



The Parish of Saints Philip and James
1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780
631-584-5454

January 19th, 2020

Second Sunday

In Ordinary Time



"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him." John 1:32

"With Philip & James we pray to live lives worthy of the call to be Apostles of Hope"

Daily Mass: 7:30am and 9:15 am
Saturday 5pm Sunday: 8am 10 am 12noon

STS. PHILIP & JAMES PASTORAL STAFF

Parish Center Phone: 631-584-5454 Parish Fax: 631-862-9675
Website—www.sspj.org

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Open Monday, Tuesday Wednesday 9am-8pm
Open Thursday 9am-5pm
Open Saturday 10am-2pm
Closed Friday and Sunday

CLERGY

Father Tom Haggerty, Pastor
Father Patrick Osei-Poku-Associate Pastor
Deacon Ronald Blasius
Deacon John Keenan
Deacon Ken Maher
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TRUSTEES

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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Michael Sharkey, Lou Guerra, Cynthia Lombardi, Paul Damato
Martin Marut, Maureen Burke, Erin Nicastro

Sacraments

Baptism— Celebrated twice per month. Parents are asked to register at the Pastoral Center for Pre-Baptism Program.

Marriage— Couples are asked to contact the Pastoral Center before visiting the reception hall. The Marriage Preparation process is nine months before your proposed wedding date.

Confirmation— Seventh and Eighth grade students are prepared to celebrate through Religious Ed or SSPJ School. Adults prepare through RCIA.

Reconciliation— Available Saturdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm in the Church or by contacting the Parish Center for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick— In case of serious, unexpected illness, please contact the Parish Center office to arrange for a Priest to pray with the person who is ill. Anointing of the Sick is held on the first Sunday of the month following the 8:00am mass please see the Sacristan before mass.

R.C.I.A.— Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (non-Catholic adults desiring to become Catholic) are asked to contact the Parish Center Office.

Eucharistic Adoration In The Church— Thursday 2-4pm
Friday 8-9pm

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVE FOR US IN YOUR PRAYERS



LCDR. MEGAN M. SHUTKA-VIK, USN
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SGT. ANTHONY SCIAMETTA- US ARMY
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SGT. STEPHEN D. OUTCAULT-USMC
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MARK GIORDANO—US COASTGUARD
KELLI MCLAUGHLIN- 2ND LT. US ARMY NATL. GUARD
STAFF SGT MICHAEL J BANG SPECIAL FORCES US ARMY

Correction:

The date for the Collection figures posted in the
1/12/2020 bulletin was incorrect:

The total collection figure for
1/5/2020 was: \$15,279.

Financial Support Needed weekly to meet Parish budget:

Weekly Collection: Sunday, January 12th, 2019

Faith Direct:

\$ 10,675.

\$ 2,877.

\$17,800.

Total Weekly Collection:

\$13,552.

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY



Father Tom's Letter

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the second Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Christmas season came to an end last Sunday on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. As we move on from celebration, how will we return to our everyday lives? Here are some thoughts from Fr. Jude Siciliano, OP:

*Well, we do have to get back to our lives, to the ordinary. We will again be numbering these Sundays "ordinary time" – based on the Latin that means counting. But the English still sounds "ordinary," as in routine, boring and plain. **The question is: has the Christmas season reminded us that we have a "Reason for the Season"? Now that Christ has arrived, how do we get him into our daily lives?***

The world around us has, once again, put Christmas aside. But let's not leave the Christmas season too quickly. We pause and play it all back again, noticing how God has been the key player this season, as in all seasons. The real gift comes from God....

Notice, after the manifestation, the Magi must return "by another route." Already the gift of God has begun to change their lives and ours as well. Having experienced the birth of the Savior, nothing can be the same for us, we have to return to our lives "by another route." We have to take what we have experienced back to our families and world, as people who have experienced a life-altering event. A light has shone, "the glory of the Lord shines upon you." We see things in a different way; light shines in our lives and we interpret the events, the difficulties as well as the joys, under the new vision we have from that light.

Pope Francis has designated the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as Sunday of the Word of God, when all Catholics should give special reference to the Sacred Word both individually and collectively as members of parishes. He says "devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world."

The first celebration of the special new day on the liturgical calendar is next Sunday, January 26, 2020. On that day we would like to do to accentuate the Word of God, incensing the Book of Gospels and carrying it in a solemn procession, accompanied by an extended sung gospel acclamation. Following the homily, the people at Mass will be invited to come forward to reverence the Book of Gospels- similar to the way the cross is revered on Good Friday. The Book of Gospels will then be placed on display in the sanctuary. At home everyone is encouraged to place the Bible in a prominent place of honor and to read from it before meals.

January 26th is also the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. We encourage you to come in to take a look at our amazing school! There's an Open House on Sunday, January 26th, after the 10 o'clock Mass until one thirty. Another Open House will be held on Thursday, January 30th. Please check the bulletin for more info.

This week Father Kevin Cronin, OFM, our friendly Friar, will be filling in for me while I try to capture and bring back some sunshine and warm weather for you!

And,

Q: Who says sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me?

A: Someone who has never been hit with a dictionary.

Q: Why did the orange stop in the middle of the hill?

A: It ran out of juice!

Q: What starts with E, ends with E and only has one letter?

A: An envelope.

Q: What is at the end of everything?

A: The letter G.

