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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

33 Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 16, 2025 "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

TODAY'S READINGS:

#1211 in the Blue Gather Hymnal

1st Reading: Malachi 3:19-20A

Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

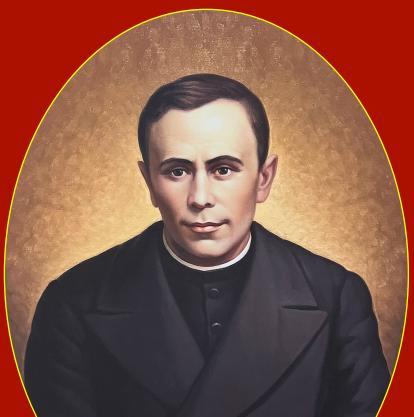
2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel Reading: Luke 21:5-19

HYMNS FOR THIS SUNDAY:

Praise and Thanksgiving, #861 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, #641 Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup, #926 America the Beautiful, #984

(All Masses, except Sunday at 6pm)



The Ven. Fr. Anthony Vincent Gallo (1899-1934)

Eucharistic Triduum: Nov. 19, 20, & 21.

PARISH OFFICE:

Tel: (631) 667-4044 Fax: (631) 667-6237

Email: parishoffice@sscmdp.org Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 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

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

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

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Family Mass),

11:00 am (*live stream*), 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. Please contact the Parish Office 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 Office to make an appointment for the initial intake. ■ PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit by a Eucharistic Minister. ■ ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please 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, Parochial Vicar, (Ext. 165).
- Rev. Fr. Noel Sixon, Parochial Vicar, (Ext. 170).
- Rev. Fr. Gregory Cappuccino, Occasional Help, (Retired).
- Deacon John F. Fitzpatrick, (Ext. 124).
- Deacon James A. Murano, Music Director (Ext. 127).
- Miss. 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).
- Miss Darlene Vietri, Parish Secretary & Administrative Assistant.
- Mrs. Marianne Saffran, Baptism & Wedding Coordinator, (Ext. 115).
- Ms. Allison Taibi, Bookkeeper, (Ext. 111).
- Mr. Tom Richardson & Mrs. Anna L'Abbate, Parish Trustees.
- Mrs. Celica Villegas-King, Principal at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic School, cvillegas-king@olgschools.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	November 17		
8:30 AM:	Aniver Nicolas		
12:15 PM:	Daisy and Eustace DaCosta		
Tuesday	November 18		
8:30 AM:	Santo Macaluso Sr.		
12:15 PM:	Eileen Doyle		
Wednesday	November 19		
8:30 AM:	Anne Mahoney		
12:15 PM:	Felisa Colegado Presbitero		
Thursday	November 20		
8:30 AM:	Angela Macaluso		
12:15 PM:	Janet Graziano		
Friday	November 21		
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Presiders for next week Masses

6:00 PM

Saturday	November 22
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5:00 PM:	Fr. Noel
Sunday	November 23
8:00 AM:	Fr. Anthony
9:30 AM:	Fr. Noel
11:00 AM:	Fr. Anthony
12:30 PM:	Fr. Chris
6:00 PM:	Fr. Noel

John, James and Joseph Vigiano

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE

Stacey K. Thompson, Francesca Bowen

MARRIAGE BANS

(Third Banns)

Joseph Charnawskas (O.L. of Grace, WB) Christy Franco (O.L. of Grace, West Babylon)

(First Banns)

William Berech (St.John Nepomucene, Bohemia)
Candice Cannone (Ss. Cyril and Methodius)

