

**The young man went away sad  
because he had many  
possessions.**



Mark 10:22

**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Our Lady of Lourdes · October 14, 2012**



## *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.*

### **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

### **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 ad-  
vance, please call the Parish Office.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of  
Adults(RCIA)** A process to be em-  
braced by the Catholic Church. For  
non-Catholics 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*

**Msgr. Brian McNamara**  
Pastor

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**Rev. Patsy Amabile**

Associate Pastor

**Rev. Robert Scheckenback**

Associate Pastor

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**Deacon John DeGuardi**

**Deacon Tom Lucie**

**Deacon Jack Meehan**

Coordinator of Stewardship

**Deacon John Teufel**

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**Sr. Nancy Campkin**

Director of Religious Education

**Trish Frodell**

Director of Parish Social Ministry

**Louise Jane Krol**

School Principal

**Sr. Diane Liona**

Director of Religious Education

**Mary McMahon**

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**Vita Scorcia**

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Trish Frodell

Rosalie Mangels

Maryellen McKee

Deacon Jack Meehan

John Muldoon

Bob Natale

Vita Scorcia

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## *Parish Staff*

**AnnMarie Buonaspina**

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Women's Chorale Director

**Anne Gregg**

School Office

**Mary Anne Lettieri**

Parish Office

**Debbie Meyer**

Bulletin Editor/Business Office

**Rita Spera**

Religious Education Office

**Lori Walsh**

Parish Office



### **Parish Office**

661.3224, option 1

Monday-Thursday

9 AM - 7:30 PM

Friday: 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM

Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM

**email:** 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

### **Religious Education Office**

661.5440, option 3

Monday-Friday

9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 5 PM

7 PM - 9 PM

**email:** ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

### **Parish Outreach Office**

661.9262, option 4

Monday- Friday

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

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

661.3224, ext. 122

**(Senior Advocates for Growth  
and Enrichment)**

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

## School Mass

A Children's Liturgy is offered every Sunday at Our Lady of Lourdes Church at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The next School Mass is scheduled for Sunday, October 14 at 9:30 AM.

All are welcome!



## Students Learn to Greet Each Other in Spanish

Students in Mrs. Lora's 6V Spanish class created cartoon stories in which they incorporated original scripts and sketches on the topic of formal and informal greetings. This project aimed to promote student engagement, creativity and camaraderie within the contextual setting of dialogues in Spanish. Students were able to work collaboratively and use familiar vocabulary to put together interesting final versions of their original stories and act them out during class.

## Welcome to our Prayer Corner

We teach our students that we need to pray each day, reflecting on the blessings and graces God sends us. We must do this so when hard and difficult days come, they will remember and know they can turn to God for grace, consolation and peace.

Let us bring our hopes and needs to Jesus, as we pray for;

*Matt Carolan* father to - Kevin, Connor, Emma & Hope

*Great grandmother* to Vincent, Gia, Nicholas and Brianna Piazza

Mrs. Krol's high school friend -*Denise Kelly*

*Dear Parishioners:*

Recently, I a priest friend of mine told me about a survey done by the Berkley Center at Georgetown University. The survey found that many young people are drifting away from the religion in which they were raised. The study found that Catholics and mainline Protestants were most likely to change their religious affiliations. The study of Americans aged 18 to 24 – identified in the survey as “Millenials” – found that most young adults who left one religious group did not join another religious denomination. Among the “Millenials”, 25% reported no religious affiliation, while only 11% said that they were raised without a religious affiliation. In essence, a number of young people have left their faith completely though they were raised in a faith as children.

Next Sunday, October 21, Bishop Dunne will celebrate the 12:30pm Mass. It is World Mission Sunday. While we often focus on the foreign missions (Africa, South America, Asia), America is now a mission country. When foreign-born priests serve here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre (currently about 100 priests or about 1/3 of the active priests in the Diocese), their bishop sends them here to do missionary work!

Country-wide, only about 20% of people who identify themselves as Catholic attend mass regularly. We can be missionaries right here in our own parish. We all know people who used to go to Church but no longer attend. Why not invite them to come back? You could be the cause of someone coming back to the faith! What a great gift that would be for them and for the church.

