

Guide to Parish Life at Curé of Ars

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CONSULTATIVE GROUPS

Regional School Board, Finance Committee, Pastoral Council,
Curé Family Faith Formation Council & Parish Trustees
*Parishioners invited by the Pastor, in consultation with the Pastoral Team,
to provide input for the life of the parish.*

FAMILY / CHILDREN

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| <u>Curé Family Ministry (CFM)</u> <i>brings together all members of the parish in a spiritual and social atmosphere.</i> | Lee Hlavacek, Moderator | 623-1400, Ext. 109 |
| <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> - Children from grades K thru 6 have the opportunity to appreciate the Sunday Scriptures on an age appropriate level during the 9:30am Mass (September - June) each month on the 2 nd & 4 th Sunday. | Lee Hlavacek | 623-1400, Ext. 109 |
| <u>Family Liturgy</u> - On the 3 rd Sunday of each month at the 9:30am Mass, a different grade level of C.A.R.E. and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton students take active roles in the liturgy. Following Mass, CFM hosts a time for fellowship with our parish family. | Lee Hlavacek | 623-1400, Ext. 109 |
| <u>Family Life Ministry</u> <i>Divorced & Separated</i> - provides a safe God centered environment to share concerns, seek guidance, find support and the Peace of Our Lord with the knowledge that you are not alone during this difficult time. | Kim Laurie | 992-2873 |
| <i>Marriage Enrichment</i> - for couples interested in fortifying, nurturing and celebrating their sacred union. | Meg Albertini | 379-0115 |
| <i>Parenting</i> - to support & guide parents in disciplining their children in the light of faith. | Meg Albertini | 379-0115 |
| <i>Youth</i> - see Youth Ministry | Donna-Lou Fennema | 868-2098 |
| | Mary Dennis | 623-1400, Ext. 114 |

C.Y.O.**Don Murphy****223-4075**

Team sports & clinics for boys and girls grades K-12 in soccer, softball, baseball, basketball & volleyball. CYO provides children the opportunity to learn team sports, sportsmanship, cooperation and make new friends.

Scouting

Troops and packs for boys and girls.

Boy Scouts #23 **John Kennedy**

623-1405

Cub Scouts #225 **Jerry Foster**

546-4375**Youth Choir**

Boys and girls 3rd grade and up sing at the 9:30am Sunday Liturgy and special events.

**Robert Levlis,
Director**

623-1400, Ext. 118

Youth Ministry - see listing on last page.

FORMATION / EDUCATION

Adult**Adult Faith Formation**

Provides people the opportunity for growth in the life of Christ through experience, reflection, prayer and study.

Fr. Augustine**623-1400, Ext. 106****Baptism Preparation**

The initial interview for parents is with a member of the Pastoral Team. The required class offers education in the theology and the challenges of Baptism.

Rectory**623-1400, Ext. 100****Marriage Preparation**

The initial interview for engaged couples is with a Pastoral Team member. The FOCCUS program (Facilitating Open Couple Communication, Understanding & Study) and Pre-Cana sessions are hosted by teams of married couples. (Marriage Enrichment – see Family Life Ministry)

Cathy Zubrovich**623-1400, Ext. 171****R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The process through which adults interested in becoming Catholics or baptized Catholics who have had no religious training enter into full communion with the Church.

Leslie Monsen**623-1400, Ext. 172****SEAS Parent Action Team**

Current and former St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (SEAS) Regional school parents who work to heighten the awareness of our parish family that we have a Catholic regional school.

Elissa Roach**292-3021****Mary Lou Simeone****868-4761****Children****C.A.R.E.** (Curé of Ars Religious Education)

Process of on-going faith formation for Grades 1 thru 8 that includes sacrament preparation.

Communion - Spring of 2nd Grade, Confirmation - Spring of 8th Grade

**Lee Hlavacek,
Director**

623-1400, Ext. 109**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School (S.E.A.S.)**

Our Nursery, Pre-K, Kindergarten, and 1st thru 8th Grade school is located at St. Barnabas Parish, Bellmore.

**Leeann Graziose,
Principal**

785-5709

Stewardship Committee

Enlightening one to their baptismal call to share their Time, Talent, and Treasure with God's people.

Lisa Hudson

623-1400, Ext. 108

FUNDRAISERS

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Telephone committee.

Madeline O'Brien

868-6747

Esther Belbol

546-0032

Vianney Sunshine Club

Booster-type fund raiser with monthly drawings.

Dominick Raneri

223-2264

Summer Splash Raffle

A way to win thousands of dollars while supporting our various ministries.

Anne Marie Vista

868-8475

LITURGICAL

Altar Servers

Youth and Adults who assist at the altar for liturgical celebrations and services.