Peace,

Father Tom

Apostles: We Who Are Sent...Hope: God's constant gift of new possibilities

The Celebration of a White Coat Mass

All whose hands serve in the healing profession

Are Invited to Celebrate

A White Coat Mass

On Sunday, February 9th, 2020

At 12:00pm

At Saints Philip & James Church

One Carow Place

Saint James, NY 11780

The white coat mass is derived from the authority entrusted to those in the healing professions . Typically worn by Doctors, Pharmacists, Dentists, Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners, but the colors worn by others in the noble profession of providing care varies.

Those being the colors worn by Nurses, Emergency Medical Workers, Health Care workers, phlebotomists, Psychiatrists, Social workers, Mental health counselors and all who participate in the care of those who are ill, seeking treatment, suffering, those who are dying...

We thank all in these noble professions and with our parish pray in gratitude for their gifts of time, compassion, healing and sacrifice.

Light refreshments will be served after mass.

If you are able to attend, or have any questions, kindly contact the Parish Center Office at 631-584-5454

"And great multitudes came together to hear and be healed by him of their infirmities." (Luke 5:15)





**Second Collection This Weekend:
January 18th & 19th
for Snow Removal:**

**This weekend your generosity is greatly
appreciated as we enter the winter
months and the challenges they bring to
our campus.**

**Thanking you for your continued
generosity.**

**Next Weekend, January 25th & 26th, SSPJ Parish will celebrate:
“Sunday of the Word of God.”**

Instituted by Pope Francis
“APERUIT ILLIS”

INSTITUTING THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

1. “He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (Lk 24:45).

This was one of the final acts of the risen Lord before his Ascension. Jesus appeared to the assembled disciples, broke bread with them and opened their minds to the understanding of the sacred Scriptures.

National Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 26th, 2020



DIocese of ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

January 2020

Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is with joy, enthusiasm, and purpose-driven mission, that I invite you to celebrate **National Catholic Schools Week** from January 26, 2020 through February 1, 2020. Together, we recognize the extraordinary contribution that our Catholic schools across Long Island make by forming young missionary disciples on fire with love for our Lord Jesus and the mission of the Catholic Church.

At the same time, we recognize our collective responsibility towards the future of Catholic education in our Diocese. Enrollment and investment in our Catholic schools depends on the leadership of each individual Catholic. Our willingness to witness to the transformative and destiny-changing experience of Catholic education to the families we meet makes all the difference.

Pope Saint John Paul II once said: "In order that the Catholic school and the Catholic teacher may truly make their irreplaceable contribution to the Church and to the world, the goal of Catholic education itself must be crystal clear. Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others".

In Catholic Schools Week 2020, our Catholic schools recommit themselves to helping parents and extended families form successful, servant leaders who help drive *dramatic missionary growth* on Long Island and beyond.

Be assured of my prayers for our shared mission and gratitude for your efforts.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

OPEN HOUSE AT SSPJ SCHOOL! SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2020 AND.... THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2020

SSPJ Open House and Registration

Sunday, January 26, 2020
11:00 am – 1:30 pm



Thursday, January 30, 2020
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Early Childhood Education **(Nursery - Kindergarten)**



NURSERY

Half Day Program: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

2 Days - Tuesday/Thursday

3 Days - Monday/Wednesday/Friday

5 Days - Monday - Friday

Full Day Program: 8:30 am - 2:50 pm

2 Days - Tuesday/Thursday

3 Days - Monday/Wednesday/Friday

5 Days - Monday - Friday

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

5 Day/Full Day 8:30 am - 2:50 pm

KINDERGARTEN

5 Day/Full Day 8:50 am - 3:00 pm

Before and After School Care

7:30 am - 8:30 am / 3:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Foreign Languages – Spanish and Mandarin

Paul Effman Band Program

including Violin & Ukulele

NYSSMA Member

After School Clubs - Drama, Cheer, Sign Language,

STEM, Chorus, Story Hour

Extra Help - before and after school

Prayer Services throughout the year

Mass weekly attendance with class

Elementary Education **(Grade 1 - Grade 4)**



SSPJ Academy **(Grade 5 - Grade 8)**



Service Projects - community related

Algebra - 9th Grade Math Class

Living Environment - 9th Grade Science Class

CMSAA - Catholic Middle School Athletic

Association - soccer, basketball, bowling, softball...

Odyssey of the Mind - Creative Problem Solving

Stained Glass Club

Success on Catholic High School Entrance Exam

Electives for Academy students

iPad/Chromebook Classrooms

And much more!!

For further information and to arrange a tour, please call 631-584-7896

www.sspjschool.net

***Enrolling Now
for the 2020 - 2021 School Year!
OPEN HOUSE***



www.sspjschool.net

**Sunday, January 26, 2020
11:00 am – 1:30 pm**

**Thursday, January 30, 2020
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**

**For further information and to arrange a tour, call 631-584-7896 or email
danderson@sspjschool.net**

Tomorrow's Hope may assist you in making Catholic School Affordable!

Things You Should Know!



- The Foundation gives scholarships to Catholic elementary schools within the Diocese of Rockville Centre from K - 8th grade.
- Applicants can submit an application even if they are not registered at a school, or do not have a social security number.
- The earlier parents/guardians complete the application the better! Applicants should complete their application by May 2020 as funds tend to run out over the summer.
- Applicants should always contact Tomorrow's Hope with any questions or issues regarding their application.

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation Scholarship Application will be open on January 22, 2020.

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding the upcoming application process, please contact THF
at 516-745-7611 or info@thfny.com**



COUNCIL'S CORNER

This month, Lynn Sisti, the Coordinator for Parish Social Ministry, was invited to the Council meeting to provide a report on the activities involving the Ministry. There are many different facets in PSM.

