

### PARISH INFORMATION

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

First Friday of the month immediately after the 9:00 AM Mass. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed until Noon.

### **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

We would love to have you join the Parish. Please contact the Rectory for an enrolment form.

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. A Baptism preparation meeting is required for parents. Please contact the Rectory to set up a meeting and register for the Baptism in advance. 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. Geoffrey at the Rectory.

### **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

Kathleen Capuano Jessica Clementelli Rebekah Cole Victoria Colozzi Kevin Cronin Paul Cronin Joseph V. Danbusky John Damiano Jessica Dawson Linda De Stio John Paul DiNonno Kieran Doran James Dougherty Eric DuBois Members of Ferreira Family Noel Glen Stephen Grabher Roberta Greco

Christine Kenney Frank Krukowski John LaPreziosa Janet Levchuck Robert Macken Richard Malon Marilyn Manning Stuey Manzione Laura McCormack Joseph Nakelski, Sr. Justin Paradine Diana Pearce Karen Petrik Marion Prendergast Gregory Racaniello Jaxon Rivera Ronald Webb Anne Wright Mary Wybaillie



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, September 15: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Joan Abbondandelo

by Thomas & James DiNapoli

11:00 a.m. In thanksgiving and for blessings on Max

Adelstein.

by Françoise Michel- Adelstein

In honor of our family of wonderful

catechist.

Ignatius Grande

by Son, Angelo & Kathryn Grande

12:30 p.m. For the intentions of the Celebrant

Monday, September 16: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, & Cypian,

Bishop, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. Cornelia Massimo on her Feast Day

by Carmela Massimo

**Tuesday, September 17:** Weekday

9:00 a.m. Marie Reali - 7th Anniversary

by Toni Sanzeri

Wednesday, September 18: Weekday

9:00 a.m. Clare Feix

by Ronnie & Maryann Combs &

Family

Thursday, September 19: Weekday

9:00 a.m. Maria Cielo

by Benedicta Ang and Family

**Friday, September 20:** Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. For the continued healing of

Christopher Vanatta

by The Vanatta Family

Saturday, September 21: St. Matthew, Apostle and

Evangelist

5:00 p.m. Florence Kirk

by Linda & Charles Dellavecchia

Peter Nakelski

by Joe and Barb Nakelski

Sunday, September 22: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Wyrla & Larry Herran

by Elsie Calderone

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving

11:00 a.m. Josefina Arias

by Phyllis Concilio John F. Capri, 11th Anniversary by The Capri/Hoey Family

Rita Chace

by Otto and Marie Niebler

Angelina Grande

by Son, Angelo & Kathryn Grande

12:30 p.m. People of the Parish

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY

**September 15, 2024** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Is 50:4c-9a Second Reading: Jas 2:14-18

Gospel: Mk 8:27-35

FOCUS: Our lives must demonstrate our belief in

Christ.

Today we hear the question that is at the center of the entire Gospel. Who is Jesus, and what does it mean to follow him? We would do well to reflect on this question from time to time. Who do we say that Jesus is, and how do our actions demonstrate this belief?

LITURGY OF THE WORD: Isaiah prophesies of the servant of the Lord who has not turned his back on the Lord but has given his back to those who beat him, believing that the Lord is his help. In the second reading, James argues that faith without works is dead. In the Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples who they say he is. Peter answers, You are the Christ. Jesus then says that anyone who wishes to follow him must take up his cross.

Readings for next week, Sunday September 22, 2024

1) Wis 2:12, 17-20

2) Jas 3:16-4:3

3) Mk 9:30-37

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# **†** Celebrants for the Weekend of **†** September 21/22, 2024

	Celebrants*	Lector		
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Fr. Geoffrey	Phyllisann Kalenka - L Louise McCann - EM		
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Lauder	Nora Toal - L Joe Casteallano - EM		
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Geoffrey	Jackie Doyle - L Cathy Quinn - EM		
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Geoffrey	Jason Ferreira - L Marie Papiro - EM		
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Geoffrey	Virginia Eyerman - L Volunteer's Needed		

Subject to last minute changes.

## FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

#### PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

As we hear in the second reading today, show others your faith through your works.

### **Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

Sunday Offering ~ September 1 \$5,257.00\* Same Week Last Year \$5,117.00\*

Mass Attendance for ~ September 1 411 Same Week Last Year 420

Sunday Offering ~ September 8 \$6,421.00\* Same Week Last Year \$5,716.00\*

Mass Attendance for ~ September 8 478 Same Week Last Year 552

### 2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEL

St. Mary's Parish Assessed Goal	\$66,300.00
Amount Raised to Date	\$23,090.00
Number of Gifts and/or Pledges	70
Percentage of Goal	34.83%

### CHURCH HANDICAPPED RAMP

There is a ramp for handicapped access at the Church. It can be found off the parking lot, and goes around to the back of the building. We encourage you to use it if you have difficulty with the front steps.



