



St. Sylvester R. C. Church

68 Ohio Avenue, Medford, NY 11763

A community praying, growing, serving & welcoming in Jesus Christ.

Practice

what
you

Preach.

Actions

Speak
louder than

Words.

November 5, 2017

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Celebrate!

Eucharist:

Weekends: Sat: 5pm Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am & 11am Holy Days as announced

Weekdays: M, Tu, Th and Fr: Mass in the Parish Center @ 8:30am

Baptisms: Celebrated on pre-determined Sunday afternoons. ***Prior to making plans***, call the Parish Center for Baptism dates, for preparation class dates, and important information regarding Godparents.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 12 noon or by appointment.

Confirmation: In the Fall for the youth of the parish. Adults and young adults can also be confirmed at Pentecost. Please call the Faith Formation Office.

Marriage: Friday @ 3, 4:30, 6pm, Saturday @ 10:30am & 2:30pm. Arrangements must be made one year prior to the requested date. Please be aware that all the Sacraments of Initiation should have been celebrated prior to the requested wedding date and Pre-Cana preparation is required. No plans should be made prior to meeting with a priest or deacon.

Anointing of the Sick: Every second Friday of the month @ 8:30am Mass for those needing surgery, or serious medical treatment, or seeking spiritual healing.

We are here for you!

Pastoral Leadership Team

Rev. Thomas W. Coby, Pastor

Deacon Joseph Mystkowski

Deacon George Riegger, Retired

Deacon Frank Rivera

Theresa Ellner, Business Manager

Michael Lofaro, Faith Formation Administrator

Frances McMahan, Faith Formation Director

Justin McMahan, Parish Social Ministry Director

Lori Zito, Stewardship Director

Office Information

Parish Office: (631)475-4506 ext 101; Fax (631)475-1057 email: parishoffice@stsyvesterli.org
M, Tu, W ~ 9am - 12 & 1 - 8:30pm; Th, Fri ~ 9am - 12 & 1 - 5pm; Su ~ 9:30am - 12:30pm

Faith Formation Office: (631)475-4506 ext. 118 email: faithformation@stsyvesterli.org
Please call (631)475-4506 ext. 118 to make an appointment and we will be happy to serve you!

Clare House: (631)475-4506; Fax (631)475-6058

M & W ~ 9:30am-12pm, 1pm-3:30pm Wed Night ~ 5:30pm-7:30pm Fr ~ 9:30am-11:30am

Thrift Shop: (631)475-4506

Tu, Wed & Th ~ 10am - 3pm; Sat ~ 10am - 1pm

HELP PROTECT OUR CHILDREN

TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE involving diocesan personnel, priests, deacons, teachers, employees or volunteers at schools or churches in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, please call our confidential hotline number at 1-516-594-9063 and speak with Mary McMahan, LCSW, Director.

IF YOU SUSPECT a child or vulnerable adult is being—or has been abused, call the New York State Hotline phone number: 1-800-342-3720

If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911.

Visit our website at: www.stsyvesterli.org

We Pray

Saturday, November 4, 2017

5:00pm For All Souls
 Francesca Frega
 Edward Turowski (2nd Anniversary)
 Sal, Carmela & Robert Toscano
 Luigi Russo & Family
 Cesarino Family
 Mildred & Gerald Prentiss

Sunday, November 5, 2017

7:30am For All Souls
 9:00am For All Souls
 11:00am For All Souls

Monday, November 6, 2017

8:30am Gloria Pascale

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

8:30am For the People of St. Sylvester

Thursday, November 9, 2017

8:30am Joan Morash

Friday, November 10, 2017

8:30am Sean Patrick Dixon

Saturday, November 11, 2017

5:00pm Henry Isaac Prentiss
 Mary Wycisk
 Sidney McKenzie
 Dobbins Family Living & Deceased
 Mary Hamman
 Dennis Cullen
 Jeanne K. Themann

Sunday, November 12, 2017

7:30am Rita E. Bennett
 9:00am Joseph Garvey
 11:00am Dec. Members of the Legion of Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

