

***"THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES  
TO BREAKING BREAD  
IN THEIR HOMES."***



***DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
OUR LADY OF LOURDES • MAY 1, 2011***



## *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

**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-Catho-  
lics and for Catholics who have  
never received formal religious  
education. If interested, please call  
the Parish Office.

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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 Tom Lucie**

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Coordinator of Stewardship

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## *Parish Staff*

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Parish Office

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**Rosemary Multer**

School Office

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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**

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Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM

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### **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)

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Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes  
"Renewing Our Spiritual Home"

*Two weeks left to make your pledge!*

As members of the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish family, we are faced with a challenge that only together can be overcome. The projects which are planned for the restoration and renovation of the Parish are important to each and every member of the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes.

It is only by our generosity and reflection for a sacrificial commitment that we will be able to accomplish our objectives. Through the sacrifice and commitment of generosity of those who have come before us, we have been blessed with the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes. Now, in order to build upon the gifts of our predecessors, it is our desire to accomplish the following projects:

**Church Lighting and Electric System**

- Our Church is presently inadequately lit. The lighting must be replaced so that our parish community can worship in an appropriately lit space.
- The electrical system needs to be replaced to support the new lighting system in a cost effective easily managed way.

**Narthex Entrance and Church Doors**

- We will restyle our existing entrance to reflect the welcoming spirit of our parish. This will provide an entrance which is attractive, clearly marked, and dignified.
- Our Church doors have served us well over the years and now are in need of replacement.

**Church Pews, Kneelers, and Chairs**

- After twenty-five years of dedicated service, it is time to replace our worn out and broken pews, kneelers, and chairs.

**Parish Center**

- From top to bottom, the Parish Center needs to be refurbished, including: painting, carpeting, cabinets, chairs, and tile.
- The present air conditioning/heating units are twenty-five years old and can no longer be cost effectively repaired. They need to be replaced.
- It is necessary to relocate a central drain which runs through the PC and is prone to untimely and unpleasant backups.

**Parish Grounds**

- Many of our curbs and sidewalks are crumbling and need to be replaced.
- We have many damaged lighting fixtures in the parking lot which require replacement.
- Needed repairs, which will prevent further damage must be made. Following the repairs, the parking lot will be resealed and relined.

**Rectory Office**

- Upgrading the existing Rectory entrance by providing an entrance that is clearly recognizable and accessible, better serving the needs of our parishioners.
- a new grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes would mark the entrance to our Rectory welcoming all to our parish.



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Thank you to the following parishioners who have made their pledge of sacrifice to our Capital Campaign. Our campaign is off and running, however, we can only meet our goal through the participation of the entire parish. Over the course of the next few months you will be hearing more about our Capital Campaign.

**This listing is updated as of the morning of Wednesday, April 27.** (Should there be any discrepancies, or if you do not wish to have your name listed, please note it on your pledge card or call the Parish Office at 661.3224.)

<i>Anonymous (31)</i>	<i>Roberto and Susanna Bouza</i>	<i>Gloria and Lawrence Cuzzi</i>
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## Religious Education

at Our Lady of Lourdes during the Easter Season...

*For all in Grade 7 in our Parish Family...*

### **Sponsor/Candidate Enrollment Sunday**

**Sunday, May 15**

**6 PM Mass**

All seventh graders in our Parish Family choose a Sponsor in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please come and join with all the seventh graders of our parish, their families and their newly chosen Sponsor, as we celebrate this commitment. They look to their Parish Family for prayers and support on their faith journey.

*For all in Grade 8 in our Parish Family...*

### **“Rescue Closing”**

**Sunday, May 22**

**6 PM Mass**

All eighth graders in our Parish Family, their Sponsors and parents share in celebrating their time together. The eighth graders and their Sponsors have been getting together and doing service for others.

*For all in Grades 6/7/8 in our parish family...*

### **Hang Out Nites continue...**

<b>Friday May 20</b>	<b>7:30 PM - 9:30 PM</b>	<b>Parish Center</b>
<b>Friday June 10</b>	<b>7:30 PM - 9:30 PM</b>	<b>Parish Center</b>

Don't forget...there's something for everyone !

