

“Repay to Caesar what is Caesar’s



Matthew 22:21

and to God what is God’s.”

Our Lady of Lourdes • October 16, 2011
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

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.

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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.

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

Rev. Patsy Amabile
Associate Pastor

Rev. Robert Scheckenback
Associate Pastor

Rev. Ambrose Cabildo
In Residence

Rev. Michael Holzmann
In Residence

Deacon John DeGuardi

Deacon Tom Lucie

Deacon Jack Meehan

Coordinator of Stewardship

Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar

Senior Ministry-SAGE

Sr. Nancy Campkin

Director of Religious Education

Louise Jane Krol

School Principal

Sr. Diane Liona

Director of Religious Education

Mary McMahan

Director of Parish Social Ministry

Robin Reynolds-Brennan

Coordinator of Worship

OLL Choir Director

Vita Scorcia

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Sr. Betty Toohig

Senior Ministry-SAGE

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John Muldoon

Bob Natale

Eileen Rega

Vita Scorcia

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Director of Youth Choirs

Michael Buonaspina

Parish Organist

Jennifer Gallagher

Women's Chorale Director

Mary Anne Lettieri

Parish Office

Debbie Meyer

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School Office

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

Lori Walsh

Parish Office



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Friday: 9AM - 5 PM

Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM

Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM

email: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org

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Our Lady of Lourdes School

587.7200 (option 2)

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

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Parish Outreach Office

661.9262 (option 4)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

9:30 AM - 3 PM

S.A.G.E.

661.3224, ext. 122

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and Enrichment)

email: Sage@ollchurch.org



On Monday, October 17, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will hold a BLOOD DRIVE from 3:30 PM to 8:30 PM. The Drive will be held in the All Purpose Room.

All eligible donors are strongly urged to give blood.

About 50 percent of the population can donate, yet less than 5 percent actually do. If you live to the age of 76 in the United States, there is a 95 percent chance that you will need blood. The only way there will be an adequate supply of blood is if each and every member of the community does his/her part.

Take a moment to think of the miracle you can accomplish and the many lives your one donation can affect. Your donation can help at least 3 patients.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

All Souls Mass of Remembrance

We Remember We Celebrate We Believe



During this past year at Our Lady of Lourdes more than 100 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 5 at 10:30 AM.**

If there is someone you wish to honor, whose Funeral Mass was not celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 no later than October 28.



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

Renewing Our Spiritual Home Projects

This is the week - Our lighting will be installed!

With all parts and pieces on hand the week of October 17 we will begin our installation. So take a look around you! By next week things will look much brighter. The process will actually take a couple of weeks, but most of the big work will be done this coming week. Therefore, our Church will be closed, with morning Mass to be held in our Parish Center. We will have at least the majority operational for our weekend schedule.

Parish Center

After the lighting is complete our next project will be the Parish Center. New rugs, seating, ceiling, lights, kitchenette, and storage will all be renewed in the early months of 2012.

We are working now with a architect to design the new layout of our room with new storage spaces for our ministries.

Happy New Year for our Parish Center!

Is it too late to participate?

Not at all! All gifts and pledges are always welcome. Just call our Parish Office at 661.3224 or send me an email at pastor@ollchurch.org. It would be wonderful if every Our Lady of Lourdes parishioner could claim a share of the "Renewing Our Spiritual Home" Project.

Thanks for all you do to support the parish family of Our Lady of Lourdes!

Fr. Mike



**TAKE
NOTE**

Due to the electrical work being done in the Church this week, **the 8 AM Mass will be in the Parish Center.**



Welcoming the
ROMAN MISSAL THIRD EDITION
Deepen. Nurture. Celebrate

Scriptural Reflections on the New Roman Missal *by Msgr. Chris Heller*

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Oct 16 - Matthew 22:15-21**

6. In today's Holy Gospel, Jesus answers the question, "to whom should our human allegiance go?" On occasion, children of each generation engage in a game called "King of the Hill" or "Queen of the Hill." In essence, the game is about determining who the boss is, who is in charge, who will be giving the orders, and who will be the leader for the longest time. When it comes to adults, of course, the stakes about who deserves our loyalty and to what degree we pledge our allegiance is much higher. They involve the giving and receiving of power, privilege, possessions and prestige to someone else, with the intent that in exchange people would be assured of safety and protection.

