# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor Rev. Gregory Breen, Associate Pastor

Rev. Sylvester Chukwumalume, in Residence

Chaplain, Southside Hospital

Rev. Freddy Lozano, in Residence

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#### **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

Fax: 631.661.7143

Website: 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

#### **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

#### **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



#### **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.



# 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

#### 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 25

**Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Rom 8:31b-34/ Mt 9:2-10

Monday:Dn 9:4b-10/ Lk 6:36-38Tuesday:Is 1:10, 16-20/ Mt 23:1-12Wednesday:Jer 18:18-20/ Mt 20:17-28Thursday:Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/ Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** Mt 7:14-15, 18-20/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Next Sunday:** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/ 1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25

# Parish Staff

Vita Scorcia

Patti Anderson
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor
AnnMarie Buonaspina
Director of Youth Choirs
Michael Buonaspina
Parish Organist
Carol Crillo

Carol Grillo
Parish Office

Stephanie Hahn Parish Office

Nancy Kuchler
Parish Office/School Office

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

## **Financial Summary**

**February 18, 2018** 

 Weekly Collection
 \$ 15,285.00

 Weekly Budget
 - \$ 17,800.00

 +/- for the week
 \$ (2515.00)

**Church in Need** \$ 4,351.00

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

#### Dear Parishioners:

We begin the Second week in the season of Lent. Again, I ask that you look at our Lenten opportunities for the coming week. In addition to 12:10pm Mass every day and Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 1:00pm and 7:00pm, we also have a special evening of prayer called *TAIZE*. *TAIZE* is a quiet reflective prayer focusing on the cross of Christ. I really encourage everyone to be there.

In addition, plan ahead to be with us for our **PARISH MISSION.** Our Parish Mission will be lead by Sr. Pat Duffy and will take place Monday, March 5 – Thursday, March 8. I strongly urge everyone to come to all or part of the Parish Mission – and bring a friend, especially a friend who might not come to church too often. Parish Missions are opportunities to deepen our faith and to re-discover our faith once again! Just think: by simply inviting a friend to the Parish Mission, you could be the catalyst for that person to come back to the Catholic Church. What a wonderful thing to do for someone! It does not have to be complicated; simply say, "Hey, OLL is having a Parish Mission and I am going tonight. Why don't you come with me and we'll go out for coffee afterwards." - simple, direct and non-threatening. But we need to do it! Imagine what our Parish could be like if everyone's family invited one other person to the Parish Mission. As Bishop Barres challenges us: Be a part of dramatic missionary growth! Be the catalyst for someone returning to the Church and the sacraments. Be an evangelizer!

As Pope Francis reminds us and challenges us: "Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy... The Lord is knocking at the doors of our hearts. Have we put up a sign on the door saying: 'Do not disturb'?" Help someone else take off the "Do Not Disturb" sign on the door of their heart.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: This past Tuesday, February 20, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, announced that he has transferred and returned Most Reverend Robert J. Coyle, 53, auxiliary bishop, Archdiocese of the Military Services, back home to the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Bishop Coyle will assist Bishop Barres and the other auxiliary bishops, Robert Brennan and Andrzej Zglejszewski, in the pastoral ministry of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Bishop Coyle will begin work here with us in the Diocese of Rockville Centre on April 2, 2018.

Back in February 2013, Pope Benedict XVI appointed then Msgr. Coyle to be an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of the Military Services. At that time, Msgr. Coyle was serving as pastor of the parish of Corpus Christi in Mineola. Bishop Coyle was ordained and installed as bishop by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D., Archbishop for the Military Services on April 25, 2013.

#### **Altar Society**

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Margaret Lehmann*. 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 Patrick Harty-US Coast Guard Colby Matthew Kelly-US Army Anthony Mannino-US Marines Anthony Memoli-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 631-661-3224 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 ...