11/6:	Rom 11:29-36	Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36-37
	Lk 14:12-14	
11/7:	Rom 12:5-16	Ps 131:1-3
	Lk 14:15-24	
11/8:	Rom 13:8-10	Ps 112:1-2, 4-5, 9
	Lk 14:25-33	
11/9:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12	Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
	1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17	Jn 2:13-22
11/10:	Rom 15:14-21	Ps 98:1-4
	Lk 16:1-8	
11/11:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27	Ps 145:2-5, 10-11
	Lk 16:9-15	
11/12:	Wis 6:12-16	Ps 63:2-8
	1Thes 4:13-18	Mt 25:1-13

Anointing of the Sick



The Sacrament of the Anointing is celebrated at St. Sylvester on the second Friday of the month immediately following the 8:30am Mass in the Worship

Room of the Parish Center. The next Anointing is this Friday, November 10th.

We pray for all who are sick, especially . . .

Eva D'Amato, Marguerite Orlowski, Robert Orlowski, Tom Stephens, Melina Grosso Bischoff, Nina Caravana, Martha Lee, Winnie Mulderig, Catherine Hines, Bob Prentiss, Jose Nunez, Jessica Deck, Laurie Saper, Rose Masucci, Baby Bryanna Spencer, Ramona Nunez, Pam Hinton, Pam Filasky, Ken Terry, Brian Podlesny, Joseph Wagner, Diane Rockowitz, Patricia Nochese, Danny Miller, Barbara Vattiato, Roger Chin-Sang, Jenna Knoblauch, Sasha Medile, Theresa O'Connor, Baby Charlotte Steele, Robert Uricola, Virginia Guaiana, Olivia Bazirgan, Michael Goode, William F. Swope, Nef Nieves, Genevieve Cannarili, Vito Scaglione, Louis Donisi, Joanne Clarke, Michael Dolan, Richard Gross, Ann Pifko, Christopher Gehrig, Angelina Pagano, Ricky Langhorn, Edward Rafferty, Michelle Clark, Joe Caracciolo

Holy Hour



Time spent with our Beloved Savior in Adoration can become the most profound, meaningful, joyful, peaceful and healing experience we could ever encounter.

Please join us this Friday, November 10 from 8pm — 9pm in the Worship Room.

"I Am With You Always"

We pray for all who have died, especially . . .

Arlene Elizabeth Graham, Mae Kocher, Jean Mouscardy, Sean Patrick Dixon, Richard Daly, Joe Burke

We Pray

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, You made each of us
to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.
We ask that You inspire
young people whom You call
to priesthood and consecrated life
to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest
so that the Gospel is preached,
the poor are served with love,
the suffering are comforted,
and Your people are strengthened
by the sacraments.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*National Vocation Awareness Week
November 5—11*



Imagine Sisters

Did you hear about the Olympic speed skater who became a nun? Or the high-profile British Journalist who joined a convent? Thousands of women have incredible stories about falling in love—not with Mr. Right, but with Jesus Himself. Their lives are marked by sacrifice, prayer, hard work and joy. Read their stories at imaginesisters.org

My Friend the Seminarian

This past summer, the Holy Father spoke with 600 members of Serra International, a lay organization that promotes vocations with the message: befriend the clergy! “I encourage you to be true friends to seminarians and priests,” said the pope. “Show your love for them by promoting vocations and through prayer and pastoral cooperation. Please, keep pressing forward in hope!”

Faith Formation

Reminders

- There are no Faith Formation classes this Tuesday, November 7th.
- Mass Reflection Forms for Levels 2—7 are due the week of November 13th.

Children's Liturgy Of the Word

We are happy to announce that we will be having Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11am Mass on **November 12th** and **November 26th**.



What is Children's Liturgy of the Word?

Children's Liturgy of the Word is when right after the opening prayer, but before the readings, children are called up by the priest and accompanied by Catechists to the Worship Room in the Parish Center. There, they hear and reflect on the readings at an age appropriate level, sing the Responsorial Psalm, the Gospel Acclamation and recite a simple Creed before returning to the church to join the rest of the community for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This will take approximately 20 minutes. During this time the adults and anyone else in the church will be hearing the readings as they usually do.

