

The Parish of Saint James

JUNE 29, 2025 | STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Saturday | 8:00am
Monday - Friday | 12:10pm
All Civic Holidays | 9:00am only

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday | Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

HOLY DAYS

4:00pm Vigil Mass
8:00am, 12:10pm and 7:30pm

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00pm – 3:45pm or by
appointment with one of our priests.

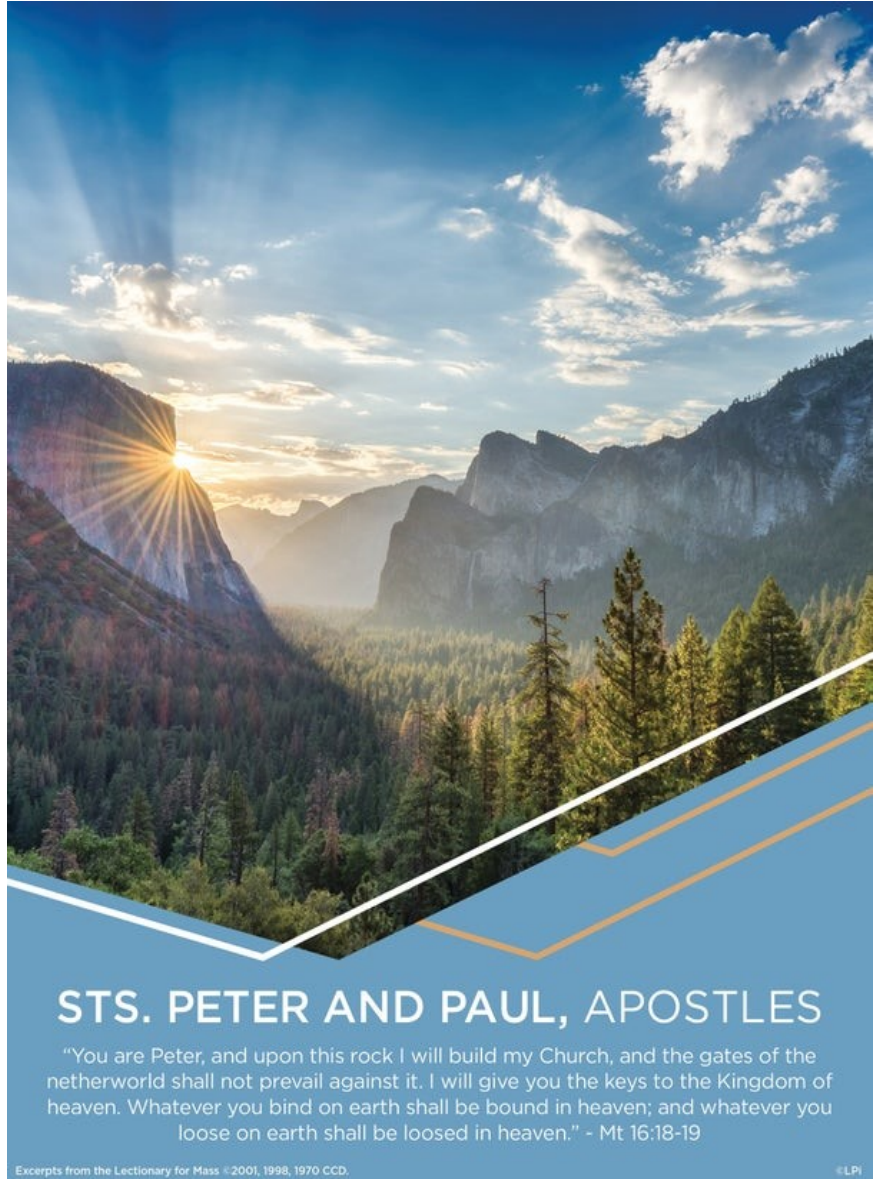
OUR MISSION

Saint James is a parish community, whose members are called through Baptism, to be intentional disciples.

We are strengthened by the Eucharist and committed to serve God under the guidance of His Holy Spirit. As people devoted to Jesus' teachings, we value on-going faith formation, Christian outreach and the growth and development of our parish.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We warmly welcome all new parishioners to our parish family. Registration forms are available at the Parish Center Office.



