



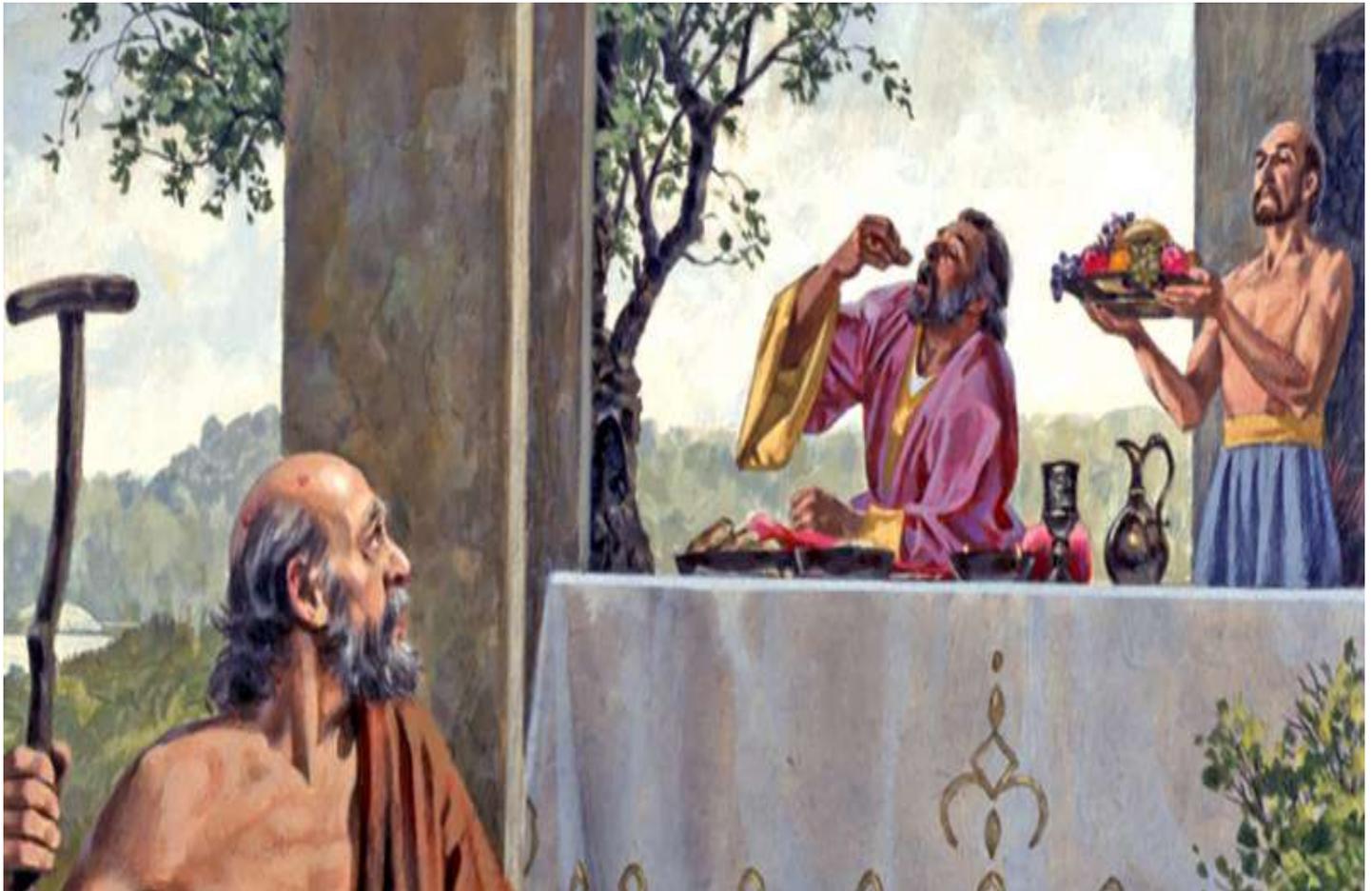
Our Lady of the Snow

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

Telephone: 631-363-6385

Rev. Kevin M. Smith, Pastor

*September 25, 2022 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Praise the Lord my soul*



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 28, 4:45 pm
Mother Church

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Monday - Thursday

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

Director of Music:

Mrs. Theresa Martin

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

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

OUR STAFF

Pray for Our Sick

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

Lou Consiglio

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...

