

St. Sylvester R. C. Church

68 Ohio Avenue, Medford, NY 11763

www.stsylvesterli.org

(631) 475-4506

A community praying, growing, serving & welcoming in Jesus Christ.

Eucharist:

Saturday 5pm; Sunday 9am & 11am.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 8:30am in the Church. Rosary recitation begins at 8:15am before morning Mass. Holy Days as announced.

Baptisms:

Celebrated on pre-determined dates. *Prior to making plans*, please call the Parish Center for Baptism dates, for preparation class dates, and important information regarding Godparents.

Reconciliation/Confession :

For those seeking spiritual healing.

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm in the Sacristy or by appointment 631-475-4506, Ext. 101 or email dsuglia@drvc.org.

Confirmation:

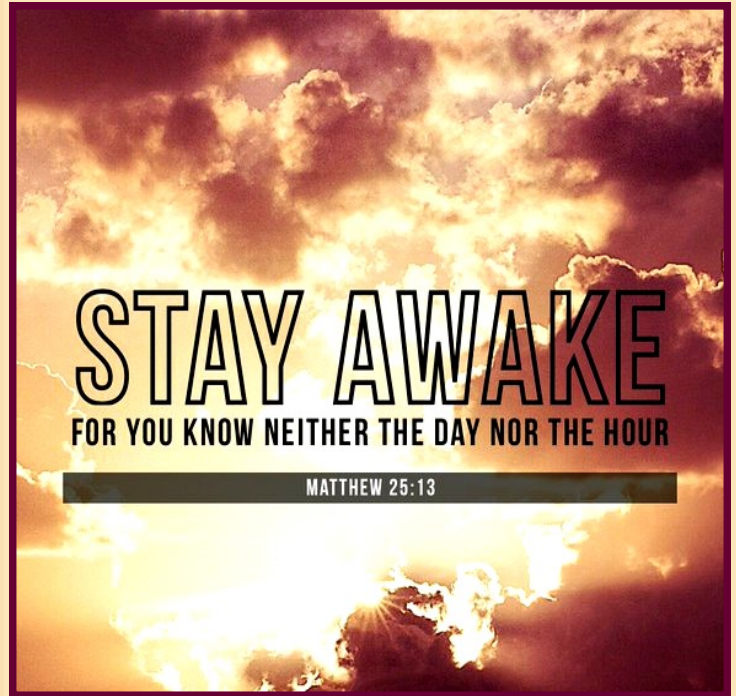
In the Fall for the youth of the parish. Adults and young adults can also be confirmed at Pentecost. Please call the Faith Formation Office 631-475-4506, Ext. 118.

Marriage:

Friday @ 3, 4:30, 6pm; Saturday @ 11:00am, 12:30pm, & 2:00pm. Arrangements must be made one year prior to the requested date. Please be aware that all the Sacraments of Initiation should have been celebrated prior to the requested wedding date and Pre-Cana preparation is required. No plans should be made prior to meeting with a priest or deacon.

Anointing of the Sick & Dying:

For those needing surgery or serious medical treatment and for those in danger of death. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1515, the Sacrament should be received once, unless during an illness the sick person's health worsens, or for subsequent surgeries, or after recovery they begin a new illness. They may then receive it again. Every second Friday of the month @ 8:30am Mass, or call the Rectory at 631-475-0418 any time.



November 8, 2020
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastoral Leadership Team

Rev. Dennis A. Suglia, Pastor

Rev. Dan Picciano, Weekend Assistant

Deacon Joseph Mystkowski

Deacon George Riegger, Retired

Michael Lofaro, Administrator,
Faith Formation

Frances McMahon, Director,
Faith Formation & Music Ministers

Justin McMahon, Director,
Parish Social Ministry

Lori Zito, Director, Parish Ministries & Events

Office Information

Parish Office: (631) 475-4506, ext 101; Fax (631) 475-1057; email: parishoffice@stsylvesterli.org
Mon., Wed. & Fri. ~ 9am-12pm

Faith Formation Office: (631) 475-4506, ext. 118; email: faithformation@stsylvesterli.org
Please call (631) 475-4506, ext. 118 to make an appointment and we will be happy to serve you!

Parish Social Ministry at Clare House: (631) 475-4506, ext. 122; Fax (631) 475-6058
Please call the number above or press the number "5" on the parish phone message for assistance.

