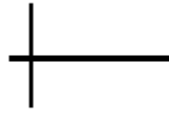


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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

The primary purpose of our Religious Education Program is *faith formation*.

Faith formation is an ongoing development of the whole person into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ, Discipleship. To use the image of St. Paul “we put on Christ” so that Christ is the center of our lives. All Catholics are on the journey of faith formation. We begin this life-long journey in the waters of Baptism. The end of this journey is eternal life with Jesus in heaven. Our CCD Program is a School of Discipleship.

Our Religious Education Program strives to provide a solid foundation in our faith, age-appropriate to the students in our program. Students are encouraged to begin formal religion classes in the FIRST GRADE of Public or Private (non-Catholic) Schools.

Students who attend St. Camillus Catholic Academy study Religion five days a week as part of the school curriculum. Since Religion is part of every School Day, students in Catholic School do not need to attend CCD.

Students who do not attend a Catholic School/Academy are enrolled in our Religious Education Program (CCD) which meets once a week for 90 minutes a session – as outlined in this calendar. This year we have scheduled 32 weeks.

The outline of our courses as offered this year:

- Level / Grade 1: Prayers & God
- Level / Grade 2: Mass & Eucharist
- Level / Grade 3: Church
- Level / Grade 4: 10 Commandments & Beatitudes
- Level / Grade 5: Sacraments
- Level / Grade 6: Bible
- Level / Grade 7: Christian Witness
- Level / Grade 8: Confirmation & Life in Christ

Faith formation does not end with Confirmation. All Catholics are invited to grow in our faith. For this purpose, the parish offers Days of Recollection, Missions, Scripture Sharing, Prayer Groups. Please consult the Bulletin for more information.

The second purpose of our Religious Education Program is *sacramental preparation*.

Although, students who are enrolled in St. Camillus Catholic School do not need to attend CCD, they will be prepared to receive sacraments within the Parish Proximate Preparation Program. The celebration of the sacraments will take place within a parish celebration. It is the desire of the Diocese that children receive the Sacraments in their Home Parish. Students in St. Camillus School will be asked to notify the school of their Home Parish in September.

For children who attend Public Schools:

BAPTISM: Children 7 years of age and younger are considered infants. Please consult the information on Infant Baptism.

Children who are eight years of age and older must attend CCD for one year before we will consider Baptism.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Students must attend CCD classes for TWO YEARS in order to receive FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. Older children will be placed in an age-appropriate class; but still must attend TWO YEARS before First Holy Communion.

FIRST RECONCILIATION (Confession): Students are instructed in the Sacrament of Penance before First Holy Communion; and are given the opportunity to go to First Confession several months BEFORE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.

CONFIRMATION: According to Diocesan norms, students must be in the EIGHTH GRADE or older to be considered for the sacrament of Confirmation. The students must also possess knowledge of the faith. Therefore, the following levels (grades or courses) must be completed BEFORE a student will be permitted to prepare for Confirmation:

- Commandments
- Sacraments
- Bible
- Christian Witness

ADULTS (18 years of age & older) who have not received sacraments are invited to speak with Father Richard about sacramental preparation for Adults.

SCSV CCD Parent Meeting-For New Families - Thursday, October 6, 2016, 3:30 pm @ SC Church or 7:30 pm @ SV Church. (Parent or Guardian from Level 1 and each new family is asked to attend - you need only attend one session)

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>First Holy Communion Meeting #1</u> - Tuesday, Sept. 27 th , 7 pm @ SV or Thursday, Sept. 29 th , 7 pm @ SC - parent/guardian only <u>Confirmation Proximate Preparation Meeting #1</u> - Candidate & Parent - Monday, September 26 th , 7 pm				1	2	3
4 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5 Labor Day	6	7 SCSV Catechist Meeting 7:00 pm	8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10
11 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Grandparents Day	12 Diocesan Catechetical Summit	13	14 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	15 Our Lady of Sorrows	16	17
18 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Catechetical Sunday	19	20	21 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	22	23	24
25 26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26 Confirmation Proximate Preparation Candidate & Parent 7 pm	27 First Holy Communion Meeting 7 pm @ SV	28 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	29 First Holy Communion Meeting 7 pm @ SC	30	

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REGISTRATION: Registration begins in May for the following September. Registration is never closed. However, students who register late are marked “absent” for those classes which they missed. A student must complete 45 hours of class time to receive credit for the year. Students who fail to achieve 45 hours will need to make up their hours missed the following year. For this reason, parents are encouraged to register their child early. St. Camillus-St. Virgilius Religious Education Program can only accept students from the parish of St. Camillus-St. Virgilius. Exceptions to this rule can be made by the Religious Education Minister.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Parents are asked to please speak with the Fr. Richard concerning any special needs – medical, educational, social – which your child might have.

TRANSFERS: Students who have attended a Catholic School or another Religious Education Program can receive “credit” for the courses completed. In order to be placed in the proper class (level), we must receive a transcript from the school or CCD program with the courses completed and attendance. Students who have taken a long-time between classes may also be required to make-up for missed studies.

FEES: There are NO registration Fees or Book Fees for our Religious Education Program. Students will be given a textbook at the beginning of the year. If they lose their textbook, they must buy another book. The cost for textbooks is \$20.00. Students must have their textbook for class each week.

PROGRESS REPORTS are distributed twice a year – in January and May. These reports help parents to gauge the performance of their child. Parents who wish to speak with their child’s teacher are asked to please make arrangements in advance.

NON-VIOLENCE POLICY: Students must show respect for others at all times. Our program is a “NO BULLY” “NO CYBER BULLING” “NO VIOLENCE” zone. If a student brings to class any object that could be used in an inappropriate manner, that student shall face a suspension or be expelled.

CHILD LURES is mandated for all children every year in Religious Education Programs and Catholic Schools in response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth (2005). The Safe Environment Office provides the necessary information for presenting the program and the timeline in which it needs to be completed. The Child Lures Prevention program delivers age appropriate and effective instruction to the children and parents of the diocese in the awareness and avoidance of situations that pose harm to children and young people. Child Lures will be given in the Fall session during regular instruction time. Parents are most welcome to attend.

HOMEWORK: Homework includes both study and written work, and is meant to reinforce the lesson being taught in class. Our teachers are volunteers and parents (or grandparents) themselves. They realize that the students have schoolwork and will not try to add to the burden. Homework is given each week is appropriate to the grade level of the student. Homework is to be signed by the parent. **(Please check for Homework assignments under Faith Formation at www.stcstv.com.)** Students should have a pre-arrangement with a classmate to have him/her bring home the assignments when they are absent from class. In the case of an extended illness (3 weeks or more in a row), assignments may be requested by the parents through the Religious Education Office at 718-634-8229. If your child is experiencing any problems with Homework, please speak with Sr. Maureen Ahlemeyer at 718-634-8229.

