

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time · Our Lady of Lourdes · July 10, 2005

*"My word shall not return to
me void, but shall do my will,*



*achieving the end
for which I sent it."*

Isaiah 55:11

Our Lady of Lourdes

455 Hunter Avenue
West Islip, New York 11795

Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano
Pastor

Rev. Stanislaus Chukwube
Associate Pastor

Welcome to our Parish Family! New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our parish family. Please call or visit the Parish Office.

Mission Statement

As stewards of all that God has given us, the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes serves and ministers to all who come to this place. Regardless of a person's history, ethnicity, gender, orientation, age or race, we commit ourselves to open wide the doors of our Parish to provide a place of welcome and hospitality.

Vision...

so that all may know that they are a vital part of the Body of Christ, we further recommit and challenge ourselves to:

- **Live** out our Baptismal call passionately by caring for all of God's people with justice.
- **Grow** in an understanding of God's role in each of our lives.
- **Respond** to the Gospel in a radical way, inviting and inspiring all to form the Kingdom of God in every moment of life.
- **Acknowledge** we are not complete without the willingness to grow, discern, and discover the Spirit who moves and guides us.

Rev. Ambrose Cabildo
In Residence

Rev. Robert Scheckenback
In Residence

Deacon Stephen M. Behar
Deacon John DeGuardi
Deacon Jules O. A. Gagnon
Parish Outreach

Deacon Jack Meehan
Coordinator of Stewardship
Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Sr. Nancy Campkin
Director of Religious Education
Regina Ann Cioffi
School Principal

Jennifer Gallagher
Director of Youth Services

Carol M. Goetz
Parish Music Director

Sr. Diane Liona
Director of Religious Education

Vita Scorcio
Ministry Spiritual Director

John Sureau
Coordinator of Worship

Sr. Betty Toohig
Senior Ministry-SAGE

Anthony Trombino
Business Manager

Pastoral Council

Michael Abbruscato
Salomon Acosta
Regina Ann Cioffi
Jane Desthers
Al Fioravanti
Stephen Frodell
Kathleen Goldin
Kathleen Holland (*chair*)
Maria Lucie
Ward Moeller
Mary Steck
John Sureau
Fr. Mike Vetrano
Marie Yuliano

Parish Staff

Barbara Catusco
Religious Education Office
Mary Anne Lettieri
Parish Office
Debbie Meyer
Bulletin/Parish Office
Rosemary Multer
School Office
Rex Muro
Organist
Rita Spera
Religious Education Office

Sing a New Song

to the Lord



**Summer
Evening
Prayer**

**Summer Evening Prayer
begins
Monday, July 11**

**"Welcome Summer
BBQ"**

sponsored by
**Munch Landscaping
at 6 PM**

**Arts and Crafts
begin at 6:30 PM
for the kids!**



Evening Prayer
with homilist
Fr. Mike Vetrano
at 7 PM

Music for Evening Prayer
will be led by our
Contemporary Music Group.

Following will be a small concert
by our **Contemporary Music
Group and dessert for all!**

A time for our
parish family
to come together
in a relaxed, spirited
and fun-filled way.
Bring your family
and friends -
and invite others
to come as well.

Can you help us out-send an e-mail jsureau@ollchurch.org or call 661.3224. Also-are you a business owner who can help us offset some costs related to Evening Prayer. If so, please let us know.



Our Lady of Lourdes 21st Golf Outing

The Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Lourdes will be holding its 21st Annual Golf Outing on Thursday, August 25 at the Timberpoint Country Club.

Sign-in with continental breakfast starting at 7 AM. Green fees, electric cart, barbeque lunch at cross-over, open bar and full buffet dinner at course. Awards for all winners! Shot-gun start at 8 AM. Fee is \$150 per golfer.

This event sells out every year!

Contact a committee member early to reserve your spot. All golfer fees must be submitted before August 1 to secure your reservation.

For reservations or information, please call: *Bob Cestaro at 587.0249,*

Gerry Fogarty at 667.5979, Rocky Laino at 661.1981, Dom Lettieri at 669.4957, or Bill Marsden at 586.0581.

