



# 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 14, 2018 • Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Worship This Coming Week

**Mon. St. Teresa of Jesus**  
 Oct. 15 *Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Lk 11:29-32*  
 8:00 Dr. Cheryl Carrao  
 9:00 Matthew Savino

**Tue. Weekday**  
 Oct. 16 *Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41*  
 8:00 Rev. William Remy  
 9:00 Paul F. Santoro

**Wed. St. Ignatius of Antioch**  
 Oct. 17 *Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46*  
 8:00 Msgr. Joseph Colligan  
 9:00 Pat and Jim Arena

**Thu. St. Luke**  
 Oct. 18 *2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9*  
 8:00 Victims of clergy sexual abuse  
 9:00 Elisa Assalone

**Fri. Ss. John of Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues**  
 Oct. 19 *Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7*  
 8:00 Marie Bello  
 9:00 Dominick Teti

**Sat. Weekday**  
 Oct. 20 *Eph 1:15-23/Lk 12:8-12*  
 8:00 Rev. Gerard Minogue

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

## Worship for Sunday, October 21, 2018

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45*

	<b>Presiding</b>	<b>We pray at this Mass especially for</b>
<b>5:00pm (Sat.)</b>	Fr. Gabriel	Mickey Morgan (Living)
<b>8:00am</b>	Fr. Gabriel	People of the Parish
<b>10:00am</b>	Fr. Vin	Dolores Kimdl
<b>12:00pm</b>	Fr. Gabriel	Ruth Ellen Hughes

### The Sacrament of Baptism

*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:** Jessica Tillinghast – Christopher Siegel  
**Third Banns:** Sarah Crapo – Daniel Scott  
*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

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## **This 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.

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## **Next week:**

**Monday, October 22:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

**Tuesday, October 23:** Scripture Sharing 9:30am.  
Youth Ministry 7:30pm.

**Saturday, October 27:** Bereavement Group 9am.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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## **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. Lee Abseck  
Mr. Ralph Fiorillo  
Ms. Mary Ellen McEntee  
Mr. James Nevins  
Ms. Maria Russello-Chetti  
Ms. Lucy Sanchez  
Ms. Haydee Santini  
Mrs. Kathleen Scheid  
Mrs. Concetta Whelan

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## **Our Finance Council**

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

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## **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

# As I See It

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## Does Pope Francis “Get It”?

I have a great deal of respect for our Holy Father, and as a Catholic and a priest I owe him (and give him) great deference – to him personally, not only to his office. But it’s quite legitimate to ask whether he truly understands the gravity of the situation into which the sex-abuse scandals and the consequent cover-up has placed the Church. Popes are only infallible when they teach definitively on faith or morals; when it comes to reading the “signs of the times,” they’re human just like the rest of us. Some people – Catholics included – believe he doesn’t appreciate how angry lay Catholics are; there have even been calls for his resignation, or claims that he’s downplaying or actually complicit in this mess.

That said, I took some solace in Pope Francis’s remarks to a gathering of young people in the Baltics last month.<sup>1</sup> He seems to understand that things are going very, very badly for church leadership, at least with regard to young people’s perspectives. Here are a few things he said:

*When we adults refuse to acknowledge some evident reality, you tell us frankly: ‘Can’t you see this?’ Some of you who are a bit more forthright might even say to us: ‘Don’t you see that nobody is listening to you any more, or believes what you have to say?’*

He went on:

*We ourselves need to be converted, we have to realize that in order to stand by your side we need to change many situations that, in the end, put you off.*

This was in the context of the sex-abuse scandal. Referring to it directly, he said that young people -

*...are upset by sexual and economic scandals that do not meet with clear condemnation, by our unpreparedness to really appreciate the lives and sensibilities of the young, and simply by the passive role we assign them. These are just a few of your complaints...*

“Clear condemnation” goes at least part-way to the real issue, I think. But the “change [of] many situations” is the heart of the matter. I think the jury is still out on this.

On the positive side, Pope Francis acted decisively in the case of Archbishop McCarrick, ordering him to “a life of prayer and penance” while he awaits a canonical trial, and stripping him of his cardinal’s rank.

In the “What is he thinking?!” column is the apparent rejection (as I write) of the U.S. Bishops’ request for an Apostolic Visitation to investigate how Archbishop McCarrick was promoted and protected. A U.S. based investigation will likely not be able to access any evidence that the Vatican may possess, or query Vatican-based prelates who may potentially be involved. If this is the case, it’s unfortunate.