Thrift Shop: (631) 475-4506, ext. 124 ; Tues. & Thurs. ~ 10am-3pm .



Pastoral Council: The members of our Pastoral Council listed below meet with Fr. Suglia monthly to discern the needs and hopes for the future of our parish. Please keep them in your prayers as they carry out this important responsibility:

Patricia Coppola
Nancy Di Santo

Amanda Gentile
Tom Mowat

Ashley Perrone
Bill Sisco

We Pray

Saturday, November 7, 2020

5:00pm Bob Prentiss
Luigi & Maria Russo
Charles "Ronnie" Stalker
James Wuelfing ~ *Living*
Mateo Camacho ~ *Living*

Sunday, November 8, 2020

9:00am Rita E. Bennett, & William Gartung
11:00am Deceased Members of Legion of Mary

Monday, November 9, 2020

8:30am The People of St. Sylvester

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

8:30am The People of St. Sylvester

Thursday, November 12 2020

8:30am The People of St. Sylvester

Friday, November 13, 2020

8:30am Joyce Bush

Saturday, November 14, 2020

5:00pm Salvatore Mazzeo
Luigi & Maria Russo
Rosemarie Terlizzi
Phyllis Holt
Augustus Suglia

Sunday, November 15, 2020

9:00am Barbara Cullen ~ *21st Anniversary*
11:00am Camille "Cookie" Rotundi



**We remember and pray for those who have died,
especially:
*Grace Lechleitner and Anthony DeLorenzo.***

*If you have had a close family member pass away
and would like him or her placed on this list, please
send the name of the deceased with the correct
spelling, along with your name and contact infor-
mation, to: ecareccia@stsylvesterli.org or call
631-475-4506, ext. 101.*

Thank you and God bless.

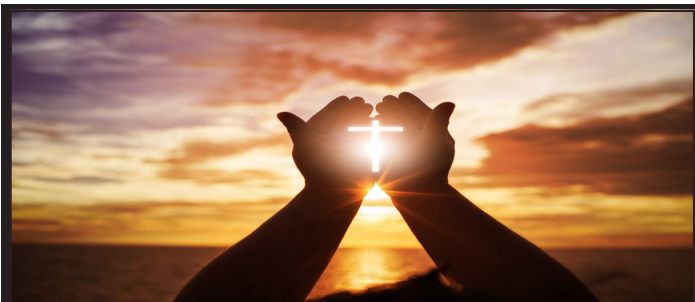


***The Bread and Wine
used at this weekend's liturgy***

***are the gifts of
The Bennett Family***

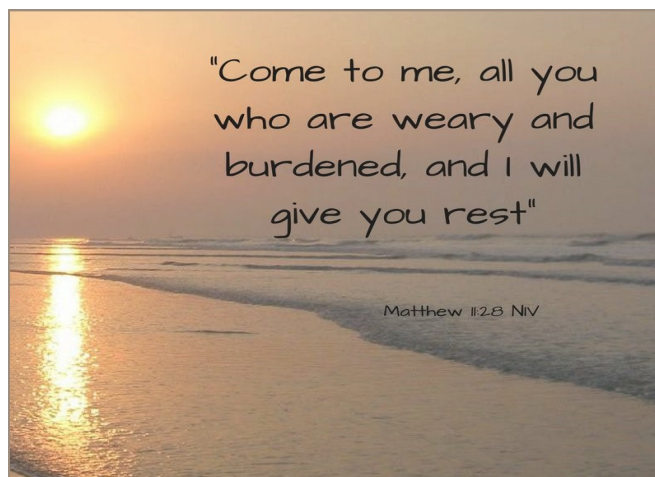
***in loving memory of
Rita E. Bennett***

We Pray



Please pray for all who are sick,
especially . . .

Melanie Schmadtke, John McGarvey,
Grace Stephens, Nicholas Grizopoulos, Mark
LaGatta, Terri Weinstein, Lisa Gallaudet,
Marge Golden, Michelle Clark,
Richard Cuccienello, Evangeline Hurst and
Joan Polan.



