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EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Mass Schedule

The Lord's Day
Saturday
5:15 p.m.
Sunday
10:15 a.m.
Korean Mass
9:15a.m. Children's Mass
12:00 p.m.

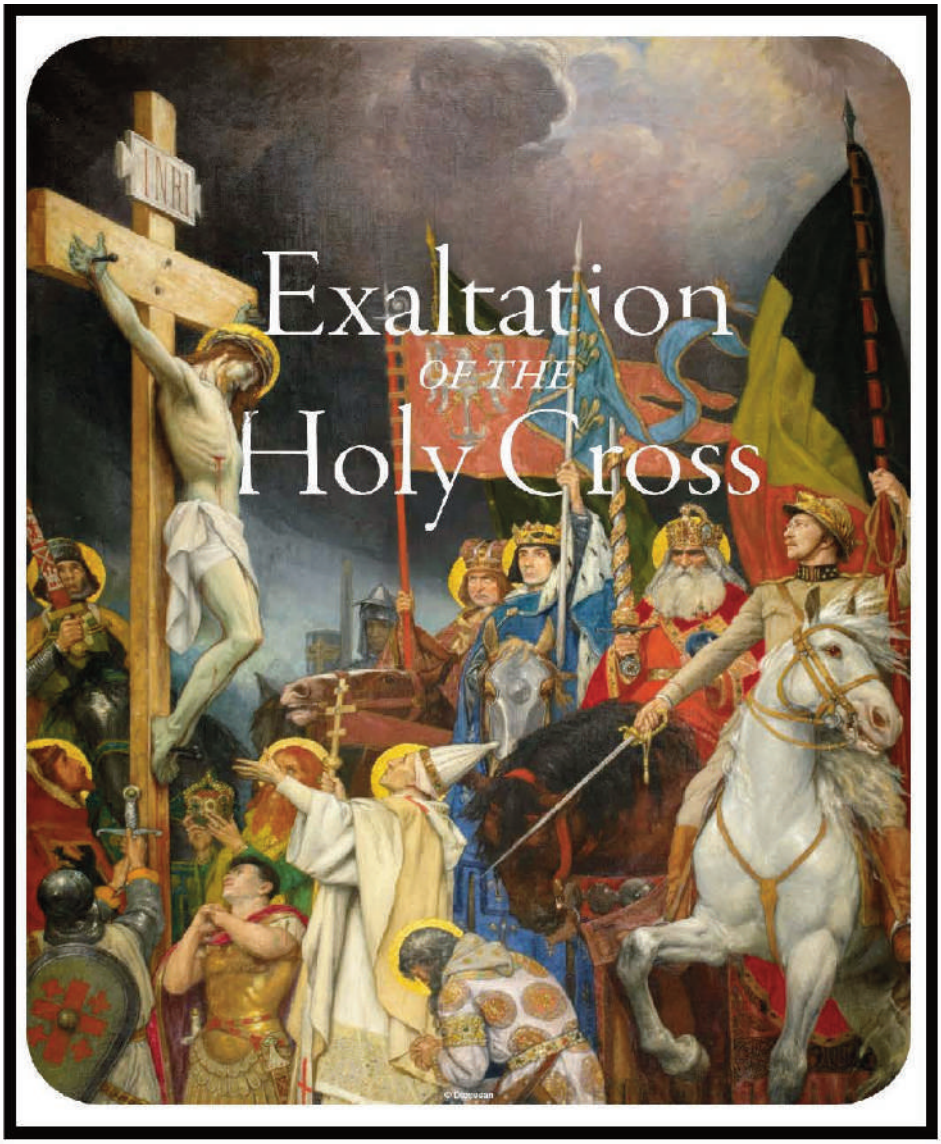
Weekdays
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m.
Rosary Follows Mass

Holy Days
As Announced

Confessions
Saturday
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

St. Padre Pio Devotions
1st Friday of each month
7pm Holy Hour with confessions following 8pm Mass

Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
after 9:00am Mass
till 10:30am



September 14, 2025

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today from the Book of Numbers, we read, 'With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses…In punishment the Lord sent among the people SARAPH Serpents, which bit the people so that many died. Then the people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned…pray the Lord to take the serpents from us!" So, Moses prayed… and the Lord said to Moses, 'make a seraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live.'" "Moses…made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived." The people, despite their complaining, were not abandoned by God in the desert, even though it appears that God was not a hundred percent happy with them. He sent the serpents upon the camp who inflicted damage and death, and one might think that this is the end. However, God tells Moses, that by erecting the bronze serpent, they survived, and God once again set them free from slavery. Only this time the enslaver was sin!

