

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: Msgr. Ryan Hall - 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Also by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Rectory at least six months in advance to begin the process.

REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Parish.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. In July and August Baptism will be celebrated at 12:30 p.m. A required Baptism preparation meeting for parents meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m. Godparents are welcome. Please register in advance for the class and Baptism. Godparent Pre-Requisites: Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Fr. Valentine at the Rectory at 621-2222.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory and Human Concerns Ministries if there is anyone seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

John Andresen
Bob Boeshore
Lillian Boeshore
Kathleen Capuano
Mary Ann Cifarelli
Barbara Coe
Rebekah Cole
Virginia Connors
Emma Cook
Agneta Creutzman
Kevin Cronin
Paul Cronin
John Damiano
Linda De Stio
John Paul DiNonno
James Dougherty
Eric DuBois
Elizabeth Fenamore
Natalie Finamore
Noel Glen
Stephen Grabher
Kamlesh Gupta
Ida Kelly
Christine Kenney

Maria Kim
Douglas Knehr
Anne Krukowski
Frank Krukowski
Richard Malon
Jonathan Mannina
Stuey Manzione
Tom McCormack
Brendan Miles
Freida Navarro
Martin O'Donnell
Victoria Oxer
Justin Paradine
Marion Prendergast
Jenna Reggio
Roy Rodrigues
Anna Sambucci
Elizabeth Stein
Charles Strecker
Clotida Vecchione
Jacqueline Verde
Anne Wright
Mary Wybaillie



THE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 9: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m. Mother's Day Novena
9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday, May 10: *Easter Weekday*

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday, May 11: *Easter Weekday*

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday, May 12: *Easter Weekday*

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

Eve of Ascension Thursday:

5:00 p.m. Mother's Day Novena

Thursday, May 13: The Ascension of the Lord

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena
12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

Friday, May 14: *St. Matthias, Apostle*

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

Saturday, May 15: *Easter Weekday*

5:00 p.m. Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 16: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 a.m. Mario Fischetti, Sr., 5th Anniversary
by His Family
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving and for the Intentions
of Oliver Althoff & Family
by Drs. Rodolfo & Esmeralda
Magpantay
Eileen & Lou Brown
by Dolores & Richard O'Hara
Pasqualina Calo
by Her daughter, Helen
Rita DiMare
by Rita DiMare & Family
Stephen Rorick
by Joey & Diane Ceriello

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2021
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10
Gospel: John 15:9-17



FOCUS: Love one another; the commandment is not always easy to follow, but it is always good.

Jesus commands us to love one another. As he laid down his life, we imitate Jesus in laying down our lives and loving others. The command, though difficult, comes with a purpose and promise: We remain in him and our joy will be complete. We can love others and bear fruit in Christ, if we remain firmly rooted to him.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, as Peter visits Cornelius and tells him that *whoever fears [God] and acts uprightly is acceptable to him*, the Holy Spirit falls upon all who were listening. John writes, *Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God*. God's love was revealed in his Son whom he sent for our salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to remain in his love and to love one another as he has loved them. *For no one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

Readings for next week, May 16: Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 John 4:11-16; John 17:11b-19

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**FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP
AS A WAY OF LIFE**

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

As Christians, we know the joy and love of being followers of Jesus Christ. Share that joy with others this week. Reach out to an old friend to check in on them or do something extra special for a loved one.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Thank you for your continued sacrificial gifts to St. Mary's.

Sunday Offertory April 24/25, 2021 \$5,136.00*
Same Week Last Year ***

Mass Attendance for April 24/25, 2021 341**
Same Week Last Year ***

Easter Sunday to Date \$26,866.00
Easter Sunday Last Year \$22,518.00

**Does not include Faith Direct*

***Mass Attendance at 50% capacity under Covid 19 guidelines*

**** Church closed due to COVID 19*

**✠ Celebrants for the Weekend of ✠
May 15/16:**

	Celebrants*	Lectors
Sat 5:00 pm	Visiting Priest	Mary & Joe Castellano
Sun 7:30 am	Fr. Lauder	John Dussel
9:00 am	Visiting Priest	Jackie Finnegan
11:00 am	Visiting Priest	Jason Ferreira

* Subject to last minute changes.

