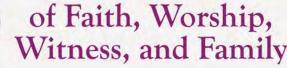
Saint Luke R.C. Church



The Pastoral Staff

Administrator: Rev. John J. Costello Parochial Vicars: Rev. Paul Kim Rev. Nicholas M. Colalella Weekend Assistant: Rev. Msgr. John J. Strynkowski **Director of Religious Education:** Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. Pastoral Associate: Sister Theresa Agliardi, R.S.M. Principal: Mrs. Jan Brunswick Director of Music: Jessica Tranzillo-Smith Secretary:

Theresa Zazzi

Confessions

Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM; and by appointment or when requested.

The Rectory

is the home of our Priests as well as the site of the parish offices. Please call ahead before coming with parish business in order that your inquiry will be assisted by a knowledgeable staff person.

Devotions

First Friday: Continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9AM-5PM. (except July & August)

The Holy Rosary follows the 7AM and precedes the 8:30AM and the Noon Mass each day.

The Miraculous Medal Novena follows Noon Mass every Monday.

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets Tuesdays at 7:30PM.

The Italian Charismatic Prayer Group meets Thursdays at 7:30PM.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM.

Saint Luke Church

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Sunday Holy Masses

Saturday 5PM Sunday 7:30AM, 9AM (Italian), 10:30AM,11:45AM, 1:00PM, 5:00PM

Daily Masses

Summer Schedule

Monday - Friday at 12 Noon Sat. 8:30AM (No Noon Mass)

The Sacraments

Baptism of Infants - Please call Sister Theresa at 718-746-8531 or 718-746-8102 to schedule a baptism interview.

Weddings - Please contact one of the priests PRIOR TO MAKING PLANS WITH A WEDDING HALL. The Bishop requires, in all cases, that weddings be set no later than six months prior to the date.

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) - Interested in becoming a Catholic? Need to receive Communion and Confirmation? Call Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. at (718) 746-3409.

Ministry to the Sick

If anyone is confined to home and unable to come to Mass, please call the Rectory to arrange to have the sacraments brought. If you foresee hospitalization, please call the Rectory and arrange to be anointed.

Saint Luke School <u>WWW.SLSWHITESTONE.ORG</u>

16-01 Msgr. Dillon Place, (150 Place) Whitestone, NY 718-746-3833 Mrs. Jan Brunswick, Principal

Our school serves the community with classes from Tiny Tots through Eighth Grade Mommy & Me Class 718-344-7620.

School of Religion

Offering Religious Education classes to our young people attending public school. Our Director of Religious Education, Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J., can be reached in her rectory office at 718-746-3409. Volunteers are always welcome.

Music Office

Jessica Tranzillo-Smith is our parish Director of Music. She can be reached at the Music Office at 718-746-3862

The Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, New York

Dear Friends,

You may have noticed that I have been listed on the bulletin as "Administrator" since I arrived at the end of June. Although I have certainly been appointed the new pastor of St. Luke, it is the custom to serve as administrator until officially installed as pastor. Bishop DiMarzio was already scheduled to officiate at Mass on October 18th to bring our 150th Anniversary celebrations to a close. Unfortunately, many of the planned events were postponed or cancelled because of COVID-19. Since he is already coming on that day, we thought that the feast day of our parish patron was a very appropriate day for my installation as pastor of St. Luke. The staff and I will work on the details for the celebration and we will provide further information very soon. In the meantime I ask for your prayers that the Lord will give me the gifts and abilities that I will need to serve this community, together with the parish staff, to provide for the spiritual needs of the people entrusted to our care for many years to come.

On Wednesday this week, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Pio of Pietrelcina. Padre Pio was a Capuchin priest who served in San Giovanni Rotondo, a small town in the province of Foggia in Southern Italy. He had the stigmata – the wounds of the crucified Christ – from very early in his priesthood until his death in 1968. He spent countless hours in the confessional and was known to be able to read hearts and souls, especially when a penitent was withholding a sin from confession. Devotion to Padre Pio is worldwide, and he was canonized by Pope St. John Paul II in 2002 with one of the largest crowds that ever gathered for a canonization at the Vatican. There are many Padre Pio prayer groups all over the world, including here at St. Luke, that look to him for his intercession and inspiration. We will hold a Triduum in his honor on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday this week at 7:00 PM. There will be a Holy Hour on Monday and Tuesday, and a Mass on Wednesday. These will be bi-lingual celebrations, and everyone is welcome to join in these devotions to St. Padre Pio.