In the time of Jesus, though, the Jewish people lived under Roman military occupation: some people were very uncomfortable with this relationship, while others like Matthew the tax collector – at least in the beginning – enjoyed his prosperity, even though Matthew received it while functioning as an agent of the enemy Roman government. Jesus is very clear about who deserves our ultimate allegiance: the One True God; the One we call Creator and Father; the One whom Saint Paul the Apostle identified as being over all, and in all, and working through all.

In just six weeks, we will affirm our primary allegiance to God at the Eucharist, using slightly different words than we have in the past. On Sundays throughout the year, with the exception of the seasons of Advent and Lent, we will sing or say: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.** While the "Gloria" is different from the Creed we recite at the Profession of Faith each week, the "Gloria" praises God with strong faith that reaches both high and deep. For who else has offered to take away our sins? Who else receives our prayers of thanksgiving, contrition, adoration and petition? Only Our God has invited us into such a prayer: may we be authentic and generous in our praise of the One to Whom we owe our very lives.

Blessed be God, who gives us new life and new hope in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Adult Faith Formation

Why Do I Have to Shake Hands in Church?

The Mass (Sacred Liturgy) as Communal Prayer



Presenter: Fr. Bob Scheckeback

Tuesday - October 4, 11, 18

7:30-9:30 PM

Parish Center

With the Liturgical reforms that came from the Second Vatican Council, our Church re-embraced an ancient and consistent element of her identity. She re-established the Mass as the corporate prayer of the community on the Sabbath.

For the greater majority of our history, Christians prayed with each other to express their faith, and to revel in the presence of Christ in their communion with each other. We invite you to a three night Adult Faith Formation course to look at the parts of the Mass, the words and gestures, the format and development; that all calls us to see our worship as relational and community minded. Using the 3rd edition (new translation) of the Roman Missal we will see how we are still being called “to that full, conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy...”

-Sacrosanctum Concilium 1963

St. Paul: A person of faith...

A searcher with steadfast conviction in the power of Jesus...

just like us!



Presenter: Msgr. Jim McNamara

Tuesday - October 25, November 1, 8, and 15

7:30-9 PM

Parish Center

Come join us as we explore St. Paul's personal journey, spirituality, and life of faith by tracing his experience of conversion, commitment, grace and community.

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.

Ministry of Consolation

Our Lady of Lourdes Ministry of Consolation offers a personal and caring presence to our families at the time of the death of a loved one. The men and women in this Ministry are called “companions” as they accompany the family in special ways at this difficult time.

There are many opportunities for you to become involved in this very special Ministry:

Day Companions – meet with family members and assist with the planning of the Mass of Christian Burial, help select the Scripture Readings and music that will be used at the Funeral Mass, offer places during the Mass where the family can participate and are present at the Mass to support and represent our Parish Family.

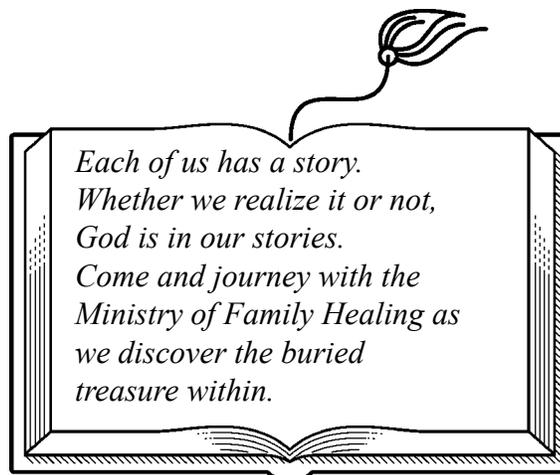
Computer Literate Companions – are needed to prepare a booklet that will be used during the funeral liturgy.

