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“To the Greater Glory of God and the Salvation of Souls.”



**Celebration of
the Eucharist**

SATURDAY EVENINGS
5:00pm Vigil Mass
7:30pm Spanish Mass

SUNDAY
8:00am English & Italian
9:30am Children's Choir
11:30am Adult Choir
5:00pm Youth Mass

MONDAY, TUESDAY,
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY
9:00am Mass
Noon Mass

SATURDAY
8:30am Mass

HOLY DAYS AS
ANNOUNCED.

19th Sunday In Ordinary Time - August 7th 2011

Pastor
Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn

In Residence
Msgr. John Heinlein

Senior Priest
Rev. James Leone

**Parish Office
Hours**

MONDAY, TUESDAY,
& THURSDAY
9:00am-5:00pm

WEDNESDAYS
9:00am-6:00pm

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS
CLOSED FOR AUGUST

SUNDAYS
9:00am-2:00pm

CLOSED HOLIDAYS

Deacons
Thomas Gillen
Kenneth Geoghan
Mark Herrmann
Joseph Simeone

Useful Numbers
RECTORY
281-5743

PARISH OUTREACH
281-5634

RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
281-2835

YOUTH MINISTRY
281-5743

NURSERY SCHOOL
395-3959

QUEEN OF APOSTLES
SCHOOL
878-1033

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL
219-3542

**Sacrament of
Anointing of
the Sick**
Available in danger of
death or whenever
there is a personal
need, call the rectory
for an appointment.

**Sacrament
of Penance/
Confession**
SATURDAYS
Noon during Lent,
4:00-4:45pm and by
appointment
WEDNESDAYS
2:00-2:45pm and by
appointment

Parish Outreach
MON., TUES., & THURS.
9:00am-1:00pm
CLOSED
WED., FRI., SAT., SUN.
AND HOLIDAYS

**Sacrament of
Marriage**
Couples wishing to be
married should contact
the rectory at least one
year in advance to meet
with one of the priests
to make wedding
arrangements.
Pre-Cana is required
for all couples.

**Sacrament of
Baptism**
Celebrated on most
Sundays throughout
the year. Please contact
the rectory to set up
an appointment with
a member of the staff
to arrange for the
Baptismal preparation
session and to set a
date for Baptism.

Devotions

MIRACULOUS MEDAL
NOVENA
Mondays after the
9:00am Mass

ST. JUDE NOVENA
Thursdays after the
9:00am Mass

ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesdays
12:30pm-1:00pm
Benediction at 1:00pm

FIRST FRIDAY
8:00pm-9:00pm
Benediction at 9:00pm

THE HOLY ROSARY
Monday through Friday
at 8:30am; Saturdays at
8:00am

Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2011

5:00pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

7:30pm Astrid Alvarenga †

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2011

8:00am Maria Ingrasciotta †

9:30am Rafaella Tanzillo †

11:30am "God the Father"

5:00pm Joyce Ehlers †

MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2011

9:00am Florence Simpson †

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2011

9:00am Jeanette & William Caulfield †

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2011

9:00am James Cavanaugh †

12 Noon Saint Jude Guild:
Intentions of Living Members of
the Legion of Mary

Paulo Marko Pacificador †

The Tanzer Family †

Lillian Velilla †

Ana Rosa Garcia †

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2011

9:00am Charles Thompson †

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011

9:00am Marcello & Joseph Scalise †

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2011

8:30am Betty Jean O'Cull †

5:00pm Charlie Stephani †

7:30pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2011

8:00am Famiglia Porcelli †

9:30am Patricia & Irma Davin †

11:30am Catherine Huber †

5:00pm Michael & Mary Banovsky †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

FOR THE SICK: Janet Brandimarte, Francis X. Butler, Cecelia Cottone, Anthony DeLuco, Nicholas Ferrara, Anthony Fino, Christian Gallucci, Nora Getchell, Jon Hanson, Steve Herrbrandt, Jo, Richard & Matthew Kaminsky, Katherine Lindsey, Joseph V. Mosca Jr., Joshua Mussi, Logan Murphy, Frank Nitto, Miguel Oriana, Doris Ortiz, Joan & Jessica Passaro, Gina Pisano, Salvatore Russo, June & Joseph Stozetto, Joseph Stozetto Sr., Al Vanderbilt, Mary Vazzana

FOR THE DECEASED: Erika Rae Hughes, Stephanie Tille

FOR THE MILITARY: John Abel, Joseph Competello, Matt Corica, James Crown, Michael Cuervo, Kenneth Drumm, Jr., Daniel Edwards, Daniel Engo, Michael Hickey, Jeffrey Holmes, Steven Kay, Richard Kruger, Chris Manakides, John Maresca, Joe Occhineri, Matthew Parenti, Rich Pinckney, Tory Pinckney, Gerard Posillico, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Vinnie Riveria, Don Skelton, Bobby Sosa, Derek Trabocchi, Timothy Weisner

Feast of the Assumption of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15th is the 'Feast of the Assumption'. The Feast day falls on a Monday, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

If you would like, you may place your offering envelope in the weekend collection.

