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June 27, 2021

The 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Saturday Evening: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 Noon
Monday - Friday 8:00am & 9:00am
Saturday 8:00am

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Our Clergy

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Doreen Scalise, Kids of the Kingdom
Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday: 3:00pm - 6:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am - 12:00pm
Or call for an appointment: 631-587-5185.

Regular Devotions:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every First Monday of the Month, 2– 4:45pm.
Our Lady of Grace Prayer Group
Every Tuesday, 9:30-10:30am, in Room 109.
Holy Face of Jesus:
Hour of Reparation 1st Friday after 9:00am Mass
Padre Pio Prayer Group
2nd Tuesday of each month after the 9am Mass.

Watch Mass Weekly Online

Attend Mass on Sundays & Holy Days from the comfort of your home.
Go to the YouTube website & type:
"**Our Lady of Grace RC Church Faith Formation**"

Our Parish Communion

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Mass Intentions

Unannounced Mass Intentions:
Offered almost immediately & do not appear in the bulletin & are not announced at Mass. Come to the Office. Cost: $20

Multiple Mass Intentions:
Offered weekly alternating with the Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday, 8:00 am Mass.

Memorials for Week of June 27, 2021

Rose for Life
In Memory of Vincent Samarco

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of Daniel & Kathleen Twohig

Bread & Wine
For the intentions of those in Purgatory

Memorial Opportunities
Remember or Honor Loved Ones

Sanctuary Lamp: $10 Rose for Life: $10
Bread and Wine: $25 each
Prayer Garden Paver: $75

You can also donate to our Altar Fund; cards available in Office. Call: 631-587-5185.

Church Memorials

OLOG has several items for memorializing. If you are interested in honoring your loved one with a memorial, please inquire in the Parish Office.

Harry Potter Concert, July 3rd 6:00pm
Terence performs "6 Degrees of Harry Potter" on the James M. Kern Memorial Piano, finishing with patriotic and Olympic music by film composer John William. $10 admission. Immediately after Saturday Mass on July 3rd. All are welcome.

Baptism

Call the Office to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview as soon as practicable.

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Matrimony

Arrangements for marriage must be made as soon as possible but **not fewer than 18 months** prior to the intended wedding date.

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Confession/Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm in the church or call for an appointment.

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Anointing of the Sick

For those facing surgery or with major disorders, should call the Office.

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Becoming a Catholic

For adults, teens, or children over age 7 who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation) Communion), please call the Office.

OLOG ANGEL CARE
… services West Babylon District children. Mornings: 7am - 9am; $11 for 1st child; $10 each additional. Afternoon children bused from schools $13 for 1st child and $12 each additional.
Call 631-893-6564
or email pstanley@ourladyofgrace.net.

OLOG DAY CARE
Need childcare help? We have availability for all ages & offer tours after 6:00 PM on weekdays & on Saturday mornings. Call (631) 422-4681.
Employment positions available;
send resumes to daycare@ourladyofgrace.net.

Kids of the Kingdom
Summer Program begins June 28th for 8 weeks through August 20th, 8:30am - 4:30pm, with a before-care starting at 7:30am & after-care until 5:30pm. For children 5 - 12 yrs old. Please call for an appointment: 631-893-6564.

Low Gluten Hosts
For those who cannot receive the normal hosts please see our sacristans, Anthony or Fran.

For Your Reflection

Counsels for the Graduation Class of 2021 in an Upside Down World
By John Horvatt; tfp.org; May 19, 2021

The class of 2021 emerges from an upside-down year. Rarely have graduates faced events that shattered normal life: the never-ending COVID crisis, lockdown policies; rioting and discontent that could again re-ignite; a turbulent election polarizes the nation; radical socialist proposals. A "Great Reset" has been announced to change the way we live. Our lives and future have turned upside down. This year's graduation message must be directed to those entering this world without the bubbly optimism that usually dominates graduation. We can only offer a sobering evaluation of what may lie ahead. Not all graduates will be open to this. Many insist life will return to our youth-obsessed party culture of self-gratification, materialist pursuits and promiscuity. These counsels are not for them but are directed to those who have pondered these abnormal times and learned lessons beyond the virtual classroom. It targets the more numerous graduates that grieve for the nation and want more than what existed before COVID.

1st counsel: Accept the challenge of this upside-down world that America will never return to what most knew. This entails tragedy and suffering that are alien to our culture. Be resigned that these times will force us to face painful realities prior classes never encountered. This cross can be faced with resentment or courage, but it must be met. Use this opportunity to change for the better; face adversity with courage. The lessons of suffering are far better than courses and classes. They allow us to grow in maturity and wisdom. The class of 2021 is fortunate to be put to the test sooner rather than later. The opportunity will allow them to develop character. What some consider a misfortune, these graduates should consider a blessing.

