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Monday — Thursday: 9:00am-4:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am-1:00pm Closed Friday and Saturday

Mass & Devotions

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm
Weekdays: 9:00am
Rosary: Monday – Friday: 8:30am
Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Monday - Friday: 9:30 am
First Saturday: 11:00am Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

Penance

The sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated on Saturdays from 3:45pm-4:45pm. You may call the Parish Office to make an appointment with one of the priests.

Baptism

Baptisms are typically held twice a month at 1:30pm. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to set a date. Selection of godparents should be made after speaking with one of the priests or deacons.

Marriage

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for your wedding at least six months in advance. No date can be set until the couple meets with a member of the clergy.

Parish Outreach Hours

Food Pantry

Tuesday: 11:30am-3:00pm
Wednesday: 12:30pm-3:00pm
Thursday: 11:30am-1:30pm & 4:30pm-5:30pm

Thrift Shop/Barn

Monday — Thursday: 9:30am-3:30pm
Friday: 9:30am-2:00pm
Donations accepted Monday-Thursday: 10:00am-3:00pm
and Friday: 10:00am-1:00pm. Please refer to our website for a list of items that can be donated.

Stewardship Supper

The Thursday evening dinner is served between 4:30pm and 5:30pm. All are welcome.



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Sunday, January 11, 2026
The Baptism of the Lord

A Message from our Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend, we close the Christmas Season with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. At first, it may seem odd that the Church jumps from the earliest days of Christ's earthly life – His birth in Bethlehem, the chorus of angels, the visit of shepherds and Magi – all the way to His baptism when He was about thirty years old. The reason we contemplate the Baptism of the Lord as the conclusion of this season is because all of these moments are ones of manifestation – God has come onto the human scene in an unparalleled way. From the moment of Christ's conception in the womb of the Blessed Mother at the Annunciation, God humbles Himself to walk among His people, and He continues to do so today, not in bodily form but in the Eucharist. All of the stories we have recounted over the past few weeks remind us of a fundamental truth: it is going to be okay! God is with us!

This weekend's feast also serves as a welcomed reminder to each of us about our own Baptism. For most of us, this happened when we were infants and when, with the assistance of our family and the Church, we began a journey of faith towards completing that initiation and of learning about the richness of our Catholic faith. Last year, our parish had 65 Baptisms. Each one was a celebration because our family of faith grew. There were infants, adolescents, and adults who received the indelible mark of the Holy Spirit and were grafted onto Christ inextricably. Just as, after Jesus was baptized, the people heard the voice of God, the Father, say, "This is my beloved Son," so, too, each of us is now a beloved son or daughter of the heavenly Father.

At Baptism, we are each given a mission. That mission is to imitate Christ – as priest, prophet, and king. Each of us is called to make sacrificial offerings of love daily. These come largely from the vocations to which we have been called – marriage, priesthood, parenthood, employment, relationships, etc. We are also meant to share our faith prophetically, as well as in the way our faith has affected our lives personally, so that others might be enriched and come to know Christ. Finally, each of us has responsibility for others. Whether it is in our families, our workplace or the wider community, Christ challenges us to use whatever power and influence we have to live in the same manner as He lived.

Some years ago, during one of his weekly audiences in Rome, Pope Francis asked those assembled if they knew the date of their Baptism. It sparked a wide inquiry among many to find out when they were baptized. Why? Because, just as we celebrate our birthdays, so too, we should recall the moment when we were reborn through water and the Holy Spirit. It began a process of growing in our truest, most fundamental identity – children in the Kingdom of God!

Have a blessed week!

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Greg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

you're invited to our

Galentine's Parish Craft Night

Friday, Feb. 13th

7PM-9:30PM

\$35 a person

Kristy Piazza, a very talented parishioner, will lead us in creating a beautiful personalized door hanger. Scan the QR Code for the custom order form. \$5 extra charge for the bow. Pay for your ticket at the church office. Drinks and appetizers/desserts will be provided.



