

## PARISH INFORMATION

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2:00 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 (516) 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

Theodore Burger Kathleen Capuano Rebekah Cole 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 Richard Malon Marilyn Manning Stuey Manzione Justin Paradine Diana Pearce Karen Petrik Marion Prendergast Gregory Racaniello Jaxon Rivera Clotida Vecchione Ronald Webb Anne Wright Mary Wybaillie



### Sunday, October 1: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

9:00 a.m. Alexander Leuchuck

by Janet

11:00 a.m. James Carew

by His Grandparents, Alice &

Jim Riordan

Tommy McCormack - 2nd Anniversary

by His Family

Dr. Joseph Miceli

by Daughter, Janine Miceli

Salvatore Romano

by Phyllis Concilio

Pat Simonetti by Family

12:30 p.m. Maryann & Richard O'Hara

by Richard O'Hara

Monday, October 2: The Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 a.m. For the intentions of and in thanksgiving

for Dr. Rosario Carreon - Duque by Dr. Esmeralda Magpantay

**Tuesday, October 3:** Weekday

9:00 a.m. Dolores O'Hara - 2nd Anniversary

by Richard O'Hara

Wednesday, October 4: Saint Francis of Assisi

9:00 a.m. Cornelia Massimo

by Her Daughter

Thursday, October 5: Weekday

9:00 a.m. Rose Pinerolo—On her Birthday

by Her Daughter, Lola Camardi

First Friday, October 6: Weekday

9:00 a.m. Dr. Joseph Miceli

by Wife, Constance

First Saturday, October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 a.m. Robert Byrne

by The O'Neil Family

5:00 p.m. Beverly Durko

by Linda & Fred Florenzie

Kay Lynch

by The Dellavecchia Family

### Sunday, October 8: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Josephine & Charles Monteforte

by Family

9:00 a.m. Brendan O'Hara

by Marianne Marrone

11:00 a.m. John H.K. Belt

by The Ciullo Family

James & Ethel Leavy

by Richard O'Hara

Joan Lang Meade

by The Lafaie Family

12:30 p.m. Nicki Dimino

by Jo Dimino

### **READINGS FOR SUNDAY**

**October 1, 2023** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ez 18:25-28

Second Reading: Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

**FOCUS:** Turn away from sin and follow Christ.

In today's Gospel parable there is a model son, who gives honor to his father by verbally assenting to his father's wishes. But his words are hollow, and his virtue is a mirage. How does our own reality measure up to our Christian ideals? Loving our neighbor sounds like a lovely sentiment until they cut us off on the highway. May Christ who calls us always to conversion help us root out any hollowness and hypocrisy in our own lives that we may truly confess that Jesus is Lord.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Today's readings are tied together by the theme of conversion. Ezekiel assures that those who turn away from sin shall not die. The Letter to the Philippians encourages unity in turning away from selfishness to emulate Christ. And Jesus' parable favors the son who shamefully indicated defiance, but changed his mind and was obedient

Readings for next week, Sunday October 8, 2023 1) Is 5:1-7 2) Phil 4:6-9 3) Matthew 21:33-34

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# **†** Celebrants for the Weekend of **†** October 7/8 2023

October 7/8, 2025							
	Celebrants*	Lector					
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Fr. Valentine Phil Kirk - L						
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Lauder	Mary Doran - L					
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	Cathy Vanatta - L					
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	5-8 Grade Level Liturgy					
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Valentine	Volunteer's Needed					

### \* Subject to last minute changes.

### FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP **AS A WAY OF LIFE**

### PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

As Catholics, we are called to put our faith in action. Put yourself at the service of others. Perhaps you have an elderly friend or family member who could use your assistance with something or you know someone who is lonely who could enjoy some company-show your Christian love to all!

### **Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

Sunday Offering ~ September 24 \$4,409.00\* Same Week Last Year \$5,436.00\*

Mass Attendance for ~ September 24 433 Same Week Last Year 408

\*Does not include Faith Direct

# Mass Book

The 2024 Mass Book will be open on Wednesday October 18, 2023 after the 9:00 am Mass.

Please write down all your Mass intention requests on paper to leave at the Rectory Office in case we cannot accommodate you immediately. Since Masses are booked on a first come, first serve basis, and because some people are at work or have other responsibilities and commitments, we will schedule a maximum of 5 weekday Masses and 5 Sunday Masses at each sitting.



