



Our Lady of the Snow

*175 Blue Point Avenue
Blue Point, New York 11715
Telephone: 631-363-6385
Rev. Kevin Smith, Pastor*

*April 18, 2021 Third Sunday of Easter
Lord, let your face shine on us!!!!*



DAILY MASSES:

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM
in Mother 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:

April 22, 4:45 pm
Mother Church

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**Parish Main Phone Number;
631 363-6385**

**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.

Baptisms:

Call the rectory office to schedule a Baptism



**Remember
in
Prayer**

Lt. Col. 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....

In Sympathy

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

Theresa Quarltere



*Altar Bread and Wine
In Memory of Stanley Drake*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church
In Memory of Stanley Drake*

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
\$ 7044
Faith direct for March \$13,455**

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:

- Pancake mix
- Chili
- Juice
- Rice
- Hair Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Laundry detergent

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

Sunday	April 18,
7:30 AM	Christine O'Brien †
9:00 AM	Thomas Arcuri †
11:00 AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Hill Family †
Monday	April 19,
8:30 AM	David Yonkman †
Tuesday	April 20,
8:30 AM	Agnes Nasca †
Wednesday	April 21, St Anselm
8:30 AM	Alan Gale †
Thursday	April 22,
8:30 AM	Nancy Gnad †
Friday	April 23, Ss George & Adalbert
8:30 AM	Stanley Drake †
Saturday	April 24, St. Fidelis
5:00 PM	Jacqueline Lombardi † Robert Gomes † Paul Mazza †
Sunday	April 25,
7:30 AM	Parishioners
9:00 AM	Rose Campagna †
11:00 AM	Kathryn Scottaline †

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.

Congratulations To Our Newly Confirmed!
God Bless You!

Aiello, Daniel
Aiello, Jeffrey
Alfieri, Marisa
Anglim, Kate
Armstrong, Charley
Augusta, Allyson
Aylward, Mason
Quinn, Babcock
Bachek, Matthew
Barber, Kyle
Baumiller, Mullane
Boyd, Maggie
Bryant, Tyler
Campanella, Addison
Carroll, Sean
Carroll, Quinn
Christopher, Taegan
Cortese, Jon Luca
Cuesta, Fiona
Cuji, Jessica
Curran, Caleigh
Curran, Logan
DiBiase, Taylor
DiBiase, Faith
Dickinson, Chase
Dolan, Alyna
Duignon, Maximus
Dunton, Hannah
Duras, Ava
Echevarria, Gianna
Erickson, James
Farrell, Carly
Farrell, Emma
Fig, Logan
Foley, Ryan
Frederick, Cadman
Fusco, Julia
Garcia, Lily
Garcia, Dylan
Greenlaw, Vincent
Haber, Samantha
Hackett, Elizabeth
Hanley, Ginger
Hasemann, Evan
Hession, Liam
Hodgkinson, Emily

Hoek, Brady
Juliano, Isabella
Karafantis, Nicolas
Karl, Christofer
Keyser, Maclin
Kroog, Shannon
Kroog, Julia
Kunst, Jane
LaFountain, Grace
LoCascio, Austin
Lovito, Christie
Magale, Maya
Maggi, Colin
Maini, Riona
Messina, Danielle
Morris, Benjamin
McDermott, Corrine
Nilan, Katherine
Novak, Emma
O'Connor Wolfe, Emily
Peterson, Joseph
Prudenti, Vivian
Quinn, Ruby
Rakowski, Olivia
Rand, Emma
Racioppi, Nina
Ricci, Ellie
Rose, George
Satterley, Brian
Sekela, Christopher
Smith, Brady
Space, Taylor
Style, Caitlin
Swezey, Shannon
Taylor, Grant
Tellier, Trey
Teufel, Zac
Torre, Cynthia
Tucci, Matthew
Tully, Reagan
Vandood, Chris
Vazquez, Kayla
Vermaelen, Thomas
Vlachos, Alexandra
Waters, Brendan
Welling, Christopher
Witt, Lilianna
Yost, Maggie

Gospel Refection by Michael Dawidziak

Does anyone want to be a martyr? The vast majority of us, even the most devoutly religious would choose to decline such an honor. In fact, most people don't even want to ever die. There's an old saying that goes "everybody wants to get to Heaven but nobody wants to have to die to get there". And to die a martyr's death by being fed to the lions, or beheaded or burned at the stake? Well, thanks but no thanks! But hold on a minute. The word martyr actually translates simply as "witness". At the end of today's reading from Luke's gospel when Jesus tells His disciples that "You are witnesses of these things", the original Greek word for witnesses that was used was, you guessed it: martyrs.

