

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

**Msgr. Brian McNamara**, Pastor  
**Rev. Lawrence Maduwesi**, in Residence  
Chaplain, Southside Hospital

**Deacon John De Guardi**, **Deacon Tom Lucie**,  
**Deacon Rich Maher**, **Deacon Jack Meehan**,  
**Deacon John Teufel**

**Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ**, Director of Religious Ed  
**Trish Frodell**, Director of Parish Social Ministry  
**Louise Jane Krol**, School Principal  
**Sr. Diane Liona CSJ**, Director of Religious Ed  
**Debbie Meyer**, Business Manager  
**Robin Reynolds Brennan**, Coordinator of  
Worship and Choir Director  
**Vita Scorgia**, Ministry Spiritual Director

## Parish Office

**Phone: 631.661.3224, press 1**  
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm  
Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm  
Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am-2:00pm  
E-mail: [ParishOffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)  
Fax: 631.661.7143  
Website: [www.ollchurch.org](http://www.ollchurch.org)

## Our Lady of Lourdes School

**Phone: 631.587.7200, press 2**  
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-3:00pm  
E-mail: [lkrol@ollschool.org](mailto:lkrol@ollschool.org)

## Religious Education Office

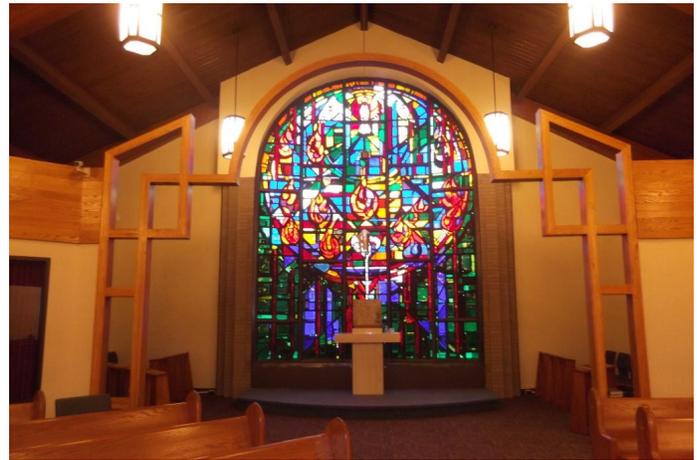
**Phone: 631.661.5440, press 3**  
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,  
1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm  
E-mail: [ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

## Parish Outreach Office

**Phone: 631.661.9262, press 4**  
Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

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

**Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122**  
E-mail: [Sage@ollchurch.org](mailto:Sage@ollchurch.org)



## Liturgical Schedule

### Daily Mass

8:30am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm  
and 6:00pm

### Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment

### Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

## Sacraments

### 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.

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • February 12, 2017**



## 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.

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

*- Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

### Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara  
 Eileen Rega  
 Mary Borgs  
 Lisa Cantalino  
 Sonia DaSilva  
 Nilo DeLeon  
 Jerry Esposito  
 Trish Frodell  
 Pam Gagliano  
 Deborah Lamb  
 Rosalie Mangels  
 Deacon Jack Meehan  
 John Muldoon  
 Dottie Perdue  
 Vita Scorcia

### 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.

### Readings for the Week of February 12

**Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/ 1Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37  
**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25/ Mk 8:11-13  
**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10/ Mk 8:14-21  
**Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/ Mk 8:22-26  
**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13/ Mk 8:27-33  
**Friday:** Gn 11:1-9/ Mk 8:34-9:1  
**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7/Mk 9:2-13  
**Next Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/ 1Cor 3:16-23/ Mt 5:38-48

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
 Parish Office/Bulletin Editor  
**AnnMarie Buonaspina**  
 Director of Youth Choirs  
**Michael Buonaspina**  
 Parish Organist  
**Mary Anne Lettieri**  
 Parish Office  
**Rita Spera**  
 Religious Education Office  
**Lori Walsh**  
 Website  
**Pat Young**  
 Parish Office