This Sunday **Anthony and Maryann Buonaspina** will be receiving the “St. Agnes Medal” from Bishop Murphy at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre. Inaugurated in 2007, the St. Agnes Medal is bestowed on one person (or married couple) from each parish. Bishop Murphy notes that the St. Agnes Medal is given to those who unselfishly donate their time and talent to their parish and/or the diocese. He said, “Honorees are lay people whose love for the church has been shown in their devotion to the Holy Father, to our diocese and to their parish. They are the unsung heroes in our midst who build up our parish communities by extraordinary service in parish ministry, parish administration or some significant volunteer role.” Congratulations to Anthony and Maryann!

As you may also, recall, we had another “Parish Clean-up” day last Monday, on Columbus Day. We were able to remove a number of the vines growing through the fences and we were able to spruce up the area around the convent as well. A special thanks to: *Jack Gordon, Ed and Olga Ramirez, Giovanni Venticinque, Rich Maher, Cliff Proctor, Marion Salgado, Frank Parrinello, Doris and Doug Cameron, Kevin and John Ryan, Bill and Pat Young, Dottie Perdue, Maria DeGennaro, Tommy, Mary and Victoria Hamilton, Marie Zito, Ed and Terry Terribile, Matt Troiano, Margaret and David Kegel, Dylan, Cassidy and Ivy Greco, Sr. Nancy and Fr. Bob.*

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God.

In Christ,

*Msgr. Brian*



## **SAGE**

The SAGE Group (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*) will meet on **Tuesday, October 16 in the Parish Center at 9 AM.**

### **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 on **Tuesday night, October 16.** 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 sat 669.3198.

### **Men's Prayer Group-morning**

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection after the 8 AM Mass on **Thursday, October 18, in the Spiritual Life 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. Call Jack Fitzgerald at 587.5548 for more information.

## **The Spirituality of the Wizard of Oz**

*Is your life sometimes like a tornado of turmoil?*

*Then come!*

On **Wednesday, October 24 at 7:30 PM the Parish Center** will be transformed in our hearts and minds, as we take a Spiritual Journey with the characters of "The Wizard of Oz." Please call the Religious Education Office to register at 661.5440, option #3.



## Pep 4 Program

*Lord, enlarge my heart...*

The Pep 4 program has begun ~ and not only have the students grown in size over the summer ~ but they are embarking on a new journey. The theme of Pep 4 is twofold: their weekly prayer is: *“O that you would bless me indeed and enlarge my heart. Let your hand be with me and keep me from evil, and help me not to hurt others”* and they have made a choice to be *pilgrims* and not *nomads* on their journey of faith... *More to come!*



## Pep 2 Program

Our Pep 2 students have begun their program with the enthusiasm and diligence they brought to Pep 1 last year! This past week, we celebrated our “Vine and Branch Prayer Service” as they began their formal sacramental preparation. They remembered so much of what they learned last year ~ I am so proud of them! They are really great at singing their “Vine and Branch” song, too!



## Pep 1 Program

Our Pep 1 will be beginning soon! We’re only halfway through registration and we already have over 100 students!

## Special Keys

### New Religious Education Kindergarten program!

We started this program last year and have expanded it so that we have a session each month:



October 19	February 15
November 16	March 15
December 14	April 19
January 18	May 7

We meet in the Church at 4:30 PM on Friday and the program lasts about 40 minutes. Come and see what wonderful opportunities for your kindergarten children to learn about their faith! Email to register at [sdiane@ollchurch.org](mailto:sdiane@ollchurch.org)

## **Holy Name Society**

The Holy Name Society meets on the second Sunday of each month. Our next meeting will be on **Sunday, October 14**. We come together to pray the **Rosary at 7:40 AM in the Church** and the **meeting will follow the 8 AM Mass at 9 AM in Room 16**. Stop by, all are welcome!

The Holy Name Society invites the men of our parish, young and old, to join us. We can use the wisdom of the older men and the energy and fresh ideas of our younger men.

