



Our Lady of the Snow

***175 Blue Point Avenue
Blue Point, New York 11715
Telephone: 631-363-6385***

***September 20, 2020 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
“The Lord is near to all who call upon him.”***



DAILY MASSES:

**Monday - Friday 8:30 AM
in Large Church**

WEEKEND MASSES:

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

**Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
in Large Church**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

**Monday 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
in Mother Church**

ROSARY:

**Tuesday, September 22, 4:45 pm
Mother Church**

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Hours: Mon. - Thur. 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**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.

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.

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 the rectory office.

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.

Baptisms:

Call the rectory office if you are interested in having your child baptized.



Major Meghan Ederle

Major Kyle Brown

Major Robert Gervasio

Capt. Evan Bernstein

Lt. Sean Brown

LTJG Shannon Wojciechowski

Ensign Douglas Wojciechowski

LTJG Thomas Adair

DO, CPT, MC Kate Desmond-Baker

TSgt. Mark C. Erickson

SMSGT Harold L. Erickson

E3/ACAN Connor Rooney USN

Sgt. Samuel Campanella

Lt. Robert Fleming

Pray for Our Sick

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

Bob Weeden

In Sympathy

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

Gail Herlihy

Joseph Annona

Joseph Torma



Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of Brigitte Horstmann

Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church

In Memory of Brigitte Horstmann

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
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FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

During the Covid 19 crisis our food pantry has remained open to assist those in need in our community.

We are in most need of:

- Salmon
- Potatoes
- Chili
- Water
- Pasta
- Toothpaste
- Paper towels
- Cleaning supplies

All donations may be left outside the pantry doors in the large church before mass at the weekends, or during the week outside the doors of the

***Large Church
Monday – Thursday
10am-1pm.***

If you are shopping in the Blue Point King Kullen there is also a box to the left of the exit doors for donations.

We are most grateful to the volunteers, the parishioners and the local community who have assisted our efforts to serve those in need during these difficult times.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



Sunday	Sept 20,
7:30 AM	Raj Manie †
9:00 AM	Jim & Elaine Space 50th Wedding Anniversary ♥
11:00 AM	Richard Fox †
Monday	Sept 21, St Matthew
8:30 AM	Helen Lewandowski †
Tuesday	Sept 22,
8:30 AM	Bernard Rush †
Wednesday	Sept 23, St Pius of Pietrecina
8:30 AM	Kathryn Scottaline †
Thursday	Sept 24,
8:30 AM	Loretta Rita McDonagh †
Friday	Sept 25,
8:30 AM	Edward O'Reilly †
Saturday	Sept 26, Ss Cosmas & Damian
5:00 PM	Thomas Walker † Theresa Mason †
Sunday	Sept 27,
7:30 AM	Brigitte Horstmann †
9:00 AM	Parishioners
11:00 AM	Elaine & Carlos Kuper † Edward Hart †



Wedding Banns

*Michael Silvestri
&
Aileen Iorio*



Parish Outreach
Thanksgiving
Christmas food and giving tree program

This year due to the Covid 19 Pandemic we are making some necessary changes to our holiday giving program to ensure the health and safety of all. This year the holiday food baskets and giving tree gifts will be all gift cards.

How do I donate to this program?

- 1) May we suggest purchasing a \$25 supermarket gift card, a gift card to Target, CVS or Marshalls, or write a check to Our Lady of The Snow, and we will purchase the gift card as requested. Drop off in the collection basket at mass, or at the outreach office Monday-Thursday 10am-1pm. (A basket will be outside the outreach door for this purpose) Mail to The Outreach office at Our Lady Of The Snow, 175 Blue Point Avenue, Blue Point, NY 11715.
- 2) Go online to Our Lady Of The Snow website and virtually donate using PAY PAL for the desired amount to be used to purchase the gift cards. Go to Outreach heading Go to Giving-Outreach You will see the categories for your donation. We will then purchase the gift card as requested.

We would appreciate these donations as soon as possible to ensure all our families' needs are met during this very difficult economic time.