All 6th / 7th / 8th graders of our Parish Family- come play volleyball, basketball.

We have Guitar Hero 2, free raffles, music and more. DON'T MISS IT !

*also...*

### **Grades 9/10/11/12**

ALL ARE WELCOME! Be a part of the Team. High School leaders help with set-up, participating in activities, refreshments, clean-up, etc... and assist Adult Chaperones. For more information, call 661.5440, option 3 or email [religioused@ollchurch.org](mailto:religioused@ollchurch.org).

*Reminder...*

### **Important Confirmation Meeting**

*For all Eighth Grade Parents in OLL Parish Family -*

**Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center**

*or*

**Thursday, May 19 at 10 AM in the Parish Center**

*or*

**Thursday, May 19 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center**

### **Did you know?**

You can go to “eChalk” at [www.ollreled.org](http://www.ollreled.org) to link and follow your “own” grade to find new and exciting activities, important parent info, and view our OLL Religious Education Calendar.





## A Step Toward Priesthood

*John Sureau to be ordained a Deacon*

On Saturday May 21, John Sureau will be ordained to the diaconate – an important step on the journey to priesthood. John will be with us to assist in and preach at his **first Mass as a Deacon on Sunday, May 22 at 11 AM.**

The Mass will be followed by a celebration in the Fr. Joe Garden.

## Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

This weekend Fr. Mike and Deacon John Deguardi are in the Holy Land with 30 members of our parish family. Share their journey and experiences on our website or just go to [www.ollchurch.org/holyland](http://www.ollchurch.org/holyland)

You can also join Fr. Mike on May 17 to hear about this journey and see pictures from the pilgrimage.

## Divine Mercy Sunday

*“Jesus, we trust in You!”*

Our parish will be celebrating the feast of **Divine Mercy on Sunday, May 1.** This feast offers us an opportunity to reflect on the Lord’s mercy, love, and compassion. Our celebration will begin at the 12:30 PM Mass. Following Mass, all are encouraged and invited to participate in the opportunities offered to: pray, reflect, adore, and reconcile themselves with the Lord on this great feast. Here are the activities planned for this day:

- Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 12:30PM Mass. This will offer time to have quiet reflection, prayer, and adoration of the Lord.
- From 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM, there will be hospitality and a film on the Lord’s Divine Mercy in our Parish Center.
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered in the Church from 1:45 PM to 2:45 PM.
- The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in the Church at 3 PM.
- We will close with the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament which follows the praying of the Chaplet.

Please come for one or all of our activities planned for this day as we celebrate the Lord’s gift of mercy.

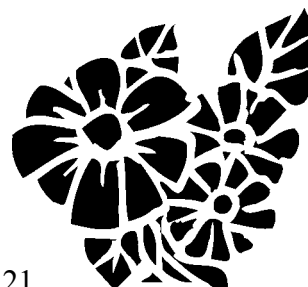
## OLL School Plant Sales

**Mother’s Day Weekend after Mass on Sunday, May 8.**

Get a blooming gift for Mom for Mother's Day. We will have beautiful blooming hanging baskets and plants available for purchase.

**OLL School Spring Annuals & Veggies Plant Sale**

Preorder form at [www.ollschool.org](http://www.ollschool.org)-”In The Backpack”. Orders are due Tuesday, May 17 in the school office. Pick up will be Saturday, May 21 from 1 - 4 PM. If you have any questions, contact Bronwen at [bsessa@ollschool.org](mailto:bsessa@ollschool.org)





## **Rosary Christian Mothers**

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month. The next meeting will be **Monday, May 2**. We will begin with **Rosary at 7:45 PM in the Spiritual Life Center** followed by **meeting at 8 PM, also in the Spiritual Life Center**.

## **SAGE**

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, May 3 in the Parish Center at 9 AM**.

## **Nocturnal Adoration**

Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5 PM Mass on **Saturday, May 7**, concluding with Benediction at 9:50 PM. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome! Bring a friend.



