



# Our Lady of Grace

**Roman Catholic Church**

**October 11, 2020**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**We change lives through the Risen Christ**

By **praying** daily for our intentions  
& our mission.

By **witnessing** daily our love for God  
& all persons.

By our **presence** worshiping at Mass for  
mutual support & the grace of God.

By our **support** through our time, talent &  
treasure & encouraging others.

## We Celebrate the Eucharist

Saturday Evening: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 Noon

Monday - Friday 8:00am & 9:00am

Saturday 8:00am

## Contact Us

666 Albin Ave., West Babylon, NY 11704

Office: 631-587-5185 Fax: 631-587-1427

Faith Formation: 631-661-9353

Parish Social Ministry: 631-661-9354

Day Care: 631-422-4681

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

[parish@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:parish@ourladyofgrace.net)

## Our Clergy

Rev. Joseph Davanzo, Pastor

Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi, Associate

Rev. Gregory Breen, Associate

Deacon Ricardo Garcia

Deacon Brian Miller

Deacon Irwin Saffran

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Saturday: 3:00pm - 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Or call for an appointment: 631-587-5185.

## 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

Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator

## Regular Devotions:

**Miraculous Medal Novena with Rosary:**

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

**Holy Face of Jesus:**

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

# Our Parish Communion

## Pastoral Council

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

## Finance Council

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

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## Mass Intentions

### Unannounced Mass Intentions:

Offered almost immediately and do not appear in the bulletin and are not announced at Mass. Please come to the Office. Cost: \$20

### Multiple Mass Intentions:

Offered weekly alternating with the Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday, 8:00 am Mass.

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## Memorials for week of Oct. 11, 2020

### Rose for Life

In Memory of  
Francesco & Giovanna Palermo

### Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of: Ron Durante

**Bread & Wine: NOT TAKEN**

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## Memorial Opportunities

### 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 Office. Call: 631-587-5185.

## Baptism

Call the Office to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview as soon as practicable.

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## Matrimony

Arrangements for marriage must 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, should call the Office.

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## Becoming 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), please call the Office.

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## Angel CARE

We service children from West Babylon District. Morning care is from 7am - 9am ; \$11 for first child and \$10 each additional child. Afternoon children are bused from elementary schools; \$13 first child and \$12 each additional child. Call 631-893-6564 or email [pstanley@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:pstanley@ourladyofgrace.net).

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## Daycare is Open!

We are following OCFS and CDC guidelines, and the children are having fun. If anyone needs care, please call (631) 422-4681 for a tour after 6:00 or on Saturdays. We need a teacher assistant 3:00 - 6:00pm, M-F and a loving person to work 2:00 -6:00pm, M-F. Please send resumes to: [Daycare@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:Daycare@ourladyofgrace.net).

## For Your Reflection

### The Right to Religious Freedom Should Inform our Voting

By Bishop Joseph Strickland of the Diocese of Tyler, Texas; Sep 5, 2020

In 1988, Pope St John Paul II said: *“Religious freedom, an essential requirement of the dignity of person, is a cornerstone of human rights. The civil and social right to religious freedom is a reference for other fundamental rights and becomes a measure of them.”* The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vatican Council affirmed: *“the human person has a right to religious freedom which means all men are to be immune from coercion on the part of individuals or social groups and any human power; no one is to be forced to act in a manner contrary to his own beliefs. The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the dignity of the human person as is known through the word of God and by reason itself.”*

As we approach the 2020 elections, the candidates stand on religious freedom must be paramount in our choices in the ballot box. The soft persecution of faithful Christians is obvious to anyone who cares about religious freedom. The growing hostility toward the symbols of our religion, the mocking of our faith values and the open hostility toward people of faith and religious institutions is increasing. Religious freedom is called the 1<sup>st</sup> freedom for good reason. It ensures that the role of revealed truth helps us to form our conscience and shape the choices we make as individuals, families and society. The American founders fled coercive approaches to religion which compelled adherence to a particular sect. An incorrect interpretation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment has arisen today which promotes a Church/State separation that is hostile to religious institutions, discriminates against people of faith and seeks to censor religious speech and expression in public.

