# "Repay to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is

God's. Matthew 22:21



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of Lourdes • October 19, 2008



## Pastoral Team

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661-3224

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Ministry Spiritual Director

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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.



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.

## 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.

**Kespond** 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.



## Heroes & Heroines... of Our Faith

These friends of God challenge, inspire and deepen our faith. Come join us as we journey with these living witnesses of God's unchanging love.

... our first "Heroine" and friend of God is **St. Therese of Lisieux**. Margaret Mannino will share with us how she first connected with St. Therese. Margaret was a child when her father gave her a photo of St. Therese. She also inquired about St. Therese in religion class and received a copy of *The Story of a Soul* written by St. Therese. A long-lasting relationship began and continues to this day. Margaret has made many trips to Lisieux and credits St. Therese with many "roses", both actual and spiritual. She is enthused about acquainting us with St. Therese and sharing these spiritual graces with us.



Tuesday, November 4 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM in the Parish Center

**Presenter:** 

Margaret Mannino, Instructor P.F.I. / Diocese of RVC

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 to register at 661.5440, option 3, Monday-Friday from 9 AM until 5 PM and 7 PM until 9 PM or you can email to religioused@ollchurch.org.

## upcoming... Heroes & Heroines of Our Faith

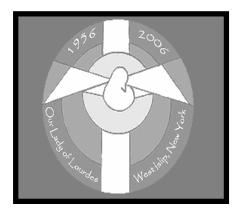
**Dorothy Day** presented by Dot Horsman

St. Benedict presented by S. Diane Liona, CSJ

**St. Bernadette** *presented by Deacon John DeGuardi* 

**Thomas Merton** *presented by Tom Petriano* 

#### When we love...



#### **Renewing our Support for Our Lady of Lourdes**

Dear Parishioners:

Each year, our parish uses the weeks at the end of October and beginning of November to celebrate parish stewardship. Stewardship is a way of life, an attitude of generosity and faith that allows us to use our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to do the work of the gospel. Our parish community would not exist without the generosity of our members. Please pay special attention to the message of stewardship on these upcoming weekends.

...we serve.

## Saturday and Sunday, November 1 and 2

Our Parish Annual Report Our Pastor, Father Mike Vetrano, will speak at all weekend Masses and present the Annual Report from our Finance and Stewardship Committees.

## Saturday and Sunday, November 8 and 9

## Parish Commitment Weekend

We will be invited, this Sunday, to listen and understand the importance of the stewardship of time, talent, and treasure in our lives. Parishioners will also be invited to make or renew a commitment to support Our Lady of Lourdes. The commitment cards may be put into the collection baskets at this Mass or at Mass over the next several Sundays. In addition, the commitment cards can be dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office in the Rectory.

#### Saturday and Sunday, November 15 and 16

#### **Commitment Weekend**

Parishioners will be invited to return their commitment cards if they did not do so last weekend. In addition, we will have cards available at the entrances of the Church over the next several weeks for your use. All cards can be returned in the collection baskets at Mass or they can be dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office in the Rectory.

#### **Ministry of Consolation**

We Remember We Celebrate We Believe

#### All Souls Mass of Remembrance

During this past year at Our Lady of Lourdes, more than one hundred fifty Funeral Masses have been celebrated for members of our parish family who have died. Their families will be invited to participate in a special Mass of Remembrance and Communion Breakfast on **Saturday, November 8 at 11:30 AM**. If you have suffered the loss of a loved one within the past year and would like to receive an invitation to this Mass of Remembrance, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 no later than October 31.



#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

What's it all about?

IF you are an adult and

- ... you were never Baptized
- ... you were Baptized in another faith and would like to become a baptized Catholic
- ...you never received Holy Communion (Eucharist)
- ... you never received your Confirmation

IF you are an adult and one or all of the circumstances above apply to you...

*IF* you feel you would like to become a Baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith...

Please contact John Sureau, S. Nancy or Fr. Bob at the Parish Office, 661.3224 #1, and we would be happy to help you.