How can my child participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word?

When you come to the 11:00 am Mass on the Sundays listed above, follow the directions of the priest when he calls the children forward to be sent to the Worship Room in the Parish Center. Any child in Level 1 or above is invited to participate.

For more information or if you have questions, please call the Faith Formation Office at 631-475-4506 ext. 118 or email us at FaithFormation@stsylvesterli.org

RCIA is for those who. . .

- Have never been baptized and are interested in becoming Catholic.
- Are baptized non-Catholic but would like to become a member of the Catholic community.
- Are baptized Catholic but never received Communion and/or Confirmation.
- Are struggling with questions about life, death, suffering, hope, forgiveness, love, God . . .
- Are Catholic and would like to be a member of the Team and help by sharing your faith, being a sponsor, or setting up hospitality.

If you would like more information, please speak with Fran at 475-4506 ext 107.

Check the Music Ministry section for Children's Choir information!

Stewardship

Gifts of Treasure

October 29, 2017

Regular ~ \$8,195

Renovation ~ \$5,225 Solar ~ \$202

“Stewardship: Our Way of Life”



Stewardship helps us to appreciate how blessed we are by the Lord. It shows us how to respond to God’s abundant goodness to us! We are good stewards when we use what God has given us - our time, talent and resources - to participate in our parish’s mission to share the Good News with others in the world. Thank you for being good stewards and for embracing *everyday stewardship* as we commit to put our faith into action, help serve those in need and invite others to the faith this coming year!

Stewardship
Our Way of Life

Reflection

“The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. What wonderful good news for those who give of their time in service to others!

Living Stewardship

We are grateful for all stewards who make certain that whatever gifts are theirs to share, they stand ready to share them lovingly – in justice – with others.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2017

Designated Goal:	\$65,100.00
Amount Pledged to Date:	\$49,330.00
% of Goal Pledged to Date:	75.8%
Number of Donors to Date:	169

We wish to help provide for the mission of the Church by making a gift of: \$_____

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

BAPTISM PREPARATION TEAM SEEKING ADDITIONAL TEAMMATES

Do you have a strong faith? Are you willing to share your faith with our parish’s parents and godparents? Do you believe that the initiation sacrament of Baptism is an important part of our Christian call to action?

Our Baptismal Preparation Team is seeking additional teammates to assist in preparing our families for Baptism. Team members take turns speaking at our monthly Baptism meetings which are normally held on the first Monday evening of every month, so the commitment would be for one evening every few months. The ministry, overseen by our Deacons and Baptismal Coordinator, Joanne Barry, involves welcoming the parents and godparents and sharing your Catholic faith with those in attendance from a personal perspective. Team members usually work in pairs, making it an ideal opportunity for married couples or friends to minister together, but it is not necessary.

If you feel you are being called to this important and rewarding ministry, please contact Joanne Barry in the parish office at 631-475-4506, ext. 102.



Stewardship News

~ Commitment Weekend ~



For the past few weeks, we have been focusing on Stewardship. This focus may evoke many different responses from people. Some will respond very positively, yet others may shy away. Some will even say that they can't "do" Stewardship *this year*, because they are "doing" other things. Stewardship is not a one-shot deal, band-aid or brief program. It is our discipleship - it is who we are - it is our life.

When Jesus says to us, "Come, follow me," He didn't mean just today or maybe next week if you have time. He meant for life. Discipleship is forever. Stewardship is a way of being that is incorporated into our daily lives; it plays a part in every decision we make.

When we speak of **Stewardship Renewal**, we are speaking of a communal celebration. Together with our parish community, we formally renew our **commitment** to be active followers of Jesus. This renewal is followed by action, by sharing our resources in thanksgiving and by offering our gifts through prayer and ministry. Though being an active follower of Jesus may begin - and is sustained and fed through our parish and sacraments - the intention of discipleship is to be lived in the world. We are, in a sense, missionary disciples sent to invite others to the faith by the way we live.