For the “wait and see” list, the Holy Father has called the worldwide heads of national bishops’ conferences to Rome for a meeting this coming February to address the crisis. What actions follow from that meeting will be evidence either for or against Pope Francis’s expressed need to “change many situations.”

So what are people like you and me supposed to do at this moment? First, don’t give up; our faith is in Christ, present in Word and Sacrament in the Church regardless of the quality of the leadership. Then, pray that the Holy Spirit will give church leaders wisdom and courage. (A priest I admire said once that a true spiritual life is supposed to give one “not ideas in the head, but steel in the spine.” Amen to that.) Third, recognize that there are still a lot of needy people around – hungry people, homeless people, refugees, sick and elderly people, and so many more. On care for these people, it’s clear that the Holy Father does indeed “get it.” He deserves to be backed when he speaks up for refugees, warns against indifference to poverty, reminds us of our duty to care for the environment, and calls every Catholic to show the mercy that God shows to us. Watch his actions on the abuse crisis, of course; but don’t lose the big picture.

*F. Vin*

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<sup>1</sup> See <https://cruxnow.com/pope-in-the-baltics/2018/09/25/amid-scandals-pope-says-youth-ask-cant-see-nobody-is-listening-to-you/>

# 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 Friday. Evenings available by appointment!

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## 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.

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## 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!

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## Attention All Teens: Ages 13 - 18

On Wednesday, October 10, we started 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 as soon as possible.

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## Catholic High School Open Houses

Date	Time	School
<b>October</b>		
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.

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## New Saints!

Today we celebrate the Canonization of six new saints! Among them are Bl. Pope Paul VI and Bl. Archbishop Oscar Romero. Pope Paul saw the need for the Church to keep pace with the modern world and through his vision many changes were made as he led the Catholic Church through the end of Vatican II. We recently celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his famous encyclical *Humanae Vitae*.

Archbishop Romero spoke out against military oppression in El Salvador, and was shot while he was celebrating Mass.

Both of these men lived out their faith by standing up for what they believed. It can be difficult in our culture to stand up for what is right when you might be the only one doing so. Both of these saints followed Jesus and lived their discipleship every day! They, along with all of the saints are our role models of faith!

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# Parish Social Ministry

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## **CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING**

### **Pope Francis: Pray for the Unemployed**

Pope Francis released a video that urges viewers to spend October praying that employees have just working conditions, and for the unemployed. In the video the Pope says, "We should always remember the dignity and rights of those who work, condemn situations in which that dignity and those rights are violated, and help to ensure authentic progress by man and society. The video was part of a larger initiative of the Jesuit-run global prayer network Apostleship of Prayer.

In his speeches, Francis typically advocated for a more just society with equal opportunity, for managers to be honest and to steer away from temptations of corruption, and for everyone to have the right to a fair wage. He has spoken out frequently on common problems in the working world that impact Italy specifically, condemning businesses that pay employees "under the table" with no set contract or benefits, or employers who only hire workers for 10-month contracts that don't include the summer months, so as to avoid paying them a full year's wage.

(Catholic News Agency 10/8/17)

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## **October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month in New York State and across the nation. While we hope that you will continue to turn the state purple to raise awareness, this year, we encourage you to turn awareness into action by becoming an ally for survivors and their children.

### **Be an Ally**

As an ally, you can provide information and resources to those in need. You can: share the state's 24/7, free and confidential Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline number (1-800-942-6906); believe a friend or loved one and listen without judgment; encourage workplaces to adopt a policy to improve protections for victims; and support local domestic violence programs.

### **National Wear Purple Day**

This year's national "Wear Purple Day" is Thursday, October 18, so please wear purple and encourage others to do the same.

### **Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline – 24/7 Hotlines**

1-800-942-6906, English and Espanol – LI Against Domestic Violence – 1-631-666-8833.

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## **Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support**

The Long Island Alzheimer's Association conducts a caregiver support group on the First Wednesday of each month, from 6:30-8pm. at Our Lady of Consolation, 111 Beach Drive, West Islip. The group consists of both spouses and adult children who consider themselves care partners or caregivers for a loved one living with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia. The group is facilitated monthly by a licensed social worker.

Call to register at 800-272-3900. Counselors are available and at this help line 24 hours/7 days a week. All services and programs are free of charge.

# Parish News

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## Please Pray for Those Who Have Died This Week

Frank Criscione

Mary Theresa Czubay

George J. Caravousanos

Barbara Jean Trovato

Joseph Ambrosio

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## 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](mailto:jsalzone@ourladyofgrace.net).