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word celebration continues throughout the summer. Please come with your entire family each week to the 9:30 AM Mass as our youngest parishioners are called forth to hear God's Word in a special way – led by lay women and men – in the Parish Center. What about you? Our Children's Liturgy of the Word teams are looking for new members. The commitment in time is not tremendous, but the feeling of bringing children closer to God is! There will be a two session training soon and then you'll join one of our "teams" that meet once every six weeks to plan out a particular Sunday celebration. If you're interested, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Living Liturgy

It ain't over... 'til it's over!

Our parish's Liturgy committee (*and many parishioners, too*) have noticed an increasing number of people leaving before the Closing Hymn (even before the Communion procession is over!). Can this be something that all of us can work on? Over the next few weeks we'll present some ideas, suggestions and reasons why staying until the end is important.

This week, let's start simple! Imagine you've been invited by a good friend to a party in his or her honor and everyone knows you're coming. You come, spend some time, even take part in the meal, but leave after eating without really saying farewell or good bye. Could we make a similar comparison to how we celebrate Liturgy?

We have been called and invited to a tremendous celebration with hundreds of our brothers and sisters in our parish! The flow of the liturgy calls us to welcome, listen, share, eat, reflect and bid farewell. For some of us, we're not taking the time to reflect after receiving communion and not bringing a good close to the liturgical celebration.

Consider this for you, if you leave early, "Why?" What can you do to change?

Look in this space over the next few weeks for more ways we can more profoundly celebrate the Mass at OLL!

Praying for Fr. Ambrose

Last week, Fr. Ambrose received word from the Philippines that his brother, Augustine, had passed away. Fr. Ambrose has returned to the Philippines and will stay with his family and community for the next few weeks.

In his short time here, Fr. Ambrose has brought a great sense of community, hospitality and humility to both our parish and to Our Lady of Consolation Nursing Home in West Islip. Let's pray for Fr. Ambrose and his family during these difficult days.

If you wish to write Fr. Ambrose a note or drop off a card, please do so by leaving it at the Parish Office during business hours.

Dear Parishioners,

Summer is a great time for parishioners but a rough time for parishes. People are away on vacation, church attendance drops a bit, expenses (like air conditioning) are high, and besides the weekend collection there are very few other sources of income for the parish (like tuition, program fees, and the like).

We came into this summer behind in the game because of a hard winter and now, if you look at our weekly collections, you can see that we are falling further and further behind.

We need a summer boost. A sign of support for all the wonderful programs like Summer Evening of Prayer and Vacation Bible Camp that continue through these months.

On the weekend of July 16/17 we will have a special second booster collection. Our goal will be to have it equal or exceed a regular Sunday collection. To get to that goal I would ask each family to donate to this collection as you do to a regular Sunday collection. If you have not been able to contribute up to now - this would be a great sign of support.

What most people like about our community is that it offers so much, so many services and so much welcome, to anyone who comes to worship here. We can only continue to be this kind of community if we have the assurance of your support.

Won't you please consider a generous donation to our booster collection on July 16/17? Remember that all funds in this collection will be used right here, and only here, in our parish programs.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Mike

Baptisms

Aidan Michael Dunn

Michael & Kathleen

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

Arranged at least six months in advance, please contact the Parish Office.



Resting in Peace

Catherine B. Mazza, wife of Salvatore
James Maher, father of Theresa

Upcoming Marriages

Rebecca Ramirez & Juan Meza, both OLL

Jacqueline Eves & Frank Siino, both OLL

Kathryn Kapalko, OLL & *Matthew Dawes*, Yonkers

Francesca Moore & Martin Colver, both OLL

Monica deAbreu, Our Lady of Peace, Lynbrook & *Brian Adamson*, OLL

Julianne Messina, OLL and *Robert Rotunno*, Our Lady of Grace, W. Babylon

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Communion Calls

Communion brought to those who are homebound.
Contact the Parish Office.

Remembering...

