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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

Exaltation of the Holy Cross ~ September 14, 2025

"God so loved the world that He gave his only Son."

TODAY'S READINGS:

#1208 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: *Numbers 21:4b-9*

2nd Reading: *Philippians 2:6-11*

Gospel Reading: *John 3:13-17*

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HYMNS FOR THIS SUNDAY:

Lift High the Cross, #881

Only This I Want, #782

We Remember, #681

Let There Be Peace on Earth, #829

(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.
- **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. 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 September 15

8:30 AM: Santo Macaluso Jr.
12:15 PM: Irma Mayas Morales

Tuesday September 16

8:30 AM: Russell Salerno
12:15 PM: Salvatore Gallo

Wednesday September 17

8:30 AM: Leticia Adelaida Diaz Ojeda
12:15 PM: Joyce E. Bush

Thursday September 18

8:30 AM: Russell Salerno
12:15 PM: Bill Emmerich

Friday September 19

8:30 AM: Nora Emmerich
12:15 PM: Antonette (Sue) Sganga

Saturday September 20

8:30 AM Purgatorial Society
5:00 PM Felix Maya, Aderemi Oqundiran, Mario Diaz,
Alfred and Susie Muoio

Sunday September 21

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
9:30 AM Anne Sheppard
11:00 AM Carlos Rimoia, Teresa Melendez, Gaetana
Carucci, Roseann Cusano
12:30 PM Mirna Ramirez
6:00 PM Russell Salerno

Presiders for next week Masses

Saturday September 20

5:00 PM: Fr. Chris

Sunday September 21

8:00 AM: Fr. Anthony
9:30 AM: Fr. Chris
11:00 AM: Fr. Jude
12:30 PM: Fr. Anthony
6:00 PM: Fr. Chris

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE

Vincent J. Vitale, Joan Di Maria,
Josephine Tantillo.

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Matteo Vincent Barcia,
Cody Rick Giovannoli, Grayson Sam Muller,
Camille Catherine Walkoski.

MARRIAGE BANS

(Second Banns)

Bartolo Iacono (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)
Jennie Weaver

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, Rick Bodt, Penny Dowd, Mike (Repel)
Muller Jr., Grayson Danielski, Joan Mecionis,
Janina Wiczynski, Billy Davi, Stanley Horodnicki,
James Antwon Williams, Frank Iannacchino, Carl
Zajac, Baby Gianna Acquavita, Ezra Folcik,
Michael Wright, Rosemarie Barbato, 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,
Joan Bozza, Jose Viera, Rochelle Chawner,
Michael Buckley, Lisa Hulsen.

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.

From the Pastor's Desk



The Cross, Our Hope!

This Sunday's Gospel (John 3:13–17) leads us directly to the heart of our faith: *"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life."* On this **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**, we lift high the Cross not as a symbol of defeat, but as the sign of God's triumph of love over sin and death.

Jesus reminds us that just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up. The Cross, once an instrument of shame, becomes **the throne of mercy**. From that wood flows the healing of our souls and the promise of everlasting life. We are not saved by our own strength, but **by the pierced Heart of Christ** who poured Himself out completely for us.

The Cross is not something to be admired from afar; it is **a reality we are called to embrace**. Each of us has our own share in the Cross: moments of suffering, sacrifice, and surrender. Yet, in uniting these to Christ's Cross, **our burdens are transformed into blessings**. Through His wounds, our wounds are healed.

Let us venerate the Cross today with gratitude and with renewed trust. God's love is not abstract, but real, written in the blood of His Son. May the Cross ever be for us a sign of **hope**, a reminder of **mercy**, and the sure path to **eternal life**.