## **Holy Name Society**

The Holy Name Society meets on the second Sunday of each month. The next meeting will be on **Sunday, May 8**. We will begin with the **Rosary at 7:40 AM in the Church** and the **meeting will follow the 8 AM Mass at 9 AM in Room 16**.

## **Prayer for Divine Mercy**

*An invitation to all men and women to be part of God's plan.*

We invite you to meet in prayer for the world and our nation to put their trust in God. Our hope is that the nations will have a new spirit of morality.

Please come with your love and hope for humanity as well as your prayer requests. We gather together every **Thursday at 1:30 PM before the Blessed Sacrament** for about one half hour.

For more information, call Charles Argento at 586.8528.

**A Journey in the Footsteps of Jesus**  
**The Holy Land through the pictures of Fr. Mike**  
**Tuesday, May 17**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Parish Center**  
**Presenter: Fr. Mike Vetrano**



On April 25, thirty parishioners of OLL are making a journey to the Holy Land with Fr. Mike and Deacon John DeGuardi. They will be visiting many of the sites we hear of in the Gospels each week—the Mount of the Beatitudes, the Sea of Galilee, the Garden of Gethsemane, and many famous churches erected in the places which celebrate important events in Jesus life. Fr. Mike will be sharing this journey with us through pictures and stories of this first OLL Pilgrimage to the Holy Land.



**The Work of the Holy Spirit**  
**Tuesdays, May 3 and May 10**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Parish Center**  
**Presenter: Fr. Bob Scheckenback**

*“Fill the Hearts of the faithful; enkindle in them the fire of your love”*  
 There are 50 days between Easter and Pentecost; Called the Mystagogia. What do we expect to happen? Come learn about the work of the Spirit. What is Pentecost? Confirmation? Who is this third person of the Trinity? Two nights to look at different aspects of the Holy Spirit, and how that Spirit works in your life.

*There is a \$5 fee for each session. No fee is required for those who have paid the Religious Education Family Fee or Our Lady of Lourdes School tuition. Registration is necessary and helpful. This will enable us to have enough reading material and refreshments for all those attending. To register, please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option 3 or email to [religioused@ollchurch.org](mailto:religioused@ollchurch.org).*

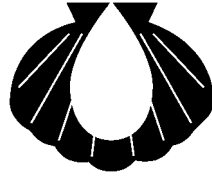
### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

*Bring your prayer and creativity together in a gift of love.*

**Join us ...**

All you need to bring is scrap yarn, knitting needles or crochet hooks (patterns and instructions will be given to you) and your gifts of love and prayer. Please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option 3, for upcoming dates.

## ***Baptisms***



*Kaylee Jeanne Davies*

Daniel and Denise

*Isabella Hokulani Heckmann*

John and Shana

*Kolton John Heyman*

Keith and Kelly

*Madeline Chase Rauh*

John and Kristine

*Gavin James Sandoval*

Jorge and Sue

*Avery Elizabeth Sofia*

Michael and Jennifer



## ***Rest In Peace***

*Frank E. Keppeler, Jr.* died on April 10 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was April 15. We extend our prayers to his daughter, Kristina, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Lucile Murphy* died on April 13 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was April 16. We extend our prayers to her son, Russell, and entire family.

## **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, May 2

*St. Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church*

8:00 AM Vito Mastrorocco

### Tuesday, May 3

*Saint Philip and Saint James, apostles*

8:00 AM John Lovari

### Wednesday, May 4

8:00 AM Charles Abela

### Thursday, May 5

8:00 AM Robert Vint, Sr.

### Friday, May 6

8:00 AM Patrick Greene

### Saturday, May 7

8:00 AM Nicholas Kremenic, Mateo Petrer, Deacon Dick Barry,  
Tommy Karlic, Robert C. Burke, Jr., Alyssa Aquafredda,  
Steven Daunt

5:00 PM Nicholas Cibelli

*Fr. Pat Amabile*

### Sunday, May 8

8:00 AM Anthony & Mary Sabala

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

9:30 AM Louise Riedemann & Sadie Melchione

*Fr.*

11:00 AM Theresa Reardon

*Fr. Mike Vetrano*

12:30 PM Frances Torina

*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Patricia Beyerbach, Salvatore LoVerde,  
Dorothy Simmons, Gertrude Parine, Catherine Ward,