Monday, July 11

St. Benedict

8:00 AM Charles Homann

Tuesday, July 12

8:00 AM Annmarie Anderson

Wednesday, July 13

8:00 AM Carmella Stanziani

Thursday, July 14

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 AM Lillian & William Fennikoh

Friday, July 15

St. Bonaventure

8:00 AM James Ruggiano

Saturday, July 16

8:00 AM James Celiberti, Vincent McCarthy, Anna Connolly, Robert Russell, Rose Croci, John Wallace, Virginia Petrino, Mindy & Joe Findley, Fr. Joseph Testagrossa, OFM, In Thanksgiving for Healing of Victoria Delfin

5:00 PM Rose Guider

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

Sunday, July 17

8:00 AM Robert L. Lang

Fr. Mike Vetrano

9:30 AM Robert J. Davis

Fr. John Asomugha

11:00 AM Patrick Manning, Dorothy & Joseph Boening

Fr. Mike Vetrano

12:30 PM Louis, Margharita & Rose Fortunato

Fr. John Asomugha

6:00 PM Wayne & Roland Van Acker, Frankie Jedlicka, Joseph Hromada, Dick Qualliotine, Marie Cuzzi, Carol Bacany, Robert Bono, Anna Stanclik, John Wallace, Patricia Abruscato, Angie Cinquemani, Florence Hill, Palma St. John

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

Daily Mass

8 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM, & 6 PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

Financial Summary

July 3, 2005

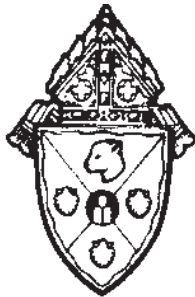
Weekly Collection	\$19,928.93
Weekly Budget	-\$19,057.00
+/- for the week	\$ 871.93

Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$ 2,745.31
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs, and salaries is \$19,057.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

*“Touching the lives of many through
Diocesan & Parish ministries and services.”*



Parish status:	June 21, 2005
Pledged to date:	\$110,029
Potential Rebate:	\$25,803
Pledges to date:	490
Average pledge:	\$224.55

Thank you to all those parishioners who have responded so generously to the CMA. We are almost at our parish pledge goal of \$118,600 which was the amount contributed in 2004. However, more pledges are needed if we are to meet/exceed this goal.

Pledges can be sent to the parish office or deposited in the collection baskets. Checks accompanying the pledges, although not necessary to make a pledge, should be made payable to “Catholic Ministries Appeal” and enclosed in an appropriately labeled envelope. Blank pledge cards are available at all the Church entrances.

Youth Ministry OLL Vacation Bible Camp



B.U.G.S. Adventures—
Bringing Us God's Spirit!
Monday, July 25–Friday, 29
9 AM until 12:30 PM



All campers **MUST** be registered no later than July 11. Registration forms are available at ollchurch.org, or at the Parish Office. Camp volunteers are always needed. Adults and teens are needed to help as group counselors, games assistants, arts & crafts helpers, and more. If you can help out during the week of camp, please email jengallagher@ollchurch.org and come to the volunteer's meeting. **PLEASE NOTE:** There is a **meeting** for all **camp volunteers** on **Tuesday, July 12 at 6 PM in the cafeteria.**

Dear Family at OLL,

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for a wonderful celebration of gratitude two weeks ago. My thirteen years serving you have been filled with joy and admiration, so it made sense that our coming together to give thanks to God for one another would also be a joy-filled moment.

The reception after the Mass was terrific, the cafeteria never smelled better! My mom and dad commented to me at the end of the night that I must feel like the luckiest man in the world to have gotten to know all of you. Although I miss you already, you are in my heart forever; we will always be connected through the gift of the Eucharist.

Be assured of my prayers for you always, and please pray for me. This is a huge new beginning in my life, and I am trying hard to place myself in God's hands. As I said at the Mass, you can see me any night beginning in September at 7:30 PM (you ALL have to give up Wheel of Fortune forever!)

If you want to contact me, you can get me at Telecare, 516-538-8704 or email me through the Religion and Rock website, www.religionandrock.com.

Nassau County has lots of lights, less grass, but new restaurants to explore! The one certain thing is a loving community at St. Aidan's in Williston Park. They have welcomed me with joy and hospitality, and I hope they are half as kind as all of you!

Let us continue to be Church; proclaiming Jesus' love and forgiveness to all we meet, and treasure one another as together we strive to become what we receive from the altar, the Body of Christ!

