



Our Lady of the Snow

*175 Blue Point Avenue
Blue Point, New York 11715*

Telephone: 631-363-6385

Rev. Kevin Smith, Pastor

May 23, 2021 Pentecost Sunday

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth



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:

May 24, 4:45 pm
Mother Church

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Meet our Staff

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Monday - Thursday

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

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Hours: Mon. - Thur. 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 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 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....

Debra Svendsen Greiner

In Sympathy

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

Anthony Palermo



*Altar Bread and Wine
In Memory of Ken Strange*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church
In Memory of Charles Mintzer*

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
\$ 7063**

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:

**Juice
Coffee
Canned potatoes, peas and carrots
Syrup
Paper Towels
Bars of soap**

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 May 23, Pentecost Sunday

7:30 AM Bernie O'Brien †
9:00 AM Patsy & Josephine Sirianni †
11:00 AM Parishioners †

Monday May 24, Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 AM Gaspar Romano †

Tuesday May 25, St. Bede

8:30 AM Dolores Sutton †

Wednesday May 26, St Philip Neri

8:30 AM Barresi & Higgins Families †

Thursday May 27, St Augustine

8:30 AM Theresa & Gaspar Romano †

Friday May 28,

8:30 AM Samuel Garafalo †

Saturday May 29, St Paul VI, Pope

5:00 PM Barbara Sackett †
Edward O'Reilly †
Ken Strange †

Sunday May 30,

7:30 AM Parishioners
9:00 AM Mark Charvat †
11:00 AM Charles Mintzer †

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.

Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak

Happy birthday dear Church of Christ! Happy birthday to us! Are we one? Are we two? Are we two thousand? Well almost. The actual date of the crucifixion (and therefore of Pentecost) has been a topic of debate amongst theologians for years. The gospel of Luke tells us that John the Baptist started his preaching in the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign (Luke 3:1). Depending on which dating method Luke used, this had to have been somewhere between 27 – 29 AD. It's a historical fact that Pontius Pilate was the Roman Procurator of Judea until 36 AD. Scientists have also uncovered (literally) geological evidence of an earthquake that occurred in the region between 26 AD and 36 AD, just as Matthew describes in his gospel.

We know Jesus died on Passover and that it was a Friday. That would seem to narrow down the choices to 30 AD and 33 AD. 30 AD would seem too soon after John the Baptist started his mission, so April 3rd of 33 AD seems like the most logical choice. Did you know that scientists have discovered that there was a lunar eclipse on that day? The books of Matthew, Mark and Luke all say that after Jesus was crucified there was darkness over the land and Luke actually says the sun eclipsed (Greek - ekleipontos). On the day of Pentecost, Saint Peter quotes the prophet Joel saying the moon will be turned into blood like it appears in a lunar eclipse (Acts 2:20). We can't know for sure but if that date is correct, this is our 1,988th birthday. That's a lot of candles. Maybe we should settle for one paschal candle a year.

Intriguing as it may be to figure out Biblical dates, the meaning of Pentecost is far more important to us. No, not the meaning of the word itself. Pentecost simply means fifty in Greek. That's because the Jewish Feast of Weeks (Shavuot) was celebrated fifty days after Passover. Pentecost is considered the birthday of the church because we are apostolic and the descent of the Holy Spirit was the enabling event that empowered the apostles to boldly proclaim the gospel message. Speaking of births, it is noteworthy that Mary was the only person present for the birth of Our Savior on earth (well, obviously she had to be there) and the birth of His church on earth. In fact, other than the apostles, Mary is the only person identified by name as being there.

Before His Ascension, Jesus told the apostles to stay in Jerusalem, "until you are clothed with the power from on high" (Luke 24:48). He didn't want them to begin their mission relying on their own intellect and talents. They would inevitably make wrong decisions and fail. Rather, relying on the gifts and power of God, they could not fail. On the first Pentecost, the disciples received the ultimate birthday present. They received the gift of the Holy Spirit. The third person of the Trinity. The gift was God Himself. They all received the same big gift. The Holy Spirit "to be with you forever" (John 14:16). Individually they all received different gifts. This is what Paul meant in his first letter to the Corinthians when he said, "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit".