Food Pantry - Lynn said that many people are under the impression that the food pantry is the focus of social ministry. She explained that it is really a very small part. We do have a group of people to whom we provide bags of food every week.

Consolation Ministry -The biggest responsibility is the Consolation Ministry. Lynn explained that the consolation ministers meet with the family when they have lost a loved one. Sometimes it is at the funeral home or their own home. The minister discusses the funeral preparation, the prayers and the hymns and provide some comfort to the families. She has received many telephone calls and notes from families saying how wonderful the consolation ministers are.

Cake Bakers -Part of the consolation ministry also involves cake bakers who bring cakes to the families about 2-3 weeks after the funeral. She also sends cards with a note for three months to the bereaved family just to let them know that they are being thought about and are not alone.

Home Bound - Bringing the Eucharist to the homebound also falls under the umbrella of Parish Social Ministry. She has noticed that there has been an increase in the demand for this. We do not have enough EM's. Hopefully we can get a few more EM's who can help in this area.

Transportation -PSM also provides transportation for people who need rides to doctors and appointments. There is a need for more volunteers since there presently are only two volunteers for this task.

Prayer Shawl -As part of the prayer shawl ministry, prayer shawls are blessed before the 8:00am Mass the first Sunday of the Month. At the end of Mass people are offered to take one home.

Rosary Makers – Lynn said she couldn't even count the number of rosary beads that they have shipped all over the world.

Senior Group - which meets once a month and provides an opportunity for some of our more senior parishioners to socialize.

COUNCIL'S CORNER CONTINUED:

SPOT LIGHT: SSPJ PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Blood Drive – although the last two years we have had difficulty coordinating the availability of the Red Cross team to supervise the blood drive here at SSPJ, Lynn is hopeful that we will be able to continue this most worthwhile project.

School Supplies – provides need school supplies and backpacks to kids at the beginning of the school year.

Blessing of the Animals - Every year on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we celebrate by having a special blessing for all God's creatures.

Soup Supper – On Ash Wednesday before the evening Mass and ash distribution, we host a Lenten supper with homemade meatless soups. It is a time for sharing and fellowship at the start of the Lenten season.

Thanksgiving Food Drive – last year we provided gift cards to 21 local persons so that families can make a Thanksgiving meal of their choice

Christmas/Pick a Star – Have helped so many various organizations and have been able to provide a joyful Christmas to 22 families due to the generosity of the parishioners.

Peace and Justice - presently on a hiatus due to the aging of the group and the inability to attend meetings

All Souls Day – Special Mass of Remembrance for our loved ones who have gone home to God during the year.

Prayer Ministry – Prayer petitions placed in basket are collected and sent to our “prayer warriors” for individual remembrance.

Assisting with Bills – we have paid utilities, rent, electricity, car insurance, telephone bills for those in need. We have spent over \$26,000 helping people.

Lynn stated it is joyful to help people and get good results.



*Interested in becoming a Sponsor for the
2nd Annual Magic of Ireland Event?*

Saint Patrick Sponsor ~ \$1,000

*Includes prominent acknowledgement in the church lobby, church bulletin, and
TWO tickets to the event and ONE "Grand Prize Pot O' Gold" raffle book*

Shamrock Sponsor ~ \$500

*Includes prominent acknowledgement in the church lobby, church bulletin and EITHER:
TWO TICKETS TO THE EVENT OR TWO "Grand Prize Pot O' Gold" raffle books*

Celtic Sponsor ~\$250

*Includes acknowledgement in church lobby, church bulletin and EITHER:
ONE TICKET THE EVENT OR ONE "Grand Prize Pot O' Gold" raffle book*

Leprechaun Sponsor ~ \$100.

Includes acknowledgement in the church bulletin

I am interested in becoming a:

Saint Patrick Sponsor ~ \$1,000: _____

Shamrock Sponsor ~ \$500: _____

Celtic Sponsor ~ \$250: _____

Leprechaun Sponsor ~ \$100: _____

My Contact Information :

(Name as you would like it to appear in acknowledgement)

Contact Phone #: _____

Accepting sponsorship from December 22nd, 2019 ~ February 24th, 2020

Kindly return Sponsorship form to Parish Center Office

For more information please contact Marianne Koke at 631-335-7111

Magic of Ireland:



EARLY BIRD SPECIAL: \$100.00

=**TWO** TICKETS AND A **ONE** BOOK OF RAFFLE TICKETS (\$130. Value)

AVAILABLE ONLY: January 6th-January 30th, 2020

The Magic Of Ireland~ Saturday, March 7th, 2020

Celebration begins at the 5:00pm mass of Irish inspiration

Then continues on the other side of the rainbow with

A traditional Irish dinner, live music by

Gerry Finlay and the Cara Band dancing, raffles, door prize and Fun!

Ticket includes: Dinner, beer, soda, dessert & coffee



SECOND ANNUAL MAGIC OF IRELAND EVENT~MARCH 7, 2020

POT OF GOLD RAFFLE PRIZES

1st Prize: St. Croix Time Share Unit plus \$1,500 cash (airfare & expenses)

2nd Prize: 4 Tickets to spring Yankees Game (includes access to Audit Club)

Donated by Corporate Transfer & Storage-The Verderber Family

3rd Prize: Webber BBQ Freestanding Spirit II (\$500.00 value)

The Magic of Ireland ~ Ticket Form

Guest Name(s): _____

Magic of Ireland: EARLY BIRD SPECIAL: \$100.00 =TWO TICKETS AND A ONE BOOK OF RAFFLE TICKETS

(\$130. Value) EARLY BIRD AVAILABLE ONLY: January 6th-January 30th, 2020

Tickets: _____ At: \$40.00 per person ~Total Enclosed: _____

If you have any questions, kindly contact: Clare Farrell at: clarefarrellnp@yahoo.com

PLEASE RETURN TICKET ORDER FORM WITH FULL PAYMENT TO THE PARISH CENTER OFFICE

Music Ministry

Well, we are back in ordinary time. The sounds of Christmas fade and the future awaits Lent and Easter. Now I start to look ahead to the next church season. The Mass parts will stay the same until Ash Wednesday.