In many areas throughout our lives, we celebrate some kind of renewal of commitment. On Holy Thursday, every year, our priests gather together to renew their sacred vows in front of the community, yet they live out their priesthood every day. As Catholic Christians, we renew our Baptismal promises every year at Easter. We live as Catholics every day, but come together as a community to renew our promises on the most sacred of days. We also celebrate birthdays and wedding anniversaries every year, sometimes renewing our vows



in milestone years. Does this mean we only think about being married once a year? Or do we reflect on these vows nearly every day? How about a commitment to healthy living? This too requires daily (sometimes hourly!!) recommitment.

As Christian stewards, this sense of reflection and the renewal of our commitment to be disciples of Jesus should be present in our daily lives. Yes, commitment requires awareness, discipline and sacrifice; many times we are not perfect. But the journey of discipleship and renewal can bring great happiness and joy!



We, in turn, can bring this great joy of faith into the world by our deeds and actions.

When we do just that, we are missionary disciples - going into the world, proclaiming the Gospel with our lives and inviting others to the faith by the way we live. We are not simply "doing" Stewardship; we are living it!

Let us pray:

Loving and Generous God,

You are the Creator and Source of all that is and all that I am. Help me to recommit myself each day to the call to follow Your Son, Jesus.

Strengthen me and give me courage to embrace my unique giftedness and discover who I am created to be.

Help me to share the gifts you have entrusted to me with love and in service for the purpose of building up your Kingdom.

I say "YES" to living in, and living as, Christ's Light.

Be with me always, as I move along on my faith journey.

Through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Parish Social Ministry



The goal of Parish Social Ministry is to engage parishioners in social justice and outreach activities that allow us to live out the Gospel call to serve others and to build the Kingdom of God. Clare House is a community space where we exchange resources, offer assistance, and build relationships.

The Outreach Ministry at Clare House offers direct service to community members facing difficulties of all kinds. We strive to build authentic relationships with every individual who walks through the door and commit to journey in solidarity with them. We offer assistance to alleviate immediate needs. Clients receive access to: food pantry, thrift shop, case management, advocacy, information and referral, and other resources.

The Social Justice Ministry at Clare House works to expand our understanding and application of Catholic Social Justice through the use of praxis. We employ the "See, Judge, Act" Method to examine pressing social problems. By utilizing education, advocacy, and community organizing we put our faith in action to address structural issues and eliminate systemic injustice. We feed the hungry and ask why they are hungry. **The Social Justice Committee meets first Thursdays at 7pm in Clare House. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

I welcome your calls, emails, and letters to express feedback - positive or negative - on any aspect of our PSM program. Dialogue is essential for clarification of thought. Thank you to those of you who have contacted me. I look forward to continuing the conversation!

Constructive Feedback?

Justin McMahon, Director of Parish Social Ministry
631-475-4506 x121 jmcmahon@stsyvesterli.org

Contact Outreach Ministry:

631-475-4506 x122
clarehouse@stsyvesterli.org

Contact Social Justice Ministry:

631-475-4506 press 5+2
jmcmahon@stsyvesterli.org

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our level 7 children will help sort the donations received and assemble the free market to provide food assistance to our community this Thanksgiving. Thank you for your donations!



Clare House Market

We have updated our food pantry with the addition of a glass front refrigerator and freezer—acquired through a grant! Our new Clare House Market aims to enhance the dignity of those we serve by empowering them to make choices for themselves, including the food they accept.

We are in need of perishable and non-perishable food donations to stock our Clare House Market. Please continue to bring non-perishable items to church on Sundays. In addition, we are requesting perishable items be brought directly to Clare House on Wednesdays 5:30-7:30pm.

Thank You for supporting our community!