You libe Just a reminder all St. Mary's Masses are on Youtube link

https://tinyurl.com/St-Marys-Roslyn

# The Pastor's Page

Dear Friends:

I can't count the number of times I've heard young people tell me that the Mass strikes them as artificial, aimless, and boring: "I don't get anything out of it." Is this why they don't show up on Sunday? In his 2022 article from National Review entitled "Stop Blaming Young People for Leaving Religion," journalist Daniel Cox considers dwindling religious affiliation. The millennial generation's attendance at church—and religious self-identification—have diminished significantly over the last few decades. Cox argues, somewhat surprisingly, that the younger generation is hardly an aberration: that people in their 30s to 60s report a similar decline. Moreover, the drop is, contrary to popular wisdom, not the result of moral revulsion against church scandals, or higher levels of education, or church and state tensions, or a personal church-related horror story. The most

reported reason? Their parents simply failed to bring them to worship services as children, and so it never became part of the family's routine. Worship was never thought of as particularly "valuable," in which case its absence was never thought of as a loss. This begs the question: what constitutes something as valuable?

During my deployments to Iraq, the Chaplain Corps, dominated as it was by Protestant clergy, undertook the noble task of keeping up the morale of soldiers by providing materials for their edification during year-long missions that were, by turn, boring and terrifying. The first book, of course, was the Bible. Running a very close second was "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren, Pastor of Saddleback Church in California. The tome exploded on the scene just before the outbreak of the Iraq War, and had a positive effect on readers, even if it went no further than its first four words: "It's not about you." Nor, for that matter, is "it" about fulfillment, peace of mind, "happiness," career, legacy, etc. Warren argues that life is about discovering God's purpose for us and then pursuing it. I wholeheartedly agree; looking outward from one's hermetically sealed bubble to something/someone greater than oneself, especially God, is laudable. My concern, however, is that even this is not enough. The idea of purpose implies doing over being, and anything without a clear, quantifiable, practical "benefit" has little or no value. Meaning, however, is a different

story. Take, for example, science. The pursuit of knowledge is fraught with purpose. Its masters can make incredible advances in medicine, engineering, agriculture, exploration: all with tremendous benefits for people. But what is the meaning of science? According to figures from Aristotle to mathematician Andrew Wiles, science is a quasi-religious practice, because it exercises a human being's highest capacities, even if it "gets nothing done." In short, knowing is its own reward. Would most people agree?

This week, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, who is arguably the best-known and best-loved Catholic saint outside of Catholicism. We all know how, after his life as a soldier, and son of a wealthy merchant, renounced all worldly possessions to live a life of evangelical poverty. Did his life have purpose? That is debatable. He did not found any major institutions of higher learning,

or hospitals, or monasteries, for that matter. Though he advanced across enemy lines to meet with a Muslim sultan, he didn't bring any wars to an end. He did, however, preach to birds, pull a thorn from the paw of a wolf, sing like a child to God, and refer to the sun and moon as his Brother and Sister. From a pragmatic perspective, was his life particularly

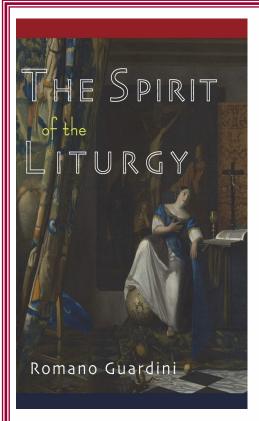
valuable? Perhaps not. But was his life meaningful? Beyond being "useful" to others (and certainly he was) Francis is perhaps one of the most thrilling examples of a Disciple completely devoted to the person of Jesus for his own sake. Mind, soul, body, and spirit were, in the language of Abraham Maslow, in a constant state of "self-actualization and transcendence." Francis lived as a manifestation of God.

Friends, THIS is why we Catholics go to Church. For an hour each week, we live in eternity. We discover here a divine world in which the children of the Kingdom play before God, free from the anxiety of a wounded world, even while giving it peace, hope and joy. To borrow from the Army motto, the Divine Liturgy is literally where and when you can "be all you can be."

Faithfully,

for Valentine

Fr. Valentine



Dear Friends:

This fall, the parish will offer a four-part series of presentations on the subject of the Sacred Liturgy. It is open to all parishioners so to help us appreciate the uniquely Catholic perspective on sacred worship. Fr. Valentine will draw from the writings of the renowned theologian and spiritual writer, Fr. Romano Guardini, and his work, the *Spirit of the Liturgy*, which inspired the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, and the thought of Pope John Paul II. The fourth presentation is designed especially for our Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, and anyone who would like to serve in this capacity. We will review the duties and practices of these Liturgical Ministries, and come up with a plan for scheduling Mass assignments. The series will run as follows:

Wednesday, October 18, 7 PM: Church - Prayer of the Liturgy

Wednesday, October 25, 7 PM: Church - Fellowship/Style/Symbolism

Wednesday, November 1, 7 PM: Church - Play/Seriousness/Logos

Wednesday, November 8, 7 PM: Church - Workshop: Liturgical Ministers

Thank You, Fr. Valentine



Dear St. Mary's Family and Friends,

On Sunday, October 8, 4:00 PM, an event will take place across our country in reciting the Rosary Coast to Coast. The" Rosary Coast to Coast" is for Our Nation, Our Church and the Family.