## Financial Summary

### February 5, 2017

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| Weekly Collection | \$ 19,014.00   |
| Weekly Budget     | - \$ 17,800.00 |
| +/- for the week  | \$ 1,214.00    |

*The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.*

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, many couples do not get married for years but simply co-habitate. When the couple finally decides to get married, many times the couple chooses not to get married in the Church. I am surprised by the number of young people who act surprised when I tell them that I am not allowed to officiate at their wedding unless it takes place in a Church building. When I ask the couple why they wouldn't consider getting married in the Church building, they say, "But I think it would be more meaningful to get married at the beach or at the vineyard. The setting is so perfect!" Or, I am told, "It would be so much more convenient for our guests to have everything, the wedding and the reception, in one single place." Or I am told, "God is everywhere, isn't He? Getting married under the stars is certainly getting married in the eyes of God."

So, here is my attempt to explain why the marriage of two Christians ought to take place in the Church building. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states:

*Since marriage establishes the couple in a public state of life in the Church, it is fitting that its celebration be public, in the framework of a liturgical celebration, before the priest, the witnesses, and the assembly of the faithful.*

*The sacrament of Matrimony signifies the union of Christ and the Church... The presence of the Church's minister visibly expresses that marriage is an ecclesial (Church) reality.*

*Sacramental marriage is a liturgical act. It is therefore appropriate that it should be celebrated in the public liturgy of the Church.*

Marriage is the celebration of a covenant of love, the promise of life-long sacrificial love where, as Jesus says in the gospel, "they are no longer two but one flesh." Do the bride and groom really know the full impact of what they are saying on the day of their marriage? Well, they do if they have been in the school of sacrificial love, a divine love pronounced and celebrated in the Church each and every day. In the Church we hear the words, "This is my body, given for you. This is my blood poured out for you." The covenant love of Calvary is re-presented in every Eucharistic celebration. Those who are getting married are promising to love in that same self-sacrificing way, making a total and sincere gift of self to the other for the rest of their lives.

In the next few weeks, I would like to write a little more about the sacrament of marriage.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Pat Wissing*. If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631.661.3224.

## 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.

**Michael DiMatteo**-*US Marines*  
**Michael Fantauzzi**-*US Air Force*  
**Christopher Florca**-*US Marines*  
**Colby Matthew Kelly**-*US Army*  
**Anthony Mannino**-*US Marines*  
**James Rooney III**-*US Marines*  
**Michael Wilkinson**-*US Army*

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



## 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/or a local nursing home 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 ...

*Sal Albanese, Mary Anne Anitra, Tina Aparo, Joseph Bacchi, Joanne Brenner, Michael Brenner, Lisa Charron-Culloty, Dianne Cullen, Harold Deegan, Patti Di Mino, Sal DePetro, Francine Dimino, Amanda Di Tingo, James Dobson, T. J. Ferrante, Adrienne Forbes, Nicole Funk, Charlene Grahn, Erik Hasenstab, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Donald Horne, Msgr. William Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, Maryjane Keveny, George Koehler, Anita Kuntz, Patrick Lillis, Sean Lillis, Ellen McGee, Vinny Meade, Peter Porzio, Dorothy Proctor, Nannette Proscia, June Quirino, Henry Ravero, Jimmy Reilly, Rose Rickey, Joseph Roccaro, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Anne Marie Schiraldi, Joseph Sefcik, Loretta Sullivan, Rosemarie Sorrese, Laura Terryn, Linda Uher, Andrew Velten, Kevin Zwiebel*

Names of the sick will be listed for **six weeks** for short-term requests and **six months** for long-term.



## ***Rest In Peace***

*Marge Bentley  
Patricia Ann Mandzych  
John Henry Merkle  
Rafaela Midouin*

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We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased.