Rectory—August Hours

The rectory will be closed on Fridays and Saturdays for the month of August. Please refer to the cover of the bulletin for hours of operation.

Outreach Summer Hours

The Outreach office will be open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9AM to 1PM. Closed Wednesday and Friday.

Faith Formation

OFFICE HOURS: During August are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, from 9:30–4:30PM. Dates and times are subject to change.

REGISTRATION AND RE-REGISTRATION: August has arrived! Yeah! Half the summer's gone. Awe. With the business of daily life and now preparing for school shopping and getting older siblings off to college, I ask you, "Have you registered your children for Faith Formation classes yet? "Registration has been ongoing since May, and classes are filling quickly. There still is some limited class space available, but DON'T WAIT ANY LONGER. Take some time today, download the forms from our website and MAIL them into the office with your tuition payment. If you are registering a child for the first time, it is necessary for you to come into the office with the child's original baptismal certificate, tuition fee and downloaded form, completed. If you need forms mailed to you, please call the office at 281-2835. God bless and have "FUN." Create memories preparing your children for this new school year. May God's protection and guidance be with all who are going off to college.

CATECHISTS NEEDED: The Faith Formation Office is in need of Catechists. Please pray about sharing your faith with the youth of our community. If interested, please call 281-2835 and we will answer all your questions.

CATECHISTS COURSE: The Catechist Formation Course, 'Echoing the Word from the Centre', which was scheduled for August, has been canceled due to lack of registration. Note: All Catechists are required to take this 5 week course for their faith formation. It will be offered next year, plan on attending.

St. Vincent de Paul

In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Please help the 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul' bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope!"

Recommended CD of the Week

CONTRACEPTION: WHY NOT? – PROF. JANET E. SMITH

Contraception is such an accepted fixture in our culture that a serious challenge is indeed rare. In this presentation, Prof. Smith provokes her audience to give serious consideration to questions regarding the relationship between contraception, divorce, abortion, poverty, and other social ills. She presents compelling evidence that couples who accept children as a gift from God and who use natural family planning, have happier marriages with dramatically lower divorce rates than the general population.

Bibles Needed

The RCIA gives instruction to adults, learning or inquiring about our faith. To do this, we need Bibles! We are looking to you, our parish family, to help us in this task. Every bible donated will be inscribed with donors name and given to one of the candidates, and they will be asked to remember that person in their prayers. Last year your response was overwhelming and we are extremely grateful for your generosity. If you are interested in donating a copy of the New American Bible please leave a \$5.00 donation at the rectory to the attention: Ana Pauze.



Roman Missal

Many of you have heard or read about the changes in the celebration of Holy Mass that will be occurring when the new Church Year begins in four months. **The newly revised Roman Missal will be implemented in the United States of America on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011.** *The Missal*, or Mass book, contains the prayers for the celebration of the Eucharist used by the priest. The English translation version (a.k.a. *The Sacramentary*) which we have been using since 1969 will be replaced by the third edition. Why is this being done?

Those of you 50 years and older remember when the Mass was celebrated differently from the manner to which we are currently accustomed. At that time, the priest said or sang the prayers in Latin; and the altar boys (and the choir at *High Mass*) made responses in Latin, as well. Numerous members of the laity had Latin/English hand missals to follow along. The official version of the Missal employed throughout the Latin Rite (Roman Catholic) Church up to that time had been officially codified and used since 1570, with minor changes being made here and there over the following centuries. It was basically the form of the Sacred Liturgy used by the Church of Rome which had existed since about the 5th century.

In 1962, Pope John XXIII published a new Latin Missal with a few minor changes to the previous; one of the most noteworthy being the addition of St. Joseph into the Canon (Eucharistic Prayer) of the Mass.

With the changes called for by the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council of 1962-1965, a revised Missal was published in 1964 which contained most of the *Ordinary of the Mass* (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Agnus Dei) and the orations (priest prayers) and Canon remaining in the liturgical language—Latin—while the *Propers* (the variable antiphons and scripture readings of the day) were permitted in the vernacular, the language of the people. This was a revolutionary change.