In our world, everything is filled with ambiguity, doubt and insecurity. It's not that everything taught in school is devoid of content. However, 2021 scrambled yet more the incertitude of our times. The offensive against truth has entered an accelerated and brutal phase. Graduates deal with the paradox of "un-learning" what was taught at school. In the "woke" education establishment, dominated by a culture that denies reality, students are taught that whatever they self-identify as is what they are. Sexual indulgence invades their lives. Brutal cancel culture crushes all opposition. Graduates must reject what serves to "un-prepare" them for life. Just when certitude is most needed, educators have taught students to doubt everything. Graduates face the tragic situation of achieving success despite their education, not because of it. As they finish this phase of life, they must renounce many educational milestones that would have been celebrated in the past.

2nd counsel: Be grounded in the certainties found in family, community and Faith. Find relief in Christian traditions that survive civilization. Learn the lessons that suffering will bring. Seek God and Holy Mother Church to guide and light an upside-down world. It is not enough to reject this upside-down world.

3rd counsel: Have the courage to make things right. Confront the culture that opposes Christianity even when it seems hopeless. This might seem overwhelming, but our culture is rotten. It's accelerated pace of destruction during 2021 quickened its decay. Where nothing is certain, nothing can be emphatically affirmed. A lack of dynamism weighs down postmodernity and diminishes its attraction. This is the opportunity to explore new possibilities and break free from the decomposing ruins of a past order gone awry. Join the ranks of increasing young people who desire more than the tired, materialistic and individualistic paradigms that brought us to our present state. Seek authenticity, tradition and meaning. Dare to dream of something contrary to the upside-down world in which we now languish. Virtue beckons. Embrace it with calm, courage and confidence in Providence.

Graduates must have recourse to God and Church. An extraordinary crisis requires proportional aid. We have no choice but to take the supernatural path to be heroic beyond our natural capacities. Accept the challenges, be grounded in certainties and oppose the culture counsels offered by a crumbling order and an enigmatic future. The hope is the class of 2021 will rise to the occasion. The stakes are high because the price of failure is much greater. Graduates of 2021 must make a choice: be swept away by the world's growing chaos, or show their mettle by looking beyond the disorder and return to the Father's house. Let them choose the better option.

Respect Life: Martin Luther King, Jr.

"How can the 'Dream' survive if we murder the children? Every aborted baby is like a slave in the womb of his or her mother. The mother decides his or her fate."

Welcome Our Newly Baptized

Harper Caramico, Ragan Grace Anderson, John Everett Sullivan

Pray for our Recent Deceased

Michael Marino, Arthur J. Ahearn, Pauline J. Bolk, Leo J. Klein

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Banns of Marriage

3rd Banns: Marta Konopka - Michael Tusso

Weekly Collection
June 20, 2021: $7,359

Nursing Home Volunteers Needed

Volunteers go to East Neck Nursing Home on Wednesday at 10:15am for about 1 hour to transport residents to the meeting room. We need of Eucharistic Ministers to take Communion to the bed ridden residents. Consider joining these extraordinary men and women. Call the office to leave your name & number. Someone will get back to you.

Sick List Policy

Effective June 30th, all names on the 'Sick List' will be removed. Those wanting their loved one on the list must call the Office. This will happen the last day of each month. Those asking to be added on will be done after the first of the following month.

BINGO NEWS

We need just a couple of more volunteers to be able to resume Bingo. Please call the office if you can help.

Keep Returning Empty Bottles & Cans!!

The bottle receipts help Outreach & Pantry. Thank you!

Please Do NOT Leave Anything Outside Parish Social Ministry Door

These donations cannot be accepted. Our office is only open Monday thru Thursday from 10 AM to 1:00 PM, If office is closed, leave donations in the bin in the church lobby. Thank you for your help.

Worship This Week

Mon.	**St. Irenaeus**
June 28	Gn 18:16-33 / Mt 8:18-22
8:00am	Pi Chu & Shiam Shen Cheng
	Maria & Enrique Cheng
9:00am	Edward Lombardo
Tues.	**Ss. Peter & Paul**
June 29	Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 / Mt 16:13-19
8:00am	Giuseppe Mozzone
9:00am	Msgr. James Kissane
Wed.	**The 1st Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**
June 30	Gn 21:5,8-20a / Mt 8:28-34
8:00am	Daniel Twohig (Anniv.)
9:00am	Frances Ehrlinger
Thurs.	**St. Junipero Serra**
July 1	Gn 22:1b-19 / Mt 9:1-8
8:00am	
9:00am	Mary James
Fri.	**Weekday**
July 2	Gn 23:1-4,19;24:1-8,62-67 / Mt 9:9-13
8:00am	Antoinette Lyons (B'Day)
9:00am	Holy Face of Jesus—Living & Deceased
Sat.	**St. Thomas**
July 3	Eph 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29
8:00am	Nina Messina, Kimberly & Charles DiPalma (Living), John Montani (3 Anniv)
5:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	**Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
July 4	Ez 2:2-5 / 2 Cor 12:7-10 / MK 6:1-6a
8:00am	Adam Whiston 4th Anniv.), Marie DiPaola
10:00am	Bernadette Liberti
12:00pm	Ron Durante

Mass Intentions

Many Masses are available for intentions. Please contact the Office.