The Gloria is back and the choir is working on a new Gloria from the Mass of St. Ann which we hope to start in February before Lent begins and will return for Easter.

Now is the time to think about joining the choir. Did you like what you heard at Christmas and want to become part of the Music ministry? Just come to a rehearsal or see me, Margaret Adams after Mass on the weekend.

It is easy to join and fun too!

Remember "He who sings prays twice" ~ See you on Sunday!

Parish Social Ministry

LIVING Laudato Si'



Pope Francis wants us to focus on what matters, what really matters, and few things matter more than doing our part to save the planet and to save our souls. He lists the small things that each of us can do to improve the planet's chances of surviving, from reducing our consumption of paper and plastics to turning off the lights and to be more mindful of recycling. He writes, "We must not think these efforts are too small to improve our world".



Diocese of Rockville Centre

Healing after Abortion Day of Prayer and Healing for Women

Saturday, March 7, 2020

The Day of Prayer and Healing for Women is an opportunity to **experience** the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The Day is directed by an experienced team including faithful priests who have a sensitivity and heart for those who suffer.

The day includes witnesses of mercy, Scripture sharing, personal prayer, an opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

- Please register by Monday, March 2, 2020.
- Ways to Register: Online using the form below, calling: 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) | 1-516-766-2538 or emailing: projectrachel@drvc.org

Food Pantry



Canned
Chicken
Paper
Towels

**Our Food Pantry Is In Need of
the
Following Items:**

Canned Chicken

Paper Towels

Your assistance, AS ALWAYS, is greatly appreciated

Respect Life News

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR WITH NEW GOALS

The Respect Life Committee invites all parishioners to visit our new web page on the parish web site. We plan to have current information for all.

JOIN US FOR

March for life will take place on Jan 24th, 2020. Buses will leave from St. Joseph's Church Ronkonkoma call 631-588-8456, St. Anthony of Padua Church East Northport call Maryann 631-368-5612 or 631-486-3847

Infant Jesus call Mike Schwenk 631-664-4817 or Kevin Crowley 631-873-8950

Christ the King call 631-864-1623

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, LENT IS NOT FAR AWAY

The Respect Life Committee invites you to consider participating in:

Forty Days for Life:

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and a peaceful all day vigil in front of abortion businesses.

It begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26th, and ends on April 5th.

This is a wonderful way to pray for the babies with other supportive pro-life members of many neighboring parishes. Please consider coming to the planning meeting **SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH at 7pm in St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown.** This is a question and answer meeting. No

commitment is needed, it is informational.

Any questions, please call 631-862-9370

SSPJ Parish Calendar For The Week of January 19th, 2020

Sunday, January 19th, 2020

8:30am	RCIA	Cantina
10:00am	Children's Liturgy	Auditorium
11:00am	Stained Glass Club	St. Glass Wkshp
7:00pm	AA Meeting	Monte Building

Thursday, January 23rd, 2020:

2:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm	Boy Scout Leadership Mtg	Monte Building
7:30pm	Adult Choir	Church

Friday, January 24th, 2020

3:00pm	School Stained Glass	St Glass Wksp
7:00pm	AA Meeting	Philip & James Roo

Tuesday, January 21st, 2020:

1:30pm	Spirit of Prayer Group	Church Prayer Rm
4:30pm	Children's Choir	Church
5:45pm	REO Confirmation Mentoring	Auditorium
7:30pm	Chords of Faith	Church
7:30pm	KOC District Deputy Mtg	Philip & James Room

Saturday, January 25th, 2020

5:00pm	Children's Liturgy	Church
6:00pm	Guild Trivia Night	Auditorium

Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020:

10:00am	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Philip & James Rm
7:00pm	REO 2nd Grade Parents Reconciliation Mtg	Church
7:00pm	Youth Ministry Meeting	Bethany Center

Sunday, January 26th, 2020:

8:30am	RCIA Sessions	SSPJ Room
11:00am	SSPJ School Open House	School
11:00am	Stained Glass Club	St Glass Wkshp
7:00pm	AA Meeting	Sts. Philip & James Room

Religious Education Ministry

**NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
WILL BE HELD ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**