Catherine Russo, Barbara Arnold, Lucy Feriod, Gemma M. Hall

*Fr. Pat Amabile*



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## 2nd Sunday of Easter

It is pretty likely that while growing up many of us knew a set of twins. In North America roughly one out of every eighty live births is a set of twins. And we are familiar with the similarities and differences between identical and fraternal twins. Social scientists and medical researchers love to study twins because they can ferret out key data with fewer variables that need explanation. What is often most intriguing to researchers is the parallelism that may occur in following a set of twins until a certain event or experience sets the individuals off on different paths. Twin studies have proved valuable over the years in areas such as drug dependence, learning disabilities, geriatric medicine, and depression.

We may miss it in the reading of today's Gospel, but Thomas, the protagonist of the story, is a twin. The Greek word "Didymus" and the Aramaic "Thomas" both mean twin. So where is the other half? We are never introduced to Thomas' brother (or sister for that matter) in John's Gospel. Did he (or she) die? Was he (or she) a follower of Jesus? The fact is, we just don't know.

What is clear in the Thomas story is that the appearance of Jesus after his resurrection shows the two faces of believers, categories that are a matched set just like a pair of twins. There are the believers who have seen the risen Lord: Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter and the rest of the Twelve, and of course, Thomas. And then, like Thomas' unknown twin, there are all the rest of the believers who have never seen the risen Lord. We, and every generation of Christians since the apostles, fall into that group. We have not seen, but we still believe. And, according to Jesus, we are just as blessed and just as much a part of the family as those who have seen and touched the One who is risen from the dead.

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### Readings for the Week of May 1, 2011

<b>Sunday:</b>	Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
<b>Tuesday:</b>	1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



*Come follow me and  
I will make you...*  
**Fishers of Men**

On Saturday, April 16, twenty men represented Our Lady of Lourdes at the Third Annual Catholic Men's Conference, held at Holy Trinity High School, Hicksville. The most moving message of love, mercy, and forgiveness, was delivered by Deacon Frank Bice and Det. Steven McDonald. Deacon Frank Bice of St. Mary's, Manhasset, became paralyzed as a result of an injury while playing for Siena College in 1980-which began a journey towards religious life and he has become an inspiring speaker and dedicated Deacon. Steven McDonald is the most seriously injured NYPD officer to have survived his injuries. a parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne, he has become one of the world's most inspirational voices of hope and forgiveness. Together, both in wheelchairs, they delivered messages of hope, that no matter what difficulty you may experience, Our Lord is sure to be walking right along side of you.

Then we were treated to a grassroots type talk from the director of Grassroots Films, Joe Campo. Joe is also the director of St. Francis House, Brooklyn, where young men who are looking for a fresh start in life, may come to call St. Francis House their home. Grassroots Films produced the film, "The Human Experience" a great film that I've seen at work, with my family, and will be showing to the Men's Prayer Groups.

Bishop Murphy's homily was upbeat, talking about the upcoming beatification of Pope John Paul II, reminding me of his famous talk that started out, "Do not be afraid...", which I had posted on my door to my counselling office at St. Anthony's High School. The Bishop spoke of Ezekiel's drybones prophesy that is all around us today-"No Spirit." But we here, on the other hand, he said, have left our nets and have come to follow Him today and to live the Gospel. He closed his homily with the call to "Open your hearts, come follow me, bring my message of life to others," and promising us with "I will be with you always, even until the end of time."

The Holy Trinity High School chorus was awesome, singing "Your Amazing Love-to die for me-I honor you Jesus, you are my King, it's my joy to honor you-in all I do." After lunch, jawboning with the guys, we were back to the conference where the panel spoke to the fact that if there isn't a Men's Group in your parish, go find it elsewhere. That made us feel pretty good about having a successful group, now almost three years old, and a new one at night, just getting started.

