hours to arrange a Memorial offering.

SUNSET ROSARY IN THE GROTTO



Wednesday evenings
at 7:00 pm
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.
Bring a chair, your Rosary,
and a beverage.*

STEWARDSHIP

AUGUST 10, 2025

Regular Collection	\$17,269.50
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,787.07</u>
Total	\$19,056.57

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$54,790.00 Pledged - 43.76% of Parish Goal.

This week we are up **\$1556.57** 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: **(-\$6,522.60)**

*Thank you for your generous
support to our Parish Family.*

VANCO
FAITH

A Life of Faith in Action

Parish Ministries & Devotions

- ♦ **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 **Fr. Christopher Deh**, at **631-667-4044, ext.165**.
- ♦ **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Held **Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Church**. This perpetual novena fosters a personal relationship with Mary, who always leads us to her Son, Jesus.
- ♦ **FLAME OF LOVE DEVOTION:** Gathers every **Friday from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm 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 pm to 3:00 pm in the Senior Room**. N.B. We will *resume regular meetings on September 9th*. All are welcome. Questions? Call **Lucille**, at **631-586-2438**.
- ♦ **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** If you or someone you know needs help with rent, utilities, clothing, or furniture, please email: **sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com** or call **631-667-4044 (ext. 175)** (you will receive a callback from a blocked number; please answer).
- ♦ **FIRST FRIDAY & SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** Join us on the **first Friday and Saturday of each month for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:00 am, followed by the 8:30 am Mass**. After Mass we recite together the Holy Rosary. *The next First Friday and Saturday are September 5 and 6*. For more info, call **Annette Arena**, at **631-661-9109**.
- ♦ **SENIOR CLUB:** Our next meeting will be **on September 2, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in Father Behan Hall**. Members are also invited to play **Bingo on September 22nd 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**, or **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** 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**. For more info contact **Geri Cavanaugh**, President, at **973-479-4234**.
- ♦ **FIRST RESPONDER / HEALTH CARE WORKER MINISTRY:** There will be a Mass for all active or retired first responders and health care workers on **Sunday, September 14th at 11:00 am Breakfast to follow**. For more information, contact **Tom Richardson**, at **631-831-6234** or richartj1959@gmail.com.
- ♦ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND RECITATION OF THE ROSARY in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima:** September 13th & October 13th from 8:00 am – 8:30 am before Mass with recitation of the Rosary after Mass.
- ♦ **MONTHLY MEDJUGORJE MESSAGE - July 25, 2025 - Message to Marija:**
"Dear children! In this time of grace, when the Most High permits me to love you and lead you on the way of holiness, Satan wants to entangle you with the cord of peacelessness and hatred. Do not permit him to prevail, but, little children, fight for the holiness of every life. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Eucharistic Adoration



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,
our Eucharistic 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

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish

125 Half Hollow Rd, Deer Park, NY 11729

 **631-667-4044 x145**

*If you have not registered your children for the upcoming year,
please do so as soon as possible. Classes are filling up.*

Registration Forms can be emailed to you.

**Please contact the office: faithformation@sscmdp.org
if you would like a form mailed to you.**

The **Faith Formation Office** is open:

Monday - Wednesday from 3 pm to 5:30 pm.

If you need to meet with us at another time,
please leave a message and we will get back to you.



**Catechists are needed
for all grade levels.**

If you would like to share your faith
with the children of the Parish,
please contact us.

SSCM Faith Formation: Where love is shared and all are welcome!

“The Lord is Gently Knocking”

Pope Leo XIV’s Message to Young People



Rome — Aug 3, 2025: At the *Jubilee Mass for Young People*, Pope Leo XIV addressed thousands gathered with a message full of hope, challenge, and encouragement: “Jesus is our hope - set out on an adventure with Him toward eternity.”

Preaching from the same site where Saint John Paul II addressed youth in the Jubilee Year 2000, the Holy Father invited today’s young Catholics to open their hearts to Christ, who gently “knocks at the window of your soul.”