We will be reciting the Glorious Mysteries as requested by this event. Our Pastor, Fr. Valentine is leaving St. Mary's Church open for us to recite the rosary in our Parish.

If possible, please join Gen and me in this event at St. Mary's as we participate in the "Rosary Coast to Coast".

If you are unable to attend the Church at 4:00 PM, Father Valentine is having the event streamed.

For more information – the web site is www.RosaryCoastToCoast.com

Thank you,

Jonna DeBlasio

# 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

### OCTOBER 2023

Sunday, Oct. 1	10 a.m 1 p.m.	Our Lady of Mercy Academy				
Saturday, Oct. 14	10 a.m 2 p.m. 10 a.m 1 p.m. 11 a.m 2 p.m.	Chaminade High School Kellenberg Memorial H.S. Sacred Heart Academy				
Sunday October 15	10 a.m1p.m.	St. John the Baptist Dioc. H.S.				
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Holy Trinity Dioc. High School Saturday October 21 10 a.m.- 1p.m.

Sunday October 22 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. St. Dominic High School



Test for admission to Catholic High School for 2023-2024 Online NOVEMBER 5, 2023 Registrar at WWW.TACHSINFO.COM or scan QR Code

Registration Deadline OCTOBER 26, 2023

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# Welcome back to Wine Down Saturdays!

Date: Saturday November 4th

When: Immediately following the 5:00 Mass

Where: Parish Center Cafeteria

The "tradition" continues ....

Please bring your choice of beverage and an appetizer or dish that may be shared. It is a great way to mix and mingle with old friends and new.





# Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel



St. Michael the

Archangel,

defend us in battle. Be our protector against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

(Prayer by Pope Leo XIII)

# St. Mary's Religious Education & Faith Formation

### **OPEN THE DOOR OF FAITH**

We are always looking for volunteers to share their time and talents with us, as catechists, hall monitors, hospitality, and special events.

Please email director.stmarysreled440@gmail.com if you are able to join us.

Our Classes meet every Tuesday At Msgr. R. Hall Levels 1-4 from 4:30 to 5:30 & Levels 5-8 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM Join Our Google Classroom: Code au5dqck

Our Theme is Finding God: Our Response To God's Gifts When did you experience God this week? How did you respond?

### **Important Dates**

Sunday, Oct 1 (Levels 1-4) 11 AM Mass (Bring HW & Put in Basket) Sunday, Oct 8 (Levels 5-8) 11 AM Mass (Bring HW & Put in Basket)

Tuesday, Oct 3: Levels 3 & 7 Parents meeting with Father Valentine during class times. Tuesday, Oct 17: Levels 4 & 8 Parents meeting with Father Valentine during class times. Tuesday, October 31: All Saints Mass (instead of class) All Levels at 4PM - Ryan Hall

# Changing Your Mind

In today's Gospel reading, Our Lord tells the parable of the two sons whose father asked them to help in the vineyard. The first son told his father he wouldn't help, but then he changed his mind and did what he was asked. The second son said he would help, but he didn't.

In the end it doesn't matter so much if we say we are going to do what's right. What is important is that we do it. We call ourselves Christians because we believe in Jesus and the Church He gave us, but we only really are being Christians if we do what He says.

I SHOULD HAVE DONE MY HOMEWORK... I'LL DO IT NOW.

Sometimes we decide not to obey God. But if we are sorry afterwards and do what is right, God will not look at the bad things we did. On the other hand, if we do good things and then change to doing bad things, then

we have decided to turn away from God, and we will be punished for our sins.

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# The Kids' Bulletin

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 1st, 2023

In today's Gospel parable, a father asked his two sons to work in the vineyard. Which one did what his father asked?

Use every second letter to fill in the blanks and find out the answer!



