



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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October 7, 2018 • Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship This Coming Week

<p>Mon. Weekday Oct. 8 <i>Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37</i> 8:00 Susan Campbell 9:00 Rosaria Abrignani</p> <p>Tue. Weekday Oct. 9 <i>Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42</i> 8:00 Joseph Milazzo (6 Anniv.) 9:00 Victims of clergy abuse</p> <p>Wed. Weekday Oct. 10 <i>Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4</i> 8:00 Elizabeth Black 9:00 Gerry Keller (4 Anniv.)</p>	<p>Thu. Weekday Oct. 11 <i>Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13</i> 8:00 Rev. John Callahan 9:00 Vincent Hagan</p> <p>Fri. Weekday Oct. 12 <i>Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26</i> 8:00 Eugene Liberti (37 Anniv.) 9:00 Dennis Ring</p> <p>Sat. Weekday Oct. 13 <i>Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28</i> 8:00 Rev. Martin Healy</p>
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The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00pm, Presider: Fr. Gabriel and Fr. Vin

Worship for Sunday, October 14, 2018

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30

	Presiding	We pray at this Mass especially for
<p>5:00pm (Sat.) 8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm</p>	<p>Fr. Gius Fr. Vin Fr. Gabriel Fr. Gius</p>	<p>People of the Parish Isabella Dilecce Nicolina DiBartolo Peggy Carbone Barrett</p>

The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism, Saturday: Presider: Fr. Vin

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

Second Banns: Sarah Crapo – Daniel Scott

Third Banns: Christina Lucivero – Robert Piterniak, Jr.
 Erica Leigh Krepplein – Andrew Cordell-Carey
 (St. Patrick's, Southold, NY).

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, October 8: Columbus Day, all parish offices are closed.
There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Tuesday, October 9: Scripture Sharing 9:30am. Rosary Makers 10am.
Youth Ministry 7:30pm.

Saturday, October 13: Bereavement Group 9am.

Next week:

Sunday, October 14: Mass for Persons with Disabilities 1:30pm.

Monday, October 15: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

Tuesday, October 16: Scripture Sharing 9:30am.
Youth Ministry 7:30pm.

Friday, October 19: Widows and Widowers 12pm.

Saturday, October 20: Bereavement Group 9am.

Upcoming:

Thursday, November 1: All Saints' Day (Holy Day of Obligation).
Masses at 5:30pm Wednesday (Vigil), and 8am, 9am, and
7:30pm Thursday.

Friday, November 2: All Souls' Day. Masses at 8am, 9am, and
7:30pm.

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, 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

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Ms. Lucy Sanchez
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Our Finance Council

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Our Ministries

Ministries of Worship

Msgr. Vincent Rush, Pastor
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Parish Social Ministry

Mrs. Ann Kristoffersen,
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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

As I See It

Waiting for the Proof of the Pudding

It's "in the eating," as the old proverb says. But in the midst of the ongoing scandal of sex-abuse coverup in the Church I want to point to a few people in high places who I think "get it" and are saying so. We need to wait and see if there's follow through, but I take these as potentially hopeful signs for our Church.

The first person is Archbishop Charles Scicluna, the former Vatican chief prosecutor of clerical sexual abuse. At a recent meeting of the presidents of the European bishops' conferences, he said that "lovely" words and promises are not enough – concrete, concerted action is needed. He told reporters that the February meeting of bishops in Rome called by Pope Francis "is also a response to the expectations of the people that after documents and words, we also want action."¹ Amen to that!

The second person is Cardinal Marc Ouellet, Prefect of the Congregation of Bishops. At that same conference he is quoted as saying, "We have to speed things up and do something more effective [...] I believe that much more must be done within the Church. I am thinking of priestly formation, more prudence in choosing bishops, we'd need the participation of more women in the formation of priests in teaching, the discernment of candidates, for affective balance." He summed it up: "Bad governance by bishops" is also an issue. Amen to that, too!