Fr. Anthony



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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:



October 6: 8:30 am
October 7: 8:30 am
October 8: 8:30 am
October 9: 8:30 am
October 16: 8:30 am
October 17: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
October 19: 6:00 pm
October 21: 8:30 am
October 22: 8:30 am
October 23: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
October 24: 8:30 am
October 26: 8:00 am
October 27: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm
October 28: 12:15 pm

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

Surround Them with Light and Prayer

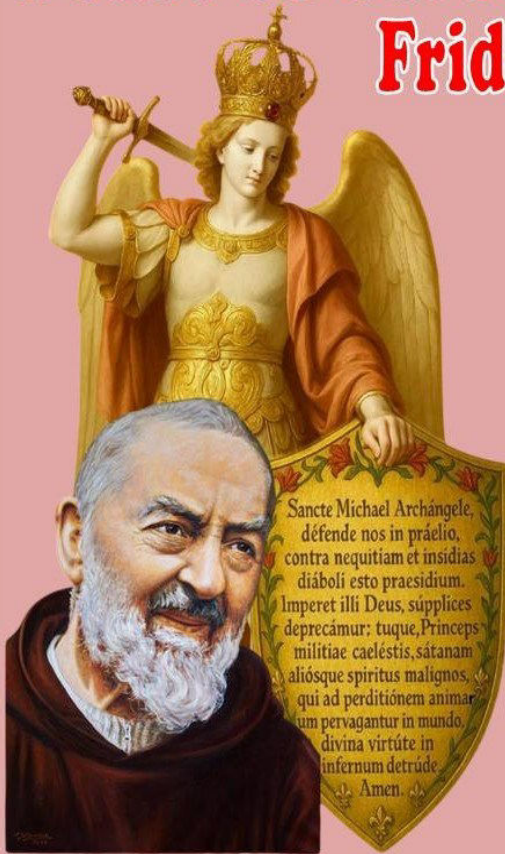
In addition to Masses, Parishioners are also encouraged to consider offering the following Memorials: **Altar Candles, and Candles at Our Lady's Shrine and St. Joseph's Shrine:** \$25; **Bread & Wine:** \$50; **flowers at the Shrines of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph:** \$50; **Altar flowers:** \$50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

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

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

Feast of Ss. Michael and Padre Pio

Friday, September 26 – 7:00 PM



- Solemn Mass;
- Veneration of the Relics of Padre Pio;
- Solemn Benediction;
- Fellowship to follow.

Come and honor these great saints in prayer and community!

STEWARDSHIP

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Regular Collection: \$14,777.65
Online Giving: \$ 1,316.30
Total: \$16,093.95

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal \$125,200

\$56,170.00 Pledged (44.86% of Parish Goal)

This week we are short **\$1,406.05** 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: **(-\$11,873.08)**

Thank you for your generous support to our Parish Family.

