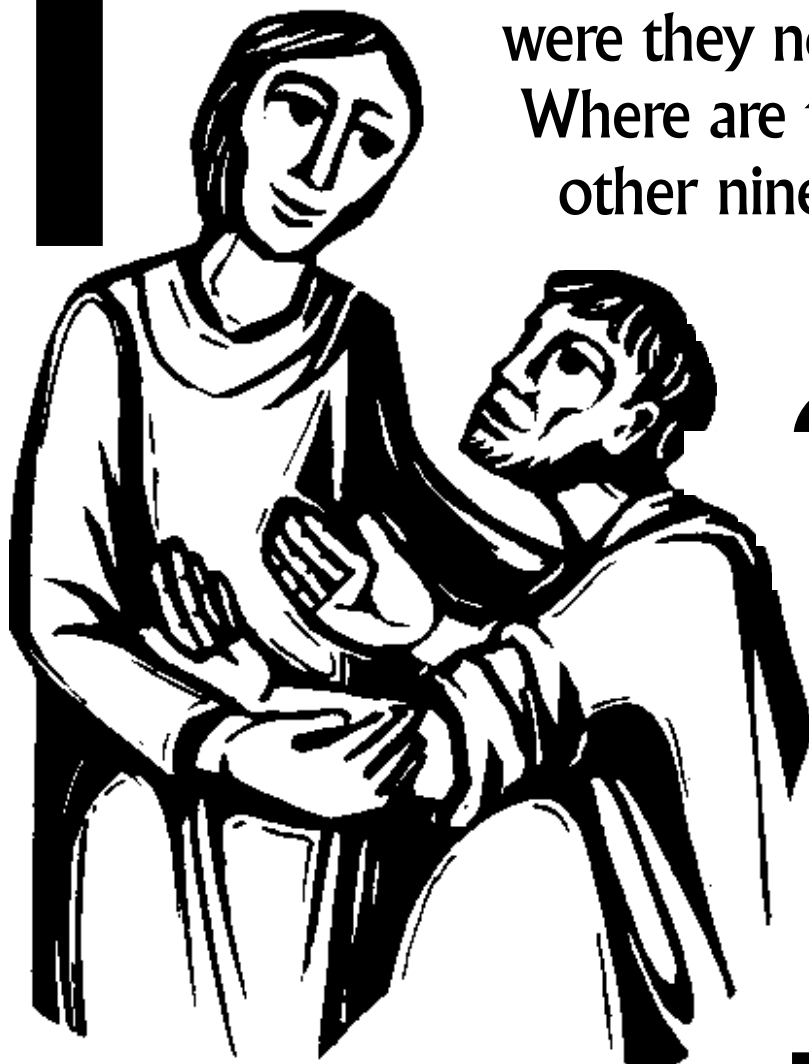




“Ten were cleansed,
were they not?
Where are the
other nine?”



**“Stand up
and go;
your faith
has saved
you.”**

Luke 17:18-19

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Lourdes • October 14, 2007



Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano
Pastor

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

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

fax: 661-7143

website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

587-7200

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM

email: info@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 Office

661-9262

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

S.A.G.E.

661-3224

(Senior Advocates for Growth
and Enrichment)

email: Sage@ollchurch.org

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Associate Pastor

Rev. Robert Scheckenback

Associate Pastor

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Deacon Jack Meehan

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Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar

Senior Ministry-SAGE

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Jennifer Gallagher

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Louise Jane Krol

School Principal

Sr. Diane Liona

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Mary McMahon

Director of Parish Social Ministry

Vita Scorcia

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John Sureau

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Organist

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

Lori Walsh

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.*

*Our Lady
of Lourdes*

455 Hunter Avenue
West Islip, New York 11795

Adult Faith Formation

...this month



Gospel of Matthew

**Tuesdays - October 23, November 6, 13, 20, 27
with Fr. Bob
7:30 PM until 9:30 PM
Parish Center**

Invitation to trust in God's presence...challenge to live as true disciples

Matthew's Gospel excites us with the news that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel. During these five weeks, we will explore the Jesus of Matthew's Gospel from the perspective of this year's Sunday readings...our Liturgical Cycle.

...coming in December

Apparitions of Mary Visits of the Mother of God

**Tuesday - December 4
with Deacon Jack Meehan
7:30 PM until 9:30 PM
Parish Center**



What are the implications of her messages for all of us?