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parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

Prayer & Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025

8:00am | Joseph Inzirillo
10:00am | Mary Kublicky - Living
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Ninfa Sansaet
| Norma Ferrante
| Anthony J. Quercia Sr.-Birthday
| Chick Angioli
| Grayson Danielski - Living

MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2025

8:00am | Dennis O'Brien
12:10pm | Thomas Francis - Living

TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2025

8:00pm | Carmine Renella - Birthday
12:10pm | William Stallone - Birthday

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 2025

8:00am | Living & Deceased Members of
the Murphy & Reis Families
12:10pm | Anna Maria Pugliese

THURSDAY, JULY 3, 2025

8:00am | Mary Ann Walton - Living
12:10pm | Marie & Joseph Piazza

FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025

9:00am | Delphine Julian

SATURDAY, JULY 5, 2025

8:00am | Domenico Armano - Birthday
| Cole Hamilton - Living
| John McNally
4:00pm | Peter Rumore

SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025

8:00am | Theresa Von Braunsberg -
Birthday
10:00am | Robert Novesky
12:00pm | People of St. James
| Vincent LoBiondo - Birthday
| Leonard Angioli
| Carmine Nicholas Marcellino
| Infant Christopher Bedus
| Jennie Muraca

HEAVENLY FATHER WE PRAY FOR ...

Omar Albayaty, Ruth Alifieris, Marianne Amblo, Ruth Alifieris, Francine Argila, John Baglione, Stephanie Baio, Deanna Baisley, Pat Beirne, James Bianco, Charlie Bowman, Christine Buerkle, Jennifer Callahan, Mary Calabrese, Carl Capobianco, Greg Capobianco, Philip Capobianco, James Castellane, Vincent Catalano, JoAnn Chirco, Joseph Chirco, Dianne Cicciari, Lori Cicciari, Carly Colvell, Ed Connelly, Leslie Crandall, Grayson Danielski, Douglas Deacon, James Donaldson, Lawrence Deck, Baby James Derleth, James DeVita, Sandra Denise Diaz, Matteo DiMartino, Jessica Emerick, Joan Lugokencky, Grace Dowdell, Margaret Dowdell, Kenny Eaton, Rick Ellis, Rosaria Esposito, Connie Fisher, Thomas Fazio, Raymond Flood, Caitlin Francis, Thomas Francis, Joseph Gagliardo, Andrew Gallo, Paul Giacalone, Rosemary Giacalone, Luke Gruener, Bill Gruener, William J. Gruener, Michael Hance, Luke Horvath, Martin Jappen, Rebecca Johnston, William Kapcoe, John Kmiotek, Gina Krafinski, Pat Lafferty, Roger Lafferty, Sean Lehosky, Tia Mabanta, Timothy Maietta, Dakota Maken, Mary Sue Maluda, Tara Matthews, Kathleen McCormack, Megan McCormack, George McGill, Erlinda Medina, Janice Mehaffy, Grace Mendonez, Michael Mendonez, Steven Miller, Marianne Mirkow, Thomas Mirkow, Bianca Montenegro, Grace Nadolny, Gerry Nickel, Barbara Notarstefano, Melissa Notarstefano, Janet Oliveri, Sister Barbara Ozelski, Marie Pereira-Callahan, Jim Perkowski, Diane Pheffer, Irene Poggio, Joseph Poggio, Antoinette Provenzano, Cathy Prykuta, Dana Rodriguez, Richard Rogers, Kimberly Romano, Francesca Russo, Alexa Salvage, Iliana Saviano, Anthony Schiozzi, Caileen Sheehan, Cynthia Simson, Dennis Sisto, Maria Sisto, Joan Smith, Tony Sparaco, Arline Stafford, William Styne, Ron Tedeschi, Julia Tobin, Sally Ann Waskewich, Isabella Rose Weiss, Jessica Weiss