TEXTBOOKS and PERSONAL ITEMS: Textbooks must be covered and marked with the student’s name. All items (e.g. notebook, assignment pad, pencil holder) should be marked with the student’s name and class. Valuables should not be brought to school. We cannot take responsibility for their loss or damage. No cell phones, Ipods or headsets, tablets or electronics of any nature are permitted in school. Students who have cell phones must turn the cell phone OFF during class time. Students are NOT permitted to use a cell phone during class time. Unauthorized use of such devices disrupts the instructional program and distracts from the learning environment. Therefore unauthorized use is grounds for confiscation of the device by school officials, including classroom teachers. Devices must then be picked up by a parent. No games or toys (action figures, trading cards) are permitted. No food or beverages are permitted in the classrooms. No pets, please! .

October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>First Holy Communion Meeting #2 & Mass</u> - Saturday, October 15 th , 4 pm Mass @ SV or Sunday, October 16 th , 11:30 am @ SC - parent/guardian & child						1
2 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Respect Life Sunday	3	4 St. Francis of Assisi	5 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	6 Parent Meeting Level 1 Families and all New Families to the program - SV @ 3:30 pm or SC @ 7 pm	7	8
9 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vocation Awareness Sunday	10 Columbus Day	11	12 NO CCD Classes Public School Yom Kippur	13	14	15 First Holy Communion Mass 4 pm @ SV
First Holy Communion Mass 11:30 am @ SC 29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Laity Sunday	17	18	19 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	20	21	22
30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday	24 31 Halloween	25	26 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	27	28	29
30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time						

SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE POLICY

SUNDAY OBLIGATION: The CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH teaches “On Sundays and other holy days of obligation the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass.” (#2180) The Sunday Eucharist (Mass) is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in (Mass) the Eucharist (#2181)... Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist (Mass) is a testimony of belonging and being faithful to Christ and his Church. The faithful give witness by this to their communion in faith and charity. Together they testify to God’s holiness and their hope of salvation. They strengthen one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. (#2182)

SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE: Besides attendance at class, ALL students in our Religious Education Program are expected to regularly attend Mass on Sundays at St. Camillus or St. Virgilius Churches. Since our CCD program only accepts students from St. Camillus – St. Virgilius parish, it is assumed that students regularly attend Sunday Mass at St. Camillus or St. Virgilius. If a student regularly attends Sunday Mass at another Church, the student should also attend CCD at that Church. It is the Diocesan policy that children receive Sacraments at the Church where they regularly attend Sunday Mass. It is understood that families may occasionally attend Sunday Mass at another Catholic Church (for example: travel, Weddings, Special Celebration). Such occasions will not be regular; and, therefore do not cause any difficulties. This policy applies to ALL students in our Religious Education Program; not just to those students who are preparing to receive Sacraments.

SUNDAY CHILDREN’S ENVELOPES: In order to take attendance at Sunday Mass, students will be provided with a “Children’s Offering Envelope”.
-- They are to place this envelope in the Offertory Collection at Mass. They are not to leave the envelope at the Rectory or give it to their teacher, or place it in the Poor Box or Votive Candle Box.
-- Each student must personally place their own envelope in the basket. It is not to be returned by parents, grandparents, other relatives, brothers or sisters. If anyone else is caught placing the envelope in the basket--even once--the student will not be allowed to receive any sacrament for one year.
-- Students are expected to be present from the beginning of Mass to the end of Mass. They are not to arrive just before the Collection or to leave early after the Collection.
-- Students are not expected to place money in the envelope; but they are encouraged to do so to foster a spirit of “stewardship”.
-- If a student forgets or loses the envelope, they can use any envelope or may place a piece of paper in the Collection. They should write their name, CCD class and date on the envelope. The priest will not sign a bulletin or record that you were at Mass.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE: A record of Mass Attendance will be kept. Students who are not regularly attending Sunday Mass will not be allowed to receive Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.
It is the responsibility of the parents of the First Holy Communion children to arrange for their child to attend Sunday Mass. Parents who can not arrange to bring their child to Sunday Mass will be told to delay First Holy Communion until the child is old enough to come to Mass alone.
It is assumed that students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will display the maturity and responsibility of attending Sunday Mass. Students who do not display this maturity will not be admitted to the Confirmation class: or will be dropped from the class until they are ready.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP: All that we receive comes as a gift from God. We thank God for these gifts by sharing our time, talents and treasure. By making a donation in the “Children’s Offertory Envelope” -- any amount -- we practice stewardship and make a thanksgiving gift to God. The money collected in the Children’s Envelopes is one of the ways by which the parish pays for the books which are used in our Religious Education Program.

SUNDAY MASS REFLECTIONS: At all Sunday Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday morning students in our CCD Program and St. Camillus Academy will be given a Reflection Card at the end of Mass. Students will fill out this card and return it to their classroom teacher on the following Wednesday.

November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
<u>First Holy Communion Meeting #3</u> - Tuesday, Nov. 15 th , at 7 pm @ SV or Thursday, Nov. 17 th at 7 pm @ SC - parent/guardian only		All Saints Day Holy Day of Obligation	CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm All Souls Day		Vocation Awareness Week starts	Day Light Savings Time Ends
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ` Week of Prayer for Vocations	Confirmation Proximate Preparation Candidate & Parent 7 pm Sponsor Form Due	Election Day	CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm		Veterans Day	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Stewardship Sunday		First Holy Communion Meeting 7 pm @ SV	CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	First Holy Communion Meeting 7 pm @ SC		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Confirmation Investiture Mass @ SC 11:30 am Christ the King	Sisters of the PBVM Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary		NO CCD Classes	Thanksgiving		
27	28	29	30	<u>Confirmation Proximate Preparation Meeting #2</u> - Candidate & Parent - Monday, Nov. 7 th , 7 pm ~ Sponsor Form due <u>Confirmation Investiture Mass</u> - Nov. 20 th , 11:30 am Mass St. Camillus ~ Candidate & Sponsor		
1 st Sunday of Advent	SCSV Catechist Meeting 7:00 pm Feast Day of St. Virgilius		CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm			