As we celebrate the Confirmations of the young people of St. Luke parish this month, I am certainly open to encouraging the newly confirmed to actively participate in the life of the parish by becoming lectors. In my previous parish assignments I have found that high school students are often very good at public speaking and are happy to get involved in this way. I also know that students in Catholic high schools are often trained to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion as juniors and seniors, and I am happy to have them help with the distribution of the Eucharist here at St. Luke. Those who have been altar servers in grammar school and in junior high are welcome to continue in that ministry in high school. Confirmation should set us on fire with the Holy Spirit to serve the Lord by serving our brothers and sisters. If anyone is interested in taking on these ministries here at St. Luke, please contact me at the rectory.

The US Bishops have asked us to take up a collection for an Emergency Disaster Fund to help with the aftermath of Hurricane Laura and the wildfires that are devastating the west coast of our nation. We will take a voluntary collection on September 26/27, and we are grateful for your generosity. I am also truly grateful for your efforts to help us meet our goal in the Annual Catholic Appeal. May God reward you for your goodness.

With love and prayers, Fr. John

Special Collection Relief for Hurricane Laura and Westcoast Wildfires

At the request of the US Bishops, next weekend, September 26th and 27th, there will a Special Collection, for an Emergency Disaster Fund to help with the aftermath of Hurricane Laura and the wildfires that are devastating the west coast of our nation. Thank you for your generosity.



The LORD is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Psalm 145:17-18

St. Luke is now open for Mass!

- The regular Mass has resumed as of June 29th.
- Those who are ill or showing signs of illness should NOT come to church.
- Congregation is limited to 25% capacity.
- Masks must be worn.
- Social distancing of 6 feet must be maintained for individuals.
- Pews will be clearly marked to show where people may or may not sit.

- There will be no hymnals used during liturgies.
- There will be no holy water in the fonts.
- There will be no servers, only 1 lector, and Extraordinary Ministers will be assigned as needed.
- There will be no procession at the beginning or end of Mass.
- There will be no holding hands during the Lord's Prayer and no exchange of peace.
- Those receiving Holy Communion are urged to receive in the hand.

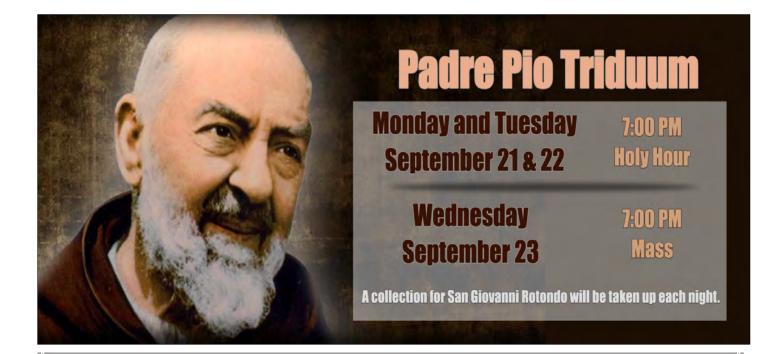
PLEASE NOTE:

The obligation to attend Mass is still dispensed in the Diocese of Brooklyn.



Preghiera di Giovanni Paolo II a Padre Pio

Umile ed amato Padre Pio, insegna anche a noi, ti preghiamo, l'umiltà del cuore per essere annoverati tra i piccoli del Vangelo ai quali il Padre ha promesso di rivelare I misteri del suo Regno. Aiutaci a pregare senza mai stancarci, certi che Iddio conosce ciò di cui abbiamo bisogno, prima ancora che lo domandiamo. Ottienici uno sguardo di fede capace di riconoscere prontamente, nei poveri e nei sofferenti, il volto di Gesù. Sostienici nell'ora del combattimento e della prova e, se cadiamo, fa' che sperimentiamo la gioia del sacramento del Perdono. Trasmettici la tenera devozione verso Maria. Madre di Gesù e nostra. Accompagnaci nel pellegrinaggio terreno verso la Patria beata, dove speriamo di raggiungere anche noi per contemplare in eterno, la Gloria del Padre, del Figlio e dello Spirito Santo. Amen.



