

# Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

## Sunday:

8:00 am, (Livestreamed Multi-Intention Mass),  
10:00 am (Family Mass), 12:00 pm (Choir Mass),  
5:15 pm (Contemporary Music Mass)

## Weekday Mornings:

7:30 am and 9:00 am (Livestreamed)

## Weeknight Mass:

Monday, 7:30 pm (No 7:30 pm mass on civil  
Holidays)  
Monday Vigil before Tuesday Holy Day 4:00 pm Mass

## Saturday Mornings:

8:00 am (Livestreamed)

## Confessions (Reconciliation):

Weekdays following 9:00 am mass and  
Saturdays between 4:00-5:00 pm

## Weekly Holy Hours:

Monday, 8:00pm - Thursday, 8:00 am

## Weekly Rosary:

Monday, 7:00pm

# Pastoral Team

## PASTOR:

Rev. Gerard Gentleman

## ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Frank Zero  
Rev. Michael Iroh, CM

## DEACONS

Dcn. Sean Cotter  
Dcn. Thomas Elliott  
Dcn. Michael Gambardella  
Dcn. Francis B. McGuinness

## COORDINATOR OF EVANGELIZATION

Thomas Griffin, Pastoral Associate

## YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

JT Parker, Five Loaves Ministries

## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Gracemarie Rozea, Coordinator

## MUSIC MINISTRY

John Buckel, Director of Music

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Ann Hedgis, Co-Coordinator  
Sr. Carol Radosti, OP, Co-Coordinator

## PASTORAL LIFE

Barbara Pope, Coordinator

## SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Brian Jensen

## SOCIAL MEDIA

[www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)  
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YouTube, St.Rose R.C Church  
[www.stroseschool.net](http://www.stroseschool.net)



B U L L E T I N

# St. Rose Of Lima Catholic Church

Sunday, May 17, 2026

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**Welcome to our Faithful Parishioners and All Those who may be 'Just Visiting'**

Jesus washed the feet of his apostles at the Last Supper as a sign of loving service, instructing them "as I have done this to you so must you do for one another." We as a family of faith strive to live this commandment of love in doing all that we can to welcome you as we invite you to be an active member of this community.

**Welcome new parishioners!** If you are new to our parish, I invite you to introduce yourself to me or any of the other priests after Sunday Mass. Even though we are a large parish, we make every effort to come to know you and your family personally so that we may be better able to serve you. If you would like to register, please see the Welcome section on the homepage of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) for details.

- Fr. Gerard

**PHONE NUMBERS**

- Rectory.....798-4992
- Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-8:00 pm;
- Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm; closed for lunch, 1-2:15 weekdays;
- Saturday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm
- Rectory Fax.....795-7836
- Parish Outreach Office.....798-4954
- School Office.....541-1546
- (4704 Merrick Road, Massapequa)
- Office of Faith Formation.....541-1712
- Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
- (located next to Outreach, in Convent)
- Youth Ministry.....798-4992
- CYO.....709-0260

**SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM:** Congratulations on the birth of your child! Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 2:00 pm in the Church; other times may be available. Requirements: an initial interview with a priest or deacon; a Baptism preparation course; a copy of your child's birth certificate and Sponsor Certificate(s). Please go to the Baptism section of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) under Sacraments for full details and a fillable form required to get started.

**RECONCILIATION:** Come and experience God's mercy. Saturdays 4:00-5:00 pm; Monday-Friday after the 9:00 am Mass or by appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** Congratulations on your engagement! To begin your journey, please go to the Marriage section of our website ([www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)) under Sacraments for full details and a fillable Registration Form used to schedule an appointment with a priest or deacon. No date for a wedding will be set by phone. Couples must make arrangements in person at least six months in advance, and only after all consultations are complete. It is recommended that you set your date with the church before you contract with a caterer.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

**(OCIA):** Formerly known as RCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults who are not baptized, baptized in another denomination or those who are not fully initiated, become members of the Roman Catholic Church. For information, call the rectory at 516-798-4992 or email Deacon Tommy Elliott at [tommy9.6deacon@gmail.com](mailto:tommy9.6deacon@gmail.com).