I take comments like these as small but hopeful signs that people with real power to reform the Church are getting the message which so many lay people and parish priests have been trying to send: Yes, the abuse of children is a terrible crime and sin and needs to be prevented and punished when it occurs. But (as the famous Watergate saying goes), "The coverup is worse than the crime." This is in no way to diminish the suffering of people who were abused, nor to minimize their right to justice; but as an organizational matter, the actions of bishops who covered up for abuse did more damage to the Church's reputation and to many more people than the abusers themselves.

After the first nationwide scandal of 2002, the Church in the U.S. made effective changes in its policies for preventing, detecting, and disciplining abuse by all church workers under the rank of bishop. It did not, and has not so far, done much to address the malfeasance in office of the bishops who transferred known abusers, silenced through non-disclosure agreements people who were abused, and did not inform parishioners when known abusers were assigned to their parishes. From the comments of Archbishop Scicluna and Cardinal Ouellet, I take guarded hope that this may change, and that the deeper issues might at last be addressed.

What are those issues? As I see them: the selection and formation processes for seminarians and religious; the selection of candidates for ordination (as priests and as bishops); the supervision of clergy while in ministry (including bishops); and the inclusion of wider perspectives (most notably, that of competent lay women and men) in church governance overall and especially in the promotion of people to offices of great responsibility. The conditions of ministerial life should also be examined carefully and (probably) significantly changed to enlarge the pool of candidates at all levels.

And most of all, church officials have to stop talking about these issues and start acting.

Maybe Archbishop Scicluna and Cardinal Ouellet and some others "get it." They sound as if they do. If so, they need to be supported and prayed for. But they also need to be watched to see if actions in fact match their words. The proof of the pudding is in the eating.

Fr. Vin

¹ All quotations are from the *Catholic Herald*, accessed 9/18/18:

<http://www.catholicherald.co.uk/news/2018/09/18/scicluna-words-and-promises-are-not-enough-to-prevent-abuse/>

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Office Hours

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

Catechists Needed

We are still in need of a few teachers! Teachers are still needed in the following grade levels and time slots: Level 1 One Sunday each month at 1:15pm; Level 3 – Wednesday afternoon; Level 5 Monday afternoon; Levels 6 and 7 One time each month at 9am and 11am on a Saturday.

Please consider and pray about helping our young people know Jesus on their journey to Confirmation! All materials and training provided! Call the Faith Formation Office and ask for Peggy.

Time is running out.....

Registration for the 2018 – 2019 School Year

Classes are starting this week! If you have not picked up supplies, they must be picked up prior to the start of classes!

Attention All Teens: Ages 13 - 18

On Wednesday, October 10, we will be starting our Teen Faith Formation Program. If you are between the ages of 13 and 18 and in need of completing your sacraments, please register with the Faith Formation Office by October 1, 2018.

Catholic High School Open Houses

Date	Time	School
October		
Saturday 13	10am – 1pm	Kellenberg Memorial H. S.
	2pm – 4pm	Chaminade H. S.
Sunday 14	2pm – 4:30pm	St. Mary's H. S.
Saturday 20	11am – 2pm	Holy Trinity Diocesan H. S.
Sunday 21	10am – 1pm	St. John the Baptist Diocesan H. S.
	1pm – 3:30pm	St. Dominic H. S.

Call the Faith Formation Office for information on the entrance examination.

Parish Social Ministry

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

From the US Bishop' Statement on Just Wages

Jesus...read from the prophet Isaiah in the synagogue declaring, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." Sadly, in our times too many people are excluded, marginalized, and politically and economically disenfranchised. The struggle of working people, of the poor, as Pope Francis reminds us, is not first a "social or political question. No! It is the Gospel, pure and simple."

Today...wages for lower income workers are...insufficient to support a family and provide a secure future. A recent study examined whether a minimum wage earner could afford an average 2-bedroom apartment...Shockingly, in all 50 states, the answer was no. A recent report from the Federal Reserve shows that four in ten adults could not cover a \$400 emergency expense, or would rely on borrowing or selling something to do so.

How are we as Christians...called to respond to the question of wages and justice? First, we are called to live justly in our own lives whether as business owners or workers. Secondly, we are called to stand in solidarity with our poor and vulnerable brothers and sisters. Lastly, we should all work to reform and build a more just society, one which promotes human life and dignity and the common good of all.