Needless to say, the '64 Missal was just about as short-lived as the '62 version, since the Eucharistic Liturgy soon came to be typical wholly in the vernacular, with little or no Latin employed. And so, when the texts of the Mass were being translated into all the languages in which the Roman/Latin Rite is offered, approval was given for the Missal used in English speaking territories to be rendered using a method known as **dynamic equivalence**. This is the taking of a text and translating it into very contemporary speech. While this method of translating a text makes it very “relative”, with the passage of time, it shows its age and shortcomings; and in some instances, it actually “limps” in its fidelity to the original substance. And so, this is the situation in which we find our English-speaking selves today. (Think of putting Shakespeare into contemporary English... is it really the same?)

A classical or more literal translation may not be as readily “ear-friendly” (somewhat in the manner that original Shakespeare is to our 21st century ears), but it has a greater fidelity to the heart of the original language, and will weather the test of time much better than a *dynamic equivalence* version. Anyone who attends Mass offered in Spanish or Italian, for example, can observe that the texts follow more faithfully the Latin, whereas in a number of places in the English language Mass, some passages clearly lack that fidelity; even in places where the Latin text has been taken directly from Sacred Scripture. The idea behind this new translation is for greater faithfulness to the Latin version and the Bible; and so a better sense of what we universally believe and profess as Catholics will be transmitted. (*Please note: The *ritual* of the Mass will be the same as we have now; it is just some of the language that will be changing.)

The parish will be purchasing pew-cards with all the updated texts and responses of the people to help ease the change. Therefore, we will all become familiar with and understand what to say and pray when we come to Mass. By way of example, one of the first changes to be noticed as Mass begins is the response to the invitation: **The Lord be with you.** Where we currently respond: **And also with you,** we will be returning to the ancient and more liturgically/theologically correct: **And with your spirit.**

I will be publishing in this space a multiple-part series on the entire Mass, which I hope will be most informative. We will also be spending some time of formation to get prepared for the implementation of the new Missal, both at Mass and at some other presentations outside of Mass, to which all parishioners will be invited. This is a great opportunity for all of us. I'm sure that by the time we get to Ash Wednesday of 2012, we will be well acquainted with our responses, and consequently, have a renewed and deeper reverence, comprehension, and love for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

**In Christ,
Fr. Greg**

New Al-Anon Meeting

Al-Anon parent meeting in 'Center Moriches Methodist Church', 464 Main Str., Center Moriches. The meeting is on Thursdays at 7:30PM. For further info please call 'Parent Power' at 664-0616.

Free NYS 4 year-old PRE-K Program

Applications are still being accepted for the Free State Funded 'Universal Pre-K' program through the 'William Floyd School District'. Any child that is or will be 4 years old by December 1st, 2011 and resides in this school district is eligible to apply. If you or someone you know may have a child that is eligible please call the rectory at 281-5743 to receive an application.

We are presently looking for a substitute teacher (MA certification required) for the upcoming 2011-2012 school session. We are also looking for a part time teaching assistant with certificate, for 3 hours Monday through Friday. For anyone who may be interested please send your resume or you can drop it off at the rectory, attention Pre-K.

Operation Hearts & Home

Famed Carnegie Hall singer Andy Cooney and his band will be doing a charity benefit for the Ethiopian orphans at Molloy College, Sunday August 14th from 5:30-9PM. For more information call Susan at 516-319-9837.

Open your home for two weeks to an Ethiopian orphan. In mid-August, 10 Ethiopian orphans will be coming for a two week stay to New York to receive outpatient medical procedures. Most of the orphans however, cannot be adopted but would love to get a nice vacation outside their orphanage. If you are interested please call Mary 631-338-3613 or Grace 516-367-7413. The children are being brought here by 'Operation Hearts and Home' (www.operationheartsandhome.org) a licensed NY based charity dedicated to improving the lives of orphans worldwide.

Maria S.S. del Soccorso

On Sunday, August 21st, following the 11:30AM Mass, there will be a procession from the church to the shrine for the Lady Maria S.S. del Soccorso.

Attention All Altar Servers

There will be a MANDATORY altar server meeting for ALL servers, "new" and "old" alike, on Saturday, August 20th at 1PM in the Church. We will be reviewing the new Altar Server Manual, going over changes in the manner of serving, introducing new servers, finding mentors for the new servers, and "tweaking" some areas that need some attention. If you absolutely cannot attend, please contact Aida or Fr. Greg. We will also be meeting on Saturday, August 27th at 1PM in the Church. ONLY experienced servers have the option to attend the second meeting (8/27) in place of the 8/20 meeting. New servers need to attend ALL meetings to complete their training. If you would like to be a mentor, you need to be present at the 8/20 meeting. Additional mandatory meetings: September 10th & 17th all must attend.