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

- Mon., 5/18 St. John I, Pope and Martyr**  
7:30 Mary Conlon  
9:00 Grace Plank  
7:30 For All Those Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
- Tue., 5/19 Easter Weekday**  
7:30 Michael Barrett  
9:00 Louis Speroni
- Wed., 5/20 St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest**  
7:30 John Miro  
9:00 Olympia DeLucia
- Thu., 5/21 St. Christopher Magallianes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs**  
7:30 Al & Jeanne Peterson  
9:00 Adam Spicciatie
- Fri., 5/22 St. Rita of Cascia, Religious**  
7:30 John McMahon  
9:00 Margaret Patella
- Sat., 5/23 Easter Weekday**  
8:00 Michael Felice, Melissa Xenakis, Joseph Bernieri, Giuseppe Giliberti, Patricia Lambrakis, For the Intention of Julianne Rose Al.
- Sat., 5/23 Vigil: Pentecost Sunday**  
5:15 Mass for the People
- Sun., 5/24 Pentecost Sunday**  
8:00 Justin Fusco, Augustine Occhino, Ida & Joseph Caiazzo, Mary DeMichele, Joseph Clowe, Francesca, Belen & Lucia Cid  
10:00 Liam Gleason  
12:00 Dennis Molloy  
5:15 Frank Tricola





## ...from Fr. Gerard

*One thing I ask of the LORD; this I seek: to dwell in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life.*

A common conversation starter is the question, “What is your favorite movie?” Lots of films run through my head when that question is posed to me. One answer that I often give is not necessarily an obvious or even well-known one. I regard “City Slickers,” a film starring Billy Crystal and the late Jack Palance, as a favorite because when it was released in June of 1991, I was in a transitional moment in my life. I had graduated college a year earlier and was about to enter the Seminary, and the movie articulated an essential question for me.

In the film, an unhappy city dweller named Mitch had reached middle age and felt something was absent in his life. As a result, he and his friends decide to go on a real cattle drive in a search for what was missing. On the cattle drive, Mitch encounters Curly, a real life, crusty old cowboy. Knowing of Mitch's search for meaning, Curly gives the following advice:

**Curly:** Do you know what the secret of life is? [*holds up one finger*] This.

**Mitch:** Your finger?

**Curly:** One thing. Just one thing. You stick to that, and the rest don't mean anything.

**Mitch:** But what is the “one thing?”

**Curly:** [*smiles*] That's what you have to find out.

I won't go any further in telling the story of the movie. I encourage you to watch it yourself. This dialogue between Curly and Mitch is what makes the film a favorite.

**What is the one thing that makes you happy?** In our Christian context, happiness is not a feeling but an experience. It is the experience of being immersed in God. When Jesus offers the Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount, he is offering a path to happiness. The Beatitudes teach that the Christian life is about detaching oneself from sin, seeking the good and, as much as possible in this life, immersing oneself in the Kingdom of God.

And so, the psalmist speaks for us today. "**ONE THING I ask of the Lord; this I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**" When I was ordained a priest, I chose these words for the prayer card that I distributed as I offered my first blessings. I have kept this passage as a personal motto and have referred to it many times in my own prayer, particularly in difficult moments. What is the one thing I want? What is the one thing that will bring me the peace, joy and consolation that I seek? It is the knowledge that I am living in God's house, in God's presence and in his love here and now, and at the end of my earthly life will have the opportunity to live eternally in Him.

To live in the house of the Lord is not necessarily about being in a physical structure but literally living within God. Saint Augustine of Hippo famously states, "*Our hearts are restless until they rest in You.*" Our hearts are restless, and the most important response to that restlessness is to take a few quiet moments to dwell within God. When we stick to that “one thing,” the rest, Curly says, don't mean anything.

**TO BE IN GOD'S HOUSE - THE CHURCH** – Six years ago, the words of the psalmist took on a new context when for over three months we could not go to church because of the quarantine precautions of the Coronavirus pandemic. We long to be in God's house, our churches, celebrating Holy Mass and the other sacraments. When we returned, I observed a newfound reverence among the faithful. Being deprived of the opportunity to be in God's house was painful and we realized that we had taken for granted the opportunity to be in a sacred dwelling place.

