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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 5, 2025

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Linda Geoghan, Parish Secretary
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Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 5:00pm

CLOSED Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays

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Rev. José Luis Tenas 631-914-1538

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Beth Hard & Linda O'Brien

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Michael Berdinka, Tom Day, Lori Francescani, Lisa Guzman, Tara Hudson, Verna Merkel, & Amabilia Estrada Ruiz

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday

5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am 6:00pm (Spanish Mass)

Daily Mass

8:00am Monday through Friday
The Rosary is recited immediately after daily Mass

Holy Days

Vigil @ 7:00pm (Spanish Mass)
Day @ 8:00am, 12:00pm, & 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

The FIRST FRIDAYS (Novena & silent adoration to Sacred Heart) of each month at 12:30pm and the LAST MONDAYS of each month at 7:00pm in the Church.

Confessions

Every Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Kevin Dwyer, Beth Hard, Daily Hill, Christine Lennon, Linda O'Brien, Scott O'Brien, Joe Sala, & Michael Strebel

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least 1 year in advance. Marriage dates may be made only with the priest after he interviews the couple. Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment. Pre- Cana classes are required.

BAPTISMS: Parents are required to attend one evening class before Baptism; and are encouraged to attend class during pregnancy. Baptismal class is held on the 1st Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Baptisms take place the 1st Sunday of each month. To register for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING THE SICK:

Emergency calls for the Sacraments for the seriously ill may be made any time of the day or night, every day of the year. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will also be celebrated every second Friday of the month at the 12:00pm Mass. All those who are seriously ill, including those preparing for surgery or a hospital stay, are invited to receive the Sacrament.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2;

Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13 **Friday:** Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26 **Saturday:** Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28 **Sunday:** 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;

Lk 17:11-19

TODAY'S READINGS

Habakkuk 1:2–3; 2:2–4: How long, Lord, will you make me witness misery?

Psalm 95: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

2 Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14: Guard the rich deposit of faith you were given.

Luke 17:5–10: When you have done everything for the kingdom, do more.

The prophet Habakkuk cries out to God in frustration, upset that nothing is being done about the discord and violence in Judah. "Patience," God answers. The apostles cry out to Jesus, complaining their faith isn't strong enough. "You have plenty," Jesus assures them. May we not be too timid to cry out to God in our need, may we listen for God's reassuring voice, and, as we sing in the psalm, may we harden not our hearts.

MARRIAGE BANNS

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III Emily H. Hulse to Peter R. Fehringer

III Suzanne Singer to Christopher McBride

I Erin Pellegrino to Kyle Higgins

MASS ATTENDANCE						
DATE	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am	6рт	TOTAL
09/07/25	175	206	187	210	100	878
09/14/25	163	217	174	196	100	850
09/21/25	157	224	167	176	150	874
09/28/25	168	174	160	-	165	-

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS				
DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT		
09/28/2025	Weekly Collection	\$11,576.00		
09/29/2024	Weekly Collection	\$9,717.00		
Thank you for your continuous support!				

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday October 4

5:00pm Dave Francescani (Fr. Tom)

Sunday October 5

8:00am Michael Betjemann (Fr. Peter)
9:30am Barbara Ostipwko (Fr. Tom)
11:00am Nancy Cappiello (Fr. Tom)

6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose)

Monday October 6

8:00am Mary Frances Doyle

Tuesday October 7

8:00am Salvatore Mastropaolo

Wednesday October 8

8:00am (Guild Mass) Daniel Wright;

Harry Hebberd, Sr.

Thursday October 9

8:00am Mary Frances Doyle

Friday 8:00am William Rowe Saturday 4:00pm Cctober 11 Confessions

5:00pm Rosemary Rauh (Fr. Tom)

Sunday October 12

8:00am Rosemary Scammell (Fr. Peter)
9:30am Kathleen & Patricia Tolan (Fr. Peter)

11:00am Richard Hill (Fr. Tom)

6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose)

PRAY FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED



Elijah Levi Fish Henry William Grieco Colley Remsen Hopkins Timothy James Shea Nicholas James Vasquez

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal is happening in our parish and in parishes across the Diocese. Please give prayerful consideration to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by this appeal.

