

# Our Lady of Lourdes

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • July 24, 2005

**"The reign of heaven  
is like a treasure buried in a field,**



**which a person finds  
and sells all to buy  
that field."**

Matthew 13:44

# 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 Catuosco**  
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

### Evening Prayer

Monday, July 25  
with homilist  
Carol Goetz  
at 7 PM

Music for Evening Prayer  
will be led by contemporary  
music group  
"Lift Him Up".

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

Arts and Crafts  
sponsored by  
West Islip Orthodontics

Hospitality  
sponsored by  
Mehling Orthopedics

This week-  
we invite everyone  
with last name  
starting with M - Z  
to bring their  
favorite dessert  
for our sharing table.

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](mailto: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.*

## **Social Action**

### **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 bulletins for specific ways we can help St. Anne's Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen in Brentwood.

### **Helping the Hungry**

Please remember to bring your weekly food donations to Church, particularly during the summer months. So many rely on your generosity – from both our parish and local parishes – let's not let them down! You can leave your donations at the doors of the Church every Sunday.

### **School Supplies Needed**

Throughout the month of *August*, we are asking our entire parish to help those in need by bringing new, unused school supplies to Summer Evening Prayer each Monday night. As we prepare for another school year many families in our parish and the local community need basic school supplies so they can get off to a good start this school year. Can you help? If so, pick up a few school supplies as you see them on sale or when shopping for your family. Bring them to *Evening Prayer each Monday of August* and leave them in the baskets by the Hospitality table. Thanks for your help and support.

## Senior Circle

The Senior Circle meeting for Monday, July 25 has been canceled.



## Why are We Singing a New Song?

As you read page 3 of our bulletin, we are “*Singing a New Song*” to the Lord each Monday night at Evening Prayer. The many gifted and beautiful music groups in our parish have offered so much each week and our homilists have not only challenged us with great sermons on the Scriptures but also encouraging us to sing well at liturgy. One voice alone can’t do it – but all of our voices together can bring about even more beautiful things!

Singing at Church is not something exclusive to our parish, but it is what the Church calls us to do every time we gather. We don’t come to Church only to ‘listen’ to the music at Mass but, we are called to add to it!

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, the document that guides our liturgical celebration in the Church states...

*“The Christian faithful who gather together as one to await the Lord’s coming are instructed by the Apostle Paul to sing together psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (cf. Col 3:16). Singing is the sign of the heart’s joy (cf. Acts 2:46). Thus Saint Augustine says rightly, “Singing is for one who loves.”<sup>48</sup> There is also the ancient proverb: “One who sings well prays twice.”... Great importance should therefore be attached to the use of singing in the celebration of the Mass, with due consideration for the culture of the people and abilities of each liturgical assembly. Although it is not always necessary (e.g., in weekday Masses) to sing all the texts that are of themselves meant to be sung, every care should be taken that singing by the ministers and the people is not absent in celebrations that occur on Sundays and on holy days of obligation.”*

So let’s continue to sing a new song each week – not just at Evening Prayer – but at all of our liturgies and prayer services!

## Keeping Our Church Clean

Thank you for your help in keeping our Church clean. What a huge help it has been...and please keep it up! If you see something wrong, please let someone know. If there is a bulletin left behind, a worship aid tucked in the missalette rack or something out of place, please return it. Many hands make light work and little things make a big difference in making our worship space even more welcoming and comfortable.

## ***Baptisms***

*Kerrin Mary Gallagher*

Paul and JoAnn

*Charlie Cesar DePiero*

Oswaldo and Kristen

*Katie Patricia Foppiano*

John and Yuan

*Hunter Jerome Sausa*

Joseph and Lisa

*Nicolas Vincent Taormina*

Vincent & Janice

*Jenna Vallinoto*

Pasquale and Hin

## **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***

*Louis Stravato*, father of Vincent  
*Florence R. Viola*, mother of Mary  
*James Santiago*, grandfather of Lorenzo

