



## *Our Lady of the Snow*

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

*November 1, 2020 All Saints  
Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.*



**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:**  
Thursday, November 5, 4:45 pm  
Mother Church

**Rev. Kevin M. Smith, Pastor**

*ksmith@olsbp.com*

**Rev. Joseph Gaspar**

*jgaspar@olsbp.com*

**Deacon Edward Karan**

*ekaran@olsbp.com*

**Deacon Bob Gronenthal**

*rgronthal@olsbp.com*

**Mrs. Marlene Tully,**

Pastoral Associate, ext. 110

*mtully@olsbp.com*

**Office of Faith Formation:**

**Mrs. Loren Christie, ARE**

*lchristie@olsbp.com*

Monday - Thursday

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**(631) 363-6394**

**Director of Music:**

Mrs. Theresa Martin

**Parish Outreach:**

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

*outreach@olsbp.com*

Monday - Thursday in the cottage

**Mrs. Diana Mongan, Director**

*dmongan@olsbp.com*

**Mrs. Patricia Fulco, Assistant**

*pfulco@olsbp.com*

**(631) 363-2417**

**Ms. Loraine Drake,**

Office Manager., ext. 111

*ldrake@olsbp.com*

**Parish Office: (631) 363-6385**

**Fax: (631) 363-7394**

*rectory@olsbp.com*

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

Friday closed in July and August

***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 for more information.*



*Major Meghan Ederle*

*Major Kyle Brown*

*Major Robert Gervasio*

*Capt. Evan Bernstein*

*Lt. Sean Brown*

*LTJG Shannon Wojciechowski*

*LTJG 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*

*Lt. Ross Oley*

**Pray for Our Sick**

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

**Deborah Buchanan,  
Kurt & Helen Reineking**

**In Sympathy**

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

**John Macejke**



*Altar Bread and Wine  
In Memory of John Hunt*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church  
In Memory of John Hunt*

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:  
\$ 7021**

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

**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.***

**GOLF BALL DROP WINNERS**

*Thank you all so much for participating in our fundraiser. The night was a complete success. The success of this event in because of our parishioners who support us and our Golf committee that works tirelessly to make this a success.*

*Congratulations to our winners, John Kiernan, Nick Wartella, Mike Dawidziak and Leonora Forsythe.*

*Peace and Prayers, Father Kevin Smith*

**Mass Intentions**  
**FOR THE WEEK**



<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov 1,</b>
7:30 AM	Parishioners
9:00 AM	Thomas Rowden † James Rowden †
11:00 AM	Dennis Keneally †
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov 2, All Soul Day</b>
8:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov 3, St Martn dePorres</b>
8:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov 4, St. Charles Borromeo</b>
8:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov 5,</b>
8:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov 6,</b>
8:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov 7,</b>
5:00 PM	Joe & Eileen Mahoney 60th † Deacon Frank Hartmann †
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov 8,</b>
7:30 AM	All Souls Novena †
9:00 AM	Joseph Cannizazaro † Nina Kotarra † Eileen Flynn †
11:00 AM	Parishioners

***Project Rachel Hope After Abortion  
Day of Prayer and Healing for  
Women, Saturday, November 7th  
Call the Respect Life Office's  
confidential phone: 888-456-HOPE  
email: [projectrachel@drvc.org](mailto:projectrachel@drvc.org)***

**Respect Life Ministry** is holding a Diaper Drive for the Life Center of Long Island beginning November 1st and ending November 30th. Drop off unopened packages of diapers, all sizes, in the box marked "Diaper Drive" that will be in the vestibule of the Large Church next to the Respect Life Ministry Bulletin Board.

**About the Life Center:**

Life Center has supported infants and their families with material aid for 34 years. They recently rebranded their three pregnancy care centers known as "AAA Pregnancy Options" to "Women First Pregnancy Options," which, according to Chief Executive Officer Gloria Schreiber, "more accurately reflects our mission: helping women first with options when they first find out they are pregnant."

**Prayer Presence**

Respect Life Ministry continues to meet on the second Saturday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the sidewalk in front of the Planned Parenthood, located on Waverly Avenue in Patchogue, to pray a rosary for those seeking services there. All are welcome. This is a peaceful presence. Signs are provided.

**Google Classroom Progress**

We are approaching the end of the first month of virtual learning. All classwork is asynchronous, meaning none of it is "live" and the assignments can be accessed by registered families at any time. Catechists have rosters and are on standby in the event that we can return to onsite classes. Meanwhile, in level-specific Google Classrooms, students can work at a pace that is comfortable for them. If you registered your child for 2020-2021 Faith Formation classes, you received information in the mail about signing up for Google Classroom and the Remind App.