NON-PERISHABLE—BRING TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY:

Stuffing
Shampoo
Soap
Detergent
Juice (not apple)
Canned chicken
Instant potatoes
Mayo
Canned carrots
Pancake Mix
Jello
Coffee

PERISHABLE—BRING TO CLARE HOUSE ON WED 5:30-7:30pm

Chicken
Eggs
Butter



Parish Social Ministry

**JOIN US - Next Social Justice Committee Meeting!
Thursday, November 9th, at 7pm in Clare House**



Charity AND Justice

Catholic institutions have played a critical role over the past 100+ years in providing direct services and material relief to families and individuals in need of immediate, short-term assistance. These services (food, shelter, clothing, financial assistance, etc.) help people make it through another day, and are an expression of Charity and corporal works of mercy.

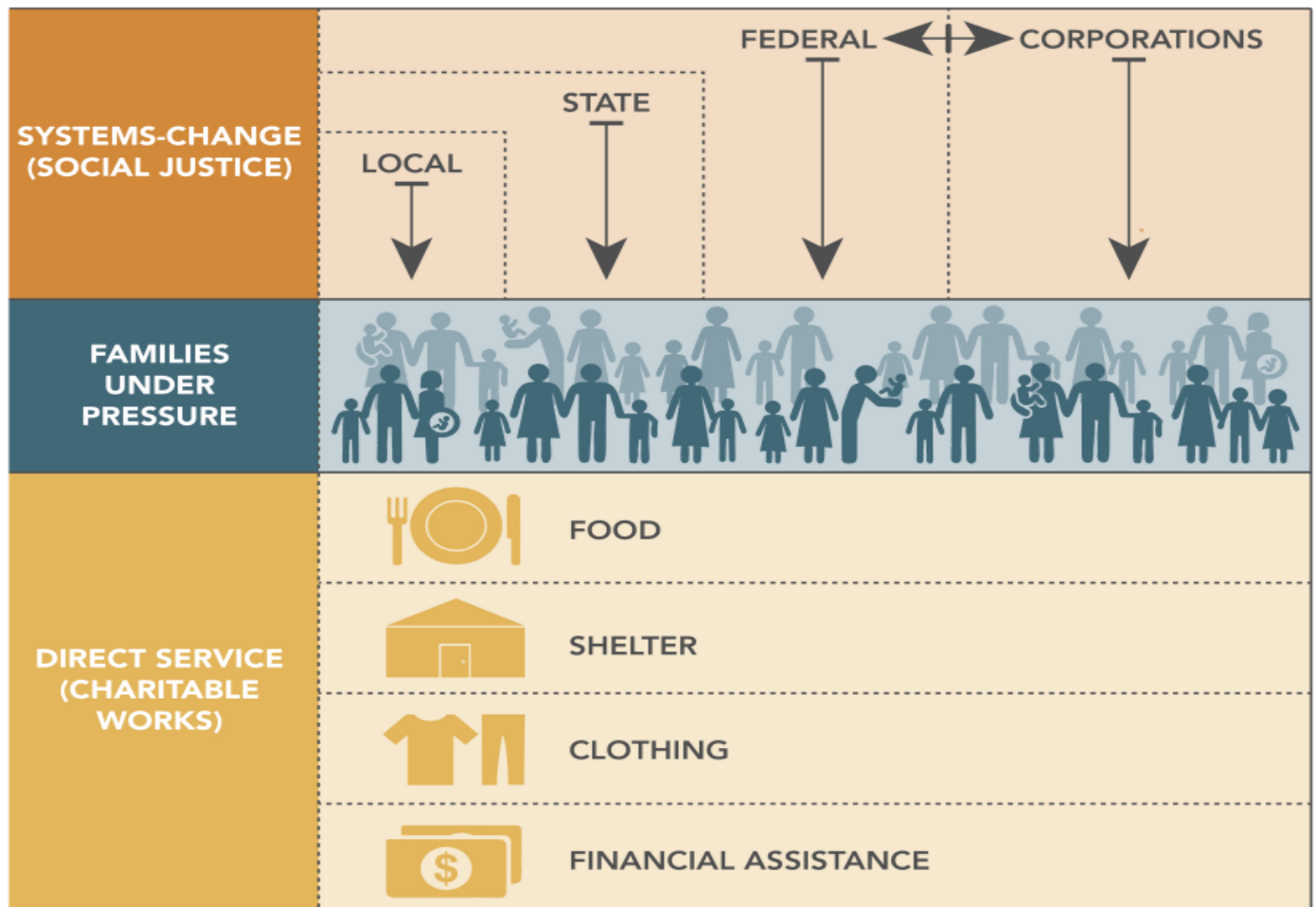
Charitable works represent one of the “Two Feet of Love in Action”*. The second, equally essential, expression of ‘love for neighbor’ involves working to change the systems and structures (our laws and public policies) that hurt people – stripping them of their dignity and creating social or economic harm to them. This ‘second foot’ of Catholic Social Teaching is called Social Justice. Effective work in this area can actually help to reduce the number of people in need of immediate help.