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FAITH

A Life of Faith in Action

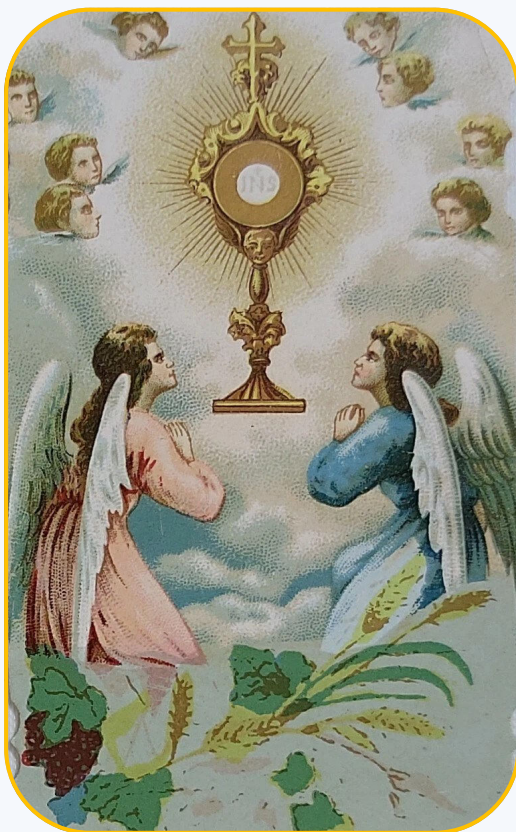
Parish Ministries & Devotions

- ♦ **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 **631-66-4044 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**. 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 call **call 631-667-4044 (ext. 175)** or email: **sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com**. 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 October 4 and 5.* For more info, call **Annette Arena**, at **631-661-9109**.
- ♦ **SENIOR CLUB:** Our next meeting will be **on October 7, 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. **Upcoming Events:** Lunch at Arboretum, September 26th, Irish Coffee Pub, October 8th, our Christmas Party December 9th. For questions, please contact: **Debbie Vickovich**, at **631-520-4455**, **Dorothy Gallub**, at **631-539-2458**, 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:** Our next meeting is on **Monday, October 13, 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:** **October 13th from 8:00 am – 8:30 am before Mass** with recitation of the Rosary after Mass.

“The Church is alive. The Church is young. She holds within herself the future of the world and therefore shows each of us the way towards the future.” - Pope Benedict XVI (1927-2022)

Eucharistic Adoration



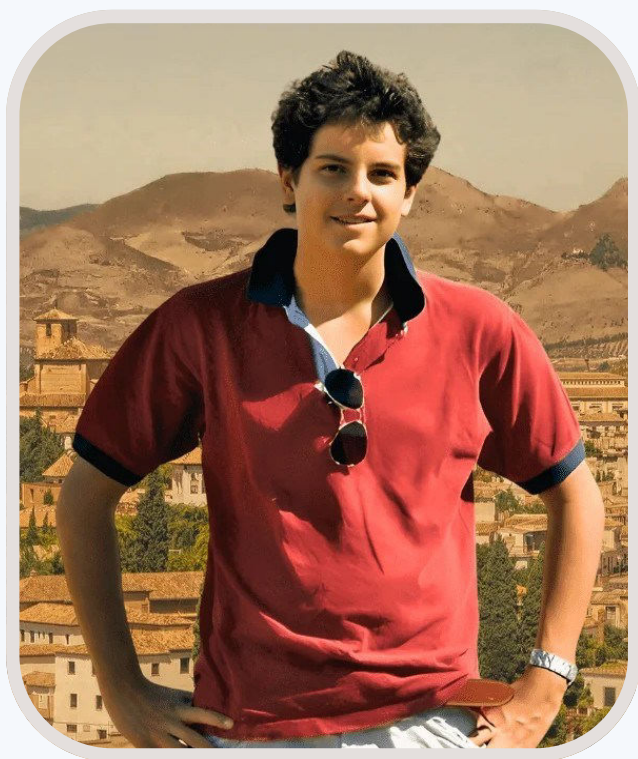
You are warmly invited to adore Our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday from 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the Church, continuing through the end of September.

**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.**

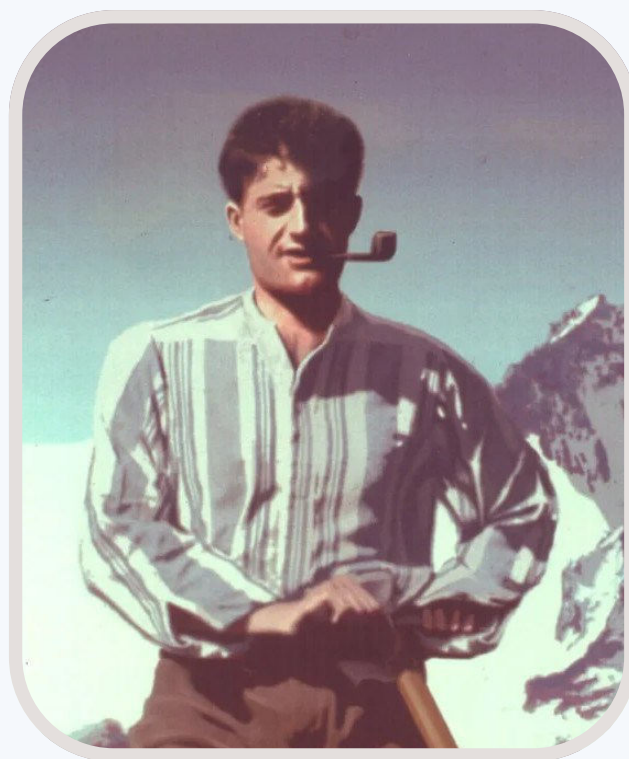
Take this grace-filled opportunity to rest in His Presence, bring your intentions, and be renewed in prayer.