STUDENT RULES 2016 - 2017

- 1 **ATTENDANCE:** Students are expected to attend class every week. A calendar is provided at the beginning of each year. **Please email saintvirg2 @ aol.com or call the Religious Education Office, 718-634-8229, if student will be absent from class.** Please follow up with a note about the absence at the next class. There are NO excused absences. Every absence counts! Students who do not complete 45 hours of class time will need to make-up the missed time before they can move up to the next level. In extreme cases of sickness, some exceptions may be permitted with the permission of the Director of CCD.
- 2 **SPECIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAMS:** There are *NO excused absences*. Students who miss CCD class to attend special programs at Public Schools will be recorded as “**ABSENT**”. Ideally, such absences during the academic year will be **FEW**, e.g. SAT examinations. Classes are held on Wednesday (Released Time) Afternoons. If you have any questions or difficulties, please ask.
- 3 **PUNCTUALITY:** Students are expected to arrive for class **ON TIME**. At St. Camillus they are to meet in the Church at least five minutes before class and at St. Virgilius they are to meet inside of Church at least five minutes before class. The teacher will meet the class and bring them to the classroom. Students are **NOT** to go directly to the classroom early. Lateness will be recorded; and excessive lateness may be recorded as “*Absent*”. Students who arrive late are to go directly to their classroom and be seated quietly.
- 4 **BAD WEATHER:** On Wednesday afternoons, if the Public School is closed, Our Religious Education Classes are cancelled. In case of bad weather, please call, after 9 am, the Rectory (718-634-8229).
- 5 **DISMISSAL:** Students are asked to go directly home when they are dismissed. Parents who are coming to meet their child are asked to please meet the student outside of School at dismissal in the Church Parking Lot. Please be on time.
- 6 **EARLY DISMISSAL:** Parents who need to take a student out of class early should indicate that request in writing -- preferably one week in advance. Even with the written request, students will **NOT** be allowed to leave early unless they are “picked up” by a parent or a responsible adult (21 years of age or older) designated in the written note by the parent. (NO exceptions!)
- 7 **BECAUSE OF ALLERGIES** - no foods; please eat snacks before you come to class, **NO gum, food or beverage is allowed in ANY of the parish buildings at any time.**
- 7 **DRESS CODE:** Students are asked to dress comfortably. Students are required to remove all hats, coats & gloves during class (unless there is extreme cold within the classroom and the teacher gives permission). Cell phones are to be turned **OFF** during class. Students are **NOT** to bring any ipods, toys, games, electronics, trading cards, etc. to class. Students are **NOT** to bring any food or drink to class, unless prior permission is given by the Director of CCD for Medical purposes only.
- 8 **BOOKS:** Each student will be given ONE (1) textbook. If a student is left back, they are expected to have the textbook from the previous year. They will **NOT** receive a NEW Book FREE. If the student loses the textbook, it will cost \$20.00 for another book. (The cost to replace the Bible is \$10.00.) Books are **NOT** optional. Each student must bring his/her book to class every week, unless the teacher instructs the class not to bring the book. Because sharing textbooks is disruptive, students who constantly (3 times) DO NOT have their books will not be allowed in class and recorded as “absent”. They will not be allowed to leave until normal dismissal time. Teachers will tell the students what other materials are needed for class, e.g. pen/pencil, notebook, etc.
- 9 **MASS ATTENDANCE:** Please read the page on SUNDAY Mass Attendance Policy.
- 10 **BATHROOMS:** Students are asked to please use Bathrooms before they come to class. Bathrooms are for emergencies ONLY.
- 11 **BEHAVIOR:** Students are expected to act with respect at all times. No bullying! No running! No shouting! No cursing! No fighting! No disrespectful behavior will be tolerated! Students who cause any destruction to property will be charged for repairs or replacement.
- 12 **PARENTAL VISITS:** With prior permission from the Director of CCD, Parents are welcome to visit the classroom. However, parents may **NOT** disturb the class by talking with any students, including their own, or with teachers. Parents who wish to speak with a teacher must meet outside of class time. If parents have a problem or difficulty, they should first talk with the teacher; if needed, with the Director of CCD; and, finally, if necessary with the pastor.
- 13 **RESPECT FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY:** Since we share classroom space, students are reminded to please respect the property of others. Please do NOT touch anything that does NOT belong to you; and leave your desk and the classroom neat and “in order” when you leave. Please do NOT leave anything behind when you leave.

December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Christmas Pageants will take place on Christmas Eve at both churches. Please check the bulletin for schedule of sign-up & practices				1	2	3
4 2 nd Sunday of Advent	5	6	7 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm Vigil Mass	8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation	9	10
11 3 rd Sunday of Advent	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe	13	14 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	15	16	17
18 4 th Sunday of Advent	19	20	21 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	22	23	24 Vigil of Christmas
25 The Nativity of the Lord	26	27	28 NO CCD Classes	29	30	31 New Year's Eve

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INFORMATION

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DATE OF FIRST RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 10:30 am in St. Virgilius Church
Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 10:30 am in St. Camillus Church

Parents may select either date. The children will meet in Church. Families are welcome. Please, dress accordingly (Sunday Dress).

DATE OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 12 Noon Mass at St. Virgilius
Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 12 Noon Mass at St. Camillus

Parents may select either date. Each family will be assigned ONE Bench (marked with the Child's Banner). Children will sit together. Open Seating in the rest of the Church. First Holy Communion Children (ONLY) will assemble by one half hour before Mass.

CHILDREN'S PRACTICES: There will be NO special practices for First Holy Communion or First Reconciliation. Students in St. Camillus School will practice during regular School hours. Children in our Religious Education Program will practice during regular CCD times (Wednesdays from 3:30 pm to 5 pm) There are no combined practices. There are no "retreat days".

CHURCH OF CELEBRATION: The Diocesan norm states that children should receive sacraments in the Church where they regularly attend Mass on Sundays. Since we have TWO Churches, (St. Virgilius and St. Camillus) families may select either Church to celebrate First Holy Communion and/or First Reconciliation.

BAPTISM CERTIFICATE: A copy of the Child's Baptism Certificate must be on file with St. Camillus Academy or our Religious Education Program by Nov 1, 2016.

CHIARELLI'S RELIGIOUS STORE: Communion items may be purchased at 1014 Jericho Tpke., New Hyde Park, NY 11040 516-2332994. We will not sell.

COMMUNION DRESS: BOYS: Whatever you decide is fine with me with the following directions:

Regular Church Dress is appropriate. Boys may wear White, Blue or whatever color you decide. Boys may wear a suit, sports' jacket or sweater. PLEASE no printed shirts, pullovers, etc. Dress Shirt (any Color) and Tie (Any Color and style) are required. Arm Bow is optional. Shoes (No sneakers, sandals or boots) and socks are required. Please NOTHING in the hands – no prayer books, rosaries, medals, etc.

COMMUNION DRESS: GIRLS: Whatever you decide is fine with me with the following directions:

Dress (White or any color) must be knee length and longer – suggest NO gowns please. Veils are optional – You might want to place flowers in your daughter's hair. Shoes (No heels) and Socks, please. No sneakers or boots. No Make-Up PLEASE! If your daughter has a sweater or shawl, it must be able to stay on her for the entire Mass. Please NOTHING in the hands – no flowers, handbags, rosaries, candles, medals, etc.