## **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.

## **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.

## **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 Houses.

### **Open House Schedule**

**Sunday, October 21**

10:30 AM - 2 PM

St. John the Baptist DHS

The Catholic High School Entrance Exam is scheduled for Saturday, October 27. Please submit registration by October 3. Walk-ins are permitted on day of test. Applications for the Catholic High School entrance exam are available at the OLL School Office. If you have any questions, please call the OLL School Office at 661.7200, option #2, or the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option #3.



## Adult Faith Formation

### We Want to Study the Bible Too:

*An Introduction to Catholic Bible Study*

**Presenter: Fr. Bob Scheckenback**

**Tuesdays- October 23, 30 November 6, 13**

**7:30-9:30 PM**

**Spiritual Life Center**



Does the Bible hold a place of prominence in our tradition? How are we, as Roman Catholics, supposed to read and interpret the Sacred Scriptures? Are there Catholic Bible Study programs? We will take 4 weeks to answer these questions.

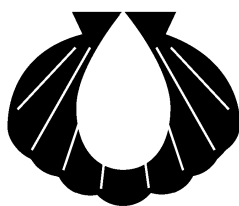
We will look at the development of the writing itself, as well as the formation of an actual collection of writings (the “Canon”). How is the Bible arranged? Who wrote the parts of it? Who were they written to? Where? When? How do we read it? What is biblical commentary?

These classes will give us a basic enough knowledge to at least consider reading the Bible a bit. This short program will also allow us to consider studying the Bible as a group and look at several Bible study programs that we could use.

- *If you’ve ever wondered why we don’t read the Bible more, this might be for you.*
- *If you want a little background on how to read the Bible, this might be for you.*
- *If you’ve always wanted to belong to a Bible study group, this might be for you.*
- *If you need an excuse to get out of the house for a couple of hours on four Tuesday nights for a cup of coffee, this might be for you. ( Fr. Bob will make the coffee!)*

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*There is a \$5.00 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).*



## ***Baptism***

*Brooke Michele Farina*

Troy and Michele

*Caleigh Anne Wilson*

Kenneth and Michelle



## ***Upcoming Marriages***

*Jennifer Rinaldi, St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma and*

*Anthony Gonzalez, OLL*



## ***Rest In Peace***

*Josephine Caiozzo* died on October 2 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 5. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Beatrice Panico* died on August 30 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 5. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her daughter, Rae Martino, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Helen Garcia* died on October 5 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was October 6. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her daughter, granddaughter, and entire family.

*Peter Piazza* died recently and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was held in Florida. We extend our prayerful sympathy to his entire 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:** Wednesday at 10 AM in Lourdes Hall (convent lower level.) *Free babysitting available*  
Beginner's meeting at 9:30 AM.