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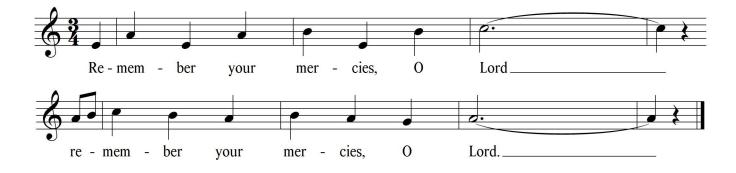
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# All Creatures of Our God and King



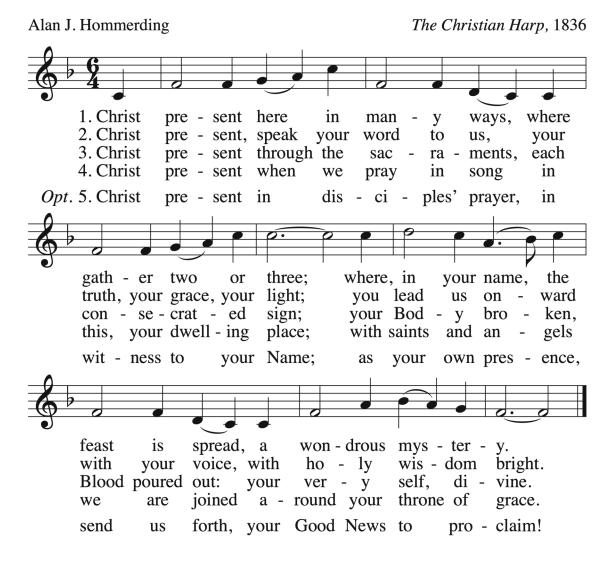
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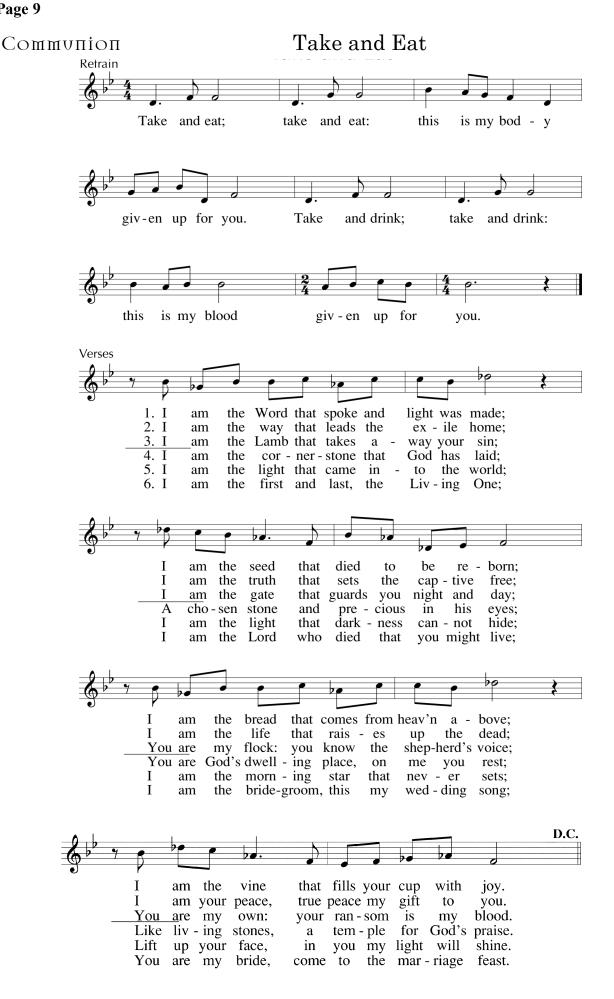
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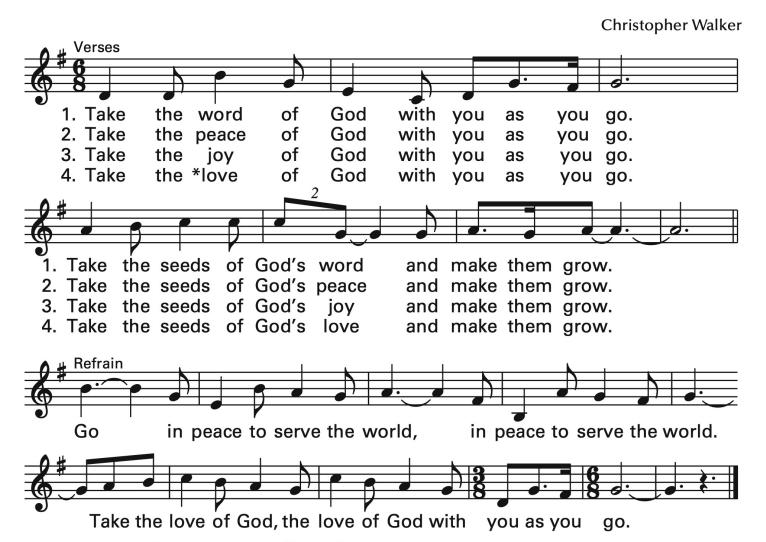


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Acclamation When We Eat This Bread
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## RECESSIONAL Take The Word of God With You



\*Add other words if needed, such as "faith," "hope," etc.

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