As we continue to the Gospel, we see Jesus saying to Nicodemus, "'…just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so everyone who believes in Him might not perish, but might have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved.'" The bronze serpent was an invitation to repent and then be healed, but this healing, while wonderful, by setting the people free from sin, would not prevent them from still physically dying. This would all change with Jesus.

Christ's lifted high on the Cross, so all can see was following the example God gave Moses, but it was not stopping there. It was superseding Moses, for Jesus' lifting up meant His death, but it also meant our lives, as His death destroy spiritual death, sin, and darkness, and through His Resurrection not only does He come back alive, so do we. Just like the people in the desert they had to look up and embrace the bronze serpent, we must fully accept the salvation won for us by Christ.

As we were coming to the end of the past Easter Season, the Gospel readings were mostly from John. They spoke of two major themes; love and belief, we were called to Love as Jesus loves us, and to be instruments of love. We are also called to believe in the Gospel especially that the Father sent Jesus to save us and have something more to depend on then the world and society's ideals.

We can only be instruments of Jesus' love by celebrating the Cross, for even now when we look up at the Crucifix on the Church wall or at home we are reminded of our salvation and while it caused His death, Christ took it on so we can be saved. Today, unlike Good Friday, is not to be a sad day, but a day to celebrate and share in God's Glory, the Glory of Christ.

God bless you always.
Fr. Mike

WEEKLY MASSES

Sunday September 14th, 2025
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Focus- *In the cross is our hope.* In the first reading, the people complain against God and Moses, so the Lord punishes them by sending a plague of saraph serpents. Then God heals his people of the plague by instructing Moses to make a serpent and mount it on a pole. Anyone who looks at the serpent will be healed. In the second reading, Paul writes of Christ who emptied himself, becoming obedient even to death. In the Gospel, Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man must be lifted up like the serpent in the desert *so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.*

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Saturday, 9/13/25-St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
5:15pm Amelia Friend of the
Children of Fatima
Blanche Serena (Living)
Denise & Mike Honovich (Living)
35 Year Anniversary
Rob Kammerer & Jean Kelly (Living)
Terry Collins

Sunday, 9/14/25-The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
10:15am People of the Parish
Minnie & Thomas Iovino
Violet & Michael Sardo
Masucci, D'Quino & Riela
Living & Deceased Members
Stanton, Santoriello & Stowalski
Living & Deceased Members

Monday 9/15/25-Our Lady of Sorrows
Lisa Reali (Living)

Tuesday, 9/16/25-St. Cornelius, Pope
Joseph Mario Reali

Wednesday 9/17/25-Weekday
Marie Antonette Reali

Thursday, 9/18/25–Weekday
Joan Arnao

The **9:15 am** & **12 noon Korean Masses** will be celebrated by Fr. Matthew

Friday 9/19/25-Weekday-St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr
Louis Medina

Saturday, 9/13/25
1 Timothy 1:15-17
Luke 6:43-49

Sunday, 9/14/25
Numbers 21:4b-9
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Monday, 9/15/25
1 Timothy 2:1-8
John 19:25-27

Tuesday, 9/16/25
1 Timothy 3:1-13
Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday, 9/17/25
1 Timothy 3:14-16
Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, 9/18/25
1 Timothy 4:12-16
Luke 7:36-50

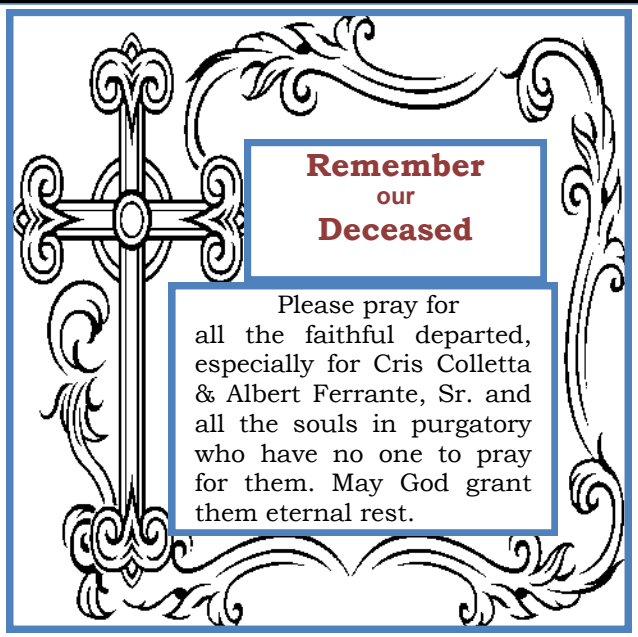
Friday, 9/19/25
1 Timothy 6:2c-12
Luke 8:1-3