## ***Upcoming Marriages***

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

*Danielle Cusack* and *Charles Henning*, both OLL

*Allison Epp*, OLL and *Nicholas Betzold*, Ss. Philip & James, St. James

## **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 25

*St. James*

**8:00 AM** Jay Massaro

### Tuesday, July 26

*Ss. Joachim and Anne*

**8:00 AM** Cindy Galasso

### Wednesday, July 27

**8:00 AM** Anne Massaro

### Thursday, July 28

**8:00 AM** Fannie Cudlipp

### Friday, July 29

*St. Martha*

**8:00 AM** Mary Evans

### Saturday, July 30

**8:00 AM** Virginia Petrino, Joy Bandhold, Jean Eidlitz,  
Fred Marangio, Sally Coote, Grazia Gioia,  
Bob Paratore, Raymond Seiper, Jimmy Libretti,  
Richard Wright, Sr.

**5:00 PM** John Lovari

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

### Sunday, July 31

**8:00 AM** Lillian LaRocca

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

**9:30 AM** Joseph Intoci

*Fr. John Asomugha*

**11:00 AM** Charlotte Sweeney

*Fr. John Asomugha*

**12:30 PM** Patricia Mescall

*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

**6:00 PM** Mary Malone Kroupa-Casey, John Costello,  
Angelina LoFaso, Catherine Rocco, Joseph Schady,  
Joanne Tagliatalia, Sister Anne Therese

*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

### Daily Mass

8 AM

### Weekend Masses

**Saturday:** 5 PM

**Sunday:** 8 AM, 9:30 AM,  
11 AM, 12:30 PM and 6 PM

### Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 4 PM - 4:45 PM

### Financial Summary

**July 17, 2005**

Weekly Collection	\$17,736.59
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$19,057.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ (1,320.41)

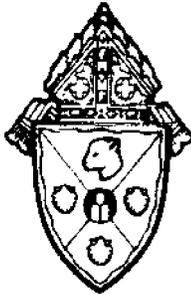
**Summer Booster Collection**

Collected Amount	\$ 7,156.00
Goal Amount	<u>-\$19,000.00</u>
+/- Booster Collection	(\$11,844.00)

*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.”*



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

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.



## **B.U.G.S. Adventures-Bringing Us God's Spirit!**

Monday, July 25-Friday, July 29

9 AM until 12:30 PM

9 AM-drop off campers in cafeteria

12:30 PM-pick up campers in church



### **Family Events**

#### **Camp Orientation Sunday-Blessing of Counselors**

**July 24, 9:30 AM Mass**, followed by a brief "*meet your counselor*" orientation in the cafeteria. Camp T-shirts will be distributed.



#### **Last Day of Camp: Bring Someone Special!**

All campers are invited to bring someone special (parents, grandparents, babysitter, favorite aunt or uncle) to camp on the last day-Friday, July 29 for a fun-filled day of activities followed by hot dog lunch for all!

### **Living Liturgy**

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Have you ever desired to serve the local community by ministering community at Mass or bringing communion to the sick? This Fall, the Diocese of Rockville Centre will offer training for those interested. Our parish will offer a follow up training for all to serve here and to potentially bring Communion to the sick at home in our parish community. If you're interested you can e-mail to [jsureau@ollchurch.org](mailto:jsureau@ollchurch.org), or by calling the Parish Office at 661.3224.

#### **Ushers**

We are always in need of committed women and men to serve in our usher ministry. The ministry of usher is one of the most vital as they welcome, assist parishioners, take up the collection and help people to receive the Eucharist! If you're interested, talk to one of the ushers at the Mass you attend or call the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to [jsureau@ollchurch.org](mailto:jsureau@ollchurch.org).

Parish Office  
661-3224  
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM  
Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM  
Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM  
email:  
[ParishOffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)  
fax: 661-7143  
Website  
[www.ollchurch.org](http://www.ollchurch.org)

Our Lady of Lourdes  
School  
587-7200  
Monday-Friday:  
9 AM - 3 PM  
email:  
[ReginaC@ollschool.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:Sage@ollchurch.org)

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



## Altar Society

Terri Ryan

### 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.

### 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](mailto:jsureau@ollchurch.org).

### Lectors Wanted

Recently, our lector ministry was sponsored as part of 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](mailto:jsureau@ollchurch.org).

**Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group** will meet on Thursday, **July 28 at 3 PM** in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**.

**The Good Samaritan Prayer Group** will meet on Friday, **July 29 at 8 PM** in **Room 16**.

### **Pray for Our Sick**

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

*Jannine Augustine, Jo Brogan, Christian Bullock, Tom Capo, John Esposito, John Finch, Concetta Franco, Rita Germano, James Grillo, Sr., Diana Kaehne, Benjy Margulies, Danny McCann, Arabella Elizabeth McCarthy, Silvestro Messina, Nichole O'Connor, Joe Radosti, Rose Serragano, Dorothy Sullivan, Rose Towler, Dorothy Traufield, Loretta Vitale*

### **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**

**Ed Kelly III-US Air Force**

**William Morrow-US Marines**

**Peter Provenzano-US Army**

**Jonathan Rothwell- 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)*

### 4. Set Aside Sunday as the Lord's Day.

*In a particular way I ask that every effort be made this year to experience Sunday as the day of the Lord and the day of the Church. I would be happy if everyone would reflect once more on my words in the Apostolic Letter Dies Domini (The Day of the Lord) (1998) (#23).*

*Dies Domini* presents Sunday as a time for real presence. Although our American culture equates usefulness with production or accumulation, our Church calls us to pray and join with others as the eucharistic celebration makes Christ present – in the bread and wine, and in the world. The Lord's Day is a time to be present to one another, to ourselves, and to remember all that is most important on our journey of faith. What we each do on the Lord's Day will differ from person to person, but all of it prepares us for greater service toward one another and for the building up of the kingdom of God. Keeping the Lord's Day holy can provide fruitful topics for adult discussion groups, and for children's and family catechesis in the parish.



## 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The rectory attic was a museum of sorts, filled with boxes long abandoned by some of the previous residents. Suffering from snow-induced cabin fever, the pastor decided it was time to clean it out. An afternoon chore turned into a treasure hunt adventure as we discovered old books, art and other smaller artifacts of days gone by. Many items brought a laugh and a story as its history or its owner was recalled.

God hides treasures in life just to keep our attention and interest. Amazing sunsets, funny quirks in nature and in people, a child's newest discovery or an older person's tale of yesteryear reveal the creative power of God at work. It calls us to see life from God's perspective, to marvel at his genius and to offer thanks for such beauty and wisdom and grace. The reign of God manifests itself in detail great and small, so that we are drawn to him and his loving, creating, renewing power.

We can create our own treasures because God shares his power and his will with us. God gives us the ability to participate in his creative love. We create new life, produce great works of art, compose beautiful music, and bring order to life around us. Most importantly, we share the treasure of faith in Jesus and the hope of eternal life. It is a story and a gift that is priceless!  
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### Readings for the Week of July 24, 2005

<b>Sunday:</b>	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/ Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52
<b>Monday:</b>	2 Cor 4:7-15/ Mt 20:20-28
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/ Mt 13:36-43
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ex 34:29-35/ Mt 13:44-46
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/ Mt 13:47-53
<b>Friday:</b>	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/ Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
<b>Saturday:</b>	Lv 25:1, 8-17/ Mt 14:1-12
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Is 55:1-3/ Rom 8:35, 37-39/ Mt 14:13-21

## **Parish Outreach**

### **Outreach Office Hours**

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

For information/assistance call 661.9262.

*Scrip* 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.*

*\*needed most*



### **Someone in need...**

One of our clients in Parish Outreach could use a VCR. If you have a working VCR that you no longer need and would like to donate, please contact Outreach at 661.9262.

This would be greatly appreciated.

### **Thrift Shop**

We cannot accept winter items such as clothing, blankets, skis, toys and books at this time.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this dilemma, we simply don't have the room.

*Now the good news!* We will celebrate the joyous season of Christmas every Saturday in the month of August from 10 AM until 1 PM. We are offering beautiful, low priced items for sale. The proceeds will benefit the Outreach Pantry. Please come and enjoy a cool shopping day with Christmas in your heart.