Sandra Anberg, Joseph Arigoni, Greg Atwell, Frank Bambara, Paula Bemenek, Pat Bowers, Grace Ciccarello, Diane Cullen, Amanda Ditingo, AnneMarie Dolan, Anthony Dolan, Franklin Edwards, Paula Edwards, Alyssa Fagan, Pam Gagliano, Catherine Governanti, Ron Graziano, Denis Heffron, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Donald Horn, Msgr. William Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, George Koehler, Richard Macher, George Mangels, Claire McLoughlin, Vinny Meade, Mary Polik-Gunther, Louise Posanti, Thomas Powers, Dorothy Proctor, Robert Reutlinger, Christine Rizzo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Anne Marie Schiraldi, Arthur Schweit, Linda Scoco, Doris Shaddock, Kathy Shaddock, Brian Shannon, Bernadette Stone, Rosemary Viola, Richard Wagner, Roger Welden, John Zambito

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



Mary Finn Theresa Huelester Irene A. Wargo

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



Nathan Thomas Bryan Charlotte Aud Clausen James Patrick Rosino

#### Mass Intentions

Monday, February 26

**8:30am** Renee Lichtenstein (Living)

**12:10pm** People of the Parish

**Tuesday, February 27 8:30am** Joanne Britt

**12:10pm** Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother

Wednesday, February 28

8:30am Rosa & Vito Mastrorocco

12:10pm Jesus Solomon

Thursday, March 1

**8:30am** Sweeney & LaRocca Families

**12:10pm** Deceased Members of the Dowling & Kelly Families

Friday, March 2
World Day of Prayer

8:30am Emily Lichtenstein (Living)

**12:10pm** Julia Malloy

**Saturday, March 3**St. Katherine Drexel

8:30am Brian Cannetti

**5:00pm** Cornelius J. Guider

Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, March 4

Third Sunday of Lent

8:00am Vincent Sepe

Fr. Greg Breen

9:30am Jimmy Reilly

Fr. Sylvester Chukwumalume

11:00am Charlotte Sweeney

Fr. Sylvester Chukwumalume

**12:30pm** Edward Cameron III

Fr. Greg Breen

**6:00pm** People of the Parish, Catherine Perez,

Francis Antonawich, Michael Tornabene,

Rita Laszewski, Barbara Koenig

Fr. Greg Breen



#### Gabriel's Courage Perinatal Support Program

Gabriel's Courage is a family centered program for families who receive a lifelimiting prenatal diagnosis during their pregnancy. The program offers a multidisciplinary team approach to care and support throughout pregnancy, birth and post birth. Gabriel's Courage is a program of Catholic Health Services and Good Shepherd Hospice. This program offers hope, affirms life and provides an opportunity for the family to welcome their baby, as well as assisting in saying goodbye. Gabriel's Courage is seeking financial support to continue this important program.

If you are interested in making a donation to Gabriel's Courage, please contact Good Shepherd Hospice Development Office at 631-465-6350.

At times, infant burial can be challenging financially. Gabriel's Courage seeks to honor the lives of these babies and support parents in their wishes to bury their child. A burial is the last act of parenting for some of our families. We ask that you consider donating resources for burials which could include financial support or donation of an available grave. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Peter Ryan, Director of Catholic Cemeteries, at 516-334-7990, Ext. 109. Thank you for your support of this special program and the recipients in its care.

## **Pregnant?** Need Help?

Birthright, Inc. 24 Hour Helpline 1-800-550-4900

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727 Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

#### **SAGE**

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on Tuesday, February 27 in the Parish Center at 9:00am.

### Always Our Children

We have been asked ... Who are we? Why do we gather? Are we angry with the Church? We are members of the LGBT community, their friends, parents and families. We are Roman Catholics. No, we aren't angry. We are members of the Church by virtue of our Baptism and we discuss how important our gifts are to the faith community. We share how God has perfectly created us and His presence in our lives.



Join us the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the Spiritual Life Center (convent). For more information please call/leave a message 631-661-4254.

#### **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.



Jello Toilet Paper Beans - Kidney, Chick Peas Chili Hamburger Helper

#### **Nocturnal Adoration**

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." This is Jesus Christ's invitation every first Saturday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is taken to the altar after the 5:00pm Mass, and will be exposed up to 9:50pm. Everyone is invited to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament to offer prayers, petitions and thanksgiving to Jesus. Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, March 3, concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



#### SHARE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST



Jesus was born so far away, so the story's told.
We remember Christmas day when the winter days grow cold.
The Christmas star shines once a year, then fades away.
Keep the spirit in your heart and It's Christmas Everyday.



In the loving spirit of Christmas, we will be having opportunities to share our time, talent and treasure throughout the year. We are starting during the **Lenten Season** by each family receiving a *Rice Bowl* from Catholic Relief Services. CRS supports programs throughout the world, as well as our own diocese.

Drop your spare change, or perhaps the money you save from having a meatless meal, or the cost of the coffee or candy bar you gave up, into the *Rice Bowl*. The money will be collected the weekend of March 17-18th. Please take a *Rice Bowl* for your family today.



### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

What's it all about?

IF vou 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 or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, option 1, and we would be happy to help you.

## PARISH MISSION

**MARCH 5-6-7** 

7:30pm

All are Welcome!



Please join our Parish Community as we gather in prayer each evening of our Parish Mission. The following are the themes of each evening prayer and preaching.

MONDAY, March 5: "What To Do When There Is Nothing You Can Do"

TUESDAY, March 6: "God's Conversation With us"

WEDNESDAY, March 7: "What Really Matters - Hope and Healing"

THURSDAY, March 8: Parish Mass Celebrating the Graces of the Mission

We welcome the return of SISTER PAT DUFFY, OP as our mission leader. Sister Pat was with us for our Parish Mission several years ago - and we are happy to have her joining us in prayer once again.

## **COME AND BRING A FRIEND!**

#### LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, February 27: TAIZÉ PRAYER EXPERIENCE

**7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER**Join us as we pray before our special Taizé cross.

Friday, March 2: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCH**Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Monday, March 5 - Thursday, March 8: PARISH MISSION

7:30pm in the CHURCH Join with us as Sr. Pat Duffy, O.P. helps

us to draw closer to Christ.

Friday, March 9: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCH**Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 13: THE PASSION ACCORDING TO ST. MARK

**7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER**Join Fr. Brian as we explore the Passion account of St. Mark which we will read on Palm Sunday.

Friday, March 16: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCH**Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 20: <u>Movie: Passion of the Christ</u>

**7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER**Watch the very moving depiction of the Passion of Jesus

as depicted by Mel Gibson.

Friday, March 23: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCH**Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 27: HOPE: A LENTEN VIRTUE

**7:30 in the PARISH CENTER**Come join us as Deacons Rich, Tom and Jack lead us in an evening of prayer and reflection.

## Taizé Prayer - Tuesday, February 27 at 7:30pm in the Parish Center



Join us for an evening of meditative chant, scripture, communal prayer and silent reflection at the foot of our special San Damiano ("Taizé") cross. Allow the experience to quiet your mind and open your heart to the presence of God.



In addition to our parish website (<u>ollchurch.org</u>), 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), from September through June, at OLL School in Room 15 from 8:00pm until 10:00pm. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship. Please note: For the balance of the Winter months, meetings will be held in the Parish Center from 3:00-4:00pm. (No meeting on Mar. 30) Evening schedule resumes on May 11.

## **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 631-586-8528.



### **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: <a href="http://witroop179.wix.com/bsatroop179#">http://witroop179.wix.com/bsatroop179#</a>

Email: WIBSATroop179@outlook.com

## Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

A **Recovery Group** for those suffering from **Anxiety Disorder** meets on Tuesdays from 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Spiritual Life Center (in Convent building). The Group is led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader. *For more information, please call Michael at 631-968-9154*.

**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.



# **Our Lady of Lourdes School**

#### Growing in Wisdom and Grace

44 Toomey Road, West Islip, NY 11795 | Phone 631-587-7200 | Fax 631-587-453

#### 2018 Catholic School Week Events at OLL





#### 8th Grade vs. Faculty Volleyball Game

The children were allowed to wear team jerseys today, and each student brought in a can of soup as a donation to Outreach.





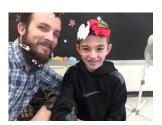






#### **Crazy Hair Day**

Be creative with your hair was the theme for the day, and our students provided donations of toiletries for Outreach.

















### **El Salvador Mission Trip**

There are still opportunities to join us for our Mission Trip this summer. The trip will be from June 30, 2018 through July 6, 2018.

For more information, please attend our Mission Trip Meeting on Wednesday, February 28 at 7:00pm in the Parish Center Our next meeting will be March 15. Any questions, please contact Deacon Rich at: tipperar@aol.com

## **Boy Scout Day of Recollection**



Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 8:30am – 3:00pm Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY

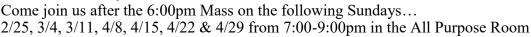
Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 12:00 Noon – 5:00pm Maria Regina Church, Seaford, NY

A special day of prayer and reflection. Will fulfill the Retreat/Day of Recollection

requirement for the Ad Altare Dei Religious Emblem.

