



The Parish of Saints Philip and James
1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780

631-584-5454

October 17th 2021
Twenty Ninth Sunday
In Ordinary Time



“For the Son of Man did not come to be served
but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for
many.” Mark 10:45

“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

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Open Monday, Tuesday Wednesday 9am-6pm

Open Thursday 9am-6pm

Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday

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Financial Support Needed weekly to meet Parish budget: \$17,890

Weekly Collection: October 10th, 2021: \$12,553

Faith Direct : (131Participants) 3,622

Total Collections: \$ 16,175.

FAITH DIRECT: VISIT SSPJ.ORG CLICK ON FAITH DIRECT ICON:
USING SSPJ PARISH CODE: NY232

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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As you probably know, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has declared Bankruptcy under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Law.

In order to be as helpful as possible to the parties that may be affected by this bankruptcy, we will be publishing the following note regarding “proof of claim forms” for the next few months:

Information regarding the deadlines for filing proofs of claim in the Diocese’s chapter 11 case and the forms to use can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese’s bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

A Letter From Father Tom

Dear Friends,

Again, in today's gospel we hear Jesus trying to prepare his disciples for what lies ahead - and the disciples still not getting it. James and John are still seeking positions of honor and power. Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP, reflects,

*James and John's request and the indignation of the other ten, who probably wished they had put the request to Jesus first, provide an opportunity for Jesus to once again spell out what membership in his kingdom means – **service**... James and John are not the only persistent disciples of the Lord. Mark, the evangelist, is also persistent. He is insistent throughout his gospel that the Twelve just don't understand who Jesus is and what discipleship entails. Mark is writing for an early church being persecuted because they are Christ's followers. They are having to "drink the cup" that Jesus drank and that he said his disciples would also drink. Mark paints a picture of the Twelve's misunderstanding of discipleship as a way of reminding his own community that they must not forget what Jesus taught about service and suffering in his name...*

*Mark reminds the church, then and now, that Christianity can't be measured by the usual signs of institutional success: the size of church buildings; the numbers of adherents; acceptance and esteem in the world; influence in the halls of power; acceptance by world media; achievements of individual members; invitations to sit at prominent places at political banquets, etc. **The evangelist stresses Jesus' rejection of worldly approval and his insistence that his disciples must be found in the least likely places: on the wrong side of the tracks and of popular opinion; among the neglected and rejected; supporting just causes; protecting the environment against "progress"; etc.** Mark has proposed to his readers that in the eyes of the world and maybe even to some Christians, Jesus' followers look like failures and are the least significant. But then, what else would they look like, if they were following their Master who came, he said, "**not to be served, but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many.**"*

I hope you've had a chance to check out the invite to our Oktoberfest and have made the choice to join in the fun. It's next Sunday and tickets are limited!

Please plan too to give yourself a spiritual treat and join with us as we mark the year of St. Joseph with an evening of art and music. Tuesday evening, October 19th, in the Bethany Center at 7 pm. Please call ahead to reserve your spot.

At last week's Pastoral Council meeting a recommendation was made to host an evening addressing concerns raised during the pandemic for adults and an evening for teens. I have been in contact with a Psychologist and a School Social Worker. Please let me know if there is an interest and I will set up the two meetings. Kindly leave your name at the rectory.

And just a few more donations and we can meet our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal, insuring a substantial parish rebate. Please prayerfully consider supporting this effort. Many thanks to all who are already on board!

And,

Why did the ice cream truck break down? Because of the rocky road.

What do you call a bear with no teeth? A gummy bear.

How do you make 7 even? Delete the S.

Why can't dogs operate MRIs? I don't know, but cats can.

What rock group consists of four men who don't sing? Mount Rushmore.

Peace,

Father Tom

Apostles: We Who Are Sent...Hope: God's constant gift of new possibilities

Mass Intentions, For the week of October 17th, 2021

For the Week of
October 17th, 2021
Our Pro Life Rose

Is offered for,
Catherine Grayson

With Our Love,
The Grayson Family



Eucharistic Adoration

Monday's
1:30pm-7pm
In the Church



Remember in our hearts and prayers

Alan Evans
Antonette Sabatino
Angie Mingione
Angela Amoroso
Anne Pell
Anna & Harold Clayton
Arthur Gureck
Baby Ben
Baby Penny Grace Candela
Barbara Bombace
Barbara Ruland
Mattia Rose Lubrano
Belinda Groneman
Brendan McAlvin
Brendan O'Connor
Cathy McCulloch
Carol
Carolyn Nehl
Charles Figliosi
Charlie Stangarone
Claudia Chandler
Deacon Ron Blasius
Deirdre W.
Dermot O'Connor
Donna Patrissi
Dorothy Mitchell
Elizabeth Martin
Elizabeth Thorton
Ellie Walsh
Esther Styles
Flo Donohue
Gloria Montesano
Grace Bertolone
Ginny & John Rief
Gladys Blake
Gregory Parker
Helen
Heidi Ray
Jackie Harvey
Jack Donohue
Jamie Geiman
Jessica Venditto
John Cronin
John DeStefano
John Harney