"Becoming a member of this church community through the RCIA has been a beautiful journey for our family. We didn't realize how much we had clouded our lives. We met Deacon Jack who baptized our Angelika and he pointed us towards the RCIA..... where we were welcomed with open arms and filled hearts ... We have been transformed, empowered by the Holy Spirit."

-Fernando DeLeon, Confirmed at the Great Vigil, 2008

#### **Confirmation**

On **Wednesday, November 5**, Bishop Peter Libasci, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the Candidates of our parish. These young women and men are the chosen members of this community who have studied, served and prepared for this Sacrament.



During the next few weeks, they will begin the final steps of their journey towards Confirmation and even greater involvement in the life of our Church. The Confirmation Candidates of our parish will participate in "Spirit Nights" with their parents and sponsors. These times together will be an opportunity for them to experience how important it is to be active faith-filled members of the Church community. Each evening will include celebrating Mass with our parish family at "THE SIX".

Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they embrace this very important commitment in their faith journey and that they will continue to be strengthened, loved and supported by YOU... their parish family.

#### 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.** 

#### A New Men's Group is Forming

An Invitation to all men from OLL and beyond...

Come join us on **Thursday, November 20, in the Parish Center after the 8 AM Mass**. We plan to meet once a month to read and discuss the Scriptures for the following Sunday. Come with your ideas and suggestions. We'll gather for conversation and fellowship. Join us in this pioneering experience for MEN ONLY. If you plan to attend, please call Jack Fitzgerald at 587.5548.

#### **Daily Mass**

8AM

#### 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



## Baptisms

Logan Julian Sakowski
Craig and Valerie
Jake Ryan Kramer
Heino and Bridget
Cara Elizabeth Thaxter
Matthew and Diane

#### **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. (Babysitters available)

## Upcoming Marriages

Jennifer Neary and
Jason Simonetti, both OLL
Sarah Jabbonsky and
Brian Jayakumar, both OLL
Jennifer Rutkunas and
Ethan Wivietsky, both OLL
Gail Hustedt and
Bill Marino, both OLL

#### 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.

## Remembering...

#### Monday, October 20

St. Paul of the Cross, priest

**8:00 AM** LaRocca & Sweeney Family

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 AM Edward Cameron III

Wednesday, October 22

8:00 AM Al Velten

Thursday, October 23

St. John of Capistrano, priest
8:00 AM Edward DeMatteo

Friday, October 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop

**8:00 AM** Patrick & Donald Manning

Saturday, October 25

**8:00** AM Elizabeth Homann, Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Antoinette Giarratano, Frank Antkow, Gabriel Habyan

**5:00 PM** Josephine McGinliey

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

Sunday, October 26

**8:00 AM** Valerie Moscarelli

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

**9:30 AM** Christopher Clyde

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

11:00 AM Frances & Joseph Scalia

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

**12:30 PM** Grace Paruolo

Fr. John Asomugha

**6:00 PM** People of the Parish, Frank & Eleanor Dato,

Lawrence & Mary Kelly, Placido Raffa,

Maureen Ferro, Robert W. Langdon, Philip Pascale

Fr. John Asomugha



#### Rest In Peace

William A. Callahan died on October 2 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 6. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren and entire family.

Agnes M. Stavola died on October 2 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 4. We extend our prayers to her children, grandchildren and entire family.



#### Making a World of Difference

Just as our young church here in the United States received support in the 19th century from the Catholics of Europe through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, so too the growing churches in the Developing World today also require financial help. Your generosity will help make a faith-filled difference around the world!

- A gift of \$25 would be a month's support for a young woman preparing to serve as a Religious Sister in Mali
- A gift of \$60 is a month's education for a seminarian in Nigeria
- About \$50 a month helps a local Religious Community of Sisters in Thailand care for girls in need
- Just \$20 helps toward the purchase of a bicycle for a catechist in Kenya

#### **Padre Pio Presentation**

On **Monday, October 27 at 1 PM** the Senior Circle will host a presentation on Padre Pio **in the Parish Center**. There will be a speaker and video presentation. All parishioners are invited to attend. If you are interested in attending, please contact Vera at 587.1553.