Please follow us on Facebook at OLS BP for frequent updates to our program. Please call the Outreach Office at 363-2417, Monday through Thursday 10AM - 1PM with any questions or further inquiries or leave a message and we will get back to you ASAP.

Thank you for your support of our ministry!



A Reflection on today's Gospel.
By Michael Dawidziak

Today's gospel reading can be particularly confusing to Americans. It goes against our basic concept of fairness. Laborers who worked only one hour get paid the exact same wage as those that worked the entire day. What would the union say? Much like in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, we can identify with the feelings of the older brother who didn't understand why his father was celebrating his brother who had totally misbehaved. Hadn't he been the good and obedient son his whole life? He felt that he should be the one who was celebrated. It wasn't fair.

Likewise, we can easily identify with the laborers who had worked all day long and got the same wage as those who didn't. We feel that way all the time, don't we? I work longer and harder than anyone in my office and my co-worker got the promotion. I do everything for my parents and my lazy sibling is their favorite. I've been a faithful Christian my whole life and God rewards immoral and undeserving people with the riches and luxuries of this life. It's just not fair.

No, it's not fair and that's the point. If we were to be judged fairly, none of us would be deserving of salvation. In Eucharistic Prayer Number One of the Mass, the priest prays, "Do not consider what we truly deserve, but grant us your forgiveness." Where we go wrong in trying to understand the parable is in not understanding what it's all about. Jesus tells us in His opening line what it is all about. "The Kingdom of Heaven is like...". The story is about the Kingdom of Heaven, not about how men conduct earthly monetary transactions.

Once again, like many of our recent previous gospel readings, Jesus is telling us to think the way God thinks and not the way men think. In the reading from Isaiah we read, "Turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving." Again, the idea here is a salvation that is undeserved and unearned but given through God's generosity. We also read, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts." When we look at what other people have that we do not (riches, talents, popularity, etc.) we go astray in several ways.

First, we are being ungrateful to God for the gifts He has given us which, whether we know it or not, are the exact right gifts for us. Secondly, we are coveting what our neighbors have and we wish we had. Coveting might not get that much attention as a sin in our consumer-driven society but the last time I checked, it was still one of the big ten. Third, we commit the sin of pride when we think we have "earned" or "deserve" these favors from God. And fourth, we show a lack of faith in not believing that God knows what is best for us in the big picture or, back to pride, think we know better.

Notice that the laborers who worked the entire day aren't upset because the other workers got more than they did. They are upset because they got the same. They wanted to be treated better. They wanted to be special. To be more important. They felt they had earned that. Jesus is telling His disciples that's not how it works in the Kingdom of Heaven. There, everybody is equal. We deserve nothing but God offers us everything but it's equally offered to all through God's generosity and not because of our labors. There are no second-class citizens in the City of God, so stop looking for the First-Class Section.

We can't earn a better status in Heaven because none of us deserves to be there in the first place. It's a free gift from God borne out of His mercy. God gives His love fully and equally to all. God's infinite love is available to everybody the moment they choose it, whatever age they might be. Maybe, what we really need to ask ourselves is "what are we each laboring for?" Earthly riches and rewards? St. Paul, in his letter to the Philippians tells us that he has found the answer. "For me, life is Christ and death is gain. I long to depart and be with Christ". Paul knows what he is laboring for and it's not earthly compensation. Paul also understands that he has been given the privilege of working for God. He doesn't think he is overburdened or undercompensated. He wants us to know that God's love is infinite and God wants to lavish it on all of us.



Our Lady of the
Snow Church

MONEY FROM HEAVEN

GOLF BALL DROP

****Fundraiser****

October 24, 2020

**ONLY 400 GOLF BALLS
WILL BE SOLD**

Here is how it works:

1. Purchase a ball for \$100.
2. Show up or don't on October 24, 2020 after the 5 p.m. Mass and watch the ball drop.
3. Say a prayer that your ball is closest to the pin.
Have fun, get a hot dog and ice cream.