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https://tinvurl.com/St-Marvs-Roslyn

<sup>\*</sup>Does not include Faith Direct

# The Pastor's Page

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me. The goal of discipleship (following Jesus) is to come to know who Jesus is so that one can be where Jesus is (cf. John 14:3). As the Gospel of Mark portrays it, this is an objective that a disciple continues to pursue during the entire course of his/her life of discipleship. Knowing Jesus does not happen in an instant. It is a revelatory process that takes place in phases. The initial disciples of Jesus came to learn about this the hard way (at least according to tMark's account). For them, it was not until after the resurrecion that they finally came to a full knowledge of Jesus, as well as what their vocation as his followers entailed. It was neither an easy path nor a straight one for the twelve. It was a path that had its dramatic highs and lows. As Mark presents it, each high moment was followed by a low one and vice versa. It is not unusual in Mark to report about those moments when immediately the twelve found themselves reeling with joy at having apparently made a step in their life of discipleship, they found themselves being reminded that they

were not yet where they needed to be. The incident recounted in today's Gospel Reading is a prime example.

After healing a blind man at Bethsaida (cf. Mark 8:22-26), Jesus and the twelve left for Caesarea Philippi. Along the way, Jesus posed a question for the twelve that must have

caught them unawares. It was a question about his identity. As it turned out, it was to be a moment of central significance in the disciple's coming to the knowledge of the identity of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Peter, on behalf of the twelve, confessed Jesus as the Christ of God. It was a confession that was commended by Jesus since it showed that the twelve were, after all, getting it. Peter and the others must have "hi-fived" one another for having finally gotten it. However, the celebratory mood didn't last long. As the others were still congratulating Peter for saving their skin, Jesus grasped at the opportunity to open their eyes into another aspect of his identity. He wanted them to know that his messiahship was not only about the working of miracles and mighty signs. He was a messiah who was going to be subjected to rejection, persecution, and death. It was a revelation that didn't go down well with the twelve, especially with Peter who was not afraid to make his disapproval publicly known. Peter could not bring himself to understand how the anointed one of God could end up being killed by mere mortals. Furthermore, suffering and rejection was not part of their understanding of the Messiah's identity and mission. The messiah was the ultimate savior of the righteous, the hero who was to conquer and triumph over the forces of evil. Wasn't the Messiah supposed to be the epitome of the triumph of goodness over evil? How then could the same Messiah be subject to the very powers of darkness that he had come to destroy?

Peter was not alone in his objection to Jesus' revelation that he would be subjected to persecution and suffering. Like most of his contemporaries, he expected the Messiah to be a powerful figure, someone who was in a position to lead the nation in overcoming the challenges it was currently facing. As right as he thought he was, his objection showed that he did not see the mission of Jesus as a continuation of the mission of the Old Testament prophets. For if he did, he would easily have understood that Jesus' mission would take him down the path trodden by the prophets before him: a path of denial, self-sacrifice, and persecution by the very people to whom he was sent to preach the good news.

The messiahship of Jesus constituted self-denial and sacrifice. As a messiah, Jesus' mission was primarily that of leading humanity back to God by showing them the right path to follow. Humanity had strayed away from God by acts of selfishness and disregard for the welfare of the other ('Am I my brother's keeper?'). The path that leads back to God is

that of kindness, generosity, humility, concern for others, fighting for justice and fairness, and loving unconditionally. It is a path of self-sacrifice, of not counting the cost. It is a path that is not popular and seldom trodden by men and women. It is a path that will champion equality while demanding treating men and women as persons created with inalienable rights and dignity. It is a path that challenges the status quo even as it exposes to persecution and rejection those who have chosen to take it. As a good shepherd, Jesus himself took this path in order to set an example for his followers. "If you wish to come after me, you too must be ready to walk this path," Jesus added, as he invited the disciples to join him. So far, they had experienced only one aspect of Jesus' messiahship. Jesus was now inviting them to make it all the way. As followers of the messiah, they had to identify with him and take the very path he had taken. This was the path to salvation and their ministry depended on it. This was also the path to finding out who they were as co-partners with Jesus in ministry.

Fr. Jeff

### Dear Friends:

I write these words two months to the day I took leave from dear St. Mary's Church. The time away has given me the leisure to engage in the "art of reflection," as Coleridge refers to it. Though still a beginner, it has afforded me the opportunity to gain perspective on the enormous blessing God has given me: in you.