Richard Fehn, Antoinette Buscemi & Walter Bryan

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:

- Stew
- Juice
- Oatmeal
- Canned Chicken
- Crackers
- Pancake mix & syrup
- Bar soap
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Cleaning supplies
- Kitchen Garbage Bags
- Paper Towels
- Laundry detergent
- 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.

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
\$ 7727**



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.*

A Respect Life-themed Mass is being held at St. Francis De Sales Church, 7 Amity Street, Patchogue, celebrated by Bishop Coyle at 11 a.m., Saturday, October 1st.



Mass Intentions

Saturday Sept 24,
5:00 PM Valentino & Philomeno 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 †

Monday Sept 26, St Cosmas & Damian
8:30 AM John Bernich †

Tuesday Sept 27, St Vincent de Paul
8:30 AM Sister Jamie †

Wednesday Sept 28,
8:30 AM Luke Patrick Morgan †

Thursday Sept 29, St Michael & Raphael
8:30 AM Brigitte Horstmann †

Friday Sept 30, St Jerome
8:30 AM Rosemary Sblendorio †

Saturday Oct 1,
5:00 PM Deacon Robert Gronenthal †

Sunday Oct 2, ,
7:30 AM Brigitte Horstmann †
9:00 AM Parishioners of OLS
11:00 AM Thomas Huggins †

Wedding Banns
Sean Peden & Erin Dougherty
Michael Ingargioila & Nicole Rapetti

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.

Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak

Less is more. Whereas we hear that saying often, how many really believe it? Most people in our secular, consumer driven society would say that “more is more”. Whoever dies with the most toys wins, right? Or do they? Today’s readings clearly teach us that excess self-indulgence at the expense of sharing with those in need can have dire consequences for our immortal souls. At the time of our first reading from the Book of Amos, the Kingdom of Israel was enjoying a time of peace and great prosperity. God calls them to task for being singularly focused on satisfying their own desires. They have become lazy, gluttonous and self-indulgent. God tells the leaders of the Israelites that because they put themselves first, “they shall be the first to go into exile” when Israel is conquered by the Assyrians.

In our reading from Luke’s gospel, we hear the story of the rich man and Lazarus. The rich man is dressed in fine clothes and feasted sumptuously every day. “And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man’s table.” Notice how clever Jesus’ imagery is here. The rich man would have to literally step over Lazarus to leave or enter his home. Jesus is pointing out that he couldn’t possibly have failed to have seen him. A few weeks ago, we read the story of the Good Samaritan. We heard about a priest and a Levite who saw the injured man beaten by robbers but passed on without helping. Like them, the rich man saw a fellow human in dire need and made a conscious decision to do nothing. He had free will and he made his choice. He didn’t even go so far as to share the scraps of his food with Lazarus.

Jesus’ parables aren’t simple stories about some fictional characters. They are illustrative of our relationship with God. He’s talking about God and about you and me. Usually there is a character in the story that represents God and one or more that represents us. There are two people in this parable that could represent us. While some may or may not identify with Lazarus, very few would probably see themselves in the place of the rich man. Many in our society have all they need and more than their share of luxury items. But is that enough? No. Our culture tells us we should constantly want more. One home isn’t sufficient when you can have two or three. When what you drive says so much about your status, an environmentally friendly compact car can’t suffice. You need an expensive luxury automobile. No, not need, you deserve it! And for all this excess, how many truly happy people do we know? Isn’t that the final irony? We are making ourselves miserable on the road to hell. We have blundered by equating happiness with being rich, famous and powerful.

We recently noted that Old Testament reasoning presented a God who blessed the righteous and punished sinners. In this paradigm, rich people were holy and poor people were sinners. By this reckoning, the rich man would have been considered virtuous and Lazarus guilty. Yet it is Lazarus who goes to Heaven and the rich man who goes to Hell. Jesus’ message of grace and mercy rejects the old way of thinking. In his inaugural sermon, Jesus declares that he has been anointed by the Spirit of the Lord “to bring good news to the poor”. (Luke 4:18) In the beatitudes Jesus says, “Blessed are you who are poor”. (Luke 6:20) He also said, “some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.” (Luke 13:30) So what is the right course of action for us all? Do we, like Saint Francis of Assisi, have to take a vow of poverty? Not necessarily. Not if we’re willing to use what God has blessed us with in the right way. In a recent gospel passage we heard Jesus say, “Much will be required of the person entrusted with much”. (Luke 12:48).

