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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Lord's Day

Saturday: 5:30PM

Sunday: 7:30AM; 9:30AM; 11:30AM

Weekdays: Tuesday through Saturday: 8:15AM

Holydays: 8:15AM and as announced

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation, formerly RCIA) Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation? Call the parish office for details.

The **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated one Sunday each month except during Advent, Lent and the summer months. In order to baptize your child at St. Cassian, the family must be registered parishioners. Parents, and godparents if available, must attend a preparation class (7:00 PM) prior to the date of baptism (1:00PM). Please contact the Parish Office, (973) 744-2850, to make arrangements for the date of baptism. Scan here to download Parish Registration Form



Office Information:

Served by:

Rev. Steven D'Andrea, Pastor
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Office Hours: Mon. thru Fri. 9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Arrangements to celebrate the **Sacrament of Marriage** must be made at least one year before the desired date. Do not make firm plans for the reception prior to speaking with a priest. Call the Parish Office, (973) 744-2850, to speak with a priest.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** brings the Holy Spirit's gifts of peace and courage. It is not necessary to wait until the point of death for anointing. Contact a priest through the Parish Office, (973) 744-2850.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is celebrated every Saturday between 4:15PM-5:00PM in the church or at another time convenient to the priest and penitent.



For those who are ill:

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| John Anderson | Leigh Major |
| Michael Andrews | Marcia Mann |
| Ray Aumack | Sr. Idoia Martinez |
| Mary Blatz | Russell McDonnell |
| Josephine Bonomo | Mary McGuire |
| Douglas Booth | Wendy McNeil |
| Leo Botwin | Zoila Moncada |
| James E. Brady | Frank Mongioi |
| Gustavo Caceres & Family | Maria Mongioi |
| JoAnne Callahan | Yvelicez Nunez |
| Dominek Capela | Oswaldo Orcon |
| Joe Cultrara | Dr. David Pallotta |
| Gladys D'Andrea | Mildred Pasino |
| Agnes D'Aria | Lenny Peruzzi |
| Thomas Dawnay | Don Peters |
| Al Del Vento | David Quigley |
| Letitia Elias | Rosemary Raleigh |
| James Gannon | Nancy Repetto |
| Mae Garcia | Dr. Lorraine Reyes |
| Steve Grube | Rhonda Sen |
| Donna Hains | Dr. & Mrs. James Smith |
| Joyce Hakimian | Olaf Stechow |
| Peter Kueken | Lee Swearer |
| Elizabeth Leuven | Lindsay Trembulak |
| Cassie Lopolus | Fumiko Yozawa |
| | Mizu Yozawa |

For those who have died: Ann DeGregorio
Anna Maria Ferzetti

Please remember these names in your daily Prayers.

Home Visits

If you are unable to come to church or if you know a relative or friend who finds it difficult to come to church, let us know. We have many dedicated and caring Eucharistic Ministers who would be happy to bring Communion to you or to your loved ones who are homebound. Fr. Steve would be more than happy to make a visit to someone's home if they wish to go to confession, receive communion, or receive the anointing of the sick. Call the Parish Office if you would like someone to visit you at home.

Mass Intentions for the Week of September 8th

Sunday, September 8th 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:30PM 7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	Sophia McCoach People of the Parish Scott Johnson Raffaele DiNardo DiMaio
Tuesday–Saturday morning Masses are celebrated at 8:15 AM; Monday morning Mass is private		
Monday, September 9th St. Peter Claver, Priest	Benedict & Ermelinda Mazzullo	
Tuesday, September 10th Weekday	Michael J. Tighe	
Wednesday, September 11th Weekday	Joanne Lawlor	
Thursday, September 12th Weekday	Russell "Buddy" J. Litchult, Sr.	
Friday, September 13th St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Cooper Byrne	
Saturday, September 14th The Exaltation of the Cross	Kay Pollara	
Sunday, September 15th 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:30PM 7:30AM 9:30AM 11:30AM	Gerard LePore Nancy Miller People of the Parish & William Ford Peter Ballance

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON.	1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 Lk 6:6-11
TUES.	1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Lk 6:12-19
WED.	1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 Lk 6:20-26
THUR.	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Ps 139:1B-3, 13-14AB, 23-24 Lk 6:27-38
FRI.	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12 Lk 6:39-42
SAT.	Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
SUN.	Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Classes Revised Session Schedule



Faith Formation
Registration

Classes begin on September 22 and meet Sunday mornings (10:30–11:30), Monday afternoons (4:00–5:00), or Tuesday evenings (5:30–6:30).

Classes are filling up! To secure a spot in the session that works best for your family, register as soon as possible.

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Returning students received an email from Parish Giving. New students, please visit us on the web at stcassianchurch.org, click the **Faith Formation** tab to register.

Faith Formation Welcome Back!

We are excited to kickoff our 2024–2025 Faith Formation Program Year on Sunday, Sept. 22, Monday, Sept. 23, and Tuesday, Sept. 24.