Join us at church to
celebrate love
& ever-lasting friendship

XOXO



Parish Outreach Ministry

“Be diligent in serving the poor. Love the poor, honor them as you would Christ himself.”

—St. Louise de Marillac

Food Pantry Needs

- Peanut Butter
- Mac n Cheese
- Granola Bars
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Canned Chicken
- Jelly
- Soup
- Canned Tuna
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Fruit
- Beef Stew
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Feminine Products
- Razors
- Shaving Cream
- Soap
- Laundry Soap
- Toothpaste/
Toothbrushes

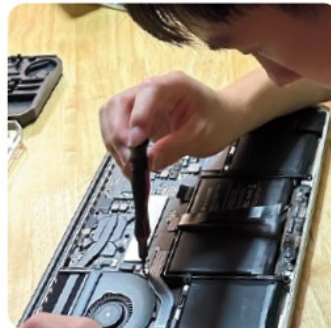
Al-Anon Meetings

At Al-Anon Family Group meetings, the friends and family members of problem drinkers share their experiences and learn how to apply the principles of the Al-Anon program to your individual situations. Our parish offers meetings every Tuesday from 10am to 11:30am.



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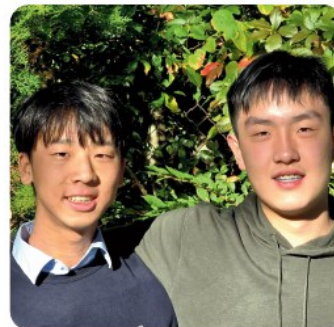
Donations

We accept tech in **any condition** to support our mission.

WHO WE ARE

Hi! Our names are Austin and Jinxu, and we're part of the Class of 2027 at Ward Melville High School. Our mission is to repair damaged electronics and provide technology to low-income families.

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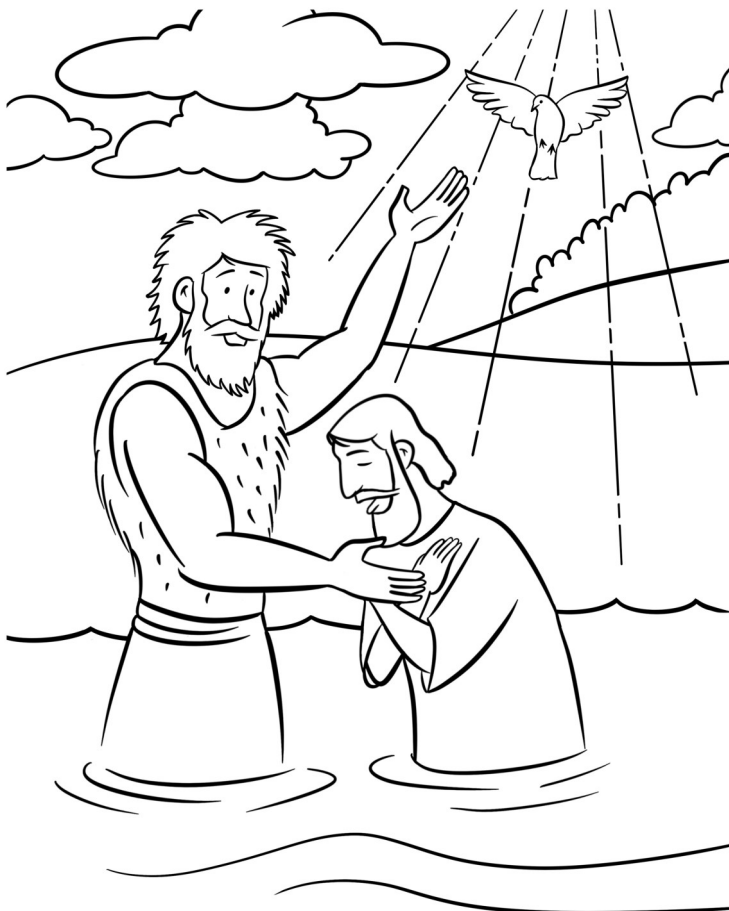
Week of January 12th

Levels 1, 2, 3 are on site this week.