**AA Day-by-Day/Girls Night Out:** Thursday at 7:30 PM in Lourdes Hall (convent lower level.)

# Remembering...

## Monday, October 15

*Saint Teresa of Jesus, virgin and doctor*

**8:00 AM** Cesira DeGennaro

## Tuesday, October 16

*St. Hedwig, religious*

**8:00 AM** Jenny Malanoccolo

## Wednesday, October 17

*Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr*

**8:00 AM** John Walsh

## Thursday, October 18

*Saint Luke, evangelist*

**8:00 AM** Alfred Isola

## Friday, October 19

*Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests and martyrs*

**8:00 AM** Lillian Scuderi Calogero

## Saturday, October 20

**8:00 AM** Maureen Glaser, Annamarie Tucci, Edwin Lucie,  
Gerard Walker, Karen Rasmussen, Thomas Labetti

**5:00 PM** Charles Homann

*Fr. Brian McNamara*

## Sunday, October 21

**8:00 AM** Hattie Malcolm

*Fr. Patsy Amabile*

**9:30 AM** Edward Cameron III

*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

**11:00 AM** Patrick & Donald Manning

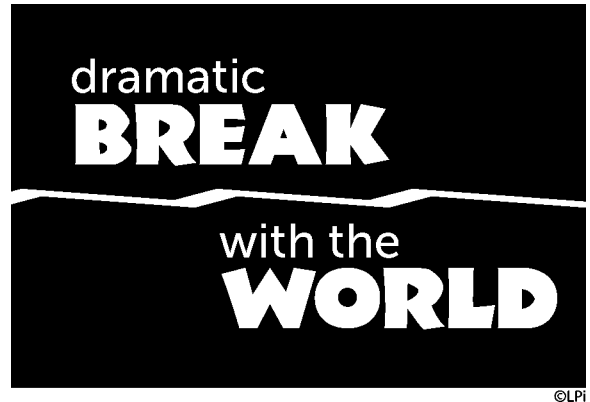
*Fr. Bob Scheckenback*

**12:30 PM** John & Philomena Owens and Marie Johnson

*Bishop Dunne*      *concelebrate: Fr. Brian McNamara*

**6:00 PM** People of the Parish, Josphe Badamo, Marion Coletto, Ronald Haff,  
Marie Impellizeri, Glyshaine Mistretta, Joseph Vela,  
Frank Ammirata, Helen Constantino

*Fr. Patsy Amabile*



## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This past week we celebrated the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. So many home gardens have a statue of St. Francis, often holding a bird. We think of him as the saint of animals and nature. But Francis as a young man was part of a military expedition against a neighboring province. After being captured, he languished as a prisoner for a year until he was released. He returned to a carefree life. His father was a wealthy merchant and Francis had few worries about his future. Over a period of conversion, Francis went to nurse lepers, and eventually renounced his father and his inheritance, stripping off even the clothes that were his and returning them to his family. It was this dramatic step that set him on the road to a life of holy poverty.

The Gospel this weekend points to that kind of dramatic break with the world. Jesus tells the man who runs up to him to go and sell what he has and give it to the poor and then follow him. The man cannot do it, and so he walks away. The disciples are astounded at the turn of events. None of them have any great wealth, but they wonder if anyone can be saved.

Francis took this Gospel in a quite literal sense, and so ended up disposing of everything. For the most part, Christians have interpreted this Gospel story as an important lesson on the need to have a certain amount of detachment in this life. Clearly we are not all meant to be St. Francis. But his radical interpretation reminds us that we can cling too closely to all that we have and lose sight of the greater meaning in our lives. Since all that we have is already a gift from God, we recognize that these things are only ours for a brief time before we are called to give an accounting in the age to come.

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### Readings for the Week of October 14, 2012

**Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27  
**Monday:** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31---5:1/Lk 11:29-32  
**Tuesday:** Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41  
**Wednesday:** Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46  
**Thursday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9  
**Friday:** Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7  
**Saturday:** Eph 1:15-23/Lk 12:8-12  
**Next Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



Canned chili  
Canned fruit  
Canned vegetables  
Pork & beans  
Soups  
Tuna

## Donations to Outreach

Parish Outreach receives many donations.

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

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Elizabeth Netska*.

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 ...

*Baby Patrick Anthony, Joseph Balluzza, Catherine Battiata, Joe Bucci, Robert Capasso, Nicole Cerny, Neil Coogan, Paula Dannhauser, John Desmond, Barbara Donohue, Frank Edwards, Franklin Edwards, Betty Fallon, Jake Feldman, Gaetano Fiorini, Billy Fuchs, Rudy Fusco, Vivian Gordon, Michael Gorman, Marian Grello, Margaret Hanly, Max Iliano, Joan Isopo, Debbie Lamb, Maria Latino, Terry Lodespoto, John Maestri, Christopher Maher, Marge Marotta, Tony Marotta, Vicky Massaro, Danielle Mazzarone, Denise Michelback, Elizabeth Minicozzi, Allen Minkler, Rosalie Montanino, Patrick O'Connor, Jr., Ethel Pellegrino, Joanne Popper, Dorothy Proctor, Baby Paige Rajotte, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Joseph S. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Isabella Shaw, John Stephen, John Sweeney, Nancy Turano, Joseph Vilonna*