Now six years later, I see the need to examine our respect for “God's House.” Palm Sunday, Easter and these weeks of First Communion celebrations, with many visitors, magnify the loss of appreciation and respect for sacred space. But it is not just the occasional visitor who needs to be challenged; it begins with each of us. When we come into God's house, it is not the moment to engage in lengthy conversation with others. Every other part of our lives is noisy – the privileged time in church should not be. Children will be noisy, and we expect that from them. Older children and adults, however, owe it to each other to recognize the need for sacred silence. Let us help each other to enter God's house with reverent silence, resist the temptation to talk and instead prepare ourselves to encounter Him at Holy Mass.





**REMEMBERING LOVED ONES**

*Items available weekly in memory of or in honor of a loved one:*

<b>Tabernacle Flowers (2 arrangements) .....</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>
<b>Blessed Mother Flowers.....</b>	<b>\$ 65.00</b>
<b>St. Joseph Flowers.....</b>	<b>\$ 65.00</b>
<b>WEEKEND Bread &amp; Wine.....</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>
<b>WEEKDAY Bread &amp; Wine.....</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>
<b>Sanctuary Lamp.....</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>
<b>Altar Candles.....</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>
<b>Processional Candles.....</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>

*Please stop into the rectory to purchase these items. An acknowledgement of your offering will appear in the bulletin and an attractive certificate will be prepared for you to give as a keepsake if requested.*

***Welcome to the Newly-Baptized***



*Emilia Barbara Cama  
George John Gorman*



***Wedding Banns***

**1st Time**

*Michael Comens, Lindenhurst, NY &  
Kerri Sayrafe, St. Rose of Lima  
Chris Watson & Kristie Watson,  
both of St. Rose of Lima  
Alejandro Negro & Stephanie Prisco,  
both of St. Rose of Lima*

**2nd Time**

*Ryan Kirby, St. Rose of Lima &  
Kaitlyn Kalendek, Holy Spirit, Union, NJ  
Robert Heicklen, Great Neck, NY &  
Marla Cohen, St. Rose of Lima*

**3rd Time**

*Sean Nealis, St. Rose of Lima &  
Madison Heft, St. Bernard of Clairvaux,  
Bridgewater, NJ*

***In Your Prayers, Remember the Sick...***

*Theresa Anderson  
Grace Beneventano  
Evelyn Frasca  
Joanne Leone  
Monika Nowak  
Richard Strick, Jr.  
Jeff Zero*

***Please Pray for the Souls of the Recently Deceased***

*Joseph Desio  
Robert Simons*



**Here's What's Happening at St. Rose**

**AA** - Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center

**Alanon** - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Meeting Room

**Charismatic Prayer** - Wednesdays at 3:15 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Meeting Room

**My Club** - Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30 pm. For questions, call Diane at 516-799-5154 or Carmela at 914-565-2440.

**Retired Friends** - Thursday, May 21 at 12:30 pm in the Fr. Graham Center Meeting Room

**Rosary** - The rosary will be prayed every Monday evening at 7:00 pm, prior to the 7:30 pm Mass.



**5/10/2026**

\$15,028.00  
15,453.00 ParishSOFT  
\$30,481.00

**5/11/2025**

\$19,940.00  
12,431.00 ParishSOFT  
\$32,371.00



**Caring for the sick ~ Love in Motion**

**Respect Life ~ Prayer and Action**



Welcome to  
*Online Giving!*

Join so many of our parishioners with the ease of online giving. It's simple, it's flexible and you are in control. "ParishSOFT" offers electronic funds transfer (EFT) from your savings or checking accounts as well as credit card (VISA, MC, AMEX, Discover) and debit card solutions for your offertory and second collections.

For those of you interested in joining the program, please visit our website at [www.srochurch.org](http://www.srochurch.org) and click on "ways to Give" in the middle of the page. It will bring you to "Donate Online."

If you have any questions, please call Linda McMahon in the rectory at 516-798-4992, ext. 266.



**JT Parker**

[fiveloavesministries.org](http://fiveloavesministries.org)

**FIVE LOAVES**

**MINISTRIES**

- EST. 2025 -

A ministry serving High School, College and Twenty-something St. Rose Parishioners

For more information contact: [jt@fiveloavesmin.org](mailto:jt@fiveloavesmin.org)



### St. Rose of Lima Parish Outreach PANTRY HOURS

Monday - Wednesday 10 am-2 pm  
Thursday 10 am-12 pm

*Flowers always make people better, happier,  
and more helpful, they are sunshine, food  
and medicine for the soul.* - Luther Burbank

#### The pantry is starting to run low on these items:

- Juice Bottles & Boxes
- Coffee (10-13oz.)
- Pasta Sides
- Mustard & Mayo
- Pancake Syrup
- Canned Yams (small)
- Cranberry Sauce (whole & jellied)
- Sugar (1-2 lb.)
- Canned Whole White Potatoes
- Salt/Flour
- Tomato Puree
- Canned Mandarin Oranges
- Chicken Stuffing
- Gravy (chicken)
- Brownie Mix
- Snack Size Chips
- Tissues
- Dish Detergent
- Laundry Detergent (30-31 oz.)