Brian Caulfield, from the Knights of Columbus, plugged confession, saying, the most important words we'll hear today will be "I absolve you of your sins." His topic covered the three themes or principles of the Knights of Columbus-charity, unity and brotherhood. *Charity*-love, not just those I know, but those I don't, *Unity*-universal-all faiths are the Body of Christ, and *Brotherhood*-into action-serving others-bring it home-and we did.

Respectfully,  
*Jack Fitzgerald*

## Financial Summary

### **Palm Sunday-April 17, 2011**

Weekly Collection	\$ 24,012.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ 5,012.00

### **Easter Sunday-April 24, 2011**

Easter Collection	\$ 40,615.00
Ministry Collection	+\$ 8,644.00
Easter/Ministry 2011	\$ 49,259.00
Easter/Ministry 2010	\$ 50,674.41

*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:

**Stephen Cochrane**-*US Marines*

**Bryan R. Dempsey**-*US Marines*

**Christopher Florca**-*US Marines*

**Cari Kelly**- *US Air Force*

**Anthony Mannino**-*US Marines*

**JD Montefusco**-*US Marines*

**Joshua Tyrrell**-*US Army*

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



## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Angela MacDermott*.  
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, Gertrude Beyhl, Jason Burke, Viola Callanan, Edith Caputo,  
Nicole Cerny, Grace Ciccarello, Edward Cronin, Beverly DeCanio,  
Jeanne DellaRagione, Debbie Eichen, Baby Reagan Farrell, Jake Feldman,  
Marguerite Filippone, Kenneth Garretson, Baby Gavin Gradiska, Vivian Gordon,  
Winifred Hanrahan, Peter Joseph, Sr., Kathleen Kerrigan, Marty Kerrigan,  
Robyn Kerrigan, Eric Lee, Leone Leitch, Lisa Letterel, Ann Losee,  
Christopher J. Maher, Louise Malcuit, Rosa Mastrorocco, Connell McGee,  
John McNevin, Vincent Meade, Frances Miranda, Julio Miranda, John Mordente,  
Joe Morris, Rae Morris, Ruth Murray, Evelyn Nonnon, Susan Ogden,  
Philomena Owens, Karen Parpounas, Minnie Polini, Joanne Popper, Joe Radosti,  
Patricia Sanchez, Dorothy Schiavone, AnnMarie Schiraldi, Baby Isabella Shaw,  
Derek Stahl, Lindsay Stahl, Kay Stevenson, Patrick Tardo, Nancy Turano,  
Jeanne Vuocolo, Karen Whalen, Patricia Wilkinson, Joe Yezek*

## Forgiving Our Differences

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

In her first volume of her autobiography, *Under My Skin*, Doris Lessing, shares this story: During her marriage to Gottfried Lessing, it became evident to both of them at a point that they were simply incompatible as a married couple and that they would eventually have to seek a divorce. However, for practical reasons, they decided to live together, as friends, until they could both move to England, at which time they would file for a divorce. Their marriage was finished but unexpectedly their friendship began to grow. They had accepted their incompatibility as a fact and as something that didn't call for resentment from either of them. Why be angry at someone just because she feels and thinks differently than we do?

One night, lying in their separate beds in the same room, both smoking and unable to sleep, Gottfried said to her: This kind of incompatibility is more of a misfortune than a crime. That's a mature insight: It's not a crime or a sin to be incompatible, it's only unfortunate.

Would that in our daily lives we could appropriate that truth because there is an important emotional, intellectual, moral, and religious challenge contained in it. We spend too much time and energy angry and frustrated with each other over something that basically we cannot control or change. Our differences, however much they may frustrate us and tax our patience at times, are not a crime, a sin, or indeed (most times) even anyone's fault. We don't need to blame someone, be angry at someone, or resent someone because he or she is different than we are, no matter how much those differences separate us, frustrate us, and try our patience and understanding.

We shouldn't blame and resent each other for being different. Yet that is what we invariably do. We resent others, especially those closest to us in our families, in our churches, and in our places of work, because they are different than we are, as if they were to blame for those differences. Funny, how we rarely reverse that and blame ourselves. But generally we blame someone or something. Incompatibility within families, church circles, and professional circles, rarely helps produce respect and friendship, as it did between Gottfried and Doris Lessing. The opposite is true. Our differences generally become a source of division, anger, resentment, bitterness, and recrimination. We positively blame the other person for the incompatibility as if it was a moral fault or a willful separation.