*In order to keep our Sick List up to date,
we will remove all names at the end of
each month. Simply call or email the
Parish Office if you wish to place some-
one on the list. Please remember that for
the sake of privacy, this request must be
made by either the sick person him/
herself, or by an immediate family
member. Thank you.*

PRAYER, the world's
greatest wireless connection



Please pray for world peace and
all public servants
including the following who are
serving on active duty:

Captain Meghan Munisteri, D.O., Army
Captain Maurice "Joe" Grosso, Air Force
1st Lieutenant Hannah Grosso, Army
1st Lieutenant Michael Dustin, Army
1st Lieutenant Michael Hawkins, Army
Petty Officer 2nd Class Elena Greck, Navy
Lieutenant Nicoli Carlson, Navy
Captain Holly Grosso Carlson, Army
Captain Peter Duff, Army
Ensign Brett Reilly, Navy

*If you have a family member who is
currently serving on active duty in the
military and would like his or her name added to
this prayer list, please call
631-475-4506 Ext. 101 or email
ecareccia@stsylvesterli.org Please notify
the same of any change in status.
Thank you.*

Romans 12:12
*Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction,
persevere in prayer.*



**Pastor's Column
SS Medford
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Shifting Our Focus**



November 8, 2020

Dear Friends,

As we march onward through the fall and the days get shorter and shorter, our focus turns once again to the near arrival of Advent, a time of great anticipation and hope. Even in this challenging year, we count our blessings as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving and look forward to the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

We remain in what the Church calls Ordinary Time until the end of this month — even though there is nothing ordinary about it this year. We continue to hope for life without masks and having to remain socially-distant, and venture forward in faith. Our faith is the constant, our compass, season to season, year to year. Every Sunday we come to the Lord's table, either physically (or now virtually), to receive the Eucharist — water and wine transfigured into the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. This action is at the very core, the center, of what we believe as Catholics. The Eucharist is the Source and Summit from which everything else flows.

As the Holy Eucharist is our central focus, the tabernacle should also be centrally located. And so, I have made the decision to relocate our tabernacle to the center of the sanctuary behind the altar in everyone's line of vision to make it our primary focus. The current Code of Canon Law (Canon 938) states, "The tabernacle in which the Most Holy Eucharist is reserved is to be situated in some part of the church or oratory which is distinguished, conspicuous, beautifully decorated and suitable for prayer." Our attractively renovated sanctuary certainly meets and exceeds all these expectations!

It is my hope that the tabernacle's return to its original location will increase its visibility from the pews and foster a greater recognition that Christ is truly present with us, and that its central presence and prominence will serve as a welcoming invitation for Eucharistic adoration and prayer. May God bless you and your families and keep you safe.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. A. Suglia", written in a cursive style.

**Fr. Suglia
Pastor**

HOLIDAY RAFFLE

\$11,000 IN PRIZE MONEY!*

\$50 per ticket



1st Prize ~ \$5,000

2nd Prize ~ \$3,000

3rd Prize ~ \$2,000

4th Prize ~ \$1,000



Please support this special raffle to help offset the financial loss of not having our annual Holiday Fair!

Tickets can be purchased beginning Monday, October 26th in the Parish Office, online through our website, www.stsylvesterli.org, and outside after select Masses.

For website purchases, an official numbered ticket will be mailed to you once your ticket purchase order is received.

Drawing is Monday, December 7th at 11am!

*If total prize money is not received, prize money will be reduced.

PARISH INFORMATION

As we continue to navigate through this challenging time, we are pleased to be able to say that things are beginning to open up here at the parish, although in a limited way. We are happy to communicate the following:

WEEKEND MASSES ARE CELEBRATED AT 5PM ON SATURDAYS AND 9AM AND 11AM ON SUNDAYS. You must register to attend these Masses weekly through our parish website beginning each Wednesday morning at 9am. The program will stop accepting reservations on Friday at 3pm (or sooner if it reaches a maximum of 80 people for that particular Mass). Ushers will check your registrations at the door before entering the church and will seat you. The pews in the church are marked off to maintain social distancing.

WEEKEND MASSES WILL NOW BE LIVE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE AT 5PM AND 11AM —LINK AVAILABLE FROM OUR WEBSITE. If you click on the Mass and it has already begun, you will have the ability on *You Tube* to rewind the Mass to the beginning while it is in progress. Don't worry if you are unable to rewind — the Mass in its entirety will also be available immediately after its conclusion. Live streaming will allow you to attend Mass at home simultaneously with your fellow parishioners in the church, and with much clearer video and sound than we have been able to offer in the past.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS OFFERED ON SATURDAYS AT 4PM IN THE CHURCH. Unfortunately due to limited seating, you cannot remain for the 5pm Mass after Reconciliation if you have not reserved a seat ahead of time.

WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES ARE CELEBRATED ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS AT 8:30AM IN THE CHURCH. You do not need to register for these Masses.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS NOW OPEN ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS FROM 9AM TO 12PM TO ASSIST YOU WITH MASS CARDS, ANNOUNCED MASSES, MEMORIALS, SACRAMENT CERTIFICATES, ETC.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR A MASK AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING IN THE CHURCH AS WELL AS IN ALL PARISH BUILDINGS AND AREAS.

HELP PROTECT OUR CHILDREN

TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE involving diocesan personnel, priests, deacons, teachers, employees or volunteers at schools or churches in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, please call our confidential hotline number at 1-516-594-9063 and speak with Mary McMahon, LCSW, Director.

IF YOU SUSPECT a child or vulnerable adult is being—or has been abused, call the New York State Hotline phone number: 1-800-342-3720

If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911.

Dear Parishioners,

As we continue to navigate the public celebration of Mass within State Guidelines, St. Sylvester Parish will offer Mass on Saturdays at 5PM and Sundays at 9AM & 11AM.

Please note the following important information:

- **At this time, the bishop still dispenses all the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation.**
- **Our Sunday worship will be livestreamed on Saturdays at 5pm and Sundays at 11am and will continue to be posted on the website for those who are vulnerable, for those who have a health impairment that would make them more susceptible to serious illness, for those who might not be feeling well, or have a fever, and for those who are caretakers for other people who are vulnerable. If you are in any of these situations, you are encouraged to continue to remain at home and worship online.**
- **Restrooms will be open for emergency use only! Please use bathroom at home!**
- **There is a mandatory online reservation system for all who wish to attend Mass. Please register beginning Wednesdays at 9am by going to www.stsylvesterli.org**
- **Please print out your registration information or have available on your phone as you will be asked to show your registration before entering the church.**
- **Masks or other face coverings must be worn by all participants.**
- **Please arrive 15 minutes before Mass so your reservation may be confirmed and you may be shown to your seat. Capacity at this time is limited to 25%.**
- **Seating will be done according to social distancing guidelines. You will most likely not be sitting in your “usual” seat. Families may sit together at Mass. There is no “saving seats” or asking to be seated in a particular seat.**
- **The Offertory procession and passing of the donation basket will be omitted.**
- **If you wish to make a contribution, there will be baskets at the entrance and exit. Contributions may also dropped at the parish center or made online.**
- **The Sign of Peace or other greetings will not be exchanged.**
- **Directions will be given for Communion, which will be distributed after Mass as you are leaving the church. Please follow the directions of the ushers.**
- **Please go directly to your car, as no congregating is permitted.**
- **We will continue to keep you updated on changes as we move forward.**

This is a work in progress, so as we move forward there may be changes. We appreciate your patience and want you to know that our first priority is that those attending Mass will be safe.

**Yours in Christ,
Fr. Suglia**

Revised & Simplified Faith Formation Program 2020-2021 !

Dear Parents/Guardians and Catechists,

We have revised and simplified the St. Sylvester Faith Formation Program so that it will be **more manageable and yet still meaningful** for all involved, Catechists, students, and their families.

As school districts are moving forward with plans for the school year, it has become clear to us that parents and students may be challenged by the newness of what lies ahead. This combined with parents changing work situations has caused us to take another look at the Faith Formation Program we are offering and how we can be more accommodating to all.

If you have already registered your child, we hope this will make life a little easier. If you have not yet registered your child, the hope here is that with this more accommodating schedule, you will now reconsider registering them.

Here is the revised and simplified Faith Formation Program for 2020-2021 Year for Levels 1 through 7!