ALTAR FLOWERS

Church Altar Flower Donations for Month of September

In Memory of:

Mike Kotula



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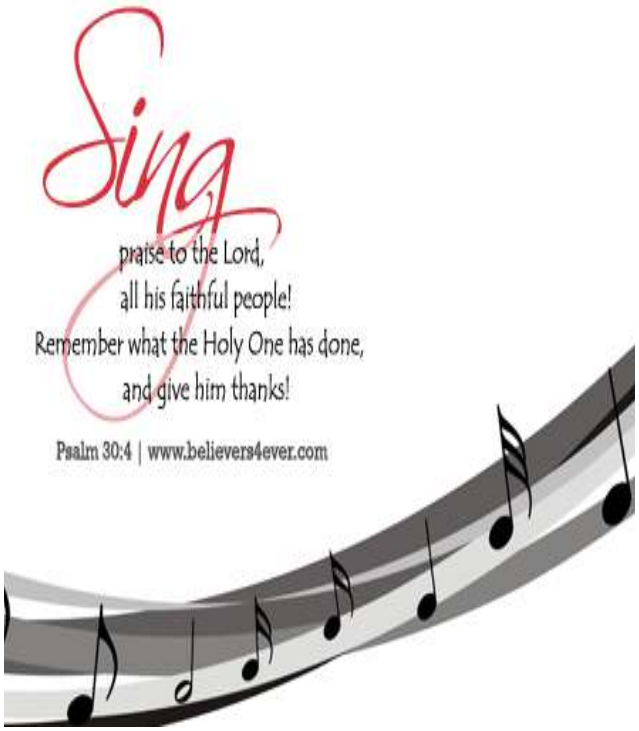
9/13/2025
5:15pm Mass

Celebrant	Msgr. Richard Bauhoff
EMHC	Quinn/Castellano
Readers	Labrocca
Sacristan	Herrera
Music & Cantor	Tom Stallone

9/14/2025
10:15am Mass

Celebrant	Father Michael Maffeo
EMHC	Femia/Santana
Readers	Barry
Sacristan	Onglengco
Music & Cantor	Tom Stallone

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do though, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Please Note: St. Michael's Prayer is on the back cover of the missalette.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Quote: But may I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Reflection: The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, also known as the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross, commemorates three historical events: the discovery of the True Cross in 326, its initial exaltation for public veneration in 335, and the recovery of the Cross from the Persians in 628. Nowadays, this feast also celebrates the boundless impact of Christ's Cross upon all of creation.

Hymnn Corner

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic,"

Written more than 160 years ago in the early years of the Civil War, was played by bands, marched to in parades, and as it appeared in 500 hymnals, was sung in churches across the country.

Written in 1861 by abolitionist Julia Ward Howe, the "Battle Hymn" became a marching anthem for the Grand Army of the Republic. Its powerful apocalyptic vision of a reckoning God, sheathed with lightning and a sword of justice, captured the sentiment of a Union fighting for freedom for all people.

The song's message has resonated throughout history with soldiers and evangelists, patriots and presidents. It has formed a significant part of the United State's cultural history and its civil religion, harnessing people's awe for God for political purposes.

For decades, listeners of evangelist Billy Graham's weekly radio program heard "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" during "The Hour of Decision." Graham's love of the song helped him reconcile his background as a Southerner, whose Rebel grandfather lost an eye and a leg fighting at Gettysburg, with his love for the nation.

It is one of the most popular pieces in the repertoire of The U.S. Army Band and U.S. troops just home from Iraq boisterously sang the "Glory, Glory Hallelujah" chorus with Whitney Houston as she ended her "Welcome Home, Heroes" concert in 1991.

Holy Name of Jesus Church
Invites All to join us for
a Communion Breakfast
Facilitated by DMII to
Welcome our new Pastor
Fr. Michael Maffeo

Sunday, October 12, 2025
Mass at 10:15am concelebrated with
Msgr. Richard Bauhoff

Followed by a Buffet Breakfast in the Parish Hall
Donation $15 per person

Please RSVP by October 6, 2025
by calling the Rectory Office
516-921-2334

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St. Pius X Residence for Retired Priests

"...at the root of every vocation, God is present, in his mercy and his goodness..."