Fr. Lauder's Catholic Novel

Fr. Lauder's Series of 50 lectures on the Catholic Novel, each 15 minutes long, are available on YouTube

2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

St. Mary's Parish Assessed Goal	65,200.00
Amount Raised to Date	27,690.00
Numbers of Gifts and/or Pledges	66
Percentage of Goal	42.47%



THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Dear Friends:

We've all heard reports that by July, Americans should regain our ability to move about the nation. This will be happy news for so many families, especially those with children who have felt cooped up for the better part of 1 ½ years. Of course, travel can be costly and arduous, but it is difficult to overestimate the benefits that accrue to those who get on the road. Whether camping under the stars, or visiting the National Parks, or exploring entirely new cultures beyond our borders, travel can be fun, educative, and exciting. Over the course of years, we also discover how *important* it is to leave familiar surroundings; appreciating life from a different perspective promotes virtue and uproots vice. The novelist Gustave Flaubert remarks that travel humbles people, because "you see what a tiny place you occupy in the world." Mark Twain writes that travel is "fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness." And the American essayist Henry David Thoreau suggests that "not until we are lost do we begin to understand ourselves." In a word, travel epitomizes human life: advancing from the possible to the actual, adjusting to fresh circumstances, and meeting new challenges. That said, coming back refreshed and renewed also has its value. Paris may be beautiful, but there is nothing like heading east on the Northern State Parkway (without traffic, of course).

Life-as-journey is a particularly apt metaphor of the spiritual life as well; Christians see themselves as pilgrims on this earth, making their way to the Kingdom of God. For a privileged few, the trip is comfortable and secure. For most, however, it is more of a slog, with unforeseen difficulties and little comfort. Nevertheless, whether we wander the world or go no farther than our own backyards, human beings enjoy a unique dignity within creation. For Catholicism, the universe is the free act of God who communicates his love and wisdom in something other than himself: i.e. creation (a process St. Thomas calls *exitus*). In turn, God wills that all creatures realize their ultimate purpose by returning to him: i.e. salvation, (or *reditus*). You and I have one foot in the material world through our bodies, but unlike other earthly creatures, we can think and act freely. As such, we have the responsibility to "give voice" to lower beings, acting as God's representatives among them. And unlike angels who have intellect but no bodies (and so cannot change), human beings set out on an adventure: to grow, to flourish, and to draw ever closer to perfection. Our winged friends may be higher on the Great Chain of Being, but God paid us, the poor banished children of Eve, the compliment of becoming one of us in Christ.