The Celebration of Mass & COVID Directives

The diocese has announced **new** **important** **COVID** **directives** for churches **effective** **now**:

- Unless otherwise stated, these directives govern Mass and other liturgies or gatherings in church. Gatherings that use other parish space will have their own guidelines.
- The bishop is **right now still** dispensing all Catholics from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. However, "*The general dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation Masses* ***will end the weekend of Saturday/Sunday, August 14/15, 2021***." We will announce this over the next several weeks. Please help us spread the word. The normal obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Masses will resume on Sunday, August 15, 2021.
- There are no formal capacity limits in the worship spaces (church or chapel).
- Holy Communion hand sanitizing protocols remain in place.
- The offertory procession will continue to be omitted.
- The sign of peace may take place but refrain from contact with those who are not of your household.
- The Precious Blood will not be distributed.

As new information comes to us, we will share it with you.

New Income Guidelines for WIC (Women, Infant, Children)

WIC is a nutrition & food program for low income pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, infants and children up to age 5. Free food may include infant formula, baby food, milk, cheese, eggs, beans, peanut butter, juice, canned fish, cereal, bread, rice, fruits and vegetables. Also: breastfeeding support, nutrition counseling immunization screenings and referrals to health care providers. An unborn child is counted as a household member. Call the Catholic Charities WIC Office: 631-842-4123.

Pope Francis - Palm Sunday 2021

Admiring Jesus is not enough. We must follow his footsteps, be challenged, pass from admiration to amazement. Gaze upon Jesus on the cross. Say, "how much you love me! How precious I am to you!" Be amazed so we can live again for the grandeur of life lies not in possessions, but realizing that we are loved. The grandeur of life is discovering we are loved. The grandeur lies precisely in the beauty of love. In the crucified Jesus, we see God humiliated, dismissed and discarded. With the grace of amazement we realize in welcoming the dismissed and discarded, in drawing close to those ill-treated, we are loving Jesus. He is in the least of our brothers, the rejected and discarded, and those whom our culture condemns.

Thank You Kalers Farm!

Kalers Farm (164 Little East Neck Rd) generously donated vegetable plants for our Community Garden. Thanks to our volunteers our Garden is planted and beginning to sprout. Once the vegetables grow, they are given to Outreach clients. Extra vegetables are sold on the weekends after Mass.

Food Pantry Needs

Our Food Pantry needs jelly, canned string beans, mixed vegetables, & carrots (NO CORN PLEASE), mashed potatoes & sides, pancake mix, syrup, cake mix & frosting, Manwich, Chef-Boyardee, creamed soups, tea, canned fruit (especially the small packs), cookies, snacks, and other food items. Thank you for your support!

Thank You Scout Troop 2014 for your Food Donation!

Faith Formation: call 631-661-9353

Volunteers Needed

Our Special Needs Faith Formation program is looking for responsible and dedicated volunteers as catechists for our special needs students. Program runs from October - April on Tuesdays, 4:30-5:40pm. Duties include 1:1 or small group instruction in religious education and the sacraments. Our ministry is extremely rewarding for both students and teacher volunteers. Please open your heart and teach the Word of God to His most special lambs. For more information, contact the Faith Formation office: 631-661-9353.

The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art."

- The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, #112

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

I am pleased to announce that our ***Sacred Music Society*** here at Our Lady of Grace has been a success. I thank those who have already generously contributed to our campaign and invite all to consider still contributing to our cause. All contributions will be used to directly support the music program at Our Lady of Grace including Advent Lessons and Carols, concerts, additional brass, woodwind and string instruments for special liturgies for Christmas, Easter and Pentecost. Acknowledgments are made in programs for our concerts and special musical offerings throughout the year as well is in our parish bulletin. Contributions can be given at any of the following levels:

- St. Cecilia ($350 or more)
- Schola Cantorum ($200 to $349)
- Cantor's Circle ($100 to $199)

Psalmist Platform ($50 to $99)
Chorister's Guild ($25 to $49)
Angelic Chorus (up to $24)

It will be primarily through the support of the ***Sacred Music Society*** that we will be able to continue to produce high-quality music in our church. To contribute, please mail or bring complete form below and a check made payable to "Our Lady of Grace" in an envelope to the Parish Office: Attn - Terence Purtell. If you have any questions, contact me at tpurtell@ourladyofgrace.net or (631) 587-5185.

Please consider being a part of our music history at Our Lady of Grace! God bless you in advance for your generosity and support.

- Terence

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OUR LADY OF GRACE MUSIC SOCIETY 2020-2021

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