PLEASE NOTE: First Holy Communion Children will be invited to wear their Communion outfits to Sunday Masses after they receive Holy Communion. They will be invited to wear them to the May Crowning. Children who receive First Holy Communion in their "home parish" are invited to wear their Communion Outfits, when they attend SUNDAY Mass either at St. Camillus or St. Virgilius.

PHOTOGRAPHS: People will not be permitted to roam around the Church during Mass. Flash Photography from your seat will be permitted. A special section will be designated for Video cameras without lights. **NO professional photographers are permitted.** You will be permitted to take pictures in Church after Mass.

January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Solemnity of Mary New Year's Day	2	3	4 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	5	6	7
8 Epiphany of the Lord	9 Baptism of the Lord	10	11 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	12	13	14
15 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time National Vocation Awareness Week	16 Confirmation Retreat M. L. King Jr. Day	17	18 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm Progress Reports Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	19	20	21 First Holy Communion Mass 4 pm @ SV
22 First Holy Communion Mass 11:30 am @ SC 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Ecumenical Sunday	23 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Day of Penance	24	25 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	26	27 March for Life	28
29 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	30	31	<p><u>Confirmation Proximate Preparation #3 ~ Confirmation Retreat</u> - Candidates only ~ Monday, January 16th the day begins with the 9 am Mass at St. Camillus until 3:30 pm</p> <p><u>First Holy Communion Meeting #4 & Mass</u> - Saturday, January 21st, at 4 pm Mass @ SV or Sunday, January 22nd at 11:30 am @ SC ~ child & parent/guardian</p> <p><u>Progress Reports will be given out January 18th.</u></p>			

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INFORMATION

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FAMILY INTERVIEWS: Father Richard will be calling to arrange a meeting with each family.

PROXIMATE PREPARATION PROGRAM: The Diocese mandates Family Sunday Sessions in preparation for First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation. These are required. You may attend at either St. Virgilius or St. Camillus. If you decide to receive First Holy Communion in your “home parish”, you must attend these sessions in your “home parish”.

The dates will be:

Meetings - parent / guardian

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 @ 7 pm at St. Virgilius or Thursday, September 29, 2016 @ 7 pm at St. Camillus

Tuesday, November 15, 2016 @ 7 pm at St. Virgilius or Thursday, November 17, 2016 @ 7 pm at St. Camillus

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 @ 7 pm at St. Virgilius or Thursday, March 9, 2017 @ 7 pm at St. Camillus

Mass - child & parent / guardian

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 4 pm Mass at St. Virgilius or Sunday, October 16, 2016, 11:30 am Mass at St. Camillus

Saturday, April 1, 2017, 4 pm Mass at St. Virgilius or Sunday, April 2, 2017, 11:30 am Mass at St. Camillus

Mass & Meeting - child & parent / guardian

Saturday, January 21, 2017, 4 pm Mass followed by meeting at St. Virgilius or Sunday, January 22, 2017, 11:30 am Mass followed by meeting at St. Camillus

Saturday, February 11, 2017, 4 pm Mass followed by meeting at St. Virgilius or Sunday, February 12, 2017, 11:30 am Mass followed by meeting at St. Camillus

COMMUNION BANNER: Kits will be distributed at the February Parents' Meeting. Banners must be brought to the April Mass and will be part of the Entrance Procession at Mass.

FOOD FOR OUR PANTRY: Each child will be asked to bring ONE can of food on the day of First Holy Communion, which will be included in the Offertory Procession of Mass.

COMMUNION DONATION: \$25.00 per FAMILY. Envelopes will be distributed at the Parents' Meeting and can be returned in the Sunday Collection at either St. Camillus or St. Virgilius Church before April 2, 2017.

CLASS ATTENDANCE: CCD CHILDREN: It is mandatory that your child continue to attend class. There are NO excused absences. After Three (3) absences, FATHER RICHARD may decide to delay the First Holy Communion until NEXT YEAR.

SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE: *ALL* students who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion at St. Camillus are expected to *regularly* attend Mass on Sundays. Students from St. Camillus – St. Virgilius parish should attend Mass at St. Camillus Church, Rockaway Park or St. Virgilius Church, Broad Channel. Students who live within other Catholic parishes should attend Sunday Mass at their own parish church. It is understood that families may occasionally attend Sunday Mass at another Catholic Church (for example: travel, Weddings, Special Celebration). Such occasions will *not be regular*; and, therefore do not cause any difficulties. It is the Diocesan policy that children receive Sacraments at the Church where they *regularly* attend Sunday Mass.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE: Fr. Richard will keep a record of Mass Attendance. Students who are *not regularly* attending Sunday Mass will not be allowed to receive First Holy Communion. It is the responsibility of the parents of the First Holy Communion children to arrange for their child to attend Sunday Mass. Parents who can not arrange to bring their child to Sunday Mass will be told to delay First Holy Communion until the child is old enough to come to Mass alone. The final decision to delay First Holy Communion will be made by the PASTOR (Father Richard Ahlemeyer) who will inform the parents one month before the date of First Holy Communion.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL SISTER MAUREEN AT 718-634-8229.

February 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>First Holy Communion Parent's Meeting #5 & Mass -</i> Saturday, February 11 th , 4 pm Mass followed by meeting @ SV or Sunday, February 12 th , 11:30 am Mass followed by meeting @ SC ~ child & parent & guardian			1 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	2 Presentation of the Lord Daughters of Wisdom World Day for Consecrated Life	3 Feast of St. Blaise	4
5 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6 Confirmation Proximate Preparation Candidate & Parent 7 pm Saint Reflection & Fee due	7	8 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	9	10	11 First Holy Communion Meeting & Mass 4 pm @ SV Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick
12 First Holy Communion Meeting & Mass 11:30 am @ SC 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	13	14	15 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	16	17	18
19 7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	20 President's Day	21	22 Winter Recess NO CCD CLASSES	23	24	25
26 8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	27	28 Mardi Gras	<u>Confirmation Proximate Preparation Meeting #4 -</u> Candidate & Parent - February 6 th , 7 pm <u>Saint Reflection & Confirmation Fee</u> of \$65 per family due by Feb. 6 th			

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CANDIDATES: The Candidates for Confirmation in the Spring of 2017 will come from the eighth grade of St. Camillus Catholic Academy and Level eight of St. Camillus-St. Virgilius Religious Education Program.

DATE: We will request a date in Spring, 2017.