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## ***Mass Intentions***

**Monday, February 13**

**8:30am** Joseph & Patricia, Pat & Brian Boylan

**Tuesday, February 14**

*Sts. Cyril & Methodius*

**8:30am** Richard & Frank Gordon & Family

**Wednesday, February 15**

**8:30am** Jenny Rocchio

**Thursday, February 16**

**8:30am** Jack & Helen Espstein & Family

**Friday, February 17**

*Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order*

**8:30am** James & Helen Spearman & Family

**Saturday, February 18**

**8:30am** Ernesto Lirag

**5:00pm** Mary Lynn Winters

**Sunday, February 19**

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00am** David McCarthy

**9:30am** Ann De Lia

**11:00am** Joseph & Mary Rizzo

**12:30pm** Living & Deceased Members of the Edwards & Sniadowski Families

**6:00pm** People of the Parish, Domenica Mae Palminteri, Stephen Izatt, Anthony Benante



## CHS's Gianna Center and Pregnancy Support Website

Catholic Health Services (CHS) now offers a dedicated, interactive website section for the Gianna Center and its pregnancy support services. The Gianna Center based at Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center offers highly specialized restorative reproductive medicine in accordance with Catholic teaching, under the medical direction of Paul Carpentier, MD, CFCMC. Also, assistance is available for anyone with unexpected or crisis pregnancy through a one-call outreach program connecting to community resources.

The confidential, dedicated telephone number for this program is **1 (855) 301.4CHS**, supported by the availability of multilingual interpretive services. Anyone of any faith may call or refer to this support line, including representatives of parishes, colleges and crisis pregnancy centers, to facilitate safe, nonjudgmental companionship for women and couples in a crisis pregnancy. To speak to someone about pregnancy options immediately between 7:00pm and 7:30am Monday to Friday or on the weekend, please call **1 (800) 712.HELP (4357)**.

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

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection after the 8:30am Mass on **Thursday, February 16 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. Call Jack Fitzgerald at 631.587.5548 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 7:30pm until 8:30pm**. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday night, February 21 in the Spiritual Life Center**. Come with your ideas. We'll read and discuss the Liturgy for the following Sunday Mass. For more information, call Clifford Proctor at 631.669.3198.

### Donations to Outreach

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 631.661.3224, option 4.



Laundry detergent  
Personal care products  
Soap  
Toilet paper  
Toothpaste



## **CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

We are having the opening meeting of the Youth Group this **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12 at 4:30pm in the Parish Center**. ALL High School students are invited. Stop by for some fun and friendship!

### **SPECIAL *Keys* ...**

#### ***Religious Education Kindergarten Program!!!!***

We started this program a few years ago and have expanded it so that we have a session each month:

**March 10, April 7, May 12 and June 2**

***We meet in the Church at 4:30pm on Friday ...*** and the program lasts about 40 minutes. Come and see what wonderful opportunities we have for your kindergarten children to learn about their faith!

E-mail to register: [sdiane@ollchurch.org](mailto:sdiane@ollchurch.org)



## **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 more of the circumstances above apply to you ...

*IF* you feel you would like to become a baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith ...

Our email address is [RCIA@ollchurch.org](mailto:RCIA@ollchurch.org) or call the Parish Office at 631.661.3224, option 1, and we would be happy to help you.

## **Church Census Information**

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any recent changes -- address, family members, phone numbers, etc. With your help, our parish data information will be more accurate, and receipt of Parish Offering Envelopes and other church information can be distributed more efficiently. Please mail the information to the Parish Office or email to [parishoffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:parishoffice@ollchurch.org).



In addition to our parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org)), please visit us on *Facebook* at *The Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes*. Click “Like” and you will receive the latest news on upcoming parish events and information.

## Ministry of Praise

Members pray at home for the intentions of the Church and Parish; designed for the homebound, senior citizens, etc. Monthly calendar is available in the Narthex. Prayer requests can be left in the Ministry of Praise box along with the name and address of any homebound person who might want a copy of the calendar mailed to them (please print).