## A Picture Of Dorian Gray, And Of Our Culture

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Nearly a century ago, Oscar Wilde wrote a famous novel entitled, *A Picture of Dorian Gray*. It begins this way:

Basil Hallward, a painter, has just finished a portrait of a young man of extraordinary good looks, Dorian Gray. Just as he finishes the painting, a brilliant, though highly cynical, young Lord, Henry Wotton, wanders into the room, marvels at the painting, and compliments Dorian on his good looks. Dorian, quite humble at this stage of his life, tells Lord Henry that his good looks mean little to him. But Lord Henry challenges Dorian to make his good looks mean something, both because they are real and because they are transient.

Here are his words to the young, Dorian Gray: You have a wonderfully beautiful face, Mr. Gray. Don't frown. You have. And Beauty is a form of Genius, is higher, indeed, than Genius, as it needs no explanation. It is one of the great facts of the world, like sunlight, or springtime, or the reflection in dark waters of that silver shell we call the moon. It cannot be questioned. It has its divine right of sovereignty. It makes princes of those who have it. You smile? Ah! When you have lost it you won't smile... People say sometimes that Beauty is only superficial. That may be so. But at least it is not so superficial as Thought is. To me, Beauty is the wonder of wonders. It is only shallow people who do not judge by appearances. The true mystery of the world is the visible, not the invisible... Yes, Mr. Gray, the gods have been good to you. But what the gods give they quickly take away. You have only a few years in which to live really, perfectly, and fully. When your youth goes, your beauty will go with it, and then you will suddenly discover that there are no triumphs left for you, or have to content yourself with those mean triumphs that the memory or your past will make more bitter than defeats. Every month as it wanes brings you nearer to something dreadful. Time is jealous of you, and wars against your lilies and your roses. You will become sallow, and hollow-cheeked, and dull-eyed. You will suffer horribly... Ah! realize your youth while you have it. Don't squander the gold of your days, listening to the tedious, trying to improve the hopeless failure, or giving away your life to the ignorant, the common, and the vulgar. These are the sickly aims, the false ideals, of our age. Live! Live the wonderful life that is in you! Let nothing be lost upon you. Be always searching for

new sensations. Be afraid of nothing... A new Hedonism, that is what our century wants. You might be its visible symbol. With your personality there is nothing you could not do. The world belongs to you for a season...

A new Hedonism-that is what our century wants! Oscar Wilde prophesized this nearly a century ago and, it would seem, that is precisely to where we have evolved in the Western world. Bodily appearance, looking good, having a trim, athletic body, being sexually attractive, remaining young, and being admired for your body is, for the majority of our culture, a huge, obsessive preoccupation. Most people in our culture, perhaps not in theory but certainly in our practical life-choices, would agree with Lord Henry when he says: The true mystery of the world is the visible, not the invisible. Good looks tend to trump everything.

Not that this is all bad. Shallow is the spirituality that discredits the body! We are not angelic, dis-embodied spirits, but creatures of body and soul, and both are important for our spiritual health. God did not make us to walk this earth indifferent to our bodily appearance, sexually numb, and careless about our physical health. Indeed, indifference to our health and bodily appearance is one of the signs of clinical depression. Being young, healthy, and sexually attractive is meant to be enjoyed, one of the pleasures that God intended for us. There is no virtue in looking and feeling shabby.

Thus: It's good, spiritually, to be physically healthy! It's good, spiritually, to work at keeping our bodies attractive! It's good, spiritually, to healthily feel our sexuality! But these are a means, not an end. Youth, health, and sexual attractiveness do not, as Lord Henry and much of our contemporary society suggest, have a divine right of sovereignty. They are not ends in themselves, but only part of our journey towards maturity, altruism, and happiness. They are not the aim of that journey.

And when we do make them the aim of our journey, we are will, soon enough, taste the bitter bile warned of in Lord Henry's counsel to the young Dorian Gray: You will suddenly discover that there are no triumphs left for you, or have to content yourself with those mean triumphs that the memory or your past will make more bitter than defeats.