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Madison Lily Arrasate

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joyce Ratushny, Kristen Tonnesen, Brendan Gould, Olivia Marie, Baby Marina Grace, Baby Ryan Crystal LaCalamita, Catherine O'Neill, Owen Chapman, Connie Rigert, Mike Rodriguez, 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, Michael Wright, Rosemarie Barbato, Patricia Weber, Stacey Thompson, Jennifer McDonald, Tom Welch, Patty Jacobi, F. Ferrante, Alma Patrinos, Theresa Pepe, Donna Belulovich, Joan Bozza, Jose Viera, Rochelle Chawner, Michaele Buckley, Lisa Hulsen, Marie Cipriano Merrifield, Sandra Gusavara, David Kriegsman, Dea Compitello, Lisa Sessa, Ms. Terri, Giavanna Walters, Madeline Palladino, Marissa Ann Vasquez, Louise Piazza, Michela Perrotta, Diana Walsh, Allan Helmbrecht, Frank Caldone Sr, Raffaella Iannucci, Stephanie Santomauro, Jimmy D'Acunti, Patricia Ann McNulty

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*Miguel Angel Rodriguez Osorio, *Army NG*

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

From the Pastor's Desk

When the Stones Fall

In this Sunday's Gospel (Luke 21:5–19), Jesus reminds us that even the most beautiful works of human hands will one day pass away, but faith in God endures forever.



In moments of trial or uncertainty, He tells us, "**Do not be terrified,**" for He Himself will give us strength and wisdom. What truly lasts is not what we build with stone, but the **trust**, **love**, and **perseverance** we place in the Lord.

This Sunday, we will honor the **Venerable Father Anthony Vincent Gallo** at the 11:00 AM Mass, giving thanks for his faithful witness and asking his intercession for our Parish.

Then, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (Nov. 19–21), we will celebrate our Eucharistic Triduum in preparation for the Solemnity of Christ the King and the Season of Advent. I warmly invite everyone to take part in these days of prayer and adoration. This is a beautiful opportunity to let Christ reign in our hearts and strengthen the bonds of our Parish family. See the program for these three days in this bulletin on pages 6 and 7.

When the stones of the world fall, may our hearts remain steadfast in Christ, our firm foundation and lasting hope.

Fr. Anthony





EUCHARISTIC TRIDIUUM

In preparation for the Feast of Christ the King and the season of Advent, our Parish of Ss. Cyril & Methodius in Deer Park will hold **THREE DAYS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYER** on <u>Wednesday, November</u>

19th, Thursday, November 20th, and Friday, November 21st, from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day.

(Please note: There will be no Adoration on November 20.)

We are seeking **volunteers** to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Because Our Lord must never be left alone, we ask that at least **one person be present for each hour of Adoration**.

Please prayerfully consider signing up for **ONE OR MORE TIME SLOTS ON ANY OF THE THREE DAYS** - whatever time you can give will be a gift to the Lord and a blessing to our Parish family. In turn, this time of quiet prayer will also bring **grace and peace to you and your loved ones.**

To volunteer or for more information, please contact: CAROL MATOS at 813-323-8602 or cfcfj22@aol.com

EUCHARISTIC TRIDUUM

In Preparation for the
SOLEMNITY OF
CHRIST THE KING
and the
SEASON OF ADVENT

Theme: "Christ Reigns in Our Hearts"



Day 1 – Wednesday, November 19

CHRIST REIGNS IN TRUTH - "For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." (John 18:37) - As we begin our Triduum, we turn our hearts to Christ, the Eternal Word, who came to reveal the truth of God's love. Let us adore Him in silence and allow His truth to enlighten our minds and guide our lives.

- 1:00 PM Divine Mercy Hour.
- 2:00 PM 6:00 PM: Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament spend quiet time
 with the Lord present in the Eucharist.
- 6:00 PM: Eucharistic Catechesis by Fr. Anthony a brief reflection to deepen our understanding of Christ's real presence and His reign of truth.
- 6:30 PM: Celebration of Vespers the evening prayer of the Church, giving praise and thanksgiving to God.
- 7:00 PM: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament a solemn blessing that concludes our day of adoration.

Day 2 - Thursday, November 20 - CHRIST REIGNS IN MERCY

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:43)

On the second day, we contemplate the merciful Heart of Jesus, who reigns not with power and might, but with forgiveness and compassion.

