

**“O woman,  
great is your faith!”**

Matthew 15:28



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Our Lady of Lourdes • August 17, 2008**



## *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](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

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### **Religious Education Office**

661-5440

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 5 PM

7 PM - 9 PM

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### **Parish Outreach Office**

661-9262

Monday: 9:30 AM - 7:30 PM

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

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### **Rev. Stanislaus Chukwube**

Associate Pastor

### **Rev. Robert Scheckenback**

Associate Pastor

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**Deacon Tom Lucie**

**Deacon Jack Meehan**

Coordinator of Stewardship

**Deacon John Teufel**

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### **Sr. Margaret Bickar**

Senior Ministry-SAGE

**Sr. Nancy Campkin**

Director of Religious Education

**Jennifer Gallagher**

Childrens' Choir/Women's Chorale

Summer Program Director

**Carol M. Goetz**

Parish Music Director

**Louise Jane Krol**

School Principal

**Sr. Diane Liona**

Director of Religious Education

**Mary McMahan**

Director of Parish Social Ministry

**Vita Scorgia**

Ministry Spiritual Director

**John Sureau**

Coordinator of Worship

**Sr. Betty Toohig**

Senior Ministry-SAGE

**Anthony Trombino**

Business Manager

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Stephen Frodell

William Hurley

Anne Kerrigan

Maria Lucie (*co-chair*)

Deacon Jack Meehan

Vita Scorgia

Doreen Spiller

Mary Steck

Fr. Mike Vetrano

Marie Yuliano (*co-chair*)

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## *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

**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.*

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## *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



# **Oll Italian Family Feast 2008**

**September 10 - 14, 2008**

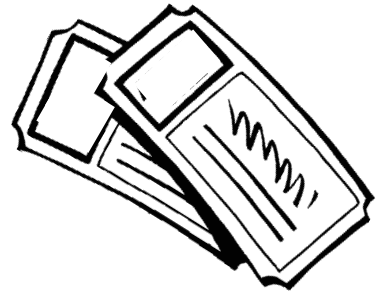
**Opens Wednesday thru Friday at 7 PM**

**Opens Saturday at 6 PM**

**Opens Sunday at 2 PM**

## **Pay-One-Price**

**Ride *all* rides each day-Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday-for only \$25  
(*\$5 discount with coupon*)  
*purchase Pay-One-Price at the feast***



## **Super Raffle**

**Drawing to be held on Sunday, September 14 at 9 PM  
Super Raffle tickets are \$100 each - only 200 tickets sold!**



## **Advance Tickets**

**Any six rides for \$13 (average discount of over 50%!)  
Tickets good for any ride/any day of the Feast!  
Purchase "Advance Tickets" at the Parish Office,  
Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM.  
Advance ticket sales end Monday, September 8.**



*Summer  
Evening  
Prayer  
2008*

**Monday, August 18**

- We'll gather on the West End of Field 5 at Robert Moses Beach at 4 PM
- Come for a special Nature Walk at 6 PM
- Evening Prayer at the Beach at 7PM

**Monday, August 25**

- Our final gathering for Summer 2008!
- Candlelight Service
- Evening begins with "Summer Sauce" Dinner at 6 PM
- Prayer with Reflection: Mrs. Karen Danca-Smith of Telecare's "Good News"

# Our Lady of Lourdes School



44 Toomey Road, West Islip

631 587-7200 ext 102

Mrs. L. Krol - Principal

[www.ollschoo.org](http://www.ollschoo.org)



## "Mommy & Me"

2 year olds

SmartBoards

Playtime, Storytime, Circletime

Separation activities

## "Early Childhood"

3-5 year olds

Computer class

SmartBoards

Dance lessons

Italian classes

Pre-reading & Math skills

Have you seen Catholic School lately?  
Come in and take another look !

## "Grades 1-8"

Total emersion Spanish class

Departmentalized classes in 4 - 8

Public Speaking

Band, dance, violin class during the school day

New modern completely stocked Science Lab

New Media Center including the Follet System

## Academy

of

## Arts & Sciences

Middle School grades 6-8

Ballroom Dance lessons, Acrylic Painting

AOI with StonyBrook Medical School

Mock Trial, Student Government

## Before/After Care available

*Including homework help*

Enrichment Clubs, Music lessons, Sports

Active eChalk website, Gradebook,

class assignments, homework & textbooks on-line!

