

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of Lourdes · February 3, 2013



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 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.

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 ...

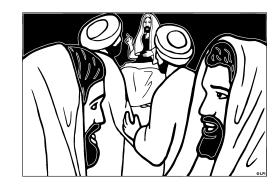
so that all may know that they are a vital part of the Body of Christ, we further recommit and challenge ourselves to...

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

Msgr. Brian McNamara Pastor

Rev. Patsy Amabile Associate Pastor Rev. Robert Scheckenback Associate Pastor

Deacon John DeGuardi Deacon Tom Lucie Deacon Jack Meehan Coordinator of Stewardship Deacon John Teufel

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
Business Manager
Robin Reynolds-Brennan
Coordinator of Worship
OLL Choir Director
Vita Scorcia
Ministry Spiritual Director

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara Eileen Rega Diane Ackerly Stacie Baltrusitis Mary Borgs Lisa Cantalino Sonia DaSilva Nilo DeLeon Jerry Esposito Trish Frodell Rosalie Mangels Maryellen McKee Deacon Jack Meehan John Muldoon **Bob Natale** Vita Scorcia

Parish Staff

AnnMarie Buonaspina Director of Youth Choirs Michael Buonaspina Parish Organist Jennifer Gallagher Women's Chorale Director Anne Gregg School Office **Mary Anne Lettieri** Parish Office **Debbie Mever** 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

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

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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



Baptism Ministry

"By water and the Holy Spirit they are to receive the gift of new life from God, who is love."

The Baptism Ministry will have the first meeting of the new year, for current and new members, on Tuesday, February 5 at 7 PM in the Spiritual Life Center.

Adult Faith Formation

Book Discussion: Crossing the Desert, Learning to Let Go, See

Clearly, and Live Simply by Robert Wicks

Presenter: Tom Petriano/ Religious Studies Dept./ St. Joseph's College

Tuesdays-February 12, 26, and March 12

Spiritual Life Center

7:30-9:30 PM

Book will be available for purchase in the Religious Education Office. Cost is \$15 It will be helpful to read Chapter 1 before first session.

"Crossing the Desert is about the journey all of us are called to take-especially when we feel lost, under great stress, or during times of desolation. And it is about discovering the true freedom we need to make the journey successfully." These words from the introduction to Robert Wicks' book, Crossing the Desert, Learning to Let Go, See Clearly, and Live Simply set the direction for this five week series based on Wicks' book. Weekly gatherings will be based on a discussion of key themes of this book.

- All are welcome
- Please join us
- Let the desert teach you

Come join us and be a part of lively discussions and interesting presentations. Don't miss it!

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.

World Day for Consecrated Life

In 1991, Blessed John Paul II called for consecrated life to be promoted throughout the universal Church. Today we rejoice and celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life. Over the years, many men and women have chosen to live out their Baptismal vocation by professing the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience. They do this by joining a religious congregation, or some other form of consecrated life. We pray in a special way for the religious who live and serve in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, for all those in consecrated life and we ask God to bless our Church with others who will dedicate their lives to God's service.



Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

On the weekend of, February 16th & 17th, Our Lady of Lourdes will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit The Life Center of Long Island. The Life Center is a crisis pregnancy center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. They provide maternity housing, medical care, referrals, cribs, car seats, diapers and ALL other baby items that are needed. We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your change. Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life Center in the first place.

Let us pray with our whole heart for the lives of our unborn children.

2013 El Salvador Mission Trip

Our second meeting is scheduled for February 6th (Wednesday) at 7:30 in the SLC (Spiritual Life Center-enter in the side door of the convent). We will be collecting completed applications (under 18 will need parents signature) with copies of passports and \$300 deposit to reserve a spot. Hope to see you there!

If you can't make it and you don't already have an application, let me know and I'll e-mail one to you (I'll need to know if you will be over or under 18 on the first day of the trip). If you already have an application, you can drop it off in the rectory with the required paperwork and deposit.

