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Worship Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 pm - Vigil Holy Mass Sunday 9:00 am - Holy Mass (also livestream on Facebook)

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Solemnity of the Christian Family 'C' October 12, 2025

Altar Servers: Abby, Parker Greeter: Stephanie Fitzgerald

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Mass Intentions:

Sat. Oct. 11 - In Memory of †Eugene Kadziela.

Sun. Nov. 16 - In Memory of †Richard S. Sawczak (req, by Ed Sawczak).

Sun. Nov. 30 - In Memory of ††Bernard & Mary Frances Zembrzuski, Thomas Zembrzuski Sr., Joseph Zem, Richard Mossey Jr. (req, by Patti & Dick Mossey).



OPENING HYMN



STAND

INTRODUCTORY RITE

- C. In the name of the Father + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- R/. Amen.
- C. Lord bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth, so that by following Your holy will we may gain eternal salvation.
- R/. Amen.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

The celebrant invites the faithful to join in the prayer of confession.

C. As members of God's family, let us ask forgiveness for our failings. Please make an examination of your conscience.

KNEEL or SIT

During a moment of silent reflection evoke spirit of contrition.

Silently confess your sins to God, and then join the celebrant in acknowledging your sins:

All: I confess to almighty God

in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault

striking the breast three times and continuing

in my thoughts, in my words, in what I have done or failed to do. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

Penance is given.

C. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R/. Amen.

The celebrant imparts the absolution, saying

C. May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and, with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins: in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

R/. Amen.

THE KYRIE

C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy. C. Christ, have mercy. R/. Christ, have mercy.

C. Lord, have mercy. R/. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA

STAND

All: Glory to God in the Highest,

and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of + God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. Let us pray.

God, our Heavenly Father, You have blessed each of us with the gift of family that through our family life we may learn to love and care for others.

Open our eyes to recognize in all people the bonds of kinship.

May we unselfishly serve them who with us

have been made co-heirs with Christ.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Gen 1:26-28, 31

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.

Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground."

God created man in His image; in the Divine image

He created him; male and female He created them.

God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.

Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air,

and all living things that move on the earth."

God looked at everything He had made, and He found it very good.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 128:1-5

C. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

R/. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways! For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored.

R/. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home; your children like olive plants around your table.

R/. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:

may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R/. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Second Reading Col 3:12-17

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters:

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another,

as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

L. The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

STAND

Gospel Acclamation Prov 6:20

- C. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R/. Alleluia, alleluia.
- C. My child, keep your Father's commandment; Do not forsake your Mother's teaching.
- R/. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Lk 2:41-52

C. The Lord be with you.

R/. And also with you.

C. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

R/. Glory be to You, Lord.

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old,

they went up according to festival custom.

After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it.

Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him.

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded

at his understanding and his answers.

When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety."

And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me?

Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

But they did not understand what he said to them.

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them;

and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

C. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ!



SIT

HOMILY

STAND

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

C. I believe in One God,

All: the Father, the Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

He was born of the Virgin Mary (here genuflect or bow)

AND BECAME MAN.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures;

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and Giver of Life

Who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son

He is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism

for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the + life of the world to come.

Amen.

STAND

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

- C. Let us turn to God in prayer, renewing our trust in Him to be with us in all our needs.
- 1. For the Church: May we always provide care and support for those who turn to us in their hours of need. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For our world: May all nations work to develop laws that support family life and especially those who labor under economic and personal difficulties. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For Jeanne Stendardo and all who are sick, weak, lonely and those who don't have enough for life, as well as those who have much more than enough and more than they need: May we all learn thankfulness, generosity and responsibility. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For those who live by themselves: May they find support and encouragement in the Church and in the other communities they turn to in their lives. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For those who have died: That they may share in the eternal life of the family of God, the communion of saints. We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For our own intentions [long pause for silent prayer] We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

C. Lord, we place all our needs before You. We place ourselves in Your loving hands. Guide us and inspire us as we bring Your presence to all we meet. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

CHRISTIANS, LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER



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SIT

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The celebrant elevates the paten with host, saying:

C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May it become for us the Bread of Life.

The celebrant pours wine and water into the chalice.

Then takes the chalice and elevates it above the altar, saying:

C. Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation. Through You goodness, we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. May it become our Spiritual Drink.