NOW accepting  
Registration  
for September 2008



## In Loving Memory...

Our parish community prays and remembers in a special way, *Arthur Donald Gallagher*, father of Jennifer Gallagher, Director of our Parish Youth Choir and many other events and activities here at OLL. Jennifer's dad has battled serious illness for a number of years and passed away on Monday, August 4. Mr. Gallagher's funeral was celebrated on Friday, August 8, at St. Brigid's Parish in Westbury.

Our parish is so known for its compassion and commitment to prayer...  
Let's pray for Mr. Gallagher, Jennifer, her brothers and the entire Gallagher family in the days, weeks and months ahead. *Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!*

If you wish to send a prayer card or note to Jennifer or her family, they can be sent to the Parish Office.

### Religious Education Registration

*for children in Public School, Grade 1, September 2008*

**INFORMATION MEETING & REGISTRATION:** (meeting will take place in the Parish Center – the room opposite the playground on Hunter Ave)

*Please note: **Baptismal Certificates required for any child being registered in PEP 1, including children Baptized at Our Lady of Lourdes.***

<b>Monday, September 22</b>	<b>7:45 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 24</b>	<b>1:00 pm or 7:45 pm</b>
<b>Thursday, September 25</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>Monday, September 29</b>	<b>10:00am or 7:45 pm</b>

The registration fee (Family Fee) is \$140 and texts are \$20 and the materials fee and worksheets are \$20. Details will be provided at the meeting.

## Living Liturgy

Something different...come and see...and bring others!

### “THE SIX” Outside

On August 17, 24 and 31, we'll celebrate our Sunday night liturgy outside in the Fr. Joe Garden. This promises to be a great time and place to hear God's Word, join in the Eucharist and experience God's presence in a special way.

What do you need to do?

- Come** – ready for a great experience.
- Be prepared** - bring a beach chair or blanket (and some sunscreen too!).  
We'll provide the rest!
- Be open** – we promise some fun surprises along the way!
- Share** - tell others about this great way to celebrate the Eucharist.

*(If the weather is extraordinarily hot or it's raining, we'll gather in the Church.)*

## **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

## *Upcoming Marriages*

*Debra Araneo, OLL and*

*Charles LoMonaco, OLPH, Lindenhurst*

## **Support Groups**

### **Alcoholics Anonymous:**

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

### **ALANON:**

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

## **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.



## *Rest In Peace*

*Anthony S. Trimboli* died on August 5 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was August 8. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and entire family.

*Rose T. Lucio* died on August 6 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was August 12. We extend our prayers to her husband, Santo, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Paul F. Abbate* died on August 6 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was August 12. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and entire family.



# Remembering...

## Monday, August 18

*St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious*

8:00 AM Richard Zocchia

## Tuesday, August 19

8:00 AM Anna Lettieri

## Wednesday, August 20

*St. Bernard, abbot, doctor*

8:00 AM Frank Barba, Jr.

## Thursday, August 21

*St. Pius X, pope*

8:00 AM Dec'd mbrs of Sniadowski and  
Edwards Family

## Friday, August 22

8:00 AM Joseph Intoci

## Saturday, August 23

8:00 AM Sr. Nina O'Brien, Margaret Kopitsch, Nancy Fico,  
Mary Daly, Connie Renna, In thanksgiving to St. Rita,  
John Panella, Louis Almadovar

5:00 PM Zoriada Padilla

*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

## Sunday, August 24

8:00 AM Robert P. Wilson

*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

9:30 AM Mary Velsor

*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

11:00 AM Helen & Joseph Dyczynski

*Fr. Stan Chukwube*

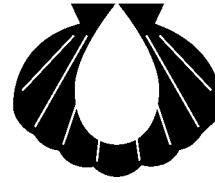
12:30 PM James Loretz, Sr.

