



# Our Lady of Grace

**Roman Catholic Church**

**November 8, 2020**

**32nd 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

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## 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

**Padre Pio Prayer Group**

2nd Tuesday of each month after the 9am Mass.

# Our Parish Communion

## Pastoral Council

Lee Abseck  
Mary Ellen McEntee  
Maria Russello-Chetti  
Kathleen Scheid

Ralph Fiorillo  
James Nevins  
Lucy Sanchez  
Concetta Whelan

## Finance Council

Richard Korcz (Trustee)  
Leonardo LoCricchio  
Robert Scharf (Trustee)

Joseph Salzone  
Debra Nicosia  
Thomas Vilella

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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 November 8, 2020

### Rose for Life

In Memory of: Valentine & Armondo Battista

### Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of: Helen Cavanaugh

### Bread & Wine:

In Memory of: Helen Cavanaugh

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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 fewer 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!



The children at OLOG Daycare have been having a great time playing and learning. We have been reopened since July 6, and God has kept us healthy and safe. We still have some open slots for all ages. Please call us for a tour, (631) 422-4681.

## For Your Reflection

With disturbing headlines about violence, death and other disasters, we wonder, “*When will Jesus return?*” The Gospel story of Lazarus addresses this question in a challenging yet hopeful way. If you remember Jesus was baptizing in the Jordan River when an urgent message arrived that His dear friend Lazarus was seriously ill. The Gospel says, “*Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, ‘Let us go back to Judea.’*” It sounds like a contradiction. Why wouldn’t He go right away? Jesus tells His disciples the delay is for the “*glory of God.*” That He’s going to do what He could not do if He went right away. But for Mary and Martha, His decision is disappointing.

We can all relate to disappointment and confusion when God does not prevent our tragedies. We too ask, “*Why, Lord?*” But, when He arrives at Bethany, Jesus responds by engaging His friends in His deep love, eternal truth, and ultimately, with the power of His resurrection, but not in a way they expect. In His unconditional love, Our Lord did what He knew was best for His people and His kingdom even though it was not understandable at the time. Yet Martha needed that truth. Though she wanted an answer why this happened, Jesus wanted to show that there is more at stake than extending a loved one’s life on this earth. Jesus answered, “*I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.*” Martha later says, “*Yes, Lord, I have come to believe.*”

In this dialogue, Jesus not only touches Martha but each of us with His eternal truth that there is a reality beyond the length of time we spend on earth, and that this life is a preview of the greater life that comes to those who believe in Christ. Even so, this eternal and glorious perspective doesn’t keep us from suffering pain and death, and Jesus understands. When Mary comes to Him and like Martha, says, “*Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died*” she needs a different human response and Jesus gives it: “*Jesus wept.*” Sometimes the best response is not to explain but to “*weep with those who weep*” (Rom 12:15).

We may think the best part of the story is the miracle of Lazarus being raised from the dead, but Jesus wants more than to extend the earthly life of persons. Lazarus would eventually die and those who loved him would mourn all over again. So this miracle was not the final happy ending. But Jesus came to Bethany and gave a temporary happy ending to prepare people to believe, so they may one day have the ultimate happy ending in heaven. Later on, Jesus would go to Calvary to make that ending possible with His resurrection that proves that death is conquered. Lazarus is now more alive than he was when Jesus called him out of the tomb. Lazarus is at home with the Christ in heaven and so will all who love and serve and trust Jesus.

D. L. Moody, a 19<sup>th</sup> century evangelical Christian said, “*Someday you will read in the papers that D. L. Moody is dead. Don’t you believe a word of it! At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now; I shall have gone into a house that is immortal, a body that death cannot touch, that sin cannot taint; a body fashioned like unto His glorious body. Amen!*” May we live our lives loving and trusting Christ and serving His Church knowing that what waits for those faithful to Him is more powerful and glorious than anything we can have or experience on earth.

### Respect Life: Record Calls for Abortion Pill Reversals

Andrea Trudden, of Heartbeat International, which runs the Abortion Pill Rescue Network, said 105 mothers called the hotline to halt their chemical abortions. “*Over 80% of callers started the process.*” In chemical abortion, a mother takes mifepristone which kills the baby. A day or two later, she takes misoprostol to expel the baby through contractions and bleeding. If the mother changes her mind before the 2<sup>nd</sup> pill, she may save her baby. Mothers often regret beginning the abortion pill regimen. The abortion industry discredits this and uses the pandemic to sell more abortions. Trudden said, “*This time is stressful. Some women see chemical abortion as their only option. Hotline calls are coming from the abortionist’s parking lot or from the car on the way home because the mother’s regret is immediate.*” The abortion industry capitalizes on fear and ignores abortion pill reversal, but the babies saved are living proof that there is hope.

Heartbeatinternational.org; April 2020

# Banns of Marriage



## 2nd Banns:

Andrea Schiralli - Liborio Musacchia

## Welcome Our Newly Baptized!



Ian Hernandez

## Pray for our Recent Deceased

Carmela Stango



## Choirs at Mass Restart Nov. 14 and 15

The Youth Choir returns to Saturday 5:00pm Mass, and the Adult Choir returns to the Sunday 12:00noon Mass. After careful rehearsals and safety precautions, all those in our music ministry are healthy and covid-free.