Filomena Guttilla

546-0994

John Tyler (adult servers)

223-6717

Altar Society

Volunteers who clean the sacristy, sanctuary, and linens weekly.

Peg Gormley

868-2395

Rose Marino

546-5915

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Parishioners 18 years or older, who wish to assist in distributing Holy Communion at liturgical celebrations. (Diocesan training required).

Paul J. Sadej, Jr.

409-4101

Ministry of Consolation

Volunteers who support the bereaved by expressing sympathy and concern for mourning families at wakes and funeral services.

Kathy Eckstein

546-2681

Marilyn Blauert

378-8168

Music Ministries

Adult Choir - enhances our 11:15am Sunday Liturgy and other celebrations with their gift of music.

Youth Choir - see Family/Children section above.

Cantors - lead the congregation in song at our liturgies and other services.

Robert Levulis,

623-1400, Ext. 118

Director

Lectors

Proclaim the Scripture readings at liturgical celebrations and other services.

Frank Teevan

868-5010

Ushers

Welcome people entering the Church and assist in seating, taking up the collection, and other practical matters.

Marty Abrams

378-6011

Wedding Rehearsals

Comprehensive walk through of the Mass/Ceremony with the bride, groom, and bridal party.

Mary Re

623-5378

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRIES (PSM) – OUTREACH

A program offering food, clothing, shelter, and other critical forms of support to families in need in the Merrick area.

Lisa Hudson, 623-1400, Ext. 108
Coordinator

Bereavement Group

Provides a confidential and caring environment to work through issues of grief.

Rectory 623-1400

Budget Counseling Services

Professionals offer advice and assistance to those having problems managing their household finances.

Nancy Brown 623-1400, Ext. 102

Committee for Advocacy of the Disabled

Mary Ulrich 623-1400, Ext. 102
Dr. James McBrien 623-1400, Ext. 102

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Homebound)

Parishioners 18 years or older bring the Eucharist to the sick and homebound (Diocesan training required).

Kathy Eckstein 546-2681

Food Pantry

Groceries and food, donated by parishioners, are given to families in need.

Lisa Hudson 623-1400, Ext. 108

Friendly Visitors

Parishioners visit the homebound and those in local nursing homes offering them companionship.

Lisa Hudson 623-1400, Ext. 108

Hospitality

Welcomes new parishioners at their homes, at Mass, and sets up refreshments at various parish functions.

Mary Santi 623-1793
Catherine DeFelice 771-5285

Mothers' Group

Weekly meetings (September - June) of mothers and their pre-schoolers; support group for moms, playgroup for tots.

Marianne Hassan 378-3275

Peace and Justice

Members organize and/or educate the community regarding Catholic Social Teaching.

Lisa Hudson 623-1400, Ext. 108

Respect Life

Promotes, supports, and raises awareness for a greater respect for the sanctity of all human life.

Hildegard Oppel 868-6994

Social Security Benefits

Leslie Monsen 623-1400, Ext. 102

Thrift Shop - Come find treasures of all kinds - household items, clothes, books, etc.

Lisa Hudson 623-1400, Ext. 108

Transportation

Volunteers available to transport parishioners to and from Church and assist in other transportation needs.

Lisa Hudson 623-1400, Ext. 108

Welcome Committee

Preparation and delivery of welcome packages to new parishioners at their homes.

Rosemary Worthington 385-4763
Frances Ricca 546-8673
Ellen Woodbury 623-2039

SELF-HELP / SUPPORT GROUPS

*"Anonymous" groups that serve to strengthen individuals in their process of Recovery.
Alcoholics Anonymous (Sobriety with Hope, Stepping Stones), Alzheimers Support Group, Debtors
Anonymous (independent from the parish, but invited to use our facilities)
For more information, call the Rectory 623-1400.*

SOCIAL / COMMUNITY

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| <u>Archive / History Committee</u> <i>members catalog and maintain memorabilia characterizing the living history of the parish.</i> | Louise Mercogliano Bob Kinpoitner, Historian | 546-6641 379-6805 |
| <u>Appreciation Party</u> <i>celebration for all those involved in ministry in the parish.</i> | Rectory | 623-1400 |
| <u>Curé Family BBQ</u> <i>committee that plans the parish summer get-together.</i> | Peter & Lisa Venezia | 379-0757 |
| <u>Family New Year's Eve Party</u> - <i>an opportunity for us to gather as a parish family, both young and old, as together we bring in the New Year.</i> | RoseAnn Ramsden | 623-3866 |
| <u>Fifty-Plus Club</u> <i>social get-togethers, religious events, and trips for parishioners 50 years and older.</i> | Joe Caruso | 868-6825 |
| <u>Garden Club</u> - <i>volunteers plant and maintain shrubs and plants.</i> | Ellen Woodbury | 623-2039 |
| <u>Knights of Columbus</u> - Fr. Jeremiah J. Reilly Council #6561 <i>Men's organization dedicated to serving the Family, Community, and Church.</i> | Michael Beil, Grand Knight | 385-4472 |
| <u>Mardi Gras</u> <i>An opportunity to gather as a parish family as we prepare for the Lenten season.</i> | Mary Dennis, Youth Minister | 623-1400, Ext. 114 |
| <u>Parish Dinner Dance</u> <i>Annual Spring Dinner Dance featuring music from the 50's & 60's</i> | Janet Innamorata | 623-1663 |
| <u>Vianney Ball</u> - <i>Annual Fall Parish Dinner Dance.</i> | Peter & Lisa Venezia | 379-0757 |