Love,

Fr. Jim

Our Feast Needs You!

Many of our parish organizations are counting on this year's annual Italian Family Feast in September to be a record breaking fundraiser for both our parish and our school. In order to achieve this type of result, we must reach beyond our regular parish family of feast-goers. In addition to many new planned feast features, we must take advantage of new ways to promote our feast, possibly by using local TV, radio, or even better use of local newspapers. If you have any experience in using these types of media advertising, or even if you don't have any experience, but would like to volunteer, please contact Dom Lettieri at the Parish Office at 661.3224 for more information.

By doing so, you will receive great satisfaction in knowing that you played an important role in achieving our parish goal of a record breaking year for our parish feast!

**Parish Office
661-3224**

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM
Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM

email:

ParishOffice@ollchurch.org

fax: 661-7143

Website

www.ollchurch.org

**Our Lady of Lourdes
School
587-7200**

Monday-Friday:
9 AM - 3 PM

email:

ReginaC@ollschool.org

**Religious Education
Office**

661-5440

Monday-Friday:
9 AM - Noon
1 PM - 5 PM
7 PM - 9 PM

email:

ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

**Parish Outreach
661-9262**

Monday-Friday:
9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

SAGE

661-3224

**(Senior Advocates for
Growth and Enrichment)**

email:

Sage@ollchurch.org

Thrift & Gift Boutique

Monday & Thursday:
9 AM - 11 AM
Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM



Altar Society

Rose Grant

Altar Servers Needed

Our parish's altar server ministry is looking for young women and men entering 4th grade to become altar servers. This is a wonderful way to get even more involved in our Church while helping our entire parish grow closer to God. If you're interested, contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Lectors Wanted

Recently, our lector ministry was sponsored as part our "Parish Stewardship Effort." If you missed the sign up or still want some more information, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Communion Calls

Communion brought to those who are homebound. Contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 661.3224 to leave the names of parishioners who:

- are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist
- are in Good Samaritan Hospital and would like to be visited by a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry.

Music

Contemporary Music Group

practice will be on Sunday, July 17
at 4:30 PM in the Church.



Pray for Our Sick

We ask that you keep in your prayers the sick of our parish:

*Jannine Augustine, Frank Bonsignore, Christian Bullock, Tom Capo,
Jerry Castonguay, John Esposito, John Finch, Concetta Franco,
Rita Germano, James Grillo, Sr., Diana Kaehne, Mary Lockerman,
Benjy Margulies, Marguerite Martinelli, Danny McCann,
Arabella Elizabeth McCarthy, Nichole O'Connor, Charles Oliver,
Joe Radosti, Fred Ruggio, Rose Serragano, Dorothy Sullivan, Rose Towler,
Jerry Vacca, Loretta Vitale*

Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group will
meet on Thursday, **July 14 at 3 PM** in the **Church**.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group will
meet on Friday, **July 15 at 8 PM** in **Room 16**.

Rosary/Novena

Rosary:

Daily after 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday after 8 AM Mass

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults(RCIA)

A process to be embraced by the
Catholic Church. For non-Catholics and
for Catholics who have never received
formal religious education. If interested,
please call the Parish Office.

Members in the Military

We ask that you pray especially for those in our parish that are on active duty in the
Middle East conflict.

They are:



Jerry Clark, Jr.-US Army

Justin Estelle-US Army

John Finn-US Army

Kenneth Gein-US Army

William Morrow-US Marines

Peter Provenzano-US Army

John Thompson-US Marines

...and remember those of our parish family that are in the armed services, listed in our
Parish Book of Intentions.

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday and Tuesday at 8 PM,
and Saturday at 7 PM in
Lourdes Hall. (lower level-convent)

ALANON

Each Wednesday at 10 AM in
Lourdes Hall.

Parish Societies

Holy Name

Second Sunday of each month
at the 8 AM Mass followed by
breakfast meeting.

Daytime Eucharistic

Devotion-Wednesday
(following first Saturday of month)
from 1 PM to 3 PM.

Nocturnal/Eucharistic

Adoration-First Saturday of
each month from 6 PM to 10 PM.

