



Our Lady of the Snow

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

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Rev. Kevin M. Smith, Pastor

*September 18, 2022 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor*

Catechetical Sunday



*Thank you, to all who give their time
and talent to teach our children the faith.*

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

First Friday Adoration 4-7

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:

Sept 20, 4:45 pm
Mother Church

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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....

Lou Consiglio

In Sympathy

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

Queen Elizabeth II

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

1 in 10 people on Long Island are suffering from food insecurity. Thank you for helping your neighbors in need in our community.

Our current food pantry needs are:

Canned Chicken
Canned potatoes
Canned Fruit
stew
Juice
Mustard
Mayonnaise
Pancake mix & syrup
Bar soap
Shampoo & Conditioner
Cleaning supplies
Kitchen Garbage Bags
Paper Towels
Cat and Dog food



******Please check expiration dates before donating******

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 during our hours, Monday—Thursday 10:00 am—1:00 pm.

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

THANK YOU!!!!

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
\$ 8312**



*Altar Bread and Wine
In Memory of
Louis Undt & Gary Undt Jr.*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church
In Memory of
Louis Undt & Gary Undt Jr.*



Mass Intentions

Saturday	Sept 17,
5:00 PM	Deacon Robert Gronenthal † Richard & Shirley Dietz †♥ Les Tremper † Kathleen Bennett †
Sunday	Sept 18,
7:30 AM	Parishioners of OLS
9:00 AM	Rosario Marcello †
11:00 AM	Sally Lynch †
Monday	Sept 19, St Januarius
8:30 AM	Giuseppina Sblendorio †
Tuesday	Sept 20, Ss Tae-gon, Ha-sang
8:30 AM	Carol & Bob Gallagher †
Wednesday	Sept 21, St Matthew
8:30 AM	Christopher Coluccio †
Thursday	Sept 22,
8:30 AM	Deacon Robert Gronenthal †
Friday	Sept 23,
8:30 AM	Kathryn Scottaline †
Saturday	Sept 24,
5:00 PM	Valentino & Philomena Simone † Deacon Robert Gronenthal † Richard Hansen (living)
Sunday	Sept 25,
7:30 AM	Parishioners of OLS
9:00 AM	Deacon Robert Gronenthal †
11:00 AM	Charles Mintzer †

Important Diocese of Rockville Centre Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>



FAITH FORMATION

Catechetical Sunday & Confirmation Enrollment Mass

September 18th- Catechetical Sunday at the 11 a.m. Mass. All catechists will be recognized for their service with a special blessing. Those serving 5 years will receive DRVC awards. Catechists' lessons and class rosters will be available at the Mass. Level 9 students will also be highlighted at this Mass, and we will pray for them as they begin the last year of their journey towards Confirmation.

Fall Family Masses

Mass attendance will be re-emphasized this year as we try to build up a sense of community again, and teach our children to focus on the source and summit of our Christian life: The Eucharist. We will be beginning to highlight classes, and as the months progress, student work, at Family Masses.

Upcoming Important Dates:

October 2- Level 1 Family Mass, 11 a.m.

October 9- Levels 3 & 4 Family Mass, 11 a.m. AND Rosary Coast to Coast at Corey Beach, 4:30 p.m. (A Family Rosary/All parishioners are invited)

Catechetical Service Awards for 10+ Years October 16- 2 p.m. An additional DRVC Catechetical Awards Mass for those serving 10+ years will be held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Patchogue, (by invitation).

2022-23 Onsite Classes Classes begin the week of October 17th. See the schedule linked on our parish website for level- specific times/dates.

Oct. 23- Levels 5 & 6 Family Mass, 11 a.m.

October 30- Levels 2&3 Saint Parade at Family Mass, 11 a.m. Students in Levels 2 and 3 are encouraged to come to Mass dressed as a Saint. Catechists of levels 2-3 are welcome to participate.

Home Study Students- Directions for signing into our Google Classrooms is posted under the Faith Formation tab on our parish website. Lessons will begin online October 1st.

Level 9 Google Classroom- All Level 9 students must be signed into Level 9 Google Classroom to complete forms and projects, while also attending onsite class.

Faith Formation Contact: The Faith Formation Office is located in the Large Church and can be accessed by pressing the Ring to the left of the front doors of the Large Church. The Office is open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays. Please call ahead to make an appointment with FF Director, Loren Christie, before stopping by. Loren can be reached at 631-363-6385 x 130.

Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak

“We are living in a material world”. These lyrics from the Madonna song accurately describe our human existence on this earth. Today’s readings are all about how we should act (and how we should not) in this material world. In our first reading from the prophet Amos, God displays great displeasure with those who would destroy His creation, cheat their neighbors and take advantage of the poor. Most Biblical scholars date the writing of this book around 750 BC, making Amos probably the oldest of the prophetic books of the Bible. His major topics are social justice and God’s righteous punishment of those who ignore it. 2,772 years later it seems that many people in our world today could benefit from reading Amos’ lessons on living in a material world. It doesn’t appear that we’ve learned all that much in two and three quarter centuries.

In our second reading, Saint Paul gives Timothy some first century socio-political advice about living in a material world. Paul asks that “supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority”. To appreciate what an astounding request this was, we have to remember that the people “in authority” were the hated Roman empire. They were a conquering and occupying force that extorted and harassed their subjects. They should give thanks for them? But Paul says this is pleasing to God because He “wills everyone to be saved”. Even political enemies? Yes. Paul says in every place men should pray together “without anger or argument”. Once again, what have we learned in 2000 years? How many Republicans would pray for and give thanks for a Democratic President or vice versa? How many Christians see nothing wrong with treating their brethren with “anger and argument” to the point of ostracization. We have to live in this world but we must not be conformed by it. We are supposed to be Christ-like and united in Him.

Jesus’ parable in our reading from Luke’s gospel is the ultimate lesson on how we are to deal with material earthly things. He tells the story of a steward who was reported for squandering his master’s property. He’s fired and worries how he can possibly make a living. He’s not strong enough for manual labor and he’s too proud to beg. What to do? He comes up with a brilliant scheme. He calls in his master’s debtors and has them falsify their bonds for less than what they really owe. He figures this way they will welcome him into their home when he is without income. The master commended the dishonest steward for acting prudently. How’s that again? Today, we would call what he did embezzlement. He’s worthy of praise? It’s important to make the distinction that the master praises the steward for his astuteness and not his dishonesty. The Greek word used here is *phronimōs* which translates as “shrewdly” or “sensibly” but not righteously. Jesus says, “For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light.”

Jesus advises them to “make friends for yourselves with dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.” Use the things of this world to ensure that you will be welcomed in the next. Welcomed by whom? Who will occupy these eternal dwellings and do the welcoming? Jesus said, “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.” (Luke 6:20) That seems clear enough. If the Kingdom of God belongs to the poor then that’s who we need to welcome us into Heaven. Jesus is telling us to use our wealth, which will ultimately fail, to take care of and make friends with the disadvantaged and they will welcome us into the Kingdom of God. Going back to the parable, just what was the steward’s offense for which he was dismissed? It was for squandering his master’s property. This is the second gospel in a row where we hear about people squandering. Last week we heard about the prodigal son squandering his inheritance. All of Jesus’ parables are timeless and meant to have direct implications for us.

What is our inheritance or our Master’s property we might be squandering? The answer is everything God has given to us. Our time, our talents and our treasure. Are we putting them all at the disposal of the Kingdom or are we hoarding them solely for our own selfish desires? Jesus says, “If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?” What is this true wealth? It’s God Himself. Jesus states unequivocally we cannot serve two masters: both God and money. Whom do we serve? As the Prodigal Son discovered, money will eventually run out but God’s love never does. When put that way, it seems like a pretty easy choice doesn’t it? Jesus counseled His disciples on the wise use of money. He tells them to use money, tainted as it is. Jesus is telling them that you can make money your servant but you can’t make it your master. Many have that equation reversed. They think God is their servant and treat money as their master. We do live in a material world but only for a short time. We need to stay focused on the better world a coming.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

BLOOD DRIVE

OUR LADY OF THE SNOW RC CHURCH
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3RD
10:30 AM - 7:30 PM

The Mother Church Basement

175 Blue Point Ave. Blue Point, NY 11715

Appointments Preferred
Walk-ins welcome if capacity permits

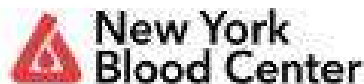
For more information, or to schedule an appointment:

- **Contact Parish Outreach: 631-363-2417**
- **Call 1.800.933.2566**
- **[CLICK HERE TO MAKE APPOINTMENT!](#)**
- **Or scan the QR code with your phone and enter zip code-11715**

Please have your donor ID # available if you have one



Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo. Masks are optional for donors and staff. For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, please visit nybc.org/coronavirus.



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Wedding Banns

Sean Peden & Erin Dougherty

Michael Ingargioila & Nicole Rapetti

Our Lady of the Snow Golf Outing

We are selling 50/50 raffle tickets after ever mass until the Golf outing on October 8, 2022, the Pot is already **over \$300**. You do not have to be present to win, but you are welcome to join us for a game of golf or just come for the Lobster dinner. Please stop by the rectory office, see one of the committee members after mass or check our website if you need more information. We are honoring Ernst Smith at this Golf Event.

