



# Our Lady of Grace

## Roman Catholic Church

**Our Mission: We change lives through the Risen Christ**

### BY Prayer

WE PRAY EVERY DAY FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR PARISH'S MISSION AS WELL AS FOR OUR OWN INTENTIONS.

### BY Presence

WE JOIN OUR COMMUNION OF FAITH FOR MASS EVERY SUNDAY FOR MUTUAL SUPPORT AND FOR THE GRACE GOD OFFERS US.



### BY Witness

WE LOVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR EACH DAY.

### BY Support

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS AND WE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER.

## We Celebrate the Eucharist

VIGIL OF SUNDAY: 5:00PM SATURDAY EVENING  
SUNDAY: 8:00AM, 10:00AM (CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD),  
AND 12:00 NOON (CHOIR)  
WEEKDAYS: MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:00AM AND 9:00AM • SATURDAY 8:00AM  
HOLY DAYS: SEE INSIDE

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**August 5, 2018 • Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Worship This Coming Week

<p><b>Mon. The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>                  Aug. 6 <i>Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10</i>                  8:00                  9:00 Angela R. Tedesco (B'Day)</p> <p><b>Tue. Weekday</b>                  Aug. 7 <i>Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36</i>                  8:00 Marie Bello                  9:00 Frank and Josephine Colombo</p> <p><b>Wed. St. Dominic</b>                  Aug. 8 <i>Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28</i>                  8:00 Ronald Tysowski, Jr. (19 Anniv.)                  9:00 Catherine Galiani</p>	<p><b>Thu. Weekday</b>                  Aug. 9 <i>Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23</i>                  8:00 Lydia Rneva                  9:00 Robert Harsen</p> <p><b>Fri. St. Lawrence</b>                  Aug. 10 <i>2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26</i>                  8:00 For the Blessed Mother's Intention                  9:00 Michael C. Hill</p> <p><b>Sat. St. Clare</b>                  Aug. 11 <i>Hb 1:12—2:4/Mt 17:14-20</i>                  8:00</p>
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### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00pm, Presider: Fr. Ruben

## Worship for Sunday, August 12, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Kgs 19:4-8/ Eph 4:30—5:2/ Jn 6:41-51*

	Presiding	We pray at this Mass especially for
<p><b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>  <b>8:00am</b>  <b>10:00am</b>  <b>12:00pm</b></p>	<p>Fr. Gius                  Fr. Ruben                  Fr. Gius                  Fr. Ruben</p>	<p>Kathleen Gordon                  People of the Parish                  Henry Varas (B'Day)                  Elsie Moglia-Rizzo</p>

### The Sacrament of Baptism

**Baptism, Saturday, 11am: Presider: Fr. Gius**

*Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year on most Sundays and occasionally on Saturday. Call the Parish Office for more information or to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview. This should be done as soon as practicable.*

### The Sacrament of Matrimony

**First Banns:** Alexandria Anderson – Michael Apuzzo  
 (St. Joseph, Babylon)

Gina Romeo – Matthew Smith

*Arrangements for marriage should be made as soon as possible, but not less than six months prior to the intended wedding date.*

### The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

*This sacrament is celebrated each Saturday during the 8:00am Mass for those facing surgery or those with major disorders. Other arrangements may be made by calling the Parish Office.*

### Becoming a Catholic • Completing Initiation as a Catholic

*Any adult, teen, or child older than age seven who is interested in becoming a Catholic or in completing the Sacraments of Initiation as a Catholic (Baptism, Confirmation, Communion), is invited to contact the Parish Office.*

### Regular Devotions:

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Mondays from 2pm to 9pm except holidays or when noted.

**Miraculous Medal Novena with Rosary:** Mondays following the 8am and 9am Masses.

**Holy Face of Jesus:** Hour of Reparation First Friday after 9am Mass.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group:** Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

**Scripture Sharing:** Every Tuesday at 9:30am (except during July and August).

# Our Parish Communion

## This week:

**Monday, August 6:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

**Tuesday, August 7:** Youth Ministry 7:30pm.

## Next week:

**Monday, August 13:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

**Tuesday, August 14:** Youth Ministry 7:30pm.

**Wednesday, August 15:** Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation). Masses at 5:30pm Tuesday (Vigil), Wednesday at 8am, 9am, and 7:30pm.