TWO YOUNG WITNESSES OF FAITH

CARLO ACUTIS and PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI



Carlo Acutis



Pier Giorgio Frassati

On Sunday, September 7, 2025, the Church celebrated the canonization of two young men whose lives exemplify holiness in the modern world: Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati.

Pope Leo XIV presided over the ceremony in St. Peter's Square, marking a historic moment as the first millennial saint was elevated to sainthood alongside a beloved figure of the early 20th century.

Carlo Acutis (1991–2006) was a teenager from Italy who loved computers, video games, and sports. Yet above all, he loved the Eucharist, which he called his “highway to Heaven.” He created a website to catalog Eucharistic miracles, reminding us that holiness is not about doing extraordinary things, but about living ordinary life with extraordinary love. Carlo had been beatified by Pope

Francis on October 10, 2020, and his canonization in 2025 makes him the first millennial saint.

Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901–1925), known as the “Man of the Beatitudes,” was a joyful young man who loved mountain climbing, friendship, and prayer. He dedicated his short life to serving the poor and living his faith with courage and joy. Pier Giorgio had been beatified by Pope St. John Paul II on May 20, 1990, and his canonization in 2025 celebrated his enduring example for young people around the world.

Both Acutis and Frassati remind us that holiness is not reserved for priests or religious alone. It is the vocation of every Christian. Both saints show us that one can be young, modern, and fully immersed in the world, while also being deeply rooted in Christ.

May their examples encourage us to find Christ in the Eucharist, serve Him in the poor, and live each day with joy, courage, and faith.



Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle;
be our protection against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray: and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
thrust into Hell Satan
and all of the other evil spirits
who prowl about the world seeking
the ruin of souls. Amen



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.



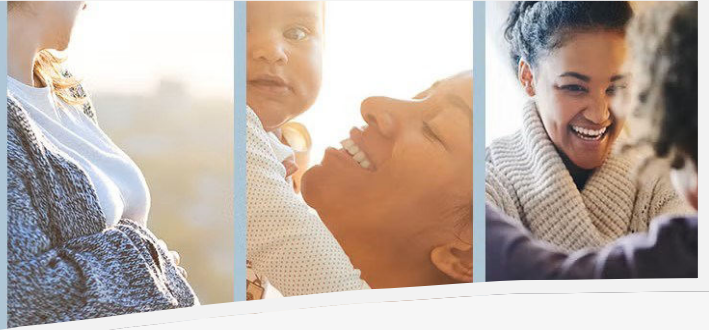
**Catechists are needed
for all grade levels.**

**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!

respect
life

*called
to serve
moms
in need*



Respect Life News

This August 2025 Costco has announced that it will not sell the abortion pill mifepristone at its U.S. pharmacies, nor will it pursue FDA certification to sell it. This is a win for the respect life community/anti-abortion groups nationwide. When possible it is good to support retailers who support our moral values.