The only word that comes close to describing my gratitude to you is "overwhelmed." If I am honest, I was completely unprepared for the outpouring of love, generosity, and kindness on the occasion of my retirement. One wants to say, "It wasn't at all necessary," which I guess is true enough. (These past  $5\frac{1}{2}$  years have more than convinced me of your goodness.) But you'd probably respond: "That's just the point. It wasn't necessary, but we did it anyway. Such is the nature of love." I think the Good Lord would agree.

While I have written personally to those who sent me gifts and cards, I need to point out those who went above and beyond the call of duty to make my final weekend at the parish such a cherished memory. Thank you to Mr. Victor Fuentes, who organized the wonderful ceremony and celebration with the Spanish Community on Saturday evening. It was truly spectacular, and I will never forget it.

As for the Sunday celebrations, where do I begin? All of the ministers, ushers, and altar servers made for a beautiful, solemn liturgy, and the choir—under the direction of Mr. Paul Eschenauer—was nothing short of amazing. (Before I took over in 2018, Fr. McCartney told me that my #1 priority must be the restoration of the choir. I think we succeeded admirably!)

The extraordinary reception at Msgr. Ryan Hall moved me beyond words. Organized by Mr. John Dussel, my "right hand" man and dear friend, and Mrs. Laura Fay, the heart of our community and dear friend, the proceedings allowed for the participation from all the groups and ministries of the parish. They were represented by, among others, the Parish Trustees: Mrs. Phyllisann Kalenka and Mr. Paul Ditrano; the Knights of Columbus: Mr. Matt Doherty and Mr. Rob Timmerman; the Choir: Mr. Paul Eschenauer; Office of Human Concerns: Mrs. Elsie Calderone; and Religious Education: Mrs. Pat Goldstein. Truth be told, they praised me for the very work they accomplished.

Finally, I must recognize those who made the celebration come together: Mr. Dussel, Mrs. Fay, Mrs. Barbara Nakelski, Mrs. Irene Wierzbicki, Mrs. Phyllis Concilio, and Ms. Dee Marvulo. How can I ever thank you enough? Friends, we've been through many ups and downs together: the loss of dear friends, the COVID lockdown, and unrest both in the U.S. and around the world. But we've also seen young couples marrying, babies baptized, and children receiving their First Confession, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. The passing down of our faith, and the care of the poor and needy, have always come first to our congregation, and fill me with awe as I behold the Church's "true treasure." So "pray for me, as I will for thee."

In Christ's Love, Fr. Valentine

# THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OF LONG ISLAND

# **OPEN HOUSES**

You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education.

Please feel free to visit our schools during the times and dates listed below

### **SEPTEMBER 2024**

SEI TENIDER 2024		
Sunday, Sept. 22	2 p.m 4:30 p.m.	St. Mary's College Preparatory High School
Saturday, Sept. 28	9 a.m 12 p.m.	St. Anthony's High School
OCTOBER 2024		
Sunday, Oct. 5	10 a.m 2 p.m.	Chaminade High School
	9 a.m 1 p.m.	Kellenberg Memorial H.S.
	10 a.m 2 p.m.	Sacred Heart Academy
Sunday October 6	10 a.m1p.m.	St. John the Baptist Dioc. H.S.
	1 p.m 4 p.m.	St. Dominic High School
Saturday October 19	10 a.m 1p.m.	Holy Trinity Dioc. High School
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# Religious Education at St Mary's - 9/15/2024

# Thank you to all who attended the Back pack Blessing

Religious Education classes began this Tuesday and we are off to a great start

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

<u>Catechetical Sunday</u> ---Sept 15<sup>th</sup>
PLEASE COME AND HONOR ALL OUR
CATECHISTS

### Altar Servers Needed

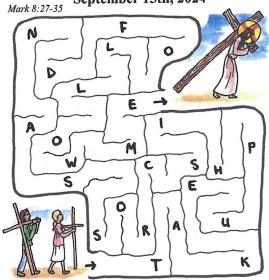
4<sup>th</sup> grade & up. If interested please contact Kelly Canton at kellycanton@gmail.com

### Rel Ed Hall Monitors NEEDED

Please call the office @(516)621-6798
If you can donate a little over an hour of your time!

# The Kids' Bulletin

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15th, 2024



Use the letters that you pass going through the maze to fill in the blanks:

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the apostles,"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and

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# Who do You Think Jesus is? Use these words to fill in the blanks and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end. Elijah prophets said Peter disciples John Jesus asked the "Who do people say that I am?" in reply, the Baptist, others still others, one of the And He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" said to Him in reply, You are the

# Show that You Believe in Jesus!

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In today's second reading,
Saint James tells us that we can't just say that we have faith. We need to show it by what we do.