THE CLERGY

Rev. John Derasmo, Pastor | fatherjohn@stjamesrcchurch.org

Msgr. Michael Barimah-Apau, Associate Pastor

Fr. Benjamin Ogbunuko, Associate Pastor

In the event of an emergency, please call 516-916-0959 to reach the priest on duty

Deacon Rick Brunner

Deacon Chris Daniello

Deacon John Horn

Director of Faith Formation - Dr. Lucy Creed, Ed.D. - 516-796-2979

Parish Social Ministry - 516-735-8690

St. Vincent de Paul Society - 516-735-8895

Director of Music Ministry - Jillian Vicinanza - 516-731-3710

Facility Manager - Thomas Galvin - 516-731-3710

PARISH OFFICE RECEPTIONIST

Parishoffice@stjamesrcchurch.org

MASS CELEBRANT

July 5th | 4:00pm | Fr. John

July 6th | 8:00am | Fr. John
| 10:00am | Fr. Melchizedek
| 12:00pm | Msgr. Michael

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE -

Saturday Confessions | 3:00 pm—3:45 pm
Celebrants subject to change

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Phone: 516-731-3710/

Fax: 516-731-4828

Monday and Tuesday:
9:00am to 8:00pm

Wednesday through Friday
9:00am to 4:00pm
Closed between 12:00pm to
1:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am to 12 Noon

A Note from the Pastor



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES:

How wonderful that we have the opportunity this year to celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul on a Sunday. These are the two great apostles. Peter represents the proclamation of the Gospel to the people of Israel. Paul represents the extension of the Good News to the Gentiles.

REACHING OUT TO THE TWELVE TRIBES OF ISRAEL: A number of years ago I read a very interesting book, whose author maintains the extension of the Proclamation of the Gospel to the Gentiles was God's way to reach out the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel. Since the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel were scattered throughout the world, this author suggests that in order to reach them the Gospel message would have to be preached among the Gentiles, which is where the Lost Tribes of Israel were living.

By embracing the Gospel being preached among the Gentiles and responding to it by becoming followers of Christ, they are being reunited in a special way. I remember being taken by this thought. *Could this be God's plan?*

BY THE WAY! I was ordained a deacon on June 29th, 1980. That's 45 years ago. At the time we did a full year in a parish as deacons. It was a wonderful way to get acclimated to parish life while not having the full responsibilities as a parish priest.

HOLY COMMUNION UNDER BOTH SPECIES: THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST. Last Sunday at the 12pm Mass we offered not only the consecrated hosts but also the Precious Blood to those who were present.

I think that those who took advantage of this were pleased. Those receiving from the Cup were asked to take the Cup from the Eucharistic Minister, take a sip and then return the Cup (the Chalice) to the Minister. That seemed to go fairly smoothly.

I think that there are others who are still reluctant to drink from the Cup due to fear of contamination. Those who have been doing this in Churches over the past year or more have not experienced an increase in illness. The position of the Church is that this concern is more personal. Please let me know what concerns you might be having. I'd appreciate your honest feedback.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. John".

Ministries and Events

St. James Family Ministry invites everyone to a
Free Hospitality Breakfast on Sunday, July, 6, 2025 in Delaney Hall immediately following the 10:00 o'clock Mass.

We will be serving bagels, cookies, cakes, as well as coffee, tea, and juice.

There won't be a hospitality breakfast in August.
Join us for the next breakfast on September 7th.



*Be the reason
someone smiles today!*



ST. JAMES CYO BASKETBALL 2025-2026 Registration

Boys & Girls Grades 3—8

Discounted Price: \$250 by August 24th

Registration Price: \$275 - \$25 sibling discount

ALL REGISTRATION DUE by September 1st

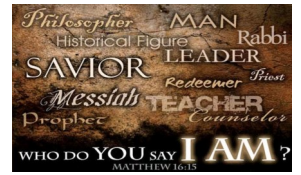


We are now on Teamsideline, please go on the website and sign in for updates. Early registration for Fall Basketball begins on July 1, 2025.
<https://teamsideline.com/sites/Stjamesrc/home>

FACEBOOK: SAINT JAMES OF SEAFORD CYO BASKETBALL
INSTAGRAM: @STJAMESSEAFORDCYO
EMAIL: STJAMESSEAFORDCYO@GMAIL.COM



What's happening in Faith Formation? Sunday, June 29, 2025



REGISTRATION FEES FOR 2025-2026 ARE NOW:

1 child—\$225

2 children—\$250

3+ children—\$275

These fees are in effect
until AUGUST 1 AT 5PM

Space is limited please
register as soon as
you are able.
We cannot honor
special requests at
this late date.