Religious faith should be encouraged and accommodated by government, not treated with hostility. Rightly understood and applied, religious freedom means a freedom for religious expression, not a removal of such expression in the public square. Religious faith, institutions and speech are protected by the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment. The Declaration of Independence affirmed the existence of inalienable rights and self-evident truths. The Rights of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness were understood to be endowed by our Creator and not conferred by Government. Implicit within the classical understanding of happiness is the pursuit of virtue, and virtue requires religion.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment prohibition against the establishment of a National Religion was never meant to justify government hostility toward religious faith, persons, or institutions. It was intended to protect against the establishment of a National Church and a forced adherence to its doctrine. It was more aptly understood as an Anti-Establishment Clause. The Right to Religious Freedom protects people of all faiths to participate in the public square and be a part of the daily social interactions that constitute social life. Religious faith is a human and social good. The drafters of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment used the phrase *“Free exercise of religion”* for a good reason. The protection it guarantees goes beyond freedom to worship within church buildings. Exercise involves action. The 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment protects our fundamental right to bring the values informed by our faith into the social, economic, and political arena as good and faithful citizens.

Today, the Free Exercise Clause has been turned on its head. An errant interpretation is increasingly being used to silence the Church and religious speakers. There is a dangerous trend of labeling anyone who supports the value of the Jewish and Christian roots of the West as backward, bigoted or, as trying to impose a theocracy and undermine freedom. The fact is, the Church was and is the guarantor of authentic freedom. Hostility toward faith in our life and the efforts to censor the role it has played in our history and founding, is corrosive to true freedom. The free exercise of religion is not only a constitutional right in the American polity, it is a fundamental human right in Catholic teaching. And, it should inform our choice of who we elect from among the candidates in the upcoming 2020 election.

### Respect Life: “Violence in Our Streets”

*“United States of America: as long as there is violence in the womb, there will be violence in your streets.”*  
- St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

## Banns of Marriage



### First Banns:

Kenneth Reihardt, Jr. - Felicia Estes  
(St. Matthews - Dix Hills, NY)

### Third Banns:

Andrea Schiralli - Liborio Musacchia

## Welcome Our Newly Baptized!



Hailey Lynn Brustad  
Olivia Grace Sparacino

## The Altar Society

The Altar Society cares for the altar linens used at Mass. We still need help. If you are able to assist, please call the Parish Office at: 631-587-5185 or email : galetwohig@ourladyofgrace.net.



## Adult Confirmation

Know someone who wants to be confirmed?

Contact Joseph Salzone at 631-587-5185 or email:  
jsalzone@ourladyofgrace.net.



Save these dates: 10/28, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16. All 7:15pm - 9:00 pm in Rm 109.

## Thank You for Your Support of Birthright!

Thank you for your support in purchasing the press-on-roses for Birthright! Thank you also to the many volunteers who support Birthright by giving their time to assist and raise money for this worthwhile cause.

## Worship This Week

### Mon. Weekday

Oct. 12 Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 – 5:1 / Lk 11:29-32  
8:00am Eugene Liberti (39 Anniv.)

9:00am John DeLissio

### Tues. Weekday

Oct. 13 Gal 5:1-6 / Lk 11:37-41

8:00am Francesco Martorana

9:00am Angela & Rosa Chiodi

### Wed. St. Callistus I

Oct. 14 Gal 5:18-25 / Lk 11:42-25

8:00am Christopher Dunn

9:00am Nicolina DiBartolo

### Thurs. St. Teresa of Jesus

Oct. 15 Eph 1:1-10 / Lk 11:47-54

8:00am Vicenta Sancho

9:00am Elisa Assalone

### Fri. Ss. Hedwig, Margaret Mary Alacoque

Oct. 16 Eph 1:11-14 / Lk 12:1-7

8:00am Christopher Dunn

9:00am

### Sat. St. Ignatius of Antioch

Oct. 17 Eph 1:15-23 / Lk 12:8-12

8:00am

5:00pm Antonia Cipolla

### Sunday 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct. 18 Is 45:1,4-6 / 1 Thes 1:1-5b / Mt 22:15-21

8:00am Giovanni Iemma

10:00am Donald A. Lyon

12:00pm Deceased members of the Morris & Davis Families.