## Upcoming:

**Monday, September 3:** Labor Day, All Parish Offices are closed. There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

## Mass Intentions for 2018-2019:

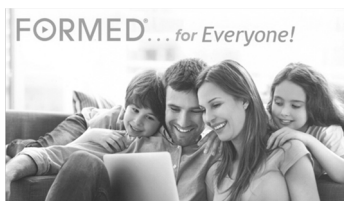
The Parish Mass Book from July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, is open for Monday through Friday Masses only. All Masses must be requested in person, and the offering must be given at the time of the request.

All dates and times are subject to change when a priest cannot be available, and the Mass must be rescheduled. In addition, 9am Masses may, when necessary, be celebrated as a Funeral Mass.

Parishioners should be aware that intentions are available for the Saturday morning collective-intention Mass each week. Intentions for the Sunday Masses are taken not more than one month in advance.

## Get FORMED

FORMED is our new web-based adult education and learning tool. Sign-up is free. Go to [www.ourladyofgrace.net](http://www.ourladyofgrace.net), and under "Highlights" on the left side of the page, follow the links. This month FORMED features special materials that can deepen our understanding of the Eucharist. Go to study > current topics > Presence: the Mystery of the Eucharist.



## Our Pastoral Council

Mrs. Karen Elefterion  
Mr. Ralph Fiorillo  
Ms. Mary Ellen McEntee  
Mr. James Nevins  
Ms. Maria Russello-Chetti  
Ms. Lucy Sanchez  
Ms. Haydee Santini  
Mrs. Concetta Whelan  
Mrs. Annemarie Zaret

## Our Finance Council

Mr. Richard Korcz (Trustee)  
Mr. Leonardo LoCricchio  
Ms. Debra Nicosia  
Mr. Joseph Salzone  
Mr. Robert Scharf (Trustee)  
Mr. Thomas Vilella

## Our Ministries

### Ministries of Worship

Msgr. Vincent Rush, Pastor  
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Associate  
Rev. Gius Garcia, Associate  
Deacon Brian Miller  
Deacon Irwin Saffran  
Mr. Terence Purtell, Director of Music

### Parish Social Ministry

Mrs. Ann Kristoffersen,  
Coordinator

### Ministries with Children and Families

Mrs. Peggy Harnisch, Director  
Ms. Jeanmarie Florio, Day Care Director  
Mrs. Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator  
Ms. Doreen Scalise, Kids of the Kingdom / Summer Fun Coordinator

### Ministries of Administration

Parish Services, Finance  
Mr. James Pisano, Facilities Manager

# Faith Formation

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## **Faith Formation Office Hours**

The Faith Formation Office is open each day from 9am to 4pm from Monday to Thursday. Evenings available by appointment!

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## **Special Needs Faith Formation**

Is looking for volunteers to assist our students to grow spiritually and understand more about God and our Catholic faith. We meet Tuesdays from 4:30 to 5:15pm for small group instruction, 1:1 instruction and whole group prayer and share. Our program runs from early October through May. It's an extremely rewarding ministry that will bring you closer to God. For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 631-661-9353.

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## **Registration for the 2018 – 2019 School Year**

We are already planning for next year's Faith Formation Program! Registration has begun! Please print the registration form from the parish website or pick one up in the Faith Formation Office. Remember, we will not be mailing forms home. The early incentive runs until August 1, 2018. All balances must be paid, and all previous work made up in order to be able to register early.

If you will have a child entering first grade in the fall, now is the time to register him/her for Faith Formation classes. The Diocese of Rockville Centre requires two years of formation before receiving First Holy Communion, and we adhere to that! Come on in during our office hours and get started. We look forward to meeting you!