PROXIMATE PREPARATION PROGRAM: The Diocese requires Family Sessions (Candidate & Parent/Guardian) in preparation for Confirmation. These are required for all candidates who will receive Confirmation in the parish of St. Camillus-St. Virgilius. Students from St. Camillus School and our Religious Education Program are required to attend these sessions.

The dates will be:

Monday, September 26, 2016 at 7 pm

Monday, November 7, 2016 at 7 pm (Sponsor Form due)

Sunday, November 20, 2016 (Confirmation Investiture)

Monday, February 6, 2017 at 7 pm (Fee & Saint Reflection due)

Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7 pm (Internship Reflection Due)

PRACTICE: There will be ONE Evening PRACTICE for CANDIDATES & SPONSORS – Date will be announced when we know the date of Confirmation. Practices for ALL CANDIDATES ONLY may be arranged, if needed.

MANDATORY CONFIRMATION RETREAT: Monday, January 16, 2017 in Springman Hall. The day will begin with Mass at SC at 9 am and end about 3:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION LETTER:: Candidates will be asked to write a letter requesting Confirmation.

CONFIRMATION INTERVIEW: Candidate Interviews will be arranged.

CONFIRMATION FEE: \$65.00 per Candidate. Envelopes will be distributed at the Parents' Meeting and can be returned in the Sunday Collection at either St. Camillus or St. Virgilius Church by March 6, 2017. Please write the CANDIDATES NAME on the envelope and write "CONFIRMATION DONATION". Please make check out to St. Camillus-St Virgilius Church.

CONFIRMATION DRESS: Since St. Camillus-St. Virgilius will use ROBES for all candidates, there are no regulations concerning clothes that will be worn underneath the robe with the following exceptions: NO jeans, denim pants, NO colors or designs that may show through the robe. Boys must wear a Dress shirt and tie. Socks MUST BE WORN. NO make-up and jewelry. NO sneakers, work boots, sandals, high-heels. Measurements for the robes will take place in Spring 2016. No flowers are to be worn during the ceremony.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES:

Chiarelli's Religious Goods 1014 Jericho Tpke, New Hyde Park, NY 11040 516-2332994. We will not sell.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Flash photographs are NOT allowed during the Mass. You may NOT leave your seat during the Mass. After Mass, the Bishop will be available for pictures.

VIDEOS: People with videos [without lights] will be allowed to stay in seats on the side. They cannot move around during Mass.

CLASS ATTENDANCE: Attendance at CCD classes is mandatory. **When a student reaches THREE (3) absences, Father Richard will decide if he/she will not be allowed to be confirmed this spring.** It is the parents' responsibility to insure that the student attends class. Work is NOT an acceptable excuse for missing class. Classes are held outside of school hours so that the classes do not interfere with school. Therefore school has no right to interfere with classes -- some special exceptions may be allowed. Students who attend St. Camillus Academy receive regular Religion Classes as part of the school day. Therefore they do NOT have to attend CCD.

MASS ATTENDANCE: Attendance at Sunday Mass at St. Camillus or St. Virgilius is mandatory. Attendance is taken. If a pattern of not attending Mass is evident, the student will not be allowed to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring. Students in the St. Camillus-St. Virgilius Religious Education Program must regularly attend Mass at either St. Camillus or St. Virgilius Church in order to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Camillus-St. Virgilius.

March 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Confirmation Proximate Preparation #5 - Candidate & Parent, Tuesday, March 6 th , 7 pm - Internship Reflection Due First Holy Communion Parent's Meeting #6 - Tuesday., Mar. 7 th , 7 pm @ SV or Thursday, Mar. 9 th , 7 pm @ SC ~ Parent/guardian First Reconciliation - Sat., Mar 18 th @ SV 10:30 am or Sat. March 25 th @ SC 10:30 am			1 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm Ash Wednesday	2 World Day of Prayer	3 Rockaway St. Patrick's Day Parade	4
5 Parish St. Patrick's Dance 1 st Sunday of Lent	6 Confirmation Proximate Preparation Candidate & Parent 7 pm Christian Internship Reflection Due	7 First Holy Communion Meeting @ SV 7pm	8 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	9 First Holy Communion Meeting @ SC 7 pm	10	11
12 Daylight Savings Time Begins 2 nd Sunday of Lent	13	14	15 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	16	17 Feast Day of St. Patrick	18 First Reconciliation @ SV 10:30 am
19 3 rd Sunday of Lent	20 Sisters of St. Joseph Feast Day of St. Joseph	21	22 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	23	24	25 First Reconciliation @ SC 10:30 am The Annunciation of the Lord
26 4 th Sunday of Lent	27	28	29 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	30	31	31

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

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CONFIRMATION NAME: BISHOP DIMARZIO HAS ESTABLISHED THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINE FOR CONFIRMATION NAMES, ALL CONFIRMATION NAMES CHOSEN BY CONFIRMANDI MUST CONFORM TO THIS GUIDELINE.

In choosing a Confirmation name, confirmandi should adopt a saint's name, a beatified person's name, or a name that has an obvious or direct connection to the Christian faith (e.g. the name of a theological virtue, a Biblical name from the Old and New Testament). Approved adaptations and derivatives of a saint's name are acceptable.

Any name that is contrary to the Christian faith or any name that does not have an obvious or direct connection to the Christian faith may not be used as a Confirmation name.

To assist the confirmandi in choosing a saint's name, the name of every canonized saint of the universal Church (together with a brief biography of each saint) is available at www.catholic.org

The Confirmation name must be approved by the PASTOR and sent to the BISHOP who has FINAL APPROVAL at least TWO WEEKS before the date of Confirmation.

Each candidate is to write a one-side essay indicating the name which is being chosen and the reason for its selection. A brief background of the life of the saint or the event must be written. This essay is due by February 6, 2017.

CONFIRMATION INTERNSHIP: Each candidate will be required to perform Christian Service and to write a one-side reflection on the experience. The reflection should show how the service enabled the candidate to put-into-practice the teachings of Jesus in the Gospel. The internship should cover 10 hours; and may include different experiences, such as 1) Altar Server; 2) Choir; 3) Usher and Greeter at Sunday Mass; 4) Soup Kitchen or Hospital Volunteer; 6) Mini Basketball on Saturday; 7) Girl Scouts; 8) Library. Other experiences must be pre-approved. A guide for writing the reflection will be provided. The report is due March 6, 2017.

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR: Each candidate may select ONE (1) sponsor for Confirmation. The Sponsor should be present for the Mass of Confirmation; but may be represented by a proxy – with the prior approval of Father Richard. The following are the requirements:

Either Male or Female

16 years of age or older (Pastor can give permission for younger.)