John Scomillio
Joseph H
Joseph
James Macchiano
Judy Rampola
Joseph Mazelis
Joseph Costa
Kenneth Cook
Kathleen N.
Kitty Cronin
Kim Olofson
Leon Donach
Lynn McDonnell
Mark Geld
Mary Ann Cesarski
Mary Monte
Mary Fresi
Maryann Kevlin
Maria Clark
Marie del Cielo
Marilyn Suli
Matthew Parrella
Marie & Frank Fiecco
Melissa C.
Michael Fisher
Mike Lofaro
Monsignor Iocavacci
Nancy & Paul Bertran
Nancy Cuccinotta
Pasquale Savarese
Pat LeDoux
Peggy Guerra
Peter Donach
P.I.
Ricardo Buffit
Riordan Cavooris
Richard Chiorando
Sara Jean Andersen
Stephen Dolce
Suzanne Orlando
Tara Cesarski
Vivien Cordes
Vicki Archdeacon
Veronica Broderick

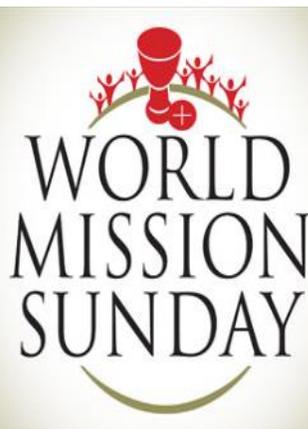
Saturday October 16th	Presider: Father Joe Lector: Thompson/ Student EM: Duffy/Anderson/ Drechsler	9:15am 5:00pm	Peter Falkowski Cecile Masi-Hayes
Sunday October 17th	Presider: Father Joe Lector: Cavooris/Koke EM: Koke/Martin/ Portanova	8am	For the People of SSPJ
	Presider: Father Tom Lector: Contrino/ Lombardi EM: Latino/Mulhall/ Orlando	10:00am	Deacon Ken Maher
	<u>Collective Mass</u> Presider: Father Tom Lector: O'Leary/Latino EM: Keane/Luna/ Napolitano	12:00pm	Josephine Nason Santina Casano Ralph Molinaro Roy Viducich Joanna Harrison Catherine Grayson
Monday October 18th	St. Luke	7:30am 9:15am	Joanna Harrison Jack Duffy
Tuesday October 19th	Sts. John deBrebeuf and Isaac Jogues	7:30am 9:15am	Justin A. Barbara Peter Byrne
Wednesday October 20th	St. Paul of the Cross	7:30am 9:15am	Living~Peter Castolitti Sr. & Family Andrew Krauer
Thursday October 21st		7:30am 9:15am	Deacon Ken Maher <u>Collective Mass:</u> Joan Purcell
Friday October 22nd	St. John Paul II, Pope	7:30am 9:15am	Living~ Doug Knapp Frank Romanelli
Saturday October 23rd St. John of Capistrano	Presider: Father Tom Lectors: Donegan/Student EM: Mantia/Damato/Toto	9:15am 5:00pm	Frankie Stanganelli Anthony Starek
Sunday October 24th	Presider: Father Tom Lectors: Willman/Fitzpatrick EM: Czujko/Kanuika/ Kenney	8:00am	For the People of SSPJ
	Presider: Father Joe Lectors: Just/Geier EM: Latino/Sotomayer/ Amen	10:00am	Lawrence Kenney
	<u>Collective Mass</u> Presider: Father Joe Lector: O'Hara/Kenton EM: Luna/Parish/Consenz	12:00pm	Rev. Robert Giuntini John Conway Christen Patricia Mich

All are Invited to a prayerful and moving evening of discovering Saint Joseph

On Tuesday, October 19th, 2021, at 7:00pm in the Bethany Center

This evening is brought to you by Dr. Thomas Petriano, chairperson of the religious studies department at Saint Joseph's College.