For information, contact the Catholic Scouting Office at 516-678-5800, ext. 245 or e-mail: scouting@drvc.org

## Grab a Bat, have a Ball....Adult OLL Wiffle Ball is back!



Great way to meet other parishioners! Teams will be decided each week. No equipment needed. You do not need to attend every week. Limited to 30 parishioners, so sign up quickly! To sign up, e-mail: <a href="mailto:tthunter@optonline.net">tthunter@optonline.net</a> with your name, address, phone number, and if you have played OLL Wiffle Ball before. Put "OLL Wiffle Ball" as the subject.

For questions contact:

Terri Hunter at: 631-838-3572 (cell) or tthunter@optonline.net

Margaret Dixon at: <a href="margaretcd@aol.com">margaretcd@aol.com</a> Susan Hahn at: 631-877-8736 (cell)

# Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Group - OLLY Calling all High School Students - Grades 9-12

Mark your calendar and join us on the following dates: Fridays, March 2 and 16, 2018 Fridays, April 6 and 20, 2018

Fridays, May 11 and 25, 2018

Fridays, June 8 and 22, 2018

7:00-9:00pm in the Parish Center - Food, Fellowship and FUN! Bring a Friend!!!

Any questions, please call or text:

Stephanie Hahn: 631-617-8212 Emily Brierly: 631-813-9457

Fr. Greg: 631-661-3224 ext.121





#### Grandmothers ~ Mothers ~ Daughters ~ Friends



# Victorian Tea

Sunday, March 18, 2018 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 may be purchased in the Outreach Office First 75 tickets sold will receive ten free raffle tickets



## Hospital Visitation Ministry

Looking for a way to minister to others? There is a wonderful way to offer support to our parishioners who are hospitalized. Good Samaritan Hospital is offering a training program for new hospital visitors. We are in GREAT need of more visitors for our parishioners. Please consider this ministry which is a very rewarding way to serve others. The training will be on Wednesday, March 21 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm at Good Samaritan Hospital in the Saint Agatha Conference Center.

Call the SAGE office to get more information and/or to register: 631-661-3224 ext. 122.

#### **Preparing for Marriage?**

Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are no group discussions. Our next weekend will be held at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore, NY on April 13-15, 2018. For information/registration, please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: <a href="www.engagedencounterli.org">www.engagedencounterli.org</a>.





#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and to God by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr. 27-29, 2018 in Huntington, NY and Nov. 16-18, 2018 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at http://www.wwmeli.org.



## Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training

Saturday March 3 and 17, 2018 9:00am to 3:00pm Saturday, March 24, 2018 9:00am to 12:00pm St. James Parish Pastoral Center Room 104 429 Route 25A, Setauket, NY 11733

### Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training Level II

Tuesdays, March 20, April 10 and June 5, 2018 10:00am to 11:00am
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Spiritual Life Center
455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

#### Bereavement Conference

For the bereaved and those ministering to them. Saturday, March 10, 2018 9:00am to 3:00pm
St. Frances de Chantal Parish
1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793

### A Retreat Day for the Elect

Sunday, March 11, 2018 2:30pm to 7:00pm St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish 175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville, NY 11747

For more information or to register online please visit our website: www.drvc-faith.org

#### "A Lenten Tale Told to God"

**Lenten Day of Prayer on Sunday, March 4, 2018** - Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, C.M., will present a Day of Prayer at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington from 9:30am to 3:00pm. Talks by Fr. Griffin, Quiet Time, Confession, Lunch and Mass. Donation - \$30. Sponsored by Friends of the Seminary. Reservations required: 631-423-0483 x102 or: <a href="mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu">bmalone@icseminary.edu</a>.

#### Montfort Spiritual Center - Lenten Silent Retreat

#### "Let Us Consider Gentle Jesus in His Dying" Friday, March 23 through Sunday, March 25, 2018 Led by Father Hugh Gilllespie, SMM

Retreat begins Friday at 6:00pm (registration) \$175.00 per person. Shared rooms, space is limited. Payment in full and registration is due by March 16, 2018 Montfort Spiritual Center

26 South Saxon Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

For further information, e-mail: montfort06@gmail.com or call: 631-666-7500

## **Lenten Day of Reflection**

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend "Journey to the Cross" which will enable us to have a deeper experience of reflection, meditation, and prayer, as we prepare for Holy Week - on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, at St. Agnes Cathedral, Ministries Bldg., Rockville Centre, from 9:00am to 3:30pm.

