



Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Church

175 Blue Point Avenue
Blue Point, New York 11715
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July 10, 2016

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69)

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEK DAY MASSES:

Monday—Friday
8:30AM in Mother Church

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 5PM in Large Church
Sunday 7:30AM in Mother Church
9AM, and 11:00AM in
Large Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4PM—4:30PM
in Large Church
Monday 6:15PM—7:15PM
in Mother Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 6PM—8PM
in Mother Church

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA & BENEDICTION:

Monday 7:30—8PM
Mother Church

ROSARY: July 14, 4:45pm
Mother Church

Visit us online!

www.OurLadyofTheSnowBluePoint.com

*How small, of all that human
hearts endure,
That part which laws and kings
can cause or cure.*

--Samuel Johnson



One of the giants of English literature, Samuel Johnson single-handedly produced a dictionary of the English language. He was, in addition a poet, essayist, playwright, and a man of uncommonly good sense and good will. In this season of silly and insane politics (on all sides) his words quoted above are a reminder that if heaven ever comes to earth, it won't be because of politicians.

† MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK †

Altar Bread and Wine

In loving Memory of our Parishioners

Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church

In loving Memory of our Parishioners

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

July 11, 2016

Saints and Special Observances also indicated

Monday	July 11, St. Benedict, Abbot
8:30AM	Mary Als †
Tuesday	July 12,
8:30AM	Mary Brown †
Wednesday	July 13, St. Henry
8:30AM	Jackie Burch †
Thursday	July 14, St. Kateri
8:30AM	Tim Cooper †
Friday	July 15, St. Bonaventure
8:30AM	Mary Als †
Saturday	July 16,
5:00PM	Tuozzo & Esposito Families †
Sunday	July 17,
7:30AM	Parishioners
9:00AM	Laurie Ward †
11:00AM	Marie Hermann †
	Marjorie Rush †
	Kimberly Bacalla †



Capt Evan Bernstein
Major Meghan Ederle
Capt Kyle Brown
Capt. Tara Brown Gomez
Capt. Thomas Gomez
Lt. Jg Sean Brown
1/c Midshipman Shannon Brown
Army Specialist Justin Brown
E3/ACAN Connor Rooney USN
Capt. Dr. Kate Desmond-Baker

Pray for Our Sick

We pray for all who are sick, for their healing in both body and spirit....

John Harvey, Larry Wolffe & Edward Martin

In Sympathy

For all who have died this past week, that they rejoice in the heavenly banquet...

**Jubilee Year of Mercy
Pilgrimage
Saturday,
September 24, 2016
Diocesan Pilgrimage to the
National Shrine of the
Immaculate Conception**

As part of the celebration of this Jubilee Year of Mercy, please consider participating in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The date for the pilgrimage is Saturday, September 24, 2016. Please contact Elizabeth Pesante at 631 514-5313 or the Rectory office 363-6385 ext . 110 for more information on this wonderful event and reserve a seat on the bus. Please join us!

WEDDING BANNS
**Brian Patterson
& Melissa Lopez**

My dear parish family,

In case you missed this last week. . .

SUMMER READING LIST

- Before I Go*** by Peter Kreeft (a wise man shares his wisdom; share this book with others)
Letters from Fawn Creek by Jonathan B. Coe (a convert shares what it means to be a Christian)
Mother Angelica: The Remarkable Story of a Nun, Her Nerve, and a Network of Miracles by Raymond Arroyo (a fascinating biography of an amazing woman)
Mother Angelica's Little Book of Life Lessons and Everyday Spirituality by Mother Angelica (down-to-earth spirituality for everyday people)
Sword and Serpent by Taylor Marshall (historical novel about St. George and the Dragon)
Lord of the World by Robert Hugh Benson (like *Brave New World* and *1984*)
You Did It to Me: A Practical Guide to Mercy in Action by Fr. Michael Gaitley (very accessible) guide to Christian living by the author of *33 Days to Morning Glory*)
Never Give Up by John Janaro (moving reflections on faith and suffering rooted in Janaro's own efforts to cope with long-undiagnosed Lyme Disease)
Church of Spies by Mark Riebling (the story of the Church's behind-the-scenes efforts to defeat Hitler; reads like a suspense thriller)
The Lord by Romano Guardini (a true masterpiece, worth going through slowly, savoring and making a life-long companion)