*Fr. John Asomugha*

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Louis Nigro, William Hergenrother,  
Sarah Mauro, Stan Hartnett, Maria Torres,  
Arthur Donald Gallagher, Maria F. Williamson

*Fr. Stan Chukwube*

# Baptisms



*Gabrielle Rose Anderson*

Ronnie and Brooke Anderson

*Maggie Grace Chartrand*

Matthew and Lori Chartrand

*Jarett Michael DePietto*

Michael and Kristie DePietto

*Skylar Blue Egner*

John and Brenda Egner

*Paige Madison Harvey*

Glenn and Corinne Harvey

*Jamie Dakota Martinez*

Carlos and Alicia Martinez

*Jade Ryleigh Winberry*

Gregory and Janet Winberry

## SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, August 19**, in the **Parish Center at 9 AM**.

## 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**.

## 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.

## Questions for Reflection



As we continue to celebrate the Eucharist well here at Our Lady of Lourdes, it's important to look at some of the foundational documents that ground and direct the liturgy, the public prayer of the Church.

*Fr. Joe DeGrocco*, host of Telecare's "Divine Intervention" and Professor of Liturgy at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, recently published some good questions for reflection regarding the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy in our diocesan newsletter, Summit and Source. During the next few weeks, we'll publish questions for reflection with answers based on the Church's documents.

3. *Do we appreciate that liturgy always involves "walking a tightrope," so to speak, that is, it always involves a delicate balance between the "vertical" and the "horizontal," the transcendent and the immanent, the divine and the human?*

The two aspects of the "vertical" and the "horizontal" must always be kept in the proper balance. Liturgy cannot be so otherworldly that all it does is provide an escape from this world, a sentimental respite from "this vale of tears." If that happens, it disconnects us from the reality of mission, and we must never forget that liturgy should send us back into the world to do our part in cooperating with grace to build up the Kingdom of God on earth. At the same time, neither can liturgy simply be centered on us and on our fellowship gathering. If that occurs, then liturgy is too "this-worldly" and never moves us "beyond;" it can never transform us to be open to where God is leading us.

## Parish Outreach

Office telephone: 661-9262, option 4

### Summer Hours:

*For the months of July and August...*

Outreach is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Outreach is closed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

*We will resume regular hours in September.*

## Back to School Drive

Outreach is starting to collect Back To School Supplies!

Donations of all school supplies are gratefully accepted.

## Donations

Outreach has received donations in memory of *Father Joseph Lukaszewski, John Hodgkins, and Nick LaGiglia.*

A very special "Thank You" to the anonymous benefactor who donated money to be used for shoes for children returning to school in September.

# Outreach Oktoberfest

**"The Best of the 'Wurst' in Town!"**

**Saturday – October 4**

**Hibernian Hall in Babylon**

**8 PM – Midnight**

### Oktoberfest Trivia

*Did you know...*



Visitors to Oktoberfest eat traditional hearty fare which includes sausage, sauerkraut, and Apfelpfannenkuchen (apple pancakes).



Oktoberfest begins with a twelve-gun salute and the cry: "O'zapft is!" (It's tapped!) referring to the tapping of the first keg of Oktoberfest beer!



You can feast on Sauerbraten; Bratwurst & Knockwurst; Jagerschnitzel; Potato Pancakes & Red Cabbage at the "Outreach Oktoberfest"....

*Limited seating available...*

*Tickets are now on sale in the Outreach Office!*

**\$40 per person includes German buffet unlimited beer/wine/soda**



## 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Inspirational speaker W Mitchell is world famous for his talks on persistence. He should know: a motorcycle accident left him burned over sixty-five percent of his body and cost him his fingers; and a plane crash paralyzed him from the waist down. His message is that, of the 10,000 things he used to be able to do, now he can do 9,000. Why focus on the other 1,000? His faith in the persistence of the human spirit is powerful.

In today's Gospel reading from Matthew, Jesus is confronted by a woman asking for her daughter to be cleansed of demons. Notice that she does not ask Jesus if he is Lord before making her request, she already knows. Jesus does not answer her right away; when she again pleads for his mercy and refers to him as Lord, he grants her wish because of her persistence and her faith.

