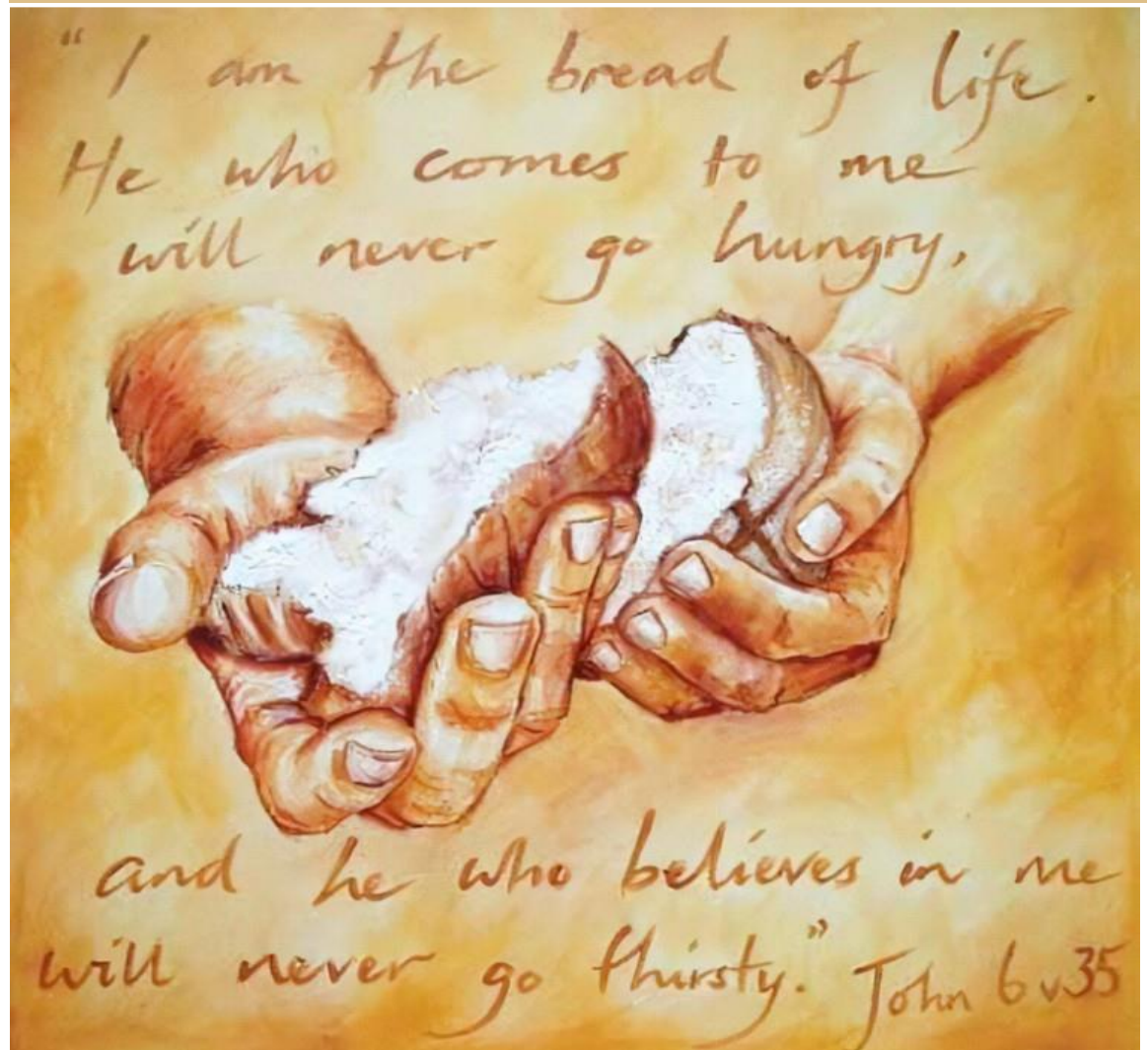




The Parish of Saints Philip and James
1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780
631-584-5454

