

**“O woman,
great is your
faith!”**

Matthew 15:28



Our Lady of Lourdes

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 14, 2005

Our Lady of Lourdes

455 Hunter Avenue
West Islip, New York 11795

Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano
Pastor

Rev. Stanislaus Chukwube
Associate Pastor

Welcome to our Parish Family! New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our parish family. Please call or visit 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.

Rev. Ambrose Cabildo
In Residence

Rev. Robert Scheckenback
In Residence

Deacon Stephen M. Behar
Deacon John DeGuardi
Deacon Jules O. A. Gagnon
Parish Outreach

Deacon Jack Meehan
Coordinator of Stewardship
Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Sr. Nancy Campkin
Director of Religious Education
Regina Ann Cioffi
School Principal

Jennifer Gallagher
Director of Youth Services
Carol M. Goetz
Parish Music Director
Sr. Diane Liona
Director of Religious Education

Vita Scorcio
Ministry Spiritual Director
John Sureau
Coordinator of Worship

Sr. Betty Toohig
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Anthony Trombino
Business Manager

Pastoral Council

Michael Abbruscato
Salomon Acosta
Regina Ann Cioffi
Jane Desthers
Al Fioravanti
Stephen Frodell
Kathleen Goldin
Kathleen Holland (*chair*)
Maria Lucie
Ward Moeller
Mary Steck
John Sureau
Fr. Mike Vetrano
Marie Yuliano

Parish Staff

Barbara Catuosco
Religious Education Office
Mary Anne Lettieri
Parish Office
Debbie Meyer
Bulletin /Parish Office
Rosemary Multer
School Office
Rex Muro
Organist
Rita Spera
Religious Education Office



Sing a New Song



to the Lord

Evening Prayer
Mass for
Feast of the
Assumption

Monday, August 15
with homilist
Deacon John
DeGuardi
at 7 PM

"Don't forget your
school supplies!
(see page 4)

Music for Evening Prayer
will be led by our
Adult Choir.

Arts and Crafts
begin at 6:30 PM
for the kids!

Arts and Crafts
sponsored by
Fishel & Bowers,
Attorney at Law

A time for our parish family
to come together
in a relaxed, spirited and
fun-filled way.

Bring your family and
friends – and invite others
to come as well.

Can you help us out? Send an e-mail jsureau@ollchurch.org or call 661.3224. Also—are you a business owner who can help us offset some costs related to Evening Prayer? If so, please let us know.

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word celebration continues throughout the summer. Please come with your entire family each week to the 9:30 AM Mass as our youngest parishioners are called forth to hear God's Word in a special way – led by lay women and men – in the Parish Center.

What about you?

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word teams are looking for new members. The commitment in time is not tremendous, but the feeling of bringing children closer to God is! There will be a two session training soon and then you'll join one of our "teams" that meet once every six weeks to plan out a particular Sunday celebration. If you're interested, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Did you miss a week of Children's Liturgy?

Don't fear! Check out the table by the Parish Center which has the handouts and parent pieces for each week of Children's Liturgy. We're hoping for a web page soon – can you help us out? If so, please contact John Sureau at jsureau@ollchurch.org or call 661.3224.

Social Action

Caring for the Homeless

While you, your family members and friends travel on your summer vacations, collect travel size shampoo, conditioner, body lotion and toothpaste. Hold on to them for now and look in future bulletins for specific ways we can help St. Anne's Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen in Brentwood.

Helping the Hungry

Please remember to bring your weekly food donations to Church, particularly during the summer months. So many rely on your generosity – from both our parish and local parishes – let's not let them down! You can leave your donations at the doors of the Church every Sunday.

School Supplies Needed

Throughout the month of *August*, we are asking our entire parish to help those in need by bringing new, unused school supplies to Summer Evening Prayer each Monday night. As we prepare for another school year, many families in our parish and the local community need basic school supplies so they can get off to a good start this school year. Can you help? If so, pick up a few school supplies as you see them on sale or when shopping for your family. Bring them to *Summer Evening Prayer each Monday of August* and leave them in the baskets by the hospitality table. Thanks for your help and support.

Throw a Bag in...

Many soup kitchens and local shelters rely on plastic shopping bags (the ones you get at Target, Best Yet, etc.) to provide food and resources to their communities. Can you help by saving your plastic bags each week and dropping them off in the Social Action baskets each Sunday? This way you're not harming the environment and you're helping those in need! This is something *everyone* can be a part of.

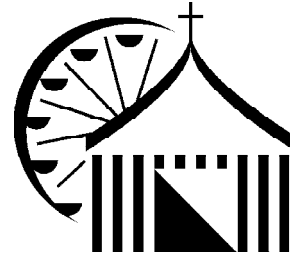
Italian Family Feast 2005

Super Raffle

Tickets will be on sale at the Church doors before and after all masses during the month of August. Tickets will also be available at the Parish Office, Monday thru Friday – 9 AM to 5 PM.

Each ticket is \$100. Only 200 tickets will be sold!

Don't wait – get your number early!



Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are always needed to support our annual Italian Family Feast 2005. We have our faithful volunteers that come and help year after year-and to them we are very grateful. We need to attract new volunteers to keep our feast the wonderful annual event that it is. Can you help? If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

Keeping Our Church Clean

Thank you for your help in keeping our Church clean. What a huge help it has been...and please keep it up! If you see something wrong, please let someone know. If there is a bulletin left behind, a worship aid tucked in the missalette rack or something out of place, please return it. Many hands make light work and little things make a big difference in making our worship space even more welcoming and comfortable.