Enabling this woman's persistence was her hope. Hope for goodness is the promise of God given through Jesus; it is the anchor of our soul, and it allows us to be happy even in the face of adversity. Hope is expressed and nourished in prayer (CCC 1820). Perhaps you've been praying for something but feel your prayers haven't been answered? Continue to pray. Be persistent in your faith; never lose hope.

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### Readings for the Week of August 17, 2008

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<b>Sunday:</b>	Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
<b>Monday:</b>	Ez 24:15-24/Mt 19:16-22
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
<b>Friday:</b>	Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
<b>Saturday:</b>	Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Rose Grant*.  
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 Sacrament of the Sick.



## 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:



**Bryan R. Dempsey**-US Marines  
**James J. Ferrara**-US Marines  
**Thomas W. Ferrara** -US Air Force  
**John Finn**-US Army  
**Christopher Florca**-US Marines  
**Donnie Frank**-US Marines  
**Armand J. LeComte**-US Marines  
**Anthony Mannino**-US Marines  
**Peter Provenzano**-US Army

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

## Pray for Our Sick

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

*Connie Altadonna, Lucas Anderson, Susan Aviza, Deacon Dick Barry,  
Donald A. Bolin, Nicholas Buscemi, Jr., Howard Campkin, Lynn Castellano,  
Rose Contelmo, Regina Cranor, Karen DellaVecchia, TJ Devlin,  
Josephine DiBenedetto, Susan Gigante, Samantha Hil, Brian Hinkelman,  
Lili Hinkelman, Kathleen Kerrigan, Richard Lang, Nancy Letsch,  
Kara Lobasso, Vicky Massaro, Michele McCann, Peter McCann, Sr.,  
David McCarthy, Eleanor McGee, Dorothy Meloni, Joseph Ortiz,  
Robert Petersen, Arthur Petrino, Joanne Popper, Joe Radosti,  
Patricia Salimbene, Dorothy Schiavone, Joe Shields, Derek Stahl,  
Diana Marie Taveras, Baby John Tramazzo, Jean Virgilio, Pat Wallace*

## Our Unfinished Symphony

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

*'Our life is a short time in expectation, a time in which sadness and joy kiss each other at every moment. There is a quality of sadness that pervades all the moments of our life. It seems that there is no such thing as a clear-cut pure joy, but that even in the most happy moments of our existence we sense a tinge of sadness. In every satisfaction, there is an awareness of limitations. In every success, there is the fear of jealousy. Behind every smile, there is a tear. In every embrace, there is loneliness. In every friendship, distance. And in all forms of light, there is the knowledge of surrounding darkness. But this intimate experience in which every bit of life is touched by a bit of death can point us beyond the limits of our existence. It can do so by making us look forward in expectation to that day when our hearts will be filled with perfect joy, a joy that no one shall take away from us.'* (Henri Nouwen)

In this life there is no such a thing as a clear-cut, pure joy! I want to reiterate those words, coined by Henri Nouwen, in the light of some criticisms that I received to a recent column which quoted Anita Brookner saying that, in marriage, the first duty of each partner is to *'console the other for the fact that we cannot not disappoint each other.'*

That line provoked a number of critical reactions, ranging from: 'Not true!', 'Unduly pessimistic!', 'He should stick to sacred rather than secular sources!' to 'I am worried that this can give the wrong signal to young people who are getting married, suggesting that marriage will disappoint them!'

I appreciate the criticism, especially the last point, but feel that the real message was missed. In essence, I wasn't commenting on marriage, but on life in general, where, sadly, our fantasy of finding some *'messiah'* to take away all of our loneliness tends to be precisely what makes us too restless to remain happily inside of our commitments, including marriage.

I'm not so worried about sending a bad signal to a young couple contemplating marriage if I tell them that inside of marriage they will not find a panacea for their loneliness. I am more worried that I would be sending them the wrong message if, like our romantic novels and movies, I should give them the impression that the final answer to every loneliness lies in simply finding the right mate.