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## **School of Missionary Disciples Sites for 2018 – 2019 Dates to be announced in September**

### **Cutchogue, Sacred Heart (English)**

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### **East Northport, St. Anthony of Padua (English)**

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Levittown, St. Bernard (English)**

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### **Patchogue, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (English)**

Friday, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Patchogue, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Spanish)**

Friday, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Rockville Centre, Mercy Hospital (English)**

Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Rockville Centre, St. Agnes Cathedral (Spanish)**

Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Southampton, Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (Spanish)**

Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Valley Stream, Blessed Sacrament (Haitian)**

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **Williston Park, St. Aidan (English)**

Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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# Parish Social Ministry

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## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

### Pope Francis's Pilgrimage to Geneva: A Call for Peace

"Looking at our own journey, we can see a reflection of ourselves in some of the experiences of the early communities of Galatia. How difficult it is to overcome hard feelings and to foster communion! How hard it is to leave behind centuries-old disagreements and mutual recriminations! It is even more formidable to withstand the subtle temptation to join others, to walk together, but for the sake of satisfying some partisan interest. This is not the "mindset" of the Apostle, but that of Judas, who walked with Jesus but for his own purposes. There is only one way to shore up our wavering footsteps: to walk in the Spirit, purifying our hearts of evil, choosing with holy tenacity the way of the Gospel and rejecting the shortcuts offered by this world.

And this path has a clear aim, that of unity. The opposite path, that of division, leads to conflict and breakup. We need but open our history books. The Lord bids us set out ever anew on the path of communion that leads to peace. Our lack of unity is in fact "openly contrary to the will of Christ, but is also a scandal to the world and harms the most holy of causes: the preaching of the Gospel to every creature: (Unitatis Redintegratio,1) . The Lord asks us for unity; our world, torn by all too many divisions that affect the most vulnerable, begs for unity."

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### Thank You Tony DelGenio

Do you wonder how I find the articles under Catholic Social Teaching? Thanks to a special parishioner, Tony DelGenio who researches and locates articles that are current and informative to communicate that information to our parishioners. Thank you and bless you Tony for your dedication and commitment. I know many readers look forward and enjoy these articles each week.

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### Job Fair – August 9

The Suffolk County One-Stop Employment Center will be at the West Babylon Library on August 9, from 10am – 1pm. Come to meet job recruiters and receive employment information from organizations representing various industries. Be sure to bring your resume and dress for success. No appointments necessary.

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### Senior Advocates

Help in applying for SCAT transportation, SNAP (food stamps), Medigap Insurance, Relief and other senior programs is available through Senior Advocates at:

Spangle Drive Nutrition	Monday, August 6	8:30am – 11:30am
Wyandanch Nutrition	Friday, August 10	8:30am – 12:30pm
Tanner Park Nutrition	Wednesday, August 22	8:30am – 12:30pm
Wyandanch Nutrition	Friday, August 24	8:30am – 12:30pm
Lindenhurst Library	Monday, August 27	8:30am – 12:00pm

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### Today is Food Pantry Sunday

Our Pantry shelves are bare and we are in desperate need of soups, tuna fish, jelly; cereals, healthy snacks and personal items (toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, soap, etc.) Thank you for your continued support, we truly appreciate your generosity and concern for those less fortunate in our community.

# Parish News

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## Let Us Welcome Our Newly Baptized Into Our Parish Communion

Estella Juliet Pacheco

## Please Pray For Those Who Have Died This Week

Giuseppa DiLorenzo

Rose Salatti

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### Calendar Raffle Winners

Tickets for the Calendar Raffle from July through December are still available in the Parish Office.