## 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 8:00pm until 10:00pm. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship.

## 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 1:30pm** before the Blessed Sacrament for about one half hour. For more information, call Charles Argento at 586.8528.



## Boy Scout Troop 179

For over 40 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. We meet every **Thursday during the school year** in the School Cafeteria from **7:30pm to 9:00pm**. If you are interested in joining Boy Scouts, check out our website and stop by a meeting!

Website: <http://witroop179.wix.com/bsatroop179#>

Email: [WIBSATroop179@outlook.com](mailto:WIBSATroop179@outlook.com)

## Support Groups *(all meetings are in Lourdes Hall - lower level of Convent)*

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Monday and Tuesday at 8pm and Saturday at 11am and 7pm.

**ALANON:** Wednesday at 10am. Beginner’s meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available.

## ***You're Invited***



About one year ago our parish family traveled to busy, bustling *Bethlehem Boulevard* to join Mary and Joseph at the birth of their son Jesus.

Now, we will be following Jesus, 33 years later, to be with his followers during His last week in Jerusalem. It was a week that began with the triumph of Palm Sunday and ended with the awe and wonder of Easter morning. We will be there for all the dramatic days in between.

We need everyone in our parish family...**young, old, in between, men, women, boys and girls...** to make this Lenten Event on April 2, 2017 a success.

**PLEASE JOIN US on Thursday, February 16 in the Parish Center at 7:00PM  
to plan our parish Lenten Event.**

## ***Beginning Experience***

The loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation is one of life's most traumatic experiences; often resulting in feelings of loneliness and grief. When those feelings remain it can be overwhelming and hard to move forward. The Beginning Experience weekend is a grace filled time to focus on you... to feel understood by peers and experience a sense of peace and a renewed hope for the future.

The next weekend is on Long Island at the Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore on February 24<sup>th</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017. For information and reservations, call Mary at 516-413-6029, Jim at 718-474-3779 or John at 516-822-0635.

***Grandmothers ~ Mothers ~ Daughters ~ Friends***

## ***Victorian Tea***

***Sunday, March 19, 2017***

***2:00pm to 5:00pm***

***Our Lady of Lourdes***

***All Purpose Room***



***Chinese Auction - great local restaurant gift cards!***

***Prizes for the Best Hat and Best Decorated Table  
Please bring your Favorite Teacup!***

***Tickets \$20 per person***

***Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday, February 15 in the Outreach Office  
First 75 tickets sold will receive five free raffle tickets!***



**Diocese of Rockville Centre**  
**Office of Faith Formation - Upcoming Workshops**  
[www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)



***Catechist Training for New and Nearly New Catechists***

**Location:** St. Joseph Parish (*School Building*)  
 39 N Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702  
**Instructor:** Ellen Zafonte  
**Dates:** Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2017  
**Time:** 7:00pm-9:30pm  
**Cost:** \$20.00 per person  
**Register Online:** [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)  
*If you have any questions contact Debbie Coyne at 516-678-5800 ext. 204*

***Nuevos Catequistas Entrenamiento para***

**Lugar:** Parroquia de San José (*Escuela*)  
 39 N Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702  
**Instructora:** Diana Pizarro, Directora Asociada, Formación de Fe de la Población Hispana,  
**Fechas:** Lunes, 6, 13, 20 & 27 de Marzo, 2017  
**Tiempos de clase:** 7:00pm-9:30pm  
**Costo:** \$20.00 por persona  
**Registro en línea:** [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)  
*Para más información comunicarse con Diana Pizarro 516-678-5800 ext. 592*

***RCIA Level I***

*For individuals wishing to be members of an RCIA team in a parish*

**Location:** St. Kilian Parish (*Green Room of the Parish Center*)  
 485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735  
**Dates:** Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2017  
**Time:** 7:00pm-9:30pm  
**Cost:** \$40.00 per person  
**Register Online:** [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)  
*If you have any questions contact Debbie Coyne at 516-678-5800 ext. 204*

