



# **Our Lady of Grace**

**Roman Catholic Church**

**May 24, 2020**

**7th Sunday of Easter**



**We change lives through the Risen Christ**

By **Prayer**

Praying daily for our intentions  
and the success of our mission.

By **Presence**

Joining together at Mass every weekend for  
mutual support and the grace God offers.

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## **We Celebrate the Eucharist**

Vigil of Sunday: 5:00pm Saturday Evening

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am (Children's Liturgy of the Word), 12:00 Noon (Choir)

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00am and 9:00am - Saturday 8:00am

Holy Days: See inside

By **Witness**

Witnessing daily our love for God  
and neighbor.

By **Support**

Sharing our gifts and  
encouraging one another.

# Our Parish Communion

## Our Clergy

Rev. Joseph Davanzo, Pastor  
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Associate  
Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi, Associate  
Deacon Ricardo Garcia  
Deacon Brian Miller  
Deacon Irwin Saffran

## Our Pastoral Staff

Jeanmarie Florio, Day Care Director  
Peggy Harnisch, Faith Formation Director  
Ann Kristoffersen, Parish Social Ministry  
James Pisano, Facilities Manager  
Terence Purtell, Director of Music  
Doreen Scalise, Kids of the Kingdom/  
Summer Fun Coordinator  
Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator

## Our Pastoral Council

Lee Abseck	Ralph Fiorillo
Mary Ellen McEntee	James Nevins
Maria Russello-Chetti	Lucy Sanchez
Kathleen Scheid	Concetta Whelan

## Our Finance Council

Richard Korcz (Trustee)	Joseph Salzone
Leonardo LoCricchio	Debra Nicosia
Robert Scharf (Trustee)	Thomas Villella

## Rose For Life to be rescheduled

Due to COVID-19, the Rose for Life has been suspended. Those affected will be rescheduled.



## Baptism

Call the Office for more information or to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview. This should be done as soon as practicable.

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## Matrimony

Arrangements for marriage should be made as soon as possible but **not less than 18 months** prior to the intended wedding date.

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## Confession/Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm in the Church or call for an appointment.

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## Anointing of the Sick

Every Saturday during the 8:00am Mass for those facing surgery or with major disorders. Call the Office for other arrangements.

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## Initiation as a Catholic

For adults, teens, or children over age 7 who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Communion)

Call the Office.

## Regular Devotions:

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays: 2:00pm - 9:00pm except holidays or when noted.

### Miraculous Medal Novena with Rosary:

Mondays following 8:00am and 9:00am Masses.

### Holy Face of Jesus:

Hour of Reparation 1st Friday after 9:00am Mass.

### Padre Pio Prayer Group:

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

### Scripture Sharing:

Every Tuesday - 9:30am (except July and August)

## Parish Office Hours:

**All Parish Offices are closed until further notice**

## From The Pastor

For years now, Memorial Day seems to be considered only as the beginning of the summertime vacation season. The Memorial Day celebrations that some of us may remember when we were growing up took place in almost every town and city. But for many today, the original meaning of Memorial Day has been lost. Columnist Chuck Sweeny of the *Rockford Register Star* pointed out that Memorial Day is not meant to honor veterans or those currently serving in the Armed Forces (although we certainly acknowledge their courage and sacrifice,) but instead it's *"the day we honor the memories of the armed forces members who never made it to veteran status because they were killed fighting for their country in wars, police actions, peace-keeping missions or terrorist attacks."*

When I was growing up in Rosedale, it seemed that most of the town came out for the Memorial Day parade, which ended at the veterans' memorial on Sunrise Highway. A bugler would play taps, and the names of all the locals who had died would be read aloud. At the end of the ceremony a priest from my parish of St. Clare, as well as the other local non-Catholic clergy, would offer some prayers. We can say then that Memorial Day is perhaps the most Catholic of American holidays with the very Catholic themes of showing respect and honor for the dead and making the connection between the bodies that await the resurrection and the soul that has already gone before it. And just like All Souls Day, Memorial Day is a very special time to pray for the souls in purgatory, especially those who died serving our country.