Level 7- Tuesday 7pm-8:15pm

Level 8- Wednesday 7pm-8:15pm

Levels 4, 5,6 are to do the work at home.



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Background on this Sunday's Gospel Reading

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account that appears in Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John, however. Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ."

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Christian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless.

In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism

inaugurates his mission. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission. (Loyola Press)

Mass Intentions and Presider Schedule for the Week of January 12 – January 18

Monday, January 12

9:00am The Intentions of Anne Robinson

Tuesday, January 13

9:00am Amanda Algiere

Wednesday, January 14

9:00am Beverly Benevento, Gale Reppitti,
Edith Catherine Koller

Thursday, January 15

9:00am The Intentions of Fr. Arcoleo

Friday, January 16

9:00am The Intentions of the Addiss Family

Saturday, January 17 (St. Anthony)

5:00pm Brenda Fort, Tom DeVito, Nick Masoni,
Theodore Claesen, Mary Ellen & Frank DePasquale
the Intentions of Jim Shields

Fr. Greg

Sunday, January 18

8:00am Banjo Quietson

10:00am Steven Blakley

12:00pm Stephen Rannazzisi

Fr. Vitus

Fr. Grieco

Fr. Grieco



Stewardship Report

Last Week's Collection - \$7,636.00
 December 21, 2025—\$11,049.70
 December 28, 2025—\$5,291.00
 December 25, 2025—\$25,244.00

Prayers for the Sick

All the sick and residents of Atria, St. Joseph's Village, Woodhaven Adult Home & Nursing Home & Jefferson's Ferry, Luke John Carusillo, Erin Whitehead, LouEllen Klints, Arline & Paul Guma, Charles Ricottone, Connie & Frank Biscardi, Vinnie Surwilo, Barbara Klein-Croner, Robert Mutschler, Joan Francavilla, Barbara & Pat Consorte, Nancy Mulvihill, Antonio Loiacone, Vincent Ricottone, Frank Perugini, Mary Louise Delano, Jean Maglione, Michael Maglione, Donna DiBiago, John Schlauraff, Margaret Clark, Diane Chin, Anthony Paletto, Judith Montesusco, Tim Hawn, Richard, Dr. Assunta DiValentino, Joe Bocklet, Paula Prete, Thomas Palmer, Pat Ryan, Kathy Lods, Elena Badami, Patricia Cruz, Garrett Greene, Eileen Dailey, Thomas Hayes, Jaclyn Lin, Andrew DiPierno, Sal & Rosalie Cottone, Timothy Murphy, Jill Pagliuca, Kathy Dailey, Kelly Bosco, Mildred Malone, Karl Wolf, Mario Cappellieri, Barbara Forbes, Kara Philippi, Faith Greulich, Eugene Zampiero, Anthony Mazzarino, Leonor Sales, Annette Brownell, Otto Schmidtman.

Weekly Memorials

***Our Sanctuary Candle has been lovingly
donated for the intentions of:***

Fr. Sijomon Varghese

***Our Bread and Wine has been lovingly
donated in memory of:***

MaryLou Leist



We pray for all recently deceased, remembering
Mildred Malone & John Vassallo.

May they find eternal rest and joy.



Our Parish Mission Statement: Formed by God's word and nourished at the Eucharist, we strive to be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ by handing on the Catholic faith to our families and community and serving those in need.

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A Sisterhood of Faith, Charity and Service

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The Columbiettes is a united group of women who work side-by-side with the Knights of Columbus, dedicated to charitable works, spiritual growth, and strengthening our Catholic values.

What We Do:

- Support parish and community events
- Engage in charitable projects
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- Make a real difference with our time and talents

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OCIA Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you an adult thinking of becoming part of the Catholic community and completing your sacraments? Contact Deacon Frank at deaconfrank@stgmajella.org or 631-473-2900.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Ways To Give

"Do not be afraid of what God asks of you! It is worth saying 'yes' to God. In him we find joy."

