



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

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

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

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

***July 31, 2022 18th Sunday in Ordinary time  
If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts,***



### **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  
10:00 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:**

**August 3, 4:45 pm  
Mother Church**

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Monday - Thursday

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

**Director of Music:**

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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.

***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***



### **Pray for Our Sick**

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

**Joseph Brown**

### **In Sympathy**

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

## **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:

**Pasta Sauce**  
**Canned fruit**  
**Canned potatoes, carrots, peas and spinach**  
**Juice**  
**Mustard**  
**Mayonnaise**  
**shampoo**  
**Hair conditioner**  
**Deodorant**  
**Cleaning supplies**  
**Kitchen garbage bags**  
**Laundry detergent**  
**Dog and Cat food.**



*\*\*\*Staples and Target gift cards in any amount for back to school– Help a family*

All donations may be left outside the pantry doors in the large church before mass on 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.



*Altar Bread and Wine*  
*In Memory of*  
*Eugene F McAuley St*

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



## *Mass Intentions*

**Saturday July 30,**  
**5:00 PM Joseph Serafini †**  
**Jennifer Cooke-Mennella (living)**  
**Lou Consiglio (living)**

**Sunday July 31,**  
**7:30 AM Parishioners of OLS**  
**10:00 AM Theresa Marcello †**  
**Patricia Janetka †**

**Monday Aug 1, St. Liguori**  
**8:30 AM Michael Higgins †**

**Tuesday Aug 2, Ss Vercelli & Eymarci**  
**8:30 AM Carol McCluskey †**

**Wednesday Aug 3,**  
**8:30 AM John J. Funk Sr. †**

**Thursday Aug 4, St. Vianney**  
**8:30 AM Barbara Wells †**

**Friday Aug 5,**  
**8:30 AM John & Julia Macejka †**

**Saturday Aug 6,**  
**5:00 PM Eugene F McAuley Sr. †**  
**Melchor Garcia †**  
**Richard Dietz †**

**Sunday Aug 7,**  
**7:30 AM Parishioners of OLS**  
**10:00 AM Vincent Canevari †**  
**The Portuesi Family †**

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:**  
**\$ 5959**

Just a reminder the summer schedule is just temporary it will go back in September.

## 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. "Adeste Fidelis" is the Latin name for the popular Christmas carol...**  
(a) "O Come, All Ye Faithful"; (b) "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; (c) "Silent Night"; (d) "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"
- 2. The Church Father who single-handedly translated the Bible from its original Greek and Hebrew into Latin was Saint...**  
(a) Julian of Norwich; (b) Benedict; (c) Jerome; (d) Thomas More
- 3. The Dead Sea Scrolls were first discovered at Qumran in the...**  
(a) 1850s; (b) 1920s; (c) 1940s; (d) 1990s
- 4. The literal meaning of the word "Eucharist" is...**  
(a) faith; (b) hope; (c) thanksgiving; (d) generosity
- 5. The sign of the Blessed Sacrament is present in a tabernacle is...**  
(a) A red, burning lamp; (b) flowers; (c) candlesticks; (d) statues



**Catholic IQ Answers:**  
1. a; 2. c; 3. c; 4. c; 5. a

## Faith Formation News

Onsite classes have ended for the 2021-22 school year. Faith Formation Google Classrooms are currently 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.

Please note: The Faith Formation Office will be closed from July 25th through August 5th



## *Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak*

Who wants to be a millionaire?" The title of this classic television show really asks, "Who *wouldn't* want to be rich?" and presumes the answer is nobody. Jesus, however, has quite a different take on what being rich really means. In today's reading from Luke's gospel, someone in the crowd asks Jesus to tell their brother to share the inheritance with them. That seems like a reasonable request. The person was only asking for simple fairness. When I was a child, like most if not all children, I would utter that classic complaint, "That's not fair." My very wise Mother's response was always the same. "Life is unfair. The sooner you get used to it, the better." Yes, life is unfair. But have you ever noticed people only complain when unfairness results in them getting the short end of the stick? How many times have you heard someone say, "It's really unfair I have such a nice home when others are homeless"? Or "It's really unfair I was born in a nation that offers wealth and opportunity while others are born in countries with no chance at advancement".

