

Good News!

Douglaston/Little Neck, New York

Saint
Anastasia
Church

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2026



At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John;

Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon from Cana, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him.

Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." — Matthew 9:36-10:8



Proclaim
the
Good News

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Established 1915

Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

(718) 631-4454



Parish Mission Statement

To Proclaim the good news of Christ's love through our active involvement, as a Parish community, in works of Charity, Faith, Worship and Justice.

All Are Welcome!

NO MATTER what your present status is in the Catholic Church;
NO MATTER your family situation;
NO MATTER where you are in the practice of faith;
NO MATTER what your personal history, age, background;
NO MATTER what your self-image may be;
YOU are invited, welcomed, respected & loved at St. Anastasia

Parish Directory

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- This is a free service but your carrier's text and data rates may apply.
- Text STOP to 84576 to stop texts.

Parish Membership

All new families are welcome to the Parish and every family should be properly registered. Registration forms are available at the Rectory or in the rear of the church.

Use of the electronic giving (PARISHSOFT/Faith Direct) or envelope system is required if statement of contribution is sought for tax purposes. All parishioners should use either one of the donation forms. If you move or change your address, please notify the Rectory by mail.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Rectory or Faith Formation Office for dates of baptisms. No more than four families will be scheduled for a Baptism at one time. Please call the Rectory at 718-631-4454 or the Faith Formation Office at 718-225-5191. After the initial intake, you will be asked to go to the Rectory to pick up a checklist and handbook. You will also have to schedule a private class and will need a copy of your child's birth certificate.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Time available: Saturday 11 AM—3 PM and Sunday 2:30 PM—3 PM. Couples must make arrangements six months prior to the selected date of their marriage and fully participate in the Pre-Cana program.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

It is the process for adults wishing to become Catholic, complete their sacramental initiation, or attain full membership in the Church. For further information, please contact Mrs. Rose Ruesing.

Liturgies

Weekend Masses

- 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday
- Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 noon

Weekday Masses

- Monday thru Saturday at 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 PM in the Church

Holy Days and Special Liturgies

- Mass schedules for holy days are printed on Sundays before the feasts and solemnities occur. For advance information, please call the Rectory Office

Devotions

- Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays after the 8:30 AM Daily Mass
- Rosary: Before the Daily Mass Monday - Saturday.

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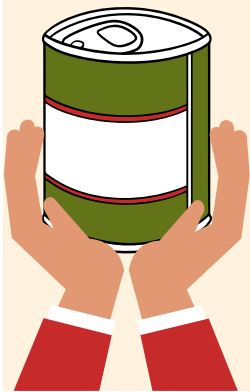
FOOD DRIVE

FOR THE FOOD PANTRY AT ST. KEVIN PARISH

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUESTED ONLY

PLEASE check expiration dates. NO EXPIRED FOOD.

- TEA (REGULAR OR DECAF)
- JELLY OR JAM
- PEANUT BUTTER
- SHELF STABLE MILK
- CANNED TUNA
- BLACK BEANS, RED BEANS, GARBANZO BEANS (CANNED OR DRY)
- RICE (ONE OR TWO POUND BAGS)
- MAC AND CHEESE
- OATMEAL
- DRY CEREAL
- TOMATO SAUCE



Place items in the box at the entrance of St. Anastasia Church.

Call the Religious Ed office for more information: 718-225-5191

ST. ANASTASIA SENIOR GROUP

EVERY TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. until 2:00p.m.

Parish Center

(corner of 245th Street and Northern Blvd).

Bring lunch, play cards and games. Socialize with friends and make new ones!

10:00 a.m. Mahjong

11:00 a.m. Pokeno


We are looking for canasta players!

If interested, please call:

Rectory (718-631-4454) or

Faith Formation Office (718-225-5191)

Keep a look out for new events and games!




Pray the Rosary

Before the 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the Church

Tuesday Rosary Themes

- June 2nd
Sacred Heart of Jesus
- June 9th
Body and Blood of Christ
- June 16th
St. Anthony of Padua
- June 23rd
Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
- June 30
Saints Peter and Paul




St. Anastasia Parish School of Religion

Three options for Classes from PreK-8th grade:

- Weekly Classes (Wednesdays)
- Home School
- Special Needs
- Family Catechesis events for all!

\$150 for one child, \$200 for two children, \$250 for three or more

Register using the QR Code or email dff@stanastasia.info.