Due to distancing requirements, this event will be limited to 50 participants. Masks must be worn. Please contact the Parish Center Office 631-584-5454, to secure your seat.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world.

*All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance
Tuesday,
November 2, 2021, at 7 PM*

*We will remember with love
and in a special way
Our dear ones who have died between
September 1, 2020, and
August 31, 2021
ALL ARE WELCOME*

MUSIC MINISTRY

It is so good to have the hymnals back in the pews. The new books are great in that it's one book. Just remember the readings start November 28, 2021, the first Sunday of Advent. The books are out now so everyone can sing and have full participation again. How wonderful!!

I will continue to put the songs for the next weekend on the website under Fr. Tom's reflection. Write down the numbers of the songs so you can find them in the book on Sunday and sing. Also, the hymn board is back in front of the church by the St. Joseph side.

With the cantors saying the numbers, the hymn board, and songs on the website with numbers, everyone should be singing.

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary time Jesus tells us how we can be heroes and the power is already in us. We just need to use them. Jesus shows us how to serve, give and love. They make up what it takes to be a hero. The hymns reflect our heroism. Open My Eyes, the Presentation, asks us to see, hear, and love like Jesus. Servant Song, the Communion, asks what God wants us to do and how.

Maybe one thing we can do is sing our praise to God. Then as Apostles of Hope go out in the world and be heroes.

Saint Joseph ~ Defender of Life

A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life

Dearest St. Joseph,
at the word of an angel,
you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God's humble servant, you guided
the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem,
welcomed Jesus as your own son
in the shelter of a manger,
and fled far from your homeland
for the safety of both Mother and Child.

We praise God that as their faithful protector,
you never hesitated to sacrifice
for those entrusted to you.
May your example inspire us also
to welcome, cherish, and safeguard
God's most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves
to the service and defense of human life
—especially where it is
vulnerable or threatened.
Obtain for us the grace
to do the will of God in all things.
Amen.



Lass uns zusammendommen ~ Let's gather together

**Please join us for our
Oktoberfest Celebration
SSPI Outdoor Towne Square
October 24th from 3 – 6 pm**

- ~ Royal Bavarians Band ~ Entertainment ~
- ~ Oktoberfest Beer Tasting ~ Beer Keg ~ Soda ~
- ~ Carnival Games for the Kids ~ Pumpkin Pickin' ~

Dinner: Goulash ~ Apple Cider Pork Loin ~ Knockwurst & Kraut ~
Mac & Cheese ~ Roasted Chicken ~ Vegetables ~ Salads ~ Pretzels

- ~ Chicken Fingers and Fries for the kids ~

Tickets limited - 100 adults

Purchase from the Rectory Office

Cost: \$35 Per Person

Children 12 & Under: \$10. Each

For additional information please call

Virginia @ 631-584-5454 X202

vportanova@sspi.org



Sts. Philip & James ~ Building a Beautiful City Raffle

Help us continue to Build a Beautiful City – not one out of reach but one within our own community

Out of struggles can we see a ray of hope reaching for the day ~
we can start slowly but truly mending ~ Brick by Brick, Heart by Heart ~
Maybe now we start learning how WE CAN BUILD A BEAUTIFUL CITY. Yes, we can.



Cost \$25 each / 3 for \$50. / 7 for \$100

Cash Prize \$2500 - First prize

\$500 - Second prize -- \$250 - Third prize

Additional ticket at the Rectory Office

Drawing ~ November 3, 2021 (after the 9:15 Mass)

Building a Beautiful City Raffle

Name _____

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Tickets maybe dropped in the collection baskets at church or at the Rectory Office. If under \$5000 raised raffle will be held as a 50/50. Any questions call the office 631-584-5454 x202. Thank you for our support.

Reflecting on "Normal" With Sister T

Dear Friends,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful fall day! Whether it be sunny or rainy, take a few minutes to enjoy the beauty of God's creation in some form.

Have you ever heard someone say, "I'll get to it when things are back to **normal**"? Or "I'll be happy when things are back to **normal**"? I've heard it a lot during this covid time! I know that I've said it many times, but this past month a friend responded, "**The only thing normal is a cycle on the washing machine!**" We had a great laugh and then I started thinking about it.