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PARISH IN ORDER TO
REGISTER FOR FAITH
FORMATION



IMPORTANT
If you have a child entering 1st
grade in September, 2025
you need to register that child for
First Level of Faith Formation if
you desire them to receive
Communion in spring 2027

**YOU MUST BE REGISTERED
IN THE PARISH IN ORDER TO
REGISTER FOR
FAITH FORMATION**

If you are interested in sharing your faith
please call the office 516-796-2979 and
speak to Dr. Lucy Creed,
Director of Faith Formation.
We are currently looking to fill:
Tuesday 4:15 —Levels 1
Wednesday 4:15—Levels 3, 4, 5 (we
have no teacher for level 5)
Wednesday 7pm—Level 3 or 6
Thursday 4:15—Level 2
We will provide all necessary materials, and
training all you need to bring is a desire to
share your Faith with the children
of St. James.

Liturgical Life



Week Two

**Theresa Kmietek &
Thomas Ryan**

Our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support of our food pantry. Our current needs are coffee, boxed milk, Sweet & Low, sugar-coated cereal, juice, oil, vinegar, laundry detergent, tissues, napkins, paper towels, toilet paper, toothpaste, soap and deodorant. Thank you very much.



We welcome into the
St. James Community

**Irv Michael Gotti
Bailey Lyn Scharf**

Congratulations to the
parents of the newly
baptized!

Thank you
to the
Citrano
Family for
bringing
up the
gifts at the
10am



Mass on
June 22,
2025. If you would like the
opportunity to bring up the gifts at
the 10am Family Mass, please reach
out to Dawn Daniello at
dawndaniello60@gmail.com

All Parish
Center offices will
be closed on Friday,
July 4th in
observance of the
holiday. There will
be one Mass that
day at 9am.



Pilgrim Virgin
Mary Statue
home visitation
program.
Please call
Maria Porto at
(516)474-9482.



June 29: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

In today's Gospel, Peter recognizes Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. On this rock of faith, says Christ, He will build his Church. **In the month of June, you recognized Jesus in his poor. Your gifts of faith enabled the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to help many families, providing food, and assistance with utility and rent bills.** If you or someone you

know needs help, please remind them the St. Vincent de Paul Society is here to help. We offer assistance in many forms; financial, spiritual, or help with navigating the intricacies of our society, please email us at:
Saintjames saintvincentdepaul@gmail.com or call 516-735-8895. Thank you.

OUR SUMMER RAFFLE HAS BEEN MAILED OUT!!

In our 50/50 raffle, the winner
receives 50% of whatever is collected,
up to a maximum **Grand Prize of
\$10,000!!**

**SUMMER
RAFFLE**



**COMING SOON!
WATCH FOR DETAILS!!!**

**Chances are \$25 each, buy the entire
book for \$100 and you receive one chance for FREE!**
Drawing will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2025

Thank you and good luck!

Prayer & Worship

GOSPEL MEDITATION

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY—INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Peter testified to a dangerous and unpopular truth — that Christ was the Messiah. That courage, that trust in God, is the cornerstone of all we believe. Like Peter, we must always bear witness to the truth.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

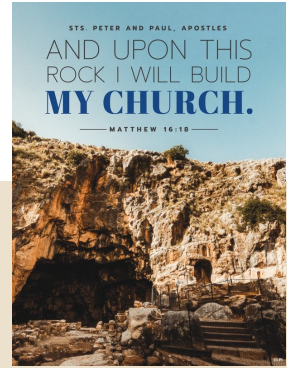
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WEEKLY DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary for Life - Mondays 2 PM in the Chapel. (except during July and August - resumes Sept. 1st)

Rosary - Monday through Saturday following the 8 AM Mass in the Church.