- ♦ Arrangements will be made for a curbside pickup of the materials (books, calendar, etc.) needed for each of your children so they can work from home.
- ♦ There will be 4 virtual meetings on the Zoom platform, for the year, that we ask students to try their best to attend (with the help of a parent). So, for example, if you registered your child for a Level 5 class on Mondays at 4:30 p.m., your child's class will be held four (4) times virtually on 4 specific Mondays at 4:30 p.m. according to the Level 5 Calendar. If you registered your child for Level 3, 4 or 5 Home Taught the virtual; meetings will be held on Saturdays according to the Home Taught Level 3, 4 or 5 calendars. Level 1 will be Home Taught and have four (4) virtual meetings on specific Saturdays according to the Level 1 calendar.
- ♦ The calendar will not begin until Monday, November 30, 2020 to give everyone time to adjust to the school schedules, etc. and will end in May.
- ♦ Parents with children who have special needs!
Parents, for students who are in the Individualized Faith Formation Program or whose needs would make it difficult to stay focused virtually, we will work directly and individually with you to accommodate your child's needs. Please go ahead and register your child for the next Level in the Individualized Faith Formation Program. If you have questions, please email faithformation@stsyvesterli.org



Did you know? Our homes are called the School of Christian Life and the Domestic Church!

“Childhood religious awakening which takes place in the family is irreplaceable. Indeed, family catechesis precedes...accompanies and enriches all forms of catechesis.” *General Directory for Catechesis, John Paul II, Apostolic Exhortation, Catechesi Tradendae (October 1979): AAS 71 (1979), pp. 1277-1340*

Adults: We know that formation in faith is ongoing and life-long and therefore St. Sylvester's ministers of RCIA and Adult Confirmation are prepared to walk with you as you deepen your relationship with God, yourself and others. For information please email to:

fmcMahon@stsyvesterli.org

For more information or if you have questions, please email faithformation@stsyvesterli.org

Stewardship — Ministry vs. Volunteering

How Is a Volunteer Different than a Steward?

It sounds like the beginning of a joke, but in fact it is a valid question which people ask me often – What exactly is the difference between volunteering your time to any number of causes and getting involved in ministry here at the parish as a dedicated Steward?

Volunteering is a wonderful, praiseworthy thing to do and it is usually goal-oriented – clean a park, train a service animal, paint over graffiti, organize a fundraiser, etc. There is a need to be filled and the volunteer fills it. Ministry is *different*. Ministry is also volunteering in the sense that you may give of your time and talents to complete a task or project, (distribute Holy Communion, lead a Faith Formation class, etc.) but the *motivation* is not the same.

Getting involved as a minister in the Church is a direct result of the call to action we receive at Baptism. As we are the Church, we should feel a spiritual pull to participate in the life of the Church to help build God's Kingdom here on earth. However, there also must be a recognition on our part that God, as our loving parent, has given each one of us very different gifts, and that it is our responsibility to nurture these particular gifts and then gratefully share them with others.

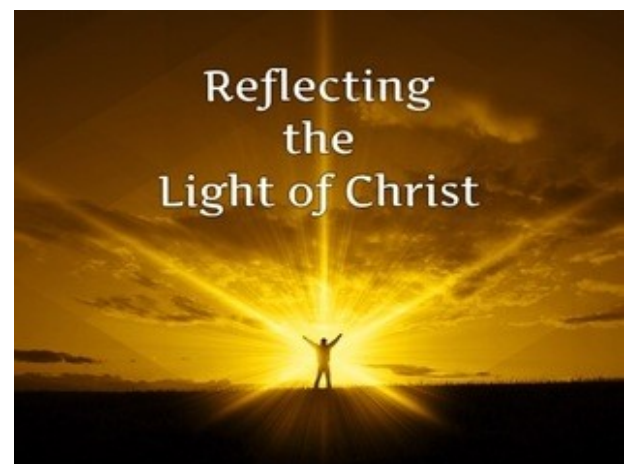
Part and parcel of being a Steward is discernment, a recognition of what you have been gifted with and an understanding of your Christian call to use these gifts in service to God and one another. *"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."*

1 Peter 4:10

Ministry is not a job, or simply a task to be fulfilled. It is a calling. I have met with many parishioners over the years who do wonderful things in the community and tell me they want to be involved in the parish, but have no special gifts to share – *all of them do, but none of them see it!* This is why we say that Stewardship is a way of life – because once you understand that God has given you unique gifts to use and share, it energizes and affects every part of your life!

Let Christ be your Light, and in turn,
be the Light of Christ to others!

~ Lori Zito



Stewardship

One Family in Mission



Called to Evangelize

Formation

Hospitality

Prayer

Service

Gifts of Treasure

November 1, 2020

Regular ~ \$6,269

Renovation ~ \$95 Solar ~ \$45

Last Year's Collection ~ November 3, 2019

Regular ~ \$ 7,544

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU
to all those who, in the spirit of stewardship, continue to financially support the mission and ministry of the parish!!!