Together we will explore many of the well known apparitions of the Blessed Mother, including Lourdes, Fatima, Garabandal, and Medjugorje. Emphasis will be given to the time, context, and content of the messages.

Gentle Reminder: Preregistration is necessary and helpful This will enable us to have enough reading material and refreshments for all those attending. Please call the Religious Education Office Monday-Friday from 9 AM until 5 PM at 661.5440, option 3 or email to religioused@ollchurch.org. Fee is \$25 and may vary with each class. No fee is required for those who have paid Religious Education Family Fee or Our Lady of Lourdes School tuition.

Confirmation 2007

“Let the power of the Holy Spirit sanctify our lives, and restore all creation, bringing closer ev’ry nation; let this be the celebration that brings hope into the world.”

Let Us Come to Be One Body...Cortez

On **Thursday, October 25, Bishop Paul Walsh** will administer the **Sacrament of Confirmation** to our Candidates. They look to their Parish Family with an even greater awareness of what the words of the above hymn means to them. Through their “Spirit Nights” with their parents and sponsors, they have come to realize how great their responsibility as Confirmed Catholics is in our world today. Please continue to keep them, their parents and sponsors in your prayers as they continue their Journey begun at Baptism and strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Be A Winner!

Support the Sisters of Saint Joseph by purchasing a raffle ticket!
Raffle tickets are \$50 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$200, in conjunction with their **Gala Dinner Dance to be held on October 25, 2007.**



The money realized through the Gala will be used to support ministries of the Sisters of Saint Joseph which are under funded or unfunded.
Raffle tickets are available in the Religious Education Office **through Tuesday, October 16.** See S. Diane or S. Nancy for ***YOUR WINNING TICKET!***
For further information call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option 3.
Winner need not be present. Please make checks payable to Sisters of Saint Joseph.
Thank you for your support and generosity.

Single Senior Social

Our **next meeting will be October 27 after the 5 PM Mass.**
The meeting will be Game Night-so bring the game of your choice.
Dinner will be pizza, salad and dessert! This group is open to all single seniors!
Please feel free to join us for fun and companionship!

*-Pat Wallace
Outreach Volunteer*

Living Liturgy Liturgy Committee

Our next **Liturgy Committee meeting is Monday, October 15 at 7:30 PM in the Faculty Room.** If you're interested in joining the Liturgy Committee – please e-mail to jureau@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 661.3224, x. 135.

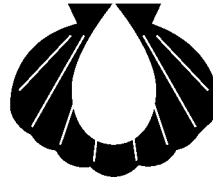
Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Monday and Tuesday at
8 PM and Saturday at 2PM
and 7 PM in Lourdes Hall-
convent lower level.

ALANON:

Each Wednesday at
10 AM in Lourdes Hall-
convent lower level.



Baptisms

Jessica Catherine Bernstein

Robert and Colleen

Alyssa Marie Mattel

Steven and Nancy

Kayleigh Brynn Reilly

Christopher and Christine

Isabella Parise

John and Nicole

Altar Bread & Wine

Veronica M. Graf

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

Rosary/Novena

Rosary:

Daily after 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday after 8 AM Mass

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year.

If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

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

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.

Mass Schedule

Monday, October 15

St. Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor

8:00 AM George Bukowski

Tuesday, October 16

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin

8:00 AM LaRocca & Sweeney Families

Wednesday, October 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr

8:00 AM Anthony Feola

Thursday, October 18

St. Luke, evangelist

8:00 AM Peter Reehil

Friday, October 19

St. John deBrebeuf, martyr

8:00 AM Charles Homann

Saturday, October 20

8:00 AM Lily Turano, Joan M. Levesque, Sr. Mary Imelda Buetow,
Joseph Randazzo, Thanks to Blessed Mother, Joanie Yasinski,
In Honor of Blessed Virgin, In Thanksgiving for the Blessed Mother and
St. Anthony, Daniel Weldon

5:00 PM Barbara McGarrity
Fr. Stan Chukwube

Sunday, October 21

8:00 AM Elizabeth Golden
Fr. Stan Chukwube

9:30 AM Edward Cameron III
Fr. Bob Scheckenback

11:00 AM Paul Stegemann
Fr. Mike Vetrano

12:30 PM Robert Engle
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Placido Raffa, Marie Schauer, Richard Zocchia,
Linda Viverito, Anthony Caputo, Eileen Heaney, James Sweeney,
Leo Dick
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo



Rest In Peace

Dennis Winter, died on September 29 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 3. We extend our prayers to his entire family (children, grand children, great-grandchildren, brothers and sister.)