Note: Our first fundraiser will be a chocolate sale for Valentines day. We will be selling chocolate the weekend of February 9th & 10th. A sign up sheet will be available at the February 6th meeting. We plan on having five fundraisers this year in order to offset the higher cost of the trip this year. Everyone that is going on the trip is required to participate!

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month. The next meeting will be on **Monday, February 4**. We will begin with Rosary at 7:45 PM in the church, followed by meeting at 8 PM in the Parish Center.

SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on Tuesday, February 5 in the Parish Center at 9 AM.

Women's Prayer Group-morning

We invite all women to gather once a month on the first *Thursday at 9 AM* in the **Spiritual Life Center, on February 7**. We will read the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday, and discuss how they relate to us in our everyday life. For more information call Vita Scorcia at 669.4717 or Carol Fitzgerald at 587.5548.

Holy Name Society

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. The Holy Name Society meets on the second Sunday of each month. Our next meeting will be on **Sunday**, **February 10**. 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!



DID YOU KNOW.....

We have more E-books- We can now access Lerner Digital Books online...See the school web site for directions.

School Family directories are for sale in the office!

Calling all Our Lady of Lourdes School fathers! Enjoy an evening out with your daughter. Our annual Father Daughter Dance is Friday, February 8th at the Southward Ho Country Club. Flyers went home with the students, if you didn't receive one please call the office.

Congratulations- to the three Our Lady of Lourdes students who made SCMEA- All County for music this year. Stephanie Hahn (8th grade) on soprano voice, Emily Bivona- Maldonado (7th grade) on bass clarinet, and Christopher Kubelka (5th grade) on clarinet. These students participated in NYSSMA last spring in order to be nominated for All-County this year.

WHAT"S BEEN HAPPENING.....

The students have been using iPads! The 3rd grade students learned new Math and Reading tips with the help of our 6th graders, while using the schools new iPads.

Catholic schools week was a blast! It all began at Sunday, January 27. Mass was followed by our Open House. Tours were given to new families. Mrs. Krol, our School Board, and the PA helped to show why Our Lady of Lourdes School is a cut above the rest. Monday was our 8th grade pin ceremony, Tuesday was Souperbowl Day, the students dressed down in a sports jersey and they donated a can of soup to the Parish Outreach. Wednesday was Faculty vs 8th grade volleyball game. Everyone had a great time! Thursday was Pajama Day, the students wore their pajamas to school and donated a pair to Parish Outreach. Improv4 Kids visited the school for Student Appreciation Day. Friday was a special day to give back to our amazing teachers. Our parents donated their time and recipes to the luncheon for the teachers. Our teachers are the best! They all give so much to our children. Thank you to everyone that donated to this event.

Calling all school families and parish families...

Please help turn your shopping trips into money to support our school. *Here are two ways...*

- 1. When you are shopping, look for "Box Top" logos, clip them and send them into the school office.
- 2. Shop at Stop and Shop-Our Lady of Lourdes School is participating in the A+ School Rewards again this year. This program runs through March 28, 2013, Our Lady of Lourdes School will have the opportunity to earn cash through this program.

School ID#: 15003

All you have to do is: log on to <u>www.stopandshop.com/aplus</u> to register online or dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone.

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:

February 15, March 15, April 19, and May 17.

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

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.)

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.

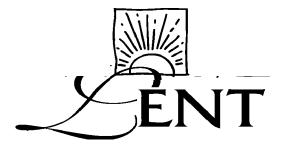
We gather together every **Thursday at 1:30 PM** before the Blessed Sacrament for about one half hour. For more information, call Charles Argento at 586.8528.

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.

Adult Faith Formation



Monday Mornings in Lent

Mondays February 18,25 March 4,11,18 and 25 Parish Center 8:45AM

Please join us as we gather in the Parish Center for reflection with our Priests and Deacons. Enjoy coffee and bagels with some time for discussion.