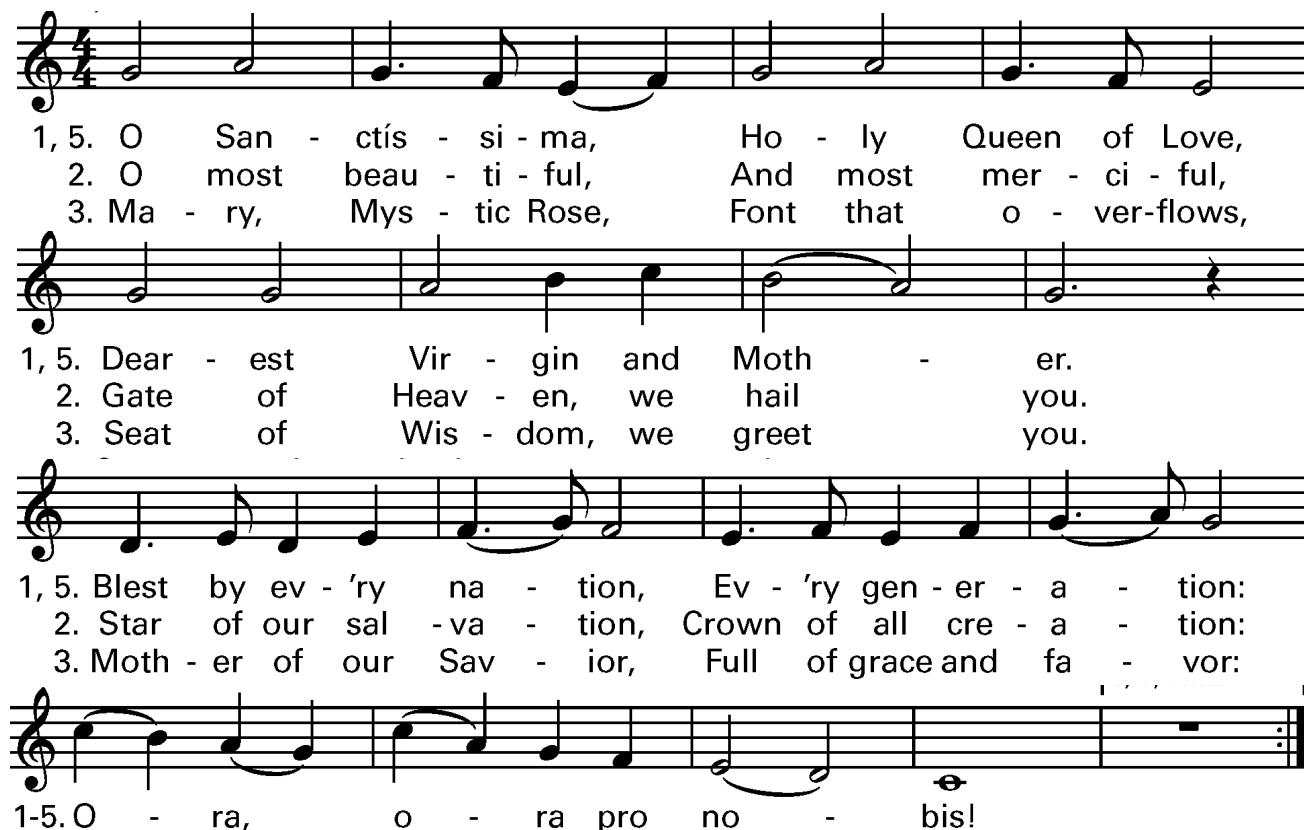
Our artwork this week is the famous labyrinth of Chartres Cathedral in France. The circle, of course, is a time-honored figure of completeness and perfection. According to the Loyola University Medieval Studies website, the central image, a "six-lobed rosette," is an ancient symbol of God. At Chartres, the labyrinth evokes the Christian belief in Christ's Descent into Hell to conquer Death before ascending to God's right hand. Those who trace the maze interpret it as an analogy of our earthly sojourn to God.

Speaking for myself, I've always been baffled by the demotion of St. Christopher, the patron saint of travelers, in the Church's veneration of the blessed. May he pray that we embark upon a safe, joyful pilgrimage through life, and find our way home to God.

Faithfully,
Fr. Valentine

Processional Hymn

O Sanctissima



1, 5. O San - ctis - si - ma, Ho - ly Queen of Love,
 2. O most beau - ti - ful, And most mer - ci - ful,
 3. Ma - ry, Mys - tic Rose, Font that o - ver-flows,

1, 5. Dear - est Vir - gin and Moth - er.
 2. Gate of Heav - en, we hail you.
 3. Seat of Wis - dom, we greet you.

1, 5. Blest by ev - 'ry na - tion, Ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion:
 2. Star of our sal - va - tion, Crown of all cre - a - tion:
 3. Moth - er of our Sav - ior, Full of grace and fa - vor:

1-5. O - ra, o - ra pro no - bis!