June 2nd, 2024

The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ



"With Philip & James we pray to live lives worthy of the call to be
Apostles of Hope"

Daily Mass: 7:30am and 9:15 am
Saturday 5pm Sunday: 8am 10 am 12noon

STS. PHILIP & JAMES PASTORAL STAFF

Parish Center Phone: 631-584-5454 Parish Fax: 631-862-9675

Website—www.sspj.org

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Open Monday, Tuesday Wednesday 9am-6pm

Open Thursday 9am-6pm

Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday

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Collections: ~

Thanking you for your generosity

Financial Support Needed weekly to meet Parish budget:

\$16,700

Weekly Collection: Sunday, May 26th, 2024:

Collections from Weekend masses: \$8,703.

Mail Collections: 765.

Faith Direct(126Participants) WEEKLY \$3,374.04.

Total Collection: \$12,842.04

5/19 COLLECTIONS :\$13,185.04

**FAITH DIRECT: VISIT SSPJ.ORG CLICK ON FAITH DIRECT ICON:USING
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Sacraments

Baptism— Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to register at the Pastoral Center for Pre-Baptism Program.

Marriage—Couples are asked to contact the Pastoral Center before visiting the reception hall. The Marriage Preparation process is nine months before your proposed wedding date.

Confirmation—Seventh and Eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare through RCIA.

Reconciliation— Available Saturdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Church or by contacting the Parish Center for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick— In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the Parish Center office to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill. Anointing of the Sick is held on the first Sunday of the month following the 8:00am mass please see the Sacristan before mass.

R.C.I.A.— Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (non-Catholic adults desiring to become Catholic) are asked to contact the Parish Center Office.

Eucharistic Adoration In The Church— Monday 1:30pm -7pm

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVE FOR US IN YOUR PRAYERS



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LT. COL. PAUL T. JACKSON-

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HANK MOLONEY—USAF

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LIVE-STREAMING THE 8:00AM SUNDAY MASS

The Sunday mass at 8:am is available to view on our SSPJ Church Facebook page, while it is live at the 8am mass, it can be recalled at any time.

Dear Friends,

The church year is wonderful and full of celebrations. Having celebrated the Feast of the Blessed Trinity, I could not help but remember the way a friend once taught me to say the 'Glory Be'.

I was encouraged to say: "BE Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit". I pray I can live up to that version!

Someone who has truly been glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is Mary. I recently conducted a retreat day at Enders Island with the theme of "Mary: The First Tabernacle". It was very timely and appreciated by the participants, as we are coming to the end of the year of Eucharistic Revival for the Parish. The feast of Corpus Christi leads us into the third year of the Eucharist Revival with the theme of Going Forth, Being Mission.

During my research for the retreat, I found a wonderful statement that resonated deeply with me. It read: "Mary's journey to Elizabeth was the first Eucharistic procession." Wow! Isn't that powerful?

As this specific year of Eucharistic Revival comes to a close, that quote really struck me. In my daily comings and goings, do I bring the Jesus within me to others, or am I in too much of a hurry?

Perhaps I might be the only 'God' presence the person may experience. What helps me remember that I am taking Jesus with me no matter where I go? If I am always rushing, how can I slow down? What helps me remain aware that in being the face of Jesus, I am to be the face of compassion and understanding?

If Mary was the First Eucharistic procession, then I am presently the continuation of the same. How well do I express it? Do I have a smile on my face, kindness and compassion in my heart, and purpose in my soul?

Only you can answer those questions for yourself.

Just found this quote from Muhammad Ali that speaks of the theme of the third year of the Eucharistic Revival Year of Mission: "Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth".

Be of service and bring the love of the Eucharist to all. Spend time this week noticing how you bring Jesus to others. Each step taken towards another is bringing Jesus closer to them, after all. Perhaps they will even bring Jesus to YOU!

Till next week,

Sister T



Mass Intentions, For the week of June 2nd, 2024

**Eucharistic
Adoration**

Monday's

1:30-7pm

**In the
church**



We Pray for those who are ill...

