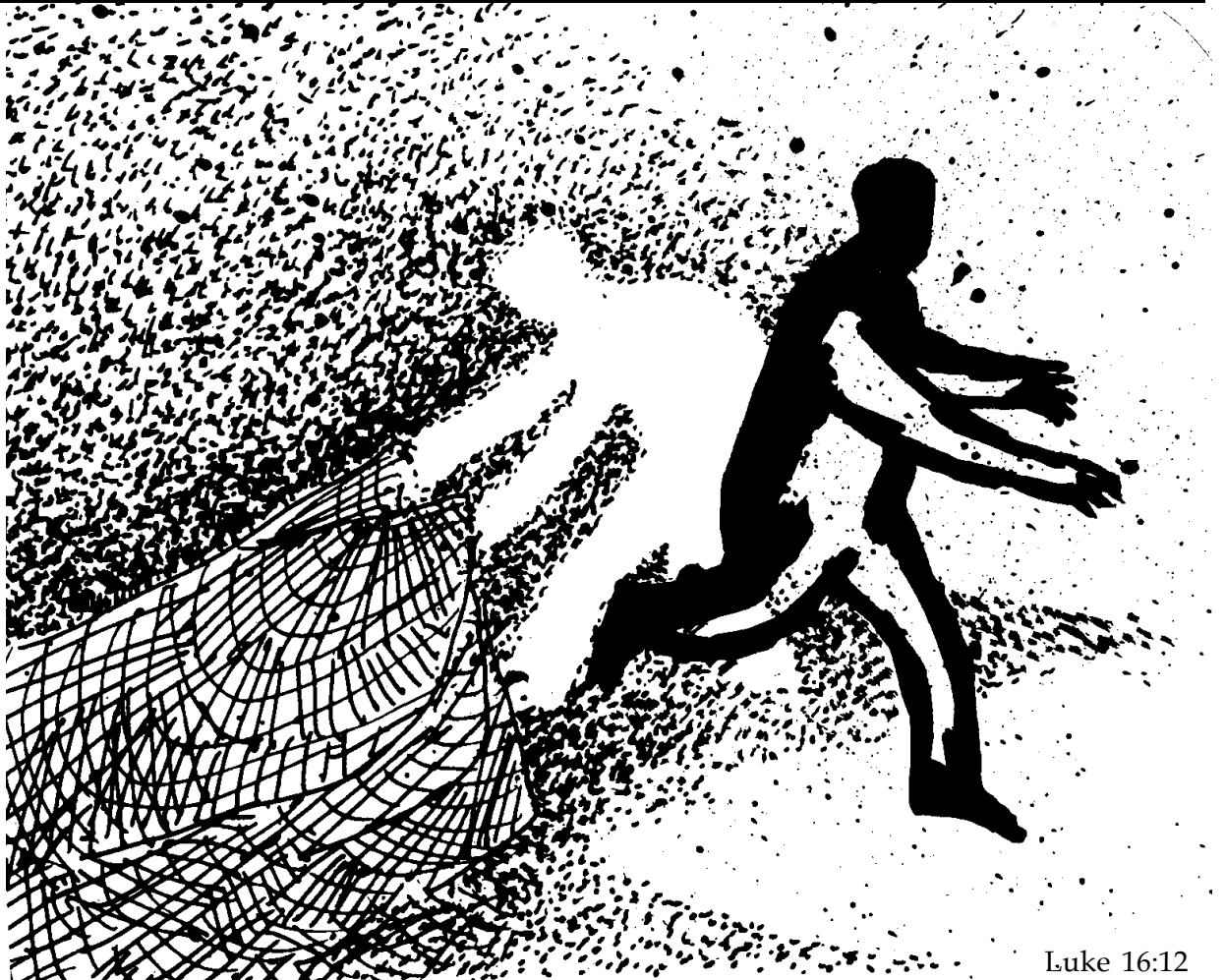


No servant can serve  
two masters.



Luke 16:12

He will either hate one  
and  
love the other,  
or be devoted to one  
and  
despise the other.



## *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.*

## *Our Lady of Lourdes*

*455 Hunter Avenue  
West Islip, New York 11795*

**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

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### *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.