Some aspects of the Ministry may be more comfortable for you and fit your schedule better. If your heart is moved to be available to help families during a difficult time, please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

Ministry of Family Healing

Where is God in your Story?

Jesus told stories all the time in the Gospels. Some about the most common things in the world - a lost sheep, a woman who sweeps her house in search of a coin, a man whose son runs away from home.



Join us on Thursday, November 3 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option #3, to register.

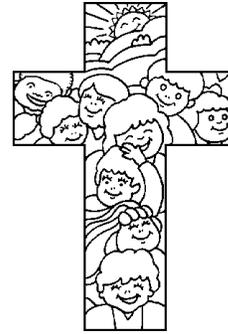
Please bring a friend, and as always food and fellowship to follow.

Religious Education

PEP 1 Registration Dates 2011

for children entering public school, grade 1 - September 2011

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.*



Wednesday, October 19

11 AM and 8 PM

(late registration after Parent Mtg)

If this is your **first child in our program**, the registration fee (Family Fee) is \$175 and textbooks are \$25 (if needed.) Details will be provided at the meeting.

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



Pep 4 Program

Our fourth graders began their Religious Education year with a prayer service in Church with Father Bob presiding. The theme of this year is:

“Lord, Enlarge My Heart”, taken from the prayer of Jabez, an Old Testament figure who asked God to watch over him, that he may never cause harm to anyone.

During this service, the children received a blessing, and, in turn, blessed their catechists and asked God’s grace for them during their time of study.

The curriculum this year includes learning about God’s Law of Love, the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes and the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. The students will learn how to incorporate these wonderful principles into their everyday lives.

Pep 2 Program

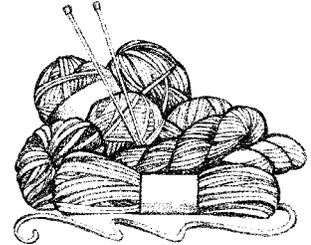


Our second graders began class on September 22 and received their special vine plant. As they care for this plant this year, they will reflect on the message that **“Jesus is the Vine and they are the Branches”**.

Each class day, they reflect on that Gospel, water their plant and sing their special song. This year, as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist, they will experience more deeply, God’s intimate relationship with them.

SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, October 18**, in the **Parish Center at 9 AM**.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

Join us ...

Wednesday, November 9 at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center.

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.

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.
(Free babysitting available)

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.



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 or call the Parish Office at 661.3224, option #1, and we would be happy to help you.

Men's Prayer Group-morning

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

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection after 8 AM Mass on **Thursday, October 20, in the Parish Center**. We 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. Call Jack Fitzgerald at 587.5548 for more information.

Men's Prayer Group-evening

An *evening* men's prayer group! It will be held once a month, on the third Tuesday of each month from **7:30 PM until 8:30 PM in the Spiritual Life Center**. The next meeting will be **Tuesday night, October 18**. Come with your ideas. We'll read and discuss the Liturgy for the following Sunday Mass.

For more information, call Bob Natale at 893.3041, Charles Zeiss at 669.7189 or Cliff Proctor at 669.3198.



Upcoming Marriages

*Natalie Negri, St. Joseph, Babylon and
Joseph Caleca, OLL*



Rest In Peace

Arthur Cavalluzzo died on October 1 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 5. We extend our prayers to his wife, Ruth, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Frances Caccavo died on October 7 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was held in West Palm Beach, Florida. We extend our prayers to her daughter, Grace O'Connor, 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.

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Remembering...