Our Lady of the Rosary Italian Prayer Group - Fridays at 11 AM in the Chapel (except during July and August - resumes Sept. 1st)



SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING

"Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people had been expecting." (Acts 12:11)

PSALM

The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him. (Ps 34)

SECOND READING

The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly Kingdom. (2 Tm 4:18)

GOSPEL

I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Mt 16:19)

Ministries and Events



Cigars and Prayers Companions in Smoke and Serenity

Similarly, prayer is an act of deliberate intention. Whether whispered in solitude or shared in communal reverence, it creates a space for connection—connection to the divine, to yourself, or to something greater than the visible world. Like the cigar smoker, the one who prays steps into another realm, a place where distractions fade and presence takes over.

Smoke Signals to the Heavens

In some ways, the act of puffing on a cigar resembles the act of prayer. The smoke, rising skyward, could be seen as a modern-day offering to the heavens—a visible manifestation of thoughts, hopes, or gratitude ascending to realms unseen. Is it mere coincidence that smoke has played a pivotal role in spiritual rituals for millennia? Like the incense used in our church to the sacred rituals, smoke has long been seen as a bridge between the earthly and the divine.

Join me Wednesdays in June and July - 7:00pm

In front of the Grotto of Mary, as we all enjoy a cigar (or two) as we pray and discuss the upcoming gospel. Please bring a lawn chair.

Deacon Chris



TACHS EXAM PREP COURSE

TEST DATE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

- ✓ Course dates: Saturdays 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/25, 11/1
- ✓ Time: 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
- ✓ Location: St. Dominic High School, Marian Hall
- ✓ Taught by St. Dominic High School Faculty
- ✓ Textbook included

REGISTER ONLINE AT [HS.STDOMS.ORG](https://hs.stdoms.org)

Students accepted on a first come - first serve basis.
There will be no refunds once the course begins.

Course Fee
\$300
Textbook included



All Seniors, 62 and over, are invited to a **FREE Senior Appreciation Barbecue in Delaney Hall**

Hosted by Family Ministry

on Saturday, August 16, 2025 from 12:00pm to 3:00 pm

THE MENU - Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sausage & Peppers, Chicken

Tenders, Salads, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water, Ice Cream, Cake, Tea and Coffee

Come, have a great BBQ lunch & make some new friends!

Raffles, Lotto Board and 50/50

Seating is LIMITED to the first 100 responders

A RESERVATION is REQUIRED.

Reply Deadline is Monday, August, 11th 2025

Reserve a seat by calling Linda at 516 731-5688 - Leave a message, calls will be returned ASAP



Weekly Stewardship Report

WEEK OF:

June 15, 2025

Catholic
Education

CHURCH
CAPACITY 850

	Sunday Collection	Second Collection	Mass Attendance
Mass	7,309.00	648.00	4:00pm 324
Online Giving	2,323.70	18.99	8:00am 242
Mail in Envelopes	<u>860.00</u>	<u>133.00</u>	10:00am 280
Total	10,492.70	799.99	12:00pm <u>289</u>
		Total	1,135



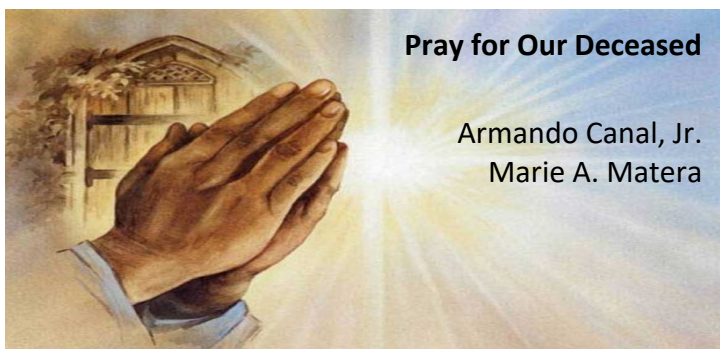
"Save Time and Donate Online!"

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.stjamesrcchurch.org and click on the WeShare link or call the parish office at 516-731-3710.