The cost is \$20 per person (bring your own lunch), and pre-registration is required. Please make checks payable to "Magnificat" and mail to: Judy Murphy, 42 Pinehurst Street, Lido Beach, NY 11561. Checks must be received by March 19<sup>th</sup>. Payment will not be accepted at the door. For additional information, please contact Judy at: 917-453-5750. Come and bring a friend, as we prepare for Holy Week!



and Rehabilitation

Maria Regina Residence, at 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood, is a 188-bed Skilled Nursing Facility under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph. We are currently seeking compassionate, dedicated men and women who are willing to volunteer their time and talent in varied service areas (usually one morning or afternoon/week) in assisting the Excellence in Nursing Pastoral Team as a Eucharistic Minister, helping to transport residents in their wheelchairs, assisting with recreational service, or other need in the building.

For more information, please contact Sister Mary Sheppard, CSJ at 631-299-3288. Prayerfully and thankfully, we look forward to hearing from you.



### 50's Dinner Dance in honor of Alyssa Padro

All proceeds go to the Padro Family for her fight against Leukemia

Sunday, March 4, 2018 from 3:00-7:00pm **Knights of Columbus Hall** 1341 5th Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

Tickets sold at the K of C Council Office \$35 in advance - \$40 at the door 7:00pm - 9:00pm, M/T/W/FContact: Dennis 631-383-4113





# St Patrick's Day Dinner - March 15, 2018

The Bay Shore Knights of Columbus, 1341 Fifth Avenue, will be holding a corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the fixings on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. \$16.00 includes dinner (corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and Irish soda bread) and unlimited beer, wine and soda. (\$18.00 at door) Children's platters are available for \$6.00 (Chicken tenders, macaroni & cheese) For further information, call Jack at 631-666-4939.

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

8 Week Program for Age 50 and Over Starting Friday, March 9, 2018 from 7:00-9:00pm St. Joseph Parish Center, 39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY

For more information and registration, please call: Terry Hoffmann 631-669-0198 or Geri Olson 631-661-8994

#### Pilgrimage to the Holy Land May 16-25, 2018

Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty members: Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ and Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM

For a detailed brochure, call Sister Grace at 631-654-0199 or e-mail: growland@sjcny.edu

#### **Parish Secretarial Position**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Lindenhurst is looking for an extremely organized, detail-oriented and multi-tasking person to fill the position of Parish Secretary. This energetic individual must be a team player and enjoy being in a fast-paced environment with a great deal of interaction with others. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Full-time position, with benefits. Computer proficiency required. Must know Microsoft Word, Excel, Office and Parish Data Systems (PDS). Excellent verbal communication skills and impeccable grammar and writing skills essential. Main duties include preparing and handling large parish mailings, parish calendar and information systems including weekly envelopes. Resumes and inquiries may be sent to: Frank Pokorney, Business Manager, at fpokorney@oloph.org or at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 210 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY, 11757.

## Religion and Rock

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Leadership."

# **Sharing the Gospel**

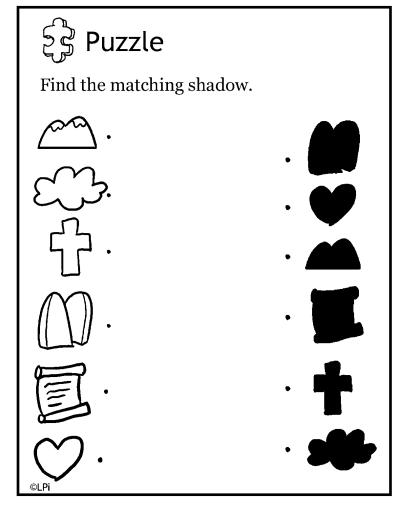
Start with a pile of blocks. Add your imagination and you can build a castle or a city. You can change that pile of blocks to look completely different and wonderful. In today's Gospel, Jesus was completely changed. He started out looking like an ordinary man. Then, right in front of Peter, James and John, something happened. Jesus glowed bright like the sun. Even His clothes became bright white. Talk about changing into something different and wonderful! God let Peter, James and John see Jesus as He looks now in heaven.



#### Mission for the Week



Make some lemonade with your family. The add food coloring to completely change the way it looks. As you mix the ingredients together, talk about how Jesus was completely changed.



# **Prayer**

Dear God, I can hardly wait to see Jesus glowing in heaven.



# Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Yourself with Jesus, glowing in heaven.