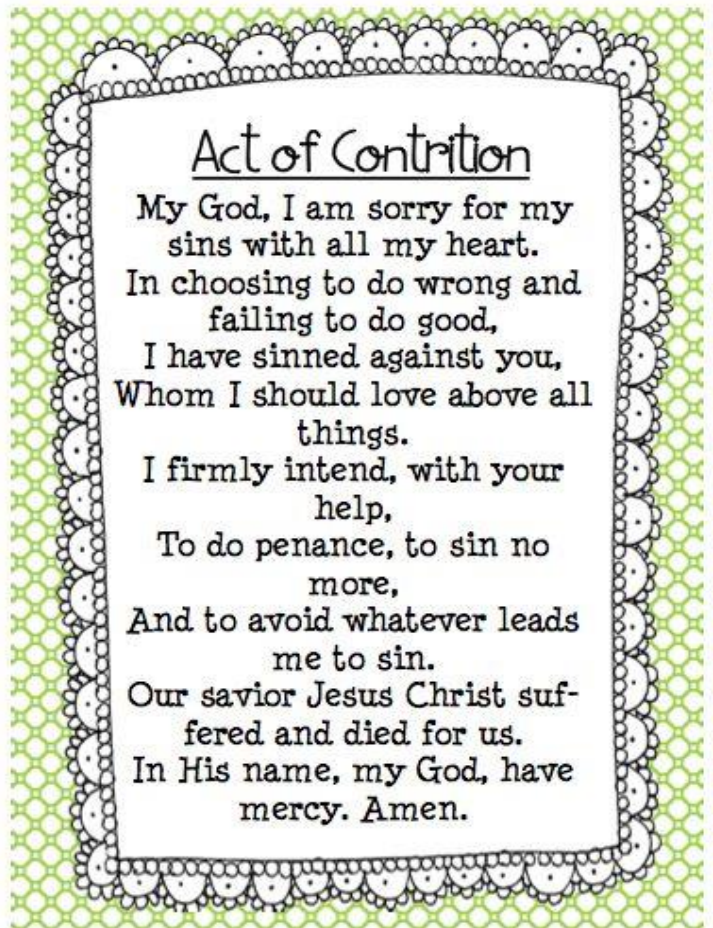
SECOND GRADE ~PARENT RECONCILIATION MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 2020
AT 7:00PM
IN THE CHURCH**

**2020 Schedule
For the 7th and 8th Grade
'Light Bearers' FOR:
CHILDREN'S LITURGY
5:00pm AND 10:00AM MASSES:**

Jan. 18/19 CLW
Feb. 1/2 CLW
Feb. 8/9 CLW
Feb 22/23 CLW
Feb. 29 – March 1 CLW
March 21/22 CLW
April 4/5 CLW
April 18/19 CLW
April 25/26 CLW

There will NOT be CLW on these dates:
Jan. 25/26 School Open House
Feb. 15/16 School Vacation
March 7/8 Magic of Ireland
March 14/15 Pre-Cana
April 11/12 Easter weekend





SUNDAY MASS REFLECTION: For GRADES: 1, 2, & 3
THIS REFLECTION IS TO BE SHARED AT MASS ON:
SATURDAY, OR SUNDAY, January 25th & 26th, 2020



January 19th, 2020

Welcome to the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

My Name Is: _____

I Am In Grade: _____

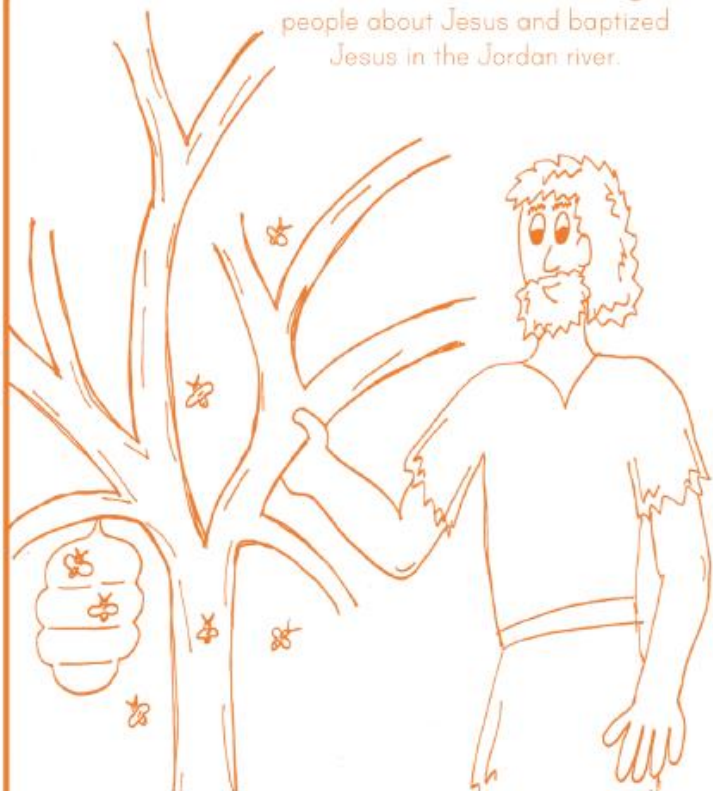
My Catechist "Teacher's" Name Is: _____

Gospel Message: John 1:29-34

In today's gospel John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus. He told all he could that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

Saint John the Baptist

Saint John the Baptist was Jesus' cousin. When John met Jesus, he knew that Jesus was God's son! He taught people about Jesus and baptized Jesus in the Jordan river.



Please Color

What did John the Baptist do when he met Jesus?

Do you think that Saint John the Baptist was excited to tell people who Jesus was?

How do you share good news with others?

My Weekly Prayer:

Jesus, please help me to always remember that each day I can share something good with others, even if I feel sad, there is always something good around me, and that Jesus, IS YOU!

Amen





SUNDAY MASS REFLECTION: For GRADES: 4,5 & 6
THIS REFLECTION IS TO BE SHARED AT MASS ON:
SATURDAY OR SUNDAY, January 25th or January 26th, 2020



Today we celebrate The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 19th, 2020

My Name Is: _____

I Am In Grade: _____

My Catechist Name Is: _____

Gospel Message: The Gospel of John 1:29-34

John the Baptist testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

Who did people come to know because of John the Baptist?



Who did John the Baptist say he saw
come down upon Jesus?

What did that look like?

How can you show Jesus' light to
others?