Prayer from Pope Saint John Paul II

This prayer was recited by Pope Saint John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of Padre Pio, on June 16, 2002.

Teach us, too, we pray, humility so that we may be among the humble to whom the Father in the Gospel promised to reveal the mysteries of His Kingdom. Teach us the look of faith that will help us recognize the face of Jesus Himself in the poor and suffering. Support us in our hours of trouble and trial and, should we fall, Let us feel the joy of the sacrament of forgiveness. Teach us tender devotion towards Mary, Mother of Christ and our Mother. Accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage towards the blessed Homeland. where we, too, hope to arrive to contemplate eternally The Glory of the Father, The Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and in Communion with the Universal Church, we strive to follow the Lord's command to love God and one another. Rooted in word and sacrament, we grow together as a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus.

INFANT BAPTISMS RESUME AT ST. LUKE

After months of infant baptisms being cancelled because of the corona virus pandemic, we are gratefully at the point of resuming the baptism of infants at St. Luke. Many changes have been made to our Baptism Preparation Program and baptisms are currently being celebrated for one infant at a time, with the use of masks and social distancing marking our concerns for the safety of all present at the celebration. If you are interested in having an infant baptized, please call **Sister Theresa at 718 746-8531** and she will provide information that describes what are the current requirements for parents to participate in baptism preparation at St. Luke and she will assist parents in the preparation that is necessary. It is our hope to return to our previous Baptism Program with certain Sundays scheduled for the baptisms and a few babies baptized together in the future. However, in this time of uncertainty, we are able to baptize infants individually and will continue to do so during the next few months. For information, please call Sister Theresa.



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Prayer for Vocations

GOD OUR FATHER, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



Parish Goal: As of 09/14/2020	\$ 1	105, 552
Number of Pledges:		183
Pledged:	\$	65,055
Received:	\$	59,974

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Thank you to all the parishioners who have already made a gift/pledge to the ACA 2020. Your generous response assists both the many ministries of the diocese and if we go over our goal the funds received come back to the parish. Please make your gift to the ACA now. As always, working together, each gift will help us reach our goal. Please consider a gift today!



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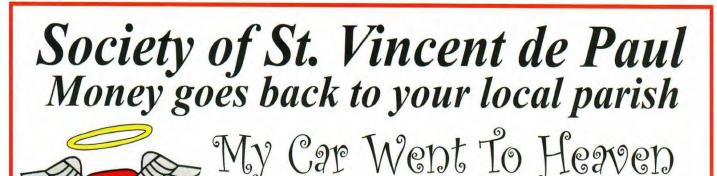
The St. Vincent de Paul Society is



sponsoring a clothing drive on

Sunday, September 20th.

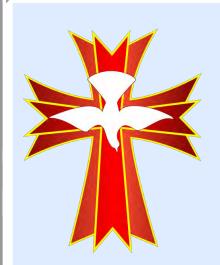
The truck will be parked in the church parking lot from 8am to 1pm to accept your donation of gently used clothing.





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Congratulations to all the students from St. Luke School and St. Luke School of Religion that have prepared and will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this September.

St. Luke School

September 15th, 2020

Alessandra Amorelli Vere Anthony Andrea Banovic Vincenzo Bordone Gianna Caiozzo Lorenzo Cerullo Nicholas Cirigliano Jillian DePass Alexa DiMambro Nicolas Fonseca Samuel Grech Madison Guarnieri Anna Mauro Isabella Mazzara Gavin O'Connor Gaetano Papia Francesca Picone Jose Pouso Alexandra Prettitore Isabella Prettitore Diego Serrano Anthony Silvestre Victoria Simicich

September 24th, 2020

Angel Acosta Ethen Barcia Giuliana Caliendo Saverio Carone Sabato Daniele Luca DellaPolla Sean Fierro Madison Gomez Peter Paul Grech Ivan Grgas James Harlow Gianna Hernandez Alyssa Jelovcic Martino Marando Gabriella Neos Mila Sadeghi Nora Slattery Olivia Tito Salvatore Viola

May the Holy Spirit fill your heart with Joy and may His Grace and Peace be with you in all you do. God bless all of you, on your Confirmation!