 Goal
 \$ 62,100.00

 Total Pledged
 \$ 25,800.00

 Payments Received
 \$ 24,583.00

Donors: 71 % of Goal: 41.55%

The parish will receive 20% of the goal once all pledged payments are received. The parish will receive an additional 80% of monies pledged & received over goal.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 9am to 5pm 631-288-4188

Welcome Back to Religious Education!!

We had a wonderful first week and were so happy to see all the children & teens as they began a new year of Religious Education.

DATES TO REMEMBER IN OCTOBER:

Sunday, October 5th
Level 8 Mass @ 9:30am in Church

Monday, October 6th

First Holy Communion Parent Meeting @ 7:00pm in Parish Center

Monday, October 13th

Columbus Day – NO CLASSES

Sunday, October 26th
Level 1 & Level 9 Mass @ 9:30am in Church

Monday, October 27th

Level 9 Confirmation Parent Meeting @ 7:00pm in Parish Center

Congratulations to the following students who received HONOR ROLL certificates for the Academic Year 2024-2025 at St. Anthony's High School:

> Jaiel Lindo-Jean Louis **Christian Pinto**

PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a great power in prayer. It is our lifeline to God. Through it we communicate with God, and people are strengthened, helped, and made whole.

Do you know of some concern, or of some person with a special need for whom we ought to pray? We have 29 prayer warriors praying, please call Charles Schmidt at 631-288-4243 and leave a message with your prayer request.

MEDITATION with Deacon Joe

Tuesdays at 2pm in the Parish Center Try this spiritual practice, it will surprise you!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Toiletries (shampoo & soap), Cereal, Pasta Sauce, Tuna, Hearty Soups, Condiments,

Vegetables, Black Beans, boxed Mac & Cheese, & snacks for children.

eGIVING OPPORTUNITIES

eGiving makes it easy to give, anytime, anywhere. To continue lifesaving ministries and outreach in our parish community, we depend on generous online donations from our church



family. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving from your computer, smartphone, or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

FAITH DIRECT

Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Immaculate Conception with consistent support and simplify your giving without the use of envelopes. Visit:

https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY66 Thank you for your continued support!

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

Each week we gather here as a family of faith, expressing our faith and deepening our faith as we celebrate the Eucharist together. Yet, we may still feel that our faith is weak, especially if we compare ourselves to others we know. But do you know what? So did the twelve apostles. Today we hear them ask the Lord to increase their faith. May his response hearten us, his present-day disciples, as we struggle with our own faith.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Cathy Burch, Deacon Joseph Byrne, Claire Cowcer, Jeffrey Davis, Millie Ferrin, Gerri Martin, & Barbara Storer

Please call the Parish Office (631-288-1423) to add/delete a name to the sick list. This list will be cleared occasionally.

INTRODUCTION TO THE **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The faith implanted in each one of us at the moment of our Baptism enables us to give voice to this great prayer of thanksgiving. Mindful of the tremendous gift that the Eucharist is for the world, we lift our voices in praise.

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

As Christians, we are called to spread the Stewardship Gospel. Ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten your mind and help you to spread the A Way of Life Gospel. When we trust in God and do His will, we can be formed into powerful, confident missionaries.

Bulletin Reflection

In today's Second Reading, St. Paul encourages us to spread the Good News to others with the help of God.

SACRAMENTALS

BREAD & WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP, and ALTAR FLOWERS

To arrange a sacramental in loving memory of or for the intentions of your loved one, please visit the Parish Office.

Available Dates:

Sanctuary Lamp: October 13, 20, 27, November 4, 11, 18 Bread & Wine: October 13, 20, 27, November 4, 11, 18, 25 Altar Flowers: October 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday; World Communication Sunday Monday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

Tuesday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Thursday: St. Denis; St. John Leonardi

Saturday: St. John XXIII; Blessed Virgin Mary

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



What can I do this week to be an "unprofitable" servant" in God's eyes?