(We would like to know how many people to expect.)

#### A Century of Christmas

A limited number of tickets are available for "A Century of Christmas" show Sunday, December 21, 2008 at 4 PM at the Patchogue Theater of Performing Arts. Tickets are \$37.90. We have a school bus available- \$8 per person if so desired. Dinner will be at Italiano's Restaurant in West Islip. The cost is \$20 including gratuity. Total cost is \$66.00 with bus. If interested please call Wilma at 669.4728.

#### **Parish Outreach**

Office telephone: 661-9262, option 4 Office hours:

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

### Pantry Needs

canned fruit canned vegetables jelly peanut butter pudding/jello soup

#### **Donations**

- Outreach has received a donation in memory of *Robert Langdon* from Doris and Doug Cameron.
- The Giuffre family has made a donation to Outreach in memory of William Heim.

#### **Single Seniors**

Next meeting of the Single Senior Group is **Saturday, November 25 after the 5 PM Mass**. Please remember to bring a GAME! Dinner will be pizza, salad and dessert. Please call Pat Wallace at 587.4342 if you plan to attend. Thanks!

#### **Blood Drive**

The October 1 Blood Drive had a disappointing turn out. Twenty-seven pints of blood were collected. A special thank you to these wonderful donors!



#### **HandCrafting Justice**

Give the gift of hope

Our Lady of Lourdes will host a **Fair Trade Holiday Handcraft Sale**, a project of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, on Saturday and Sunday, **October 25 and 26 after all Masses in the All-Purpose Room**.

There will be pottery, toys, clothing, linens, and so much more! For more information, contact HCJ@handcrafting justice.



#### 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next year, June 10 marks the 100th anniversary of President William Howard Taft's recommendation to Congress that it propose an amendment to the Constitution for the purpose of beginning the income tax and the corporate profit tax. How many of us will be planning big parties and celebrations on June 10? Within a century, we have come to accept that taxes are a part of life, and though we may grumble about them, they will still be taken from us each payday. But I doubt even President Taft could imagine the tax code as it exists today!

From the time we were small, we were told that we were created in God's image. And we have heard Jesus tell us that God is love; therefore, it goes logically that we are love, too. When Jesus was asked if he thought it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, he deftly explained that Caesar's face was on the coin, therefore it belonged to the Roman ruler. But he also said for us to give to God what is God's; in this statement, he is referring to the love in our hearts and that we are stamped in his image. Thus, we belong to God, and in recognizing the limits of worldly possessions, we keep only love and share it freely.

From the start of his public ministry, Jesus was up against the ropes. Pharisees and certain loyalists to King Herod conspired to destroy him, primarily because of his own interpretation of religious laws and his insistence on sharing meals with sinners and tax collectors (CCC 574). But even trick questions such as the lawfulness of a Roman tax couldn't sway his truthful answers; God very powerfully yet very simply asks us to put goodness and love of each other first and foremost in our lives, and everything else will take care of itself. ©2008 Liturgical Publications Inc

#### Readings for the Week of October 19, 2008

**Sunday:** Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Monday:Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21Tuesday:Eph 2:12-22/Lk 12:35-38Wednesday:Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48Thursday:Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53Friday:Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

#### **Altar Society**

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Monenna Kennedy*. 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.