Secular Franciscan Order

A *Day of Recollection* hosted by the 'St. Lawrence of Brindisi Fraternity' on August 27th from 9:30AM-3PM at 'Our Lady of the Island Shrine' in Eastport. "*Refresh, Relax and Renew Our Faith in the Lord*" Call for more information Bob Metz at 631-475-3426.

Attention Ministry Leaders

The calendar is currently being formatted. If you would like dates for the coming Fiscal year, you must fill out a 'Building Request Form' or email Judy at j.moran@yahoo.com before August 31st. Please do not assume that your dates will be held from last year.

Divorced, Widowed, or Separated

'The Beginning Experience' weekend is August 19-21st at the 'Monfort Spiritual Center' in Bay Shore. The program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning, and move into the future with renewed hope. Turn the pain and loss into an experience of positive growth. For information and reservations, call John at 516-822-0635, Jim at 718-474-3779 or Karen at 201-736-8200.

Outreach School Supply

We have been collecting school supplies for disadvantaged children in our community and will continue to need your support until September 15th. We are so grateful for your generosity. You are helping us meet the demands of our parish children who are starting school in September. Some suggestions as to what they need are: 1 and 3 inch loose-leaf binders and paper, all colors of composition notebooks, colored folders, pens and pencils, blunt scissors, washable markers, high-lighters, index cards, backpacks, 3 and 5 subject notebooks and any other items. Through your generosity we will be able to get our children off to a good start. Please leave the items in the rear of the church or at Outreach.

St. Jude Christmas Fair

In past years, our parishioners have been extremely generous with our request donations for our fair raffles. This year we would like to try a change in our donation request. We are looking for donations of fully assembled baskets ready to raffle off at the Christmas Fair. If needed we have some baskets to get you started on filling up. Please let us know if you can help by calling the rectory. Fully assembled baskets, we would ask be turned in by November 1st. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what You want me to be—and becoming that person.

—Saint Therese of Lisieux

Food Stamp Benefits

Helps families, individuals, & all ages to improve nutrition and increase food buying power. You no longer have to take time from work to apply for benefits. You may be able to apply electronically. Food stamps can be used conveniently with an Electronic Benefit Card. If your gross monthly income is within the following guidelines you may apply for food stamps: 1 person-\$1174, 2 people-\$1579, 3-\$1984, 4-\$2389, 5-\$2794, 6-\$3200, 7-\$3605, 8-4010. See our website for more information, www.otda.state.ny.us or call 1800-342-3009. For a free and confidential prescreening contact: Nutrition Outreach & Education Program Catholic Charities, Diocese of Rockville Centre 631-789-9546.

Are You a Fully Initiated Catholic?

RCIA: The Parish of St. Jude welcomes any Adult Non-Catholic who would like to find out more about the Catholic Church or any Catholic

Who Would Like To Complete The SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

(Baptism, Confirmation and/or Communion)

The group will be beginning Monday, September 12th and reception of sacraments in 2012. A \$20 material fee is requested at the time of registration. Special circumstances will be considered.

It is very important that you come and stay for every class.

Please fill out and return to rectory. Attn: St. Jude RCIA

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Sacrament(s) needed, please check all that apply:

- Baptism
- Confirmation
- Communion
- Please check if Baptized other than Roman Catholic

Mass Attendance

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY				
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	5pm	Total
July 3	261	90	258	259	375	125	1368
July 10	220	120	221	285	440	112	1398
July 17	213	110	239	242	530	95	1429
July 24	246	140	239	282	495	117	1519
July 31	217	130	227	257	395	145	1371

Weekly Collections

Regular Collection July 31st \$8,882.89
Spare-A-Dime \$954.00

Catholic Ministries Appeal

2011 Goal \$50,174.00
Total pledges a/o 8/2/11 \$59,089.08
of Donors 199
Payments a/o 8/2/11 \$45,544.08

Thank you to all who have pledged.