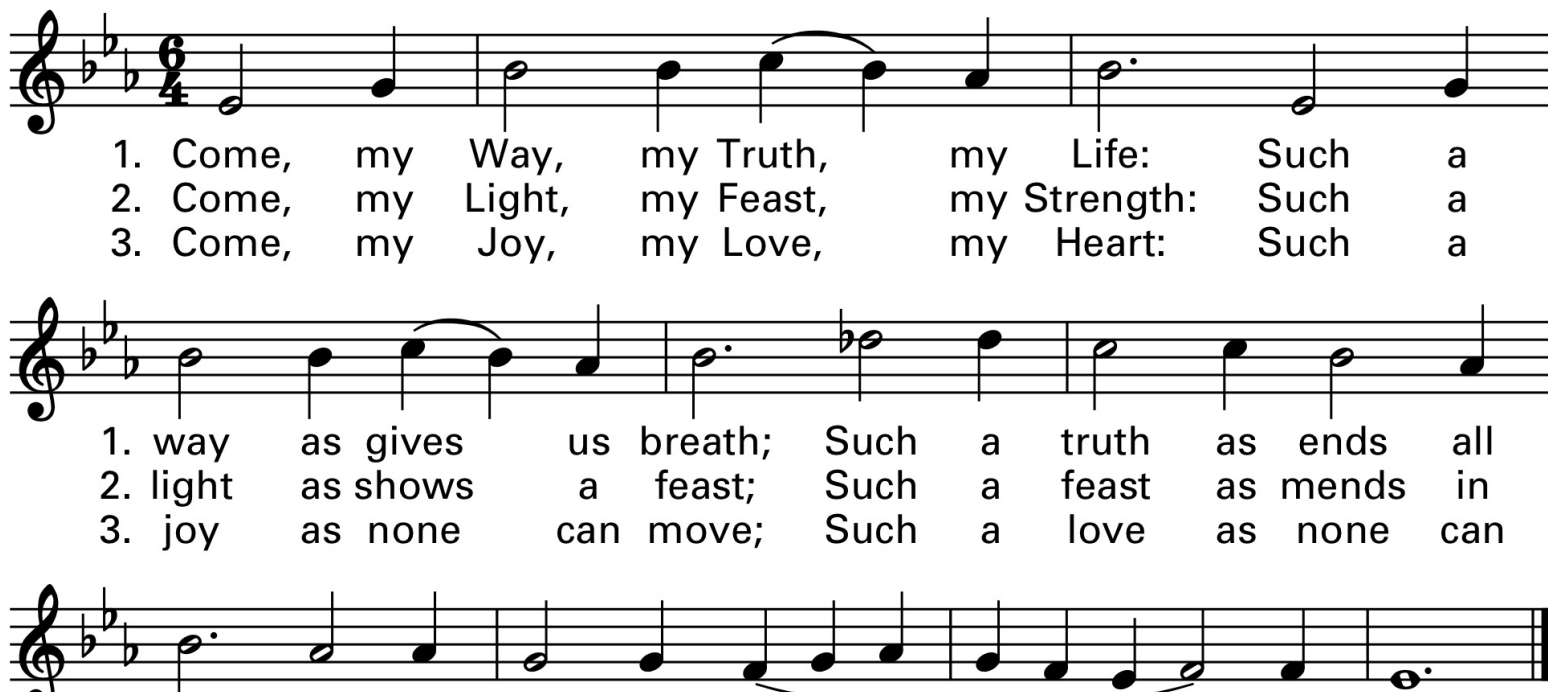
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Responsorial Psalm