October is Respect Life Month – Every Life is Worth Living!

This is Respect Life Sunday. This weekend members of the Parish Respect Life Committee will be in the lobby offering press-on roses for sale for the benefit of Birthright and the Life Center. Please support this ministry.



Senior Advocates – seniors who need help with applications for SNAP, SCAT or Medicate can come to

Rainbow Center, Lindenhurst	Wednesday, October 3	8:30am-11am
Wyandanch Nutrition Center	Friday, October 12	8:30am-12:30pm
Lindenhurst Library	Monday, October 22	10am-11:30am
Tanner Park, Copiague	Wednesday, October 24	8:30am-1pm

Are You Registered to Vote?



To register you must be a citizen, 18 years of age by the end of this year, not be in jail nor claim the right to vote elsewhere. Forms are available in the Post Office or call 1-800-for-vote. Voter registration deadline in New York is October 12.

Remember to Vote...Be a Faithful Citizen! We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a better world!

Thank You Ancient Order of Hibernians - A.O.H. Food Drive

Thank you to the A.O.H. members for their grocery bag food drive last month. Thank you to our parishioners who returned over 100 grocery bags. It was a tremendous help filling the bare shelves of our pantry.

*Thank
You*

Parish News

Please Pray for Those Who Have Died This Week

Virginia C. Landino

Lorenzo Ruggiero

Eugene Kelleher

Adult Confirmation by Joseph Salzone

Save these Dates... 10/31, 11/7, 11/14, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12 and 12/19

The above is the class schedule for the Fall Adult (18+) Confirmation Program. Classes are held from 7:15 to 9pm in Room 109. Confirmation will be consecrated on the Feast of the Epiphany (1/6/19) at the 12pm Mass.

If you would like to attend or know someone who needs to be confirmed, contact me by calling the office and leaving a message or by sending an email directly to me at jsalzone@ourladyofgrace.net.

Many Thanks to All

Thank you to all who helped make the installation Mass a wonderful celebration for the parish of St. Frances Cabrini. It was nice to see so many people and the warm welcome the many visitors received. Special thanks to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and the Columbiettes for the refreshments that we served. I know everyone who attended enjoyed the day.

May God's blessings be with all of you,

Fr. Gil Lap



Calendar Raffle Winners

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

10/1/18	10/2/18	10/3/18	10/4/18	10/5/18	10/6/18	10/7/18
457	200	413	350	189	425	73

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

Financial Stewardship Report September 1, 2018, through September 30, 2018

Sunday offering target: \$13,195 per week

Target: \$65,975

Collections: \$63,552

Under target by \$2,423

[A complete financial report for FY2017 will be presented later in the fall, after approval by the parish Finance Council.]

Many thanks to our generous sacrificial givers!

Ministries with Children and Families

Family Life Ministry Updates

Our first Hospitality Breakfast is today, Sunday, October 28, 2018, after the 10am Mass! **Please join us!**

Christmas Pageant

CALLING ALL CHILDREN!!!!

Family Life Ministry is looking for all children up to Grade 12 to participate in Our Lady of Grace's Christmas Pageant - Saturday, December 14, 2018, in the church at 7pm.

Everyone is welcome and will be included. We have a part for everyone! Singing, acting and plenty of non-speaking parts. Come and join the fun, meet new friends and be part of Our Lady of Grace's celebration of Jesus' birth.

Signups will be held: Tuesday, October 9, 2018, in Room 110 or Wednesday, October 10, 2018, in the church. Time is 7:00pm both nights. If you would like a speaking part, you must come to one of these nights! Minimum age is 5 years old.

Any questions, please contact Maria R. Chetti at mrchetti4olog@gmail.com or Peggy Harnisch @ (631) 661-9353.



Save the Date!!

Sunday December 2, 2018

All families Invited!!

11:00 am—after the 10am Mass, we'll be making Advent Wreaths! Advent wreaths are a wonderful way for every family to celebrate the four Sundays of this beautiful season of Advent in preparation for the birthday of Jesus. We'll have coffee, tea, hot cocoa as well as some snacks!