The person complaining to Jesus about the way their brother treated them unfairly felt cheated out of their inheritance. How would we feel in their situation? Probably that we were the victims of a great injustice and would want it righted. Jesus replies, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" What I hear Jesus really asking is, "why do you come to Me with this petty monetary complaint when I offer you so much more?" God might very well ask us the same thing in response to what we ask for in prayer. He offers us the ultimate inheritance: to be His children. Yes, Jesus will be our ultimate judge but not over trivial earthly matters like money. Jesus warns the people to be on their guard against greed or avarice of any kind. The Greek word used here more accurately translates as the need to have more or covetousness, which is one of the sins in the ten commandments. Let's be honest. Our society doesn't rank covetousness as a major sin. It's not up there with stealing and murder. Many Christians consider other minor infractions of the Mosaic Law as far more serious sins than mere covetousness. Yet Jesus issues a stern warning against greed because it is an insidious threat to our immortal souls. We must be diligent because it can sneak up on us almost unseen. In direct contradiction to the 1980's Wall Street mantra, Jesus tells us that greed is unequivocally **not** good.

Jesus goes on to tell the parable of a man who has more grain than he can store. God has blessed him with many riches. So, what solution does he come up with for this dilemma? Does he decide to share this abundance with those in need? No, he decides to build bigger barns so he can keep it all for himself. Jesus tells us life is short and none of us knows when it will end. In our first reading from Ecclesiastes we read, "One who had labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property." Or one of the oldest iterations of "you can't take it with you". All these riches are not only temporary but also temptations to be greedy. That's why Jesus tells us to be on our guard. By the world's standards, the man was extremely praiseworthy and sensible. He worked hard and was successful. And he stored the grain in a secure place for the future. Today we would say he was following a wise and sound financial plan. But in God's eyes, he is neither praiseworthy nor sensible. God calls him a fool. He's hoarded what he had and did not put it at the disposal of the Kingdom. His plans were solely about himself and for this life only. He had more than he needed and did not even think about sharing it. He cared more about his earthly treasures than he cared about God.

In our second reading from his letter to the Colossians, Paul writes, "If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." Jesus says, "one's life does not consist of possessions." There is no secure place to store these earthly riches. In Germany during the 1930's there were many captains of industry who owned large companies. They were rich and successful and thought they were running things. Hitler and the Nazis came to power and nationalized their companies. Everything was lost in a day. In our gospel story, the man's mistake wasn't being successful or even having riches. God often blessed His favorites like Abraham, Jacob and David with earthly treasure. Rather his mistake was first, thinking he had done it all himself and two, deciding to hoard it for himself rather than sharing it or doing good things with it. He thought he had plenty of time to enjoy his wealth. Instead, the demand for his soul was made that very night. Jesus finishes by saying, "Thus it will be for all who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." To be rich in the way of the world is temporary. To be rich in the sight of God is eternal. So, the real question isn't "do we want to be rich?" but "how do we want to be rich?" It is only through God's grace (which is an undeserved favor) that we receive our Heavenly inheritance. Now that's more than fair!

*Please Join Us*  
*4pm - 7pm in the Mother Church*



***First Friday Adoration***  
**Starting August 5, 2022**  
**and continuing every First Friday of each month.**

“Mary has Chosen the Better Part”

We are extending an invitation for everyone to take some time to sit before the Blessed Sacrament and quietly rest in the Peace of Christ. What a wonderful way to offer your Pains and Joys to the Lord, to give Thanks, and... to listen to His voice.

“God always speaks to you, when you approach Him plainly and simply.”

Please join us... for an hour, or simply a few minutes of quiet prayer and meditation.

**Our Lady of the Snow  
Golf Outing  
Tuesday , October 4, 2022  
Rockhill Golf and Country club  
*Come play Golf or  
just come for Dinner!!!!***

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Church Golf  
Tournament**