Being a follower of Jesus means believing in Him, and also doing what He wants us to do.

Do you know what God wants you to do? He wants you to obey His commandments. That means He wants you to listen to your parents and teachers, and not steal or lie or be mean to other kids.

HERE. YOU CAN
PLAY WITH
MY CARS
TOO!

You can also show your faith by doing good works, like being nice to other people.

What are some kind things you can do for someone today and tomorrow?

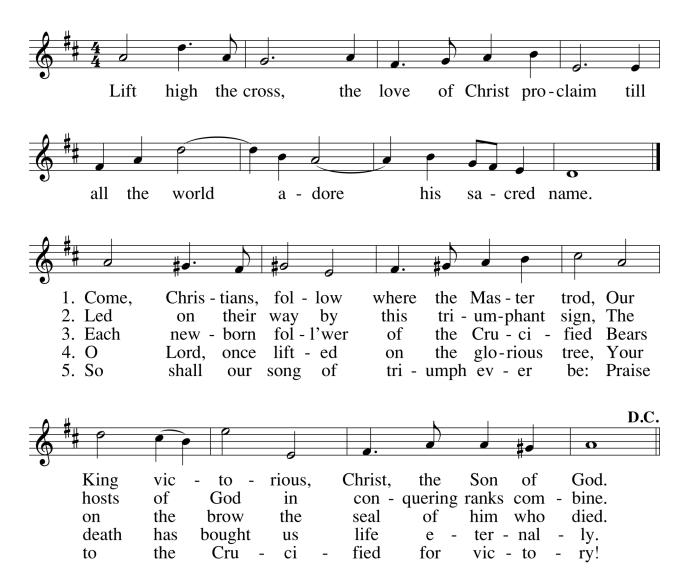
Answer to front page: take up his cross and follow Me Answer to inside puzzle: disciples, said, John, Elijah, propiet, CHRIST

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# Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 15th, 2024 Missal 578

### **Entrance**

# **Lift High The Cross**



Text: 1 Corinthians 1:18; George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912, and Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956, alt. Tune: CRUCIFER, 10 10 with refrain; Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947 © 1974, Hope Publishing Co.

### Our Choir Invites You to Come Join Us

"Music Ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration, and musical prayer For our communal liturgies and various parish celebrations. This is possible due to the Generous sharing of time and talent of diverse and committed members. If you can Carry a tune and want to learn, come sing with our choir."

# Gloria

### Missa Pacem

Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace To people of God will.

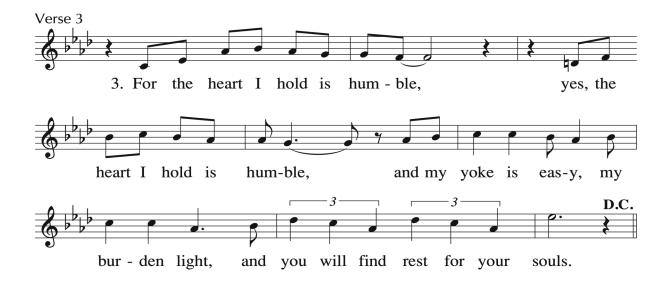
# Responsorial Psalm



# Offertory

### Come to Me



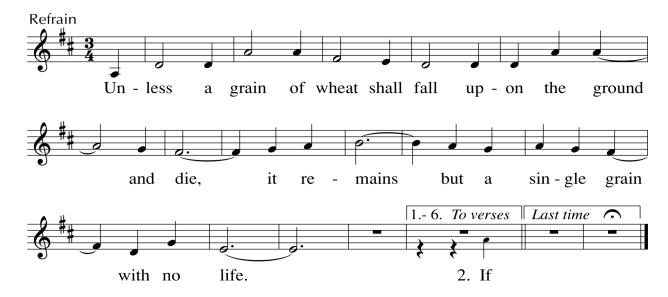


Holy, Holy, Holy Acclamation Great Amen Lamb of God Communion

When We Eat This Bread

Missa Pacem Heritage Mass Schubert Schubert

Unless A Grain of Wheat



- 1. If we have died with him, then we shall live with him; if we hold firm we shall reign with him.
- 2. If anyone serves me then they must follow me; where-ever I am my servants will be.
- 3. Make your home in me as I make mine in you, those who remain in me bear much fruit.
- 4. If you remain in me and my word lives in you, then you will be my disciples.

## Recessional

# City of God



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