**When is Virtual Work Due?**

October Assignments in the Google Classrooms for all nine levels are due the last day of October. November assignments will be posted on the first day of November and due on the last day of November. Assignments for this year's program will be posted from October through March of 2021 in all nine levels. Students turn in work through their level-specific Google Classrooms.

Can Parishioners Without Children in the Program See What Students Are Learning? Yes! While access to level specific Google Classrooms is for registrants only, parishioners can see some of what students are learning by visiting [olsvc.blogspot.com](http://olsvc.blogspot.com).

**Bible Blessing Masses Postponed**

Level 1 through Level 6 will be receiving Bibles this year. We had to postpone the Bible Blessing Masses due to volume of people in the church, but we will keep you updated as to when it will be safe to reschedule the blessing and distribution of student Bibles. The health and safety of our parish families continues to be our first priority.

Does my child need the Catholic Student Bible to complete assignments? In the Google Classroom assignments there are links to the Bible online at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, so the Catholic Student Bible is not needed to complete the online assignments. Students can wait until we are able to have a Bible Blessing Mass to get the Bible and still have everything they need to complete online assignments successfully. We appreciate your patience and flexibility during this uncertain time.

### **Bulletin Reflection—by Michael Dawidziak**

Our All Saints Day readings tell us two amazing and radical things. One, we are called to be saints. Two, we are invited to be children of God. You might say these are privileged positions that we could never be worthy of and you would be right. We can only achieve them through God's grace. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines grace as "the free and undeserved help that God gives us to respond to His call to become children of God". We get our English word of grace from the Latin root word of *gratia* meaning favor or kindness.

Christians trying to live a life of service dedicated to following Jesus are often met with the mocking question, "What are you trying to be, a saint?" Our feeling of unworthiness often prevents us from giving the correct answer to that question which is, "You bet your life I am. In fact, I'm betting my eternal life on it!" Remember that St. Peter's first reaction to Jesus was, "Leave me Lord. I am a sinful man." (Luke 5:8) We often incorrectly confuse being a saint with being perfect. The late Nelson Mandela said, "Never forget that a saint is a sinner who keeps on trying."

In the first reading from Revelation, St. John sees "a great multitude" "from every race, nation, people and tongue". Who are these people who have attained sainthood in Heaven? They are those who "have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb." They are those who accepted the invitation to the Wedding Feast in Heaven and are wearing the proper wedding garments. But their garments were not made white by any sacrifice or good works on their part. Rather, their garments are white solely due to the sacrifice of Christ. They themselves cry out that "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb."

Because of the Church's formal process of canonization, we tend to think the title of Saint is reserved only for those who have died and been officially recognized as such. But the New Testament and St. Paul in particular, often refers to people as saints who were very much alive. The word often used is derived from a Greek verb (*hagiazō*) which translates as "to make holy" or "to set apart". This idea of being set apart as the people of God is applied to the Israelite nation in the Old Testament. God tells them, "For I am the Lord, who brought you up from the land of Egypt, to be your God; therefore, you shall be holy for I am holy." (Leviticus 11:45)

This concept of being a people set apart becomes something much more personal with Jesus' coming into the world. Up to this point, the invitation to be God's chosen people was to a nation or a race of people. Now the invitation becomes personal. In the second reading, you can hear the wonder and excitement exuding from St. John. "See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are." In the beginning of his gospel, St. John tells us how we attain this prestigious status. He tells us that Jesus came into the world and was not accepted by His own people. "But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God". (John 1:12) If we are indeed God's children, do we bear a family resemblance? Would people know we are children of God by observing us? In our gospel reading, Jesus tells us what marks we should bear if we are His brethren. The beatitudes describe the characteristics of the family members of God. They're our "be attitudes" or what our Christian attitudes should be. They are our Christian character traits. Trying to live the attitudes of the beatitudes should be our family tradition. In a world full of pride, greed and pleasure-seeking, the beatitudes might seem very much out of place. They are. And that is why we are "set apart" as the people of God.

Pope Francis tells us, "The Lord asks everything of us, and in return he offers us true life, the happiness for which we were created. He wants us to be saints and not to settle for a bland and mediocre existence." On a previous All Saints Day, Pope Francis said, "To be a saint is not a privilege of a few... All of us are called to walk in the way of sanctity, and this way has a name, a face: the face of Jesus Christ." If we can be so bold as to call ourselves children of the all-powerful, living God, we can be bold enough to try to be saints.

*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!





# **BOY SCOUT TROOP 329 FOOD DRIVE**



**TO BENEFIT OUR LADY OF THE SNOW RC CHURCH  
OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY**

**WHEN: SATURDAY, 11/7/20 @ 5pm**

**SUNDAY, 11/8/20 @ 7:30, 9:00, and 11am**

**\*\*\* PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS OF CANNED GOODS AND  
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS \*\*\***

**Scouts will be available to receive your donations!!**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !!!!!**