Alan Piscak
Andy
Amanda Rose Cretella
Anna Capizzio
Anna Maria
Alfred Fox
Antonette Sabatino
Angie Mingione
Angela Amoroso
Arthur Gureck
Austin Rocky
Baby Ben
Baby Penny Grace
Candela
Barbara Bombace
Brian
Mattia Rose Lubrano
Barbara Sammarco
Belinda Groneman
Benito Fernandez
Betty DiSimone
Brian Carr
Bob DelCielo
Rob Remhild
Brenden Toomey
Carol
Carmela Montesano
Carolyn Nehl
Cathleen Henchey
Chase Addonizio
Christella Stewart
David Beleck
David McCue
Deirdre W.
Diane LaPorte
Donna Patrisi
Dorothy Mitchell
Ed Ceraso
Eleanor Bayley
Elizabeth Martin
Elizabeth Smith
Elspeth Bigoness
Eileen
Emily Schiaratta
Emily Souders
Flo Donohue
Gail Lumley
Gloria Montesano
Ginny & John Rief
Gregory Parker
Helen
Harold Scott
Jack Donohue
Jackie Sikorski
Jakob King
Jamie Accardi
Jean Saladino
Jenny Bonanno
Jerry
Jessie Lokai
Joelle Nicholas
Joni Deleo
John Capizzio
John Cronin
John DeStefano
John Maynes
John Mattia
Joseph

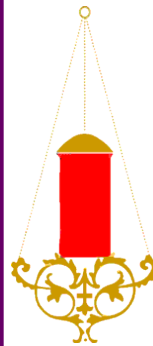
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Joseph Domizzio
Judy Rampola
Joe Dorrian
Joseph Costa
Joseph Domizzio
Kaitlyn Remhild
Kathleen Draper
Kathleen N.
Kerry
Karl Walz
Kitty Cronin
Kristin Galetta
Laura Kennedy
Larry Baldwin
Lauretta Prague
Laura Bode
Leon Donach
Lola Santangelo
Lori Cearney
Marjorie Fox
Mary Monte
Margaret Remhild
Mark Hildreth
Mark Wagner
Mary Ryan
Marie Feicco
Maria Clark
Maria Collaro
Marie del Cielo
Maureen Litten
Mary Ann Cesarski
Mary Beth McGovern
Matthew Parrella
Mia Mednick
Michael Fisher
Mike Lofaro
Michael
Nick Lella
Patrice Henry
Patricia Acker
Pasquale Savarese
Pat McCumber
Peter Donach
Peter Portanova
Ricardo Buffit
Rob Remhild & Family
Riordan Cavoors
Rogelio Martinez
Ronnie Paciella
Rose
Ryan Duffy
Sara Jean Andersen
Stanley Stura
Stephen Dolce
Susanne Smith
Tonia Perdue
Tara Cesarski
Teresa Mattera
Tina Cafaro
Tiffany Lochan
Thomas Lifieri
Tom Ryan
Tom Focone
Vivien & John
Cordes
Wayne Smith Sr.