- 1:00 PM Divine Mercy Hour.
- 2:00 PM 6:00 PM: Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament enter into prayer and receive His healing mercy.
- 6:00 PM: Eucharistic Catechesis by Fr. Chris a short teaching on the mercy of Christ revealed in the Eucharist.
- 6:30 PM: Vespers join together in prayer as we lift our voices in evening praise.
- 7:00 PM: Benediction concluding the day in blessing and gratitude before the Lord of mercy.

Day 3 – Friday, November 21- CHRIST REIGNS IN GLORY

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me." (Matthew 28:18)

On the final day of our Triduum, we honor Christ our King who reigns in glory, seated at the right hand of the Father. His glory shines forth in the Eucharist, where Heaven touches earth.

- 1:00 PM Flame of Love Rosary.
- 2:00 PM 7:00 PM: Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: a time of quiet reverence before the Lord.
- 7:00 PM 8:00 PM: SOLEMN HOLY HOUR concluding with a EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION inside the church, as we joyfully proclaim Christ's reign in our Parish and in our hearts.

Let us gather as one Parish family to honor Christ our King, present among us in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Come, adore Him, listen to His voice, and prepare your heart to welcome His reign of truth, mercy, and glory.

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.





11:00 am, 12:30 pm

January 4: **11:00 am** January 6: **8:30 am**

January 8: **8:30 am**

January 11:**11:00 am**

January 14: 8:30 am

January 15: 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

January 16: 8:30 am

January 18: **9:30 am, 6:00 pm**

January 19: 8:30 am

January 20: **8:30 am, 12:15 pm**

January 21: 8:30 am

January 22: 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 our loved ones in a special way.

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

What is the OCIA?

The *Order of Christian Initiation for Adults* (formerly *RCIA*) is for:

- Non-Catholic adults who wish to become Catholic.
- Baptized Catholics who still need First Communion or Confirmation.

Through OCIA, adults learn about the faith and prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion.

If you - or someone you know - wish to become Catholic or complete the Sacraments, please contact Deacon James at the Parish Center: 631-667-4044 (Ext. 100).



This past Sunday, November 9, during the 11:00 a.m. Mass honoring our Veterans, we blessed the new image of St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

This beautiful image, now placed for prayer and devotion in Church, was generously donated by **Pat & Frank Staluppi**, to whom we express our heartfelt gratitude.

May "the Little Flower" shower our Parish with her blessings and draw many hearts closer to Christ. And may her example inspire us all to do the smallest things with great love and confidence in God's mercy.

A Life of Faith in Action

Parish Ministries & Devotions

- <u>INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY</u>: If you are interested in joining together in fellowship and prayer, please contact **Donna Dixon**, at **631-664-5692**.
- <u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>: 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. Chris,** 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.
- <u>FLAME OF LOVE DEVOTION</u>: 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.
- <u>SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL</u>: If you or someone you know needs help with rent, utilities, clothing, or furniture, please call call 631-667-4044 (ext. 175) or email: <u>sscmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com</u>. 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 November 1 and 7. For more info, call Annette Arena, at 631-661-9109.
- <u>SENIOR CLUB</u>: Our next meeting will be on December 2, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in Father Behan Hall. Upcoming Events: 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.
- <u>USHERS</u>: 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, November 10, 2025. For more info contact Geri Cavanaugh, President, at 973-479-4234.
- The <u>ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY</u>: meets every first Monday of the month.
 Next meeting: Monday, December 8. For more information, please contact the Chaplain and Moderator, Fr. Chris 631-66-4044 ext.165.
- FIRST RESPONDER / HEALTH CARE WORKER MINISTRY: For more information, contact Tom Richardson, at 631-831-6234, richartj1959@gmail.com.
- <u>BIBLE CLASS:</u> Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the *Fr. Behan Hall*. For more info contact Marianne Grimaldi, at 631-463-7886.