SUMMER MOVIE LIST

- The Cokesville Miracle*** (based on the true story of a hostage situation involving school children)
Max (if you like dog stories you'll love this)
Wait Until Dark (a mystery-suspense drama with Audrey Hepburn as a young blind woman)
The Jericho Mile (an excellent TV movie you can access on Youtube)
Ordeal (another TV movie on Youtube with a message about greed and God)
When Everyday Was the Fourth of July (it'll remind you of *To Kill a Mockingbird*)
Duel (an early Stephen Spielberg effort; lean and suspenseful)
For Greater Glory (true story of the Cristeros uprising in 1920s Mexico; great cast)
The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima (the classic Hollywood version) or
The 13th Day (a more recent version of the Fatima story, done in black and white with only the supernatural events in color)

With love and prayers,
Fr. Charles Fink

Believing with Joy! Stewardship - A Way of Life

Mother Earth

Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfolds rich blessing on our way,
O praise God! Alleluia!
The fruits and flowers that verdant grow,
Let them his praise abundant show.
O praise God, O praise God,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
by St. Francis of Assisi



Have you noticed the grounds around our parish?

We have a beautiful memorial garden for Fr D McGann, it is in the back of the Mother Church near the garage. A cross and plaque are surrounded by plants and flowers. In front of the Mother Church, memorial bricks are selling like hot cakes! Not only for those who have

passed but for anyone who desires to have their or a loved one's name etched in stone. Take a few moments and read the bricks, the names are part of our past and present. Have you ever taken a walk behind the Large Church? We have colorful flowers and plants; visit with St Francis or sit a few minutes on our garden bench. By the south parking lot there is a children's Memorial Garden with the statue of the Holy Family. The front of Parish Outreach is looking so welcoming with a new path and plantings. Also in the works, the Mother Church is getting a fresh coat(s) of paint. The care and maintenance of our grounds is the work of staff and volunteers, led by Fr Fink.

Thank you for making this a place to stop and smell the roses! (Check them out in back of the Large Church)



Summer Reading!

Don't forget to stop by the basket of books on the stage and in the front foyer of the Mother Church. Pick up a free book for your summer reading pleasure. There are books to inspire you, inform you and some may challenge you.

100th Anniversary

ANNIVERSARY INFORMATION!

Our "Town Hall" Meeting to discuss plans for our 100th anniversary will be held on September 20, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Large Church. Hold this date and be part of the planning for this historic event! We are looking for ideas and help in putting the ideas into action. Don't forget to get your recipes in for our cook-book- email your favorite recipe to ourlandyofthesnowbp@gmail.com. We are blessed with great cooks and bakers; let's make this cook book as good as our first one!
Think Ahead- A Great Christmas Gift Idea!
Family portraits for everyone- when you get your picture for our Family Parish Directory you can order picture packages and use them as Christmas gifts, what grandparent doesn't love a family picture? Pictures will be taken September 20 to the 24. We will begin to take appointments in August.

From Dynamic Catholic's Summer of Mercy:

"IN MERCY, WE FIND PROOF OF HOW GOD LOVS US. HE GIVES HIS ENTIRE SELF, ALWAYS, FREELY, ASKING NOTHING IN RETURN."

—POPE FRANCIS

Go to Dynamic Catholic.com for more information on the Summer of Mercy series

Total Collection for 7/3/16: \$8,740

WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE; WHY THEY BELIEVE IT

5. C.S. LEWIS ON THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

Perhaps the greatest writer of the twentieth century on specifically religious themes was an Englishman named C.S. Lewis. Though reared nominally Christian, he lost his faith when young and only regained it later in life, telling the story of his reconversion in a book called *Surprised by Joy*. In it, and elsewhere, Lewis noted that human beings seem to be haunted by immortal longings, always aching for something more, something the world does not seem to be able to offer. For long periods of time, perhaps, the ache may subside to the point of seeming to disappear, but then something or someone will come along to rekindle it.

Lewis argues that, on the one hand, every other appetite or need we experience finds a correlate in reality. We are hungry, and there is food. We are thirsty, and there is drink. We desire companionship, and there are companions. Wouldn't it be odd, he asks, if this one deepest longing in us corresponded to nothing real? Where did it come from? Why is it there?