Gift Of Cash

Checks should be made payable to the "Catholic Ministries Appeal" and mailed to P.O. Box 4000, Rockville Centre, NY 11571

Matching Gifts

Go to www.matchinggifts.com/drvc to see if your employer will match the charitable contributions of employees.

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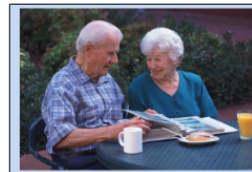
Request weekly giving envelopes in our Parish Office or scan the QR code to give online!

Remit Offertory Envelopes by mail

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300 Terryville Road Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

Attn: Business Office

Charitable Donations



The IRA Charitable Rollover is back and is now permanent!

What's called a rollover is actually a "qualified charitable distribution" that can be made to our Parish.

If...

1. You are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift
2. Your IRA is a traditional or Roth
3. You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions

You will not have to report your distribution as income. It will be free of federal and New York State income tax, and it will count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD).

The best way for you to start is with your IRA custodian. Tell them you want to make a "qualified charitable distribution". In most cases you will only have to fill out a simple form.

VERY IMPORTANT!! Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the Parish. If you receive the money first then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution.

Example: Mrs. Connors, age 76, has \$125,000 in a traditional IRA and would like to contribute \$5,000 to her Parish in 2016. Upon hearing of the Charitable IRA Rollover opportunity, she directs the custodian of her IRA to transfer this amount not later than December 31, 2016 directly to the Parish as a 2016 gift. She will not be subject to income tax on her \$5,000 qualified charitable distribution.

Reflecting on next Sunday's Gospel before you come to Mass can bring so much more meaning to your experience of the Liturgy. Here's the Gospel for next Sunday. How does this Gospel touch your life?

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John 1:29-34

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel." John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

Reflection Questions

- How does John the Baptist identify Jesus, and describe the mission that he came into the world to do?
- Describe the difference between John's baptism and Jesus's baptism.
- Why is it significant that the Holy Spirit descends on Jesus when he is baptized? What does that signify to John? What does that reveal to us about who Jesus is, and what he came to do?
- Jesus offered himself completely for the whole of humanity. What can I offer to help my neighbor?
- We have also received the Holy Spirit. How conscious or aware am I that I am His temple?

Contribution Envelopes Mailing Delay

There is a technical issue within the envelope company so the mailing has been delayed. You should receive your envelopes in the next 2 to 3 weeks. Thank you for your patience!

We are happy to announce that we, Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate, will have a Young Ladies (18 - 30 years old) Retreat at our Motherhouse, Marycrest, in Monroe, NY, on President's Day Weekend, the 14th to the 15th of February! More information will follow. (Please note that this will not be a "Come and See," and is open to all young ladies 18-30 years old).

If there are any ladies that would be interested in coming to visit for a somewhat longer time, a different time, or may be in a different age group and are interested in coming, they are welcome to talk more about it with Sister Theresa Marie, our Vocation Director. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Sister Theresa Marie:

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PVMI Vocations <pvmi@frontiernet.net>



Thoughts about God and the meaning of life clothed in the language of a Catholic priest and pastor on Long Island. Fr. Rob Ketchum is Pastor of Christ the King in Commack.

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Episodes >



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The Monday After | Saint Joseph, A Good Parent

I suppose most parents will say to their children, "You can be whatever you want to be when you grow up," but I don't imagine that Our Lady and Saint Joseph said such things to Jesus.



12/22/2025

The Monday After | Knowledge of Mary, The Golden Key in a Red Bag

A little boy came to me after Mass yesterday, showing me a gold key in a red bag. It turned out to be a good way of understanding the intercession of the Blessed Mother. This is a teaching on Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and how she desires to help us to stay close to her Son.