We hope you will join us!

Please return this form and your money by November 12, 2018, to ensure we have enough supplies!

Family last name _____

Total # attending _____ #children under 6 _____

Phone # _____ email _____

We will be able to bring something for the dessert table - Y or N (cookies, brownies, etc.)

Please send this part of the form with your \$10.00 / \$5.00 in an envelope to the office or mail to OLOG, 666 Albin Ave. West Babylon, NY 11704 Attn: Faith Formation.

Amount enclosed _____ \$ 10.00 / _____ \$ 5.00

Parish News

Day Care News

Fall is upon us and day care is in full swing. We are looking for a lead teacher and assistant teachers. We have a few openings for September in our classrooms. Please come in to visit us. New, starting September, is our enrichment program. We hired a teacher to visit the classrooms to teach extra special lessons in math, language arts, science, music and movement. For a tour or interview, please call 631-422-4681.



Angel Care Is Here

The summer is over and Angel Care is up and running. Come down and pick up a registration packet and join us for a wonderful new year.



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*!

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 presiders, 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, please do so now and (gently) challenge other ministers you see who may have neglected to wear theirs.



Youth Ministry Meeting

Youth Ministry, 7:30pm, Tuesdays in Room 212/214. Teens 9th – 12th grade. Nothing to do Tuesday nights? Room 212. Join us for faith, fun and fellowship!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) News

Do you want to become a Catholic Christian? Do you know someone who does? The RCIA Program here at Our Lady of Grace will be starting a new session, and we look forward to hearing from all interested persons. The RCIA is for those who have **not** been baptized (or for those baptized in another Christian tradition). We meet regularly to pray, read the Bible and learn more about Catholic Christian faith and traditions and prepare to receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. If you want to learn more about the RCIA process or if you are ready to participate this session, please call the Parish Office at 631-587-5185 or Will Whelan at 631-957-0518 or e-mail: wfwhelan@aol.com.

The RCIA team is looking to expand! Do you want to put your PFI certificate to good use? Do you like to share your faith with others? Are you being called to spread the faith? Then the RCIA team may be the right ministry for you. The commitment is only a few hours each month but the reward is helping others develop a lifelong loving relationship with Jesus Christ and our Father in heaven. No experience is necessary, just a desire to help others on their faith journey. Call or e-mail Will for more info or to join the team. 631-957-0518 (wfwhelan@aol.com)

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St. Agnes Medal of Service Award

The annual St. Agnes Medal of Service for 2018 has been awarded to Will and Concetta Whelan. Bishop Barres will present the medal in a ceremony at St. Agnes Cathedral on the afternoon of October 28. The medal is given to one person or couple in each parish each year in recognition of exemplary generosity to the parish community. We thank and congratulate Concetta and Will for their service to Our Lady of Grace!

Opportunities to Serve Others

As in the past, we have always relied on our parish members to come to the aid of needy people around us. Today is no different. We are in need especially of ministers for the East Neck Nursing Home and for the rosary makers. These ministries are very important to our parish and especially our parish communion. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 631-587-5185.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy is up and running. All children in kindergarten through eighth grade are welcome to attend this inspiring liturgy experience. Come to the 10am Mass on Sunday and see what it is all about. The schedule for this liturgy is on our web site www.ourladyofgrace.net.



Website Technical Problems

We're having technical problems with the parish website. Our IT people are working on it, but they may take some time to resolve it. Please call the parish if you can't find what you're looking for on the site. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Life Center of Long Island

The Life Center is searching for a part-time bilingual staff person for our Deer Park location. Counseling skills background a plus but will also train. For more information, please contact Gloria at 516-798-8746. Please send resumes to gschreiber@lifecenterli.org.

Taizé Prayer around the Cross

On Thursday, October 11, 2018, at 7:30pm, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, located at 210 South Wellwood Avenue in Lindenhurst, will be having a candlelight prayer service to help us reflect on the mystery of the Cross and the glory of Christ's resurrection. Consider setting aside one hour to join in this beautiful and contemplative form of prayer. For more information, please call 631-226-7725.