Saturday June 1st Cantor: Feeney	Presider: Father Tom Lector: Schor/Burke EM: Mantia/Duffy/Taurassi/ Toto/Urce	9:15am 5:00pm	Geraldine Szymanski Anthony J. Sisti
Sunday June 2nd Cantor: Lupinacci	Presider: Father Jude Lector: Sehne/Baker EM: Rizzo/Kenney/Koke/ Portanova/Ramos	8:00am	For the People of SSPJ Parish
Cantor Cazzaniga	Presider: Father Jude Lector: Lombardi/Piliero EM: Luna/McKie/ Mulhall/Orlando/Parish/ Amen	10:00am	Anthony J. Sisti
Cantor: Stefanowski	<u>Collective Mass</u> Presider: Father Tom Lector: Latino/Just EM: Calderone/Margaret/ Bleggi/V. Rubano	12:00pm	Maria Fazio Frances Francica Tina Grange Edward Hildebrandt
Monday June 3rd St. Charles Lwanga	Adoration 1:30-7pm In the Church	7:30am 9:15am	Living~Glen Crima USA Donalea Donach Vanos
Tuesday June 4th		7:30am 9:15am	Frank Bendl William & Geraldine Heneghan
Wednesday June 5th	St. Boniface	7:30am 9:15am	Living~Msgr. Daniel Picciano Constance Schoenrock
Thursday June 6th	St. Norbert	7:30am 9:15am	Living~Mario Catania USMC <u>Collective Mass:</u> Agnes & Edward Watson Jack Steele Glenn E. Ryan Rose Keating
Friday June 7th	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	7:30am 9:15am	Mercina Crasta Dominick Martini
Saturday June 8th Cantor: Murtha	Presider: Father Jude Lector: Dreschler/Grimaldi EM: Licari/Sisti/Anderson/ Damato/Dreschler	9:15am 5:00pm	Margaret Regina Benedetta Caltabiano
Sunday June 9th Cantor: Lupinacci	Presider: Father Jude Lector: Halluska/Luna EM: Chilton/Czujko/Sehne M&P Tully	8:00am	For the People of SSPJ Parish
Cantor: Meringolo	Presider: Father Tom Lector: Dobres/Koke EM: Napolitano/Suski/ Parish/Mulhall/Orlando/ Sotomayer	10:00am	Mary Castiglie Anderson
Cantor: Meringolo	<u>Collective Mass</u> Presider: Father Tom Lector: Geier/Suski EM: Consenz/Samson/ Stack/Settneri	12:00pm	Rev. Otto Froehlich Rev. William Murphy Dorothy Coyle

ALTAR MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 2ND, 2024



*The Bread & Wine
Are Offered,
In Loving and thankful Memory of,
Rose Keating
“Faithful Servant”
Rest in the peace of the Lord,
Your SSPJ friends and family*



*The Sanctuary Lamp
Is illuminating the precious love and light of
Jesus, In memory of,
Rose Keating
“Well done good and faithful
servant”
May you rest in peace...
Your SSPJ friends and family*

Next weekend,
June 8th and 9th, 2024:

SECOND COLLECTION TO
HELP
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CONDITIONING

Your generosity is greatly
appreciated.



HIS WORDS.
YOUR JOURNEY.
TOGETHER.



MAY 27TH, 2024

"Yes, that is how it is, brothers and sisters, our God is a communion of love: and this is how Jesus revealed him to us. And do you know how we can remember this? With the simplest gesture, which we learned as children: the sign of the cross. By tracing the cross on our body, we remind ourselves how much God loved us, to the point of giving his life for us; and we repeat to ourselves that his love envelops us completely, from top to bottom, from left to right, like an embrace that never abandons us."

TODAY SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND, 2024

Please join us for a parish celebration of Corpus Christi!

(Also known as
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus)

After the noon Mass on **June 2nd** we will have an outdoor Eucharistic Procession, praying the rosary and joining in song as we walk to each outdoor altar to adore the Eucharistic Lord. We will conclude the procession back in the church for a benediction.

Following this, we invite all to head down to the auditorium to view a beautiful display of dozens of religious icons. There will be an opportunity to meet iconographer Janine Manheim, find out a bit about the ancient art of icon writing, and learn about Eucharistic miracles and the celebration of Corpus Christi in other countries.



Blessed Carlo Acutis

Ice cream will be available at the end of the Corpus Christi celebration, so bring the family and enjoy our parish community!



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

After 11 years as our beloved Pastor and friend it has come time to say goodbye and wish Father Tom well as he embarks on a new chapter in his life: RETIREMENT!

Father Tom has faithfully served God's people and the Diocese of Rockville Centre for the past 46 years.

You are cordially invited to join us in celebrating his years of devotion, guidance, and inspiration on Saturday, June 22nd at the 5 pm. Mass followed by a retirement reception in his honor.

Your presence will truly make this occasion memorable as we express our gratitude and best wishes for the future.

Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024

Time: 5 pm. Mass followed by Reception (light dinner/dessert)

Location: SSPJ Auditorium 6-9 pm.

RSVP: please email vportanova@sspj.org or call (631) 584-5454 X 202

Confirm number of people attending.