SPIRITUALITY

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| <u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u> | | | |
| Tuesdays | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | First Fridays | 9:30am - 1:00pm & 8:00pm - 9:00pm |
| Wednesdays | 10:00am - 4:00pm | Saturdays | 4:00pm - 4:45pm in the Chapel |

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| <p><u>Charismatic Prayer Group ("See of Peter")</u> <i>Worship God through vocal praise, song, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit.</i></p> | Clare Earle | 378-7792 |
| <p><i>Healing - Prayer Teams available the 2nd & 4th Sundays each month following the Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 9:30 & 11:15am Masses in the St. John Vianney Chapel.</i></p> | | |
| <p><u>Circle of Women</u> <i>Monthly opportunity for women to gather, share their impressions and thoughts about books (listed in the bulletin) as well as sharing stories of their lives.</i></p> | Regina Bakota | 623-6802 |
| <p><u>Family Life Ministry</u> - see Curé Family Ministry on first page.</p> | | |
| <p><u>Legion of Mary</u> <i>Auxiliary spiritual organization dedicated to prayer and service.</i></p> | Jill Cardillo Joann McDermott | 623-6470 223-6653 |
| <p><u>Magnificat Cenacle</u> <i>Charismatic prayer group with live music meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month for praise, worship and intercessory rosary.</i></p> | Cathy Federici Yvonne Morrissey | 972-8102 413-1212 |
| <p><u>Men's Ministry</u> - (Men of the Curé of Ars) <i>You have what it takes to be the man God created you to be. An opportunity for men 18 and older to gather at 7:30pm on the 1st Thursday and 3rd Monday of the month in Msgr. Leonard Hall to support and encourage one another as we face issues that affect us today .</i></p> | Anthony Gentile | 826-8943 |
| <p><u>New Evangelization Committee</u> <i>Initiates various ways to welcome back members of our parish.</i></p> | Charles McGlone Dr. James McBrien | 868-8895 221-3485 |
| <p><u>Nocturnal Adoration Society</u> <i>Monthly hour of prayer/meditation on First Fridays after 7:30pm Mass.</i></p> | Bob Kinpoitner | 379-6805 |
| <p><u>Prayer Shawl Ministry</u> <i>Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry which creates shawls to reach out to those in need of comfort, solace, inclusion and prayer.</i></p> | Joan Ryan | 316-7648 |
| <p><u>Spiritual Direction</u> <i>If you are seeking some spiritual guidance in your personal journey call Meg Albertini.</i></p> | Meg Albertini | 379-0115 |
| <p><u>St. John Vianney Pilgrim Statue</u> <i>Host the St. John Vianney Pilgrim Statue in your home for one week.</i></p> | Ann Verni | 623-1400 |

St. John Marie Vianney Society for Women

Meaghan Baldwin

660-0949

Group of Catholic women who pray for priests and priestly vocations in the Divine Mercy Chapel on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 6:30pm followed by fellowship in the Rectory Lower Level.

St. Michael's Prayer Group

Joanne Dempsey

867-1034

Community committed to contemplative formation & intercessory prayer.

Third Order Franciscans

Jim Abercromby

771-2730

Secular Franciscan Fraternity of men and women dedicated to following the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi.

Frank DeVito

785-0516

Youth Ministry

**Mary Dennis,
Youth Minister**

623-1400, Ext. 114

Program for teens (9-12 Gr.) providing continued faith formation, social events, & community service every Sunday from 6:00 - 8:00pm in the Youth Center.

WE HAVE SPACE TO LEASE

Our Msgr. Leonard Hall, located in our Parish Center, can hold approximately 250 people and is available to lease.

If you are interested in the possibility of leasing this space for parties, anniversaries, etc., please call (516) 623-1400, Ext. 160.

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In addition,

we are also looking to lease the Second Floor of the Parish Center to a non-profit organization(s) from 8:00am to 3:30pm Monday thru Friday.

We have many classrooms that are available for lease.

If you are interested in leasing space on the Second Floor of the Parish Center or even our Parking Lot, please call our Business Manager, Marty Kenny, at (516) 623-1400, Ext. 116.