Fabulous 50's

Football Wedding

with music by the notable
* Dominick and the Vel-tones

Saturday, November 10

7:30 PM - 11 PM

Old School Cafeteria

donation of \$25 per person
includes food and soda (byob)
proceeds to benefit
Our Lady of Lourdes
Parish Outreach *

tickets now on sale at
Outreach Office
10 AM - 3:30 PM
661-9262

Holy Name Society

WHO IS HOLYNAME SOCIETY?

We are a ministry comprised of Catholic men from Our Lady of Lourdes. We seek to deepen our faith not only by praying together, but by serving others. We encourage Catholic men of all ages to openly worship God by attending weekly Mass and by living their faith at home, at work and during their social life.

We seek to involve other members, young and old, in Parish life through sponsored events. We promote the sense of community which is so prevalent here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

SO WHAT'S THE COMMITMENT?

We pray together on the second Sunday of each month at the 8:00 a.m. mass and meet together immediately thereafter for prayer, discussion and breakfast.

COME JOIN US!

We would love for you to join us for our October meeting on the 14th. Or you may contact:

Ron Koraus (631) 587-3257 or Greg Baltrusitis (631) 661-4254



50th Year Anniversary of the **Rosary Christian Mothers**

Past and present members of the Rosary Christian Mothers are celebrating our **50th Anniversary November 18.**

We will begin with the celebration of Mass at 9:30 AM and brunch to follow at the Marconi Manor, Islip. Tickets are \$35. Members and families are welcome.

If interested, please call Claire at 669.3178, Patty at 669.1727, Angie at 586.2084 or Angela at 669.7275.

Good Samaritan Prayer Group of L.I.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group of Long Island holds their **meetings every Friday (except the first Friday of the month) at OLL School in Room 16 from 8 PM until 10 PM.**

All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship each evening.

Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group

The Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group meets each **Thursday afternoon** in the **Church**. The meeting is from **3 PM until 4 PM** in **front of the Blessed Sacrament**.

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:

Brian Barthel-*US Air Force*

Bryan R. Dempsey-*US Marines*

Frederick Wm. Ellis-*US Army*

James J. Ferrara-*US Marines*

John Finn-*US Army*

Donnie Frank-*US Marines*

Armand J. LeComte-*US Marines*

Michael Mallimo-*US Army*

Peter Provenzano-*US Army*

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

Our whole parish family rejoices with the Provast Family in gratitude for the safe return of their son from active duty. **Nathan Provast** -*US Marines* has returned to the United States safe and sound. Thank you, Nathan, for your generous service to our country!

The Provast Family would like to thank Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family for all of their prayers.

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Carol Grillo*.
If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please
call the Parish Office at 661.3224.



Pastoral Care of Our 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.
- would like to receive the sacred anointing.

Pray for Our Sick

Please remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers ...

*Rocco Altieri, Cathy Badalmenti, Pat Bonavita, Thomas Brennan,
Baby Drew Brust, Howard Campkin, Lynn Castellano, Joseph Chirichella,
Erin Corcoran, Thomas Courtney, Regina Cranor, Joseph Cristallo, Frank Curcio,
Karen DellaVecchia, TJ Devlin, Josephine DiBenedetto, Anthony Ferrante,
Jason Fisher, Frank Freudenberg, Samantha Hil, Adam Ippolito, Wade Kromhout,
Evelyn Lang, Richard Lang, Nancy Letsch, Anthony Lombardo, Mike Lorento,
Diego Marino, Michele McCann, Peter McCann, Sr., Olga Michaluk,
Bryan Monahan, Jimmy Murphy, Christine Neal, Joseph Ortiz, Eleanor Pavia,
Arthur Petrino, Baby Conner Pietras, Joe Radosti, Delphine Reynolds,
Dorothy Schiavone, Joe Shields, Derek Stahl, Dorothy Sullivan, Loretta Vitale*



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I am often amazed at Mass when dozens of people receive the holy Eucharist and instead of returning to their pews, they make a beeline for the door, off to something or someplace they've deemed more important. The pastor's face says it all: What could be more important to God than taking that little bit of extra time to kneel back down and give thanks for the gift of Jesus Christ?

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke reminds us that gratitude is not just a response to a gift; rather, gratitude can lead to much greater things. It opens the heart to charity and tolerance, among many other things. True thankfulness for our gifts leads us to be willing to share those gifts with others and allows us to dismiss the barriers which prevent us from loving one another. Our gratitude and compassion - love - becomes our way of life.