You may also complete and return in the collection basket:

Name _____ # attending _____

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For You



And Our Lives Must Be A Sign
That God Continues To
Gently Embrace His Children



Blood Drive

**Roll up your
sleeve in honor
of someone special.**



Peter Portanova

***Blood Drive at The Parish of
Saints Philip and James
In Honor of Peter Portanova***

Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024

Time: 1:00pm – 7:00pm

Place: 1 Carow Place, St. James

Room: Parish Outreach



To make an appointment please visit our website
www.nybc.org/donate, or call (800)933-BLOOD or scan the
QR code above.

Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo.
Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space
permits. Visit nybc.org/coronavirus for COVID-19 safety protocols.

About Peter:

Peter went to St. Catherine of Siena Hospital in December 2022 with a stomach pain that ended up being a life-threatening intestinal issue and fell into critical condition. He was hospitalized for 3 months, the majority of which was spent in Intensive Care Unit. During his stay Peter underwent multiple procedures and over the course of his stay received numerous transfusions requiring over 35 units of blood.

Peter was ultimately discharged to a Skilled Nursing Facility where, a year later, he is still currently trying to recover. Please donate in his honor.



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GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE

Our School has a very SPECIAL Flag!

SSPJ students participated in a Flag Ceremony to honor and remember Gerard Crusco, uncle of parishioner Phyllis Blank, who served in World War II.

Mrs. Blank was happy to donate this special flag to her parish school as she has always felt that it should be on display, flying freely, for everyone to see.

The following is her special request to the students:

"As you come and go to Church or School, just take a moment to look up at your beautiful flag, and thank all the men and women for their service and sacrifice, especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice and all of the families and loved ones left behind."



CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS UPON
OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES
AS THEY RECEIVE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION!
Saturday, May 18th, 2024



*God's blessings upon our Communion II Students and their families:
Lily Stellato, Paul Falcone, Chelsea Tangel, Jack Keegan,
Eden Murphy,
Gabriella Stanco, Mikayla Kearney, Savannah Chisari
And Cameron Lochan*



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God's blessings upon our Communion II Students and their families:

***Brielle Goldberg, Caleigh Hansen, Hannah Dattilo, Brielle Belardi,
Savannah Chisari, Cameron Bauman, Eliana Coletto, Rachel Green,
Brock Murphy,
Kylie Marie and Brayden!***



REGISTRATION FOR OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
PROGRAM FOR THE 2024/25 SEASON
WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 9, 2024

THIS YEAR, FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, ALL GRADE LEVEL REGISTRATIONS, AS WELL AS PAYMENTS, WILL BE COMPLETED / SUBMITTED ON-LINE.

Upon completion of the registration forms please click the "New" or "Renew" registration tab to submit payment via **Faith Direct**. While on-line registration is open 24/7, please direct any inquiries to the Religious Ed office during business hours.

Please note that our First Communion program is a two-year program...all first graders should register as soon as possible. First and Second Grade will continue to be taught on-site. All other grade levels will continue via Google Classroom.

Upon receipt of all completed forms and payment you will be notified of your child's(ren) placement in a class (grades 1 & 2) or access to google classroom.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Please direct any concerns to the parish office, we will be happy to assist you.

We look forward to guiding your child(ren) in developing a relationship with Jesus and understanding of our faith. Wishing you all a fun-filled summer!

Music Ministry

Today we celebrate Jesus' presence in the Eucharist. Our hymns were chosen based on the Eucharist. The gathering hymn is Table of Plenty. We are called to come to the feast. God provides for all we need at the Table of Plenty. The Communion, Bread of Life, Jesus feeds us, gives us life and leads us to one another.

Jesus draws us body, heart, and spirit into his presence. We pray for courage to come and follow Jesus in faith and gratitude.

Happy June and may we continue to "Praise God through Music".

STS. PHILIP AND JAMES SCHOOL WELCOMES BACK OUR FAMILY FESTIVAL

JUNE 13TH



**THRU
JUNE 16TH**

Please consider one of our Family Festival sponsorship opportunities.

