



Our Lady of Grace

Roman Catholic Church

August 2, 2020

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

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Memorials for the week of: August 2, 2020

Rose for Life

In Memory of
Angela R. Tedesco



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

For those facing surgery or with major disorders, arrangements may be made by calling the Parish Office.

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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.

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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)

From The Pastor

10 RESPONSES TO PRO-ABORTION POLITICIANS

From Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life

1. ***“I respect your views, but I have to represent all the people.”***

Our response: That’s what we’re trying to say to you. If you neglect the unborn, you are not representing all the people. Roe vs. Wade excludes them from protection; we demand that they be included. A public servant cannot legitimately ignore an entire segment of the public that is being destroyed.

2. ***“I’m personally opposed to abortion, but can’t impose my views on others.”***

Our response: This is not a matter of views, but of violence. The law is supposed to protect human life despite the views of those who destroy it.

3. ***“The government should not be involved in such a personal decision as abortion.”***

Our response: The government got “too involved” in abortion when it claimed to have the authority to deprive some human beings of their right to life. The Declaration of Independence asserts that government exists to secure the rights already bestowed by the Creator. Moreover, when somebody’s “choice” destroys somebody else’s life, that choice is no longer merely a personal, private matter.

4. ***“Legislators should not be practicing medicine.”***

Our response: We’re not asking you to practice medicine, but to prevent the abuse of medicine. The practice of medicine is regulated by all kinds of laws to protect the lives of patients. All we ask is that the unborn be included in that protection.

5. ***“Abortion is the law of the land.”***

Our response: The “law of the land” can be changed, just as it was changed regarding slavery and segregation. Leadership means seeing the injustices that others miss, and inspiring people to utilize the methods the law permits to make necessary changes.

6. ***“I support women’s rights and health.”***

Our response: That is precisely why you should examine the evidence, which is more plentiful than ever, that abortion is destructive of women’s health, and listen to the growing voices of those who have been harmed by abortion. That is also why you should examine how the abortion industry, through unregulated and dangerous clinics, continues to deceive and exploit women.

7. ***“Abortion is just one of many issues; I embrace a consistent ethic of life.”***

Our response: The foundation of a house is only one of the many parts of the house, but it is essential in order to build the other parts. That is why the Catholic bishops have repeatedly asserted that among the many interrelated issues within a consistent ethic, abortion deserves “urgent attention and priority.”

8. ***“My office does not involve any decision-making about abortion.”***

Our response: Your position on abortion says a lot about your character and worldview. If you cannot stand up for the smallest of children, how will you stand up for the rest of us?

9. ***“Let’s just agree to disagree.”***

Our response: We have the greatest respect for those who disagree with us. But when victims are oppressed, we don’t sit back and “agree to disagree” with the oppressor. Rather, we intervene to save the victim. Abortion is not about beliefs; it’s about bloodshed. Those who need protection need it despite the disagreement of others.

10. **Finally, always use the best response to all the arguments: I VOTE!**

<https://www.priestsforlife.org/library/4318-ten-responses-to-pro-abortion-politicians>



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

Happening this Week

ALL activities canceled
until further notice.

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Parish Office Hours

Our Parish Office operating hours are:
Monday through Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday: 3:00pm - 6:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

If you are unable to come at these times,
call for an appointment: 631-587-5185.

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Rose for Life is Back

Due to COVID-19, the Rose for Life had been suspended. Those affected will be rescheduled in the order of availability.



Let Us Welcome Our Newly Baptized Into Our Parish Communion

Isabella Mary Pav



The Feast of the Assumption

Mass schedule as follows:

Friday, August 14th,

Vigil: 7:00 pm

Saturday, August 15th, Day:
8:00am

Worship This Week

Mon. Weekday

Aug. 3 Jer 28:1-17 / Mt 14:22-36

8:00am Silvio & Joan Impagliazzo

9:00am Joe Wundrock, Jr.