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bentley (Navy) Julia Blake (Navy) 1st Lt. Christopher Fencel (Marines) Joseph Ferraro III (Air Force) Thomas Hellman (USSF) Lt. Col. William Robesch RJ Ruggiero (Navv) Lt. Cameron Worden Lt. Matthew Worden (Navy)

> Please contact the Rectory @ 631-288-1423 to add a loved one to the military list

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION



In the mid-1960s, many religious congregations that had maintained a custom of assigning new names to their members allowed a return

to baptismal names. The practice stems from the origins of monastic life, when a desire to flee the world and its enchantments caused a severe break with family life and commitments. A new name signified that the old person had died and a new one was coming to life. Some orders even spread funeral palls over their entrants and tolled the funeral bell. On a practical level, in a crowded monastery of a few hundred monks or nuns, it made sense not to have six Brother Alfrics or nine Sister Clares. The one name, one person rule worked well.

In more recent times, a young woman entering the convent might be given her parents' names as a way of honoring their generosity, so Hilda might become Sister Philip Margaret after her father and mother. A cherished name in the order might be bestowed on a newcomer so that there would always be a Brother Owen around, or a young person might adopt the name of a beloved saint. A handful of religious congregations, like Mother Barat's Religious of the Sacred Heart, always used family names. Many monasteries still bestow a new name at the end of probation. Other religious institutes have revived the custom of changing their candidates' names at the end of novitiate, although for the most part religious who were around at the time of the Council were happy to get their baptismal names back. A few, of course, cherished their acquired names and have held on to them, so convents still hold the creativity badge for naming. Where else today can you find great names today like Madeleva, Siena, and Celestina?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A LECTOR?

Do you like to read? Volunteer your time and talents to join the Lector group! You'll receive a Lector book that gives you a deeper dive into the day's readings as well as pronunciation guides. You will be scheduled for the Mass time you prefer, and you'll read on average 2 Masses a month, possibly more during holidays and holy days. You'll read the announcements, the readings, and the Prayers of the Faithful.

Please contact Beth at 631-495-5931 or bethflanagan@optonline.net if you'd like to participate in this ministry.



"It is so important that each and every baptized person feel himself or herself called by God to be a sign of hope in the world today."

~ Pope Leo XIV

October is Respect Life month. As faithful Catholics we are aware that respecting life is a constant pursuit. May we always consider more deeply that every human life is valuable and reflect on how we can build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

With your support, we can achieve this challenge of keeping the sanctity of life at the forefront of our community and society. Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal provides Respect Life initiatives through prayer services, education, witness and action.

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, October 5th, is **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**, a day dedicated to reflecting on the sanctity and dignity of all human life. On this day, we are reminded that threats to life and human dignity take many forms in our world. The Diocese works tirelessly to strengthen our commitment to promoting a culture of life through advocacy, education, and parish outreach. Your generosity in the Respect Life envelope collection will support this essential mission. We deeply appreciate your prayers and support.

WELL-READ?

When the day of judgment comes, we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done.

~ Thomas à Kempis





WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays in Our Lady's Hall Now thru December 4th

9:30am Chat/Coffee/Tea

10:00am Bible Study Program starts promptly Zoom is also available for those unable to attend in person

LET GO AND LET GOD

Many twelve-step programs use the phrase "Let go and let God." In all their simplicity, these five words are the heart of today's readings. For people who struggle with addictive behavior, these words plainly remind us that we can't manage, control, or manipulate certain areas of our lives. How many times can we look back in our lives and find evidence of some plan at work other than our own? These are the moments when, for whatever reasons, we let someone greater than ourselves work the plan. We probably didn't even recognize at the time that we were letting go of anything, but in retrospect, we see God's hand and loving presence. It is our awareness of these moments that gives us the courage and initiative to let go again later on. It is this courage and initiative that are highlighted in today's readings. We come to call it "faith."





Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Westhampton Rotary Club. & Kiwanis Club

Saturday, November 8th, 2025 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Immaculate Conception Parish Center 18 Ocame Avenue, Quiogue

Continuous Serve Buffet Prepared By Sydney's Taylor Made Cuisine SHOCK Ice Cream & Hampton Coffee

Adults \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door - Children I2 & under \$10

Family discount: 3rd & 4th child FREE

With one adult and two paid children's tickets

Face Painting - fun raffle - Silent auction

Tickets are available at Immaculate Conception Parish office, Lynne's Cards & Gifts, Rubio Premier Motors

Please bring a non-perishable food item or toiletry for the Food Pantry.

This is Greatly Appreciated.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER?