For information on the risks associated with these pills go to:
www.usccb.org/resources/just-facts-q-chemical-abortion

Once again we would like to express **our sincere gratitude** to the many generous donors to the Walking with Moms Ministry! It has truly been a blessing to meet the families we serve. It is a double blessing that you our parish family have taken some of the cost of living burden off of them by providing car seats, diapers, wipes & clothing, allowing them to perhaps then pay their rent or a utility bill. **Truly from the bottom of our hearts: we THANK YOU!!!**

- ⇒ **Ongoing needs:** Larger size Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6 & 7), Fragrance Free Wipes, and Baby Shampoo/Body Wash/Lotion.
- ⇒ **We gratefully accept clean/gently used: Fall/Winter Pajamas ALL SIZES for baby, toddlers, and tweens.**

Items can be dropped off at the Social Ministry Office,
Monday through Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

For questions or assistance,
please **call 631-667-4044 (ext. 120)**, and leave a message.

Margie - "Walking With Moms Ministry"
tel: 631-667-4044 (ext 120); cell: 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.

Living the Liturgy:

FROM THE CROSS TO THE MOTHER'S HEART



Each September, the Church gives us two powerful feasts placed side by side: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (today, Sunday, September 14) and the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows (tomorrow, Monday, September 15).

The **Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross** goes back to the early centuries of the Church. In the year 326, St. Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, traveled to Jerusalem and discovered the True Cross on which Christ was crucified. A great basilica was later built on the site of Calvary and the Holy Sepulchre, and its dedication on September 14 became the date of this feast. From then on, the Church has celebrated the Cross, not as a symbol of defeat, but as the instrument of our salvation. As we lift high the Cross in liturgy and in life, we proclaim with St. Paul: “We preach Christ crucified...the power of God and the wisdom of God” (1 Cor 1:23-24).

Tomorrow, Monday, September 15, we turn to the **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**. This devotion developed from the Middle Ages, especially through the Servite Order, who honored Mary’s participation in the suffering of her Son. The seven sorrows of Our Lady include Simeon’s prophecy, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the Child Jesus, the meeting on the way of the Cross, the Crucifixion, the taking down of Jesus’ body, and His burial. Mary, standing at the foot of the Cross, shares in Christ’s suffering in a unique way, becoming for us a model of faithful love and a motherly refuge in our own sorrows.

Placed together, these feasts remind us that the Cross is never separated from love. Christ carried it out of love for us, and Mary stood beneath it out of love for Him. When life places its crosses on our shoulders, let us remember: through the Cross comes Resurrection, and through Mary’s sorrows comes the joy of Christ.





Deacon Ministry

Are You Being Called ?
LISTEN!–PRAY!–REFLECT!–DISCERN!

Attend ONE of the following dates:

7:00PM, Tuesday September 30th

St. Elizabeth Melville, 175 Wolf Hill Rd (Hospitality Rm)

7:00PM, Thursday, October 2nd

St. Brigid Westbury, 85 Post Ave (St. Anthony Center)

1:00PM, Saturday, October 18th

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington

RSVP by Friday, September 26th,

TO 631-423-0483 Ext. 178

OR by email to

diaconateformation@drvc.org

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

September 15th - feast day of Our Lady of Sorrows

This week, I would like to concentrate on the Fourth Sorrow. Let us consider how the work in Parish Social Ministry brings us face-to-face with people who are struggling with great suffering.

We, like Mary, encountering her Son, meet them as they are carrying their crosses or enduring great hardship. Their plight calls to our compassion, and may challenge our patience, understanding, and responsiveness. Our faith may be tested by what seems beyond our capabilities.

Sit for a few moments with those people you have met whose circumstances are difficult, challenging, and perhaps overwhelming. Allow them to rest in the quiet of your heart. Lean on the heart of God, the heart of Mary, recognizing how they invite you more deeply into encountering the suffering Christ.

Thank you as always for keeping those less fortunate in your prayers and sending your donations each week.

IN URGENT NEED OF GROCERY CARTS

Most of our clients can no longer afford cars and car insurance. Therefore, we are in desperate need of grocery carts for the walkers, like those people use in the city.