Over-expectation and subsequent disillusionment kills a lot of marriages. If I marry someone because I nurse the fantasy that this other person is the final solution to my loneliness, I am doomed not just to be disappointed but also to place every kind of unrealistic and unjust expectations on my partner. Only God can fully measure up.

St. Augustine began his autobiography with the now-famous line: *'You have made us for yourself, Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you!'* Thomas Aquinas taught that *'every choice is a renunciation'* and that is why commitment, particularly a life-long commitment in marriage, is so difficult. Karl Rahner famously stated: *'In the torment of the insufficiency of everything attainable, we finally learn that here in this life all symphonies must remain unfinished.'* And those of us who are old enough remember the haunting line in the old Salve Regina prayer: *'To thee to we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.'*

What each of these captures, in essence, is precisely what Nouwen states, that in this life there is not such a thing as clear-cut pure joy and that we will live more peacefully and happily if we can accept that and not put false pressure on life, on our loved ones, and on God, to give us the full symphony right now.

Every day of their lives, my parents prayed words to the effect that, this side of eternity, they were *'mourning and weeping in a valley of tears'*. It didn't make them sad, morbid, or stoic. The opposite: It gave them the tools that they needed to accept life's real limits and the real limits and imperfections within community, church, family, and marriage. They were happier for knowing and accepting that.

My worry is that today we aren't equipping our own children in the same way. Instead, too often, we are helping them nurse the false expectation that, if they do it right, they can have it all already in this life. All that is needed is to have the right body, the right career, the right city, the right neighborhood, the right friends, the right vacations, and the right soul mate and they can have the full symphony here and now.

It's not to be had, and Anita Brookner's maxim that in marriage we *'cannot not disappoint each other'* simply states, in secular language, that no one, no matter how good, can be God for somebody else.

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## Financial Summary

### August 10, 2008

Weekly Collection	\$ 16080.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 21,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (4,920.00)

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

## Gennesaret Retreat

Gennesaret Retreat held **September 19-20-21 at Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore**, offers a unique opportunity for persons who face serious illness to come away for a weekend retreat of spiritual renewal and refreshment. The retreat focuses on God's love, God's forgiveness and God's faithfulness. Several parishioners have already experienced the retreat and have found the weekend extraordinary. There is no charge for the weekend retreat. All the caregivers volunteer their time. To register or to receive more information about this wonderful weekend, please call Colette Fanelli at 631.665.7052

## 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 Long Island's East End. The show is also available on Sirius Radio, Channel 159 at 11 PM on Saturday nights.

Next Sunday's theme is: "**Uncertainty.**" Don't miss it!

To listen online or receive more information regarding Religion and Rock, go to [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com). Don't forget to tune into TELE CARE, Cablevision 29 or Verizon FIOS 271 for the best in Catholic television!

## **Oliver!**

**Creative Ministries, Oakdale will host the play Oliver! on Friday, August 22.** Proceeds will benefit the Hibernian Festival Singers. Cocktail hour begins at 6:30 PM. The cost of the tickets are: adults \$25 and children \$16. For further information or to purchase tickets, please call John or Kathleen Sullivan at 631.587.4004.

## **Family Rosary Rally and Marian Concert**

The Office of New Evangelization of the Diocese of Rockville Centre invites you to a day of prayer and celebration at The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Eastport featuring "These Three Tenors." on **Saturday, August 23 from 9:30 AM until 5 PM.** There will be opportunities for confession, multi-lingual rosary, you may purchase lunch or pack a picnic.

## **Retrouvaille**

You can help your marriage now! Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend beginning **Friday, September 5**, please call 1.800.470.2230 and you will be connected directly to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille.

## **Y.A.M.S.-Young Adult Ministry, South Shore**

*(for adults in their 20's and 30's)*

This is a new local Catholic group that is all about friends and fun while experiencing amazing spiritual, social and service events with people our age.