Question: January 25 is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul and the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. What does one have to do with the other?

Q & A

Answer: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer. The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians. To learn more, visit geii.org.



Pray for Our Deceased

Armando Canal, Jr.
Marie A. Matera

FROM THE EDITOR BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin Date	Due by 9:00am
July 13th	Monday, July 7th
July 20th	Tuesday, July 8th
July 27th	Monday, July 21st
August 3rd	Monday, July 28th

Super Bonanza \$25 Winners June 2025



Sunday, 6/22—Susan Dwan

Monday, 6/23—William Sohmer

Tue., 6/24—Anne Grasser

Wed., 6/25—M/M John Schneider

Thurs., 6/26—Carmelina Oliveira

Friday, 6/27—Nancy Cusack

Saturday, 6/28—Victor Tutino

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, June 29th

No scheduled events

Monday, June 30th

8:30am | Rosary—Church

Tuesday, July 1st

8:30am | Rosary—Church

Scripture Sharing - Room 104 | 7:00pm

Wednesday, July 2nd

8:30am | Rosary—Church

Prayers & Cigars | Shrine 7:00pm

Thursday, July 3rd

8:30am | Rosary—Church

Friday, July 4th

Building closed

9:30am | Rosary—Church

Saturday, July 5th

7:30am | Men's Prayer Group - Room 104

9:00am | Women's Prayer & Meditation - Room 112

FEATURED MINISTRY

Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your Gift back to God.

Lectors

The Lector Ministry is comprised of faith-filled people who are inspired by God's word and hope to inspire others by proclaiming it. Lectors are prayerful and meet God in Sacred Scripture. Weekend Lectors are called to proclaim the Word of God once every three to four weeks, as well as Holy Days and other special occasions. Weekday Lectors typically proclaim the Word once a week at the 8am or 12:10pm Masses.

Please contact the parish office at 516-731-3710 if you would like to participate in this ministry.

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Lord of Hosts, we commend to Your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with Your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils that beset them; and grant them Your abiding presence wherever they may be. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

Please pray for: Lt. Col. Joseph Agres, USMC; Marine; Battalion Chaplain, Capt. Fr. Lito D. Amande, Army; Kyle Beck, Ashlea Beck US Navy; Operations Specialist, Ryan Blazo, Army; Navy Airman, Lt. Commander Raymond Beno, Navy; Sgt. Joseph R. Booth, Army; Spc. Matthew Burrafato, Cpl. Dominic Castiello, Marines; Capt. Amy Connors, Army; Lt. Ian Connors, Army; Capt. Jacob Connors, Army; Lt. Ryan Connors, Army; Col. Brian Coyne, Sean Dolan 1st Lieutenant, USMC, Marines; Sgt. Steven Fiscante, Army; Pfc. Steven Gianatiempo, Army; M.P. Brian Gruebel, Air Force; Sgt. 1st Class James T. Harris, Army; Sgt. James Howard, Army; Specialist Dillon Incendio, Army; LtJG. E-3 Joseph Keller, Navy; Connor Krebs, USMC; Cpl. Joseph Leoce, Jr. Marines; Lance Cpl. Luis R. Maltezos, USMC; Lance Cpl. Matthew Maniet, USMC; Lance Cpl. Richard Marandino, Marines; 1st Lt. Ric F. Masi, Army; 1st Lt. Kevin McMahon, Army; Lt. Eric McMullan, Army; Captain Scott Michalowski, Air Force; USMC; Pfc. Kyle Nigro, Marines; Pvt. Patricia O'Connor, Army; Pfc. Jason O'Shaughnessy, Army; Capt. Theresa Rodzevik, Army; Rocky C. Rossi, Navy; Scott Santoro, Marines; LCpl. Anthony P. Saracino Jr., Marines; Luis R. Maltezos Sepulveda, Marines; Sgt. Michael Stinnett, Army Infantry; L Cpl. Thomas Tarnagorski Jr, Marines; Lt. James Van Wie, Army; Paul Vermillion, Marine Corps., Col. Kevin Walsh, Air Force; Chief Christopher Zyrski, Navy.