A Roman Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Communion

Practicing catholic:

a) Attends Sunday Mass regularly

b) If married, the sponsor **MUST BE** married in the Roman Catholic Church

Parents can NOT act as Sponsors for their own children.

One of the Godparents from Baptism may serve as the Sponsor

The Sponsor Form must be returned by November 7, 2016.

CONFIRMATION INVESTITURE: Candidate and Sponsor are asked to attend Mass on October 16, 2016 at 11:30 am at St. Camillus.

DRESS CODE FOR SPONSORS: Bishop DiMarzio has established the following REQUIREMENTS for those wearing street clothes for Confirmation. There are NO OPTIONS or DEVIATIONS from the BISHOP'S REQUIREMENTS ALLOWED.

WOMEN: Dresses with long or short sleeves. NO sleeveless dresses or tank tops; NO off-the-shoulders dresses are permitted. The dress must be a reasonable length -- NO shorter than 2 inches above the knee. No backless dresses and the dress **MUST** have a proper neckline. Pants outfits are permitted. NO jeans or denim pants. NO tight fitting slacks. NO shorts. Dress shoes must be worn with stockings. NO sneakers, sport shoes or sandals.

MEN: Dress shirt (solid color) and tie. NO black shirt and black tie combination. Suits and suit coats -- sports jacket are optional. Sweaters are permitted. Dress Pants, NO jeans or denim pants. NO tight fitting pants. NO shorts. Dress shoes and socks, NO sneakers, sport shoes or sandals.

April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>First Holy Communion Meeting #7 & Mass</u> - Saturday, April 1st, 4 pm Mass followed by meeting @ SV or Sunday, April 2nd, 11:30 am Mass followed by meeting @ SC - child & parent/guardian</p> <p><u>Communion Donation:</u> \$25 per Family due by April 2nd</p>						<p>1</p> <p>First Holy Communion Meeting & Mass @ SV</p>
<p>2</p> <p>First Holy Communion Meeting & Mass @ SC</p> <p>5th Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Reconciliation Monday</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>NO CCD Classes</p> <p>Public School Spring Break</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Holy Thursday</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Good Friday</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Holy Saturday</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Easter Sunday</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23</p> <p>Divine Mercy Sunday</p> <p>3rd Sunday of Easter</p> <p>30</p>	<p>24</p> <p>SCSV Catechist Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>

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“The marvelous gift of God’s life is shared with the youngest members of our community through Infant Baptism. While all are called to participate fully in sacramental celebrations of the Church community, with as much awareness, devotion and understanding as possible, the Baptism of infants is a sign of the unconditional love that God bestows on His beloved children in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. The child baptized sacramentally receives God’s life and becomes an adopted child of God, a member of Christ’s body (the Church) and a temple of the Holy Spirit.” (Celebrating the Faith – Sacramental Guidelines - Diocese of Brooklyn #1.4)

AGE OF BAPTISM: Parents are encouraged to baptize their infant as soon as possible after the child is born. It is necessary that at least **ONE (1) of the parents**, or the person who takes the place of the parent, give consent to the Baptism. For this reason, we require that arrangements for the Baptism of an infant be made by one of the parents or legal guardian only. (Sorry, Grandparents can not arrange the Baptism of their grandchild.) Children who have reached the “age of discernment” (*about age 7*) are no longer considered infants; and therefore must be treated following the rules for the R.C.I.A. (adapted for Children).

PROCEDURE FOR INFANT BAPTISMS:

- 1) Parents are asked to contact the Rectory to register for Infant Baptism. They will be asked to complete an **INFANT BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM** and (*If necessary*) a **PARISH CENSUS FORM**. They will also be asked to supply the **CHILD’S BIRTH CERTIFICATE** and the Godparent’s Confirmation certificates. For Baptismal Form and Class information please go to our parish website www.stcstv.com.
- 2) The **PARENTS** must attend **ONE (1) Baptism Class** before the date of the Baptism will be arranged. Parents can attend the class at either St. Camillus or St. Virgilius Churches.

CHANGES ON THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE: The information on the Baptism Certificate must appear *EXACTLY* as it does on the Birth Certificate of the Child (according to Diocesan norms). Therefore changes to the Birth Certificate – such as correct spelling of names; dates; inclusion of father’s name – should be done *before the Child is baptized*, if possible. Please Note: If a parent’s name does **NOT** appear on the Birth Certificate, it will **not** appear on the Baptism Certificate. Changes to the Birth Certificate of a Child which are made after the Baptism may require Diocesan approval to be made to the Baptism Certificate.

CHURCH OF BAPTISM: Baptisms will be celebrated in both St. Camillus and St. Virgilius Churches; and parents may choose to celebrate their child’s Baptism in either Church. Baptisms are to be celebrated in the parish church where the parents attend Mass on Sundays. Sometimes, it may be allowed to “cross” parish lines for a special reason, such as a special relationship with the parish or one of the parish priests; family living within St. Camillus – St. Virgilius; or the like. Parents who do not live in St. Camillus-St. Virgilius parish should call Father Richard. With the prior permission of St. Camillus-St. Virgilius, the parents will be required to obtain written permission of the pastor of the parish where they attend Sunday Mass. The parents will also be required to fulfill the Baptism Preparation Requirements of the parish where they live and present a letter that they have completed the Baptism Program in their own parish. (They will **not** attend the Baptism Class at St. Camillus-St. Virgilius.)

SPECIAL REQUESTS: Parents may request a priest friend of the family to celebrate the Baptism of their infant. Parents still must follow the procedure as outlined above. They should discuss their request at the time of the interview.

PRIVATE BAPTISMS: Because of the shortage of priests and the fact that Baptism is a celebration of the parish community, we can not honor requests for private Baptisms. In extreme circumstances, we may be able to adjust the schedule of Baptisms. **Please Note:** ALL Baptisms on **SUNDAYS** are celebrated at Mass (No celebrations outside of Mass). On **SATURDAYS**, Baptisms are celebrated at 1:00 P.M. (without Mass) on the 3rd Saturday of the month at SV or the 4th Saturday of the month at SC.

BAPTISM IN DANGER OF DEATH: In case of emergency, anyone can baptize. If possible, the Rectory – or the Hospital Chaplain -- should be called. Please notify the Rectory if a child has been baptized in the Hospital so that the Rite of Welcome (Ceremonies Supplied) may be celebrated.

BAPTISM OF SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN: Once a child enters the **FIRST GRADE**, they should be enrolled in a Catholic School or Religious Education Program. The Baptism of children in school will not take place until the child is regularly receiving Religious instructions. Children who are **NOT** eight years old will be baptized following the procedure for infants. Older children will follow the RCIA.