We are taught in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that because Jesus Christ is present in the sacrament of the altar, he is to be honored with the worship of adoration. (CCC 1418) Such adoration is an expression of gratitude and love. The body and blood of Christ was given up in exchange for our sins. As the hymn says, no greater love is there than this. Take that extra few moments today and give thanks, not just for your gifts but for the ultimate gift of God's love.

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Readings for the Week of October 14, 2007

Sunday:	2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
Monday:	Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9
Friday:	Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday:	Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Financial Summary

October 7, 2007

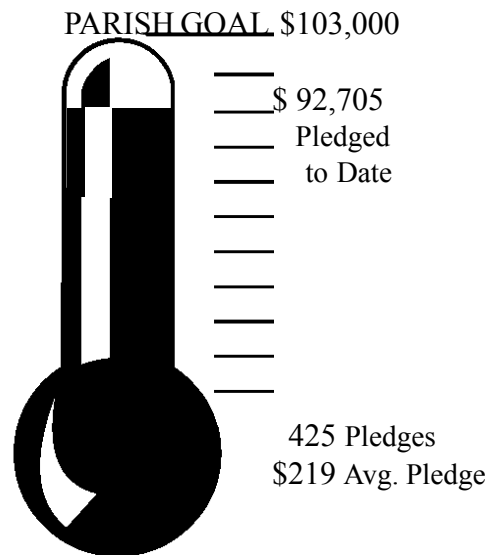
Weekly Collection	\$ 16,123.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 21,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (4,877.00)

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$21,000.

**90%
to goal!**

Catholic Ministries Appeal

The key ingredient to the success of our appeal is participation. In order to reach our goal, we need to have every family participate in the appeal to the best of their ability.



boxed potatoes/rice
canned pasta, ravioli, etc.
chili
coffee/tea
jam/jelly
macaroni & cheese
pasta
tomato sauce

Parish Outreach

Our Lady of Lourdes Food Pantry clients receive food on a weekly basis. Many of our clients just need our assistance during a time of crisis and some need ongoing help. The donations you make allow us to ease the financial burden for these clients and supply them with nourishment for their families. We at Outreach are grateful for your ongoing support and ask you to continue to help us in our effort to assist our clients.

Our Need for Confession

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

In his book on the Sabbath, Wayne Muller brilliantly juxtaposes two descriptions:

"Jules and Olivia are in their fifties, and even though their children are grown, they love to celebrate Shabbos. Every Friday night before the Sabbath meal, they draw a warm bath and, together, take off their clothes and bathe. This is their ritual cleansing, part of their marriage covenant, preparation to receive the Sabbath bride. But more than this, it is also a time for intimacies, and confession.

Each unclothed and open to receive the other, they each put a hand to the other's heart, and ask if there is anything they need to say, any confession, something lingering in the heart that, left unsaid, would hinder a full and joyful Sabbath. On some nights, there is little to say. On other nights, words must be spoken aloud that have lived in secret. Who can imagine what lovers must share, when seeking a pure heart and an honest Sabbath? For thirty years, such honesty comes to this: two beings, warm and close, bathed in love."

"Confession - it is said - is good for the soul. Before mass, Catholics practice confession, a ritual cleansing before receiving the gift of communion. Not to receive punishment or even absolution, but rather to speak what must be brought out from darkness, if we are to receive the light." (Wayne Muller, *Sabbath, Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in our Busy*, N. Y., Bantam Books, 1999, p.198)

Roman Catholics are familiar with confession, the sacrament of reconciliation. However, in recent years, the practice of confession has suffered, and pretty massively, from neglect. Less and less people are going to confession and, those who do, are going less frequently. Many people aren't going to confession at all and those who are going are, by and large, going only twice a year, at penitential services just before Christmas and Easter. This is a far cry from a time when most Catholics would go to confession at least once a month or even once a week.

There's a sad irony in this: People are beginning to neglect the practice of confession just when, for the first time, we are learning from the experience of the therapeutic community that, for some things, there is no help, and there can be no help, outside of a searingly honest and detailed telling of our sins, addictions, fantasies, and foibles to another human being.

An honest confession is a non-negotiable step in any healing process. What healing programs have discovered - just when so many of us inside church circles are forgetting it - is that, good as it is, it's not enough just to be contrite silently in

our hearts. Full healing can only take place when we express that contrition not just to God in the secret recesses of the soul, but when we also speak it out, and in detail, to another human being.