Will & Estate Planning

Consider leaving a legacy of faith by remembering our parish in your will or bequest. Saint Sylvester RC Church is a fully compliant charitable organization registered as a 501(3)C non-profit.

Please contact Father Suglia directly if you have already made provisions for St. Sylvester or if you would like to remember us when you conduct your estate planning.



Thank You and God Bless!

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Generous God,

I give thanks to you for the gifts you have given me — my life, my family, my friends — time, talents, and material possessions.

All that I have comes from you.

Help me to remember this and rejoice in your goodness.

Walk with me, my God.

Help me on my spiritual journey, so that I may constantly renew my relationship with you and all the good people in our parish and throughout Long Island.

Renew in me your Spirit.

Give me the strength and courage to become a better follower of Jesus, to be a disciple.

Help me hear the call to “Come, Follow Me.”

I give glory to you, my God, as I make Stewardship a way of life.

Amen.



Parish Social Ministry



Clare House - We are here to help!

We no longer have drop in hours open to the public. If you have an emergency situation that requires assistance please call our intake line. Please leave only one complete message stating your name, number, and primary need: 631-475-4506 x122

Emergency Food Distribution is held weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only. A full new client intake is required, including documentation of all income and expenses, to access resources at Clare House. A member of our staff will contact you to complete this intake interview over the phone. Documentation should be provided electronically whenever possible.

We regularly post resources to our Twitter feed @clarehouse99

<https://twitter.com/clarehouse99>

We are NOT soliciting physical donations at this time. If you wish to support our mission please consider making a donation through Faith Direct. Click "Make a One-Time Gift Now" and then write "Clare House - PSM" in the Note. Thank you for your support!

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY285>



Thrift Shop is Open!

St. Sylvester operates a community thrift shop filled with a variety of goods at extremely affordable prices - often much lower than traditional thrift shops! Hardworking staff and volunteers stock the shelves with a high level of detail. Often the items available are very high quality. Excess clothing which cannot be sold or used is donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and furthers their mission to serve the poor. Clare House clients can receive a voucher, based on financial need, to obtain items at no cost.

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS!

All items must be placed inside the bin. To donate items which do not fit in the bin, please call during hours and speak to a member of our team.

Please DO NOT leave items outside the thrift shop, they are destroyed by exposure to the elements.

Thank you for your support!

CONTACT

631-475-4506 x124

HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday
10:00AM - 3:00PM

CIVILIZE IT



DIGNITY BEYOND THE DEBATE

2020

Civil Dialogue: A response to Jesus' call to love our neighbor

Jesus uses the parable of the Good Samaritan to answer a question that is both searing and simple: "Who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10: 29). Our familiarity with this parable makes it easy for us now to identify as "neighbor" those on the margins of our society such as those experiencing homelessness or poverty. But how often do we see our neighbor in the person who disagrees with us?

As Catholics, our strong tradition of social teaching compels us to be actively engaged in the building up of our communities. This is achieved by being involved in the political process—and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with vitriol and harsh language, often directed at people themselves. When personal attacks replace honest debate, no one wins. This kind of attack, no matter the reason, only serves to further divide our communities.

What is needed is good, honest, civil dialogue. This means that we must treat everyone as worthy of being at the table, worthy of our respect, and worthy of being heard. In short, it means treating everyone as our neighbor.

We undermine our commitment to human life and dignity when we fail to see the dignity of those who have a different viewpoint. We must detach from the bitterness that surrounds us and seek a better path. A commitment to civil dialogue

can help us make real and authentic human connections, which breaks down the barriers that divide us.

Engaging in civil dialogue can help our faith communities create a new space to model love for our neighbors and respect for the dignity of all.

Tips for Engaging in Civil Dialogue:

1. Listen first and seek to understand the whole picture.
2. Ask questions for clarification.
3. Use 'I' statements; pay attention to body language.
4. Listen to what feelings are present and pay attention to how you respond.
5. Summarize what you've heard and ask for feedback.



Civil dialogue can best be defined as the ability to enter meaningful conversation with people whose viewpoints may be different from our own, who have a different background or experiences, or who come to a different conclusion about the best way to promote the common good. We enter into civil dialogue because we want to build a community that is rooted in understanding one another. God's love for each person requires us to remember that someone who disagrees with us is still a beloved child of



God who deserves our love, respect, and care.