#### **Pray for Our Sick**

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

Connie Altadonna, Lucas Anderson, Susan Aviza, Deacon Dick Barry, Nicholas Buscemi, Jr., Howard Campkin, Regina Cranor, Karen DellaVecchia, Josephine DiBenedetto, Marge Flem, James, Jr. & Julia Florio (infants), Susan Gigante, Samantha Hil, Brian Hinkelman, Lili Hinkelman, Thomas Kelly, Kathleen Kerrigan, Richard Lang, Nancy Letsch, Seymour Lichtenstein, Kara Lobasso, Vicky Massaro, Michele McCann, Peter McCann, Sr., David McCarthy, Eleanor McGee, Dorothy Meloni, Brenden Muldoon, Joe Murray, Joseph Ortiz, Frances Parine, Arthur Petrino, Joanne Popper, Joe Radosti, Patricia Salimbene, Dorothy Schiavone, Joe Shields, Derek Stahl, Joseph D. Sullivan, Diana Marie Taveras, Charlie Tibbetts, Baby John Tramazzo, Jean Virgilio, Nancy Volpe, Pat Wallace

#### 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
Michael Mallimo- US Army
Anthony Mannino-US Marines

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

**Peter Provenzano-***US Army* 

## On Healthy, Constructive Criticism by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Liberals and conservatives both pride themselves on speaking out for the truth, on thinking critically. But too often, both are deluded as to what it means to be critical. Generally we think of a critic as someone who debunks what's false, heretical, naive, inflated, or superficial. Partly that's true, but it leaves too much room for us, liberals and conservatives alike, to criticize others according to our own image and likeness.

What does it mean to be critical? The word comes from the Greek word kritus, which refers to a judge. A judge (a critic) is someone who hears the evidence and then tries to make a judgment concerning guilt or innocence. What's important then is not to debunk, bash, or challenge, but to tease out the truth without pre-judging as to where it might lie and then to make sure that it gets a fair hearing.

A good critic, therefore, is someone who agitates for fairness, objectivity, depth, wholeness, and aesthetics, without first self-defining himself or herself as belonging to one camp or the other.

But this is difficult to do because too many things derail objectivity. Our minds and hearts simply have too many subjective crevices.

This is one of the insights given us by many of the great minds of the recent past, Einstein, Heisenberg, Durkheim, Freud, Jung, Lonergan, and Habbermas. All of these concur on the fact that virtually all of our judgments are shaped and colored by perspective, temperament, ideology, self-interest, and historical conditioning. It's not easy to criticize something on anything other than self-interest. Most criticism is a form of autobiography. It tells us more about the critic than about the issue. Sadly, too, the same is often true too for much of what passes for research.

Given the truth of that, it's fair to ask whether it's even possible to think a truly critical thought.

Perhaps that's overly sceptical, given that there is within our conscience a critical faculty that has a grounding in something beyond temperament and historical conditioning. Be that as it may. What all of this suggests is that we should be more humble, more careful, and more self-critical in what we consider to be critical thought. Our criticism must be much more self-scrutinizing if it is to be based upon anything more than ideology and private likes and dislikes.

True criticism starts with the admission that we,

like everyone else, are far from objective. All of us think and feel through a certain software, a pre-ontology, a bias (in common language). It is never a question of "Are we biased?" but only a question of "What are our biases?" And that is true for everyone.

But this doesn't mean we can't attain truth. The task of being critical is not to rid oneself of all bias (an impossibility, even if it were desirable). The task of critical thought is instead to have the correct bias, to think and feel through the right software. But what is the correct bias? What kind of thinking makes for true criticism?

Jesus tells us "the pure of heart will see God", that there is a certain internal attitude that will make us see straight. What constitutes this attitude?

I like the answer given by the medieval philosopher and mystic, Hugo of St. Victor. His axiom for objectivity was: "Love is the eye!" For Hugo, we see things properly and objectively only when we see them through the eyes of love because then we see them the way God sees them. This is the critical eye: We see straight, objectively, when we look out at the world with the eyes of love. When we see things with sufficient compassion then, and only then, are we good judges, critics in the best sense.

John of the Cross says essentially the same thing when he suggests that we attain purity of heart when our motivation is the same as Christ's, when our reasons for interacting with others and the world issue from a real desire to help bring about a permanent community of life among all people and all things. When we think and feel like that, which is how Jesus felt, then our thoughts and actions are genuinely critical and we will criticize the status quo or try to conserve it on the basis of whether or not it is aiding or hindering this community of life, and not on the basis of temperament, personal neuroses, or the adolescent urge to "kill the king".