Monday, October 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr

8:00 AM Patricia Zimmer

Tuesday, October 18

Saint Luke, evangelist

8:00 AM Charles Homann

Wednesday, October 19

8:00 AM Lillian Scuderi Calogero

Thursday, October 20

Saint Paul of the Cross, priest

8:00 AM Thomas Manzi

Friday, October 21

8:00 AM Hattie Malcolm

Saturday, October 22

8:00 AM Lawrence Karle, James Burke (*living*),
Dominick Bartone, Jean Stallone,
Geoffrey Johnson, Sandy Clark

5:00 PM Andrew "Al" Velten
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

Sunday, October 23

8:00 AM Sheila Timmer
Fr. Bob Scheckenback

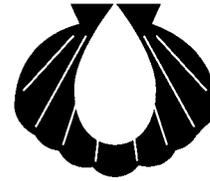
9:30 AM Carol Sullivan
Fr. Michael Holzmann

11:00 AM Edward Cameron III
Fr. Patsy Amabile

12:30 PM Donald & Patrick Manning and Grandparents
Fr. Mike Vetrano

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Maria Narvaez, Josephine Davison,
Barbara Gawrych, Fred Scheckenback, Jean LoMonaco,
Sal Gaeta (*living*), Bruce Stoltz, Raymond Brick
Fr. Mike Vetrano

Baptism



Brendan Christopher Timpug
Christopher and Barbara
Dominick John Conzone
John and Jo-Ann
Mikaela Hope Venendaal
Kevin and Kristin



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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

While anyone with a paycheck ends up paying taxes regularly, there are many others who pay their taxes as a quarterly estimate. Many states or provinces have a sales tax that applies to certain goods and services. Even some local municipalities add their own fraction of a percent on top of that. And anytime we put gasoline in our car we are paying taxes. Benjamin Franklin's adage, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes," is certainly true for any of us in this country. It could be said that we are rendering to Caesar by way of the taxes we pay as part and parcel of our everyday life.

In the Gospel today Jesus points out that there is nothing wrong with paying taxes. In fact, in the examination of conscience in the Rite of Penance, the questions that are asked include, "Have I done my duty as a citizen? Have I paid my taxes?" From the perspective of a Christian, paying taxes is part of promoting the common good, since government exists to foster and protect society. Encouraging development and promoting the common good are causes that the popes from the time of Leo XIII to the present have particularly supported in their encyclicals and reflections. And it is an idea that is occasionally lost in the heated political rhetoric of North American culture. As the popes have highlighted, the "common good" is an especially Christian ideal, since it means that we are attentive to the needs of all in society, an inclusive and wide-reaching perspective on who the community truly is.

If paying taxes-and in that way promoting the common good-is already a part of our everyday life, we might want to ask ourselves in what ways repaying to God what belongs to God is taking place in our lives every day. How taxing is our spiritual life? Or is our spiritual tax rate too low?

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Readings for the Week of October 16, 2011

Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21
Monday:	Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday:	2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Rom 8:1-11/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 *Nancy Trujillo*.
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 ...

Stacy Ann, James Bianco, Herbert Carlson, Nicole Cerny, Maria Chiarello, Eddie Cronin, Jeanne Marie DellaRagione, Frank Edwards, Baby Reagan Farrell, Jake Feldman, Marguerite Filippone, Ann Finn, Elizabeth Fredriksen, Kenneth Garretson, Kathleen Gilgan, Baby Gavin Gradiska, Joan Griffin, Winifred Hanrahan, Baby Peter Horyczun, Max Iliano, Peter Joseph, Robyn Kerrigan, Krista Kinney Kearney, Richard LaFountaine, Francis Lenahan, Anne Losee, Christopher J. Maher, Marge Marotta, Tony Marotta, Rosa Mastrorocco, John McNevin, Baby Ryan Michael, Arlene Monte, Rae Morris, Patricia Muller, Evelyn Nonnon, Joanne Popper, Peter Porzio, Louise Posanti, Joe Radosti, Teresa Saraceno, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Rose Segreto, Baby Isabella Shaw, Anne Tamney, Nancy Turano, Joseph Yezek

Dealing with our “Cain-Complex”

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

In the early pages of the bible we are given a series of stories that describe the human condition and give reasons why things are as they are. The story we are most familiar with is the story of Adam and Eve, eating the forbidden fruit, the one we call the “original sin” story.