Monthly Message of the Blessed Mother to Marija in Medjugorje: "Dear children! The Most High in His goodness gave me to you to lead you on the way of peace. Many have responded and are praying, but there are many creatures who do not have peace and have not come to know the God of love. Therefore, little children, pray and love, create prayer groups to encourage each other to the good. I am with you and am praying for your conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call." (10/25/2025 - With Ecclesiastical Approval)

STEWARDSHIP

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Regular Collection: \$16,784.19

Online Giving: \$ 1,484.69

Total: \$18,268.88

This week we are up \$768.88 to reach the weekly collection goal of \$17,500 in order for our Parish not to operate on a deficit.

We are not running a deficit: year to date: (\$2,025.18)

Thank you for your generous support to our Parish Family.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2025

Goal \$125,200

\$62,915.00 Pledged (50.25% of Parish Goal)



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS FOOD AND COAT DRIVE



Join us in spreading warmth and care this season!

Ss. Cyril & Methodius First Responders and Health Care
Ministry, in collaboration with the Deer Park Lions Club
and the Office of Suffolk County Legislator Tom
Donnelly, invite you to support our annual
Food and Coat Drive.

Together, let's make a difference: one coat and one meal at a time!



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS FAMILY LIFE TEAM

The Family Life Team works to create an inspiring atmosphere where children and families can participate on Sundays at the 9:30am Family Mass.

If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please join us on

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 7pm in the Rectory.

Please RSVP to faithformation@sscmdp.org

We look forward to building this beautiful ministry with you!



MEMORIALS

November 9—November 15

THE BREAD AND WINE are offered in memory of

Anthony E. Sganga

"The Parish is the heart of Catholic life, where faith is nourished and lived in community. It is where we encounter Christ in Word, Sacrament, and fellowship. From the Parish, we are sent forth to bring the love of Christ into the world." - Pope Benedict XVI

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE



Saturday, November 29, 2025 from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm in the *Fr. Behan Hall*

\$35.00 PER PERSON

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

No food or beverage will be provided

For information call Paul Coppola at 631-587-9649

Treasures from the Holy Land

Saturday, November 29 & Sunday, November 30 After All Masses – In the Breezeway



A Catholic family from Bethlehem will be offering a beautiful selection of

- Handcrafted olive wood statues
- Rosaries and sacred items
 all made by the finest Christian
 Artisans of the Holy Land.

Your purchase helps
support our Catholic
Brothers and Sisters
in Bethlehem,
especially during these
difficult weeks following
the war.

Bring home a piece of the Holy Land and share the gift of faith!



Memorial Mass at the Knights of Columbus





On Thursday, November 6, the Knights of Columbus joined Father
Anthony Saliba in celebrating a solemn Memorial Mass in
remembrance of the deceased members of the Deer Park Council. The
Parish expresses heartfelt appreciation to the Knights and the
Columbiettes for their steadfast dedication, generous service, and
ongoing support to the life of our Parish community.

Then, on **Saturday, November 8**, Father Anthony returned **to bless the animals** brought by *Second Chance Rescue* that were up for adoption, a touching reminder of God's care for all His creatures and of our shared call to compassion.





Animal Blessing









On **Friday, November 7**, the *Our Lady of the Rosary Columbiettes* hosted a lively and well-attended **Bunco Night**, filling our *Fr. Behan Hall* with joy and laughter.

The evening featured exciting rounds of the popular game, cash prizes, and an array of beautiful gifts for the winners. It was truly a night of friendship, fun, and community spirit.

The Columbiettes extend their warm thanks to all who participated and supported this enjoyable Parish event.



Currently Seeking:

- NEW items to fill "Christmas stockings" for our Moms (nail polish/hand cream/hand soaps/hats/gloves/socks/
- pot holders/dish towels/pens/candy/bar soap/deodorant etc.)
- XL GOODNITES Boys Disposable Nighttime Underwear
- Large sized Diapers (sizes 4/5/6 and 7)

May God Bless you for all you do to support the Walking with Moms Ministry

New & Gently Used/Cleaned Items can be dropped off at Social Ministry

Monday – Thursday between10:00 am – 2:30 pm.

