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*Second Sunday After Pentecost
June 7th (Morning Prayer Rite II)*



Sunday Morning Prayer Rite II

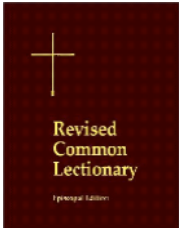
“When all Americans are treated as equal, no matter who they are or whom they love, we are all more free.”

~Barack Obama

Use our audio mixer to listen to the 9:30 Sunday Mass live. [Click Here](#)

To watch Sunday Mass on Facebook live. [Click Here](#)

For the Sunday prayer bulletin. [Click Here](#)



Website for Lectionary Readings

The webpage is in calendar form - just click on the date and you will see the readings for that day.

<https://www.lectionarypage.net/CalndrsIndexes/Calendar2026.html>

Upcoming Events

Sunday June 7th	9:30 Am <u>Morning Prayer</u> in-person and on-line (Rite II)
Sunday June 14th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite I) 11:15 AM Monthly Vestry Meeting
Sunday June 21st	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II) Happy Father's Day!
Sunday June 28th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite I)
Sunday July 5th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II)

As a reminder, Fr. Victor will be unavailable Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until July 20th while he serves as an Orange County Grand Juror.

The Photography Corner



This week's photograph is sent to us by Lorraine Witkowski. Two Sundays ago, she was sitting in her car when she saw, in her words "Gods heart he gave to all" which she captured in this picture. Thank you Lorraine!

I would like to thank all who have shared photographs with us. I do need some more photographs if you could send a few. ~Joe



ShopRite Grocery Gift Cards are available for sale EVERY Sunday after each service. Grace Church receives 5% on the sale of the cards from ShopRite, while you purchase the cards at face value! ShopRite gift cards can make shopping for the family easy. Our ongoing fundraiser of ShopRite gift cards helps you prepare your holiday meals while helping Grace Church. Please keep us in mind when preparing your shopping lists!

We are happy and pleased to announce that we can accept credit card purchases for the ShopRite gift cards. So, if you use a rewards credit card you can now accumulate points while supporting Grace Church! To purchase gift cards, please see either Eileen or Claire.

Mystic Poets Society

This week's submission was sent to us by Eileen Bloomer. Thank you Eileen!
If you have a poem or reflection that you would consider sharing with your fellow parishioners, please send it to me. Thank you. Joe.

We poke through pieces of wood
stacked in rooms made of wood,
pieces of trees, all shapes and sizes,
with their own stories to tell.
In the late afternoon light
I breathe the scent of pine, maple, oak;
I trace the rough edges,
leaving sawdust on my fingers.
I choose pieces that start with,
Once upon a time,
and I promise to finish the story
with my words and my hands.
I find time, I take time
to speak to the keeper of endless wood;

in just a few words we simply say,
How lovely is Your dwelling place!
We speak of cold mornings,
and the blessing of warm shirts
for aching bones and tired limbs.
We speak of what may grow green again.
And we speak of growing old.
He says, "Here's the thing about growing
old.
You can always put on another shirt."
He laughs. We laugh at the edge
of this lovely blue sky day,
standing among all the trees
and so many stories.

~Eileen

Parish Survey

There is still time! The final results have not been tabulated! If you haven't completed the survey which is a follow up to last year's Cafe Meeting, please do so as soon as possible. We'd like all responses by June 14th. If you need a hard copy, please see Claire Newquist or John Cusack. The link to complete the survey on line is below.

Thanks!!!! Claire

[Please Click Here to Complete the Survey](#)



Last Sunday we celebrated our May birthdays. Happy Birthday Kathy and Don!

Work has begun on replacing our old inoperative parish house heater. The old furnace has been removed and plumbers from MAK III have begun assembling the new unit.



At last Sunday's Eucharist, Father Victor and the congregation sent off Joe and Eileen with a blessing as they leave New York for a new home in Maryland. A delicious and festive coffee hour was held after mass.

Connect with the Diocese of New York

Scan the QR code to request to join email lists for Monday Morning Notes, What's Next, and to join relevant listservs.

To receive the Diocesan Monday Morning Notes by email, please scan the QR code above.



Grace Episcopal Church invites you to

Children's Funday

Games - Ice Cream - Snacks - Music - Prizes

Saturday, July 11, 2026

1:00 - 4:00 pm

12 Depot Street, Middletown, NY 10940

Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

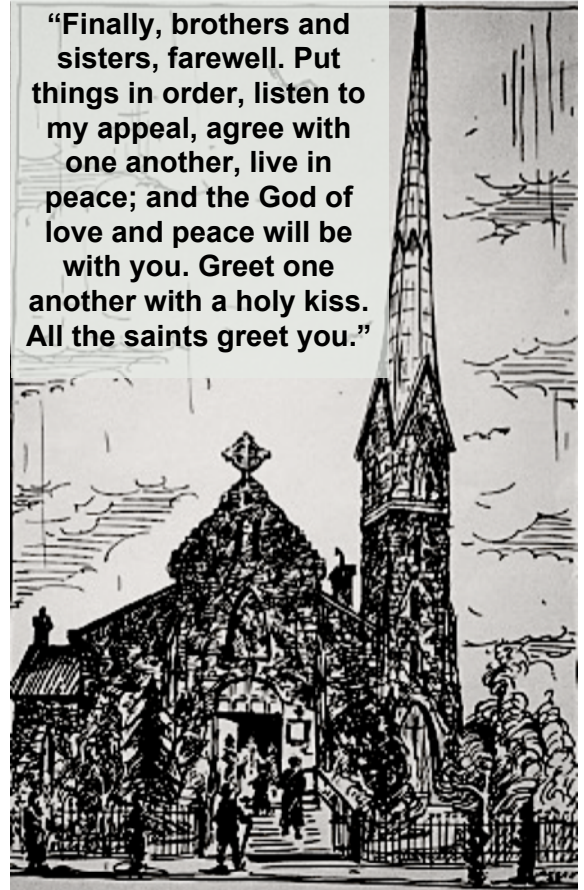


Grace Calendar



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“Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.”



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Vestry News

The next Vestry meeting will be held in the boardroom on Sunday June 14th starting at 11:15 AM.

All are invited to attend!

[Click here to read the minutes of the February 15, 2026 Vestry meeting.](#)

[Click here to read the minutes of the March 15, 2026 Vestry meeting.](#)

Your Grace Church Vestry.

Wardens:

John Cusack

Claire Newquist

Clerk of the Vestry:

Treasurer:

Phyllis Guardino

Vestry:

Lorraine Witkowski

Lucas Spisso

Barbara Chumard

Michelle Tubbs

Analise Reed

Joseph Barrett

Mark Strunsky

Eileen Bloomer

Torry Guardino

David White (Student member of Vestry)