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2011 *Saint Dominic, priest*
DT 10:12-22/MT 17:22-27
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2011 *Weekday*
DT 31:1-8/MT 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2011 *Saint Lawrence, deacon and martyr*
2 COR 9:6-10/JN 12:24-26
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2011 *Saint Clare, virgin*
JOS 3:7-10A, 11, 13-17/MT 18:21-19:1
FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011 *Weekday*
JOS 24:1-13/MT 19:3-12
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2011 *Weekday*
JOS 24:14-29/MT 19:13-15
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2011 *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
IS 56:1, 6-7/ROM 11:13-15, 29-32/MT 15:21-28

Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of August 8th has been donated:
By the Breakfast Club

Altar Flower Offering

The altar flowers for the weekend of August 6th & 7th have been donated:
Intentions of the Amaya-Ortiz Family

August 20th & 21st
Many dates are available September-November

Wedding Banns

II. John Liberty/ Kathleen Marinaro
I Brian Keith McGarrity/Pamela Frances Start
I Marlon Velasquez/ Mirna Salguero

Baptisms

Anthony Juan Cortes
May God bless him and his family!

Join World Youth Day as a Virtual Pilgrim

Join faithful youth from around the globe for 'World Youth Day 2011' August 16–21st! Create an avatar below and then send it on a virtual journey to Madrid, Spain for the largest youth event in the world. Through this site you can gather with the thousands who will be taking this pilgrimage for a personal encounter with Christ. Available From the Diocesan Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Diocese-of-Rockville-Centre>

Happy Birthday St. Faustina

Join us for a Day of Prayer and Recollection and share in the love she had for Our Divine Mercy! Sunday, August 28th at 'St. Thomas the Apostle' Lower Church and Parish Center from 10AM–3:30PM. Guest Speakers are Mary Jane Guilfoyle and Dr. John Palmer. Day includes: Breakfast and Lunch, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Mass, Readings from The Diary of St. Faustina, The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Registering in advance will help us determine amount of food needed. To Register, please call 516-448-5792, email divinemercuryministry@yahoo.com or mail your registration form to Dawn Wyrick 112 New York Ave, West Hempstead, NY 11552.

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Fall Semester Registration

The 'Seminary of the Immaculate Conception' offers 'Master of Arts in Theology' and 'Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies' Fall semester begins September 7th and registration closes September 22nd. For further information, contact the Academic Office 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743(631) 423-0483 ext. 147 Or visit our website www.icseminary.edu

40-Year Reunion for Holy Family Diocesan High School Class of 1971

A 40-year reunion for 'Holy Family Diocesan High School' Class of 1971 is planned for Saturday, October 15th at 'St. Anthony High School' in South Huntington. Contact Candice Carrizzo-Searles at searles18@optonline.net for details.

Gennesaret Retreat

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with serious illness is planned September 23rd–25th at the Monfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, NY. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, His forgiveness, and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: Colette Fanelli 631-665-7052.

Dominican Village Sit Down Luncheon

Come by for a complementary Sit Down Luncheon on August 25th at 11:30AM in our beautiful dining room. Conveniently located on a sprawling 13 acre campus located at 565 Albany Avenue Amityville, NY. Reservations are required R.S.V.P by August 19th at 631-842-6618.

Dominican Village is a non-for-profit, nonsectarian, independent, assisted living residence respite care and short term stay rental retirement community. Please come by our open house between 1PM to 3PM: Thursday, August 25th. We offer outstanding programs, all-inclusive services and bountiful amenities. For more information, or to schedule a tour at your convenience, contact us today at 631-842-6091 or info@dominicanvillage.org.

Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course

The 'Catholic High School Entrance Exam' will be held on October 29th. 'St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School' is offering a prep course. There are five Saturday classes on September 24th, October 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd from 8:30–10:30AM and one Wednesday class from 6–8PM on October 26th. Call 631-587-800 x126 for registration forms.

How often have we bargained with God?

"God, if you help me pass this test, I'll stop bugging my sister."
"God, I'll give more money to the poor if you'll help me get this job."
"Lord, please cure my husband's cancer. I'll go to church daily. I'll do whatever you want."

Most of us have made a similar request of God. We're accustomed to the give-and-take of our human world—you request something, you give something in return.

But in trying to bargain with God, we forget we're not dealing with another human being. God doesn't need our bargaining. God is always working for our good, even if we can't see it.

In today's Gospel, Peter learned this same lesson. He was frightened by the storm at sea, and he doubted it was Jesus walking on the water. He bargained, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." Peter came at Jesus' command but, still afraid, he began to sink. Jesus raised him up and calmed

the storm.

Peter bargained that if Jesus was really present in the midst of the storm, Peter would be able to walk on the sea.

But Jesus was already there—he didn't need to perform a miracle to prove his existence. It was fearful Peter who wanted such proof.

Being afraid in the midst of life's storms—exams, job losses, illnesses—often leads us to forget that God is always with us. We feel alone, and we want God to miraculously prove he's with us. But Peter reminds us that even if God doesn't work in the way we expect, God is still with us. God can still calm the storm. God is still the one in charge of our lives.

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