(Due to the small number of golf balls being sold, we cannot accommodate special number requests)

1 in 400 Chance to Win

1st Prize - \$5,000.00

2nd Prize - \$2,500.00

3rd Prize - \$1,500.00

4th Prize - \$1,000.00

*****You do not need to be present to win.*****





*OUR LADY OF THE SNOW
MONEY FROM
HEAVEN*



OCTOBER 24, 2020 6:00 pm
AFTER THE 5:00 pm Mass

Name _____

Name of Company _____

Address _____

Town, Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Check Amount _____

Number of Golf balls _____

If you have multiple people, please list below:

Please mail this form back to:
Our Lady of the Snow, 175 Blue Point Ave, Blue Point,
New York 11715 or
feel free to drop it off at the rectory office.



**YOU HAVE THE
POWER TO
SAVE LIVES.**

△ New York *Blood Center*

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Lady of the Snow RC Church

Monday, October 5th

10:30am-7:30pm

Basement, Mother Church

175 Blue Point Ave. Blue Point, NY 11715

To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing

Appointment Preferred

Walk-ins welcome if drive capacity permits

To make an appointment please contact Parish Outreach – 631-363-2417

DONORS PRESENTING:

- Must wear a mask or face covering
- Will have their temperature taken
- Must be 14 days symptom free if recovered from COVID-19
- May **NOT** donate if they have had a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- May **NOT** donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

www.nybc.org

1.800.933.BLOOD

△ New York *Blood Center*

The Friends of the Seminary
cordially invite you for a Communion Breakfast

Sunday
September 27
2020



Mass
10 am
Seminary Chapel

Registration at 9:30 am

\$50.00 per Person

Rev. Msgr. Charles R. Fink
Rector, Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

*Attendance limited; reservations will be considered on "first come, first served" basis.
Following safety protocols as outlined by Suffolk County, we ask that you please wear your mask.*

RESERVE BY SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 - WALK-IN GUESTS CANNOT BE ACCOMMODATED - LIMITED SEATING
Additional Information • 631.423.0483x102 • bmalone@icseminary.edu

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

PARISH _____

NO. TICKETS @ \$50. EACH _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____ [Please list guests on reverse side]

CREDIT CARD: VISA AMEX M/C DISCOVER

NAME ON CARD _____ AMT \$ _____

CARD NO. _____ EXP. _____

PLEASE SEAT ME WITH _____

SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception is committed to the mission of
education and formation in the Catholic Faith in service of the Local and Universal Church.*

Return to: Seminary Development Office • 440 West Neck Road • Huntington, NY 11743

Dear Faith Formation Families,

In June, when our region reached phase 2 of the NY State reopening plan, the Diocese of Rockville Centre opened parishes with limited capacity, allowing public liturgies and Sacraments, (Mass, weddings, funerals, baptisms, etc.), following specific safety directives. If you have been to Mass since then, you've noticed that every other pew is blocked off, all entering the building are required to wear masks, and there are slight changes during the liturgy to allow for the implementation of safety regulations. Bishop Barres, in several memos regarding the reopening of parishes, has emphasized the need to adhere to safety regulations so that our diocese can continue to minister the sacraments to Catholics across Long Island.

Our Faith Formation program includes children belonging to several Long Island school districts, including Bayport-Blue Point, Patchogue-Medford, Sayville and others. Each of these schools is implementing a reopening plan in slightly different formats. Normally, students from these various districts come together for classes in our church.

As you know, we do not have a school building on our grounds, and students gather at tables for small group instruction within the church. This summer we began the process of revamping the curriculum in levels 1 through 9, looking to make it more interactive and Bible-centered. We also offered an online survey to Faith Formation families and the survey results were almost split 50-50, with half of the responses in favor of a full virtual program, and the other half ready to come to onsite classes. With those results in mind we looked at bringing students in on an abbreviated schedule, rather than for weekly classes, and created a plan for onsite classes.