But that story is followed by a series of other stories, less famous, but not less enlightening. One of these is the story of Cain and Abel, supposedly the first children of Adam and Eve. That story might be recast this way:

Once upon a time twin children were born: The first child was named Abel. He was a smiling baby, beautiful in body and in disposition. Naturally talented and gifted, everything he did pleased his parents and his teachers. He was good in school, in athletics, in music, and in making friends. Everything came easy for him. Popular and a natural leader, chosen as class president, Abel won a scholarship to a prestigious university, graduated at the top of his class, married a wonderful woman who matched his good looks and good disposition, landed a high-paying job, received a series of career promotions, and won “Man-of-the-Year” award for his work in charity and philanthropy. He became the most respected and loved man in the community, deservedly so. The smoke from his sacrifice always rose up to heaven!

The second child was named Cain and you are that child. You were born crying, less beautiful in body and needier in disposition. Suffering from colic and skin rashes as a baby, you were not your mother’s favorite. Nothing came easy for you, neither school, nor athletics, nor music, nor making friends. Picked on and bullied on the playground, school became, at times, a nightmare but eventually you did graduate, near the bottom of the class. Nothing you ever did pleased anyone, least of all your parents and teachers. The marriage partner of your dreams never appeared and you drifted into a marriage more numbing than life-giving. There were no promotions or “man-of-the-year” awards for you. The smoke of your sacrifice somehow never seemed to go upward! Bitterness and anger began slowly to grow inside you, especially as you watched your twin brother, Abel, seemingly move so effortlessly and gracefully through life.

No one is ever shot by a gun before he is first shot

by a word, and no one is ever shot by a word before he is first shot by a thought. You began to kill Abel: “Who does he think he is? He thinks he’s so talented and smart! He was born with a golden spoon in his mouth. None of what he has is deserved! He’s a hypocrite, a show-off, a charlatan, living inside his privileged little bubble! He understands nothing about life! It’s unfair! I hate him!”

With such thoughts, we kill each other just as surely as Cain killed Abel. And, like Abel, we are stigmatized by that. Just as Cain’s contemporaries saw the blood of his murdered brother on his hands, our contemporaries see the jealousy of Cain in our eyes and hear it in our conversations. There’s a jealousy that murders others and people steer away from us when they smell that jealousy on us, leaving us even more lonely, more on the outside, more bitter, more jealous, more stigmatized, more alone in with our anger.

But that is the human condition. All of us, unless we have been extraordinarily blessed and gifted, suffer from a “Cain-complex”. We have some of the jealousy and bitterness of Cain in our hearts and we have some blood on our hands. We too, like Cain, have already killed out of jealousy and bitterness.

But recognizing this in ourselves should invite us to conversion, not discouragement. The first words out of Jesus’ mouth in the Gospels are: Repent and believe in the good news! The English translation doesn’t much capture the substance of that invitation. The word that Jesus uses for “repent” is the Greek word, *metanoia*: literally: *meta* (above) and *nous* (mind). Jesus invites us to put on a bigger mind and heart, one above our present one with all its jealousies and bitterness. And the word *metanoia* also plays linguistically off the word *paranoia*. To undergo *metanoia* is to become non-paranoid. In essence, Jesus’ salient invitation to us might be rendered: Become non-paranoid and believe that it is good news!

But that isn’t easy to do. To surrender our distrust, our bitterness, our anger, and our sense that life hasn’t been fair to us, is singularly the most difficult moral and psychological demand in our lives. In the end, it isn’t sexuality, greed, lack of justice, or lack of prayer and religion in our lives that block us from God and community. The real obstacle is paranoia, bitterness, distrust, our “Cain-complex”.