My Weekly Prayer:

*Jesus, please help me to always re-
member that each day I can share
something good with others, even if I am
feeling bad, there is always something
good around me, and that Jesus, IS
YOU!*

*Please help me to shine your
light to everyone I meet today.*

Amen





SUNDAY MASS REFLECTION: For GRADES: 7 & 8 Confirmation I & II
THIS REFLECTION IS TO BE SHARED AT MASS ON:
SATURDAY or SUNDAY, January 24th or January 25th, 2020



Welcome to The Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 19th, 2020

Mass Readings: Isaiah 49:3,5-6, Psalm 40:2,4,7-10, 1 Corinthians 1:1-3, John 1:29-34

Student's Name : _____

I Am In Grade: _____

My Catechist Name Is: _____

*John the Baptist testified that he saw this come
down from heaven and remain with Jesus.*

Who did he see?

What did that look like?



Please fill in the blanks:

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John the Baptist pointed the way to Jesus. Similarly, we are to live our lives in such a way that we point to Jesus. How do you accomplish that in your daily life?

Mass Intentions, For the week of January 19th, 2020

<p><u>Saturday, January 18th, 2020</u> 5:00pm Sandy Tamshen</p>	<p><u>Thursday, January 23rd, 2020~St. Marianne Cope</u> 7:30am Edward H.L. Smith III 9:15am <u>Collective Mass:</u> Loretta Gallagher John Maloney</p>
<p><u>Sunday, January 19th, 2020</u> 8:00am For the Parishioners of SSPJ 10:00am Carol Walz 12:00Noon <u>Collective Mass:</u> Mary Castiglie Anderson Joseph "Chickie" Martin Virginia Mascola Patricia Kelly Kenny Kozlowski</p>	<p><u>Friday, January 24th, 2020~St. Francis deSales</u> 7:30am 9:15am Harold S. Prew, Jr.</p>
<p><u>Monday, January 20th, 2020~St. Fabian</u> 7:30am John Scimeca 9:15am Margaret Olsen</p>	<p><u>Saturday, January 25th, 2020~Conversion of St Paul</u> 9:15am Frankie Cafaro 5:00pm Virginia Marino</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, January 21st, 2020~St. Agnes</u> 7:30am Hedwig Zielinski 9:15am Bernard Erias</p>	<p><u>Sunday, January 26th, 2020</u> 8:00am For the Parishioners of Sts. Philip & James 10:00am Theresa A. Stramiello 12:00Noon <u>Collective Mass:</u> Arthur Krauer Rose Tancora Edward "Ned" Smith William Somerville Reverend Joseph Gancila</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020</u> <u>~Day of Prayer for Unborn Children</u> 7:30am Katie Farrell 9:15am Uncle John</p>	

We Remember, With Heartfelt Sympathy,

William G. Somerville, Louis R. Giordano



Resting in the loving arms of Jesus

**The Sanctuary Lamp
For the Week of
January 19th, 2020**

Is Offered In Thanksgiving for,

Lynn Sisti

**With Gratitude for your tireless efforts
in serving those who seek your loving
hands of help and encouragement.**

**Thank you for spreading the fragrance
of God's love through
Saints Philip & James
Parish Social Ministry**

**With God's Peace and Grace,
We thank you,**

**Love and blessings,
Your SSPJ Parish Family**

Prayer for the Sick

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence.

Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits.

May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed.

Amen.



If you wish to include a name on our prayer listing, kindly contact the Parish Center Office at 631-584-5454

We Pray For,

Angela Amoroso
Arthur Gureck
Barbara Bombace
Baby Mattia Rose Lubrano
Belinda Vega
Bob Keenan
Claudia Chandler
Deacon Ron Blasius
Daniel Radice
Deirdre W.
Donalea & Peter Donach
Ellie Walsh
Gregory Parker
John DeStefano
Judy Hanrahan
Joseph S.
Joseph G.
Joyce Wiggins
Kathleen N.
Kitty Cronin
Leon Donach
Michael Fisher
Mike Amoroso
Peter McGreevy
Remi Ann Rexrode
Richard Cembrale
Sara Jean Andersen
Tim Cavooris
Vivien Cordes

Diocese of Rockville Centre announces Morning Star Initiative

As you may have heard, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has decided to launch a bold plan, called the Morning Star Initiative, to revitalize Catholic elementary school education on Long Island. The goal of this initiative is to restore a robust Catholic culture to the DRVC schools, improve academics, and create a more fiscally sustainable model for schools. The Diocese will partner with the Marianists, who have two centuries of Catholic educational commitment and expertise. The Diocese has asked Brother Thomas Cleary, S.M., President of Chaminade High School, to serve as the Chief Revitalization Officer and to spearhead this effort. He will be assisted by his fellow Marianists, who will seek feedback and ideas from the full spectrum of those with a stake in a revitalized Catholic elementary education, including our parishioners. We value your input, so please share your thoughts.

Please visit the Diocese of Rockville Centre's website at Morningstarinitiative.org for more information, and email morningstar@drvc.org to give feedback or find out more ways to get involved.



**BACK
IN ACTION**

**SEMINARY OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

QUO VADIS
HOLY HOUR

JANUARY 31, 2020

**7:00 PM DOORS OPEN
+ SOCIAL TO FOLLOW**

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
AND OLDER WELCOME**

REGISTER: bit.ly/qvholyhour



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TRIVIA Night

COME JOIN US FOR SSPJ FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT!!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 6PM. SSPJ SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
\$30 entry fee per team. All ages welcome--teams can be up to 6 people!

Reserve early as spots are limited!! Trivia night will run approximately 2 hours or less!

Refreshments will be available for purchase!

RSVP by January 18 to reserve your spot!

