



## ***Our Lady of the Snow***

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

***Telephone: 631-363-6385***

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

***June 26, 2022 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
You are my inheritance, O Lord.***



### **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**

**New Summer Schedule Starts July 3rd.**

### **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:**

**June 28, 4:45 pm  
Mother Church**

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

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**Office of Faith Formation:**

**Mrs. Loren Christie, DRE**

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Monday - Thursday

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

**Director of Music:**

Mrs. Theresa Martin

**Parish Outreach:**

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

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Monday - Thursday in the cottage

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

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

### Pray for Our Sick

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

**Deacon Robert Gronenthal,  
Toni McQuire & Anna Puryear**

### **Catholic Marriage for couples married outside the Church:**

If you have a civil marriage but now desire a Catholic sacramental marriage, call the Parish Office for more information about a Convalidation.

### **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 Parish 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 or check our website.

**Lt. Col. Meghan Ederle**

**Major Kyle Brown**

**Major Robert Gervasio**

**Capt. Evan Bernstein**

**Capt. Robert Fleming**

**Lt. Sean Brown**

**Lt. Ross Oley**

**LT Shannon Wojciechowski**

**LT Douglas Wojciechowski**

**LT Thomas Adair**

**DO,CPT,MC Kate Desmond-Baker**

**TSgt. Mark C. Erickson**

**SMSgt Harold L. Erickson**

**E3/ACAN Connor Rooney USN**

**Sgt. Samuel Campanella**

**Ens. Scott Brown**

**Pvt. 1st Class Zachary Giglio**



### In Sympathy

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

**Gerard Bertuch , DC**

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Thank you for your generous donations to our food pantry. During these difficult economic times we are helping many in need in our community. Together we can make a big difference.

**Our current food pantry needs are;**

Mac & Cheese  
 Pasta Sauce  
 Rice  
 Canned fruit  
 Juice  
 Cookies  
 Crackers  
 Chili  
 Ketchup  
 Mayonnaise  
 Jelly  
 Salmon  
 Toothbrushes  
 Cleaning supplies  
 Kitchen garbage bags  
 Laundry detergent



All donation 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 during our hours Monday - Thursday 10am - 1pm.

There is also a collection box at the Blue Point King Kullen to the left of the exit doors.

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:  
 \$ 8038**



*Altar Bread and Wine  
 In Memory of Stanley Drake ♥*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church  
 In Memory of Richard Dietz ♥*



## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 25,</b>
5:00 PM	John Andriano † Alfred Furchert Jr. †
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 26,</b>
7:30 AM	Parishioners of OLS †
9:00 AM	Father's Day Novena †
11:00 AM	John Andriano †
<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 27, St. Cyril</b>
8:30 AM	Father's day Novena †
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>June 28, St. Irenacus</b>
8:30 AM	Irene "Micky" Hollman †
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 29, Ss Peter and Paul</b>
8:30 AM	Patricia Janetka †
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>June 30, The First Martyrs</b>
8:30 AM	John Andriano †
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 1, St. Junipero</b>
8:30 AM	Patricia Janetka †
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 2, ,</b>
5:00 PM	Ernest Pizirusso † Jimmy Mussler †
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 3, 14th Sunday</b>
7:30 AM	Parishioners of OLS
10:00 AM	Patricia Janetka † Jennie & Vivian Mazzola †

**NEXT WEEKEND WE START THE  
 NEW TEMPORARY  
 \*\*SUMMER SCHEDULE \*\***

## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Saturday, July 23, 2022 @ 9:00 A.M. The Saint Lawrence Knights of Columbus will be hosting a defensive driving course at the Bethany Center, St. Lawrence Church. Save money on your insurance, remove points from your license. Good for three years. Class is \$45.00 in advance or \$50.00 at the door. Class limit is 40, registration is required. Please call 631-589-4839 or email [drivingclass2458@gmail.com](mailto:drivingclass2458@gmail.com). Please make checks payable to: "St. Lawrence Council # 2458".

## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminary Golf Classic

The Woodside Club, Muttontown  
Monday, July 18, 2022  
[www.Seminary.GiveSmart.com](http://www.Seminary.GiveSmart.com)

### GRAND RAFFLE



[Courtesy of Sal Ervolino,  
Trinity Automotive Services, Inc]  
**2022 TOYOTA RAV4 LE AWD or \$20,000  
CASH PRIZE**

**Tickets - \$100 each (only 700 tickets to be sold)**

*(Winner need not be present)*

SAVE THE DATE

OUR LADY OF THE  
SNOW  
GOLF OUTING  
TUESDAY OCTOBER  
4, 2022



## Faith Formation News

### Upcoming Parent Meetings

**2022-23 Level 2 Communion Informational Meeting:** Monday, June 27th at 5 p.m. in the large church

#### 2022-23 Level 1

**New Students Informational Meeting:** Monday, June 27th at 6 p.m. in the large church

#### 2022-23 Level 9

**Confirmation Informational Meeting:** Monday, June 27th, at 7 p.m. in the large church.

Onsite classes have ended, but Google Classrooms in Levels 1-9 will be accessible until June 30th. The Google Classrooms will be unavailable during the months of July and August as they are being updated for the new school year.

**Registration for the 2022-2023 Faith Formation Year** is now open on the parish website under the Faith Formation tab. Those already registered have been directed to a shorter form through a link sent in Remind. Preparation for 1st Holy Communion is a two-year process, beginning with parent & child meetings in grade 1 and continuing with classes in grade 2. A copy of the Baptismal certificate must be provided with each new registrant for our records.

**Contact:** The Faith Formation Office, now located in the large church, can be accessed by ringing the bell next to the front doors of the large church. The Faith Formation Office is open from 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday. The Faith Formation Office is closed on Fridays. Please call ahead to make an appointment, 631-363-6385 x 130.

## *Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak*

Freedom in servitude. That sounds like a contradiction in terms. How can servitude bring freedom? Well, it all depends on what or whom you choose to serve. Jesus promises us freedom if we choose to serve only Him. It's that word "only" which can make this decision particularly challenging. And this is the crux of all of today's scripture readings. When God calls, the response must be made with single-hearted commitment.

In our first reading from the first Book of Kings, the Lord tells the prophet Elijah to go and anoint Elisha as his successor. Elijah comes upon Elisha plowing with twelve yoke of oxen and throws his cloak over him. The Hebrew word translated as "cloak" here actually means "mantle" which was a particular kind of cloak worn by prophets. Elijah is endowing Elisha with his mantle of authority as a prophet of God. It is an invitation to join him in this vocation of service to God. Elisha says, "Please, let me kiss my father and mother goodbye, and I will follow you." Elijah answers, "Go back! Have I done anything to you?" We don't know whether Elijah's response was meant as permission or a rebuke for hesitation. Either way, Elijah wasn't going to force Elisha. He had extended God's invitation. The decision whether to accept it or not was completely up to Elisha. He responds by slaughtering the oxen, burning the plowing equipment for cooking fuel and giving it to his people to eat. He was demonstrating his complete commitment to following God's call.

In our reading from Luke's gospel, we hear of similar incidents. A man says to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus doesn't tell him not to follow Him. Rather, Jesus advises him to first count the cost. The man is well-intentioned but he didn't know what following Jesus would really mean. Jesus wants him to know the full extent of this commitment. It is going to be hard. Following Jesus means following Him where He goes and He is going to the cross. Jesus says to another, "Follow Me". This man says, "let me go first and bury my father". Jesus responds, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another says to Jesus, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." Jesus tells him, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." This can be a tough reading. It seems like Jesus is being callous and uncaring. Let me first bury my father. Let me say goodbye to my family. They sound like reasonable and even compassionate requests. Why does Jesus respond the way He does? The requests themselves are clearly not wrong or bad. It's the hesitation that Jesus warns against. Following Him was not going to be easy, to say the least. It will require total commitment.