- Pope Leo XIV

Dear Friends:

Please accept my deepest thanks for your prayers and continued financial support for our senior priests residing at St. Pius X Residence.

At St. Pius X Residence, our retired diocesan priests live each day with dignity and the ability to practice their Catholic faith in a brotherly community. Although retired, those who are physically able continue to generously help in so many ways — offering Mass at local parishes, hearing confessions, and sharing their spiritual and administrative wisdom with their brother priests. They also spend time in prayer in their chapel praying for the needs of everyone in our diocese.

Our retired priests have served so many people over the course of their ministry, nourishing our Catholic faith, educating our youth, and serving the poor and vulnerable. These priests made a commitment to God to serve Him for their life on earth.

As we offer thanks to God for the gift of the priesthood in our Diocese, and as we pray together for a rich harvest of vocations to the priesthood on Long Island, we have a critical role to play in the life of our priests, including our senior priests.

This month you will have the opportunity to express your gratitude to our priests and celebrate their presence among us through your gift to the annual St. Pius X Residence Fund. Your gifts and prayers will ensure that our retired priests are properly cared for today and long into the future.

With my prayers and gratitude.

+John O. Barres

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

worldwide marriage encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

John 3:16:"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so tht everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." God loves us and wants good for us. Humble yourself before God. Learn to show more tenderness and love to your spouse. You can learn this and more on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on:

September 19-21 in Huntington, NY
November 14-16 in Huntington, NY
January 23-25, 2026 in North Easton, MA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a $100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835 or https://wwmenyli.org/.

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9:00am-12:00pm
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Are you 70 1/2 or older with an IRA? Consider a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) of up to $108,000 in 2025 to your parish or other ministry. Satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and keep more of your hard-earned retirement savings out of your taxable income.

A QCD allows an IRA owner (and an IRA beneficiary) aged 70.5 or older to make charitable donations directly through their IRAs. IRA funds are transferred directly from the IRA to a qualified charitable organization. Most importantly, the funds withdrawn and transferred from the traditional IRA are not taxable. Normally, when a withdrawal is made from a traditional IRA, the withdrawal is considered a taxable event.

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 Charity. If you receive the money first, then you'll be taxed on it like any other distribution

Beyond annual giving, an IRA Charitable Rollover can be a powerful tool for estate planning. Consider naming our organization as a beneficiary of your IRA, leaving a legacy of support that aligns with your values and lessening the tax burden on your heirs.

For more information on Qualified Charitable Distributions, please call Barbara Kilarjian at 516-678-5800 ext. 257

This information is not intended and should not be construed as legal, tax or investment advice. For such advice, please consult an attorney, tax advisor or investment professional.

LIFE CENTER OF LONG ISLAND

A Voice for the Unborn on Long Island

Dear Msgr. Richard,

~You are cordially invited to attend our Annual Gala for the Life Center of Long Island as we celebrate 39 Years of LIFE~

Sunday, September 21st 1:00PM - 6:00PM
at the Muttontown Club located in East Norwich, NY

Our Guest Speaker is Ruth Akosua Yeboah
CEO, Founder of Precious Life Center of Ghana

Our Distinguished Honorees are Pro-Life Warriors:

- **Fr. Fidelis Moscinski - Franciscan Friar of the Renewal**
- **John Hinshaw - Pro-Life Advocate**
- **Jav Smith - Pro-Life Advocate**

For more information, including entering our Sweepstakes please contact Lauren at 516-798-8746

Pro Life Ministry

Do you want to learn more about the Pro Life Movement? Join our new ministry at HNJ Church.

Our goals are:
-Pray and assist pregnant moms and their babies
-Learn more about Pro Life Issues. Call Michael & Collette Sweeney at 516-456-8374 for more information.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
OF LONG ISLAND

23RD ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC & PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT

Monday, October 6th 2025
The Muttontown Club, East Norwich, NY

Golf Classic

9:00 am Registration
& Breakfast
11:00 am Golf Shotgun Start
4:30 pm Cocktail Hour
5:30 pm Reception

Pickleball Tournament

9:00 am Registration & Breakfast
10:30 am Instruction & Workshop
12:00 pm Lunch at Clubhouse
1:00 pm Tournament Play
4:30 pm Cocktail Hour
5:30 pm Reception

Contact Maren Henderson at
henderson.maren@catholiccharities.cc
or visit Catholiccharities.cc/golf to register

September 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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28	29	30				

2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal

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September! Hunger Action Month

September marks Hunger Action Month, a nationwide initiative dedicated to raising awareness about hunger and encouraging communities to take action. Here on Long Island, where many families face food insecurity, this month serves as a reminder of the power we have to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors.