Call and leave a message with any questions or if you need assistance.

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

"Come, Let's Pray"

A Dog's Tender Lesson in Faith and Reverence

In a world often filled with haste and distraction, a simple act of devotion can remind us of the quiet beauty of prayer - and how it touches all of creation. Recently, a heartwarming video of a dog named Bruno has gone viral, capturing the attention of millions and stirring a sense of faith among viewers.

Bruno's owner shared a touching moment in which her beloved dog appears to join her in praying the Rosary. As she sits with her rosary beads in hand, inviting Bruno with the



words, "Come, let's pray," the dog approaches, sits attentively, and offers his paw. Throughout the prayer, Bruno holds onto her hand with a quiet insistence, as if fully engaged in this sacred time.

This simple gesture, filled with tenderness and reverence, has resonated deeply. The video has garnered nearly four million views and thousands of comments from people sharing similar experiences: pets sitting quietly during prayer, sensing the peace and love surrounding these moments.

Bruno's example reminds us that prayer is not only a sacred dialogue between God and the soul but a source of calm and unity for all creation. In our busy lives, may we too find such openness of heart to enter into prayer with love and reverence, drawing all things closer to the peace of Christ.

Let Bruno's gentle paw inspire us to cherish the quiet sanctity of prayer in our homes and communities, and to remember that faith can be a bond that unites us all together.

A Holy Death Marked by the Cross The Life of Venerable Father Anthony Vincent Gallo

In these past weeks, we have followed the life of the Venerable Father Anthony Vincent Gallo, from his childhood in Monteforte Irpino to his priestly formation, and his years of ministry. We now come to **the final chapter of his life:** a holy death marked by the Cross and transfigured by grace.

Father Anthony's priestly zeal reached its fullness in his care for the sick and the dying. He was known for his constant availability and his deep compassion for all who suffered. Even as his own health declined, he would hasten to the bedside of the ill, bringing them the Sacraments and the comfort of God's mercy. His words, quiet yet



filled with conviction, calmed many troubled hearts. Once, leaning over a dying youth, he said tenderly, "Courage! Within two years we will be together in paradise." Those words proved prophetic.

Heavenward Bound

His final years were spent at the Church of Christ the King in Rome, among the priests of the Sacred Heart. Despite increasing weakness, he continued to teach, hear confessions, and visit the poor. He gave everything he had — even his last strength — for souls. The fatigue on his face did not conceal the peace of a man united with Christ.

By April 1934, his illness could no longer be hidden. Persistent fever and coughing left him weak and breathless. When someone remarked, "Father, you are burning with





fever," he simply smiled, unwilling to cause concern. Even then, he insisted on celebrating Mass, saying that he wished "to live and die at the altar, offering his life with the Divine Victim."

On April 30th, his condition became critical. He was taken to the Quisisana Clinic in Rome, where doctors sadly confirmed that the end was near. Surrounded by his confreres and close friends, he received the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. In the early morning of May 2, 1934, he surrendered his soul to God, as though falling asleep in the arms of Christ.

A Saintly Reputation

Word of his death spread quickly through the parish and beyond. The sorrow was deep and sincere. People spoke of him as "a priest of great holiness, whose kindness reflected the heart of Jesus." His funeral, though simple, was filled with grace. Priests and faithful alike wept as they sang the *In Paradisum*, feeling they had known a saint. He was laid to rest in the cemetery of Rome, where his tomb soon became

a place of quiet prayer and remembrance.

Thus ended the earthly pilgrimage of Father Anthony Vincent Gallo, a humble priest, faithful servant, and apostle of suffering — a man whose every moment was lived beneath the shadow of the Cross, and whose death became its radiant triumph.

This Sunday, November 16, we will joyfully bless the image of the Venerable Father Anthony Vincent Gallo at the 11:00 AM Mass.