Office of Faith Formation
718-225-5191



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Ex 19:2-6a | Rom 5:6-11 | Mt 9:36—10:8

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Our first reading from Exodus contains a promise: "If you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people." God promises to make Israel "a kingdom of priests, a holy nation," if they keep the covenant. Reading the rest of the Old Testament, we know how this turns out: humanity never fully keeps our part of the covenant. And yet God is faithful, despite our unfaithfulness. In the Gospel, Jesus sends his disciples not to pagan territory or any Samaritan towns, but to "the lost sheep of the house of Israel," revealing that God never abandons his chosen ones. Indeed, this is the same point Paul makes when he says, "But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." Our discipleship begins from a deep awareness of the relentless love with which God pursues us. Even when we stray from our baptismal covenant with him, he comes looking to save us and bring us back to himself.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's Gospel ends with a powerful reminder to all evangelizers: "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." Knowing the limitless mercy of God – how God has reconciled us to himself through Christ's suffering and death, we are to imitate his generosity in bearing witness to the Gospel. Knowing the love which has saved us, our hearts are moved – as Jesus' was at the sight of the crowd – to see that others come to know his love. Therefore, the generosity with which Jesus calls us to pour ourselves out for the sake of the Gospel is not an imposition from outside us, but a response to the love we have received that compels us from within to make him and his kingdom known.

PRAY

St. Ignatius of Loyola wrote a prayer now known as the Prayer for Generosity. Pray this prayer each day this week, asking the Lord to increase your generosity as you labor in his "harvest," sharing the Good News of his kingdom. *Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God, teach me true generosity. Teach me to serve you as you deserve. To give without counting the cost, to fight heedless of wounds, to labor without seeking rest, to sacrifice myself without thought of any reward save the knowledge that I have done your will. Amen.*

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Call : 718-631-3153

Scan to Schedule Your Visit

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ST ANASTASIA'S CELEBRATE SUMMER

JUNE 29th TO AUGUST 7th

*Week 1 Mon-Wed June 29th - July 1st *No Program Thurs 7/2& Fri 7/3
 Week 2 Mon - Fri. July 6-10
 Week 3 Mon - Fri. July 13-17
 Week 4 Mon - Fri. July 20-24
 Week 5 Mon - Fri. July 27- July 31
 Week 6 Mon-Fri. Aug 3rd-Aug 7

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

- ✓ Outdoor and Indoor facilities
- ✓ Small groups sizes
- ✓ Experienced staff
- ✓ Wide range of activities
- ✓ Fun Events

REGISTRATION DATES:
Monday, April 27th at 5-7 pm
Tuesday, May 19th at 5 pm-7 pm
ST. ANASTASIA PARISH CENTER
45-14 245TH ST, DOUGLASTON, NY 11362...
 Additional registration forms at St Anastasia Rectory
 * Preferred Contact
CelebrateSummerSTA@gmail.com
Phone 1-929-472-2878

SAINT ANASTASIA CYO YOUTH SPORTS

REGISTER TODAY!
for the following spring sports:

FLAG FOOTBALL: Grades 3rd - 8th
COMPETITIVE SOCCER: Grades 1st - 8th
SOCCER CLINIC: Pre-K & Kindergarten
OUTDOOR TRACK: min age 5

Open to all children who attend Divine Wisdom Catholic Academy or live within the Little Neck & Douglaston parish boundaries. We offer a variety of sports that promote character development, athletic achievement, and teamwork, all while playing alongside classmates and neighbors.

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CLOSED TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th - CARIBBEAN NIGHT
THURSDAY, JUNE 25th - GERMAN/POLISH NIGHT
FRIDAY, JUNE 26th - ITALIAN/ALUMNI NIGHT
SATURDAY, JUNE 27th - ITALIAN NIGHT

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Vocations: Discover Your Calling

Jesus shares his mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with his disciples. Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Matthew also uses the word apostle which means “one who is sent.” Is the Lord inviting you to know him better and spread his Father’s Word? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email vocations@diobrook.org

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Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist
This visually stunning film takes viewers on a global journey to uncover the transformative power of the Eucharist. Engaging in profound dialogue with prominent Catholic leaders, the film explores the biblical origins of the Eucharist and shares powerful personal stories of lives transformed by the Blessed Sacrament.

When God Resurrects Your Life
The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life—but how do we actually grow in devotion to it in the middle of everyday life? In this episode of Practicing Catholic, Taylor Kemp and Scott Hefelfinger explore the beauty of the Eucharist and simple, practical ways to deepen your relationship with Christ.

St. Dominic Savio
In this episode, Brother Francis tells the story of St. Dominic Savio, a brave young man who gave his life to God. In a world full of difficulties, his joyful faith and courage shone like a light—proving that even the youngest hearts can achieve greatness.