Tues. St. John Vianney

Aug. 4 Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 / Mt 14:22-36

8:00am Raymond O'Neill

9:00am Kevin Rollins

Wed. Weekday

Aug. 5 Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28

8:00am Antoinette Lyons

9:00am Ann Wagner

Thurs. The Transfiguration of the Lord

Aug. 6 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 / 2Pt 1:16-19 / Mt 17:1-9

8:00am Quaglia Family

9:00am Angela R. Tedesco

Fri. St. Sixtus II, St. Cajetan

Aug. 7 Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 / Mt. 16:24-28

8:00am Marie Bello

9:00am Holy Face of Jesus - Living & Deceased

Sat. St. Dominic

Aug. 8 Hb 1:12-2:4 / Mt 17:14-20

8:00am

5:00pm Michael Cardinale

Sunday 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug. 9 1 Kgs 19:9a,11-13a / Rom 9:1-5 / Mt 14:22-33

8:00am Our Country, USA, for Peace

10:00am People of the Parish

12:00pm Charles Rogers

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Mass Intentions

***Many Masses are available for intentions.
Please contact the office.***

Parish Social Ministry

“Enemies of the Gift” from Pope Francis

The Spirit, *the living memory of the Church*, reminds us that we are born from a gift and that we grow by giving, not by holding on but by giving of ourselves. There are...three main enemies of the gift, always lurking at the door of our hearts: narcissism, victimhood and pessimism.

Narcissism makes us idolize ourselves, to be concerned only with what is good for us.

The narcissist thinks: “Life is good if I profit from it”. So he or she ends up saying: “*Why should I give myself to others?*”. In this time of pandemic, how wrong narcissism is: the tendency to think only of our own needs, to be indifferent to those of others.

Victimhood is equally dangerous. Victims complain every day about their neighbor:

“No one understands me, no one helps me, no one loves me, everyone has it in for me!” The victim’s heart is closed, as he or she asks, “*Why aren’t others concerned about me?*” In the crisis we are experiencing, how ugly victimhood is!

Pessimism is where the unending complaint is: “Nothing is going well, society, politics, the Church..” The pessimist gets angry with the world, but sits back and does nothing, thinking: “*What good is giving? That is useless*”. At this moment, how damaging is pessimism, the tendency to see everything in the worst light and to keep saying that nothing will return as before!

Nassau Suffolk Law Services Foreclosure Prevention Unit

Services provided include: advice & counseling, limited assistance at settlements conferences, pleadings and motions, full representation and possible appeals, and help with loan modification paperwork. For information, call 631-232-2400.

COVID-19 Mortgage/Foreclosure Assistance

The Long Island Housing Partnership (LIHP) is a non-profit HUD certified housing counseling agency to assist Long Islanders. Counselors are ready to assist. Email info@liph.org.

Virtual Bereavement Support Groups:

Good Shepherd Hospice is offering the following:

- Adult Loss of parent or sibling: August 1 through September 5: 10am - 11:30am, Saturday mornings. Registration required - email/call intake coordinator: Keara Lincoln, LMSW 631-828-7631 / Keara.lincoln@chsli.org.
- Spanish speaking for loss due to COVID-19: August 4 through September 22 / 6pm - 7:30pm Tuesday evenings. Registration required—email/call intake coordinator: Yamith Soacha, LCSW, 631-655-7569 / yamith.soacha@chsli.org.

For further information, call Maribeth McKeever at 516-828-7628 or email at mari-beth.mckeever@chsli.org.

Faith Formation - Ministries with Children and Families

Children's Faith Formation – Registration Time!!!

Registration for 2020–21 Faith Formation year has begun! We will follow Social Distancing guidelines and protocols, so early registration is important. Our Early Incentive has been extended to Sept. 1. Call with questions: 631-661-9353.

We need more catechists due to smaller class sizes. Please consider this important role in the faith formation of our children. We will train and give you what you need. We also need additional hall monitors. All days and times available. Call the office: 631-661-9353.

Our summer hours are Monday - Thursday, 9:00am - 4:00pm and Friday, 9:00am - 2:00pm.
Evenings and weekends by appointment.

School Supplies



Because of the COVID-19 crisis, it is unclear whether students will return to school. Yet, their education will continue, and they WILL need supplies & clothes. PSM/Outreach will collect Back-to-School until August 17th. To reduce spreading infection, we are moving to a “mostly gift card” program. We can only accept the following items: Back-

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 and 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.



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.

7/27/20	7/28/20	7/29/20	7/30/20	7/31/20	8/1/20	8/2/20
369	224	377	78	396	513	321