(If you would like.... come to 8AM Mass and then join us at 8:45AM)



Rest In Peace

Robert J. Bautista died on January 19 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 22. We extend our prayerful sympathy to his wife, Marie, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Eugene J. Alessi died on January 21 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 24. We extend our prayerful sympathy to his children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Marie Cirone died on January 23 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 26. Marie has been the coordinator of OLL Altar Linen society for many years. She will be deeply missed. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her husband, Vincent, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Can You Help?

"The Postal Service delivers mail six days a week to nearly 140 million addresses. Each year this number increases by 2 million!"

...and OLL needs you to keep this trend moving!!

Please contact the Rectory Office if you are available to assist with our Bulk Mailings. Our next meeting will be **Tuesday morning**, **February 5 at 11 AM in the Parish Center**. We will begin preparations for the Lenten and Easter mailings. We have a group of dedicated volunteers who help one hour at a time. Thank you.

Dear Parishioners:

Greetings from Cannon Air Force Base in New Mexico! I hope and trust that this letter finds you well, if also a bit cold. Perhaps the weather I first had here is moving your way. When I first arrived it was 29 degrees and some snow! Apparently because we are at such a high altitude at the base (over 4, 000 feet), it gets cold here in the winter. It does not snow that much because it is so dry here. The weather has improved but it can be 30 degrees at 6:30am in the morning and move up to 65 degrees by late afternoon. Of course, I know the weather has been brutally cold by you so I am not complaining.

To say that I am in the middle of nowhere is not an exaggeration. I flew from NY to Washington, D.C. to Dallas, TX to Lubbock, TX. Then, I had to drive 101 miles to get to the base. I doubt too many people know where Lubbock, TX is – and then I am 101 miles from there!

Santa Fe, New Mexico is 202 miles away. That may seem like a great distance but since the speed limit is 75 miles in many places, it is only about 3 hours, 15 minutes away! The area is teaming with cattle – and, yes, you can smell them on the base! I was stuck at a railroad crossing gate and counted 100 freight cars. It is a little different than Long Island!

This Saturday, I will be going with about 20 other men to a Men's Conference in Lubbock, TX, about 100 miles away. One of the keynote speakers is Scott Hahn, a very well-known speaker. I am very much looking forward to going. I had dinner with the local Catholic priest. He is by himself and he also has a mission parish about 20 minutes away. He is bi-lingual which is essential for this area. He has only been ordained for about 4 years.

The local town (about 7 miles away) is called Clovis. While I am writing about it, the town is nothing to write home about! Everyone goes hunting (including the parish priest) and there are pick-up trucks and trailer parks galore. Just about every station has Country Music. Two songs have stood out for me; I don't know all the lyrics to them but these are some of the ones I could remember:

If I could have a beer with Jesus, I'd be sure to let Him do the talking I'd order a couple of tall ones and Tell the waitress to put it on my tab.

The other song goes: I know when you see a deer, you see Bambi

But I see antlers on the wall.

So, as you can see, it is a little different out here! There are very few New Yorkers and the New Yorkers who are here are from upstate. Stay tuned for future traveling stories!

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian





Remembering...

Monday, February 4

8:00 AM Pedro DeRoxas (*living*) and Carlos Delfin

Tuesday, February 5

Saint Agatha, virgin and martyr

8:00 AM Irene Golden

Wednesday, February 6

Saint Paul Miki and companions, martyrs

8:00 AM Elinor Shaddock

Thursday, February 7

8:00 AM Sweeney & LaRocca Family

Friday, February 8

Saint Jerome Emiliani, priest

8:00 AM Albert Ritacco

Saturday, February 9

8:00 AM Hugh O'Brien, Geraldine Crawford,

Alan Meyer, Millie Camperlengo

5:00 PM Matthew O'Kane

Fr. Patsy Amabile

Sunday, February 10

8:00 AM Michael Reilly

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

9:30 AM Anna & Matteo Lattanzio

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

11:00 AM James Martin

Fr. Patsy Amabile

12:30 PM Joseph Rizzo

Fr. Patsy Amabile

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Millie Barrera, Michael Vargas,