12/15/2025

The Monday After | Knowledge of Jesus

An unexpected introduction to a man and his son at a Christmas party has led me to a deeper knowledge of Jesus. I begin and end this 3rd Advent reflection with that story.



12/09/2025

The Monday After | Knowledge of The Self

Last week, we spoke of emptying ourselves of the spirit of the world in order to make room for the Holy Spirit. In this episode, we'll move into a word about the knowledge of the self that the Holy Spirit makes possible.



12/01/2025

The Monday After | Emptying Ourselves of the Spirit of the World

This is the first part of a four-week spiritual preparation for Christmas, beginning with a word (based on the Mass readings for the First Sunday of Advent) about making room in our hearts for Christ.

St. Joseph Men's PRAYER GROUP

Men, ages 18 and up, from St. Gerard Majella and Infant Jesus Parishes are invited.



Thursday
January 22, 2025



7:30PM
9:00PM



St. Gerard's Parish Hall
300 Terryville Rd, PJS

What to Expect:

- ✓ Guided prayer time
- ✓ Reflection & Sharing
- ✓ Refreshments & Fellowship
- ✓ Bring Rosary beads!

R.S.V.P.



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Peter Santoro
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2025 Year End Contribution Letters

If you would like to request a letter for tax purposes, please contact Deacon Carlito at the Parish Office or by emailing him at deaconcarlito@stgmajella.org



Join OUR Team

and make 2026 the year you support our parish in a new way while making lifelong friends!

We are currently looking to add a few parishioners
to our thrift shop & barn family!

Thursdays 9:30am — 12:30 pm in our barn

(This position does require working outside helping donors unload donations)

Fridays 9:30 — 12:30 in the house

(sorting donations, assisting customers, maintaining the store, backup cashier)

No Time To Volunteer?
You Can Still Lend A Hand!

1. Like & Follow Us On Facebook and Instagram!
2. Ask your friends, neighbors, coworkers and family members to follow us as well.
3. Encourage the people you know to consider donating their unwanted items to St. Gerard Majella Church.
4. Let people know that the money raised by the thrift shop & barn helps support our parish.

Thank you for your continued support!



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The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. "In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth and under the earth" (Phil 2:10). Christ's name is chosen in heaven, and the Angel Gabriel announces it when he informs the Blessed Virgin of the incarnation: "Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus". It is a name that has marvelous implications, for it means "savior." The very name bespeaks the magnitude of His mission, His infinite love, a love that will cause Him to offer Himself up for us.

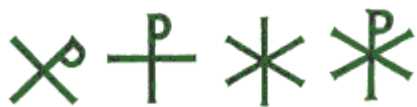
The name of Jesus is the sweetest of all names, and He who bears it is most worthy of all love. He who calls Jesus his friend can be assured that this friend is the most devoted and unselfish of all friends.

Jesus is our all. In His name we may pray to the Father with assurance of being heard. In His name the Church administers all her sacraments. In His name she offers all her prayers and blesses homes, the fields, and the sick. In the name of Jesus she casts out evil spirits, and at the hour of our death bids us, "Go forth, Christian soul." She assures us that whoever shall call upon this name will be saved. When our soul has departed this life to seek its eternal home, the Church asks in the name of Jesus, "Eternal rest give unto him, O Lord."

— Benedict Baur, O.S.B.

Monogram for the Holy Name

According to the ancient mind, a person's name was the expression of his nature, work, or mission. Early Christians accordingly used our Savior's Name to bring to mind His adorable Person; and in their art they gave it the following shortened or symbolic forms:



a) The Chi-Rho Symbol. The oldest monuments bearing this symbol date to the third century, the first being found on a burial inscription of a consul from the year 369. From the third century we have the following authentic forms: (1) the separate letters; (2) the superimposed letters; (3) the monogram cross.