And so in the darkness of our alienation and distrust there is an invitation, perhaps the most important one in our lives: Call out for help.

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Financial Summary

October 9, 2011

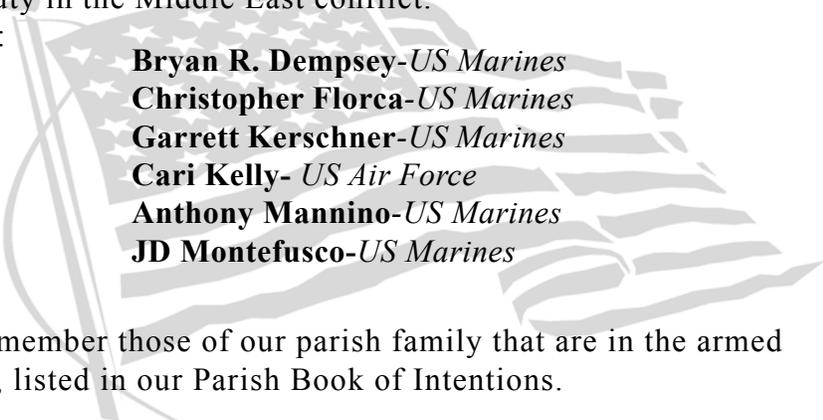
Weekly Collection	\$ 16,540.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,460.00)

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
Garrett Kerschner-US Marines
Cari Kelly- US Air Force
Anthony Mannino-US Marines
JD Montefusco-US Marines

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

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 McMahan, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 661.3224, option 4.

News from Outreach

The Women of West Islip, a non-profit organization of women committed to volunteerism, philanthropy, and charity; is sponsoring a fundraiser on **Thursday, October 20 from 6 PM – 11 PM at Farrell’s on Higbie Lane**. Admission is \$10.00 and includes a hot buffet. There will also be an incredible Chinese Auction. 100% of the funds raised are used for the needs of West Islip Community. The Women of West Islip has contributed to the OLL Food Pantry in the last few months, during our dire time of need. If you are available, please consider supporting this event.

Catholic Charities Senior Housing: Catholic Charities, sponsor of St. Anne’s Gardens in Brentwood, has low income housing for Seniors 60 and older. Income guidelines as follows: Individuals: \$15,425 - \$36,360; Couples: \$17,300 - \$41,500. Contact Catholic Charities at 516.733.7076 for more information.

Free Food for those in Need: The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (C.F.S.P.) funded by USDA and NYSDOH and administered by Catholic Charities provides free food for Seniors (aged 60 and older); children from age 5 up to their 6th birthday and women who are 6-12 months post-partum. Food distributed includes cheese, milk, cereals, juices, canned fruits and fish and more. This is a needs-based program based on income. For information please call: 631.491.4156.

Free Prescription Medicine: Free Medicine Foundation helps people apply for enrollment in one or more of the many patient assistance programs now available. This program is for those who are falling through the cracks financially-those who make just enough money so they don’t qualify for Medicaid but not enough to afford a prescription coverage plan or to buy their own medications. For more information, please check their website at: www.FreeMedicine.com.

Cleaning for a Reason: Free housecleaning available once a month for those undergoing chemo-therapy. To register contact: www.cleaningforareason.org.

Finally: Outreach Needs Food....Please don’t forget our pantry!

Pantry Needs

laundry soap
personal care products
soap
toilet paper
toothpaste

Twelfth Annual Elizabeth Ann Seton Award Luncheon



Please join the Sisters of Charity-Halifax for the **12th Annual Elizabeth Ann Seton Award Luncheon** to be held at the **Milleridge Inn on Sunday, November 13, from 1 PM until 4 PM.**

Please join us in honoring this year's award recipients: *Kathleen Moloughney* (Co-Director, Sisters of Charity-Halifax Associate Program, Our Sisters who Minister & Volunteer at St. John's Bread & Life (*Sisters Virginia Blend, Barbara Buxton, Josephine D'Agostino, Fran Fahey, Margaret Mary Fitzpatrick, Frances Gritte, and Judy Park*) and *Peter Siuzdak* (Youth Award Recipient).