Meredith Israel, Eileen Mosher, Steven Julian,

Joseph Ducharme, Donald Hogan, Harriet Leighton

Fr. Bob Scheckenback



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

People who play the lottery are always hoping for that big chance to win a super jackpot. Against all odds (literally!) they imagine winning millions. After all, someone has to win. It might as well be me. It's almost contradictory that lotteries have become part of state budgeting, when many Americans believe in the values of hard work and earning a living as opposed to the gratuitous windfall that a lottery would give someone. State income from lotteries exceeds that of tobacco excise taxes, but is less than the license fees states collect on motor vehicles. Everybody who wants something for nothing is involved. For the outlay of a miniscule amount of cash, a player dreams of an immense return. And the state gets a bonus to its income without having to tax its citizens more.

In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth are acting a bit like lottery hopefuls, with high expectations for a significant payout with the investment of very little. They've heard about all the great things that Jesus did in Capernaum, and now they are expecting to cash in on the local boy made good. Surely he has got to work some astounding miracles here.

But Jesus is not a lottery ticket. And faith in him is not a something for nothing proposition in which all the benefits are reaped with very little investment. As we will learn as we read from Luke's Gospel in the weeks and months ahead, Jesus is headed on a journey to Jerusalem. His destiny lies in that city where he will suffer and die, and finally, through his resurrection, he will usher in the era of the Spirit that is poured out on the church. For us, following Jesus is a lifelong journey to our own Jerusalem in which we empty ourselves in the service of others. It is no lottery that we hope to win, but a share in Christ's journey through death to resurrection.

Readings for the Week of February 3, 2013

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31--13:13

or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Joyce Petersen*. 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 ...

Salvatore Albanese, Baby Patrick Anthony, Joseph Badala, Jr., Catherine Battiata, Jennifer Bonamico, Dorothy Bosshammer, Joe Bucci, Rebecca Ann Budriss, Robert Capasso, Neil Coogan, Paula Dannhauser, Anthony D'Auria, Beverly DeCanio, Joseph DeCicco, Jeanne DellaRagione, John Desmond, Frank Edwards, Franklin Edwards, Arlene Egloff, Eileen Eisele, Betty Fallon, Jake Feldman, Joann Fiorello, Denise Frame, Elizabeth Fredriksen, Billy Fuchs, Rudy Fusco, Donna Galindez, Kenneth Garretson, Christopher Huckstadt, Max Iliano, Terry Keegan, Robyn Kerrigan, Debbie Lamb, Patrick J. Lillis, John Liona, Christopher Maher, Anthony Marotta, Marge Marotta, Vicky Massaro, Denise Michelback, Elizabeth Minicozzi, Allen Minkler, John Muldoon, Patrick O'Connor, Jr., Phyllis Pasciuta, Joseph Radosti, Sanchez Family, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Joseph S. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, John Sweeney, Nancy Turano, Vera Vieni



January 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In response to the many new challenges to our life as Roman Catholics in America today, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities and the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty have launched a nationwide postcard campaign: "**Project Life and Liberty**". Prompted by the Church's pro-life and religious freedom concerns, this campaign would call upon Congress to prevent federal funding and promotion of abortion and protect rights of conscience in health care. To that end, the committee requests that each diocese throughout the country participate in a postcard campaign during the weekend of February 9th -10^{th} . This is a means that will allow us as informed Catholics to let our elected officials know and understand where we stand on issues of life and liberty.

In order to demonstrate our conviction that we hold firm to our beliefs, I urge you to participate in this campaign by signing postcards after Mass on February 9th and 10th. The postcards will be collected in each parish and sent to our elected officials at their offices in Washington DC. By signing the cards you are giving public witness to our commitment as a Church to respect life at all levels and to uphold and affirm the religious liberty which is ours as members of this great country.

Additional information about this campaign can be found on our website www.drvc.org.