7/30/18	7/31/18	8/1/18	8/2/18	8/3/18	8/4/18	8/5/18
305	124	285	340	68	208	526

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*The Gift you have  
received  
Give as a  
Gift*  
Matthew 10:8

### Financial Stewardship Report September 1, 2017, through July 31, 2018

*(Excludes Palm Sunday and Easter)*

**Sunday offering target: \$13,300 per week**

Target to date: \$598,500

Collections to date: \$611,621

**Over target by \$13,121**

*Many thanks to our generous sacrificial givers!*

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***Your sacrificial giving makes our ministries and our mission from Christ possible. Please be generous.***

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### Reminder to All Staff and Ministers – I.D. Tags Required

As part of our safe environment policy, all staff and ministers wear I.D. tags when acting in any official capacity on parish property (with the exception of presidents, deacons, lectors, musicians, and EMHCs during Mass). This is especially important with the start of the new year of Faith Formation. Please get into the habit of wearing your I.D. if you don't do so now and (gently) challenge other ministers you see who may have neglected to wear theirs.



# Ministries with Children and Families

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## Family Life Ministry Updates

Our Family Life Ministry had a wonderful planning meeting to begin to plan 2018-2019 events. I am so excited by the enthusiasm of this wonderful group of volunteers! Next year looks to be our best and busiest yet!

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## Have you joined FORMED yet?

I've downloaded the Formed app on both my phone and my tablet. This way wherever I am FORMED is at my fingertips! I've downloaded some books, so I have summer reading.

Why not look for a movie on one of the Saints? These role models of faith often have inspiring stories. Maybe have a family movie night and let the kids pick which movie they like!

Access to FORMED is free to all parishioners. For instructions on how to get access, see page 3 of the *Bulletin*.

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## Summer Evening of Reflection

Join the Family Life Ministry of Our Lady of Grace for an evening of Reflection! Join us Monday, August 13, on the lawn in front of the church as Fr. Gius leads us in prayer, song and a reflection on Mary. Afterward, ice cream will be served!

Time is 7pm. Bring your family, bring chairs and enjoy a great evening out! In case of rain we will meet in Room 109.

This week we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption a great time to reflect on Mary!



# Parish News

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## Day Care News

Day Care is in for a fun-filled summer! Our curriculum includes the ABCs, science, math, music and art for toddlers and preschoolers. We have a few openings available at each level. Please feel free to call or email me to set up a tour or ask questions at 631-422-4681 or [Jflorio@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:Jflorio@ourladyofgrace.net).



## Youth Ministry Meeting

Youth Ministry, 7:30pm, Tuesdays in Room 212/214. Teens 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Nothing to do Tuesday nights? Room 212. Join us for faith, fun and fellowship! Come and join us for our summer session beginning July 10 through August 7.

## Kids of the Kingdom Is Here

Our summer sun-and-fun program began on June 25, 2018. It runs for eight weeks through August 17, 2018. The hours are 8:30am - 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

There is before care from 7:30am – 8:30am and after care from 4:30pm – 5:30pm which is an additional cost of \$5 for each session used.

Our program ranges from daily field trips to on-grounds recreation. Feel free to choose any or all weeks as needed. We accommodate children ages five to twelve.



## For Leaders of Ministries and Organizations – Calendar Requests for 2018-2019

Materials to request space for activities at OLOG for September 2018 – August 2019 were sent by e-mail to listed leaders on Monday, June 4. If you did not receive the materials, please e-mail the Parish Office to confirm that we have your proper contact information or stop by. Materials can also be picked up in person at the Parish Office by designated leaders of parish ministries and societies.

## Academic Honors

From Kellenberg Memorial High School, the final honor roll listing for Our Lady of Grace parishioners:

Danielle DePetris	Erin Doherty	William Doherty	Catherine Dotzler
Kathryn MacGown	Eleina Pisani	John Pisani	

## Volunteer Opportunity – Serve the Elderly and Infirm

Are you available on Wednesday mornings from 10 to 11:30am? We who volunteer at East Neck Nursing Home as friendly visitor, Eucharistic Minister, song leader or transporter are in need of help to bring comfort to the residents. If you would be able to join us, please call Lorraine at 631-587-5426 or leave your name and phone number at the Parish Office (631-587-5185). Thank you for any help you may be able to give.