FESTIVAL SPONSOR

As a Festival Sponsor, your name will appear in the SSPJ Bulletin and will be prominently displayed at the Festival. Festival Sponsors will also receive 10 Pay-One-Price tickets.

RIDE SPONSOR

As a Ride Sponsor, your name will appear in the SSPJ bulletin and will be displayed in front of one ride at the Festival. Ride Sponsors will receive 5 Pay-One-Price tickets.

FAMILY FESTIVAL SUPPORTER

As a Family Festival Supporter, your name will appear in the SSPJ bulletin and will be displayed on signage at the Festival, along with our other supporters. Family Festival supporters will receive 2 Pay-One-Price tickets.

SPONSOR LEVEL:

_____ Festival Sponsor:	\$1,500.00	Please make check payable to: <u>Sts.</u> Philip and James School 359 Clinton Avenue, St. James, NY 11780
_____ Ride Sponsor:	\$500	
_____ Family Festival Sponsor:	\$250	

Name: _____ email: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

Please list our donation as follows: _____

Please return no later than May 17, 2024. Contact Jennine Cullen: jenninecullen@me.com with any questions.

NURSERY-8TH GRADE



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- SSPJ's primary commitment is to integrate the Gospel message with the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical development of students, enabling them to become the leaders of tomorrow.
- SSPJ cultivates a robustly Catholic culture centered on the spiritual, intellectual, sacramental, and liturgical life of the Church.
- SSPJ provides a safe and supportive community that recognizes the dignity of every person and promotes human flourishing in a familial atmosphere.

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JULY 17, 2024

CRAB MEADOW GOLF COURSE. NORTHPORT

REGISTRATION 12:00PM-SHOTGUN START 1:30PM

BBQ LUNCH, DINNER, BEER, WINE, *RAFFLE PRIZES*



Honorees Arthur Dunn & Jack Steele



Proceeds to benefit Sts. Philip &
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Charity Outreach Efforts and
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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Number of Players: ____ \$200.00 per person
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(Includes Driving Range, Cart, Lunch, Dinner)

Dinner only: ____ \$90 per person

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- __ Dinner @ \$2,000 (2 Available)
- __ Lunch @ \$1,500 (2 Available)
- __ Driving Range @ \$500 (2 Available)
- __ Tee Signs @ \$100 each
- __ Putting Green @ \$500 (2 Available)
- __ Pin Flag @ \$125 (18 Available)

Sponsor Information



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CONTACT : TOM SICA (631)521-4771

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Parish Social Ministry

We remember,

*Patricia Casey
Margaret T. Burney
Frances B. Pascale
Virginia D. Kearns
Rose Keating*



Safely home in the arms of Jesus



Let us pray for an ecological conversion, a profound transformation in our attitudes, behaviors, and lifestyles toward greater care and respect for the environment. It's a shift from an exploitative mindset to one that recognizes our interconnectedness with nature. Ecological conversion encourages sustainable practices, conservation, and stewardship of the Earth. 🌱🌍

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE
would like to thank all who participated in the baby shower held at church on May 18/19. Your thoughtful and generous gifts will help mothers and their families. Whether you gave some beautifully crocheted items, purchased clothing, diapers, or other baby necessities, you have warmed the heart of a family trying to care for their little one. What a beautiful way to celebrate Pentecost Sunday!



Katie's Way

Collecting new and gently used baby items and delivering them to the Life Center of Long Island. These items benefit mothers, children, and expectant mothers in need. Your donations build a community that supports mothers who choose life for their unborn children under difficult circumstances. **Suggested donation items:** Diapers, wipes, bottles. Gently used baby and toddler items such as car seats, high chairs, strollers, clothing, toys, etc. New baby and toddler items, including diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, clothing, etc. **PLEASE DROP OFF AT: 56 TILLOTSON AVENUE, ST. JAMES, NY**

SPECIAL REQUEST: SUMMER CLOTHES SIZE 2T-4T BOYS AND GIRLS

Our Food Pantry Needs:

Hormel Chili with Beans
Hormel Corned Beef Hash
(Mary Kitchen brand)
Jarred Pasta Sauce



SSPJ SENIORS

The next meeting of the Seniors will be on
June 10th from 1:30 -3:30 I
n the Sts. Philip & James Room.
Please join us for an
afternoon of faith, fun, and friendship.