My guess is that each of us has a different definition of **normal**. For some it may mean a time with no stress, a time spent in their personal comfort zone, a time when everything was going as planned, or a time to be in charge. Nothing wrong with these things but I go back to my friend's quote: "**The only thing normal is a cycle on the washing machine!**"

We can live our lives looking for that normal **or** live each day with the fresh opportunity to see what God has planned for us. We need to be open to the God incidents in our daily life, for they are there. We may not like all of them, but the truth is that God is with us no matter what, and His plans for us are plans for the good. I am sure that Jesus never lived a **normal** day in his life, from start to finish. Still each day He experienced the Father's love and presence. He modeled for the Apostles how to experience each opportunity with fresh eyes and a fresh heart.

So it can be for all of us. Whether we are searching for what to do with our lives, looking for a job, recovering from natural disasters or human ones, God is always with us. The day isn't **normal** but full of awareness of God's presence. With all that is happening these days, we need to know that God is with us. We need to make the choice to see God in our everyday happenings. From experience, I know that it is not always easy, but the more we practice it the better we become at recognizing God's presence in our lives.

My prayer for you this week is that you don't experience any **normal** days except when you do your wash!

Till next week,
Sister Theresita

**MISS CHARLOTTE WAS SOOO HAPPY TO WELCOME BACK THE
COMMUNION I AND COMMUNION II
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS BACK TO IN PERSON CLASSES!!!**

Our 1st and 2nd grade Religious education classes are back in person on campus, and meet on Tuesday or Wednesday in the school auditorium.

Coming together in the center of the room at the beginning of class, we stand arms length apart for Opening Prayer. We remain together for review of the previous lesson, introduction to the new lesson and discussion.

Some of our parents and grandparents have graciously accepted the invitation to assist as catechists when the children go to their respective "stations" for further instruction by them. I cannot thank them enough for their help. At the end of class, we assemble once again in the center for Final Prayer.

What a joy it is to have the children back!

In Jesus' name,

Miss Charlotte
Charlotte Czujko-Coordinator of Grades 1-3



Miss Charlotte Welcomes Back
1st and 2nd Grade RE Students

BARNABUS MINISTRY

Weekly Sunday Gospel reflections for our Religious Education Students will resume in October.

If you are interested in sharing the joy filled expressions of faith that our students write, kindly contact the Parish Center Office, leaving your name and contact information.

OCTOBER PRAYER OF THE MONTH

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners
now and at the hour
of our death.

Amen.



UPCOMING GRADE LEVEL MASSES:

SIXTH GRADE
Saturday, October 23rd at 5 pm ~

FIFTH GRADE
Sunday, October 24th at 10 am~

For Our Students~

Take a picture of this prayer with your phone and remember, when you are struggling, read it and call out to Jesus...

Dear God,
My heart is racing and I'm overwhelmed with stress and anxiety. Help me to remember that you are greater than all the craziness that I'm caught up in now. You are my calm in the midst of the storm. I ask for you to relieve my anxiety, stress, and fear. Empty me of all these negative emotions and fill me with peace, joy, and love. In your name I pray,
amen.

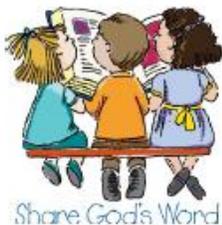
My Weekly Sunday Gospel Reflection For Grades 1-3

For the: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Sunday, October 17th, 2021

My Name Is: _____ My Grade IS: _____

Please share this time with Jesus, Complete your reflection from your heart, and bring it to mass with you next weekend Saturday, October 23rd or Sunday, October 24th, 2021

The Gospel Message:



Share God's Word

In today's Gospel, James and John, friends of Jesus, ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus next to him. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not understand that sometimes that is a very hard thing to do.

Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. His friends become angry at him. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple.

*Dear Jesus,
Thank you for
my hands, and
for all the loving
hands that care
for me.*

*Please help me
to use my hands
to help all who
need my
kindness...*

Amen



Please color

Who will you serve like Jesus does this week?

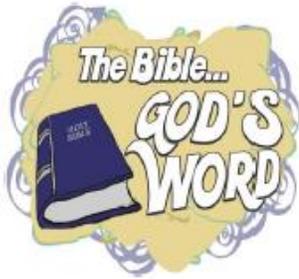
Weekly Sunday Gospel Reflection For Grades 4-6

For the: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Sunday, October 17th, 2021

My Name: _____ My Grade IS: _____

Please share this time with Jesus, Complete your reflection from your heart, and bring it to mass with you next weekend Saturday, October 23rd or Sunday, October 24th, 2021

The Gospel Message: Mark 10:35-45



In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering.

Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. His friends become angry at him. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple.

To Be Like Jesus

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 10:35-45



F I R S T E A R M O S B Q L A
F D H I L Q E F W H K W K M W
S E S H E F D Y F A V O R U V
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R N Y U T L X U I R D M U S Y
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SERVANT
FAVOR
FIRST

SUFFER
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RULER
GLORY
LEFT

HONOR
LEADER
PLACE

Dear Jesus,
Help me to
serve as you
serve.
Help me to
see as you
see.
Help me to
hear as you
hear.
Help me to
grow in love
as you guide
me along the
way.
Amen

Mark 10:35-45

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all.

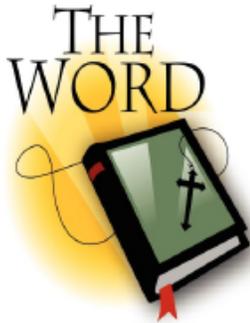
Weekly Sunday Gospel Reflection For Grades 7-8

For the: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Sunday, October 17th, 2021

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please share this time with Jesus, Complete your reflection from your heart, and bring it to mass with you next weekend Saturday, October 23rd or Sunday, October 24th, 2021

The Gospel Message:



In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering.

Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple.

A Servants Hands: Gospel of Mark 10:35-45

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all.

*Dear Jesus,
Sometimes, I want to
look away from the
opportunity to serve
you. Please warm my
heart and help me to
extend my hands as a
servant of your love and
peace.*

Amen

FIND:

Prepared, Ransom, Teacher,
Authority, Zebedee,
Baptized, Gentiles, Servant,
Summoned,
Recognized.



Across: 3. To get ready for ready:

6. The Apostles called Jesus this

8. Name for someone who serves.

9. A Person who is not Jewish

10. To call someone.

Down: 5. Money to release a prisoner

2. Power to give orders

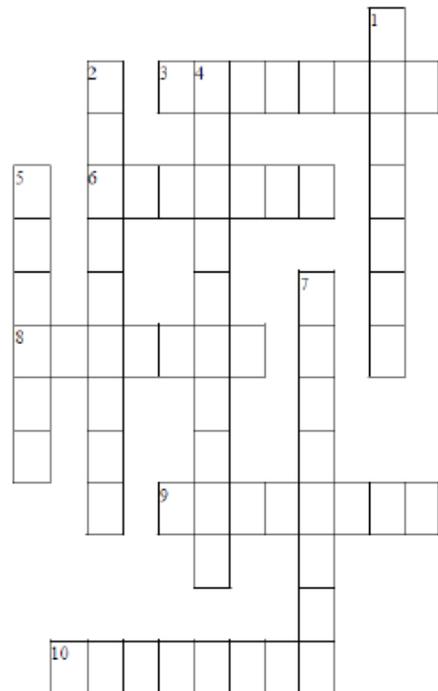
4. Identify someone.

7. Welcome someone into the church.

1. James and John's Father.

Whoever wishes to be first
among you will be the slave of
all
Mark 10:35-45

<http://www.noobusoc.org/nab/bible/mark/mark10.htm#v35>



WE ARE AT 91% OF GOAL!!!

Status as of October 13th, 2021

Pledges: \$96,320. Payments Received: \$89,065.

Every sacrifice is an act of love....



"No matter how much you live the experiences of these years of your youth, you will never know their deepest and fullest meaning unless you encounter each day your best friend, the friend who is Jesus"

- Pope Francis

Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal creates pathways to faith for our Youth and lay leaders who catechize them. This is multi-level evangelization and *Dramatic Mission Growth* in action!

INSPIRE is a new initiative designed to invite young people to embrace their Catholic faith and deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, as well as to encourage renewal in outreach to teenagers in parish communities throughout the Diocese. Three "hub" parishes – St. Barnabas in Bellmore, St. John the Evangelist in Riverhead, and St. Joseph in Babylon – are hosting a series of INSPIRE Youth Nights over the next year. The nights will consist of Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship and inspiring talks, followed by games and refreshments. Each hub parish has a unique team of veteran youth ministers, worship leaders, and faithful young adults who will facilitate the night. The initiative officially kicked off on Friday, October 8th at St. Barnabas, with the other locations offering theirs in the weeks that follow.