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## Volunteers are needed for the Nursing Home

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. This ministry is very important to our parish, and especially our parish communion. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 631-587-5185.

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## 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](http://www.ourladyofgrace.net).

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## Calendar Raffle Winners

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

10/8/18	10/9/18	10/10/18	10/11/18	10/12/18	10/13/18	10/14/18
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*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.]

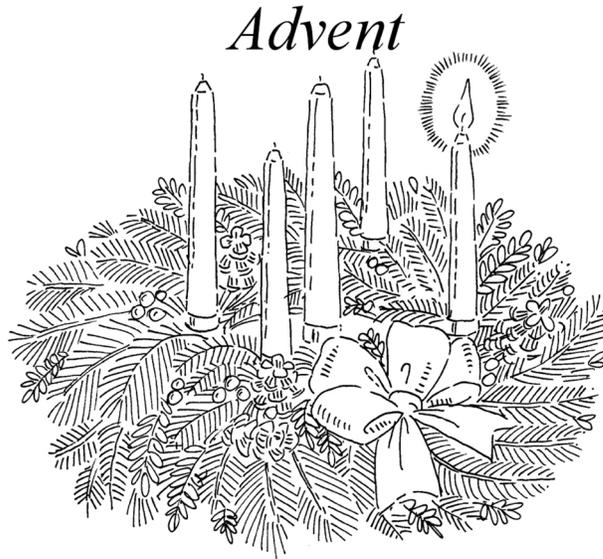
*Many thanks to our generous sacrificial givers!*

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# Ministries with Children and Families

## Family Life Ministry Updates

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



### Save the Date!!

**Sunday December 2, 2018**

All families Invited!!

11am—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

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## Day Care News

September 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.

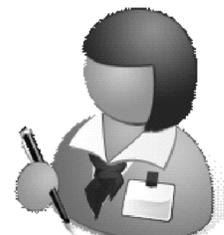


## A Note for WeShare Users

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 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 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 in September 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 September please call the parish office at 631-587-5185 or Will Whelan at 631-957-0518 or e-mail: [wfwwhelan@aol.com](mailto:wfwwhelan@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 ([wfwwhelan@aol.com](mailto:wfwwhelan@aol.com))

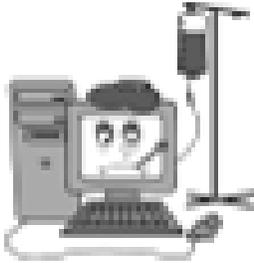
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### St. Agnes Medal of Service Award

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!

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### 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.

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### Rosary Makers Needed

If you have time on your hands or need to relax in the evening, please consider joining Our Lady of Grace Rosary Makers. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month to ship and send out rosaries to our local hospitals, nursing homes and missions all over the States. Some of our members have been making rosaries for over 20 years and we continue to do so each month. However our group is in need of additional rosary makers to keep up with the demand for rosaries.

To join the rosary makers all you need are two capable hands, good eyes and two hours of your time once a month. We will teach you how to make the knots to make the rosaries and then once you have mastered them you are given a supply kit for 50 rosaries, that you will make at home, and bring back the finished product at the next month's meeting. If you feel that you can help us out, please leave your name and phone number in the Parish Office and someone will get back to you.

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### Widows and Widowers News

Our Lady of Grace Widows and Widowers will meet here on Friday, October 19 at 12pm in Room 109. For information, please call 631-661-3439. New members are most welcome.

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### Child Abuse Reporting and Standards of Conduct for Church Personnel

There is a special diocesan phone line for reporting allegations of sexual abuse by church personnel and volunteers: 1-516-594-9063. The New York State abuse hotline for all allegations of child abuse can be reached at 1-800-342-3720.

Our parish complies with a diocesan child protection policy. The text of the policy can be found on the diocesan website at [http://www.drvc.org/policy\\_procedure\\_forms](http://www.drvc.org/policy_procedure_forms) and is also available through the Parish Office.

A code of conduct to which all parish clergy, employees, and volunteers must comply can be found at [http://www.drvc.org/pdf/protecting\\_children/policy/pastoralconduct.pdf](http://www.drvc.org/pdf/protecting_children/policy/pastoralconduct.pdf) and is also available from the parish.

Further information, including information on the diocesan child protection and safe environment programs to which our parish subscribes can be found on the diocesan website at <http://www.drvc.org/efforts-to-protect-children-and-young-people/diocesan-efforts-to-protect-children-and-young-people.html>

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