Contact Jennine Cullen at jbcullen78@verizon.net or 631-871-9973 with any questions.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Team Name: _____ Number of players: _____

Please make checks payable to: SSPJ School



COMING SOON

SSPJ PARISH SHOWCASE SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

Come one come all, bring your talents and share them for all to enjoy!

**OPEN AUDITIONS FOR THE PARISH
SHOWCASE WILL TAKE PLACE ON:**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH, 2020 AND
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2020**

AT 2:00PM

IN THE SSPJ AUDITORIUM

*If you are interested in signing up for auditions
or for future information, please contact:*

*christinamarlow@me.com
jbcullen78@Verizon.net*

THE MEN'S FORUM

AT THE CHURCH OF SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES

A brotherhood of men dedicated to growing in their faith & discipleship in the Lord Jesus Christ.



MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

Speaker and Topic: To Be Announced

The men of the Men's Forum joins the Parish of Sts. Philip and James in rejoicing at the birth of our Savior Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God for the blessings of this past year and through the intercession of the Mother of God, we ask for God's grace and peace in the New Year.

2020 Meeting Dates

Jan. 6	March 23
Jan. 27	April 13
Feb. 10	May 4
Feb. 24	May 18
March 9	June 8

Join us for inspiring talks and fellowship. Experience new opportunities to be open to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit in how the Lord is calling us to grow as Catholic men of faith.

NEW MEETING TIMES: Holy Hour: 7-8 PM, Main Church

Speaker Presentation: 8-9 PM, Bethany Center (Old Church) • **Coffee & Cake Social:** 9-9:30 PM

Come for all, or part of our evening's schedule • No membership required. Open to all men!

Please note that our evening time schedule has changed, beginning one half-hour later than before.



Website: www.sspjmensforum.org

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Celebrating the Liturgy- With Grateful Hearts We Serve

PRESIDER SCHEDULE-FOR January 25th & January 26th, 2020

Saturday, January 25, 2020 5:00pm	Sunday, January 26th, 2020 8:00 AM MASS	Sunday, January 26th, 2020 10:00 AM MASS	Sunday, January 26th, 2020 12:00 MASS
Father Kevin Cronin, OFM	Father Patrick Osei-Poku	Father Kevin Cronin, OFM	Father Patrick Osei-Poku
Deacon John	Deacon John	Deacon Ron	Deacon Ron

Eucharistic Minister Schedule-For January 25th & January 26th, 2020

Saturday, January 25th, 2020	Sunday, January 26th, 2020	Sunday, January 26th, 2020	Sunday, January 26th, 2020
5:00PM	8:00 AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
G. Alfano	K. Consenz	D. McCormick	M. Napoli
C. Zito	A. Mantia	C. Napolitano	T. Pace
G. Zito	C. Czujko	W. Rodriguez	A. Santo
D. Coppola	R. Doda, Sr	P. Schifilliti	M. Lebrun
P. Damato	M. Dunn	J. Scott	C. Rubano
D. Doran	R. Fabian	L. Sisti	V. Rubano
E. Kaleita	C. Haff	E. Sotomayer	M. Hoonhout
P. Kaleita	W. Haff	J. Sweeney	P. Agoglia
H. Keenan	J. Harvey	J. Taфра	M. Laub
P. Klee	P. Rizzo	M. Tully	B. Luna

*We kindly ask all scheduled Ministers to arrive in the Prayer Room 15 minutes before mass begins, for prayer
Thank you*

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE-FOR January 25th & 26th, 2020

Saturday, January 25, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020
5:00PM MASS	8:00AM MASS	10:00 AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
V. Scarpelli	B. Kieran	N. Piliero	A. Milsoscia
M. Papas	E. Kieran	S. Waldman	M. Miloscia
E. Schor	M. Page	A. Kaiser	C. D'Agostino
T. Miller		S. Deary	G. D'Agostino

LECTOR SCHEDULE-FOR January 25th & 26th, 2020

Saturday, January 25, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020	Sunday, January 26, 2020
5:00PM MASS	8:00 AM MASS	10:00AM MASS	12:00 NOON MASS
L. Auleta	G. Fitzpatrick	R. Donegan	A. Latino
8th Grade Student	M. Koke	B. Tobin	P. Suski

January 26, 2020 • 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time • Year A

He Practiced What He Preached

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Isaiah 8:23-9:3 - The Prince of Peace
- 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17 - Factions
- Matthew 4:12-23 - Jesus in Capernaum

After Jesus' baptism and temptation in the desert (a peak experience followed by a period of intense testing) he is primed to begin the work that he has prepared his whole life to be able to do. Jesus begins in the small, nondescript town of Capernaum populated mostly by Gentiles (non-Jews). Looking back in scripture, Matthew noticed that specific area had been promised a savior who would bring light to their world of darkness. For all the Jews in his audience, Matthew makes the point that Jesus was the fulfillment of that promise from the prophet Isaiah hundreds of years earlier. Matthew is trying to show that Jesus came to live and minister to and among both Jews and Gentiles and to invite all of them to the fullness of life he was teaching.

Jesus begins his public ministry sounding like John the Baptist. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." We might interpret that now as "Get busy. Get serious. It's time to start living in God's way. There isn't much time left." Then Jesus calls Peter, Andrew, James, and John to be his helpers and companions as he gets busy healing the sick and proclaiming the Good News. If only everyone who preached repentance and the kingdom of God would get busy practicing what they preached! .