Some biblical scholars have theorized that the man's father wasn't even dead yet. What he was really saying was "after my father is dead, I will come and follow you". At some future time. Not now. Later. Another possibility is that he wanted to fulfill the oldest son's duty to bury his father so he could inherit his wealth and property. Under Jewish custom, burying your dead could entail a mourning period of one year. Similarly, saying goodbye to friends and family and telling them you are leaving everything behind to follow some poor itinerant preacher, would probably not have gone over well. What are the odds that the man would have returned to follow Jesus? If he goes back, the lure of the comforts of home would probably induce him not to follow Jesus. Jesus says you can't look back. No second thoughts. No second guessing your commitment. You can't serve God with a divided heart or mixed loyalties. He wants His disciples to have a very clear picture of what they're signing up for. Like a U.S. Marine recruiter, Jesus is asking us, "do you have what it takes?"

In our second reading from his letter to the Galatians, Paul explains how this total commitment to follow Jesus makes us free. Free from sin. Free to live. Paul says, "For freedom, Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. For you were called for freedom". This is the meaning of Christian Freedom. If you want true freedom, the only source of it is Jesus. Jesus told the people, "If you make my word your home you will be my disciples, you will learn the truth and the truth shall make you free". When they protest that they have never been slaves to anyone, Jesus explains that "everyone who commits sin is a slave". The new law of freedom is more a personal encounter with God than it is a set of rules and regulations. But this personal relationship requires us to declare our total commitment to and reliance upon God. At first this doesn't sound like a modern definition of freedom. But we have to acknowledge we are powerless to break our bonds of oppression without God's help. Jesus says that a slave's place in the house is not assured. But "if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." (John 8:31-36) The invitation is offered but as in all our readings, the decision to RSVP in the affirmative is totally up to us. We are free to serve and by serving we are set free

### ***Memorial Bricks are still available for sale***

- Bricks are \$100 each
- Three lines with 14 characters per line
- Bricks are in front of the Mother Church
- Great way to memorialize a loved one

*Call the Rectory Office to have a form sent to your home or stop by during business hours.*



**For the month of July and August the mass schedule is as follows.**

**Saturday 5:00 PM Large Church**  
**Sunday 7:30 AM Large Church**  
**Sunday 10:00 AM Large Church**

This is a temporary change, only for the months of July and August.

### **HELP WANTED –**

Part-Time Custodial Position at St. Lawrence the Martyr, Sayville. Perform cleaning, facilities set-up, assistance to the staff, and other buildings & grounds maintenance activities for church and parish facilities. Cleaning duties include mopping, sweeping, dusting, vacuuming, cleaning bathrooms, trash removal, etc. Flexible early afternoon hours, 15 hours per week. If interested, call the Parish Office at (631) 589-0042. Thank you!

### **WHAT'S YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?**

#### **A Self-Assessment for Your Fun and Enlightenment!**

(Permission granted by Joe Paprocki, D.Min. and Catechist Magazine)

**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. On the liturgical calendar, Mary's birthday is celebrated on September 8 because...**

- (a) that date is nine months after the feast of the Immaculate Conception; (b) a pope wanted Mary's birthday celebrated on the date of his own birthday; (c) the Church needed a Marian feast in the fall; (d) none of the above

**2. The name Emmanuel means...**

- (a) Holy God, we praise thy name; (b) God is with us; (c) Savior of the world; (d) Hark the herald, angels sing

**3. The famous University of Notre Dame located outside South Bend, Indiana, was founded by...**

- (a) Peter Lombard; (b) John Neumann; (c) Francis Xavier; (d) Edward F. Sorin

**4. St. Nicholas (4th century) is the patron saint of...**

- (a) children; (b) sailors; (c) pawnbrokers; (d) all of the above

**5. Mohammed, prophet and founder of Islam, was born...**

- (a) in present-day Israel; (b) within 100 years of Jesus; (c) in the sixth century; (d) in the twelfth century

#### **Catholic IQ Answers:**

**1. a; 2. b; 3. d; 4. d; 5. c**

**PROCLAIM THE RIGHT TO LIFE FOR PREBORN INFANTS**

**FACE THE TRUTH PRO-LIFE EVENT**

SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2022; 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

LAKE GROVE - Route 347 (near Smith Haven Mall)

Pro-lifers are invited to join this peaceful public outreach

Signs available (Staples S/C, lot near road). Rain or shine.

Sponsored by Long Island Coalition for Life: 631-243-1435; [info@prolifeLI.org](mailto:info@prolifeLI.org).