## *Pastoral Team*

**Rev. Michael A. Vetrano**  
Pastor

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**Rev. Patsy Amabile**  
Associate Pastor

**Rev. Robert Scheckenback**  
Associate Pastor

**Rev. Ambrose Cabildo**  
In Residence

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**Deacon John DeGuardi**

**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

**Allegra D'Alo**

Youth Minister/Social Action

**Louise Jane Krol**

School Principal

**Sr. Diane Liona**

Director of Religious Education

**Mary McMahan**

Director of Parish Social Ministry

**Robin Reynolds-Brennan**

Director of Music and Worship

**Vita Scorcio**

Ministry Spiritual Director

**Sr. Betty Toohig**

Senior Ministry-SAGE

**Anthony Trombino**

Business Manager

## *Pastoral Council*

Stacie Baltrusitis

Lisa Cantalino

Sonia DaSilva

Nilo DeLeon

Jane Desthers

Jerry Esposito

Deacon Jack Meehan

John Muldoon

Bob Natale

Eileen Rega

Vita Scorcio

Mary Steck

Fr. Mike Vetrano

Christine Volk

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## *Parish Staff*

**Jennifer Gallagher**

Women's Chorale Director

**Mary Anne Lettieri**

Parish Office

**Debbie Meyer**

Bulletin Editor/Parish Office

**Rosemary Multer**

School Office

**Rita Spera**

Religious Education Office

**Lori Walsh**

Parish Office

### **Parish Office**

661.3224 (option 1)

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 (option 2)

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM

email: [lkrol@ollschool.org](mailto:lkrol@ollschool.org)

### **Religious Education Office**

661.5440 (option 3)

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 5 PM

7 PM - 9 PM

email: [ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

### **Parish Outreach Office**

661.9262 (option 4)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

9:30 AM - 3 PM

### **S.A.G.E.**

661.3224

(Senior Advocates for Growth  
and Enrichment)

email: [Sage@ollchurch.org](mailto:Sage@ollchurch.org)

## **Bereavement Ministry Bereavement Support Group**

You are invited to join our next Bereavement support group. This is a wonderful opportunity to be supported in a small discussion group with people who have also suffered a loss.

The group will meet on Wednesday for 6 weeks starting **October 13, from 7:30PM to 9:30PM in the Spiritual Life Center.**

To register and for more information please contact Diane Ackerly at 226.9373 or email at [dkkkk710@hotmail.com](mailto:dkkkk710@hotmail.com).



## **Coffee and Conversation Group**

This group welcomes back past members who are looking for continued support, compassion and understanding with your feeling of loss.

Our next meeting will be **October 6, at 7:30 PM in the Spiritual Life Center.**

If interested, please contact Diane Ackerly at 226.9373 or email at [dkkkk710@hotmail.com](mailto:dkkkk710@hotmail.com).

## **OLL Youth Ministry**

OLL Youth Ministry is taking its first trip of the year...

**Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen  
St. Anne's Church in Brentwood  
8 AM to noon  
Saturday, September 25**

All are welcome to participate but spots are limited so contact [Allegra@ollchurch.org](mailto:Allegra@ollchurch.org)!





## **Leaders Wanted**

### **Pastoral Council Accepting Nominees**

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Our Pastoral Council is currently accepting nominations for new members to fill several open seats. The Pastoral Council is one of the most important leadership groups in the parish. Members of the parish meet approximately every 6 weeks to advise the pastor on issues affecting the mission and ministries of the parish. The Council has also taken an active role in sponsoring programs and events that serve the parish. Most importantly, our current Council will conduct a pastoral assessment of the parish to assist our pastor and team to plan for the future of our community.

A person who wishes to serve on the Pastoral Council must be a parishioner who desires to offer their time and insight to help the pastor and pastoral team form the vision and future of the parish. Pastoral Council members must have an interest and investment in the parish. Practically, this means that a nominee for the Pastoral Council must be a person who:

- Worships weekly in the parish and takes part in the spiritual life of the community
- Offers their time and talent in service or ministry to this community
- Supports the parish financially in a manner appropriate to their means

Parishioners may nominate either themselves or another parishioner for the Council.

Eligible applicants will be asked to complete a profile.

Parishioners are appointed to the Council by the current council in consultation with the pastor. The goal of this process is to insure that the Council represents the diversity of Our Lady of Lourdes and has the gifts and interests necessary to our present goals.

To nominate oneself, or another, for membership on the Pastoral Council begin by sending a letter or email to [pastoralcouncil@ollchurch.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil@ollchurch.org) or by postal mail to Pastoral Council, c/o Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795. All letters of nomination must be in no later than October 4, will be acknowledged and must include your name and return address.