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SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

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WORLD

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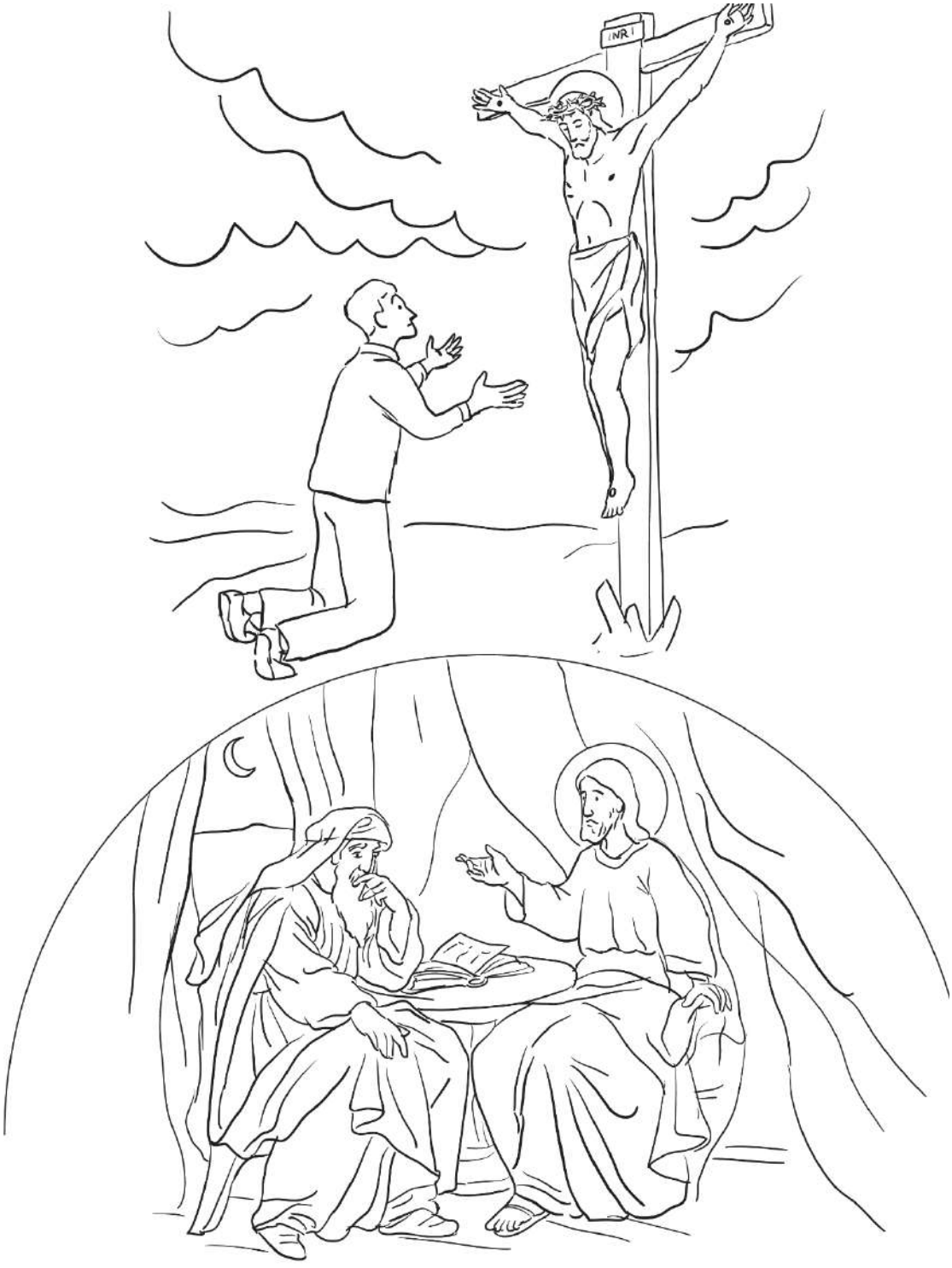
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. John 3:16



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