The Lord has re-vealed to the na- tions his sav- ing pow- er

Offertory Hymn: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life



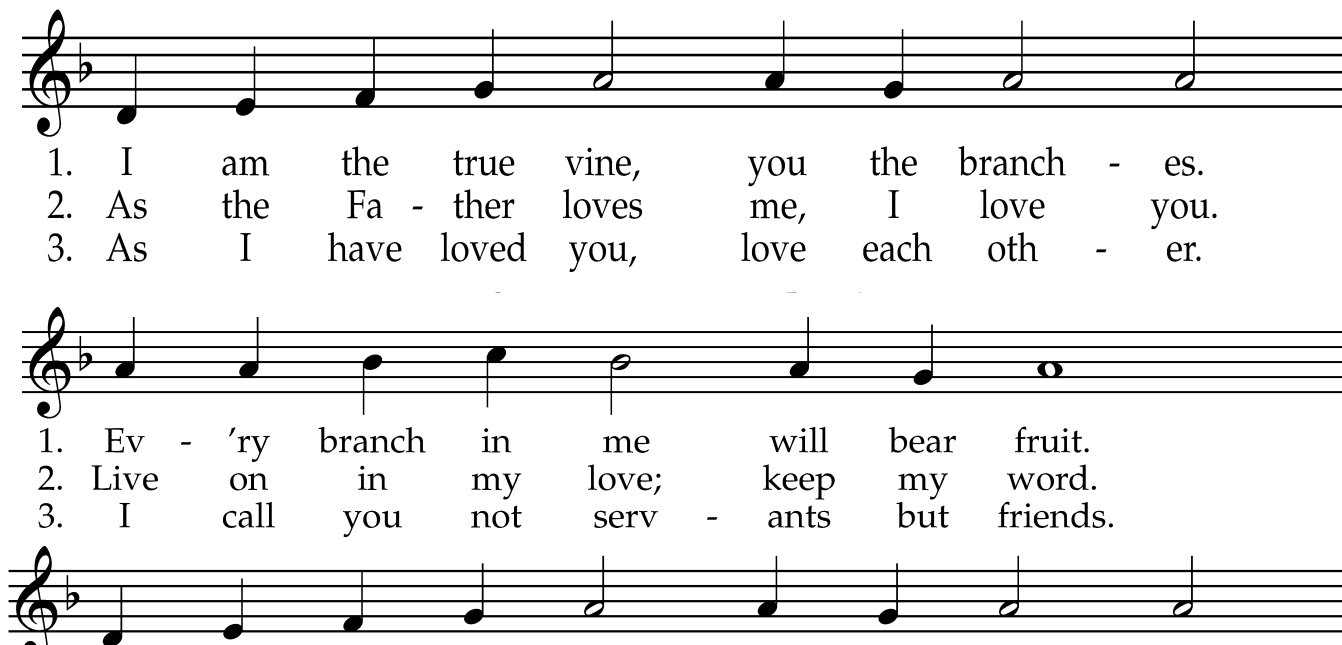
1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a
 2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a
 3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a

1. way as gives us breath; Such a truth as ends all
 2. light as shows a feast; Such a feast as mends in
 3. joy as none can move; Such a love as none can

1. strife; Such a life as kill - eth death.
 2. length; Such a strength as makes his guest.
 3. part; Such a heart as joys in love.

Text: 77 77; George Herbert, 1593–1632. Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

Communion Hymn: Make Your Home in Me



1. I am the true vine, you the branch - es.
 2. As the Fa - ther loves me, I love you.
 3. As I have loved you, love each oth - er.

1. Ev - 'ry branch in me will bear fruit.
 2. Live on in my love; keep my word.
 3. I call you not serv - ants but friends.

1. But with - out me you can do noth - ing,
 2. Let my joy be yours, let it fill you.
 3. I lay down my life for my loved ones;



1. Cut off from the source of all life.
2. Be im - mersed in me, in my life.
3. So you are to love in my name.



- 1.-5. Make your home in me as I make mine in you.



- 1.-5. Heed my word and dwell in my love.

Delores Dufner

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Recessional Hymn Lift High the Cross



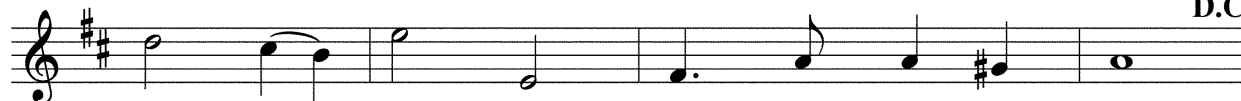
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where the Mas - ter trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - um-phiant sign, the
3. Each new - born fol - l'wer of the Cru - ci - fied bears



D.C.

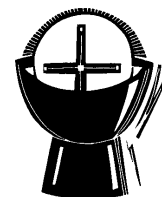
King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
on the brow the seal of him who died.

CONGRATULATIONS ST. MARY'S FIRST COMMUNICANTS - 2021

Brooke Calo
Alexandra Canales
Grace Cincotta
Kyra Cowan
Rory Cowan
Isabella DeFilippis
Antonella DeVardo
Norah DiMeola
Gabriela Dziedziach
Sophia Espinoza
Madeline Gonzalez
Emily Mejia-Molina
Christina Morrone
Rebecca Palen
Emilie Reimbeau
Isabella Rullo
Victoria Sciacca
Valentina Tirino
Keilly Vera

Benjamin Adelstein
William Arbia
Andrew Arboleda
Sebastian Berrezueta
Thomas Bonilla
Daniel Deleon
Gianluca DiMaria
Sebastian Gajwani
Owen Hermousa
George Marquez-Ventura
Salvatore Mirra III
Dylan Pesantez-Redrovan
Christen Rouzeau
Michael Russo
Joseph Zerilli
Nicholas Zerilli

Welcome to the
banquet of the Lord!