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RCIA



## 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

Our email address is [RCIA@ollchurch.org](mailto:RCIA@ollchurch.org) or call the Parish Office at 661.3224, option #1, and we would be happy to help you.

## Our Lady of Lourdes CYO Basketball Registration

Tuesday, September 21 and Wednesday, September 22

7:30PM to 9PM

All Purpose Room

Grades 2 to 9

If you have any questions, please contact Dan White at [danielwhite581@aol.com](mailto:danielwhite581@aol.com)



*Coming Soon...*

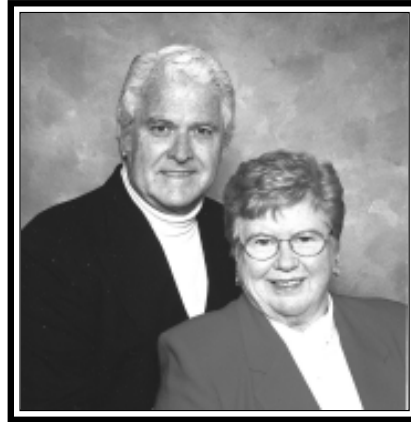
## The Spirituality of the Wizard of Oz

presented by the Family Healing Ministry

**Totally Ozsome!**

Save the date-Thursday, October 14 at 7:30 PM

*Watch the bulletin for further details.*



## **Don and Anne Bolin**

### **St. Agnes Medal of Service Award Recipients 2010**

I am proud to announce that Donald and Anne Bolin were the recipients of this year's St. Agnes Medal of Service given on Friday, September 17, by Bishop Murphy.

Don and Anne moved to West Islip in 1955 just as our new parish was announced. They worked on the building drive for the church and later for the school. When religious instructions began Don would pick the sisters up in Brentwood and drive them back and forth to teach Sunday school.

Don was a founding member of the Holy Name Society and Anne was one of the original Rosary Christian Mothers. They ran numerous dances and dinners to raise money to build our new church and parish school.

When it was announced that West Islip would be the location of a new diocesan high school, St. John the Baptist, they worked tirelessly on it's building drive. As their children grew they joined the parents club. Donna (1970), Terrence (1974), James (who passed away in 1972), and Donald (1981).

Don, who passed away in 2008, was one of our Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. He enjoyed being a part of our liturgy each Sunday morning and he helped to mentor many others into lives of service at the altar. He also was a minister of consolation who helped comfort many of our families in their time of loss.

Don and Anne had a wonderful relationship with every pastor here at the parish. When I came to the parish in 2000 Don learned that flying was a common interest and he quickly arranged for us to take a plane ride together!

The loss of their son Jimmy in 1972 was a terrible blow to them but they received much kindness and love from their parish community and were a witness of faith and strength to all.

Don and Anne are true founders of our parish family and we rejoice with them and their family as they receive this just honor for their care for our community.

*Fr. Mike*



## **OLL Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Walking in Jesus' Footsteps April 25 - May 4, 2011**

**Come and walk in the footsteps of Jesus along with our Pastor, Fr. Mike Vetrano.**  
Consider being with family and friends on a trip of a lifetime!

Walk the streets of Jerusalem and be in the place of our Christian heritage. Come to Bethlehem, visit the Basilica of the Nativity. Be at the Baptism site of Jesus on the Jordan River, sail on the Sea of Galilee and walk in the Garden of Gethsemane. You will visit the room of the Last Supper, walk on the Via Dolorosa "The Way of the Cross", and drive through the wilderness of Judea and the mountains of Jerusalem. All this on your trip of a lifetime.

*For more information, our next meeting will be on*

**Monday, September 27 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.**

Please note: Deposits are due and will be taken at this time if you have not done so already.

### **SAGE**

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, September 21**, in the **Parish Center at 9 AM**.

### **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**. Please join us in praying for our nation's healing. We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament from **3 PM until 4 PM**.





## Religious Education

**We will no longer mail our activities calendar.**

All Religious Education information may be obtained by going to our OLL website [ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org) and click on the Religious Ed link or go to our echalk website [ollreled.org](http://ollreled.org) and click on Religious Education Calendar, or Religious Education Programs, or Adult Faith Formation.