### Mass Intentions

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

# Parish Social Ministry

## The 7 Themes of Catholic Social Teaching: 3. Rights and Responsibilities

In this election season, the USCCB teaches the relationship between Christian faith and political life. The 3<sup>rd</sup> theme: *“The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities – to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.”*

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### PSEG and National Grid

If you receive a shut-off notice from PSEG and National Grid, go to DSS for assistance. If you are denied, keep copies of all paperwork. You are urged to contact PSEG and National Grid to work payment plans now and not to wait until they resume shutoffs. Call 631-844-3793 for further assistance.

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### 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.



### DSS and Rental Assistance

If you are behind in your rent, apply for assistance at DSS; do not wait until the moratoriums are lifted. They have programs available and more rental funds will be available in the coming months. Regarding evictions, with the moratorium in place, sometime in the future you will need to prove you applied for local assistance to pay rent. Apply at DSS and keep copies of paperwork. If you have been denied at Social Services, Nassau/Suffolk Law Services has a unit to ensure people are receiving services to which they are entitled. 631-232-2400.

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### Parish Pantry: Beef, Poultry, Fish & Pork

For the people served in our parish pantry having meat, be it beef, poultry, fish or pork, to cook is a blessing. Our Parish Social Ministry does have a refrigerator and freezer, and meat is really appreciated. However, these items need to be brought to our Parish Outreach Office during office hours on Monday - Thursday, 10am-2pm. Thank you for your outreach to those in need.



## Thanksgiving and Christmas at Outreach

The pandemic has changed how Outreach will assist our neighbors in need for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We ask your cooperation to ensure the safety of our volunteers and the families we assist.

**Thanksgiving** – instead of donating Thanksgiving baskets, please donate a gift card to the local supermarket: Shoprite, Stop & Shop, Best Market

**Christmas** – **please only gift cards.** To honor current restrictions and safety of both our parishioners and volunteers, we will distribute **ONLY GIFT CARDS. We are unable to accept and/or distribute clothes, toys, other gifts.** We need cards such as: Applebees, Bath & Body Works, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Burger King, Big Lots, Dollar Tree, Dunkin Donuts, 5 Below, Marshalls, McDonalds, Old Navy, Panera, Taco Bell, Target, Walmart and Wendy's.

We are grateful for your support. Please help us make this Christmas special for those who come to us for assistance.

## Faith Formation

### Children's Faith Formation – Time to Register!!!

Registration for Faith Formation classes is ongoing. Classes will follow ALL safety protocols. Parent meetings have begun. If your child will attend school entirely remotely this year, we have a virtual option for most levels. Call our office at 631-661-9353 for more information. We will set up classes soon; please register as soon as possible!

#### October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

*Know where your donations are going!*

Susan G. Komen partners with Planned Parenthood.

Donate to pro-life breast cancer research groups:

[www.abortionbreastcancer.com](http://www.abortionbreastcancer.com)

[www.polycarp.org](http://www.polycarp.org)

[www.bcpinstitute.org](http://www.bcpinstitute.org)

#### 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!

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

I am happy to open the Sacred Music Society for the new 2020-2021 season. With your generosity, we've been able to offer beautiful music for our liturgies, concert and special programs. With gratitude for those who gave last season, I invite all to consider supporting this initiative for the new season.

Contributions support our music programs, concert series and instruments for Christmas, Easter and Pentecost. Acknowledgments are made in our concert programs and special musical offerings and in our bulletin. You can contribute at the following levels:

- ◆ St. Cecilia (\$350 or more)
- ◆ Schola Cantorum (\$200 to \$349)
- ◆ Cantor's Circle (\$100 to \$199)
- ◆ Psalmist's Platform (\$50 to \$99)
- ◆ Chorister's Guild (\$25 to \$49)
- ◆ Angelic chorus (up to \$24)

Please mail or bring form below and check payable to "Our Lady of Grace" to the Parish Office: Attn: Terence Purtell. Any questions, contact [tpurtell@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:tpurtell@ourladyofgrace.net) or 631-587-5185.  
God bless you for your generosity and support. - Terence

#### OUR LADY OF GRACE SACRED MUSIC SOCIETY 2020-2021

I wish to support the *Sacred Music Society* with a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Donation is:

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_ In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Anonymous \_\_\_\_\_

#### Be a Winner and Support Our Calendar Raffle - \$25 ticket lasts 6 months.

Coming: the new raffle tickets will be in the mail soon!

10/5/20	10/6/20	10/7/20	10/8/20	10/9/20	10/10/20	10/11/20
162	377	258	503	489	507	182