Senior Circle

Last Monday of each month at
12:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Rosary-Christian

Mothers-First Monday of
each month for spiritual and
social evenings.



Ten Ways to Observe the Year of the Eucharist

(one way to be printed each week in the bulletin)

3. Celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ more fully.

This year let us also celebrate with particular devotion the solemnity of Corpus Christi, with its traditional procession. Our faith in God. . . needs to be everywhere proclaimed, especially in our streets and homes. . . (#18). The church is the Body of Christ: we walk "with Christ" to the extent that we are in relationship "with his body" (#20).

While it is never our goal to merely reenact the past, history can at times help inform our current liturgical practices and festivity. The feast of Corpus Christi, with its rich tradition of processions and public civic engagement, holds ample opportunity for festive liturgical prayer, evangelization for justice, and parish social gatherings to enjoy one another's company. This solemnity helps us to recognize the multiple presences of Christ that we encounter in worship, the gathered community, and all of daily life.



15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

It is impressive and awe-inspiring to tour some of the historical sites associated with colonial times. Tools, furniture, weapons and buildings that played a role in our nation's history give the visitor a sense of pride and excitement. We are indeed blessed to live in a country so richly blessed by God with those who had a vision for a free and prosperous nation.

The years that led up to the Declaration of Independence were not easy. Not everyone was convinced that we should split from England. There were debates about how we would unite, what role the individual states would play, and how taxes would be collected and spent. Those times were filled with fear as well as excitement as the new nation was born.

St. Paul deals with so many mundane issues as he tries to establish the church in different communities. He struggles to preach and teach the Gospel, and at the same time, settle disputes, answer questions and correct errors in teaching. He knows, however, that these struggles are but a small price to pay as he sees the message of faith bear fruit and continue to grow. Our own faith is strengthened in our battle with evil, in our willingness to choose good and endure whatever difficulties come because of our fidelity to the Gospel. God will bring to fulfillment the good work he has begun in us.

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Readings for the Week of July 10, 2005

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/ Rom 8:18-23/ Mt 13:1-23
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/ Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/ Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/ Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/ Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10-12:14/ Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/ Mt 12:14-21 (394)
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/ Rom 8:26-27/
 Mt 13:24-43

Parish Outreach

Outreach Office Hours

Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM.

For information/assistance call 661.9262.

Script is sold in the Outreach office during business hours.

Home Care

If you need help at home—home companion or child care—please call Parish Outreach at 661.9262.

Our Lady of Lourdes Bereavement

Our parish support group for those who have lost a loved one—

All Are Welcome!

If interested, please call the Parish Outreach Office at 661.9262.

Pantry Needs

Thank you for your continued generosity in helping to provide food and necessities for so many in need.

Please donate whatever you can—
Some suggested items would be:
boxed potatoes, boxed rice, canned fruits, canned soups, cereal, cookies, crackers, jello, jelly, pudding, saltines, vegetables-canned: corn, peas, string beans.



Caring for the Homeless

While you, your family members and friends travel on your summer vacations, collect travel size shampoo, conditioner, body lotion and toothpaste. Hold on to them for now and look in future bulletin for specific ways we can help St. Anne's Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen in Brentwood.

Social Action Alert

Social Action Update

On Wednesday, June 29, over 40 parishioners involved in ministry came to a special meeting in our school cafeteria to pray, talk and share ideas about our parish's work in Justice and Outreach. Sister Kay McCarthy, OP, Pastoral Associate at St. Matthew's Parish in Dix Hills came to facilitate the night.

As we prepare for our Parish's 50th Anniversary, these areas are vital to our lives as Catholic Christians. This week our Social Action Group is working to put together everyone's input and ideas. Do you have thoughts about parish's work in the areas of justice and outreach? If so, let us know!

The two major questions we reflected on together were:

- What are we doing well in the areas of justice and outreach?
- What can we do better in the 50th year and beyond?

If you have some thoughts or ideas, please leave a note in the Parish Office or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Discipleship

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood or consecrated life? If you think God is calling you, contact the Vocations Office at 631.424.9888 or Vocations@drvc.org

NYSCATHOLIC.org

If you haven't done so already, please check out www.nyscatholic.org and sign up for e-mail updates. This is one way we can all help those who are in need globally and locally and learn more about issues we all should be involved in!! Sign up today!