Donations of food store gift cards are always welcomed!

Outreach assists those living within the St. Rose of Lima parish boundaries who are experiencing difficulties. Please call Outreach at 516-798-4954. All calls are confidential.

Thank you for loving your Neighbor.

### OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday,  
9am - 2pm

Phone: 516-541-1712

E-mail: [religioused@srolchurch.org](mailto:religioused@srolchurch.org)

Website: [www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)

Facebook: St. Rose of Lima Office of Faith Formation



### FAITH FORMATION

#### GRADE LEVEL MASSES

##### MAY 24 - PENTECOST

4TH & 5TH GRADE AT 10:00 AM  
7TH GRADE AT 5:15 PM

##### MAY 31

3RD GRADE AT 10:00 AM  
6TH GRADE AT 5:15 PM

##### JUNE 7

2ND GRADE AT 10:00 AM  
8TH GRADE AT 5:15 PM

#### 2026-27 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

##### STANDARD RATE REGISTRATION FEES IN EFFECT!

REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR THE 2026-2027 FORMATION YEAR HAS BEEN EMAILED TO ALL FAMILIES CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM. VISIT THE PARISH WEBSITE AND LOOK FOR THE REGISTRATION LINK BY CLICKING 'DONATE ONLINE' IN THE UPPER RIGHTHAND CORNER OF THE HOME PAGE.

##### STANDARD RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1 CHILD \$230, 2 CHILDREN \$300, 3 OR MORE CHILDREN \$340  
CATECHIST DISCOUNT \$50.

#### 7TH GRADE MAKE-UP INTERVIEWS

TUESDAY, MAY 19TH AT 7:00 PM IN THE RECTORY MEETING ROOM (THE DOOR TO THE RECTORY IS TO THE LEFT OF THE 4 BAY GARAGE). A REMINDER EMAIL WITH INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT THE DAY BEFORE.

#### INCOMING 7TH & 8TH GRADE PARENT/STUDENT MANDATORY MEETING

WED., JUNE 3RD AT 5:00 PM & 6:30 PM IN THE CHURCH. PLEASE ATTEND THE SESSION OF YOUR CHOICE. INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED REGARDING 7TH & 8TH GRADE REQUIREMENTS & A PACKET WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO EACH STUDENT.

##### \*\*CATECHISTS (Teachers) NEEDED!\*\*

WE ARE IN NEED OF CATECHISTS FOR OUR SCHOOL PROGRAM ON TUESDAYS FOR GRADE 8 AND SPECIAL NEEDS. PLEASE CONTACT GRACE IN THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION AT [GRACER@SROLCHURCH.ORG](mailto:GRACER@SROLCHURCH.ORG) FOR MORE INFORMATION.



THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION WILL BE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 25TH, AND REOPEN TUESDAY, MAY 26TH.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH PRESENTS

# FESTIVAL CHOIR CONCERT



Join us for a concert featuring over 120 singers from parishes across the Diocese, joining our choirs, bell ensembles, and brass quartet, with organ. Works include the Vivaldi, GLORIA, Hymn concertatos, Children's Choir anthems, Bell selections, and a special tribute to America's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.



17  
MAY 2026  
3:30pm

Conductor, Mr. Terence Purtell  
*Music Director: Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon*  
Organist, Mr. John Buckel  
*Music Director: St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa*  
Children's Choir Director, Mrs. Diane Griffin  
Music Associate/Cantor, Mr. Matthew Bayen  
*Music Director: Our Lady of Lourdes, Massapequa Park*

Our first Festival Choir collaboration, Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of "Our Lady of Grace Choir" in West Babylon!

Our second combined Spring Concert with the St. Rose and Our Lady of Lourdes Choirs of the Massapequas!