On the other hand—playing the same theme in a different key—he asks, what if we were to find that fish were uncomfortable being wet, longing for dry land and fresh air to breathe? Wouldn't we begin to suspect that water was not their native environment, that they were really made for something else? Fish, in fact, do feel at home in water because they were made to live in it. By contrast, Lewis says, look at the way human beings respond to living in time. They are almost never at home in it. They complain that it drags, that it flies, that there are not enough hours in the day. When they are children, they cannot wait to grow up. When they are old, they lament the passing of youth. Their happiest moments are those when it feels as if time were standing still or didn't matter. It almost seems, says Lewis, that we are not made for time but for eternity.

Scripture says, "Our citizenship is in heaven" (Philippians 3:20) and that we are "aliens and exiles on earth" (1 Peter 2:11). St. Augustine, in a famous line from his *Confessions*, wrote that we are made for God and that our hearts are restless until they rest in him. In his poem, "The Pulley", George Herbert pictures God bestowing gift after gift upon man yet withholding one so that:

If goodness lead him not, yet weariness
May toss him to my breast.

The skeptic may call this wishful thinking. Lewis would retort: Food, drink, sex, love—these are not wishful thinking. Why should this one, great, deep human longing be so lightly dismissed?

OUR LADY OF THE SNOW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

363-6394 olsbpre@aol.com

Office Hours: Mon. to Thurs. 9:30—4:30 or by appointment

The ministry of Religious Education strives to bring all into a closer relationship with Jesus

Week of July 10 REGISTRATION

Registration is now complete. If you have not registered please drop your forms off at the Religious



Education Office as soon as possible.

If no catechist is available at registration the child will be placed on a waiting list. Children on a waiting list will be placed in order as catechists become available.

If no catechist is available by start of classes in October children will be placed in the Home Study Program.

Confirmation Parent/Student Meeting

If you missed the Confirmation Information Meetings held on June 14 & 22 please call to make an appointment with Pat to go over the materials.



Children Entering 1st Grade—Sept 2016 should be registered in the Religious Education Program. Participation in Level 1 is the first level of the Diocesan mandated 2 year preparation program for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Registration forms can be found on the parish website or on the backstairs of the Religious Education Office and should be returned to the Religious Education Office as soon as possible

Catechist Training

Echoing the Word from the Centre is a Diocesan training Program for catechists. We will be holding the following workshops in the Mother Church Basement.

Mon. 7/11 Session 8 Social Justice 7—8pm

Tues. 7/12 Session 11 Faith, Morality & Sexual Development 10—11am

Tues. 7/12 Session 3,4&5 The Environment, Session & Resources 7-9pm

Wed. 7/13 Session 9&10 Human Experience & Growth 10am-Noon

Wed. 7/13 Session 12 Seasons, Saints, Prayers & Devotions 7-8pm

Thurs. 7/14 Sessions 1&2 The Catechist & Catechetical Tasks 10am—Noon

VIRTUS Training

This is a Diocesan Training for all ministers of the Church on the Protection of Children.

Register online at DRVC.org. Click on **VIRTUS Online** and follow the instructions to register here or at another parish.

WHO are our Catechists?

Parents, Grandparents, Godparents, High School and College Students and Parishioners
Call or Email Pat Bartoldus if you have any questions.

Catechists Needed

Level 2—needs 1 Catechist

Level 3—needs 2 Catechists

Level 4—needs 7 Catechists

Level 5—needs 3 Catechists

Level 6—needs 2 Catechists

***Level 7—0 Catechists ***

Level 8—needs 3 Catechists

Level 9—needs 1 Catechists



We will be closing the Religious Education Office on July 15. We will reopen on August 15

*40 years (1976-2016)
of assisting those in
need in our community*

****FOOD PANTRY ALERT****

*Due to these tough economic times, we are
helping an increased number of our
neighbors in need.*

The Pantry is in need of the following:

***** Indicate we are very low in supply**

- ◆ Coffee, tea and milk***
- ◆ Crackers
- ◆ Spinach
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Mayonnaise***
- ◆ Instant and canned potatoes
- ◆ Canned Chicken
- ◆ Stew
- ◆ Toothpaste ***
- ◆ Laundry detergent
- ◆ Peas
- ◆ Carrots
- ◆ Canned Spinach
- ◆ Mixed vegetables
- ◆ Juice***
- ◆ Soap
- ◆ Body wash***
- ◆ Deodorant
- ◆ Macaroni & Cheese
- ◆ Chili
- ◆ Ketchup
- ◆ Shampoo & Conditioner
- ◆ Rice
- ◆ Cat and Dog Food
- ◆ Cleaning supplies
- ◆ Mustard
- ◆ King Kullen gift cards \$10
- ◆ Baby wipes
- ◆ Cake mix
- ◆ Tissues
- ◆ Feminine Hygiene Products
- ◆ Syrup

We have a good supply of pasta and soup now, please refer to the list above for what we are in need of. Thanks.