The John W Mackay Council, Knights of Columbus would like to take this opportunity to thank our Brother Knight Bob Boeshore and his wife Lilly for their sixty years of devoted service to the Parish. They will be moving to Hopewell Junction, NY to be with their Son, Rick and family.

God Bless you. You will be missed.

The St. Mary's Human Concerns Ministry is in need of a full-sized bed and men's and women's clothing, size large. If you can help, please call Human Concerns at 626-1097.

Mother's Day Novena Masses



Mother's Day is Sunday, May 9th. If you wish to have someone remembered in the Mother's Day Novena Masses, please place the envelope you received in your monthly packet with the names of your loved ones to be remembered and place it in the collection basket or deliver it to the Rectory.

The Novena will be celebrated at all the Masses on Mother's Day with the exception of the 11:00 a.m. Mass which is for the People of the Parish. The Novena will also be celebrated at the 9:00 a.m. Masses on May 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on May 15th.

The envelopes will be placed by the Statue of Mary for the remainder of the month of May.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Angeles Mendoza
and
Maureen McGeown**

*who have achieved
First Honors
for the Third Quarter at
Our Lady of Mercy Academy*



NSECC



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Message from the NSECC Board of Directors...

Back to school has been a success here at North Shore Early Childhood Center. While we started with apprehension, everyone adjusted back to the new norm very quickly and happily. What has been apparent with our reopen is the children's delight. They are having so much fun with their friends and teachers!

Here are some highlights from our day to day experiences..

Health & Safety first

- Enhanced safety protocols include face masks required for all adults; masks for children over 2 optional; Social distancing for all. All PPE available.
- New sick policy is simple and keeps everyone safe. Sick room available for children who fall ill at the Center waiting for pick up.
- We surface clean throughout the day, while our Custodian deep cleans every day after school hours.
- We established enhanced cleaning protocols which include steam cleaning, and carpet cleaning monthly.

Easy and Safe Drop-off and Pick-up

- Simple drop off and pick up at the classroom exits along with daily COVID-specific questionnaire and temperature checks.
- Convenient new administrative window at front entrance.
- Only staff and children permitted in the building.
- Change of shoes required for all.

Learn and Play

- Increased outdoor time following safety protocols.
- Virtual Spanish program.
- Virtual music and movement program with Mr. Matt.

Parents & Teachers

- Delivered teacher Covid 19 protocol training.
- Frequent communication with parents regarding current health and safety protocols.
- Cater nut-free individual breakfast, lunch and snack from Harry's Hilltop. (Allergy Friendly)
- Photo sharing with class parents who opt-in.

Friendly Reminders

1. North Shore Early Childhood Center is part of the **Bright Horizons Network** which is a service available to parents through work. Check-out your employer's benefits for back-up care options and discounts at our center.

2. **Our Referral Program:** for every referral you make, both you and the new family receive a \$150 credit towards tuition once the new student completes a full month at our Center. For alumni, we are happy to extend the \$150 voucher to the new family as a credit towards tuition after 6 months of enrollment.

3. **Donations:** This year has brought many challenges to all of us, yet we have maintained financial strength by leveraging government funding and were able to open our doors and see the children fill the rooms with laughs and joy. We ask you to help with your generosity by donating to North Shore Early Childhood Center. There are a number of ways that you can assist us in this mission!

- Once you donate, many employers also provide company match donations that could increase your impact.
- Shop Amazon using Amazon Smile which donates a portion of the purchases you are already making. [amazon.com/smile](https://www.amazon.com/smile)

We all continue to learn and adjust protocols to continue to maintain a safe and healthy environment for everyone. For further information, please contact Teresa Colamarino at colamarinoteresa@gmail.com.