***Bereavement Facilitator Training - Part I***

**Location:** St Mary's Parish  
 20 Harrison Ave, East Islip, NY 11730  
**Instructor:** Margaret Peterson, RN, MS  
**Dates:** Saturdays, March 11 and 18, 2017  
**Time:** 9:30am-3:00pm  
**Cost:** \$50.00 per person  
**Register Online:** [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)  
*If you have any questions contact Debbie Coyne at 516-678-5800 ext. 204*



**“To walk in the light is to have a daily commitment to living out a righteous life...”**

**- Pope Francis**

Your CMA gift supports the education of our spiritual leaders, changing the lives of those called to serve, and changing the lives of those with whom these leaders will share and strengthen our Catholic faith.

Ordained in June of 2016, Fr. Jiha Lim heard the call to serve as a priest when he was an altar boy at his parish in South Korea.

At ten, Fr. Lim and his family moved to Long Island. His desire to be a priest continued to grow, and with the support of his family and the priests that mentored him, he entered the Seminary.



***“Now as a priest in our Diocese, and Associate Pastor at St. Mary in Manhasset, my goal is to bring joy and hope to the people of God – and to reach out to others who are discerning becoming priests in our Diocese – to walk with them on their journey as other priests walked with me on mine.”***

***Please consider donating to the Appeal and a difference in someone’s life.***

***Thank you!***

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| Make checks payable to:    |                  |             |
| Catholic Ministries Appeal |                  |             |
| Parish _____               | Pledge:          | \$ _____    |
| Name _____                 | Down payment:    | \$ _____    |
| Address _____              |                  |             |
| City, State, Zip: _____    |                  |             |
| Phone: _____               | Signature: _____ | Date: _____ |



# Our Lady of Lourdes School

*Growing in Wisdom and Grace*

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## Our Lady of Lourdes

School Tours

Available throughout the day 8am-2pm



- Registration for 2017-2018 school year
- Tours of school facilities
- Information about our faith-based, academically enriched curriculum



*Nursery & Pre-Kindergarten (half day and full day),  
Kindergarten (full day).... Grades 1-8*

*Extended Care, After School Enrichment Activities, Sports Teams, Theatrical Arts,  
Extensive Music Program included in Tuition,*

*Educational Technology including SmartBoards in all classrooms  
and schoolwide use of iPads,*

*Student-run TV Studio...Morning News broadcast daily in homeroom*

Visit our school web site at:  
**[www.ollschool.org](http://www.ollschool.org)**  
for more information about our  
exciting programs!

Call the School Office at  
**631-587-7200 ext. 100** if you have questions.





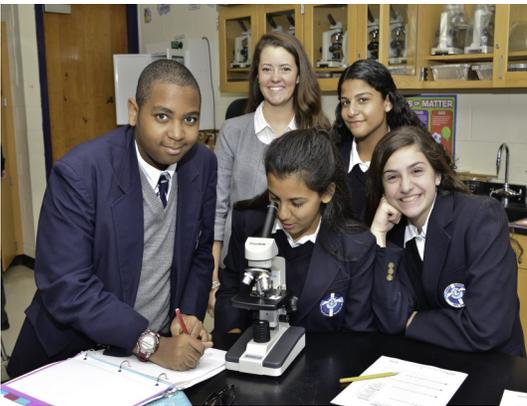
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## Our Lady of Lourdes

Hay tours durante el día en la escuela de 8am hasta 2pm



- Matrícula para el año escolar 2017-2018
- Visita a las instalaciones del colegio
- Información sobre la currícula religiosa y académica de estudios

*Guardería y Pre-Jardín de Niños (medio día y día completo),*

*Jardín de Niños (día completo)... Grados 1-8*

*Cuidado después de clases, Actividades Útiles después del Colegio,  
Equipos de Deporte, Artes Dramáticas,  
Programa Extensivo de Música incluido en la Pensión, Tecnología Educativa incluyendo Pantallas  
Inteligentes en todas las clases y uso de Ipads en todo el colegio,  
Estudio de televisión conducido por estudiantes... Transmisión de las noticias diarias por la mañana  
en los salones principales*

¡Visite nuestra página web del colegio en: [www.ollschool.org](http://www.ollschool.org)

para más información sobre nuestros  
interesantes programas!