INSPIRE

Holy Hour & Youth Night

Doors open @ 7pm

For teens in grades 8-12

EAST	CENTRAL	WEST
St. John the Evangelist Riverhead	St. Joseph Babylon (Nolan Hall)	St. Barnabas the Apostle Bellmore
October 15	October 22	October 8
January 14	January 21	January 7
April 8	April 8	April 8

Registration & More Info:
bit.ly/DRVCINSPIRE

DRVCYOUTH.ORG

The Office of Youth Ministry has been hosting information sessions for parish leaders to learn and discuss how they can make the most of the initiative. Youth ministers, catechetical leaders, priests, parents, and other adult leaders will have the opportunity to accompany the youth (grades 8-12) of their parish to each INSPIRE night and use the event as a vehicle to build relationships with the teens and their families. Local follow-up to these nights is encouraged and some resources will be provided.

"The pandemic has obviously brought new challenges and obstacles to youth evangelization efforts around Long Island. INSPIRE is designed to bring young people together safely for prayer, catechesis, and fellowship, as well as to sow the seeds of evangelization for each parish group that attends, so that we can all be in a better place to build up young disciples in the Diocese of Rockville Centre." – Nolan Reynolds, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: _____ Parish: _____

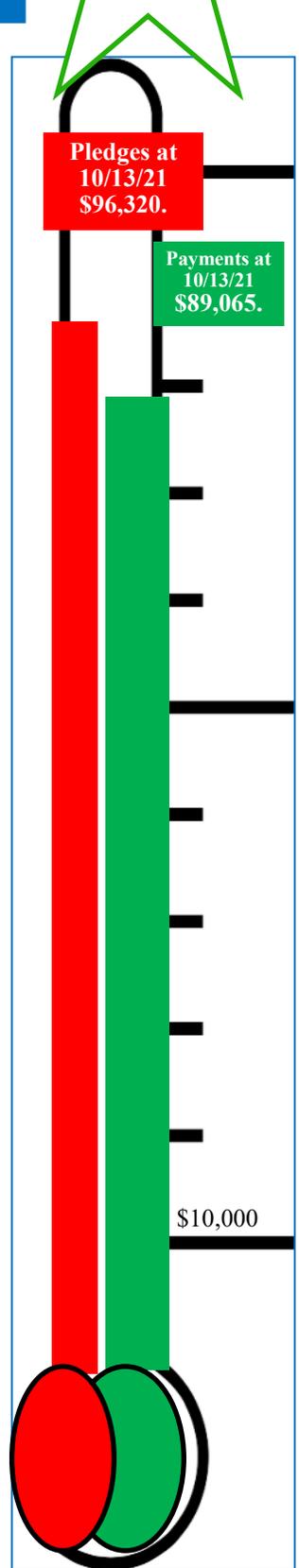
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Telephone number: Home _____ Cell: _____

Signature: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296. Thank you.



The Great Hands of SSPJ School! On Their Way to Building a Beautiful City!!!

SSPJ Students continue to build a
'Beautiful City'
one BOOK at a time!



Grade 7 & 8
graciously
volunteered
their time to
insert
missalettes
into their
covers.

St. Augustine "To sing is to pray twice."



***Sing a new song unto the Lord, let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.***

HELPING

HANDS



SSPJ Guild Presents the 5th Annual Trunk or Treat



Come celebrate the season and support SSPJ School!

This year in addition to trick or treating, there will also be:

- **Battle of the Classes: Scarecrow Contest** – come see the creative scarecrow creations from each of the classes!
 - **Jack O' Lantern Contest** – bring your already carved Jack O' Lantern for a chance to win a prize! To enter the contest, fill out the form below and send it in along with the \$3 contest entrance fee.
 - Halloween themed raffle basket
 - An award for the **BEST TRUNK** at Trunk or Treat!
- For each raffle ticket you buy, you get an opportunity to vote for the best trunk!
- **Hot Chocolate & Sweet Treats** to purchase

WHEN: Friday, October 29, 2021 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

WHERE: SSPJ Back Parking Lot

- Tickets are \$5 per Trunk-or-Treater

Forms and payments should be returned to the school office in an envelope marked "TRUNK OR TREAT, ATTN: Andreanna Cotter"

Family Name: _____ E-mail/Cell _____

____ Our family would love to Trunk or Treat! Please send me ____ tickets @ \$5 each

____ We would like to enter a Jack O' Lantern in the Contest! We have enclosed an additional \$3 entry fee.

Return to the School Office "ATTN: ANDREANNA COTTER RE: TRUNK OR TREAT."