Catholic parishes often feel more equipped to provide direct services, but the Catholic Church also has a long history of supporting the rights and well-being of poor people, workers, immigrants, and people in prison or returning to the community after prison.

Pope Francis has been a powerful champion of groups of people that are being ignored or excluded in our world, calling on all of us to pay attention to the structures or systems that are creating the injustices they experience – and calling us all to take responsibility for our own role in either accepting or changing those structures.

Pope Francis is reminding us that we need to use both feet to walk in the footsteps of Jesus.

* The Two Feet of Love in Action (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/two-feet-of-love-in-action.cfm>



Music Ministry

Children's Choir



The St. Sylvester Children's Choir has started again!

Teresa Baldinucci and Miles Massicotte of our Music Ministry Team will be working with the children and teaching them weekly hymns, the parts of the Mass, and special occasion pieces. Children in Levels/Grades 2-8 are invited to join!

They will be singing at the 11:00am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, when we also have the Children's Liturgy.

In order to make it easier for children to attend, rehearsals will now be held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in the morning, before the 11:00 am Mass, at 9:45am, in the Parish Center Worship Room. The next rehearsal and Mass will be on Sunday, November 12th at 9:45 am. Questions? Please call Teresa Baldinucci at [\(516\) 662-2831](tel:5166622831).

For the Month of November

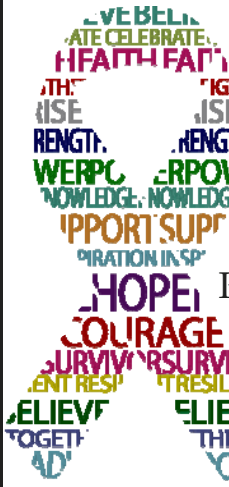


Rehearsal @ 9:45am followed by 11am Mass

November 12th and November 26th

Parish Life

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING



We now have a monthly Cancer Support Group for Adults here at the parish and welcome all those affected by this illness to attend. The Group normally meets on the first Wednesday of each month **but this month will meet on November 8th** (because November 1st is a Holy Day) from 6pm until 7:30pm in the Parish Center Worship Room.

Please note that this group is solely for those affected, not caregivers, family, friends, etc.

Please call Lori Zito at 631-475-4506, ext. 115 with any questions you may have, or email to Lzito@stsyvesterli.org.

Parish Life

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, November 5, 2017

Baptisms ~ 12:30pm ~ Church

Monday ~ November 6, 2017

Drawing Class ~ 10am ~ East Wing

Carmelite Council Meeting ~7pm~Clare House

Baptism Class ~ 7pm ~ East Wing

Tuesday ~ November 7, 2017

Art Class ~ 9am ~ East Wing

Legion of Mary ~ 1:30pm ~ Room 8

Wednesday ~ November 8, 2017

Prayer Shawl Ministry ~ 10:30am ~ East Wing

Cancer Support Group ~ 6pm ~ Worship Room

Stewardship Meeting ~ 7pm ~ Room 3

Thursday ~ November 9, 2017

Al-Anon ~ 9:45am ~ Room 2

Friday ~ November 10, 2017

Senior Circle of Friends ~ 12:30pm ~ EW

Compassionate Friends ~ 7:30pm ~ East Wing

Holy Hour ~ 8pm ~ WR

Saturday, November 11, 2017

No Art Group and No Confessions

PLEASE READ!