The celebrant places the chalice on the corporal. Slightly bowing before the altar he says:

C. Lord God, we ask You to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer You with humble and contrite hearts.

The celebrant blesses the bread and wine with his right hand, saying:

C. Come, Holy Spirit, and bless + this sacrifice which we have prepared for the glory of Your Holy Name.

The celebrant washes his hands, then he returns to the center of the altar and continues:

C. Receive this offering, most Holy Trinity, which we make in memory of the passion, resurrection and ascension of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints.

May they, whose memory we honor on earth, intercede for us in heaven.

Addressing the congregation with hands extended, the celebrant says:

C. Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

STAND

R/. May the Lord accept this sacrifice from your hands, for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and for the benefit of His holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

STAND

C. God, Almighty Father, accept this offering from Your whole family.

Bless all your children with an obedient spirit.

May each home, which nurtures them, be an image of Your kingdom and the care of their parents a likeness of Your love.

We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

PREFACE OF CHRISTIAN FAMILY

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Lift up your hearts.
- R/. We lift them up to the Lord.
- C. Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- R/. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- C. Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well to sing Your praises.

Your work of creation brought forth life, and crowned its goodness by creating the human family.

You sent Your Son into the world to teach us the sanctity of human love, and show us the value of family life.

You call us to love in peace with You, and one another, and unite our families in peace and love.

In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angles in heaven in proclaiming Your glory:

R/. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed + is He Who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

KNEEL

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The celebrant with hands extended, says:

C. We give thanks to You, God our Father, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,

Whom You have sent us as Savior, Redeemer and Messenger of Your will.

He is Your Word, inseparable from You.

Through Him You have made all things and in Him You were well pleased.

You sent Him from heaven to a virgin's womb.

There He dwelt and was made flesh.

He was revealed as Your Son, born through the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin.

When He suffered, He fulfilled Your will and gained for You a holy people. He stretched out His hands to free from suffering those who believed in You. When He was betrayed to His freely chosen suffering thereby to destroy death, to break the chains of darkness, to crush hell beneath His feet, to give light to the just, to make a covenant and to manifest His resurrection, He took bread; He gave You thanks and said:

The celebrant takes the bread and says:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT: FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.

The celebrant elevates the Sacred Host, then places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

He takes the Chalice and says:

C. In like manner He took the cup and said:

THIS IS MY BLOOD
WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU.
WHENEVER YOU DO THIS,
DO IT IN MEMORY OF ME.

The celebrant elevates the Chalice, then places it on the corporal and genuflects in adoration.

With hands joined he says the following with the Congregation:

All: Calling then His death and resurrection to mind, we offer You the Bread and the Cup.

We thank You for allowing us to come before You and to serve You.

The celebrant extends his hands over the Sacred Body and Blood, saying:

C. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit upon the offering of Your holy Church to gather all in unity.

Grant to all who partake of these Holy Mysteries the fullness of the Holy Spirit for the strengthening of their faith in the truth. So may we praise and glorify You through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Holding the Sacred Host above the chalice and elevating them the celebrant says:

C. Through Him may glory and honor be Yours, with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, now and for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE The Lord's Prayer

STAND

The celebrant says the following introduction to the Lord's Prayer:

C. Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

All: 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.

With hands extended, the celebrant says:

C. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer by saying the acclamation:

R/. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

The celebrant fractures the Sacred Host saying:

- C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?
- R/. Because there is one Bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one Bread.

Dropping the particle of the Host into the Chalice, the celebrant says:

- C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life.
- R/. Amen.

With hands extended the celebrant says:

- C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles:
 I leave you peace, My peace I give you.
 Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever.
- R/. Amen.
- C. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

An appropriate sign of peace is made by all (in church by bowing)

AGNUS DEI

The celebrant and people say together:

All: Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION PRAYER

C. Let us pray together:

KNEEL

All: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit Your death brought life to the world.

By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

The celebrant takes the Sacred Host, saying:

C. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

The celebrant and congregation together say once:

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The celebrant says:

C. May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life:

The celebrant reverently consumes the Sacred Host. Taking the Chalice, he says:

C. May the Blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life:

The celebrant reverently consumes the Blood of Christ.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Holding a Host above the ciborium, the celebrant says:

C. This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

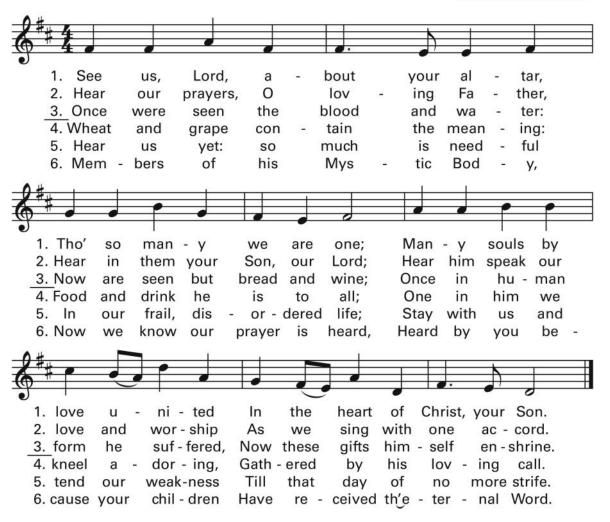
KNEEL or SIT

Now, taking the ciborium, the celebrant distributes Holy Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN

SEE US, LORD, ABOUT YOUR ALTAR

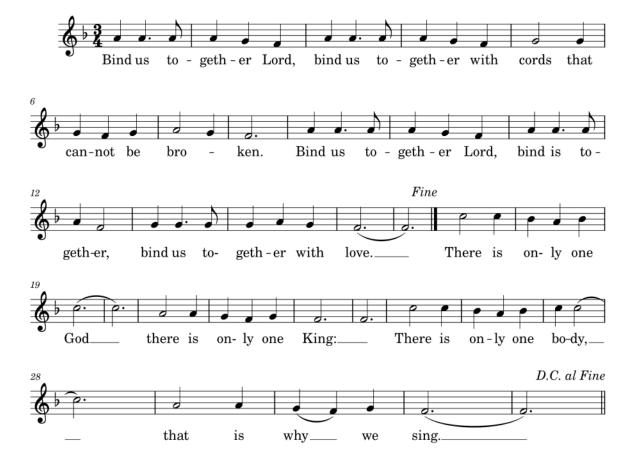
DRAKES BROUGHTON



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POST COMMUNION HYMN

Bind Us Together



STAND

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C. Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, as a family united in the Eucharist, we entrust to Your loving care and correction the members of our families, both near and far. Supply their needs, guide their steps, keep them safe in body and soul, and may Your peace rest upon us always.

We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R/. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R/. And also with you.
- C. May Almighty God bless you, the Father + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- R/. Amen.
- C. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- R/. Thanks be to God.



RECESSIONAL HYMN

PRAISE TO THE LORD

LOBE DEN HERREN



- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might-y, the king of cre a tion! O my soul,
- 2. Praise to the Lord, who shall pros-per our work and de-fend us; Sure-ly his
- 3. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in us a-dore him! All that has



- 1. praise him, for he is your health and sal va tion! Come, all who hear:
- 2. good-ness and mer cy shall dai ly at-tend us. Pon der a new
- 3. life and breath come now with prais es be-fore him! Let the "A-men"



- 1. Now to his al tar draw near, Join-ing in glad ad o ra tion!
- 2. what the Al-might-y can do, Who with his love will be-friend us.
- 3. sound from his peo-ple a gain, Now as we wor-ship be fore him!

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Announcements

Requests must be received by noon Wednesday. Please contact Justine Fazziola bvmc.bulletin@gmail.com

- Please observe some quiet time before Mass to prepare yourself for worship: meeting God in His Word, Confession and Holy Communion.
- Join us every Wednesday in October at 6:30 PM for the Holy Rosary at our church. As a faith community, let us gather to seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and reflect on the saving mysteries of Christ's life. Together we will pray for peace, unity, and our personal intentions. Thr Rosaries will be available at the entrance table for those who need them. We look forward to praying with you!
- During the month of November we will offer special prayers for our departed loved ones. Please, prepare a list with their names, place them in the Remembrance Envelopes available at the entrance table, and return them to Fr. Mark before November 1st.
- 'Thank you' for your continuing support of our parish. You can always donate by mail: BVMC Parish, 250 Old Maxwell Rd., Latham NY 12110, or through online giving, https://www.bvmc.org/giving which is secure and easy. If you need assistance, please contact our financial officers, George Urciuoli or Mark Peplowski bvmc.church@gmail.com. May God bless you abundantly!

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October Birthdays & Anniversaries

October 11 - Stephanie & Jim Fitzgerald October 12 - Regina Pollack October 13 - Diane & Tim Brennan





Happening at BVMC

Wednesday, October 15 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

Thursday, October 16 6:30 pm Parish Committee meeting

Saturday, October 18 5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sunday, October 19

9:00 am Holy Mass (also livestream) Altar Servers: Abby, Everett

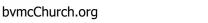
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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 1 - Parish Open House November 2 - All Souls Cemetery Service







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