What is your Catholic IQ?

This educational self-assessment is a fun way to help you see how much you know about your Catholic faith. Answers can be found on the bottom of this page.

- 1, The Lord is Kind and _____.
(Psalm 103.8)
a, unpredictable b, invisible c, merciful d, punctual
- 2, The sacrament of _____ offers God's forgiveness for sins.
a, matrimony b, holy order c, confirmation d, reconciliation
- 3, Who is the patron saint of Divine Mercy?
a, St. Peter b, St. Faustina Kowalska c, St. Bernard of Clairvaux d, St. Callistus
- 4, Peter asked, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said; "No, _____ times?"
a, 70 b, 7 c, 700 d, 7000
- 5, In the Old Testament, King _____ famously sinned but then repented and begged for God's mercy.
a, Tut b, Richard the Lionhearted c, Henry VIII d, David
- 6, God won't forgive you if you break the law even if you are sorry and go to confession.
true/false
- 7, In the early Church, public sinners performed public _____.
a, singing b, dancing c, penance d, exercise
- 8, In confession, it is Jesus, represented by the priest, who forgives our sins.
true/false
- 9, Which sacrament does not include the forgiveness of sins?
a, reconciliation b, baptism c, anointing of the sick d, matrimony
- 10, What did Jesus do that forgave all our sins?
a, walked on water b, died on the cross c, picked 12 disciples d, healed a blind person

For the **100th Anniversary** we will be putting together a cookbook. We would love for it to be filled with recipes of our parishioners, past and present. The cookbook will be completed in time for the Chili cook-off on January 29, 2017. Please send in your favorite recipe to be added to the cookbook. All recipes need to be in by November 1, 2016. We prefer if you email the recipes if that is not possible just drop them off at the Rectory or mail to the rectory.



DRVC Certified Basic Course in Ecclesiology. St. John the Evangelist in Center Moriches will be offering this course on four consecutive Saturdays, July 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 10am -12:30 PM. Call 878-4141 to register or get more information. Cost of class is \$25.



Defensive Driving Course- The St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus is providing a community service offering a defensive driving course in The Bethany parish center. \$35 is the cost of the class, this price includes coffee/bagel breakfast & wrap/salad lunch. Class is limited to 40 people so call now to reserve your spot. 317-9027. Make check payable to "St. Lawrence council #2458. Next class is on Saturday July 16, 2016 at 9:00 am

3rd Annual Summer-time Tea- Sunday July 31, 2016 2:00pm – 5:00pm. Join them for an afternoon tea in their indoor nautical setting, enjoy an array of delicate sandwiches, scones, desserts and teas, hot and iced, in our dining room. Please bring your own teacup \$30 per guest. This event will take place at the St. Ursula Center 186 Middle road, Blue Point, NY



Women's Breakfast "Mary, Undoer of Knots" A Magnificat chapter in Formation Please join us for a morning of charismatic praise and worship, followed by speaker Fr. Roy Tvrdik, SMM, as he shares his personal testimony of a deeper conversion to Christ through Baptism in the Holy Spirit and his journey to ordination and in ministry which has led him on pilgrimages across the US and the world. The breakfast will be held at the Rock Hill Country Club in Manorville, Saturday, July 16, 9:30AM-12:30 PM. Tickets are \$25 pp. Contact Bernadette Gorycki at 399-1949 or at bgorycki@optonline.net to register.



Knights of Columbus Hall for Rent- The Knights of Columbus hall located at 38 west 1st street in Patchogue is available for all sorts of parties. Call and book the hall at 631 207-0725. Support your Knights of Columbus and have an event at their newly renovated hall.