What's at issue, as Muller's brilliant juxtaposition highlights, isn't, radically, forgiveness itself, or even absolution. Sincerity of heart and touching the Body of Christ inside of family and community, particularly Eucharistic community, as the gospels show us, leads to the forgiveness of our sins. But that alone doesn't enable us to come to the family table, the Eucharistic table, to our circle of friends, to our communities, and to our marriage beds with hearts that aren't carrying things that block deeper intimacy and deeper joy.

As well, there is a certain grace, a key one needed to come to grips with our addictions and bad habits, that can, as anyone who has ever been addicted to anything knows, only be entered into when we openly and honestly bring into the light what, until then, has lain hidden in the dark, however sincere our contrition about it. We cannot transform our lives by willpower alone, we also need grace and community and both of these, at a point, depend upon the type of transparency that can only come about by honest confession.

D.H. Lawrence once wrote a poem he entitled, *Healing*, that goes this way:
*I am not a mechanism, an assembly of various sections.
And it is not because the mechanism is working wrongly,
that I am ill.
I am ill because of wounds to the soul, to the deep
emotional self
and wounds to the soul take a long, long time, only
time can help
and patience, and a certain difficult repentance,
long, difficult repentance, realization of life's mistake,
and the freeing oneself
from the endless repetition of the mistake
which mankind at large has chosen to sanctify.*

One of the mistakes that too many of us have chosen to sanctify is the misguided belief that there are things that we do in the dark that need never be brought to the light, that private sincerity alone is enough, and that we can continue to grow in intimacy with our loved ones without, regularly, putting our hands on each other's hearts and speaking aloud those things that have been lived in secret.

Used with permission of the author; Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser. Father Rolheiser is a theologian, teacher, and award-winning author and is currently the President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website www.ronrolheiser.com.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

On **Sunday, November 18, 2007** couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special Mass to be celebrated by Bishop John Dunne at **Christ the King, Commack at 4 PM**. Please pick up and fill out your registration card at the Parish Office no later than October 29. Approximately one week before the ceremony information regarding the celebration will be mailed to you. If you have any questions you may call 516.678.5800, extension 242.

Education of a Lifetime

A Catholic High School education offers young people a challenging, value-centered liberal arts education. It also affords each student an opportunity to test abilities, add skills, build confidence and develop an understanding of faith, while preparing for college and for life. Learn more about each school by attending its Open House. For more information, contact the individual High School or the Catholic Secondary School Administration at 516.739.5030.

Open House Schedule

Sunday, October 14	10:30 AM - 2 PM	St. John the Baptist D.H.S.
Saturday, October 20	12 PM - 2 PM	Academy of St. Joseph
Sunday, October 21	10 AM - 1 PM	McGann-Mercy D.H. S.

The Catholic High School Entrance Exam is scheduled for Saturday, October 27 and will be held at several locations. Applications for the Catholic High School entrance exam are available at the Religious Education Office and the OLL School Office. If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option #3 or the OLL School Office at 661.7200, option #2.

Communion Breakfast

Everyone is welcome! Mass at 10:30 AM. Breakfast at 11:30 AM on Sunday, October 28 at St. John the Baptist High School. Guest speaker will be Fr. Joseph DeGrocco, Professor of Liturgy and Director of Liturgical Formation, Seminary of the Immaculate Conception. Topic: Finding God in Popular Culture. Tickets are \$25 each and children 7 years or younger admitted free. Questions contact Telecare at 516.538.8704, extension 111.

Religion & Rock

Tune into "Religion & Rock" with Msgr. 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: **"Discovery(Columbus Day)."** Don't forget to tune in! Visit "Religion & Rock" on the web, 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.

Contemplative Outreach of Long Island/Queens

What God arranges for us to experience at each moment is the best and holiest thing that could happen to us.

-Jean-Piere de Caussard

Contemplative Outreach of Long Island/Queens will be hosting a **Welcoming Prayer Retreat on October 26-28 at Our Lady of Grace Retreat House in Manhasset**. This weekend workshop includes learning the method of the Welcoming Prayer and having opportunity to practice under the guidance of an experienced and trained presenter. The Welcoming Prayer is a prayer during activity, especially moments of anxiety, stress, and emotional or physical pain. Also included are discussions of the Human Condition and False-Self System as the conceptual background of prayer. For further information, please call Diane Garretson at 631.587.0966.