True criticism, unlike so much of what tries to pass itself off as criticism today, is, first of all, marked by a deep compassion. Beyond this, it is recognized by its openness, its respect for those with whom it disagrees, its self-criticism, and its keen sense of the importance of aesthetics and enjoyment. True criticism does not radiate panic, pompousness, elitism, dogmatism, or cynicism, but rather charity, joy, peace, patience, goodness, longsuffering, fidelity, faith, mildness, and chastity - and, not least, a good sense of humor.

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.

#### **Financial Summary**

#### October 12, 2008

Weekly Collection \$ 15,868.00 Weekly Budget -\$ 21,000.00 +/- for the week \$ (5,132.00)

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

#### **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.

Open Houses present students and parents with a special opportunity to gain information about the programs, faculty, and facilities of the Catholic High Schools on Long Island. Administrators, faculty members, staff, and students are available to describe school programs and to answer questions at the Open House events. For additional information on particular schools, plan to attend one or more of the Open House.

#### **Open House Schedule**

Saturday, October 18	10 AM - 1 PM	McGann-Mercy D.H. S.
	12 PM - 2 PM	Academy of St. Joseph
Sunday, October 19	10:30 AM - 2 PM	St. John the Baptist D.H.S.

The Catholic High School Entrance Exam is scheduled for Saturday, October 25 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.

#### **Golden Wedding Anniversary**

On **Sunday, November 16, 2008** couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Libasci at **Christ the King, Commack at 3:30 PM**. Please pick up and fill out your registration card at the Parish Office no later than October 31. 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.

#### **Dominican Village**

Please join us for an Open House on Sunday, October 26 from 1 PM until 3 PM. Dominican Village is an independent retirement community that offers assisted living and respite care, outstanding programs, all-inclusive services and bountiful amenities. For more information, or to schedule a tour at your convenience, call 631.842.6091.

#### Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary

All alumnae of schools, colleges and universities founded or staffed by the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary are invited to The Third Annual RSHM Alumnae and Friends Benefit Luncheon on **Thursday, October 23 at the New York Athletic Club**. Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the elderly and infirm RSHM sisters. For more information, please call 914.631.4407.

#### **Holiday Gift and Craft Fair**

On **Sunday, November 2, St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School** will host its Annual Holiday Gift and Craft Fair from 10 AM until 4 PM. Join us for a fun-filled holiday shopping experience with over 100 gift and craft vendors! There is great food, raffle prizes and plenty of parking.

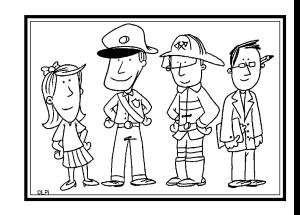
#### Religion & Rock

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: "**Autumn Changes.**" Don't miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding Religion and Rock, go to *www.ReligionandRock.com*. Don't forget to tune into TELECARE, Cablevision 29 or Verizon FIOS 271 for the best in Catholic television!

## Sharing the Gospel

When you grow up and earn money, you will have to pay taxes. Taxes pay for many good things that keep us safe and healthy. When you grow up in your faith, you will want to give God some of the money you earn, because all you have is a gift from God.





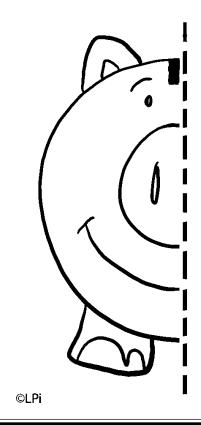
## Mission for the Week

Take care of God's world. Together as a family, clean up trash that's lying around in your neighborhood.



## Puzzle

Complete the picture of the piggy bank.



## Prayer



God, teach me to use money wisely so my community and my church can grow.

## Something to Draw



Draw a picture of yourself putting money in the collection at church.