2 Bayview Ave, Massapequa, New York 11758

[www.srolchurch.org](http://www.srolchurch.org)

# Handmade Rosary Keychain Sale



## A Rosary Society Fundraiser

Supplying 400 Handcrafted Rosaries  
Gifting First Holy Communicants & Pre-Cana Couples

Each bead a prayer 🌹 Each Rosary a blessing  
Each gift handmade with love & devotion

Help us place a Rosary in every young heart & in every new marriage



*St. Rose of Lima: Parish Holy Hour*

# ENCOUNTERING THE RISEN LORD

Wednesday, May 20th

7:30PM in the Church

Reflection by Deacon Sean  
Live Music by Stephanie Muhs

*Candlelit Prayer, Eucharistic Adoration: A Powerful Experience*

FIVE LOAVES  
MINISTRIES  
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# NIGHT AT THE TAP

Wednesday, May  
20th

Young Adults

7:30PM Holy Hour  
8:45PM Tap Room,  
Massapequa Park

Prayer, Beer,  
Community

*RSVP Using the QR Code or by  
emailing: [jt@fiveloavesmin.org](mailto:jt@fiveloavesmin.org)*



# Pentecost

# SUNDAY

Sunday, May 24, 2026

The Feast of Pentecost is the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles in the visible form.



Liturgically, Pentecost is the day of the birth of the Church - the day when, filled with the power of the Spirit, the Apostles first preached to and baptized thousands of people.

All who have been confirmed are encouraged to wear some article of bright red clothing to celebrate this special feast.

SUNDAY CONVERSATIONS

# HOW TO EXPLAIN THE EUCHARIST TO SOMEONE

*So many people question the Catholic Church's teaching that the Eucharist is Jesus. How should we explain it to those that doubt?*

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SUNDAY, MAY 31ST

Join us following the Noon Mass in the back of the church for coffee, refreshments and a reflection.

Contact Tom Griffin with any questions:  
[ThomasG@srolchurch.org](mailto:ThomasG@srolchurch.org)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE  
ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH STUDENTS  
WHO HAVE EXHIBITED  
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN  
KELLENBERG MEMORIAL  
HIGH SCHOOL!**

Gavin Abbazia	Stella Giuliano
Ethan Abrahams	Jayden Gomes
Gabriella Anselmo	Scarlet Harvey
Sabrina Antonacci	Declan Healy
Madelyn Arena	Chloe Hopp
Ryan Arena	Michael Kelly
Abigail Ashby	Jake Langtry
Olivia Beach	Hailey Larmann
Penelope Beach	Emma LaRocca
Graeme Beczak	Valerio LaRocca
Jack Belfi	Julia Lomonaco
Ailish Blaney	Kaitlyn Maloney
Rowan Byrne	Wesley Marshall
Alexander Cordeira	Brianna Mascia
Nicholas Cordeira	Mason Meisenholder
Lena Costanza	Elisabeth Menges
Robert Cristiano	Ashley Nocella
Henry Dammacco	Emma Pratt
Tristan Deane	Daniella Renda
Ava DeMartino	Ryan Ruhle
Luke DeMicoli	Justin Shatinsky
Vivian Despagni	Madison Skei
Sophia Detoma	Dolores Speciale
Gabriella Easteadt	Parker Stehn
Thomas Englese	Simone Teichman
Julianna Forquignon	Alana Telehany
Madelyn Forquignon	Alianna Vultaggio
Grace Garrity	

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE  
ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH STUDENTS  
WHO HAVE EXHIBITED  
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN  
CHAMINADE HIGH SCHOOL!**

**Freshman**

Liam K. Byrne  
Charles A. Celona  
Jake R. DeStefano  
Colin J. Kurz  
Hezekiah N. Ozemir  
Tyler L. Stehn

**Sophomore**

Luke M. Damiano  
Ryan P. Hirschhorn  
Nathaniel D. Kaufman  
John L. LaVolpe  
Nicholas G. Lagano  
Ty I. Miranda  
Matthew J. Pensato  
Dylan J. Schroeder  
Brennan T. Trojanowski

**Junior**

Jonathan P. Ashby  
Brian G. Baydian  
Kevin A. Kern  
Sean P. Kurz  
Andrew P. Mastrangelo  
Dustin T. O'Rourke  
Kyle A. Scavone  
John N. Scheuermann  
Brady P. Spillane  
Ryan M. Thielemann  
John R. Thomas