Tickets can be picked up at the time of the event along with a bracelet and **SPECIAL TRICK OR TREAT BAG**.

*** YOU MUST USE THE PROVIDED BAG TO PARTICIPATE!**

Parish Social Ministry



We Remember in Our Hearts...

*Eileen M. Zinck
Richard Tymann
Thomas Anthony Locastro*

Safely home in the loving hands of God

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Paper Towels
Saltine or Ritz Crackers
Canned Ham



Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated!

October Month of the Holy Rosary



NEW MEMBERS NEEDED

The Respect Life Committee has resumed their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month, October 12th this month.

We welcome new members. Join us @ 7:30 PM in the Sts. Philip and James room. Please use the side entrance, 2nd door on the left of the office building opposite the Bethany Center. Any questions please call 631-862-9370

ALL FOR JESUS THROUGH MARY

Join Catholic Radio @ 7PM each evening on AM 1350 or 1240 to pray the rosary for America. If you put Catholic Radio on your device, you can join individuals around the United States to pray for our country. Tune in during the day to hear amazing religious programming and listen while driving to learn more about your faith.

Here at SSPJ you can pray the rosary any weekday after the 7:30 AM Mass. Thursday morning in particular is for our Country. If you prefer, come after the early mass and you can stay for the 9:15 mass if you wish.

Any questions please call 631-862-9370

The Laudato Si Pledge is part of a global movement.

The pledge is a simple one.

I pledge to:

Pray for and with creation

Live more simply

Advocate to protect our common home

To sign the pledge, go to www.livelaudatoSi.org



SSPJ WELCOMES THE FORMATION OF

“Laudato Si Circles” at SSPJ Parish

Laudato Si Circles are small groups that meet monthly to their relationship with God as Creator and all members of creation.

Together, they pray with and for creation, reflect on their ongoing ecological conversion, and take action.

If you are interested in joining our newly formed Laudato Si Circle here at Sts. Philip and James, please contact Loretta Celitan by phone or text at 631-431-7565 or e-mail celitan@optonline.net



Join the Worldwide Movement which started on September 22 to protect mothers and babies. 40 days for Life campaigns have inspired many participants including the Respect Life Committee of SSPJ.

***Their hearts of mercy are involved in:
Peaceful prayer Vigil on the sidewalk in front of the Planned Parenthood building in Smithtown each Wednesday and/or Saturday from 8AM to 12 Noon and Thursday rosary at 6 PM. We encourage the moms to Choose Life.
Fasting and Sacrifice***

***Eucharistic Adoration on Monday's from 1:30-7PM
The closing hour from 6-7PM praying for respect for human life.***

For further information please call 631-862-9370

Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 31:7-9
Ps 126:1-6
Hebrews 5:1-6
Mark 10:46-52

Monday October 25
Ephesians 4:32-5:8
Ps 1:1-4,8
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday October 26
Ephesians 5:21-33
Ps 128:1-5
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday October 27
Ephesians 6:1-9
Ps 145:10-14
Luke 13:22-30

Thursday October 28
Revelations 7:2-4,9-14
Ps 24:1b-6
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12a

Friday October 29
Wisdom 3:1-9
Romans 5:5-11 or 8:3-9
John 6:37-40

Saturday October 30
Philippians 1:18b-26
Ps 42:2,3,5
Luke 14:1,7-11

After Jesus touches our lives – answers a prayer, gives us a healing, provides a life-changing insight, or makes any other kind of difference – what do we do next? Our life has been changed by divine grace. Do we make the most of this new opportunity?

God never forces us to take a new direction or follow a certain path, not even if we've made a bargain with him, such as: "Lord, if you heal me, I will go to Mass every day."

Jesus says to us what he said to Bartimaeus, the man he healed in this Sunday's Gospel reading: "Go your way, your faith has saved you." Go where?

Sometimes his instructions are a little more informative than that. When he cures someone from sin, he adds: "Go and sin no more". Okay, but go where?

Every step we take is important. Where we go and what we do next makes a difference that ripples off into the future with ramifications (blessings and/or woes) that are impossible for us to predict. Jesus isn't down-playing the significance of this. Rather, what happens next is so important that he wants us to have full control over it.

Jesus told Bartimaeus "Go *your* way." And what did Bartimaeus do with that freedom? He "followed *him* on the way." He opted for the best possible direction. His life changed dramatically, not only because he had



been blind and now he had good eyesight, but because he wanted to learn from Jesus and become one of his followers.