## Escape for the Weekend

An opportunity to enrich your marriage on August 20 and 21 at the Hampton Inn-Brookhaven, Farmingville. The cost is \$175 per couple for weekend which includes Myers-Briggs workshop, all materials, one room-double occupancy, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday. Please make check payable to-Office of Laity and Family, and send to: P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023. For further information and registration, please call 516.678.5800, extension 223

## Health Care Coordination

Educational workshop dedicated to “*Healthcare Coordination and Medicare Changes*” to be held on **Thursday, July 28 in Msgr. Purick Hall at St. Patrick’s Church in Bay Shore from 10 AM until 12 Noon**. All seniors concerned with health costs should attend. There will be guest speakers including a representative from Social Security with new information on the Medicare changes. For reservations and information please call Catherine at 631.665.7216.

## Spiritual Journey

A spiritual journey of hope for women sexual abuse survivors. This group meets the first Saturday of each month at Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church in Wyandanch. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 6 from 10 AM until 12 Noon in the Rectory Sitting Room. For further information, please call Libby at 631.225.0734.

## 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](mailto:Vocations@drvc.org)

## 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:

## “Getting Away”

Don’t forget to tune in! Visit “Religion & Rock” on the web, [www.religionandrock.com](http://www.religionandrock.com).

Also watch “*Good News with Father Jim*” on TELECARE, channel 29, on Mondays and Fridays at 9:45 AM; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:45 PM; Sundays at 8 PM.

### **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.

### **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

### **Pediatric Health Fair**

This community event will provide information on a variety of pediatric topics such as stranger safety program, "shots for tots", proper car seat installation and more! Presented by Good Samaritan Medical Center on Saturday, July 28 from 9 AM until 3 PM in the Guild Conference Center. For more information, please call 631.376.4444.

### **Safari through God's Word**

Westminster United Presbyterian Church invites children entering kindergarten through grade 6 to a faith-filled Safari through God's Word Vacation Bible School from August 1 through August 5 from 6 PM - 8:30 PM. Free will offering will be accepted for dinner. To register call or stop by Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 10:30 AM and 1 PM.

### **Craft Vendors Wanted**

The St. Brigid/OLH School Fall Crafts Festival, a fun family event, to be held Saturday, September 17 on Maple Avenue in the Village of Westbury from 10 AM until 5 PM. For vendor information, call 516.984.7617.

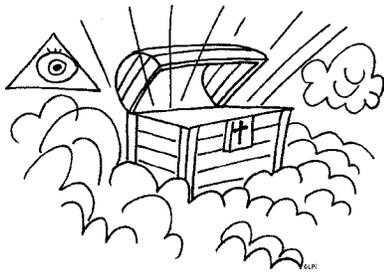
### **Wanted**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have been commissioned by the Diocese to bring Holy Communion to patients at Good Samaritan Hospital. Any day, based on your availability, from 10:15 to 11:15 AM. If interested, please contact Sr. Mary Anna, Director of Pastoral Care at 631.376.4103.

### **Position Available**

Unique entry level opportunity for computer proficient, high energy, quick learner to work directly with director of Human Resources on high-level human resource issues. Candidate must be willing and able to provide administrative support and work in a team environment. Appreciation for detail oriented and accurate work product a must. Interested candidates should forward a cover letter, resumé and three references to Office of Human Resources, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P. O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023.

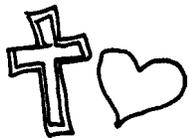
# Sharing the Gospel



Jesus wants us to know where the treasure is in our life. What is really important to us? What would we give everything for? If we are wise, we will treasure God's kingdom over everything else. We will put Jesus first always. If we are wise, we will choose what is

best from both the old and the new. It's time to go treasure-hunting. It's time to look for God in the most unlikely places, and never give up.

## Mission for the Week



Clean out a closet or a dresser drawer this week. Ask God what to let go of. Then spend some time letting Jesus show you anything or anyone that you may have treasured more than him.



### Empty Squares

Fit the following words from today's Gospel into the empty squares below.

Keep the good. Throw away the bad.




### Prayer

Dear God,  
 you are my  
 treasure.  
 I want to put  
 you first in my  
 life, to make  
 your way my  
 way.  
 Please help me  
 with all the  
 choices I make  
 every day.