St. Luke School of Religion

September 17th, 2020

Robert Cuevas Sabrina Cardenas Christopher DeViccaro Michael DiCorato Nicholas Giakoumas Joseph Gomes Marko Kapovic Joseph Keller Katherine Kosnik Amelia LaGrasta James Mattera Nicholas Mattera Michael McNamara Izabella Mrvica Sara Natale Luca Perez **Rosamia** Perez Laura Romito Samantha Ruocco Ava Vaccaro Aidan Walsh

Catechists

Nancy Barone Linda DeVito Denise Martinez

September 22nd, 2020

Michael Baumer Jamie Cody Julia DellaVecchia Karina Diaz Joseph DiGiorgi Thomas DiMaggio Lucia DiMaria Philip Donofrio Amelia Eagle **Ryan Errico** Isabella Farrell Justice Florio Nicholas Forgione Isabella Galia Arianna Giaimo Celeste Gonzalez Jacqueline Guillcatanda Bianca LaRocca Zoe Lopez William Quentin Giancarlo Rengifo Zachary Vista

<u>Catechists</u>

MaryJane Artese Laura Chambers



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If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Luke Church, please stop by the Rectory Office during regular office hours. There you can pick up a census card which can be filled out at that time or returned by mail or in the Sunday Collection Basket. You can even download the Census card online. Please check our website: stlukewhitestone.org You will then begin to receive weekly offering envelopes.

MEMORIALS

Please call or visit the Rectory if you would like to arrange for a memorial in memory or in honor of a loved one. The following memorials are available weekly: ALTAR BREAD, ALTAR WINE,

SANCTUARY LAMP, ALTAR CANDLES

The offering is \$50 for the above mentioned memorials. In addition, ALTAR FLOWERS are available weekly. The offering is \$100 for a fresh arrangement of flowers at the Altar. The name of the person remembered will be printed in the bulletin.

Welcome Back



St. Luke School of Religion Registration for 2020/2021 School Year

Because of the demands the ongoing pandemic places on our parish resources, the Diocesan Faith Formation Office has decided that all parish religious education programs will be held virtually for the foreseeable future.

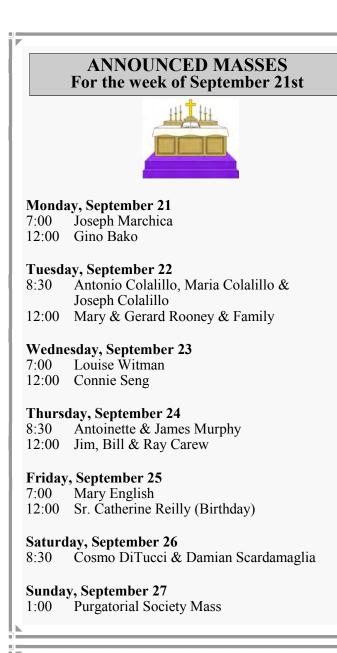
Classes will start in the beginning of October, information regarding the classes will be sent by email as soon as dates are finalized.

Registration Forms for **New** students and returning students who are Re-Registering can be found on our Parish Website: <u>stlukewhitestone.org</u>; select the Education field and click on Religious Education to access forms. For all **New** students, a copy of the child's baptismal certificate should be submitted with the registration forms. Registration has been extended until September 21st, all forms must be received by that day.

Forms and registration fees can be mailed to the Rectory Office: 16-34 Clintonville Street, Whitestone, NY 11357 Attn: Sister Katherine Burke

Checks must be made out to St. Luke School of Religion.

If you have any questions please call the Religious Education Department (718)746-3409 or email us at: saintlukered@yahoo.com.