Questions of the Week

- 1 What leaders or spiritual



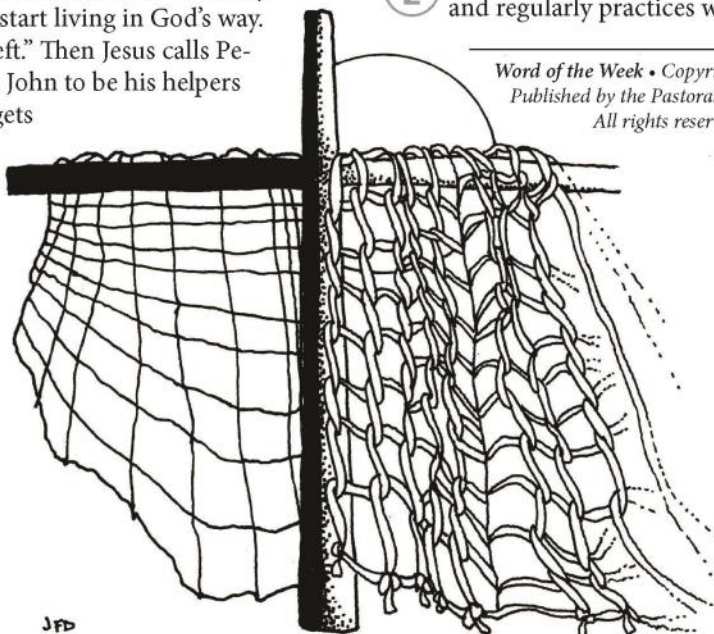
"Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Sheepish Question:
What recent occurrences have lifted my spirit and hope?

teachers have you experienced to be exclusive in terms of who they are speaking or preaching to? What leaders or spiritual teachers have you experienced to be open and inclusive in the way they welcome and invite all to be a part of a larger movement?

- 2 Whom do you know who lives with integrity and regularly practices what they preach?

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The Little Way

Most of us have heard of St. Therese of Lisieux, a French mystic who died at age 24 in 1897 and who is perhaps the most popular saint of the last two centuries. She's famous for many things, not least for a spirituality she called her "little way". What's her "little way"?

Popular thought has often encrusted both Therese and her "little way" within a simple piety which doesn't do justice to the depth of her person or her spirituality. Too often her "little way" is understood simply to mean that we do little, hidden, humble, acts of charity for others in the name of Jesus, without expecting anything in return. In this popular interpretation we do the laundry, peel potatoes, and smile at unpleasant people to please Jesus. In some ways, of course, this is true; however her "little way" merits a deeper understanding.

Yes, it does ask us to do humble chores and be nice to each other in the name of Jesus but there are deeper dimensions to it. Her "little way" is a path to sanctity based on three things: *Littleness*, *Anonymity*, and a *Particular Motivation*.

Littleness: For Therese "littleness" does not refer first of all to the littleness of the act that we are doing, like the humble tasks of doing the laundry, peeling potatoes, or giving a simple smile to someone who's unpleasant. It refers to our own littleness, to our own radical poverty before God. Before God, we are little. To accept and act out of that constitutes humility. We move towards God and others in her "little way" when we do small acts of charity for others, not out of our strength and the virtue we feel at that moment, but rather out of a poverty, powerlessness, and emptiness that allows God's grace to work through us so that in doing what we're doing we're drawing others to God and not to ourselves.

As well, our littleness makes us aware that, for the most part, we cannot do the big things that shape world history. But we can change the world more humbly, by sowing a hidden seed, by being a hidden antibiotic of health inside the soul of humanity, and by splitting the atom of love inside our own selves. And yes, too, the "little way" is about doing little, humble, hidden things.

Anonymity: Therese's "little way" refers to what's hidden, to what's done in secret, so that *what the Father sees in secret will be rewarded in secret*. And what's hidden is not our act of charity, but we, ourselves, who are doing the act. In Therese's "little way" our little acts of charity will go mostly unnoticed, will seemingly have no real impact on world history, and won't bring us any recognition. They'll remain hidden and unnoticed; but inside the Body of Christ what's hidden, selfless, unnoticed, self-effacing, and seemingly insignificant and unimportant is the most vital vehicle of all for grace at a deeper level. Just as Jesus did not save us through sensational miracles and headline-making deeds but through selfless obedience to his Father and quiet martyrdom, our deeds too can remain unknown so that our deaths and the spirit we leave behind can become our real fruitfulness.

Finally, her "little way" is predicated on a *Particular Motivation*. We are invited to act out of our littleness and anonymity and do small acts of love and service to others for a particular reason, that is, to, metaphorically, wipe the face of the suffering Christ. How so?

Therese of Lisieux was an extremely blessed and gifted person. Despite a lot of tragedy in her early life, she was (by her own admission and testimony of others) loved in a way that was so pure, so deep, and so wonderfully affectionate that it leaves most people in envy. She was also a very attractive child and was bathed in love and security inside an extended family within which her every smile and tear were noticed, honored, (and often photographed). But as she grew in maturity it didn't take her long to notice that what was true in her life wasn't true of most others. Their smiles and tears went mostly unnoticed and were not honored. Her "little way" is therefore predicated on this particular motivation. In her own words:

"One Sunday, looking at a picture of Our Lord on the Cross, I was struck by the blood flowing from one of his divine hands. I felt a pang of great sorrow when thinking this blood was falling on the ground without anyone's hastening to gather it up. I was resolved to remain in spirit at the foot of the Cross and to receive its dew. ... Oh, I don't want this precious blood to be lost. I shall spend my life gathering it up for the good of souls. ... To live from love is to dry Your Face."

To live her "little way" is to notice and honor the unnoticed tears falling from the suffering faces of others.