After the triumph of Christianity, the Chi-Rho monogram spread into all countries and found manifold use. It no longer served as a mere abbreviation of the sacred Name, but stood as a symbol for Christ the King. Artists often surrounded it with a laurel wreath or a circle. This signified Christ's dominion over the world, or His triumph over all enemies of His kingdom.



b) The IHS Symbol. The familiar abbreviation IHS is a symbol of the Name Jesus which has retained its popularity down through the centuries. It owes its spread to St. Bernardine of Siena, who had it placed on his banner, surrounded with twelve rays of the sun and surmounted by a cross. It soon became the most popular monogram for the holy Name of Jesus. By his fervent words St. Bernardine persuaded many priests to place the letters on altars or on the interior and exterior walls of churches. Many Italian cities responded to his efforts and put the monogram in large letters on the outer walls of their town halls, as may still be seen in Siena.

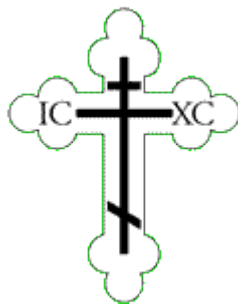
What is its derivation? IHC is the abbreviation of the Greek ΙΗΣΟΥΣ, i.e., Jesus (the first three letters of the word). The older form for the Greek sigma, S, resembled our capital C. In Christian antiquity this monogram does not occur too frequently and may not be older than the fifth century. In recent centuries the IHS has been falsely interpreted as Jesus Hominum Salvator, or even Jesu humilis societas (and regarded as a colophon for the Society of Jesus). Another interpretation that is sometimes made is In Hoc Signo (vinces), and out of the added v (for vinces) three nails are formed.

c) Ichthys. The early Church loved another monogram for our Savior's name, the widely-used ICHTHYS.

Christ's full title was (in Greek): Iesous Christos Theou Yos Soter, Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior. The initial letters of these five words form the Greek word ICHTHYS, which means fish. For this reason Christ is often pictured as a fish. Thus both the abbreviation and the picture became for the early Christians a secret symbol for the Redeemer. Yes, they even call our Lord "the great and pure Fish" (Aberkios tomb inscription, about 180). Tertullian presupposed popular familiarity with the fish symbol when he wrote about 200: "We (Christians) are born as little fishes in water after the model of our Ichthys Jesus Christ" (On Baptism, ch. 1).



d) The Cross as a Symbol for the Divine Name. The similarity between the Chi-Rho symbol and the Cross is so apparent that it was not long before the two became related artistically. The Cross and the divine Name serve as symbols of redemption, and as a means of protection against the attacks of the demons. Thus it became customary to put the cruciform monogram on doors and houses. One of the more common methods for the cruciform arrangement involved the use of the two words Φως and ζωη (light and life), terms which Christ applied to Himself in John 8:12; 11:25. Jesus is our Light and Life, for He gives us divine faith and grace. The liturgy desires, prays for, and obtains light and life for the living and the dead. Here we have the reason why the combination of the two concepts, light and life, in the form of a cross became such a popular word symbol in the early Church and is frequently found on doors of houses (Syria), on tombs, and also on ampullas, terracotta lamps, and other articles. (©Catholic Culture)



In the Name of Jesus let every knee bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth and let every tongue confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

The Riverhead Pro-Life Activist Group Second annual Prayer Ceremony Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Immaculate Conception Council 928

Help us commemorate the Annual Right to Life March in Washington DC for Scriptural Rosary, Poetry Readings and Songs at St. Isidore's Church Wednesday January 21st at 1:30pm. We understand that not everyone can attend the March in Washington so we are hoping You will join us in Riverhead. Alice Desmond 631 288 4576

**SS. PHILIP
& JAMES**
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Sunday, January 25th

11:00 AM to 1:30 PM

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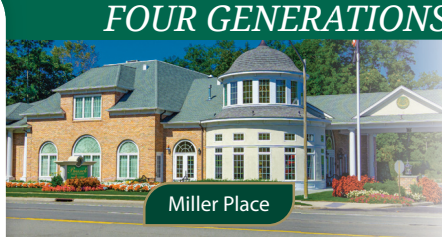
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