We invite parents to join us at their child's first session to:

- Open the year in prayer together,
- Meet your child's Catechist,
- Receive an overview of the program from me and Fr. Steve, and
- Enjoy friendship and refreshments with other parents.

We hope you can join us.

With gratitude,

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Are you a baptized Catholic who never received First Communion or Confirmation?

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic?

OCIA at St. Cassian will meet Thursdays 5–7 p.m. starting September 12th.

For more information, contact Judy Nash, Faith Formation Coordinator, at (973) 744-2850 or jnash@stcassianchurch.org.

WHAT CAN I DO TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

Become a

CATECHIST

Adults & Teens

You do not need a degree in Theology, but our children do need role models of faith. Become a catechist, and you'll be challenged, have fun, and help the youth of our parish learn about our faith and their relationship with God.

Our Faith Formation program includes all God's children. If you have a background in special education or experience working with children with special needs, please consider volunteering with this ministry.

If you feel called to be a catechist (minimum age 18) or an aide (minimum age high school freshman) or have questions, please contact one of our Faith Formation team members, Keri and Judy, at (973) 744-2850.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH



B A P T I S M

With our prayers, we welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who will be baptized today at St. Cassian:

Camdyn Robert

Child of the Richardson Family

James Patrick

Child of the McCarthy Flynn Family

Lily Rose

Child of the Garcia Family

Julian David

Child of the Catania Family

Eleanor Wong

Child of the Gromer Family

Able Lee, Jr.

Child of the Lee Family

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES AT MASS

In addition to Daily Mass intentions, you can fondly remember your loved ones at Mass by sponsoring the **Sanctuary Lamp**, which honors the Eucharistic presence of Our Lord in the Tabernacle, and the **Hosts and Wine** for all Masses for the week. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Hospitality

Hospitality resumes September 15th!

Hospitality takes place after all Sunday Masses.

We still need help!

7:30 a.m.: **Two ministers needed**

9:30 a.m.: **Three ministers needed**

11:30 a.m.: **Three ministers needed**

Do you have a child who needs service hours?

Are you looking to volunteer as a family?

No need to commit to every Sunday.

Contact Mary Cavagnaro at (973) 744-2850 or mary@stcassianchurch.org to sign up.

Many hands make light work!

Social Concerns

Please Help However You Can!

We will be collecting bleach, laundry detergent, and soap, plus any of the usual items we collect, the weekends of **Sept. 14 & 15 and 21 & 22**. Thank you for your continued generosity.



SIGNS OF STEWARDSHIP

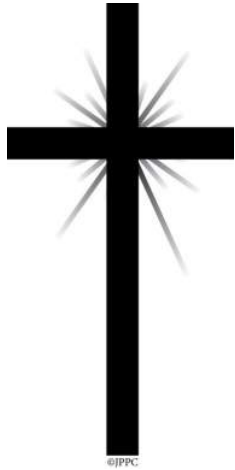
Gift of Treasure

Aug. 17-18

<i>Minimum weekly needed</i>	\$16,250
<i>Regular Weekly Collection</i>	\$4,011
<i>Faith Direct Average</i>	\$6,765
<i>Weekly Total</i>	\$10,776

THE ANCIENT FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE LIFE-GIVING CROSS

Following our Church's liturgical calendar, forty days after the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6th), the great September Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is celebrated (September 14th).



As the Jewish people are proud to display their *Magen David* (Star of David), the Muslim people their crescent moon, so too should we as Christians of the Catholic tradition be proud to display the age-old symbol of our faith the cross/the crucifix.

All members and friends of our parish are invited to witness the beautiful customs associated with this September "homecoming" feast on Sunday, September 15th at all the Masses.

Everyone is asked to bring to church their favorite family cross or crucifix to be rededicated and blessed as we begin the new 2024–2025 academic year.

To honor the memory of the great Empress, who was responsible for finding the wood of the True Cross in Jerusalem—Saint Helen—the herb known as the "king of herbs"—basil—will be blessed and distributed to all at the end of the Sunday Masses.

As was revealed to her son, the Emperor Constantine, "that in this sign you will be victorious!" so too we proudly gather to once again profess our faith in the "glorious and life-giving cross."



Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated next week, **September 15**. The theme for this year is "**Lord, when did we see you hungry**" (Matthew 25:37). The day is dedicated to recognizing and honoring the contributions of catechists to our parish communities and to reflecting on the role that each person plays in passing on the faith and witnessing to the Gospel.

Catechists, aides, and their families are encouraged to attend the 11:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday for a special blessing and commissioning. We ask that all catechists attend a training session in Larkin Hall after Mass at 12:30. The session will be facilitated by our Loyola Press representative, Matt DeCaux, and our Director of Faith Formation, Keri Misurell. The training session will focus on our new curriculum and technology resources. Lunch will be provided.

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