Si tiene alguna pregunta llame a la Oficina del Colegio  
al 631-587-7200, extensión 100





## ***You Can Help Heal Your Marriage***

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, February 17th, call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

## **New Lighthouse Catholic Media CD**

Available at kiosks near the doors of the Church



### **How to Save Your Marriage Before Meeting Your Spouse**

Can you divorce-proof a marriage before it begins? In this top-notch presentation, Jason Evert shows us how to build the foundation for lasting love, and reveals how marriage preparation starts before "engagement". Jason Evert has spoken about chastity to more than one million people around the world and is the author of more than a dozen books, including "How to Find Your Soulmate Without Losing Your Soul" and "Purity 365".

## **Magnificat Annual Retreat**

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend our Annual Retreat at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY from March 10-12, 2017. Fr. Ariel Hernandez will be the Retreat Leader. He has been a speaker at many Charismatic Conferences and Leader of the Youth Ministry. Fr. Ariel received a special gift from the Blessed Virgin under the title of Our Lady of Schoenstatt, and he is the custodian of a miraculous image of her from Argentina. The cost is \$250 per person (including meals/room). Pre-registration is required. Space is limited and based on first-come, first serve registration. For more information, please call **Angela** at **516-763-1739**, **Judy** at **917-453-5750**, or via e-mail at: [ihm.magnificat.rvc@gmail.com](mailto:ihm.magnificat.rvc@gmail.com)

## ***St. Patrick & St. Joseph Day Dance***

***Saturday, March 11, 2017      \$40.00 per person***  
***7:00pm to 11:00PM in OLL All Purpose Room***

*Live music, corned beef & cabbage, penne alla vodka, salad, wine, beer and soda,  
followed by coffee, tea, dessert.*



*Proceeds benefit our Parish Outreach*

***Tickets now on sale. Call Parish Outreach at 631-661-3224, and select Option # 4***



## **Faith on Tap**

Are you a young adult – married, single – looking for a faith community – a place where you can learn more about your faith? If so, please join us for our next Faith on Tap on February 28, 2017 at Lily Flanagan's Pub, 345 Deer Park Avenue, Babylon, NY. We are honored to have Tom Upshur, the co-founder of the Pro Bikers for Life talk to us about his journey "Riding for the Unborn". Hear about how these strong men of faith protect the rights of the unborn throughout the country. The talk begins at 7:30 – in the upstairs room at Lily Flanagan's. Come out early, grab something to eat and drink – make new friends – reconnect with old friends! Questions? Contact Marianne Sheridan at [msheridan@drvc.org](mailto:msheridan@drvc.org) or 516-678-5800, ext. 615.

## **Kellenberg Memorial Alumni Communion Breakfast**

All Kellenberg Memorial High School alumni and their families are invited to celebrate Mass on Sunday, March 12, 2017, at 9:00 AM, which will be immediately followed by breakfast. The speaker at the communion breakfast will be Fr. Philip Eichner, S.M., who is celebrating his 50th year of school administration. The Alumni Communion Breakfast is the perfect way to catch up with former teachers, reconnect with fellow alums, and see all the beautiful changes that have taken place on campus. You will be able to indicate whom you would like to sit with on the registration form. You may also request to sit with one of your old teachers! We will do our best to accommodate your request. Registration is \$12 per person. Children ten years of age and under are \$6. If you have any questions, please contact Alumni Director Mr. Thomas Huggard at (516) 292-0200 x375 or [alumni@kellenberg.org](mailto:alumni@kellenberg.org). Please visit [www.kellenberg.org/alumni](http://www.kellenberg.org/alumni) to register online.