There will be NO CONFESSIONS on Saturday, November 11th.

Senior Circle of Friends

The Senior Circle of Friends meet

on the 2nd and 4th

Fridays of the month.

Their next meeting is

November 10 at 12:30pm in **East Wing**. Come

join us for fun and games. Bring a friend and

meet some new ones!



Fun for Seniors

BAPTISM

Let us welcome the newly baptized into our community of Faith during the Month of October 2017

Briar Rose Baki

Charlotte Mae Berg

Mason Frederick Brocato

Joseph Angel Canteros

Luke Christopher DiJorio

Cole Matthew Lemay

Luna Lorito



Olivia Rose Maranda

Blake Alexander Morace

Craig Gerard Smolenski

Gabriella Rose Szklarski



The Prayer Shawl Ministry

meets once a month to knit, crochet, pray and share patterns.



The lap robes and shawls are lovingly brought to the parish sick and homebound, Good Shepherd Hospice and Brookhaven Hospice. Their next meeting will be this Wednesday, November 8 at 10:30am.

Donations for the Prayer Shawl Ministry are greatly appreciated and can be left in the Parish Office. Thank you!

"The parish is where the Church lives. Parishes are communities of faith, of action, and of hope. They are where the Gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth. Parishes are the home of the Christian community; they are the heart of our Church. Parishes are the place where God's people meet Jesus in word and sacrament and come in touch with the source of the Church's life." —Communities of Salt and Light, p. 1

HOLIDAY RAFFLE

\$11,000 in prize money! *

Get Your Tickets Today!



This is a special raffle which will help:

- ★ offset the financial loss of not having our annual Holiday Fair
- ★ pay for the repairs to Patricia Desmond Hall (Parish Center Lower Level)

Tickets are \$50 each and only 700 tickets will be sold.

Tickets can be purchased in the **Parish Office**, after Masses,
or online through our **website**, www.stsylvesterli.org

For website purchases, an official numbered ticket will be mailed to you once your ticket purchase order is received.

Drawing is Sunday, December 10th after the 11am Mass.

Join us for Hospitality in the Parish Center's East Wing as we pick the lucky winners!

Winner need not be present!

***If total prize money is not received, prize money will be reduced.**

Holiday Gift Cards

Fill your Christmas Stocking - we offer over 300 retailer gift cards! The next *order will be placed on Monday morning, November 6th with delivery within a week.* Please circle the denomination for each card ordered if it has more than one listed.

Apparel & Accessories	Qty
American Eagle \$25	
Dress Barn \$25	
Express \$25	
Famous Footwear \$25	
Finish Line \$25	
Foot Locker \$25	
GAP/Old Navy/Banana \$25	
Journey \$25	
TJ Maxx/Marshall \$25 & \$50	
Under Armour \$25	
Department Stores	
JCPenney \$25 & \$100	
Kmart/Sears \$25 & \$50	
Kohl's \$25 & \$50	
Macy's \$25 & \$100	
Target \$25 & \$100	
Walmart \$25 & \$100 & \$250	
Dining - Casual	
Applebee's \$25 & \$50	
Bonfish Grill \$25 & \$50	
Buffalo Wild Wings \$10 & \$25	
Cheesecake Factory \$25	
Chili's \$25	
Chuck E. Cheese \$10	
Dave & Busters \$25	
Denny's \$10	
IHOP \$25	
Olive Garden/Red Lobster \$25	
On the Border \$25 & \$50	
Outback /Carrabas \$25	
P.F. Chang's \$25	
Ruby Tuesday \$25	
TGI Friday's \$25	

Dining - On the Go	Qty
Boston Market \$10	
Chipolte \$10	
Dunkin Donuts \$10 & \$25	
Panera Bread \$10 & \$25	
Starbucks \$10 & \$25	
Subway \$10	
Taco Bell \$10	
Wendy's \$10	
Entertainment	
AMC Theatres \$25	
Barnes & Noble \$25	
GameStop \$25	
Regal Entertainment \$25	
Home Décor	
A. C. Moore \$25	
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25	
Home Goods \$25 & \$100	
Michaels \$25	
Pier I Imports \$25	
Home Improvement	
Lowe's \$25 & \$100	
Home Depot \$25 & \$100	