### PEP 1 Registration Dates 2010

*for children entering public school, grade 1 - September 2010*

Meetings will take place in the Parish Center. (room opposite the playground on Hunter Ave)

*Please note: Baptismal Certificates required for any child being registered in PEP 1.*

<b>Thursday, September 23</b>	<b>10 AM and 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Friday, September 24</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 28</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 29</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 20</b>	<b>10 AM and 7:30 PM</b>

If this is your **first child in our program**, the registration fee (Family Fee) is \$170 and textbooks are \$20 (if needed.) Details will be provided at the meeting.



## Confirmation

On Thursday, November 4, Bishop John Dunne, 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 continue 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.

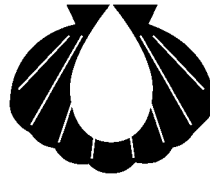
## Support Groups

### **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-  
9:30 AM beginners meeting  
convent lower level.  
(Free babysitting available.)



## ***Baptisms***

*Emma Blake Ferguson*  
Jason and Danielle  
*Madelyn Avery Ferguson*  
Jason and Danielle  
*Karley Sophia Doscher*  
Stepehn and Kristen  
*Julian James Guillaume*  
Sergemont and Jennifer  
*Angelena Mercedes Santos*  
Victor and Victoria  
*Logan Charles Bohnaker*  
Brian and Monica  
*Jaymarie Polanco*  
Angel and Janele

## ***Upcoming Marriages***

*Stacey Dempsey* and  
*Robert Ehlers*, both OLL  
*MaryAnn Rosselli*, OLL and  
*Danny Kelskey*, Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Deer Park  
*Donna O'Neill*, OLL and  
*Ryan Koenig*, St. Mary's, East Islip

### **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, September 20

*St. Andrew Kim Taegon, priest and martyr*

8:00 AM Carlton Wiltshire

### Tuesday, September 21

*St. Matthew, apostle and evangelist*

8:00 AM Helen Pellino

### Wednesday, September 22

8:00 AM Michael Finnegan

### Thursday, September 23

*St. Pio of Pietrelcina, priest*

8:00 AM Michael Nieves

### Friday, September 24

8:00 AM Doris Brewer

### Saturday, September 25

8:00 AM Vincent & David McCarthy, Valentino Vulaj,  
Earl McLaughlin, Jim Barylski, Mary Gregorio,  
Rose Giacalone, Ellen DuBois, Karen Taylor, Mary McVey-Marek

5:00 PM Helen Kapalko

*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

### Sunday, September 26

8:00 AM The Ascrizzi Family

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

9:30 AM John J. Goode, Sr. & Joan Goode

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

11:00 AM Evelyn Albrect

*Fr. Pat Amabile*

12:30 PM Joseph & Dorista Raimondi

*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Otho Hinds, Charles E. Hoagland,  
Michael Sullivan, Frances Beinlich, Josephine Mastrangelo,  
Frances D'Amore, Mario Mastropietro, souls in Purgatory, Jack LoPinto

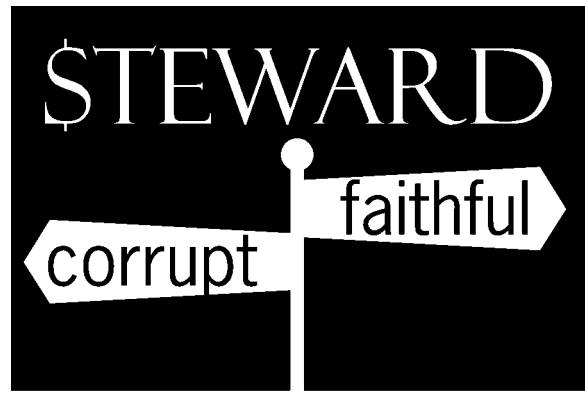
*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

## Rest In Peace

*Peter Olenick* died on September 7 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was September 11. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Veronica "Vera" Degnan* died on September 8 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was September 13. We extend our prayers to her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and entire family.





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## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There has been much analysis about the recent financial crisis that has affected the world economy. The situation has been blamed on a variety of factors, including easy credit, bad mortgages, lack of savings, and speculation. One area that has gotten particular scrutiny by regulators has been the clever financial instruments that were devised to lure investors seeking higher returns. Things like mortgage-backed securities and credit default swaps were supposed to provide guaranteed returns even in a down market. Instead, these very instruments were some of the causes of the market's downfall.