Of course, sometimes, that can be the case. Infidelity or even simple laziness and lack of effort in a relationship can also eat away at harmony and insert insurmountable obstacles to understanding and compatibility. An affair with someone who isn't your partner can help trigger incompatibility in a marriage pretty quickly. In such a case, it wouldn't be as true to say: "This is just a misfortune." There is someone to blame. However most of the differences that separate us are, in the words of Gottfried Lessing, mostly just a misfortune, not a crime.

Who is to blame? Who's at fault? If anyone is to be blamed, let's blame nature and God.

We can blame nature for its prodigal character, for its overwhelming abundance, for its staggering variety, for its billions of species, for its bewildering differences within the same species, and for its proclivity to give us novelty and color beyond imagination. We can also blame God for placing us in a universe whose magnitude, diversity, and complexity befuddles both the intellect and the imagination. Our universe is still growing both in size and in variation, with change as it's only constant.

God and nature, it would appear, do not believe in simplicity, uniformity, blandness, and sameness. We aren't born into this world off conveyor-belts like cars coming off a factory line. The infinite combination of accidents, circumstance, chance, and providence that conspire to make up our specific and individual DNA is too complex to ever be calculated or even concretely imagined.

But blame isn't the proper verb here, even if in our frustrations with our differences we feel that we need to blame someone. God and nature shouldn't be blamed for providing us with so much richness, for setting us into a world with so much color and variety, and for making our own personalities so deep and complex. How boring life would be if we weren't forever confronted with novelty, variety, and difference. How boring the world would be if everything were the same color, if all flowers were of one kind, and if all personalities were the same as ours. We would pay a high price for the easy peace and understanding that would come from that uniformity.

Gottfried Lessing was an agnostic and a Marxist, not an easy friend to Christianity. But we (who vow ourselves by our baptism to understanding, empathy, forgiveness, and peace-making) should be strongly and healthily challenged by his insight and understanding: It's not a sin or a crime to be incompatible, it's only unfortunate!

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**Our Lady of Lourdes  
27th Annual Golf Classic  
Monday, July 18, 2011  
Southward Ho Country Club  
Bay Shore**

So you know Father Mike was a hiker, an amateur photographer, and answered a higher calling, but did you know he once had a pilot's license? Father Mike is this year's Golf Outing Honoree for so many reasons. Keep reading the bulletin for more fascinating facts about our Pastor.

The Golf Committee is looking for more volunteers to help with our outing. For more information, please contact Golf Committee member Rich Maher at 661.5478 or Frank Antonawich at 587.7988.

**Victorian Tea  
Sunday, May 22  
“The English Parlour Room”**

Do polish your silver and air your linens. There will be no excuse deemed acceptable for those attending in less than their finest of Victorian fashion and lace.

(Advance tickets are not yet on sale-but do mark your calendars as we have no tolerance for weeping if your request for tickets is denied!)



**Discovery Summer Camp  
Sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes  
June 27 - August 5  
9 AM - 5 PM  
Monday -Friday**

A full-time day camp program for students entering grades Pre-K - 7, beginning with an academic based morning and a fun-filled afternoon of sports. Choose from the four or six week program. Before/After Care and school provided lunch available for an additional fee. Registration now being accepted. For further information, or to register, please contact Lisa Kennedy, director at 631.587.7200, extension 101 or email to [lkennedy@ollschool.org](mailto:lkennedy@ollschool.org).