Reflecting on the Book of Ecclesiastes in the Old Testament, Pope Leo acknowledged the human experience of limitation and restlessness. “We are not made for a life that is static,” he said, “but for one constantly renewed through self-gift in love.” He warned against filling this spiritual thirst with “cheap imitations,” encouraging the youth instead to let their longing lead them to God.

Citing Saint Augustine, the Pope recalled the famous confession: “You were within me, but I was outside...” - an echo of the spiritual journey many young people experience. “It is beautiful,” he said, “especially at a young age, to open wide your hearts to Him.”

Pope Leo urged youth not to settle for mediocrity or materialism. “Buying, hoarding, and consuming are not enough. We need to lift our eyes to what is above.” True fulfillment, he said, comes through prayer, adoration, the Eucharist, Confession, and acts of charity.

He held up Blessed Piergiorgio Frassati and Blessed Carlo Acutis as modern examples of youthful holiness. “Aspire to great things,” the Pope exhorted, “to holiness, wherever you are.”

Finally, entrusting all young people to the Blessed Virgin Mary, especially during this 75th anniversary year of the Dogma of the Assumption, he prayed that they would return home as joyful witnesses of the Gospel.



We hope you are enjoying summer on Long Island!

Throughout this season, we continue to serve many young families in need through our *Walking with Moms* ministry. **As of our last count, we have served 65 families!** Thanks to the many generous donations from our parishioners, many babies are now sleeping in safe bassinets or pack-and-plays and safely traveling in properly sized baby and toddler car seats. They also have access to diapers, wipes, formula, and clothing for the season.

That being said, "I have a situation":

We are down to our last Toddler Car seat!

We currently have **2 families in need:**

- one who has been sharing a toddler seat between cousins (which means only one child goes out at a time with the family, or worse, one child is not properly restrained in the car), and
- another family that is using a broken and expired hand-me-down car seat for their toddler.

Please consider donating a NEW toddler car seat today, individually or as a group. Your support is urgently needed!

Please contact me now if you can help or have any questions. Thank you for your generosity – **May God bless you for all you do!**

Margie - "Walking With Moms Ministry"

tel: 631-667-4044 (ext 120); cell: 631-392-8441 & 631-392-8441

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.



- MEMORIALS -
AUGUST 17 to AUGUST 23
*Altar Flowers are offered
in loving memory of*
JOHN (JACK) HEALY
from the QUINN FAMILY



“Where there is no love, put love, and you will draw out love.”
St John of the Cross (1542—1591)



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CYO TRAVEL TEAM REGISTRATION

***Registration for 4th Grade to the High School travel
Basketball teams will be held later this summer.
Watch the Bulletin for details on where and when
the registration will take place.***

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Even when new issues arise as life evolves, Catholic Social Teaching holds fast to its core principles:

- ⇒ **Human Dignity:** every person is made in the image of God and deserves respect.
- ⇒ **Common Good:** society must be organized to benefit all, especially the most vulnerable.
- ⇒ **Solidarity:** we are one human family called to stand with each other in justice and love.
- ⇒ **Subsidiarity:** decisions should be made at the most local level possible.
- ⇒ **Preferential Option For The Poor:** the needs of the poor and marginalized must come first.

Matthew 25:40 – “Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

Thank you as always for your generous donations to not just the food pantry but also to Parish Social Ministry as we look forward to starting or resuming programs.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED WHO CAN DROP OFF FOOD TO CLIENTS

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.**

FOOD:

- Pasta Sauce (in jar, not in can)
- Flour, Sugar, White Vinegar 32oz.
- Salt, white rice 1 or 2 lb. packages (not instant) Paper Towels
- Progresso Soups (not condensed)
- Ritz Crackers (not wheat thins, cheezits or club crackers)
- Coffee (not instant), Shelf Stable 64oz. Juice vegetable oil, Mayonnaise

SPECIAL ITEMS:

- Dish Detergent
- Women's deodorant
- Shave Cream
- Men's Deodorant

Brand-specific is not important

GIFT CARDS TO:

- Lidl (primarily)
- Stop & Shop (especially is very good to us at the Pantry.)
- Walmart
- Target
- Gas Cards
- Shop Rite
- Aldi
- Target

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



SUMMER FAIR

Thank You for Making Our Festival a Joyful Celebration!