May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	4	5	6 First Holy Communion @ SV 12 pm
7 4 th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	8	9	10 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	11	12	13 First Holy Communion @ SC 12 pm
14 May Crowning @ SV 10 am Mass 5 th Sunday of Easter Mothers' Day	15	16	17 CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm	18	19	20
21 May Crowning @ SC 11:30 am Mass 6 th Sunday of Easter	22	23	24 Last CCD Classes CCD Classes Level 1-8 ~ 3:30 - 5 pm Vigil Mass Progress Reports	25 The Ascension of the Lord Holy Day of Obligation	26	27
28 7 th Sunday of Easter	29 Memorial Day	30	31	Registration/Re-registration for SCSV Religious Education Classes for the 2017-2018 School Year begins this month.		

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GODPARENTS: Each child must have **ONE (1) GODPARENT** – either male or female. If there are **TWO** Godparents, one must be male and one female. *More than TWO (2) Godparents are NOT permitted.* In some cultures, several Godparents are present at the Baptism. Only TWO (2) Godparents, however, are recognized and their names are included in the Baptism Register. To be a Godparent, the following requirements must be met:

Be designated by the parents

Have the intention of fulfilling the role of Godparent

Be at least 16 years of age (Pastor can accept someone younger for special reasons)

Be a Roman Catholic who has been baptized; confirmed and received First Communion (Proof of Confirmation is required)

Lead a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith and the role of a Godparent

Not be the father or mother of the child (this also includes adoptive parents).

Please Note: Brothers and sisters can be Godparents if they fulfill the other requirements.

Not be bound by any canonical penalty

Please Note: It is **not** required that Godparents be married.

CIVIL RESPONSIBILITIES OF GODPARENTS: In the United States, Godparents are not recognized as having a legal responsibility for a godchild in case of the death of the parents. Parents are urged to receive legal advice to insure for the care of your child(ren).

NON CATHOLICS AS GODPARENTS: A baptized non-Catholic Christian (e.g. Lutheran, Baptist, and Protestant) may not be a Godparent. However, if there is one (1) Roman Catholic Godparent, a baptized non-Catholic Christian may serve as a “*Christian Witness*” for Baptism. Those who are **NOT BAPTIZED** (e.g. Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, people with no religion) may **NEVER** serve as a Godparent or Christian Witness. Catholics who are not confirmed can not be a Christian Witness.

PROXY: In the event that a Godparent cannot be present for the Baptism ceremony, another person may represent the Godparent as “*proxy*”. Please speak with the Pastor to arrange proxy for a Godparent.

CHANGE OF GODPARENTS: It is the general policy of the Diocese of Brooklyn **not to authorize the change of Godparents**, after the Baptism has taken place.

BAPTISM OF ADOPTED CHILDREN: Please speak with the Pastor.

POSTPONEMENT OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: In order to baptize a child, there must be a ‘founded hope that the infant will be brought up in the Catholic religion. When hope is completely lacking, Baptism is to be postponed.’ For example: *A family with older children (7 years of age & older) who are not enrolled in a Catholic School or Religious Education Program or who have not received the Sacraments of Initiation.* The following are NOT reasons for postponement of Baptism: Marriage of parents, Mass attendance of parents, and use of Sunday Collection envelopes by family. The decision to postpone (delay) a Baptism is the responsibility of the PASTOR who will meet with the PARENTS individually.

BAPTISM CERTIFICATES: St. Camillus-St. Virgilius parish will provide Baptism Certificates within one month of the Baptism. If there are any errors on the certificate, the parents MUST call the Rectory immediately so that the corrections may be made and a new certificate issued.

PICTURES: Pictures and Videos (without lights) are permitted. Parents, Godparents and Child may **NOT** take pictures. People who are going to take pictures are asked to come to the Church 10 minutes before the start of the Baptism so that they can be given instructions. They are not permitted to speak with the parents, Godparents, or Child during the Baptism ceremony. Please NO professional photographers.

BAPTISM OFFERING: An envelope will be provided for your *free will offering*. If you wish to write a check, please write the check to “*ST. CAMILLUS-ST. VIRGILIUS CHURCH*”.

OTHER CHILDREN AT BAPTISM: The celebration of Baptism is a teachable moment for other children, brothers and sisters, relatives of the infant. They are most welcome. However, some children may become agitated. It is suggested that there be a responsible adult who will be available to take care of these children. The parents and godparents will be involved; they can not leave the Church.

If you have any questions, please call the Rectory: 718-634-8229

June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
REMINDER: Please return your Registration/Re-registration for SCSV Religious Education Classes for the 2017-2018 School Year to the Parish Office or in the Collection at Mass this month.				1	2	3 Irish Festival Immaculate Heart of Mary
4 Irish Festival Pentecost Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Trinity Sunday	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Body & Blood of Christ Father's Day	19	20	21	22	23 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist
25 12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26	27	28	29 Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul Apostles	30	

CHAPTER LESSON PLANS FOR 2016-2017

Week	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6	Level 7	Level 8	Date
1	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro	14-Sep
2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 - Disciples	21-Sep
3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 - Disciples	28-Sep
4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3 - Disciples	5-Oct
5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4 - Disciples	19-Oct
6	Lures	Lures	Lures	5	5	5	5	5 - Disciples	26-Oct
7	Saints	5	5	Lures	Lures	Lures	Lures	Lures	2-Nov
8	5	8	6	6	8	6	Vocations	Vocations	9-Nov
9	Advent	Advent	Advent	Advent	Advent	Advent	6/Advent	Advent	16-Nov
10	6	9	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	30-Nov
11	7	10	7	7	9	7	7	1- Sadlier	7-Dec
12	8	11	8	8	10	8	8	2 - Sadlier8	14-Dec
13	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	21-Dec
14	9	12	9	9	11	9	9	3 - Sadlier	4-Jan
15	10	6	10	10	12	10	10	4 - Sadlier	11-Jan
16	11	7	11	11	6	11	11	5 - Sadlier	18-Jan
17	12	15	12	12	7	12	12	6 - Disciples	25-Jan
18	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	1-Feb
19	15	Penance	Penance	15	15	15	13	7 - Disciples	8-Feb
20	16	Mass	15	16	16	16	14	8 - Disciples	15-Feb
21	17	16	16	17	17	17	15	9 - Disciples	1-Mar
22	18	17	17	18	18	18	16	10 - Disciples	8-Mar
23	19	18	18	19	22	19	17	11 - Disciples	15-Mar
24	22	19	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	Penance	22-Mar
25	HolyWeek	Triduum	Triduum	Triduum	Triduum	Triduum	Triduum	Triduum	29-Mar
26	Easter	Easter	Easter	Easter	Easter	Easter	18	12 - Disciples	5-Apr
27	23	22	19	20	23	22	19	6 - Sadlier	19-Apr
28	24	23	22	22	24	23	20	Gifts of Holy Spirit	26-Apr
29	25	24	23	23	25	24	21	Fruits of Holy Spirit	3-May
30	26	25	24	24	26	25	22	Inspired by the Spirit	10-May
31	Rosary	Mary	25	25	19	26	23	Confirmation Prep	17-May
32	Mass	26	26	26	Mass	Mass	24	Confirmation Prep	24-May

July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Did you re-register for CCD Classes for 2017-2018? Re-Registration Forms are available at the Parish Office, during regular Office hours, stop by to re-register.						1
2 13 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8
9 14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	17	18 Feast Day of St. Camillus de Lellis	19	20	21	22
23 16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	31	If you are traveling during the summer, you can locate the nearest church by calling 1-800 MASS TIMES or visiting www.masstimes.org .				