Altar servers are the boys and girls who assist the priest at Mass on Sundays and on other special occasions. They have an important leadership in the celebration of the Mass and are special people for giving and participating so actively in the Mass.

Duties of an Altar Server involve everything from assisting the priest, lighting candles, carrying the cross, ringing the bells and praying. They join with Jesus as they give their time in his service at the altar.

Who can do this?

Boys and girls who have received their First Communion.



What you have to do

- Decide if you are willing to give this service to Jesus in your church. You have to be at the Mass you are assigned on Sundays as you would have to be at every practice and game on a sports team.
- Talk it over with your parents since this will affect them also. Remember, they have to get you there. Of course, if there is an occasional conflict, you can ask another altar server to substitute for you.
- Fill out the form below and ask your parent to sign it. If you or your parents have any questions, please speak with Deacon Joe or the Religious Education Office.
- Return the completed form to the Religious Education Office. Training is held on October 20, 21 22, 27, 28 & 29 at 5:15pm in the Church. A parent will need to attend as well.

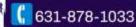
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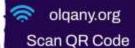
I would like to join Jesus by being an Altar Server at Mass on Sunday. I have talked it over with my parents and they will help me by bringing me to my assigned Masses.			
Name			
Address			
Phone #			
Email:			
Grade in school	Age		
(my signature)	(parent's signature)		



Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School

Contact Us!









Our students in The Mission – our middle school academy for Grades 6, 7, 8 – recently enjoyed their annual retreat to The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Manorville. Students made academic, social & spiritual goals for the new school year, took part in team building activities, and attended Mass and Stations of the Cross outside. Special thanks to Fr. Bernard from the Shrine and Mr. Toby Hoonhout, who is studying at the seminary in Rome, for speaking with our young people and leading them in prayer.



FR FELIX PHIRI, SMM of the Retreat Director Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

with SOBORNOST FOR THE WORLD Members

Shrine Conference Room Lunch provided Holy Mass at 11:30 am Fair Trade Table Sale Saturday, October 25, 2025 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

To reserve your spot (space is limited) Text to: 631-680-2892 or email janinejankowski12366@gmail.com

Suggested Donation: \$35.00

258 Eastport Manor Rd. Manorville, NY A day to experience renewed hope and healing in Jesus Christ with Scripture, talks, community prayer, music and an opportunity to meet new people from around the Island.

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"He restores my soul." Psalm 23:3



<u>The Beginning Experience® Ministry</u> is a peer led ministry that serves those grieving the end of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation. Men and women of all ages and faiths are welcome to attend.

In the Beginning...Coping with Life Alone: A one day remote via Zoom program held on Saturday, November 1st, from 9am to 4pm. For information

or to register, please call Jim at 845-220-7883 or Denise at 845-325-3147.



The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Host

AUTUMN EVENING EVENT

The Sisters of St. Dominic will host their Autumn Evening Event on Friday, October 24th at 6pm at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, NY. This year we are delighted to honor four of our Sisters with the St. Catherine of Siena Award who have served as Treasurer for our Congregation: S. Theresa Gallagher, S. Patricia Koehler, S. Kathleen McGinn and S. Judy Olsen.



Proceeds from this event benefit The Congregation's Ministry Support Fund, which was established to assist many of the Sisters' ministries in need of additional funding. For more information about event tickets, 50/50 raffle or sponsorship opportunities, please contact The Office of Advancement at (631) 842-6000 x 246 or visit: www.sistersofstdominic.org/2025autumnevening.

St. Therese of Lisieux

Present

Marriage Encounter



A Marriage Enriching Weekend

All Marned Couples are Welcome



Saturday October 18



A full day recidenced

9:00AM - 3:00PM

\$40 - per couple

Payable by check to St Themse Parish Lunch Included Registration 8:30AM - light breakfast

Sunday October 19

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Sign up by Oct 12: (631) 668-2200

The Parish of St James Is Hosting:

Saturday November 1st 8:30 - 3:45pm 4pm Mass

Marriage

Presented

marriage encounter

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Location

St James Parish Hall

80 Hicksville Rd, Seaford, NY 11783

\$50 per couple

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Registration or Questions: (516) 351-5442

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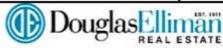
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