A Day of Reflection...

on the Root Causes of Poverty and the Issue of Human Trafficking sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Halifax, Nova Scotia. Globalization, poverty, and human trafficking are part of the same complex phenomenon. Many perspectives compete with that of the Gospel of Jesus to confound and confuse us as we struggle to understand them. We invite you to a day of reflection whose goal is to de-mystify these very issues in the context of prayer. Join us on Saturday, November 3 at St. John's University from 9 AM until 4 PM. If you have any questions or to register, please call 718.651.1685.

Holiday Craft and Gift Fair

Please come and join us for our annual Holiday Craft and Gift Fair. There will be over 100 vendors with selections to suit everyone's tastes. There will also be raffles, prizes and food. The fair will be on Sunday, November 4 from 10 AM until 4 PM at Saint John the Baptist High School. For further information please contact Linda at 631.422.5150.

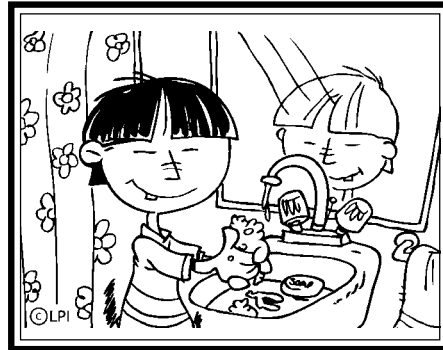
Spiritual Care Companion Program

Are you looking for an avenue to volunteer your time with others? Come and learn more about sharing your gift of time and presence as a Spiritual Care Companion with those that are hospitalized or living in a nursing home.

Spiritual Care Companions will attend a free six-week training program from early October through mid November covering such topics as: -goals of ministry to the sick, -how to be a good listener and serve as a spiritual companion, -how to respond to crisis and grief. For more information, please call Mary T. O'Neill at 631.474.5663 or Peg Nixdorf at 631.587.1600.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus healed 10 very sick men, but only one remembered to thank God. God heals your body every day, too. You may not even notice how God keeps you healthy. All around you, germs live on door knobs, shopping carts, and toys. When you catch the flu or a cold, God heals you. He keeps on healing you until he's ready to take you home to heaven. Thank God for keeping you healthy and for healing you, too.

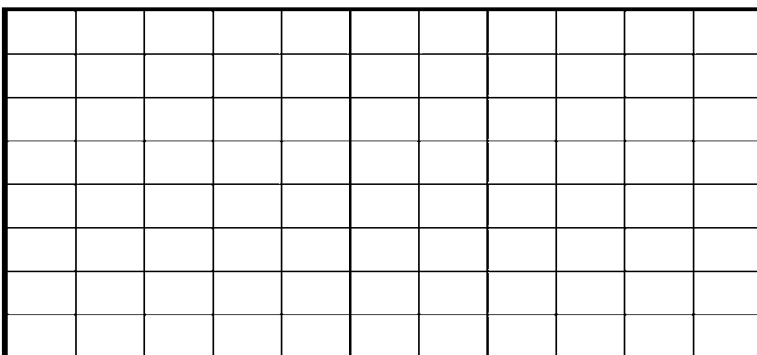
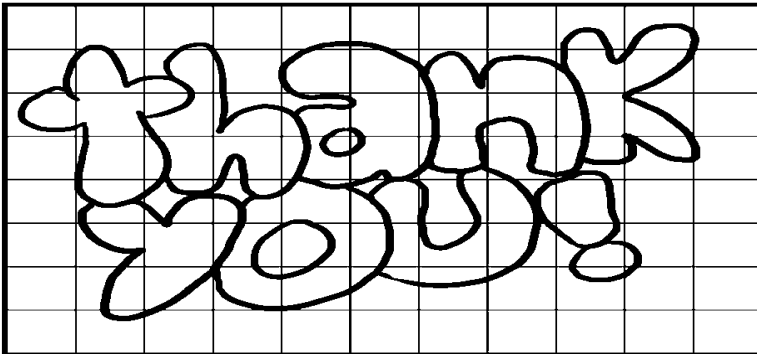


✝️ Mission for the Week

One way to stay healthy is to wash your hands, especially before you eat. Remember to thank God for the soap and the clean water with which you wash.

🧩 Puzzle

Copy the picture square by square.



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Prayer



Dear God,
thank you for all
the ways you heal
my body.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of
tiny germ bugs on
a door knob.