How many times have we returned to an old familiar path after an encounter with Christ? If following him means taking a new direction, getting involved in a new ministry, or changing careers or friends, we too often settle back into old routines. Comfort zones are hard to leave. But following Jesus is a life-changing adventure if we're sincere about it.

Following Jesus and learning from him should be our top priority. Every encounter with Christ should change us – even at Mass when we reunite ourselves to him in the Eucharist.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Think of the last time Jesus responded to your need for help. What changed afterward?
2. How long did the change last?
3. Describe a time when you changed directions in your life because of an encounter with Christ. What did Jesus do for you?
4. How did you figure out which way to go afterward?

IMMIGRATION - THEN AND NOW

In the summer of 1854, U.S. President Franklin Pierce sent Isaac Stevens to be governor of Washington Territory, a tract of land controlled by the federal government. Governor Stevens called for a meeting of Native chiefs to discuss the tension between the U.S. government and the Natives. One of the tribes, the Yakima, was stubbornly rebelling, led by their chief, Kamiakin. The *Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate* (the religious order to which I belong) were working with the Yakima nations. Their chief, Kamaikin, turned to one of our Oblate priests, Charles Pandosy, for advice, asking him how many Europeans there were and when they would stop coming. Sadly, the advice that Pandosy gave him was of no consolation to the chief. In a letter to our Oblate founder in France, Saint Eugene de Mazenod, Pandosy summed up his conversation with the Yakima chief. He told Kamiakin: "It is as I feared. The whites will take your country as they have taken other countries from the Indians. I came from the land of the white man far to the east where the people are thicker than the grass on the hills. Where there are only a few here now, others will come with each year until your country will be overrun with them. ... It has been so with other tribes; it will be so with you. You may fight and delay for a time this invasion, but you cannot avert it. I have lived many summers with you and baptized a great number of your people into the faith. I have learned to love you. I cannot advise you or help you. I wish I could." (Quote from Kay Cronin, *Cross in the Wilderness*, Mission Press, Toronto, c1960, p. 35.)

One hundred and seventy years later the situation is the same, only the players are different. In 1854, Europeans were coming to America for a myriad of reasons. Some were fleeing poverty, others persecution, others saw no future for themselves in their homeland, others were searching for religious freedom, and others were immigrating because they saw huge possibilities here in terms of career and fortune. But, this was the problem. There were people already living here and these indigenous peoples resisted and resented the newcomers, perceiving their coming as a threat, an unfairness, and a seizure of their country. Even before they fully realized how many people would land on their shores, the indigenous nations had already intuited what this would mean, the end to their way of life.

Does any of this sound strangely familiar? I recall a comment I read on the sports pages several years ago which spoke volumes. A baseball player in New York City to play the Yankees shared how, going to the stadium on the subway, he was taken aback by what he saw and heard: *There were people of different colors, speaking different languages, and I asked myself, who let all these people into our country?* That could have been Chief Kamaikin of the Yakima nation, a hundred and seventy years ago. Today our borders everywhere are crowded with people trying to enter our Western countries and they are fleeing their homelands for the same reasons as did the original Europeans who came to America. Most of them are fleeing persecution or a hopeless future for themselves in their own countries, even as others are seeking a better career and fortune for themselves. And, like the indigenous peoples, we who now live here have the same concerns that Chief Kamaikin had a hundred and seventy years ago: *When will this stop? How many of those people are there? What will this mean for our way of life, for our ethnicity, our language, our culture, our religion?*

Whatever our personal feelings about this, the answer to those questions cannot be much different from the answer Father Pandosy gave Chief Kamaikin all those years ago. It's not going to stop – because it can't. Why not?

Globalization is inevitable because the earth is round, not endless. Sooner or later, we have no other option but to meet each other, accept each other, and find a way to share space and life with each other. Because the earth is round, its space and resources are limited, not endless. Moreover, there are millions of people who are unable to live where they are presently living. They will do what they have to for themselves and their families. What's happening cannot be stopped. In the words of Fr. Pandosy, *we may try to fight and delay this invasion for a time, but we cannot avert it.*

Today, we, former immigrants ourselves, are beginning (at least a little) to understand what the indigenous peoples must have felt when we showed up, uninvited, on their shores. It's our turn now to know what it feels like when a country we consider as ours is progressively filling up with people who are different from us in ethnicity, language, culture, religion, and way of life.

What goes around comes around.