And it is the same for us. On our spiritual birthday (the day of our baptism), we received the same gift of the Holy Spirit. But we were all given our own unique individual gifts of the Spirit. And thank God we were. Not much would get done if we all excelled at the same thing. God gave each of us the gifts He wanted us to have. As kids, we may have watched a sibling open a present with envy. The gifts God give us are the right ones for us to have. There's no sense in coveting other people's gifts. Our gifts are just as marvelous as anybody else's. The challenge for us is to use those gifts for the glory of God and the benefit of His church. That's how we let our lights shine while being useful members of the Body of Christ.

Like the apostles, we too are called to boldly proclaim the gospel message. But we don't have to do it alone. In fact, we're not supposed to. God wants us to rely fully on Him. He gives us every good gift we need to succeed. All we have to do is use them. People may wonder sometimes if they truly have the gift of the Holy Spirit. The answer is yes. How do I know? St. Paul gives us the answer when he tells the Corinthians, "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit". That's an amazingly comforting and empowering thought. If we proclaim Jesus as our Lord and Savior than we must have the Holy Spirit. Now that's quite a birthday gift!

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Registration for 2021-2022 Religion Classes
Online Registration for next year's religion
classes is now open! Access the registration
form by clicking on the Faith Formation
Tab on the parish website;

ourladyofthesnowbluepoint.com.

*Congratulations to Level 9 student Joseph
Peterson, who is being Confirmed on
Sunday at the 9 a.m. Mass!*

Level 1 Parent Meeting for students
entering Level 1 this fall:
Wednesday, June 23, 6 p.m.
in the large church

Catechists Needed

As we look to bring classes back onsite this
coming fall, we are in need of volunteer
catechists for levels 2-9. If you are
interested in volunteering,
please contact Loren Christie .

Virtual Learning Catch Up

Although virtual learning ended with the
March sessions posted in the Faith For-
mation Google Classrooms, this year's virtu-
al content will remain open until Wednes-
day, June 30th, for those who need to catch
up. After that, Google Classrooms will be
no longer available as they are
updated. Therefore, all digital work for this
year must be turned in by then, as there will
not be an opportunity to access the work
and turn it in late over the summer months.

Diocese of Rockville Centre Chapter 11
Information regarding the deadlines for filing proofs
of claim in the Diocese's Chapter 11 case and the
forms to use can be found by clicking on the follow-
ing link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and
scrolling down the page :
<https://dm.epiq11.com/drdvc>

PARISH OUTREACH FUNDRAISER 2021

**During these very difficult times your
neighbors depend on our food pantry.**
They are the sick, the disabled, the seniors
on fixed incomes, the newly unemployed,
the underemployed, single parents and
hard-working families who struggle to pay
for food and basic needs for their children
and themselves.

**Please support our 2021
Fundraiser the
SPLIT-THE-POT Raffle.**

The Split the Pot this year will follow the
same pattern established in the past. Half
of the proceeds will go directly to
Our Lady of the Snow Outreach and the
other half will be split among three
winners. The drawing will be on
Sunday, June 27th
after the 11:00 am Mass.

The winner does not need to be present.

Please use the attached tickets.
(Six) tickets at \$5.00 each, or \$25.00 for
the booklet of all six. (1 free!)

Tickets may be returned to the rectory or
Outreach office. They may also be mailed
to the Outreach office at 175 Blue Point
Avenue, Blue Point, New York 11715



**Thank you for your
support of
our program and
helping
those in need.**

Split the Pot

Drawing to be held on Sunday, June 27, 2021
Our Lady of the Snow Church
3 Lucky Winners
To Benefit the food pantry and Outreach program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Donation of \$5 **or** 6 for \$25
Return to Parish Outreach 175 Blue Point Ave Blue
Point NY 11715

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*NEW
LOCATION!*

**The Parish office
is moving
May 25!!!!**

**The Parish office
will now be in the
cottage. Please enter through the
front door. All the offices can be
reached by calling 631 363-6385.**



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