An important ingredient to civil dialogue is commitment to the truth. While respecting the dignity of all, we acknowledge that not all viewpoints are equally valid. We have the responsibility to speak truth with love. In addition, all who exercise their freedom of speech have an obligation to ensure that they come to conclusions based on data from credible and reputable sources, and that care is taken to avoid seeking the truth selectively, that is, only when it is convenient to us.

Civil dialogue is different than remaining silent in the face of disagreement. Listening to opposing views is a part of seeking clarity and can be a creative process. In civil dialogue, all are invited to bring and share their values, beliefs, and questions. We seek first to understand how our views on a topic are different and why. We ask questions to be sure we understand one another. In thinking critically about how we arrived at our own view points and listening to the experiences of others, we can sometimes arrive at new understanding and even find common ground.

Pope Francis has remarked, “Dialogue allows people to know and understand one another’s needs. Above all, it is a sign of great respect, because it puts the person into a stance of listening, and into a condition of being receptive to the speaker’s best viewpoints. Secondly, dialogue is an expression of charity because, while not ignoring differences, it can help us investigate and share the common good. Moreover, dialogue invites us to place ourselves before the other, seeing him or her as a gift of God, and as someone who calls upon us and asks to be acknowledged.”ⁱ

ⁱ Pope Francis, *Jubilee Audience at St. Peter’s Square*, October 22, 2016.

Just like any authentic human connection, the process of dialogue is complicated, often uncomfortable, and requires vulnerability and trust. We must rely on our faith in Christ who taught us that everyone is truly our neighbor. Promoting civil discourse is one way we can put this teaching into action.

Interested in learning more about civil dialogue or about how your community can engage in civil dialogue more often? Join USCCB’s *Civilize It* Campaign to help promote dignity beyond the debate. A version of this campaign was first implemented by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and is a call for all people to civilize our conversations. Visit civilizeit.org for more information, to take the pledge, or plan an opportunity for civil dialogue in your community.

If you are part of a group looking to create an opportunity for civil dialogue in your community, it may be helpful to consider these questions:

1. Is our intention to facilitate greater understanding, or merely win a debate?
2. Whose voices are we including? Whose are missing? Who else should be invited to the conversation?
3. How can we remember our shared human dignity and deescalate the situation when we feel ourselves become tense?
4. What guidelines could the group set together that will keep the conversation centered on dialogue instead of debate, and honor the dignity of all people present?



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

The St. Sylvester Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce the sale of their Christmas Wreaths once again!

This year, they will **ONLY** be taking orders in advance. You may order your wreath(s) by calling 631-289-2493 or 631-289-2095. The Knights will also be taking orders after the Masses next weekend, November 14th and 15th, as well as on November 21st & 22nd.

The Christmas Wreaths will be delivered to St. Sylvester and will be available for pick up on the weekends of November 28th & 29th and December 5th & 6th.



Merry Christmas!

THRIFT SHOP REQUEST

The Thrift Shop is in dire need of boys' clothing sizes 3 through 6X!!

Please drop off your gently used boys' clothing during the Thrift Shop's Hours of Operation, or place them in the clothing bin.



We ask that you DO NOT leave anything outside the doors of the Thrift Shop as they get ruined and are then unusable. Thank you for your generosity.

MEDFORD BLOOD DRIVE

The Medford Fire Department will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, November 17th from 2:30pm through 8:30pm at the Oregon Avenue Fire House on the truck room floor.

Please consider donating if you are able as many blood drives have been cancelled during this pandemic.

Masks are required to be worn at all times and social distancing will be observed.



Is Your Contact Information Up-To-Date?

Help us stay spiritually connected with you though physically apart!

This crisis has made us acutely aware that there are some parishioners we are unable to communicate with on an immediate or regular basis because we do not have their email addresses and cell phone numbers.

So, if you have not been receiving any communications from the parish, including emails with Father Suglia's messages, please go to the website's home page, click the word "[here](#)" below the *Contact Information* graphic and update your email and cell phone information. Thank You !

Call Us Today to Schedule Your Visit!

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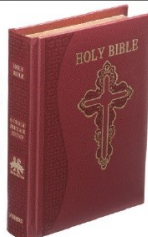
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