It’s as if God is asking us, “I’ve given you all these riches. Now what are you going to do with them?” Many would respond, “I’m going to enjoy them and spend it on myself. After all, God gave me all these things because I’m a good person and He loves me.” Or, even worse logic, “I earned it all by myself, so why shouldn’t I enjoy it?” But if we start with the idea that all we have is a gift from God, we get back to asking, “what does He expect of us?” This parable closely parallels Jesus’ story of the Last Judgment from Matthew 25:31-46. God asks what was accomplished with His blessings. Did you feed the hungry? Welcome the stranger? Clothe the naked? Visit the sick and imprisoned? Notice both parables say that judgement will be assessed not on the sins we committed but on the good works we *omitted*. Not on what was done but on what we failed to do. Excessive self-indulgence cannot be compatible with being Jesus’ disciple. When God makes us prosperous, we have an obligation to use what He gives us in a way that glorifies Him. Less is indeed more. As the Glen Campbell song lyrics say, we need to “Think a little more of others and a little less of me.”

Faith Formation Upcoming Important Dates:

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)

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.



Our Lady of the Snow Church

Rosary Coast to Coast Prayer Event

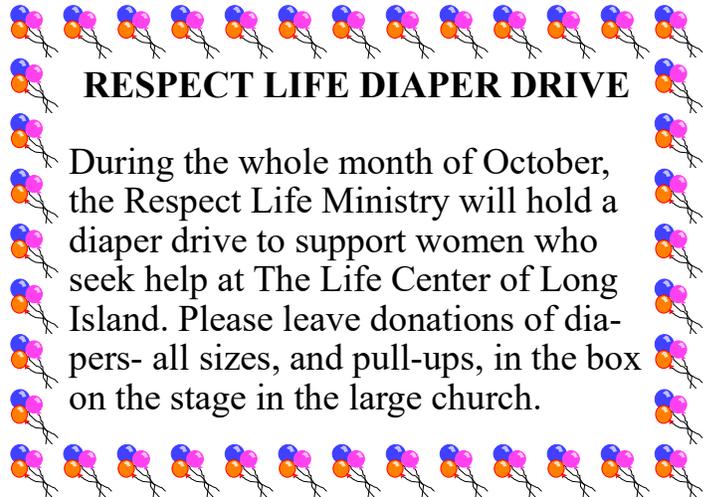
Sunday, October 9th, 2022

4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

Corey Beach, Blue Point, NY.

(at the gazebo)

Join our parish family and Americans across the country as we pray a Rosary for our nation. Bring: a lawn chair and a Rosary.



RESPECT LIFE DIAPER DRIVE

During the whole month of October, the Respect Life Ministry will hold a diaper drive to support women who seek help at The Life Center of Long Island. Please leave donations of diapers- all sizes, and pull-ups, in the box on the stage in the large church.

Our Lady of the Snow Golf Outing

We are selling 50/50 raffle tickets after every 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.

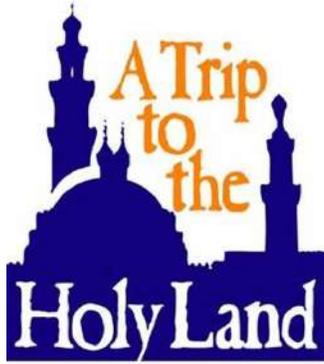
We're looking for Volunteers and Facilitators for the following Ministries

***RCIA , Altar Guild, Lectors
Pre-Cana Couples, Youth Ministry
Senior Social, Altar Servers
Baptism Couples***

If interested, please contact Deacon Ed
Also, Let us know If you have any recommendations for other Ministries you would like to see initiated here at Our Lady of the Snow.

Thanks

Catholic Pilgrimage
to Fatima/Lourdes and Barcelona
March 13-15, 2023,
\$4299 with air from JFK .
Daily Mass,
Breakfast and Dinner included.
Father Thomas McNamara, OFM Cap
Spiritual Director



For more
information
or flyer call
Mike Milano
631-569-2620

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>

**Church Golf Outing
October 2, 2022
Rockhill Golf and Country Club
Spots are filling up, if you want to
play contact the Rectory office
ASAP.**