This week we met again and discussed the details of how to safely maintain the small group structure, not just because it is our only option, not having classrooms, but also because we believe this structure allows students the possibility of having a personal encounter with Christ. We came to the agreement that it will be very difficult to utilize lessons that are more interactive while maintaining safety precautions within a small group structure.

Therefore we have decided to continue our program fully virtually until further notice. As the situation changes updates will be sent to you through the Remind App. Along with this letter, registered students will receive Remind Codes for each level and instructions for joining Google Classroom in the mail. Please take a moment to join both. Lessons will post monthly starting in October in the Google Classroom. If your child is in Levels 1 through 4, we ask that a parent complete the lesson with him/her. Levels 5 through 9 can complete the virtual lessons independently. The lessons will be asynchronous, meaning assignments that can be accessed at any time will be provided. Students are encouraged to check their online Faith Formation classroom at the beginning of each month for new content. Due dates will be posted within assignments.

We did place students into classes over the summer, according to the amount of volunteer catechists we had at that time. Some students, however, were on a waiting list due to a lack of teachers. We hope to bring the classes and catechists in at some point when it is safe to do so, and maybe we will get enough catechists at that time to provide teachers for those on waiting lists. If not, those on a waiting list will continue virtually on Home Study.

Right now it is important for all parents to sign up for Remind so that we can keep in contact with you, and for students to sign up for the Google Classroom, according to level so they can begin virtual content in October.

Textbook Shift:

We are shifting to the use of Bibles rather than textbooks this year. Levels 7 through 9 are to use the Breakthrough Bibles they were given in Level 6 to complete the online assignments. Levels 1 through 6 are being given a Catholic Student Bible that they are to use for all nine levels of instruction. **This Bible will be available for pickup at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses on Sunday, October 18th for Levels 1-3 and Sunday, October 25th at the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses for Levels 4-6. Please call the office at 631-363-6394 to RSVP, so that we know which of these Masses you will be attending.** During these Masses, the presiding priest will bless the student Bibles. I will begin to integrate the use of these Bibles within the virtual lessons in November. Our vision is that our students will grow into these Bibles from Level 1 up, and that by Level 9 they will be very comfortable and familiar with using them. For those who received the Breakthrough Bibles, we will focus on them for the remainder of their Formation, to continue their familiarization with Holy Scripture.

The shift to virtual-only learning for the time being presents a unique opportunity for our Faith Formation families. While it will not be possible to gather for classes, it is still possible to attend church. We highly encourage you to focus on bringing your families to Mass during this time. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "the Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life."

The safety and health of your child and your family will always be our first and highest priority. Let us pray together for an end to the worldwide pandemic.

Sincerely,

Loren Christie, OLS Faith Formation Director
Kevin Smith, Pastor

2020-2021 School Year REMIND Codes

To join Catechists 2020-21 text @a3k3fb2 to 81010
To join Level 1 text @8fec6 to 81010
To join Level 2 text @e3ah79 to 81010
To join Level 3 text @684232d to 81010
To join Level 4 text @66ke7cf to 81010
To join Level 5 text @e422fa to 81010
To join Level 6 text @h839kk to 81010
To join Level 7 text @6cefgk to 81010
To join Level 8 text @7a77h4g to 81010
To join Level 9 text @dbg378 to 81010

2020-2021 Google Classroom Codes

Level 1: cmuchdz
Level 2: b3qnaje
Level 3: sjtr4jb
Level 4: 4rbwgsu
Level 5: l24ousv
Level 6: q2mxeu3
Level 7: qv52r2u
Level 8: 6uczlib



Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
Celebrating 90 Years!
2020 GRAND RAFFLE

Tickets - **\$100 each** (only **600** tickets to be sold)
Drawing at Te Deum Dinner
Sunday, November 1, 2020
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
(*Winner need not be present*)

NUMBERED RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE MAILED UPON RECEIPT OF
RESERVATION/PAYMENT

PLEASE SEND CHECKS TO:
SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
440 WEST NECK ROAD HUNTINGTON, NY 11743