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## Financial Summary

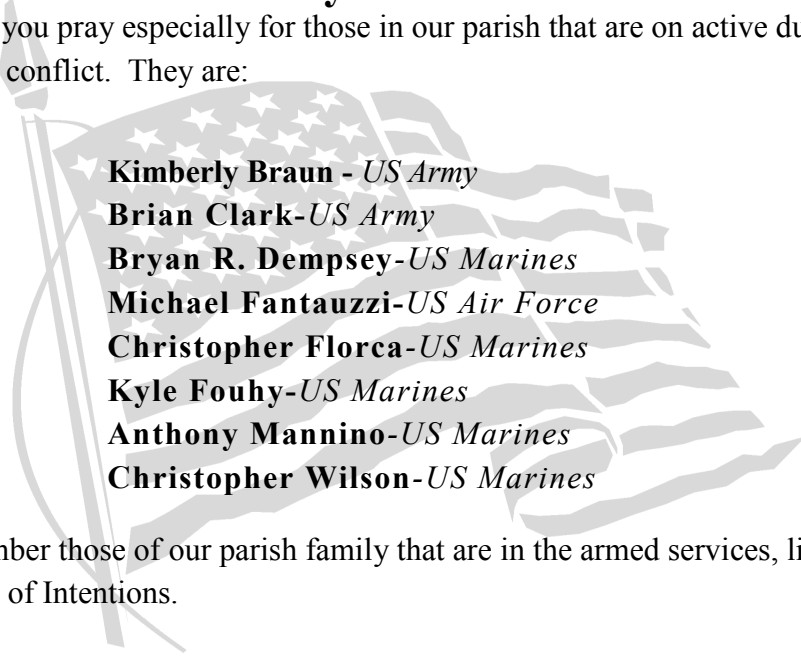
### October 7, 2012

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,821.00
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$ 19,000.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ (2,179.00)

*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:



**Kimberly Braun - US Army**  
**Brian Clark-US Army**  
**Bryan R. Dempsey-US Marines**  
**Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force**  
**Christopher Florca-US Marines**  
**Kyle Fouhy-US Marines**  
**Anthony Mannino-US Marines**  
**Christopher Wilson-US Marines**

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

## Safely Home

Our whole parish family rejoices with the Clifford Family in gratitude for the safe return of Michael from active duty. **Michael J. Clifford-US Army**, has returned to the United States safe and sound from his tour of duty in Iraq. Thank you, *Michael*, for your most generous service to our country! The Clifford Family would like to thank Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family for all of their prayers.

## A Vocation as a Deacon

A Morning of Discernment will be conducted at the **Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, on Saturday, October 20 from 9:30 to 11:30 AM**, for men, and their spouses, who believe God might be calling them to the diaconate. For more information or to sign up, please contact the Office of Deacon Formation at 631.424.8360 or [deacons@drvc.org](mailto:deacons@drvc.org).

## We are looking for new “Friends”

– an invitation from the *Friends of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception*. The *Friends of the Seminary* are a group of dedicated volunteers who work together to promote the mission of the Seminary in Huntington and its programs. The beautiful and historic Seminary building and grounds also benefit from our efforts. Our “friendship” is integral to the continuing life of the Seminary. The Seminary is very much alive, and good things are happening. Plans are in place for a variety of spiritual, educational and social events for the *Friends* for the coming year. As a member of the *Friends*, you will meet wonderful and committed men and women who come together to pray, to socialize, and to support our seminarians – our future priests! For a brochure/application containing information about the *Friends* including dues, benefits of membership, etc., please contact the Seminary Development Office, 631.423.0483x102, or, [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu)

## Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Let’s face it...caring for someone with a chronic illness can be stressful physically, emotionally, and financially. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is a six-week course designed to better enable you to take care of yourself. The program consists of six 2-1/2 hour class sessions held weekly. Preregistration is required. The program begins on **Wednesday, October 17 at 6 PM in the first floor Patio Café conference room at Good Samaritan Hospital**. For more information or to register, contact the Pastoral Care Department at 631.376.4444.