With my prayers and my gratitude for your participation in this effort in support of human life and religious freedom, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre

Financial Summary

January 27, 2013

Weekly Collection \$ 16,317.00 Weekly Budget -\(\frac{19,000.00}{\\$} (2,683.00)

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:

Brian Clark-US Army
Bryan R. Dempsey-US Marines
Jeremy deRoxas-US Air Force
Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force
Christopher Florca-US Marines
Kyle Fouhy-US Marines
Anthony Mannino-US Marines
James Rooney III-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.

Spiritual Care Companion

Would you like to learn to become a beacon of hope to support the spiritual needs of those in your parish who are hospitalized, living in nursing homes, homebound or adults with special needs? Come learn more about sharing your gift of time an presence as a Spiritual Care Companion.

Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors this fee three-week training, for volunteers of all faiths, with basic pastoral care skills and information to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Our training includes communication skills, concerns of the sick and homebound and adults with special needs, spiritual companioning, grief, death & dying, ethical issues and more

Information Session: Saturday, February 9 from 9:30-11:30 AM

Trainings: Saturday, March 9, 23 and April 6 from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Location: *CHS of Long Island, 245 Old Country Rd, Melville* To register, please call Carol Cella at 631.465.6307 or Trish Luvin at 631.465.6306.

Hospice for the Grieving Heart

Good Samaritan Hospital, in conjunction with Good Shepherd Hospice, will host a free seminar: Bridge to Hope: Hospice for the Grieving Heart this Valentine's Day. Encouragement, education and ;support to help cope with the loss of a loved one this Valentine's Day. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, February 6 from 6:30 to 8 PM. The seminar will take place at the West Islip Library, 3 Higbie Lane, Room A. Please call Diane McNamara at 6631.465.6382 to reserve your seat or for more information.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to *Santiago Rolon* for making the Honor Roll for the first Trimester at Kellenberg Memorial High School.

Women of Hope Champagne Luncheon

St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School cordially invites you to the Seventh Annual Women of Hope Champagne Luncheon on Sunday, **February 10 at 11AM at Timber Point Country Club.**

he 2013 Women of Hope honorees are *Mary Fonseca Gleckler*, *Anne Joy* (OLL parishioner), *Jen-Marie Kelly Kovalevich*, and *Sr. Peggy McVetty*, *OP*. Tickets are \$75 per person. Please contact the Development Office at 587.8000, ext 177 to receive your invitation. RSVP by February 1 as seating is limited and by reservation only.

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 "Renewal."

Sharing the Gospel

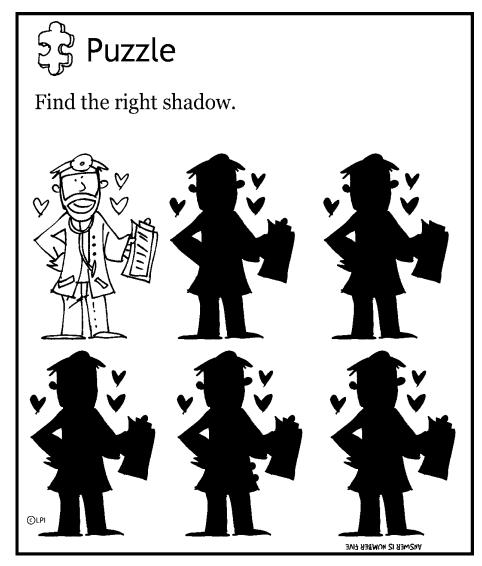
Jesus did not expect everybody to like him. Jesus chose to follow God's plan, no matter what other people said. Even though some people wanted to hurt Jesus, he always spoke the truth. He always did what was right, no matter what.





Mission for the Week

Has anyone ever hurt your feelings because you love God? Pray for that person, and keep doing what is right.





Prayer

Dear God, help me to keep on doing what you want, no matter what other people say.



Something to Draw

Draw Jesus walking away from people who didn't like him.