*Working to Reduce Poverty in America.*



The ongoing practice of separating children from their parents has already, as of May, left nearly 2000 children separated from their parents. As Bishop Vásquez, Chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration, and Sister Donna Markham OP PhD, President and CEO of Catholic Charities, remind us - as a nation and people of faith, we can and must do better.

Join USCCB/Migration and Refugee Services and Catholic Charities USA today to help make a difference. Please email us at [familyseparation@usccb.org](mailto:familyseparation@usccb.org) or [socialpolicy@catholiccharitiesusa.org](mailto:socialpolicy@catholiccharitiesusa.org) with information and questions.

### Ways to Help Stop Family Separation

- **Pray:**
- **Speak Up:** Also consider contacting your senators and representative directly by phone to voice your concern.
- **Take Action:** Contact your local Catholic Charities affiliate to learn about their material/volunteer needs, consider fostering an unaccompanied child, or join the [\*Share the Journey\*](#) global solidarity campaign with migrants and refugees.
- **Give:** To support agencies that are helping families and children impacted by the crisis. (100% of your donation will go to the 21 Catholic Charities agencies assisting unaccompanied children)

**Learn More:** To learn more about Family Separation, visit the Justice For Immigrants (JFI) "Family Separation Webpage" to review backgrounders, educational material and a webinar.

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### Lectors and EMHCs – Schedule Change Requests Due

Lectors and EMHCs who wish to change their scheduled service for the October – December 2018 period should let leadership know by e-mail no later than August 15 at [worship@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:worship@ourladyofgrace.net). New schedules will be sent to you as soon as they can be prepared. Thank you for your service to our people!

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### A Note for WeShare Users:

As part of a security upgrade the "save my credentials" option is no longer available. You will have to enter your username and password each time you log on. Also, there are new rules about the complexity of passwords; you may be asked to create a new password if your existing one is too short and/or simple. This is for the security of your account information. Thank you for using *WeShare*!

# Parish News

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*From Fr. Vin:*

## Parish Finance Update

At its meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup> the parish Finance Council reviewed the financial report for the third quarter of fiscal 2018 (March-May), showing the following results:

<b>(9 month figures)</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Previous YTD</b>
Operating Income	1,960,678	1,927,899	1,985,692
Operating Expenses	<u>1,885,937</u>	<u>1,779,020</u>	<u>1,732,121</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	74,741	148,878	253,571

(\$1 differences are due to rounding errors with whole-dollar amounts.)

The Council also approved a budget for fiscal 2019 (September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019) that showed the following:

Operating Income	2,597,410
Operating Expenses	<u>2,595,587</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	1,823

(Remember when comparing: the top figures are for nine months; those just above, for an entire year.)

I have several comments on the parish's financial situation:

- The parish has shown a small operating surplus for the past four years and looks poised to do so for the current year. During this time all improvements and renovations to the parish's buildings have been paid for out of operating income and without a capital campaign. The parish has some reserves and no debt. This is a testimony to many parishioners' generosity and good stewardship.
- The projected surplus for the coming year is miniscule (\$1,823 on a total budget of over \$2.5 million – about 0.07%); this is worrisome.
- Contributions income continues to decline by about 3% per year as Mass attendance declines (largely, I believe, due to demographic changes outside our control).
- Again, this coming year the parish will have to raise employees' salaries to comply with the N.Y. state minimum wage law. (Some of this is offset by increases in tuition, but a part of it must be made up from collections income.)
- The two factors just above (decline in contributions and required increases in employee compensation) are the primary causes of the reduced surplus projected for the coming year.
- The parish has, thanks to its employees, continued to be very disciplined in its spending; there are no "frills" or unnecessary expenses. Every dollar you contribute goes, directly or indirectly, to fostering the parish mission to *change lives through the Risen Christ*.

Full financial reports going back to 2014 and summaries back to 1997 are available on the parish website. A full financial report on FY2018 and the entire FY2019 budget will be posted around October.

Again, I thank our generous contributors, and I again ask everyone: Be a good steward!