## Rachel’s Vineyard

*Rachel’s Vineyard* is a weekend retreat and a beautiful healing opportunity for any man or woman who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat focuses on God’s love and forgiveness in a nonjudgmental environment. While based in Catholicism, individuals of all denominations are welcome.

The next Rachel’s Vineyard retreat will be held at the **retreat center at Huntington from October 26 – 28**.

For more information, contact: Frank Gariboldi: 516.523.0586, [fgariboldi@optonline.net](mailto:fgariboldi@optonline.net), Life Center of LI 516.798.9100 , Website: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

## Religion & Rock

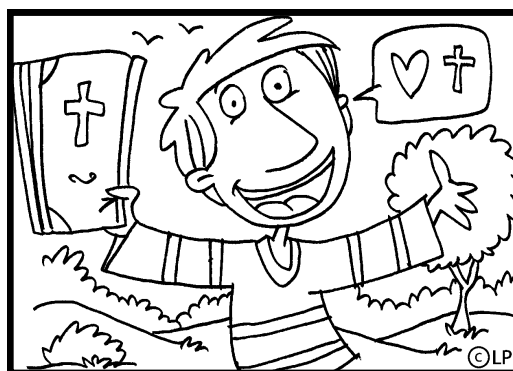
Tune into “Religion & Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7 AM to 8 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday’s theme is “**Prayer.**”

Don’t miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding “Religion & Rock” go to [www.religionandrock.com](http://www.religionandrock.com) or at “Religion & Rock” on ITUNES. Don’t forget to tune into TELE CARE, Cablevision Channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 for the Best in Catholic Television!



### Sharing the Gospel

The man in today's Gospel reading thought he was pretty good. He had been careful to obey most of God's rules. But he forgot the most important rule of all-love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. When Jesus asked the man to give away all he owned, the man went away sad. He loved money more than he loved God.



### Mission for the Week

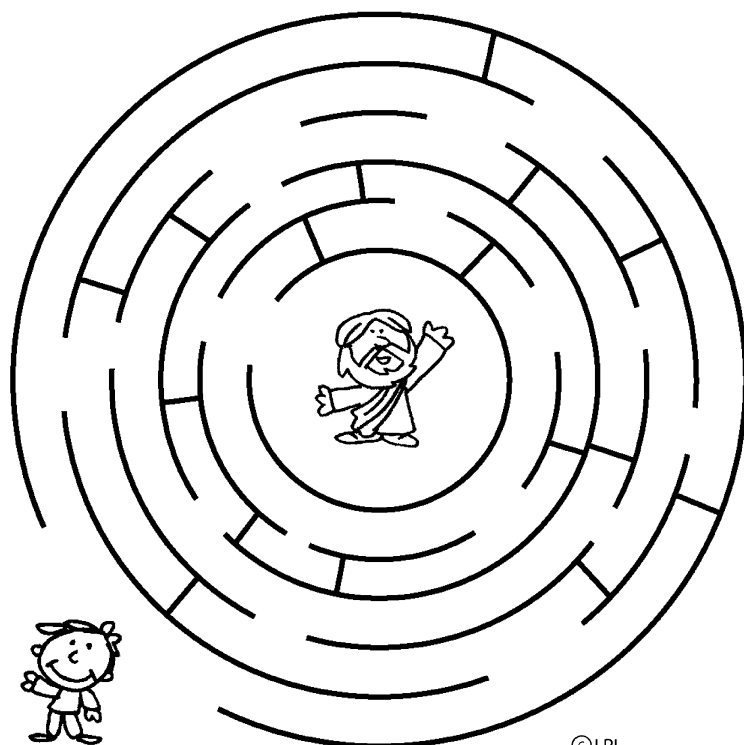


Make a list of things that are special to you. If God asked you to give away your favorite toy or game to someone who's poor, could you do it? Be honest with God, and ask him to help you love him more than anything.



### Puzzle

Help this child find Jesus.



### Prayer

Dear God,  
help me to love you  
more than all the gifts  
you have given to me.



### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of  
things that are very  
special to you.