“Pray Anytime (God’s open 24-7)”



Now and at the Hour of Our Death

A Catholic guide to End-of-Life Decision-Making **Planning in advance Legal Options in New York.**

There may come a time when our ability to reason, or even to communicate, is compromised and we will not be able to make our own medical decisions. We have the ability to plan in advance to ensure that our wishes about medical treatments and our religious beliefs are known and honored at that time. Advance directives are legal documents that take effect when a patient becomes incapacitated and incapable of making medical decisions.

Federal law requires all health care facilities to advise patients, upon admission, of their right to accept or refuse medical treatment and their right to issue advance directives. In New York State there are various forms such a directive can take. Each of them is discussed below. When considering an advance directive, it is important to study thoughtfully and prayerfully the principles of the Catholic faith and prepare the document in accord with Church teaching. While most advance directives may grant a surrogate the authority to make some or all health care decisions for us, the Church teaches that not all health care decisions are ours to make or to delegate to a surrogate.

It is impossible to cover all possible medical situations in an advance care directive. Therefore, it is important to ensure that there is room for interpretation when a particular medical situation occurs. For this reason, the Church recommends the health care proxy as the most morally appropriate advance care planning tool in New York State. It will allow a surrogate to follow the patient’s wishes in accord with Church teaching.

Conscience Protection Act of 2016

Now is the moment to contact you U.S Congress (US Senators & Congressmen) to urge them to co-sponsor and work to enact the Conscience Protection Act of 2016 (H.R. 4828/S.2927) Simply call Senator Schumer at (202) 224-6542 & Senator Gillibrand at (631) 249-2825 re bill #S2927 & Congress member Lee Zeldin (631) 289-1097 or Peter King (bill #4828 and say “ I would like to ask for his/her support of the Conscience Protection Act of 2016/ to uphold the right of conscientious objection to abortion. This bill will protect health care providers from being forced to pay for or participate in abortions, and allow victims of discrimination a “right to action” to defend their rights in court.



“March for Life N.Y. Fundraiser Dinner“- **Monday, August 29 @ 7PM @ Villa Lombardi’s Holbrook / TiX \$95 pp - Pro Life Speakers 631-681-7275**

September 1 – December 15, 2016 Respect Life Contest – Theme: “Every Life is Worth Living” (For all students grades 7-12 call Rel. Ed for info

Post Abortion Retreat Days of Prayer & Healing led by Sisters of Life: FYI or to register contact 866-575-0075 (toll free) hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org or contact Theresa Bonopartis 877-586-4621 (toll free) lumina@postabortionhelp.org Saturday, October 29

“**March for Life**” Friday, January 27, 2017 Washington D.C.

The Pastoral Team Clergy

Rev. Edward R. D'Andrea, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Charles Fink, Parish Administrator
Rev. John Amoah, Associate Pastor

Deacon Frank Hartmann
Deacon Edward Karan
Deacon Bob Gronenthal

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Religious Education: 363-6394 Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m
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Respect Life Ministry , Mrs. Jean Delaney Coordinator 631 472-0033



Communion for the Homebound:

To make arrangements to have Communion brought to the home, please call the parish office at 363-6385, ext. 110. For emergency sick calls, please call the parish at any time.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least **six to twelve months in advance**. It is advisable to call the church prior to arranging the reception.

Baptisms

Are celebrated on the second Saturday and fourth Sunday of *most* months. Please visit our website at for complete information

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.)

Persons interested in becoming Catholic and adults who have not received Confirmation or First Eucharist, please contact Beth Rivalsi at 363-2416.

Catholic Marriage for couples married

outside the Church

If you have a civil marriage but now desire a Catholic sacramental marriage, call the Rectory for more information about a Convalidation .Convalidation is having a couple's marriage recognized and blessed by the Church through the Catholic Rite of Marriage

New parishioners

Please register at the parish or call 363-6385, ext. 110 for information.

Divine will One-day Seminar
Given by Fr. Robert Young
Saturday, July 23, 2016
St. Francis of Assisi

29 Northgate Dr. Greenlawn , NY

Please join members of all LI Divine Will Groups
For a special presentation on the Divine Will of God
Which was recently given in Father's tour of four
European countries

Mass at 9:00 am

Final presentation ending 5:00pm

Please bring a bagged lunch

(coffee, tea and soft drinks will be provided)

Free-will donation for Fr. Young
and St. Francis of Assisi

For additional information call Don or Trudi at
631 714-4379

A little humor from Father Fink

Childhood; time of life when you make
funny faces in the mirror

Middle-aged; time of life when the mirror
gets even