Being financially clever can often get a person a good job. But it doesn't always last. We see that in the parable of the steward who was squandering his master's resources. Like Treasury agents from the FDIC swooping down on an insolvent bank, the master in this week's Gospel lands full force on the steward who must now give an account of his actions. His approach is to ingratiate himself with his master's debtors in hopes that they will take him in. It is much like the approach of some financial whiz kids who, after the collapse of some of the riskiest investment strategies, have come up with new ways to make money.

Jesus reminds his followers whom they really serve. We need to be honest and trustworthy with the things of this world, even though in the end they amount to nothing. When we are, then we can be trusted with the true wealth, that of eternity. For many people, the financial crisis and job loss has been a great burden. Some have used the occasion to re-focus their values and discover what truly matters. The steward in the Gospel threw his lot in with those who would give him an easy way out of his corrupt situation. Our stewardship of all that God has given us requires that we be faithful to Christ in all that we do.

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### Readings for the Week of September 19, 2010

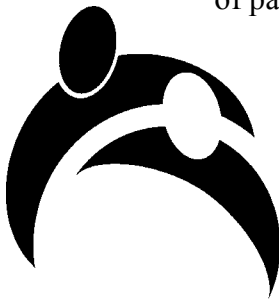
<b>Sunday:</b>	Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13
<b>Monday:</b>	Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
<b>Thursday:</b>	Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9
<b>Friday:</b>	Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22
<b>Saturday:</b>	Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Dottie Collins*.  
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 ...

*Susan Aviza, Ben Bellotti, Josephine Carrano, Michael Ciotkosz,  
Bernadette Cogswell, William Cronin, Beverly DeCanio, Mike DeJong,  
Tony Drexler, Debbie Eichen, Mike Gaffney, Salvatore Greco, Ruth Hiller,  
Charlie Macchio, Michael Montesanto, Ruth Murray, Evelyn Nonnon,  
Rosemary Novak, Joe Radosti, Dorothy Schiavone, AnnMarie Schiraldi,  
Baby Isabella Shaw, Roy Sorrese, Lindsay Stahl, Linda Starr, Stephen Straub, Sr.,  
Sheila Timmer, Nancy Turano, Joan Udris, Al Van Pelt, Bunny Vilim, Joe Yezek*

**Please note:** Any name that has been added to the "Pray for Our Sick" list prior to March 2010 has been removed. However, if the person continues to need our prayers, please call the Parish Office to have the name included. All names shall remain on the list for a "short term" of five weeks or "long term" for five months.

## Financial Summary

### September 12, 2010

Weekly Collection	\$ 18,538.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (462.00)

*The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$19,000.*

## 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*

**Christopher Florca**-*US Marines*

**Michael Mallimo**- *US Army*

**Anthony Mannino**-*US Marines*

**JD Montefusco**-*US Marines*

**Peter Provenzano**-*US Army*

**Joshua Tyrrell**-*US Army*

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

## **Pantry Needs**



detergent  
kleenex  
paper towels  
personal feminine products  
shampoo  
soap  
toilet tissue  
toothbrush  
toothpaste

*Outreach made a promise last year, and Outreach doesn't forget...*

## **OKTOBERFEST!**



**Saturday – October 16th**  
OLL All Purpose Room  
Tickets on sale in Outreach Office  
starting September 27

*...details to follow*

## **Donations to Outreach**

*Parish Outreach has received many donations in memory of loved ones.*

*If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Mary McMahon, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 661.3224, option 4.*

## God Judges No One

*Ron Rolheiser, OMI*

There's a question about God's goodness as old as religion itself: How can an all-good God send someone to hell for all eternity? How can God be all-merciful and all-loving if there is eternal punishment?

It's a false question. God doesn't send anyone to hell and God doesn't deal out eternal punishment. God offers us life and the choice is ours as to whether we accept that or not.

God, Jesus tells us, doesn't judge anyone. We judge ourselves. God doesn't create hell and God doesn't send anyone to hell. But that doesn't mean that hell doesn't exist and that it isn't a possibility for us. Here, in essence, is how Jesus explains this:

God sends his life into the world and we can choose that life or reject it. We judge ourselves in making that choice. If we choose life, we are ultimately choosing heaven. If we reject life, we end up living outside of life and that ultimately is hell. But we make that choice, God doesn't send us anywhere. Moreover, hell is not a positive punishment created by God to make us suffer. Hell is the absence of something, namely, living inside of the life that's offered to us.