Divorce and Beyond

Facilitator Leader Training to be held at **St. Sylvester Parish Center in Medford on Tuesday, July 12 from 7 - 9 PM or Emmanuel RC at Kellenberg HS in Uniondale on Wednesday, July 13 from 7 - 9 PM.** There is a \$20 registration fee which includes registration, book and facilitator guide. To register or for further information, call the Office of Laity & Family at 516.678.5800, extension 508.

Nutritional Needs

Catholic Charities is proud to administer The Commodity Supplemental Food Program/FAN. This program offers free food for seniors age 60 and over who are income-eligible. The Commodity Supplemental Food Program/FAN also offers free food for income eligible children under six years of age and women who are pregnant or up to one year postpartum. For more information, please call Catholic Charities at 631.491.4169 or 631.491.4156.

Religion & Rock

Tune into "Religion & Rock" with Fr. Jim Vlaun on **Sunday from 7 AM to 8 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End** of Long Island.

Next Sunday's theme is:

"Perseverance"

Don't forget to tune in! Visit "Religion & Rock" on the web, www.religionandrock.com.

The Mercy INN

The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen of Wyandanch needs a few regular volunteers to serve at lunchtime on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday. We also need some good people to serve as substitutes for regular volunteers. We serve lunch Monday through Friday from noon to 1 PM. If you can help us, please call Kathy at 631.422.1420. God Bless You.

Contemplatives in a Chaotic World

Workshop to be given Monday, July 25 - Thursday, July 28 from 9:30 Am to 12 Noon at The Cenacle in Ronkonkoma. Joseph Cardinal Bernadin, Fr. Mychal Judge, Sr. Diane Ortiz, Sr. Joan Chittister—contemplative witnesses of the Gospel in today's world. Each day we will explore a different facet of living contemplatively in a chaotic world. Presented by Thomas Petriano, Ph.D., currently teaching Religious Studies at St. Joseph's College.

Directed Retreats

Come for 5 - 10 days. The flow of each day allows you to move at your own pace, includes personal meeting with your spiritual director, offers the opportunity to share in daily Eucharist and invites you to spend your day, including meals in prayerful silence. To be held at the Cenacle in Ronkonkoma. For further information, please call 631.588.8266

Housing Needed

A sister of St. Dominic is seeking the rental of a one bedroom apartment in the West Islip area. (August 15 availability)

If you are looking to rent, please call 516.458.6268 after 9 PM Monday through Friday or on weekends.

150th Anniversary

In September of this year, the Sisters of Saint Joseph will begin the celebration of their 150th Anniversary of service to the people of the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre. There will be a Gala Dinner Dance at the Garden City Hotel on Thursday, October 27, 2005. For additional information on this and other events of the Jubilee Year, please contact Mary Ann Crimmins, CSJ at 631.273.1187, extension 25.

Position Available

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is seeking an experienced secretary to provide secretarial and administrative support to Vice Officialis and/or Diocesan Judge and to assist in the general processing of annulments and assigning cases to an Advocate. This is a part-time position of four days/28 hours per week. Interested candidates should forward a cover letter, with salary requirements, and resumé to Office of Human Resources, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P. O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023.

Sharing the Gospel



Jesus told his story from a boat because of the crowds. Maybe he looked in all those faces to see whose hearts were being changed. God's word is holy and powerful enough to change any heart. The question is, what kind of soil are you? Are you a well-worn path that never lets it sink in? Are you hard and

rocky? Ready to give up when it gets a little hard? Are you full of weeds and thistles that need to be dug out? Or are you good soil that will produce lots of sweet fruit?

Mission for the Week



Spend some time each day this week reading the Gospels and letting God speak through his word.



Coded Message

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Then he taught them many things by using stories.



Prayer

Dear Jesus,
 please soften me
 with your rain,
 break up my hard
 rocky areas,
 and dig out my
 weeds and thistles
 that leave no room
 for you.
 I want to bear
 good fruit.