Our SAGE Sisters - Sister Betty and Sister Margaret, as well as Sister Barbara, our Sunday receptionist at the Parish Office, are all Sisters of Charity. Sponsorship and advertising opportunities are available.

For further information or to make reservations, please contact Lauren Manning: 718.424.1813 or lmanning@schalifax.ca.

National Merit Scholarship

St. Anthony's High School wishes to congratulate your parishoner Juliana Nador, parishoner of Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip on being a 2012 National Merit Scholarship Commended Student.



Juliana is the student pictured 3rd from the left.

The Men's Forum

at Saints Philip and James Church, 1 Carow Place, St. James, NY 11780

In affiliation with the Office of New Evangelization of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, please join us on Monday, October 24 at 7:30 PM in the Chapel (old church) for **The Turning Point**. A special evening with Fr. Brad Sweet, a convert to the Catholic Faith, Pastor, parishes of Saints Philip & James; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel & St., Anne, Prince Edward Island, Canada. Call 631.584.5454 to register or visit us at mesnforum@sspj.org.

Help Feed the Hungry

The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch is in need of volunteers to pick up food in Plainview at mid-morning, on Monday, once a month. If you can help, please call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

Pipe and Drum

Saffron United has been one of the premier pipe bands in the NY area for almost 50 years. Located in Babylon, the band is offering classes in piping and drumming on Thursday evenings at 7 PM. If interested, please contact Pipe Major Eric Stein for more information at 631.241.5757 or erics@mozy.com.

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.

Golden Wedding Jubilee

This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on **Sunday, October 16, at the Church of Saint Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on Sunday, November 6 at the Church of Christ the King Church in Commack. Both liturgies begin at 2:30 PM.** *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the OLL Parish Office. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship *by September 29 for the October liturgy and by October 20 for the November liturgy.* If you have any questions, please call 516.678.5800, extension 207.

Dominican Village

Please join us for an Open House on Saturday, October 22, 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.

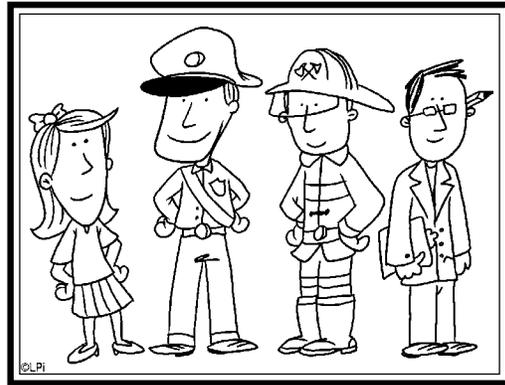
Religion & Rock

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 "**Prayer.**" Don't miss it!

To listen online or receive more information regarding "Religion & Rock" go to www.religionandrock.com or at "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES. Don't forget to tune into TELECare, Cablevision Channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 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.

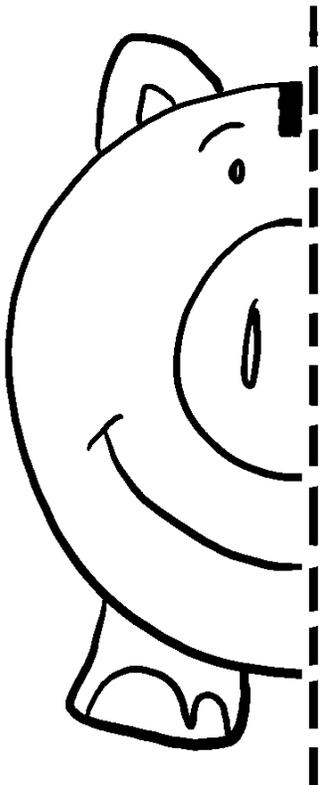


Mission for the Week

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.