## Pennies from Heaven

Pennies make a difference! Take them to the Faith Formation Office mail slot, the Parish Office, or put in the Sunday collection (in an envelope marked "Faith Formation"). For 2020-21 : \$68 donated. Total to date: \$268. Thanks to all who have donated.



## Extra Chi: "Reflect, Reconnect, Renew"

Monthly concert series continues Nov. 7 at 6:00pm with flute music from "Extra Chi" flute and piano duo with music inspired by nature and human experience. Suggested Donation: \$10 to offset cost of yearly parish license.

# Worship This Week

**Mon. The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**Nov. 9** Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 / 1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 / Jn2:13-22

8:00am Antonio Gentile

9:00am Evelyn Drager

**Tues. St. Leo the Great**

**Nov. 10** Ti 2:1-8,11-14 / Lk 17:7-10

8:00am Stanley Wright

9:00am Antonetta Cipolla

**Wed. St. Martin of Tours**

**Nov. 11** Ti 3:1-7 / Lk 17:11-19

8:00am

9:00am John F. Kristoffersen

**Thurs. St. Josaphat**

**Nov. 12** Phlm 7-20 / Lk 17:20-25

8:00am Enrico Pirraglia

9:00am Giuseppe Mozzone

**Fri. St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

**Nov. 13** 2 Jn 4-9 / Lk 17:26-37

8:00am

9:00am

**Sat. Weekday**

**Nov. 14** 3 Jn 5-8 / Lk 18:1-8

8:00am Vincenzo Geremia, Benjamin Geremia

5:00pm People of the Parish

**Sunday 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Nov. 15** Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 / 1 Thes 5:1-6 / Mt. 25:14-30

8:00am Vicenta Sancho

10:00am Dominick Pisani

12:00pm Fr. Patrick Shanahan (25th Anniv.)

## Mass Intentions

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

# Parish Social Ministry

## The 7 Themes of Catholic Social Teaching: 7. Care for God's Creation

From the USCCB: *"We show respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This challenge has moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored."*

### Alzheimer's Association Free Education Programs

Programs for people with early-stage dementia are being presented live via zoom every Monday 11am - 1pm through November 23. Participants may join by computer or call in using a phone. The group offers social interaction, disease education, cognitive stimulation and a supportive environment. A caregivers support group will be held concurrently. For more information: 800-272-3900.

### Stimulus Check Outreach and Extension

The IRS extended the deadline to use the IRS non-filer tool to November 21.

For information:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-extends-economic-impact-payment-deadline-to-nov-21-to-help-non-filers>.

### Stop & Shop Community Bag Program

For November, our Pantry will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the \$2.50 reusable Community Bag at the Stop & Shop Store located at 575 West Montauk Highway. Please purchase a bag to help our Pantry.

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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.

### 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 Thanksgiving baskets, we ask that you donate a gift card to the local supermarket—ShopRite, Stop & Shop, Best Market.

**Christmas – please only gift cards.** To honor the current restrictions and for the safety of both our parishioners as well as our volunteers, we will distribute **ONLY GIFT CARDS.** **We are unable to accept and/or distribute any clothes, toys, other gifts, etc.** Some gift cards we need are: 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 continued support. Please help Parish Social Ministry make this Christmas a special one 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 follow ALL safety protocols. Parent meetings have begun. We have a virtual option for most levels. Call 631-661-9353 for more information. Please register as soon as possible!

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#### Cello Concert

The monthly concert series continues on December 5 at 7pm with cellist Richard Cottlieb and pianist James Kendall. Suggested donation: \$10. Thanks to all who support the restart of our concert series!



#### Social Security SCAM ALERT!

Scammers pretending to be government employees may threaten legal action & demand payment to avoid arrest. **Don't be fooled!** If you receive a suspicious call hang up. Do not give money or any information. Report scam to: [www.OIG.SSA.GOV](http://www.OIG.SSA.GOV).

### “WE SHARE” is a Win-Win.

**Please prayerfully consider “WE SHARE” for your contributions. WE SHARE helps us budget and give you piece of mind that your contributions to OLOG are automatic each month.**

#### **According to Reuters News Agency:**

The majority of Americans (53% and growing) pay bills electronically and have moved away from cash or writing checks. This has accelerated with online shopping. Due to the pandemic, people are also avoiding handling money and paper. Other reasons: electronic bill payments are faster, more convenient with debits directly from their bank accounts, offer more protection against theft, fraud, counterfeiting, are more environmentally friendly, and offer peace of mind. **WE SHARE** distributes acknowledgement cards for those who attend Mass yet feel awkward letting the collection basket pass without putting something in it.

**WE SHARE** has been servicing Catholic dioceses and other faiths since the 1990s. Apart from the weekly collection, online donations can also be done for special appeals, such as for disasters. During this pandemic and also with inclement weather, many churchgoers stay at home and our parish suffers financial loss. Nationwide, parishioners miss an average of 10 services a year at their home parish.

Not only do direct debit and credit card payments mean more consistent giving, collections increase an average of 10-30%. Please remember: Your donation is not a business transaction, but a personal gesture of stewardship towards your faith community.

For more information or to enroll, contact Gale at 631-587-5185.

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

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

11/2/20	11/3/20	11/4/20	11/5/20	11/6/20	11/7/20	11/8/20
398	529	80	555	253	396	486