I want to take a moment to offer my **sincere thanks to everyone** who helped make our annual Parish Family Festival of Fun a reality. So many of you - **volunteers, organizers, generous donors, staff, and families** - have given your time, talent, and heart to bring joy to our parish community. Your dedication and enthusiasm reflect the best of who we are as a parish: a family rooted in faith, service, and fellowship. **I am truly grateful for all you've done, both behind the scenes and out in front, to create an event that brings laughter, connection, and celebration to our church grounds.**

I warmly encourage all our parishioners, families, and friends to come out and be part of the festival. Whether it's the games, food, music, or simply the company of good people, there's **something for everyone to enjoy**. It's more than just fun. It's a chance to be together, to build community, and to strengthen the bonds that unite us in Christ.

Fr. Anthony



FAMILY FESTIVAL OF FUN FAMILY FUN STARTS HERE!

We are pleased to offer a special advance purchase discount on unlimited ride wristbands for our upcoming Parish Carnival!

- ♦ SAVE \$10 when you purchase your wristbands in advance, up to five hours before opening each day.
- ♦ USE PROMO CODE: Cyril5 for an additional \$5 off! *This special promo code is **active now** through Sunday, August 10.*

This offer is valid for any one-day use of the unlimited ride wristband.

To purchase, scan the QR code or visit the link below:
[https://newtonshows.magicmoneyllc.com/MagicMoney_Web/
ETicket/EventDetails/124](https://newtonshows.magicmoneyllc.com/MagicMoney_Web/ETicket/EventDetails/124)

Feel free to share this with friends and family!
Let's make this carnival a joyful celebration for all!



Ss Cyril Family Festival - Save \$\$ on Rides

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**; 2nd PRIZE: **\$500.00**; 3rd 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 BONFIRE 2.0**; **FIRE PIT**. Raffle tickets are **\$5 each** or Book of **5** for **\$20**.

All winners will be picked on Sunday, **AUGUST 17th, 2025**.

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

2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



***"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace"***
1 Peter 4:10

Sharing Our Gifts through the CMA

Stewardship is the grateful response of every Christian disciple to share our God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure in a way that passionately sets our hearts on fire and touches the lives of others, as we live the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The Catholic Ministries Appeal is an excellent way to journey through the Pillars of Hospitality, Prayer, Formation and Service to express your gratitude to God.

Through the Pillar of Hospitality and Service, many parishes form CMA committees to support a smooth and organized Appeal effort and by creating a welcoming environment for all. Others share their gifts by volunteering in the ministries that the CMA supports, such as formation classes and parish outreach programs.

Through the Pillar of Prayer and Formation, the Catholic Ministries Appeal brings us closer to those we help and support as we become more "connected" with our sisters and brothers through prayer and evangelization ministries. We may wish to pray for those who support and volunteer for the committee and for those who receive support from the appeal.

The CMA provides an opportunity for stewards to use their treasure to serve more than 600,000 of our sisters and brothers each year in our formation and Catholic Charities pastoral programs. It is rare that just one person or one parish could touch this many lives. The CMA brings us beyond the individual, the group and the parish and unites us as one Church of Long Island.

***The Catholic Ministries Appeal is
Stewardship in action!***

To donate, you can also visit
<https://www.drvc.org/donate/cma/>

August 17th Youth

SUMMER NEWS!

Watch here for news
about: A trip to the shrine
in Eastport and more.

**Regular weekly
meetings begin on
September 14th**

Bring a Friend!
Someone brought you!!



News



**OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL
FOR 8TH-12 GRADERS
AUGUST 20TH 7-9 PM**

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

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 at 6:00 pm**