Helpful Phone Numbers~ YOU ARE NEVER ALONE

Dept. of Social Services: 631-854-2300
Alcoholics Anonymous 24-Hour Hotline: 631-669-1124
Al-Anon Suffolk County: 631-669-2827
Alzheimer's Disease: 631-954-2323
American Red Cross L.I.: 516-747-3500
Birthright (Pregnancy Support): 631-821-9727 or 1-800-550-4900
Brighter Tomorrow (Domestic Violence): 631-395-1800
Brookhaven Youth Counseling: 631-451-8011
Catholic Charities (Food Stamp Info): 631-789-9546
Child Advocacy Center (CAC) (Child Abuse): 631-439-0480
Children's Community: 631-585-2020, 631-476-9698
www.childrenscommunityhs.org
Domestic Violence Hotline (Vibes): 631-360-3607
Elder Abuse: 631-761-7470
Fidelis Insurance (Family Health Plus): 1-888-343-3547
Gamblers Anonymous Hotline: 1-855-222-5542
Good Shepherd Hospice: 631-376-3758
Hope House Ministries: 631-473-6030
In Home Care- Home Instead: 631-724-2273
LI Against Domestic Violence: 631-666-8833
LI Head Start: 631-732-7100
L.I. Women's Coalition (Domestic Violence): 631-666-8833
Memory Care in NY: www.memorycare.com
Mental Health Emergency: 631-952-3333
Narcotics Anonymous: 631-689-6262
Nassau/Suffolk Law: 631-232-2400
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Today, consider a dad like Paul. Paul saw information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal at his local parish, and he knew he had to turn to the Church for help since he had nowhere else to go. Paul had been gainfully employed for more than 10 years when he began to fall ill. Soon his medical issues made it impossible for him to keep working and he was forced to go out on disability.

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Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

10th Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 9, 2024: Gn 3:9-15 | Ps 130:1-8 | 2 Cor 4:13
– 5:1 | Mk 3:20-35

Pray: Jesus, Lover of my Soul, guide and hold me steady in Christ's family of faith. Amen.

We are family... my brothers, sisters, and me!

Jesus asks in this week's Gospel, "Who are my mother, brothers, and sisters?" At first glance, this seems odd, considering his relatives were at home with Him. We must understand that Jesus had His mother there, along with some of His close cousins and relatives (whom, in those days, it was customary to call brothers and sisters.) They were trying to protect Jesus because He wasn't eating and caring for Himself. As crowds surrounded Him, they felt He was working himself into a frenzy, maybe even losing His mind in His zeal to heal and teach everyone. They were worried about Him, especially when the scribes began accusing Him of being able to cast out demons only because Satan Himself possessed him.

Nonsense! This was far from the truth, and Jesus quickly stood up for Himself. Jesus instructed that He is the Conqueror of the Devil, and anyone who deliberately refuses to accept His power, mercy, forgiveness, and salvation blasphemes the Holy Spirit. This hardness of heart and unwillingness to repent will not be forgiven but will lead one to Hell for eternity.

It's important to remember that God's forgiveness

is always available to us, even when we make mistakes or speak harshly in our frustration. He will continue to pursue us until our last breath. The unforgivable sin of blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is for those who deliberately reject God and refuse His love and mercy by not repenting.

Was Jesus putting down His own family in this Gospel scene? No! Jesus holds out His welcoming arms to all who have faith in Him and trust in the Father's Holy Will. All Christian believers are adopted into His faith family as brothers and sisters of Christ. Faith in Christ the Living Word and sincerely seeking and accepting God's Holy Will bind Christians together as a family. What a gift!