# Radio Bingo 2026



Photos Courtesy of  
Jim Rapp



## May Crowning 2026

Photos by  
Jim Rapp





*St. Rose of Lima  
Golf Outing  
2026*



Photos Courtesy of  
Jim Rapp and  
Josh Sechter



## ***How Do I Request Prayer for myself or someone I love at St. Rose of Lima?***

Our parish receives numerous prayer requests from parishioners and non-parishioners, for a variety of needs, but mostly for those who are experiencing an illness. Following is a list of opportunities for prayer in our parish:

**Prayers for the sick from the pulpit and in our weekly bulletin:** Please call the rectory during regular business hours (516-798-4992) to add your name to this list. Names are mentioned from the pulpit during all Masses for one week, and are then transferred to the bulletin for a period of three weeks. *(Please note: 1) For privacy reasons, if you are requesting prayers for someone other than yourself, you must have the permission of the person being prayed for to add their name to this list. 2) If a name is not announced, please know that they are not forgotten, as we pray for all those who are ill and convalescing at every Mass.)*

**Parish Prayer Intention Book:** A book is located in the church narthex by the statue of St. Rose of Lima, where you can write your prayer request. These prayers can be for any reason, including for those serving in the military, and will be included collectively in our Sunday and weekday Mass intentions.

**Charismatic Prayer Group prayer box:** There is a box located on the shelf in the church vestibule - the entrance from the parking lot by the sacristy door - where you can place your request for prayers. Each week, the members of the Charismatic Prayer Group check the box, and the prayer requests are divided amongst the members. They will pray for your needs during their meeting on Wednesday afternoons, and continue at their homes. Paper and pencil are available by the prayer box for your convenience.

**Prayer Line Ministry:** Call or email ([mariap@srolchurch.org](mailto:mariap@srolchurch.org)) the rectory to request prayers. Members of this ministry receive a weekly list of names of people in need of prayer and pray for them in the privacy of their own home. Only first names are used to protect the privacy of the individual being prayed for.

**For the Military:** Call the rectory to request prayers for those serving in the military, and we will print the person's name and the branch they serve in, in the bulletin on a recurring basis.





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



# Holy Hour & Eucharistic Procession

“Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church...” — Pope St. Paul VI, *Evangelii Nuntiandi*



Join us as the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage travels the Eastern Seaboard in celebration of America’s 250th Anniversary.

While the National Pilgrims rest on Long Island, our Diocese will unite in prayer through a special Holy Hour—offering a meaningful opportunity to spiritually participate in this historic pilgrimage.



**President:**  
Bishop  
John O. Barres



**Preacher:**  
Fr. Cassian  
Derbes, O.P.

**JUNE 17, 2026**  
**7:00 PM**

Retreat & Conference Center  
of the Immaculate Conception  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY

For more information,  
please contact:  
[mcooke@drvc.org](mailto:mcooke@drvc.org)

## AROUND THE DIOCESE...

**Open House, Lay-Carmelite Community** - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Massapequa Park is hosting an Open House for the Lay-Carmelite Community on Tuesday, May 19 beginning with prayer and mass at 6:30 pm in the school chapel, followed by a gathering in Room 24. The Carmelites are a religious order that is a call to men and women to live a vocation within their lay vocation of single, married or widowed state. For more information, call Joan Moran at 631-682-7759.

**Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island** - Including widows, widowers and singles, is a social organization for single persons. New orientation meeting will be held Tuesday, May 19 at 7:00 pm, Hibernian Hall, Massapequa. For further information, or to verify there will be a meeting, please call Terry at 516-650-5528 or Maryanne at 516-205-2590.

**Supermarket Bingo & Chinese Auction** - Our Lady of Lourdes is hosting a Supermarket Bingo and Auction on Sunday, May 31. The event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes of the Our Lady of the Island Council. Doors open at 1:00 pm and games begin at 2:00 pm. It will be cash or check only payable to OLI Columbiettes. Seating is limited so purchase your tickets as soon as possible. Call Joan at 516-659-6519 or Diane at 516-445-9128.



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### Saint Rita

St. Rita of Cascia is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. Her story and love for Christ will inspire you to great holiness!

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