We are deeply grateful to honor his holy example and welcome his family members living here on Long Island.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL PRESENTS:



SS CYRIL & METHODIUS RC CHURCH 125 HALF HOLLOW ROAD DEER PARK, NEW YORK 11729

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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY COLUMBIETTES FULLY DECORATED WREATH SALE

(Professionally decorated by Borella Nursery)

WREATHS	\$25
GRAVE BLANKETS	\$49
CROSS BALSAM	\$35
KISSING BALLS	\$49
PATRIOTIC WREATH	\$25









PRE-ORDER ONLY BY NOV 11⁻¹!!! NO EXCEPTIONS MAKE CHECKS OUT TO OLOR COLUMBIETTES

Please drop off checks in the Columbiette mailbox at the Rectory

Last chance to place your order will be on Saturday, November 8th in the Breezeway after the 5pm Mass ONLY

Name	Phone		
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<u>Pick up date: Saturday, November 29th, 10am to 2pm ONLY</u> <u>in the Senior Room and Sunday, November 30th from 11am – 1:00pm</u>

Any questions contact Annemarie at 631-586-8551



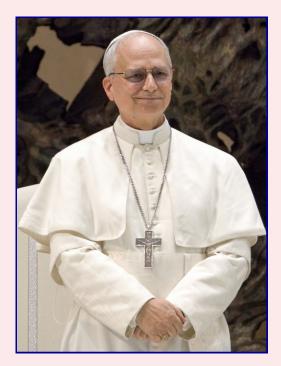
Ss. Cyril & Methodius Music Ministry is seeking new members!

- If you prefer more contemporary music: Join the 6:00 PM
 Youth Mass CONTEMPORARY CHOIR! Rehearsals are on
 Thursdays, 7:30–9:00 p.m. in the church, starting September
 7. Sing every Sunday at 6:00 p.m.
 Contact our Youth Minister Tim at 631-667-4044 (Ext. 154) if interested.
- If you prefer more traditional music: Join the Traditional ADULT CHOIR! Rehearsals are held most Tuesdays, 7:30–8:30 p.m. in the church, starting September 10 (with longer sessions near Christmas/Easter). Sing at the Sunday 11:00 a.m., from September to June.

Contact <u>Deacon James at 631-667-4044 (Ext. 100)</u>, or leave a message with the rectory receptionist to join or for questions.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Pope Leo XIV: Faith Cannot Be Separated from Love for the Poor



In his first Apostolic Exhortation, *Dilexi Te* ("I Have Loved You"), Pope Leo XIV reminds the Church that authentic faith must always be expressed through love for the poor. The Holy Father calls all Christians to recognize Christ in the suffering and the marginalized. He writes that faith "cannot be separated from love for the poor," and that every act of compassion - caring for the sick, welcoming migrants, defending the dignity of women, educating the poor, and working for justice - is a reflection of Christ's own love. The document warns against indifference and the "dictatorship of an economy that kills," urging a conversion of heart that places the

dignity of every person at the center of our concern. *Dilexi Te* invites us to rediscover almsgiving, solidarity, and concrete works of mercy as essential expressions of discipleship. "The poor," Pope Leo affirms, "are at the heart of the Church."

PANTRY NEEDS

FOOD:

- Pasta Sauce (in jar, not in can)
- Oatmeal (Canisters if possible not flavored packets)
- Progresso Soups (not condensed)
- Coffee
- Shelf Stable Juice 64 oz.
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Sugar
- White Rice 1 or 2 lbs. (not instant)

SPECIAL ITEMS:

- Dish Detergent
- · Women's deodorant
- Shave Cream
- · Men's Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Paper Towels
- Napkins

GIFT CARDS TO:

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



November 23rd- Meeting Thanksgiving Theme November 30th- No Meeting December 7th- Homebound Gift Making December 8th- Annual Cookie Bake December 14th- Meeting

Bring a Friend! Someone brought you!!



Youth Group meets Sundays 7-9. We meet in the breezeway after the 6:00 Mass FOR 8TH-12TH GRADERS

If you know a high school teen who needs to make up sacraments, please contact Tim Leitch



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.

