The Church offers different prayers for each day of the week for the faithful departed. The prayer said on Mondays for the souls of the faithful departed is *"O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Blood which Thy divine Son Jesus shed in His cruel scourging, deliver the souls in purgatory, and among them all, especially that soul which is nearest to its entrance into Thy glory, that it may soon begin to praise and bless Thee for ever. Amen."*

May we always remember and pray for the dead, particularly for our deceased veterans. Thank you again for all you do for our parish and for your continued generosity and support, especially today as so many areas of our lives remain in sadness and uncertainty during this time of pandemic. You and your families are in my prayers each day. Let's continue to pray for each other and our world.

*Fr. Joe*



### ***Thank you for your continued financial sacrifice for our parish.***

We are grateful to all who use online giving, put their envelopes through the office door, and mail us their envelopes. This situation of virus has placed an emotional and financial burden on many of us and has greatly strained our parish budget with the potential to impact our mission. If you are able, the diocese has also developed a **"Text to Give"** option for each parish enabling you to make a weekly donation on your smart phone. To do this, text **"165parisholgrace"** to **516-271-3338**. Please continue praying for our first responders, doctors and nurses, and all those helping on the front lines. Thank you and may God bless you and your families. You are remembered in my daily Mass intentions.



**Online Offertory Giving**

Text: 165parisholgrace  
To: 516-271-3338

## Please Take Note

Due to suspension of Masses in Church, the priests will celebrate all Mass intentions privately.

## Happening this Week

ALL activities canceled until further notice.

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### *Thank You for Continuing Your Church Offerings!*

Thanks to those who continue to remember Our Lady of Grace with your donations during this time of pandemic. Some have mailed their donations; others have come when the church is open for prayer and put their donations through the slot on the Parish Office door. We rely on the donations to pay our bills and maintain our operations. As Vice President Mike Pence said, "*churches have made the hard choice of suspending services...churchgoing Americans should continue their donations as ministries play a vital role in the wake of the coronavirus crisis.*"

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joe

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### Memorials this Week: May 24, 2020



Sanctuary Lamp  
In Memory of  
Tony and Ron Delfino

## Worship This Week

**Mon. Easter Weekday**

**May 25** Acts 19:1-8 / Jn 16:29-33

8:00 Eugene Gardell

9:00 Catherine Lazzaro

**Tues. St. Philip Neri**

**May 26** Acts 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11a

8:00 Silvio & Joan Impagliazzo

9:00

**Wed. St. Augustine of Canterbury**

**May 27** Acts 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11b-19

8:00

9:00 Pellegrino Trapino (13th Anniv.)

**Thurs. Easter Weekday**

**May 28** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Jn 17:20-26

8:00

9:00

**Fri. Easter Weekday**

**May 29** Acts 25:13b-21 / Jn 21:15-19

8:00

9:00 Giuseppe Mozzone

7:00 Padre Pio

**Sat. Easter Weekday**

**May 30** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 / Jn 21:20-25

8:00 Ron Delfino

### Sunday Worship - May 31, 2020

#### Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

	Presider	Mass Intention
5:00pm	Fr. Joe	Michael J. D'Esposito
8:00am	Fr. Joe	James Nevins
10:00am	Fr. Martin	People of the Parish
12:00pm	Fr. Gabriel	Rosemarie Kavanaugh

# Parish Social Ministry

## ***Tabernacle Letters”: Send a Letter to Christ!***

Dear Parishioners,

We pray that all are well and safe during this coronavirus pandemic.

As we journey through the Easter season, we invite you to participate in “***Tabernacle Letters***” to give us, who miss Holy Mass and Communion, a concrete way to send love the Risen Lord’s Real Presence in the Eucharist in the Blessed Sacrament here at Our Lady of Grace. Christ Himself invites us to come to Him with our burdens, and He will give us rest (Mt. 11:28). In these trying times, we encourage you to participate.

Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you and write what comes to your heart: prayers, praise or petitions. Send your “Tabernacle Letter” by email to Fr. Martin at [frmartin@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:frmartin@ourladyofgrace.net) with the subject line “***Tabernacle Letters***” or send by mail to Fr. Martin Adu Gyamfi, Our Lady of Grace R.C. Church, 666 Albin Avenue, West Babylon, NY 11704. Mark it “Attention: Tabernacle Letters.” These letters will be placed before our tabernacle, before the Real Presence of Christ. We hope you will participate and open your heart to the heart of Our Lord.

Please be assured of our prayerful support for you and your families.

Yours in Christ,

Frs. Joe, Gabriel and Martin

## **NYS Jobs available to help fight COVID-19**

### **Contact Tracers**

Reach out to the contacts of anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 to assess symptoms, ensure compliance with quarantine and determine social needs.

**To apply:** <https://careers-pcgus.icims.com/jobs/5244/contact-tracer/job>

### **Team Supervisors**

Lead a team of 20 Contact Tracers and one Community Support Specialist who work remotely.

**To apply:** <https://careers-pcgus.icims.com/jobs/5245/team-supervisor/job>

### **Community Support Specialists**

Work with the team to address the support needs of those who are contacts.

**To apply visit:** <https://careers-pcgus.icims.com/jobs/5246/community-support-specialists/job>

## **Nassau Suffolk Law Services Providing COVID-19 Legal Assistance**

May be able to help with your COVID-19 related legal issues: Veterans, Senior Citizens, Adult Home Residents, Those Formerly Incarcerated, Renter/Eviction, Stimulus/Economic Impact Payments, Family Law, Personal Finance-Consumer Debt, and Mortgage/Foreclosures.

# Faith Formation - Ministries with Children and Families

## Parish Pantry: Nonperishable Food Items

We need the nonperishable food items for our regular food distribution: canned soups, pasta sauces, pasta, canned vegetables, canned tuna, canned beans, macaroni and cheese, Pasta-Roni, Rice-A-Roni, Tuna Helper and similar products, dried rice, dried beans, canned fruit, dried soup or ramen, breakfast cereals, oatmeal, snacks, peanut butter, fruit juices, jelly, powdered milk, sugar, pudding, gelatin, flour, cake & brownie mix. These can be brought any time and placed in the Food bin in the Parish Lobby. Thank you for your outreach to those in need.



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### Honor Roll Status:

From Kellenberg Memorial High School:

- Michael DePetris
- Eleina Pisani
- Matthew Sanchez

## Pantry: Toiletries, Hygiene & Cleaners

For those served by our Parish Social Ministry, personal hygiene products, such as toilet tissue, soap, shampoo, paper products, tissues, toothpaste and toothbrushes, combs and brushes, deodorant, talcum and baby powders, shaving products, laundry detergent, cleaning products are a blessing. Bring these any time to the food bin in the parish lobby. Thank you for your generosity!



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### You Got to Be In It To Win It!!!

Your 'Calendar Raffle Tickets' are in the mail. Please submit your tickets ASAP. These tickets begin on July 1 and end on December 31. Good luck to all!



## Mass Intentions

**Unannounced Mass Intentions:** offered almost immediately. They do not appear in the bulletin and are not announced at any Mass. Please come to the Parish Office. Cost: \$20

**Multiple Mass Intentions:** offered weekly alternating between the Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass and the Sunday, 8:00 am Mass.

## Memorial Opportunities to Remember or Honor Loved Ones

Sanctuary Lamp: \$10    Rose for Life: \$10    Bread and Wine: \$25 each    Prayer Garden Paver: \$75

You can also donate to our Altar Fund; cards available in the Office.

For information: 631-587-5185.

## Be a Winner and Support Our Calendar Raffle

\$25 ticket lasts 6 months.

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