Online & Mail Order	Qty
Amazon.com \$25 & \$100	
Groupon.com \$25	
Itunes \$15 & \$25	
Lands' End \$25	
L.L. Bean \$25	
Nook \$10 & \$25	
Specialty Retailer	
Auto Zone \$25	
Bath & Body Works \$10 & \$25	
Best Buy \$25 & \$100	
Christmas Tree Shops \$25	
CVS Pharmacy \$25	
PetSmart \$25	
Sally's Beauty Supply \$25	
Sephora \$25	
Tanger Outlets \$25	
Toys-R-Us \$20	
Ulta \$25	
Walgreens \$25	
Sporting Goods	
Bass Pro Shop \$25	
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25	

Name	
Address	
Phone #	Total amount enclosed:
Order Date	# of Gift Cards Ordered:

If you have other favorite restaurants or retailers, please call the parish office at 631-475-4506 ext 101 to see if they participate!

Community News

Medford Fire Department Blood Drive ~ Tuesday, November 7th from 3:30pm—9:30pm at the Oregon Avenue Fire House. Hero sandwich and salads will be served and every donor will have the chance to win a free Christmas tree, all compliments of the Medford Fire Department. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Mike at 631-776-1632. Walk-ins are welcome!

Fall Open House at Molloy College in Rockville Centre, Sunday, November 12 at 1pm. Call 516-323-4000 for more information.

Join Fr. Mickey Bancroft Sunday, June 3rd—Sunday, June 10th, 2018 sailing along Alaska's Glaciers. Stunning inside passage, southward on Holland America's Westerdam. Depart from Anchorage & sail to Vancouver, Canada. Cabin with picture window ~ \$2,639 and cabin with balcony ~ \$3,059. All food, port taxes, transfers & roundtrip airfare included. For more information or a brochure call Lucille at 1-800-228-4654, ext 208.

Grief Share ~ Surviving the Holidays ~ Holiday Help for the Bereaved. Sponsored by the Consolation Ministry of St. Mary's Church in East Islip, Tuesday, November 14 from 7:30pm to 9pm in Sacred Heart Hall on Main Street next to St. Mary's Church. Guest Speaker is Kathleen Maurer Smith, Ph.D. All are welcome and please bring a friend. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by November 10 by calling 631-581-4266 ext 0. Free will offering is appreciated.

Healing Mass at St. John Nepomucene in Bohemia, Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 7:30pm. The preside is Fr. Larry Chadwick. Sponsored by Living Bread Community of Prayer. Any questions, please call Pat at 631-589-4715.

Night at the Races sponsored by St. Sylvester's Knights of Columbus at the Medford VFW Post on Long Island Avenue, December 2, 2017. Post time is 8pm. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are \$10. Hot dogs, beverages, dessert, coffee, tea, raffles and 50/50. Call Pete at 516-816-5884 or Rich at 631-220-5302 for more information. Please bring a non-perishable food item for our Veterans.

Puerto Rico Disaster Relief ~ Brookhaven Town unites to help Puerto Rico in the wake of Hurricane Maria. Residents are encouraged to donate items at the following locations: Brookhaven Town Hall in Farmingville, Brookhaven Town Highway Department in Coram, Rose Caracappa Senior Center in Mt. Sinai or Henrietta Acampora Recreation Center in Blue Point. The following items are accepted: batteries, flashlights, portable lanterns, diapers, baby wipes, cases of water and feminine hygiene products. All items must be unopened and in their original packaging. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please visit <http://www.ny.gov/empire-state-relief-and-recovery-effort-puerto-rico/empire-state-relief-and-recovery-effort-puerto#donate>

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Lake Ronkonkoma is hosting their annual **Christmas Craft Fair** on Sunday, December 3rd from 9am to 5pm. Unique Christmas shopping opportunity, crafts, baked goods, raffles and refreshments. Vendors and information call 631-846-9823.

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