## ***Part -Time Receptionist Position - Our Lady of Perpetual Help***

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church in Lindenhurst is seeking a Part-Time Receptionist. Hours are Tuesday evenings, 5:00-9:00pm, Fridays, 9:00am-5:00pm, and every other Sunday, 9:00am-3:00pm. The position also requires flexibility to cover additional hours when necessary. Essential responsibilities involve greeting guests, answering phones, and light clerical duties. Requirements include a basic knowledge of computer skills. Must have an upbeat personality and enjoy working with people. Send cover letter and resume to: Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco at [msgjrjoe@olph.org](mailto:msgjrjoe@olph.org)

## ***Part-Time Sacristan Position – St. Joseph Parish***

St. Joseph's Parish in Babylon is seeking to fill two separate part-time sacristan positions immediately:

### **Weekday 'On-Call' Sacristan**

This position would be "On-Call" from 9:30am to 1:30pm. Responsibilities include setting up and serving at funerals, locking up the Church, assisting clergy where necessary.

### **Weekend Sacristan**

Saturday and Sunday. Total 19-21 hours. Responsibilities include setting up for Masses, assisting clergy, setting up and serving at funerals when needed, setting up for weddings, some light cleaning/maintenance, locking up the Church, and other various tasks throughout the liturgical seasons. Availability at other times throughout the year for other parish events in the Church a plus.

All qualified and interested persons are asked to call St. Joseph Parish business office at (631) 669-0068 x105 and leave your contact information. Experience preferred. Thank you.

## **Bereavement Support**

St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. The group begins on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 7:00 to 9:00pm, and registration is required. Refreshments will be served. For information and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631-581-4266 ext.100. Please note, the group is open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate, the death must have occurred prior to December 21, 2016.

## **“Moving On” Group**

*An After Bereavement Group for Widows and Widowers will present:*

### **“Are You Stressed?”**

Friday, February 17, 2017 at 7:30 pm  
St. Joseph's Parish Center  
39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY

For further information please call: Geri Olson 631-661-8994 or Mike Goodwin 631-422-0957



## **Worldwide Marriage Encounter 2017 Longest Married Couple Project**



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has announced the national winners of the 2017 Longest Married Couple Project. They are Horace and Beatrice Ricks of Callahan, Florida. The Ricks have been married 81 years as of Jan. 10, 2017. The Ricks were married December 25, 1935. They are originally from Mississippi, and met at an ice cream social in the summer of 1935 when they were teenagers. A few months later they married on Christmas Day because they and their families had the holiday off from work so they could get married. Mr. & Mrs. Ricks have two children, nine grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren. The Florida couple achieved the honor of being the Longest Married Couple based on nominations submitted to Worldwide Marriage Encounter beginning in October of last year. The nomination project ended on January 10th of this year. The New York State winners of this contest for 2017 are Frank and Helen Luigi of East Rockaway, N.Y. who have been married for 71 years.

## **Religion and Rock**

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

# Sharing the Gospel

God's rules stop you from hurting yourself and the people around you. God knows that if you really love Him, you will want to follow His rules. You will trust Him. You will want to be thoughtful and kind. You will want to love people the way God does.



## Mission for the Week



Ask your parents to list three ways you can honor them.



### Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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|--------|----------|---------|
| OBEDY  | ANGRY    | PROMISE |
| BETTER | FAITHFUL | KEEP    |
| MURDER | THOUGHTS | SWEAR   |

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## Prayer

Dear God,  
 help me to  
 follow your  
 rules with  
 my whole  
 heart.



## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself cheerfully helping your parents dust and vacuum your house.