To say all of this is not to say that hell isn't real or that it isn't a real possibility for every person. Hell is real, but it isn't a positive punishment created by God to deal out justice or vengeance or to prove to the hard-hearted and unrepentant that they made a mistake. Hell is the absence of life, of love, of forgiveness, of community, and God doesn't send anyone there. We can end up there, outside of love and community, but that's a choice we make if we, culpably, reject these as they are offered to us during our lifetime. Hell, as John Shea once said, is never a surprise waiting for a happy person, it's the full-flowering of a life that rejects love, forgiveness, and community.

Sartre once famously stated that hell is the other person. The reverse is true. Hell is what we experience when we choose ourselves over community of life with others. Human life is meant to be shared life, shared existence, participation inside of a community of life that includes the Trinity itself.

God is love, scripture tells us, and those who abide in love, abide in God, and God abides in them. In this context, love should not be understood primarily as

romantic love. The text doesn't say that "those who fall in love" abide in God (though that too can be true). In essence, the text might be reworded to say: "God is shared existence, and those who share life with others, already live inside of God's life."

But the reverse is also true: When we don't share our lives, we end up outside of life. That, in essence, is hell.

What is hell? The images the bible chooses for hell are arbitrary and vary greatly. The popular mind tends to picture hell as fire, eternal fire, but that is only one image, and not necessarily the dominant one, in scripture. Among other things, scripture speaks of hell as "experiencing God's wrath", as "being outside" the wedding and the dance, is "mourning and weeping and grinding our teeth", as being consigned to the "Gehenna" (a garbage dump outside of Jerusalem), as being eaten by worms, as fire, as missing out on the banquet, as being outside the kingdom, as living inside a bitter and warped heart, and as missing out on life. In the end, all these images point to the same thing: Hell is the pain and bitterness, the fire, we experience when we culpably put ourselves outside of the community of life. And it is always self-inflicted. It is never imposed by God. God doesn't deal death and God sends nobody to hell.

When Jesus speaks of God, he never speaks of God as dealing both life and death, but only as dealing life. Death has its origins elsewhere, as does lying, rationalization, bitterness, hardness of heart, and hell. To say that God does not create hell or send anyone there does not downplay the existence of evil and sin or the danger of eternal punishment, it only pinpoints their origins and makes clear who it is who makes the judgment and who it is who does the sentencing. God does neither; he neither creates hell nor sends anyone to it. We do both.

As Jesus tells us in John's Gospel: "God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, the light has come into the world, and the people loved darkness rather than light....I judge no one."

He doesn't need to.

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# 2010 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

<b>Parish Goal</b>	\$101,839
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	\$ 85,294
<b># of Donors</b>	402
<b>Average Pledge</b>	\$ 213
<i>as of July 31, 2010</i>	

**CMA 2010**

**One Faith, One Hope,  
Many Gifts.**

***You can make a difference!***

While all of us have reason to be proud of the help that is being provided through the Catholic Ministries Appeal and our Parish, we also know that more and more people are seeking assistance from us. To meet the ever growing needs of our community, we all need to prayerfully consider how we can help.

Your support to the Appeal will help us to serve or deliver more than 500,000 meals to the disadvantaged this year, provide affordable safe housing to the most vulnerable senior citizens in our community, educate our young people in our faith, help others to follow the call to serve in the priesthood and support the needs of our very own parish.

The Appeal truly supports our parish and the entire Church of Long Island. As your Pastor, I ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift to help those in need. It is with these needs in mind that I am asking you to consider supporting the 2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

You can make a difference in our parish and in the lives of those around us by making a gift to this year's appeal. Only you can decide what that gift will be.

***Thank you for all that you do in our parish.***

*Please consider what you can do to make this campaign successful.*

## 2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Please make your check payable to:  
***Catholic Ministries Appeal***

Pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Down Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Balance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Golden Wedding Jubilee**

On **Sunday, October 17, 2010**, couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Libasci at **Christ the King Church in Commack at 2:30 PM**. Please pick up your registration card at OLL Parish Office no later than September 29. Approximately one week before the ceremony, information regarding the day will be mailed to you. If you have any questions, please call 516.678.5800, extension 207.

## **Centering Prayer Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 28 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM**  
**in the OLL "Spiritual Life Center."**

All are welcome to experience this prayer practice of "silence".  
For any further information, please call Diane at 587.0966.