Lenten Regulations on Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017 marks the beginning of Lent. The following fasting and abstinence regulations are observed:

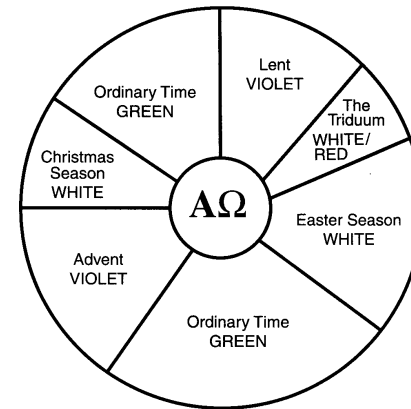
Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

The special Paschal fast and abstinence are observed on Good Friday and, where possible, Holy Saturday. On these days, Christians prepare themselves by these disciplines in anticipation of the renewal of their baptismal commitment on Easter.

From its earliest days, the Church has urged the baptized and the catechumens to observe the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving, and prayer as a preparation for the celebration of Easter. Failure to observe individual days of penance is not considered serious, but failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

During Lent, the Church encourages attendance at daily Mass, self-imposed times of fasting, and generosity to local, national, and worldwide programs of sharing.



Colors of the Liturgical Season

Advent initiates the new Liturgical Year.

Advent begins this year on Sunday, November 27, 2016. VIOLET (purple) is used for both Advent and Lent. It symbolizes both penance and preparation. RED is used for Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Pentecost, and for feast days for apostles and martyrs. WHITE vestments are used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter, for feasts of our Lord outside of the Passion, and for Marian feasts. GREEN is used throughout Ordinary Time when not otherwise replaced by another color.

PRAY FOR AND ENCOURAGE VOCATIONS

Vocation Prayers:

Dear Jesus, you know each of us and call us by name to serve you in faith. Give courage and guidance to those you call to priesthood, diaconate, religious life and lay ministry, so that they may respond wholeheartedly and serve devotedly. Amen

God of all nations, we are grateful for Catholic missionaries, who bring the treasure of faith to many lands. May the gospel, which shaped their lives, continue to shape our lives today. Bless every diocese with others to follow in their footsteps. Amen

Generous God, we are grateful for the invitation to know you through Jesus, your Son, and the Holy Spirit. Help us respond generously to your voice. Send more laborers into the harvest in service to your people. Amen

Loving God, the birth of your Son brings the light of your presence to a waiting world. Enlighten young people to answer the call to your presence with others, so your light will continue to shine for all to see. Amen

PRAYERS and PRACTICES

Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, and is now and will be forever. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name: Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen

The Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Morning Offering

My God, I offer You all my prayers, works, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your most Sacred Heart. Amen

Grace Before Meals

Bless us O Lord, and these Your gifts which we are about to receive from Your bounty through Christ our Lord. Amen

Grace After Meals

We give You thanks, almighty God, for these and all Your gifts which we have received through Christ our Lord. Amen

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

Act of Contrition

My God I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and in failing to do good, I have sinned against You whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with Your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy.

Fatima Prayer

O Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to heaven especially those who are most in need of your mercy.

Hail Holy Queen

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

Prayer after the Rosary

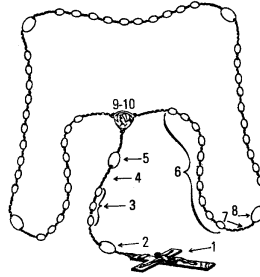
O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech you, that we who meditate upon these mysteries of the most holy rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

How to Pray the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross and say the Apostles Creed
2. Say the Our Father
3. Say three Hail Mary's
4. Say the Glory be to the Father
5. Announce the first mystery; then say an Our Father
6. Say ten Hail Mary's while meditating on the mystery
7. Say the Glory be to the Father and the Fatima Prayer
8. Announce the second mystery; then say the Our Father. Repeat 6 and 7, and continue with third, fourth, and fifth mysteries in the same manner.
9. Say the Hail Holy Queen
10. Say the Prayer after the Rosary



Mysteries of the Rosary

Joyful

1. Annunciation of the birth of Jesus to Mary by the angel Gabriel
2. Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth
3. Nativity of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
4. Presentation of the infant Jesus in the Temple
5. Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple by Mary and Joseph

Sorrowful

1. Agony of Christ in the Garden
2. Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar
3. Placing of the crown of thorns on the head of Jesus
4. Carrying the Cross by Jesus
5. Crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Luminous

1. Christ's baptism in the Jordan River
2. The self-revelation of Christ at the Marriage of Cana
3. Christ's announcement of the kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration of Christ
5. The institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper

Glorious

1. Resurrection of our Lord from the dead
2. Ascension of our Lord into heaven
3. Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles on Pentecost
4. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven
5. Coronation of the Virgin Mary

When to Pray the Mysteries

Joyful Mysteries ~ Monday and Saturday
Sorrowful Mysteries ~ Tuesday and Friday
Glorious Mysteries ~ Wednesday and Sunday
Luminous Mysteries ~ Thursday

The Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the Hungry
Give drink to the thirsty Shelter the homeless
Clothe the naked
Care for the sick
Help those imprisoned
Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

Share knowledge
Give advice to those who need it
Comfort those who suffer
Be patient with others
Forgive those who hurt you
Give correction to those who need it
Pray for others

The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of God.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
If you are traveling during the summer, you can locate the nearest church by calling 1-800 MASS TIMES or visit www.masstimes.org .		1	2	3	4	5
6 Transfiguration	7	8 Dominican Sisters Feast Day of St. Dominic	9	10	11	12
13 19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	14	15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation	16	17	18	19
20 20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	28	29	30	31	Religious Education Classes begin next month. Please pick up a Registration Form at the Parish Office, during regular office hours, if you have not registered/re-registered for the 2017-2018 school year.	