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

LOIS BLAKELY TIMOTHY BOYLE DONALD CHARLTON JOSEPH GALANTI MADELINE DEMODICA MARIA ALESCI LOUISE FLEMING MADELINE KARLITZ MARIANNA TOTINO ROCCO MARY DELUCA

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

MARIA PORCASI GEORGE V. NICOT THERESA FAZIO SANDY BRUGUGLIO

MEMORIAL For the week of September 20th-26th



The Altar Bread is given in memory of *Phyllis Marie Marchitelli Birthday Remembrance* Requested by her mother Ann Vitelli

The Altar Wine is given in memory of *Phyllis Marie Marchitelli Birthday Remembrance* Requested by her mother Ann Vitelli

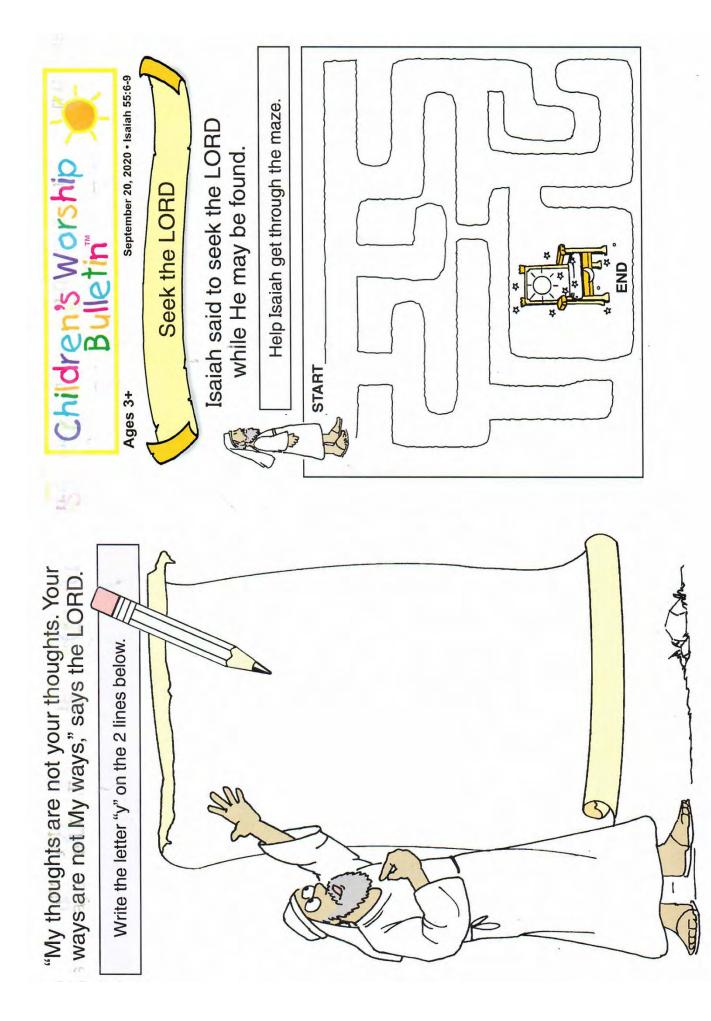
The Altar Flowers are given in memory of *John & Dorothy Agnes Prunty* Requested by the Prunty Family

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of *Phyllis Marie Marchitelli Birthday Remembrance* Requested by her mother Ann Vitelli