## **Medicare**

### **Know your A, B, C, & D's**

Understanding Medicare and how to choose a plan suitable for your needs will be presented on **Wednesday, September 29 from 10 AM until 12 noon at St. Patrick's, Bay Shore, Msgr. Purick Hall, Rooms 1 & 2**. Reservations are required, please call 631.665.4911, extension 133.

## **Tea with Spirit**

The former students and staff of Dominican Commercial High School are invited to attend a special celebration at the **Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Dominic at 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, on Sunday afternoon, October 3**. Please call Benincasa Family Services at 631.842.6000, extension 351 or email [dcgrads@yahoo.com](mailto:dcgrads@yahoo.com) if you like to receive an invitation.

## **Help Feed the Hungry**

The Mercy Inn Soup Kitchen of Wyandanch is in need of volunteers for Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday, starting in September. Also needed is a volunteer to coordinate the team of volunteers on Fridays. That duty would be to assure the day runs smoothly. The volunteer hours are 9:30 AM - 1:45 PM. If you can help, call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

## Do you want to become an OLL Hospital Visitor?

Come learn about sharing your gift of time and presence as a Spiritual Care Companion with the hospitalized, homebound or those in nursing homes.

Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors this free six-week training for volunteers (either 3 Saturdays at CHS Melville or 6 Wednesday afternoons at St. Charles Hospital, Port Jefferson) to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Information sessions will be held on Saturday, September 18, from 9:30 - 11:30 AM at CHS, 245 Old Country Road, Melville or Wednesday, September 22, 1 -3 PM at St. Charles Hospital, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson (Boardroom #2). Further information, please call Carol Cella at 631.465.6307 or Trish Luvin at 631.465.6306.

## 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

#### September 2010

Saturday, September 18	11 AM - 1:30 PM	Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Sunday, September 19	10 AM - 1 PM	St. Anthony's High School
	1 PM - 4 PM	St. Dominic High School
Saturday, September 25	9 AM - 12 PM	McGann-Mercy D.H. S.
Sunday, September 26	12 PM - 2:30 PM	Holy Trinity D.H.S.
	2 PM - 4:30 PM	St. Mary's College Prep. High School

#### October 2010

Saturday, October 2	9 AM - 12 PM	Sacred Heart Academy
	10 AM - 1 PM	Kellenberg Memorial H. S.
	2 PM - 4 PM	Chaminade H. S.
Sunday, October 17	10:30 AM - 2 PM	St. John the Baptist D.H.S.

The Catholic High School Entrance Exam is scheduled for Saturday, October 30. 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.

## Help Feed the Hungry

The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch, is on need of a volunteer to pick up food in the West Islip area early Monday mornings, and deliver it to the soup kitchen. Some heavy lifting is involved. If you can help, call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

## Gennesaret Retreat

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with serious illness and offered free of charge is planned for **September 24, 25, and 26 at the Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore**. The retreat focuses on God's love and forgiveness and faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call Colette at 631.665.7052.

## Dominican Village

**Please join us for an Open House on Saturday, September 25 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 or [info@dominicanvillage.org](mailto:info@dominicanvillage.org).

## Reunion

St. Michael's High School, Brooklyn, NY (Class of 1975) is planning a 35th High School Reunion on November 7, from 12 PM to 4:30 PM at Vetro's Restaurant, on Crossbay Blvd., in Howard Beach, Queens. Contact Susan D'Angelo-Guglietta at 516.902.3555 or Donna Trapasso-Jakubow at 917.817.2488. Also can be contacted on Facebook. Looking forward to a great time!

## 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. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "**Stress.**" Don't miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding "Religion & Rock" go to [www.religionandrock.com](http://www.religionandrock.com) or at "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES. Don't forget to tune into TELECARE, Cablevision 29 or Verizon FIOS 296 for the Best in Catholic Television!

# Sharing the Gospel

Jesus wants you to be honest. When you tell lies, your friends will not be able to trust you. Tell the truth. If you find a wallet, bring it to the police station. If you see someone drop some money, pick it up and give it back to them. If someone left a jacket or toy on the playground, don't take it. Turn it in to "lost and found."



When you are honest with small things, people will see that you can be trusted with bigger things, too.

## Mission for the Week

Ask your parents to tell you ways that they choose to be honest with their work, their money, and with God.

### Puzzle

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

**You cannot serve God and money.**

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### Prayer



Dear God,  
help me to  
be honest.

### Something to Draw



Draw a picture of yourself giving money back to someone who dropped it.