**Samantha's Lil' Bit of Heaven, E. Northport on Saturday, August 23.** Come and hear a Catholic Band from Islip. We'll meet at St. Joseph Church, Babylon at 7 PM at the Parish Center and carpool. There is a \$15 cover charge that includes coffee and dessert. Space is limited. To RSVP or for more information, call Lena at 631.669.0068. ext. 115

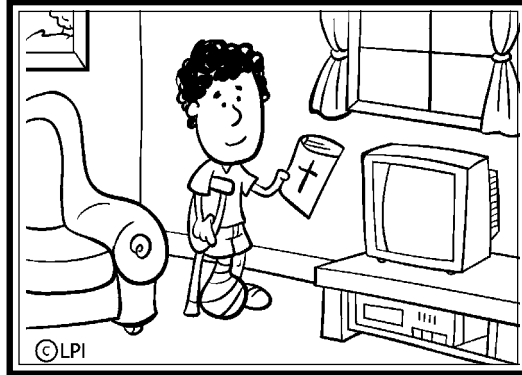
## **Woman Why are You Weeping?**

A Women's Retreat hosted by Magnificat on **Friday, September 12 to Sunday, September 14 at the Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore.** Give yourself a gift of a weekend of prayer, fellowship, adoration reconciliation and praise and worship! For information and registration, please call Angela at 516.763.1739.



# Sharing the Gospel

A woman begged Jesus to cure her daughter who was possessed by demons. This lady believed that Jesus could cure her daughter. He cured her daughter because of her faith. Ask God to help someone you know who is very sick. Ask God to help the homeless find jobs so they can pay for a place to live. Ask God to help you and your sisters and brothers play without fighting. He will help because of your faith.



## Mission for the Week

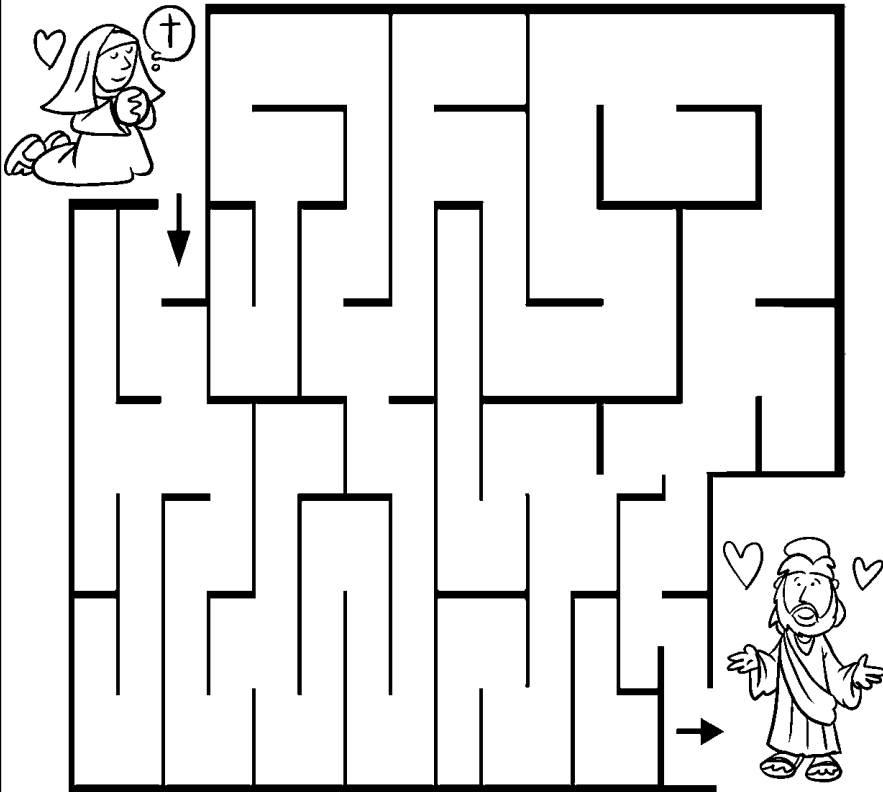


When I hear a siren, I will pray for the people inside the ambulance.



### Puzzle

Help this woman find Jesus.



### Prayer



Jesus, I believe you can help.

### Something to Draw



Draw yourself and your sister playing an indoor game together without fighting.