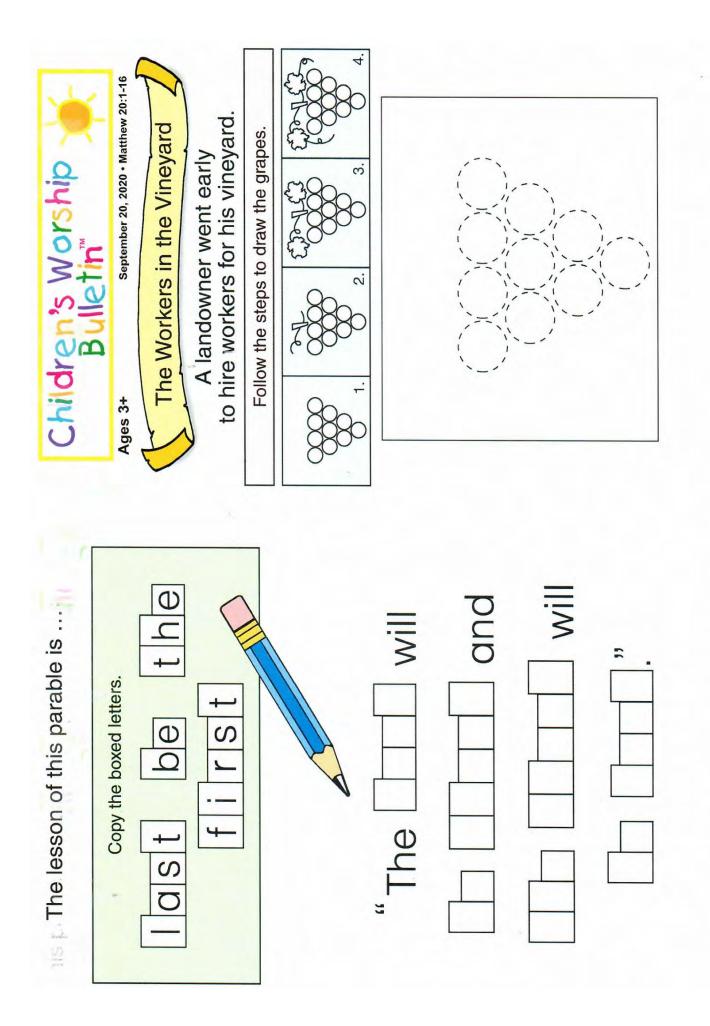
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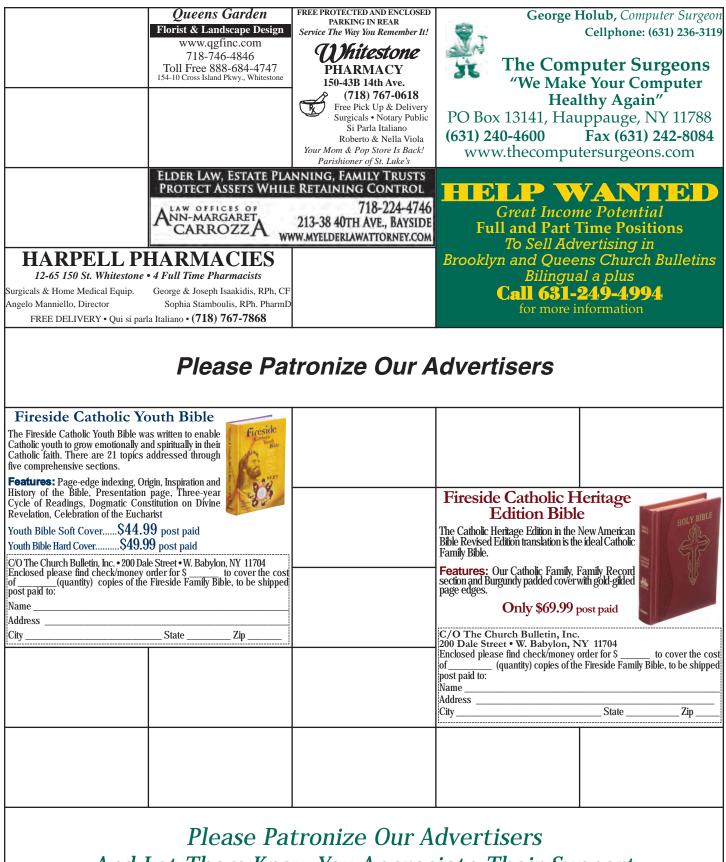
Sunday - Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24,27a; Mt 20:1-16a Monday - Eph 4:1-7,11-13; Mt 9:9-13 Tuesday - Prv 21:1-6,10-13; Lk 8:19-21 Wednesday - Prv 30:5-9; Mt 16:24-27 Thursday - Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9 Friday - Eccl 3: 1-11; Lk 9:18-22 Saturday - Eccl 11:9—12:8; Lk 9:43b-45



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