Reflect & Discuss:

- † Do you often examine your heart and seek repentance and forgiveness for your sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?
- † How does God's merciful hope and Christ's acceptance of you into His inner circle—His own family—impact your daily interactions with others? How do you discern God's Holy Will when making decisions and in your actions?
- † How does it impact ministry knowing that Jesus redefines the definition of family as those who do God's Will? What can we do to lead others into our spiritual family with Jesus?
- † In what ways can we show love and acceptance to our spiritual brothers and sisters who may be different from us?



LOSING A LOVED ONE TO SUICIDE

I have been writing on suicide for nearly forty years. I do so because suicide is generally misunderstood, badly misunderstood. Moreover, perhaps more than any other form of death, suicide leaves those who are left behind with a heavy burden of sadness, hurt, and guilt.

Four things need always to be said upfront about suicide:

First, suicide is a disease, perhaps the most misunderstood of all diseases. In most cases, the death is not freely chosen. When people die from heart attacks, strokes, cancer, AIDS, or accidents, they die against their will. The same is true for suicide, except that in the case of suicide, the breakdown is emotional rather than physical – an emotional stroke, an emotional cancer, a breakdown of the emotional immune system, an emotional fatality.

And this is not an analogy. Suicide is a disease. Most people who die by suicide die against their will. They only want to end a pain which can no longer be endured, akin to someone jumping to his death out of a burning building because his clothes are on fire.

Second, we should not worry unduly about the eternal salvation of a suicide victim, believing (as we used to) that suicide is the ultimate act of despair and something God will not forgive. God is infinitely understanding, loving, and gentle. We need not worry about the fate of anyone, no matter the cause of death, who exits this world broken, oversensitive, gentle, overwrought, and emotionally crushed. God has a special love for the broken and the crushed.

However, knowing all of this doesn't necessarily take away our pain (and anger) at losing someone to suicide because faith and understanding aren't always meant to take away our pain but rather to give us hope, vision, and support as we walk within our pain.

Third, we should not torture ourselves with guilt and second-guessing when we lose a loved one to suicide. "Where did I let this person down? If only I had been there? What if?" It is natural to be haunted by the thought, "if only I'd been there at the right time." Rarely would this have made a difference. Indeed, most of the time, we weren't there for the exact reason that the person who fell victim to this disease did not want us to be there. He or she picked the moment, the spot, and the means so that we wouldn't be there. Suicide is a disease that seems to pick its victim precisely in such a way so as to exclude others and their attentiveness. This is not an excuse for insensitivity, but a healthy check against false guilt and painful second-guessing.

We're human beings, not God. People die of illness and accidents all the time and sometimes all the love and attentiveness in the world cannot prevent a loved one from dying. As a mother who lost a child to suicide writes: "*The will to save a life does not constitute the power to prevent a death.*"

And so, we must forgive ourselves for our human inadequacy vis-à-vis having lived with someone in suicidal depression. But that is not easy, as this man who lost his wife to suicide attests: "My wife had been unhappy and depressed for so long that I pray that she is now finally at peace. At least once a week for the past four or five years, she would remark that she wanted to die. ... It's been hard for me to disentangle the role I played in her unhappiness. ... At a minimum, I will take to my grave the realization that I could have done more to keep her afloat. Over the past several years, instead of giving a pep talk to try to encourage her to see things in a more positive light, my default option had become avoidance and withdrawal. I had assumed that trying to dispel the fog of her depression only tended to make matters worse, at least for me, since I would often become the easier target for her anger/unhappiness."

That is a common guilt feeling shared by many who have lost someone to suicide, particularly a spouse. What needs to be understood is that the depressed person's anger is most often focused precisely on someone whom they trust and are very close to because that is the only safe place where they can unload their anger (without the other reciprocating). Consequently, the person who is the target of that anger will often escape by avoidance and withdrawal – with the resulting guilt feelings afterwards.

Fourth, when we lose loved ones to suicide, one of our tasks is to work at redeeming their memory by putting their lives back into a perspective so that the manner of their death doesn't forever taint their memory. Don't take down their photographs, don't speak in hushed tones about their life and death, don't put a permanent asterisk beside their names. Their lives are not to be judged through the unfortunate prism of their deaths. Redeem their memory.