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. Brand-specific is not important

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

FOOD:

- Pasta Sauce (in jar, not in can)
- Flour, Sugar, White Vinegar 32oz.
- Salt, white rice 1 or 2 lb. packages (not instant), Black Pepper, Oatmeal (not variety packages if possible)
- 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**
- **Toothbrushes**

GIFT CARDS TO:

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

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our BINGO VOLUNTEERS

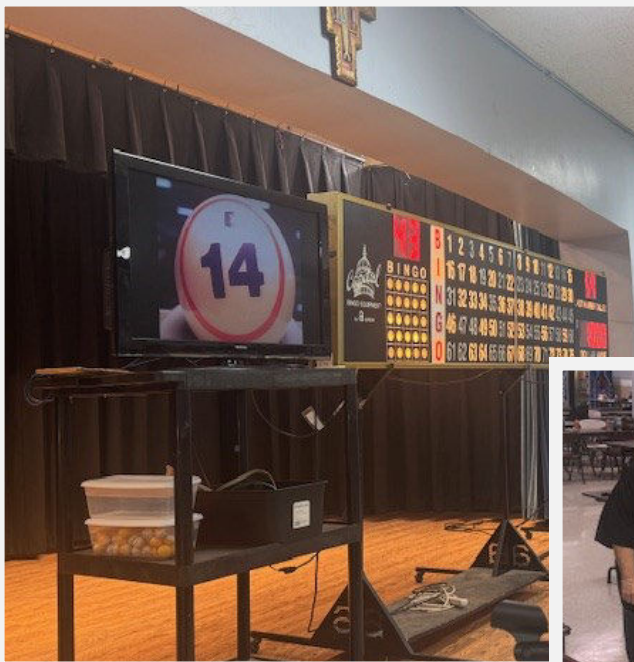
Each week, our Parish Hall comes alive with fellowship, joy, and a spirit of community during Bingo Night. What many may not realize is that behind this cherished tradition stands a **dedicated team of volunteers** who give generously of their time and energy.

From setting up tables, selling cards, and calling the numbers, these faithful parishioners make it all possible. Their efforts not only create a welcoming evening for all who attend but also provide important support for our parish.

The funds raised through Bingo Night help us to continue our mission and sustain the many ministries that serve our community.

On behalf of the entire parish family, we extend our deepest gratitude to our Bingo volunteers. Your commitment and good cheer are a blessing, and we thank you for all you do to strengthen our parish life.

May the Lord reward your kindness and dedication with abundant graces.



LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

FALL 2025

The Diocese of Rockville Center invites those interested in serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors to participate in upcoming training.

We kindly ask that you register in advance with a letter from your pastor, as walk-ins cannot be accommodated.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Part A

This training is required for all new Ministers.

All new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) must complete BASIC (Part A) training.

If you wish to provide ministry in hospitals, nursing homes, or to the homebound, you must also complete Part B training. Please note: Part A training must be completed before attending Part B training.

Lector Workshop is also available for new and experienced lectors.

You cannot attend *EMHC Part A* and the Lector Workshop on the same day. Each session must be attended separately.

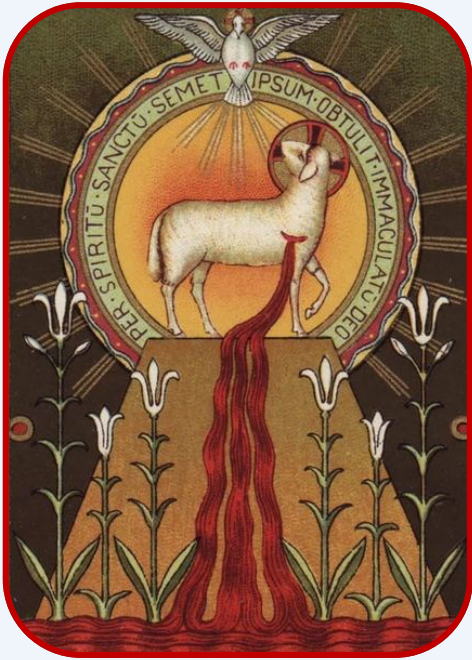
Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training:

- ♦ **Oct. 21 (Tue), 7-10 pm**, St. Elizabeth, Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall: EMHC Part A, Lector Workshop.
- ♦ **Nov. 18 (Tue), 7-9 pm**, St. Elizabeth, Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall: EMHC Part B.
- ♦ **Oct. 28 (Tue), 7-10 pm**, St. Agnes Cathedral (RVC) - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center: EMHC Part A, Lector Workshop.
- ♦ **Nov. 5 (Wed), 7-9 pm**, St. Agnes Cathedral (RVC) - Msgr. Kelly Parish Center: EMHC Part B.
- ♦ **Nov. 15 (Sat), 1-4 pm**, Immaculate Conception, Westhampton Beach - Parish Hall: EMHC Part A only. (No Lector Workshop/EMHC Part B this date.)

A letter from your pastor is required to register for any training session and must be received at least five days before your chosen session.

Only those with confirmed registration, including all prerequisites, will be permitted entry. Walk-ins and unregistered participants will not be allowed.

**To register, contact Joan Loring
at 631-667-4044 (ext 122) or jloring@sscmdp.org**



MEMORIALS

SEPTEMBER 14 to SEPTEMBER 20

- The *Bread and Wine* are offered in loving memory of **SUE SGANGA**.
- The *Altar Flowers* are offered in loving memory of **MARIO & BERNARDO DIAZ** from Ofelia Diaz.
- *Blessed Mother Shrine Candles* are offered **IN THANKGIVING TO ST. JUDE**.

MASS AT "THE LOURDES GROTTO"

Wednesday, September 3, 2025



PARISH MINISTRY FAIR

Saturday & Sunday, September 27-28
after all the Masses

*Discover the many ways you can serve, grow,
and share your gifts in our Parish Family!*

Meet ministry leaders and
find where God may be calling you.

Come, See, and
be part of the Mission!



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/>

St. Pius X Residence for Retired Priests

The mission of St. Pius X Residence is to provide a nurturing environment that respects and cherishes the lifelong commitment of our beloved priests. The Residence strives to create a warm and supportive community where they can enjoy their retirement years with dignity, surrounded by like-minded individuals who share their dedication to faith.

As our elderly priests enter this stage of their life, they often experience ongoing challenges that require added care and attention, and because of you, the St Pius X Residence is there for them. Even in retirement, our priests continue to make a profound impact on the spiritual and personal lives of Catholics of all ages. When they are able, they celebrate Mass in area parishes, visit the sick and homebound, and bring God's Word to those in prison.

Please support our beloved priests in their retirement years.



Fr. Steve Pietrowski, Rector

"I am so proud to be able to serve all the wonderful priests residing at St Pius. This house provides a place for our priests who have a need for care and help for daily activities. It's a safe place to age gracefully. Here at St. Pius, we provide for one another. We call this place home," shared Fr.



Msgr. Ron Richardson:

"When I was living on my own for a number of years, I felt a sense of isolation, especially during Covid but here I am with many of my fellow priests who I served with at times throughout the years. I've always been a walker, most of my life I've walked and jogged. I love the outdoors and I am so grateful to be here at this gorgeous campus."

The special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Residence will take place next weekend. Please be as generous as possible!

Thank You!

<https://www.stpiusresidence.org/>



September 14th Youth News

**Regular weekly
meetings begin on
September 14th 7-9pm**

Meet in the breezeway after
the 6:00 Mass

FOR 8TH-12TH GRADERS

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

Bring a Friend!

Someone brought you!!



A look back at making Easter Baskets for kids in need.
Join us this year! We meet Sunday night from 7 to 9 pm.

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:

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