Children’s activity sheets are located in the back of the church

Love and Serve

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In one year of Pope Leo XIV’s papacy, we’ve seen clear pastoral emphasis on mercy, evangelization, peace, and the Church’s engagement with indubitable human needs. The Pope pursued initiatives that touched both ecclesial governance and matters of culture and faith formation. Regarding Gaza, the Pope shared the Vatican’s vision for a two-state solution and a faster pace of the peace process. He hoped for a truce in Ukraine and met with young people in Lebanon and brought them God’s message of peace. He visited nations on three continents, spotlighting people’s need for education and healthcare; spoke about the Church’s cooperation with governments toward building new hospitals and new facilities; and stressed the Church’s responsibility to recognize and promote human rights. He called Catholic Charities agencies in the U.S. “agents of hope,” highlighting their material services of food, shelter, medical care, and legal assistance for migrants and refugees, and publicly criticized the war with Iran and rejected any religious language used to justify it. His first encyclical, Magnifica Humanitas, called for safeguarding the human person in the age of artificial intelligence. By leading the Church and recentering humanity’s focus on human needs, the Pope is living the movement given to us in today’s lectionary: God gathers, God names, God heals, and God sends. Let’s explore today’s readings.

In Exodus, God commands Moses to remind the Israelites of His commission: “*You will be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.*” —Exodus 19:6. God set apart Israel as a priestly kingdom and a holy nation, consecrating the people for witness and worship. The Church teaches that the baptized share Christ’s priestly vocation, distinct from the ordained ministerial priesthood, so that they may offer spiritual sacrifices and proclaim Christ everywhere on earth. Saint Paul in today’s New Testament reading reminds us that God’s divine love is shown in that “*God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.*” And “*we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.*” —Romans 5:8, 11. Jesus’ death and reconciliation are a grace for a humanity that is incapable of rescuing itself from sin. The Gospel reading recounts Jesus looking at the crowd and being moved with compassion for them “*because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.*” Matthew 9:36. Jesus summons His twelve disciples, the number is not random but evokes the twelve tribes of Israel, and commissions them to proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Putting the lectionary’s pieces together, their formation becomes clear. Exodus gives identity and commission to the Israelites and, by grace, to us Christians as we are grafted onto them; Romans reminds us that Christ died for us while we were still sinners; and Matthew sends us forth into the world to proclaim that “*the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*” Our faith should not be shrunk into private devotion; the Church has been commissioned to bear witness to Christ everywhere on earth.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.
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Bread & Wine Memorial



Joseph Novack
June 14 – 20, 2026

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions



June 2026

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

Prayer Intentions



In the kindness of your prayers, remember those born into eternal life.

Remember the sick, homebound, and those in need of our prayers:

Eva Bedell	Anthony Logerfo
Fred Bedell	Alfina Manca
Joyce Daino	Barbara Mascia
John Dietzler	TJ McSherry
Paolo DiGregorio	Margaret Murphy
Ralph DiScala	Frank Postiglione
Jo Ann Ferrari	Yolanda Stivanello
Josephine Finocchiaro	Antoinette Taub
Joan Guerra	Barbara H. Timmerman
Victoria Guerra	Victoria Wiehl
Theodore Koumou	



St. Anastasia Parish Registration



...WELCOME TO...
church

Thank you for attending Mass with us today.

If you have not previously registered or are considering registering with our parish, please complete a [Parish Registration Form](#) located in the rear of the church then return it to the rectory.

Parish Family: Why Register?

If you have not already registered, it is important to do so. If and when you are asked to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, you will need a letter from the parish. Letters cannot be given to those who are not registered parishioners. Please be sure to keep your information updated with the parish, especially with changes to address and phone number.

Mass Intentions



Sunday, June 14, 2026
5:00 p.m. Vigil Virginia O'Brien
Eileen & Kevin McDonough (Living)

8:00 a.m. Andrew Haverlin
Theresa Chen

10:00 a.m. Francia & Francisco Bernal
John & Margaret Harrison

12:00 noon People of St. Anastasia Parish

Monday, June 15, 2026
8:30 a.m. Kristijan Pejkovic
Carmella Granata

Tuesday, June 16, 2026
8:30 a.m. Umberto Savocchi
Carla Buccianti

Wednesday, June 17, 2026
8:30 a.m. Maria & Sam Grcic
Theresa Chen

Thursday, June 18, 2026
8:30 a.m. Antonino & Agata Petruso
Mohan Rangan

Friday, June 19, 2026
8:30 a.m. Klara Deuber
John Emery

Saturday, June 20, 2026
8:30 a.m. Kathleen Hughes
Luis Banez (Birthday)

Sunday, June 21, 2026
Father's Day
Mass at 5:00 p.m. Vigil,
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 Noon



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