So how did the word martyr acquire its more commonly understood definition of "a person who voluntarily suffers death as the penalty of witnessing to and refusing to renounce a religion"? The answer starts with today's gospel reading. The resurrected Christ appears to His disciples and "opened their minds to understand the scriptures". We read this and it might sound simply like an intellectual process of acquiring knowledge. Think of it as getting a PhD in theology from the ultimate religion professor. But the Greek word used for "understand" literally means to set together or to put it all together. Jesus was explaining God's salvation plan for them that runs all through the Bible. Once they "put it all together" the realization of just how much God loved them and how big the sacrifice that Jesus made for them was, it had to hit them like the proverbial ton of bricks. It's no longer solely a matter of understanding with just the mind but also with the heart.

This is why the apostles and early members of the church became such outspoken witnesses for Christ. They couldn't hold it in. They had to share it. This good news is so good that everybody has to hear it. And yes, many were called to offer the ultimate witness by giving their lives for it. Stephen, James (the son of Zebedee and brother of John), Peter and Paul would all die because of their faith in Jesus. For most of its first 300 years, the church founded by Christ was under constant persecution. The willingness of these early Christians to be witnesses for Jesus in the face of grave danger was the reason the faith spread so rapidly. It had to be for real. Would you willingly die for a lie? Of course not. The apostles went from 11 frightened men hiding in the upper room to fearless witnesses proclaiming Jesus had died and risen for the forgiveness of sins. From their previous fearful state, they were now willing to die for this message. In our first reading from Acts, Peter's speech to the people is courageous, eloquent and full of knowledge. He tells them, "The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead, of this we are his witnesses" (again, the actual word used for witnesses is martyrs). What could have affected this amazing transformation in them except actually seeing their risen Lord? That kind of testimony just had to be true. And so it was for everybody who subsequently died as a result of being a witness for Christ. For every death, countless people came to believe Jesus' message, handed down through the apostles, had to be true. Hence the term martyr for somebody who is willing to be the ultimate witness.

We need to pray on what kind of witnesses for Christ we are willing to be? Most of us aren't going to be asked to die for our faith but would we be willing to? In the Nicene Creed at every Mass, we name the four marks of the church. We are 1) one, 2) holy, 3) catholic (or universal) and 4) apostolic church. It's that last one that we often have trouble with. "Apostle" means one who is sent. God the Father sent Jesus, Jesus in turn sent the apostles and we, as their successors are sent. Sent to do what? Witness. Our faith has to be alive and evident. If people don't think we really believe what we say we do, they're never going to accept our testimony and want what we have. We probably will never be called to be martyrs in the more accepted sense of the word but many of us will be mocked, made fun of or condemned for our faith. Jesus told us to rejoice in those moments (Luke 6:22-23). They are our chances to show the world what we truly believe. It's our opportunity to be a martyr in the sense that people will look at us and say, "that's just got to be true".

CATHOLIC I. Q.

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.

A Self-Assessment for Your Fun and Enlightenment! (Permission granted by Joe Paprocki, D.Min., and Catechist Magazine)

- 1, **According to the Bible, Jesus prayed with his family.** True or False
- 2, **Catholics receive their sacraments** _____. a. at various ages b. only at birth c. only right before death d. only in second grade.
- 3, **The first person to witness the resurrection of Jesus was** _____. a. Judas b. King Herod c. Pilate d. Mary Magdalene.
- 4, **The leaders who had Jesus crucified said that** _____. a. Jesus was God. B. Jesus miraculously rose from the dead c. Jesus was a magician and disappeared d. Jesus disciples stole his body.
- 5, **Family life only teaches us about avoiding personal sins but doesn't prepare us to deal with the sins of society, such as corporate greed and human rights violations.** True or False.
- 6, **Every Sunday Mass is a little celebration of** _____. a. Easter b. Christmas c. a day off of school d. a day off of work.
- 7, **Young people who stay connected to their Catholic faith are often most influenced by their family's** _____. a. singing at Church b. witness of faith at home c. monetary d. choice of schools.
- 8, **All of the disciples met the resurrected Jesus except** _____. a. Judas b. Origen c. Clement d. Thomas.
- 9, **Jesus ministered and taught** _____. a. only children b. only adults c. all ages and types of people d. only the elders and religious leaders.
- 10, **The Easter season lasts longer than Lent.** True or False.



No peeking!!!!

1, true; 2, a; 3, d; 4, d; 5, false; 6, a; 7, b; 8, a; 9, c; 10



We will be getting a new phone system in a couple of week. What does this mean to you? Our Church will have one main number 631 363-6385 and your calls will be directed by an auto attendant. All calls for Faith Formation , Outreach and Rectory office will now be connected through our main number

631 363-6385. We are trying to improve our system so that you are able to talk to a person in case of an emergency, death or dying, help with food or questions about Masses, religious instruction, weddings, ,baptism etc. Please be patient with us during this transition.