## Flower Offering

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*M/M Antoine Abi-Zeid  
Walter P. Sokol, Sr.  
Leslyn Armstrong  
Lewis/O'Riordan Family  
Santa B. Quevedo  
Robert F. Wagner  
Joseph Caleca, Sr.  
Joseph Caleca, Jr.  
DeVivo & Runnions Families  
Mary Ann Boyd  
My Mom  
Gordons & Winberrys  
Fabrizio Family  
Christopher Patrick Flynn  
Thomas E. Dowling  
All souls that have touched my life...  
Nicolina & Jack McGrath  
Nicolina & Angelo Trezza  
Rosario & Jenny Arena  
Mary & William Phillips  
John & Florence Stringer  
M/M Ted Scorcia  
M/M Nilo DeLeon  
Evelyn Albert  
Jennifer Gordon  
Carol Guzzone  
Patrick W. McCarthy  
Joseph Ennis  
Douglas Killane  
Lawrence Killane  
Castagna & Scacciaferro Family  
M/M Joseph Zito  
John Fallon, Sr.  
M/M Mark Grabow*

*Karl & Louise Zoehfeld  
Keane & Foley Families  
DeLeon & Espina Families  
Leonard Reyer Vicencio  
Sylvan Lodespoto  
John Lodespoto  
Lodespoto & Angelone Family  
George J. Frank  
Anna & Kenneth Gotthelf  
Bart Simone  
Eugene Surace  
William LeComte  
Virginia Muldoon  
Dorothy Baltrusitis  
Sharon Muldoon Suchocki  
Martin & Elizabeth Lichten  
Joan Siele  
Brian D'Angelo  
M/M John J. Welch, Jr.  
Edward & Alice Lee  
Carmela Nieroda  
Marie Terribile  
Jerry DiCanio  
Dec'd mbrs Carola & Franzone Families  
M/M Pasquale Sgambati  
Margaret Zimmerly  
Mary Cafaro  
Rutkowski Family  
M/M Nunzio Diamante  
Bill Martino  
Rosemarie Lee Capria  
M/M Noel MacDermott  
Cecilia Szczecinza  
Anna & Jospheh Mundy  
Patricia & Matthew McLaughlin  
Marcin & Ciotkosz Family  
M/M Steven Troiano  
Birger Fredriksen  
Phillip Charron  
M/M Charles Monaco  
Joan P. Hill  
M/M John Malaszczyk  
Julia Foran  
M/M Vincent McGuire*

# Sharing the Gospel

The disciples must have been very surprised when they saw Jesus alive again. They got to see him, listen to him, and touch him. We don't get to see "him like the disciples did after Easter. But Jesus calls us blessed when we believe in him. One day we'll see him again in heaven.



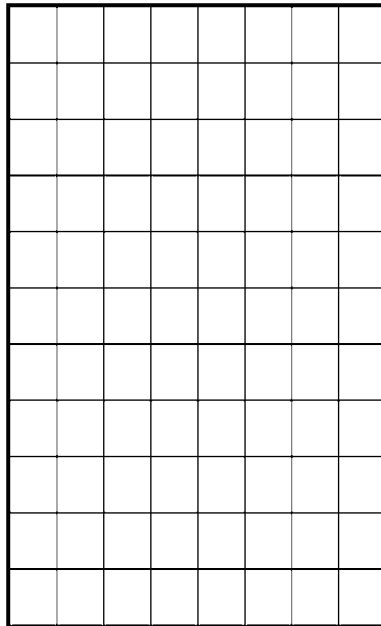
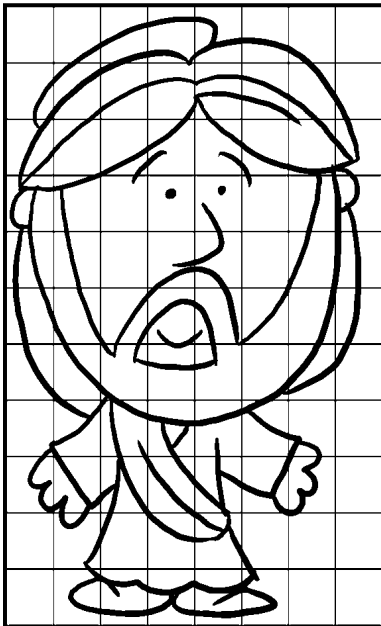
## Mission for the Week



Tell a friend why Jesus is special to you.

### Puzzle

Copy the picture square by square.



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### Prayer



Jesus,  
I can hardly wait to  
see you in heaven.

### Something to Draw



Draw a picture of  
Jesus smiling at you  
from heaven.