Religious Education

Grade 1 Program

Parents whose children are in public school, Grade 1- Fall 2005, are asked to register their children for the Pep 1 Program.

Registration will take place in the Parish Center (the room opposite the playground) on the following dates/times:

Family name A - G: Thursday, September 22 at 10 AM or 8 PM

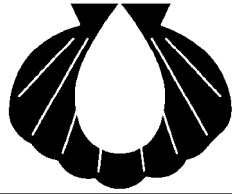
Family name H - O: Monday, September 26 at 10 AM or 8 PM

Family name P - Z: Wednesday, September 28 at 10 AM or 8 PM

If your child *was not baptized at OLL*, a Baptism Certificate is required.

There is a "*family fee*" of \$90, and books \$20/worksheet fees \$15 are payable at this meeting.

However, if you already have children attending the program, the first grader is included in the "*family fee*".



Baptisms

Isabel Lynne Arellano
Lorenzo and Tricia
Kiera Saoirse Caffrey
Paul and Kelly
Annaliese Nicole Pillitteri
Carl and Amy
Amanda Faith Tiberg
Michael and Jeanine

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

Arranged at least six months in advance, please contact the Parish Office.



Resting in Peace

Frank Lagauskas, husband of Mary

Upcoming Marriages

Susan Gianiotis and *Arthur Nappo*, both OLL
Victoria Baimas and *John Whatley*, both OLL
Michele Monks, OLL and *Robert Horn*, St. Joseph's, Ronkonkoma
Siobhan Stica and *Edward Jablonski*, both OLL
Sharon Bauer and *Stephen Bronkhurst*, both OLL

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Communion Calls

Communion brought to those who are homebound.
Contact the Parish Office.

Remembering...

Monday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, August 16

St. Stephen

8:00 AM Rosemarie Nocera

Daily Mass

8 AM

Wednesday, August 17

St. Lawrence

8:00 AM Mary Homann

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM,
11 AM, 12:30 PM and 6 PM

Thursday, August 18

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

8:00 AM Frank Tusa & Frank Tusa, Jr.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

Friday, August 19

8:00 AM Peter Reehil

Saturday, August 20

8:00 AM Vincent McCarthy, Lena Wolski,

In Honor of the Blessed Mother, Rocky Manzo, Shaun Ryan,
Keith Comiskey, Vincent Scarpa

5:00 PM Frank Barba, Jr.

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

Sunday, August 21

8:00 AM Walter Fox

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

9:30 AM Carmela Sefcik

Fr. Stan Chukwube

11:00 AM Patrick Manning, Dorothy & Joseph Boening

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

12:30 PM Patrick McCaffery

Fr. John Asomugha

6:00 PM Paul Donat, Roger Gilet, Mary Dungenes,

Nexnel Jean Mary, James Smith, Aquino Family, Smith Family,
Bernardino Cruz, Joseph Vetrano

Fr. Stan Chukwube

Financial Summary

August 7, 2005

Weekly Collection	\$
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$19,057.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ ()

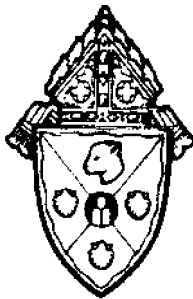
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$19,057.

There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend , August 13/14, for the Church in Latin America.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

*“Touching the lives of many through
Diocesan & Parish ministries and services.”*



Parish status:	June 21, 2005
Pledged to date:	\$110,029
Potential Rebate:	\$25,803
Pledges to date:	490
Average pledge:	\$224.55

Thank you to all those parishioners who have responded so generously to the CMA. We are almost at our parish pledge goal of \$118,600 which was the amount contributed in 2004. However, more pledges are needed if we are to meet/exceed this goal.

Pledges can be sent to the parish office or deposited in the collection baskets. Checks accompanying the pledges, although not necessary to make a pledge, should be made payable to “Catholic Ministries Appeal” and enclosed in an appropriately labeled envelope. Blank pledge cards are available at all the Church entrances.

Senior Circle

Senior Circle **Tai Chi** will be held on **Monday, August 15** at **10 AM** in the **Parish Center**.

The Senior Circle trip to **Tropicana**, originally scheduled for September 13, has been changed to **Tuesday, September 20**. The cost is \$20 with \$5 back. For information or reservations, contact Vera at 587.1553. Seating is on a first come-first served basis.

Living Liturgy

The summer months are the time to rest and rejuvenate ourselves. As fall approaches, it is the time to commit to spending more time in our parish community. Our parish is in need of you for the following...

Altar Servers

Our parish's altar server ministry is looking for young women and men entering 4th grade to become altar servers. This is a wonderful way to get even more involved in our Church while helping our entire parish grow closer to God. If you're interested, contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Do you love to cry at weddings?

Come and be a part of Our Lady of Lourdes Wedding Ministry. Help make that day special for some bride and groom by assisting at their rehearsal and on their wedding day. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Bart at 587.0587.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Have you ever desired to serve the local community by ministering community at Mass or bringing communion to the sick? This Fall, the Diocese of Rockville Centre will offer training for those interested. Our parish will offer a follow up training for all to serve here and to potentially bring Communion to the sick at home in our parish community. If you're interested, you can e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

Lectors Wanted

Recently, our lector ministry was sponsored as part of our "Parish Stewardship Effort." If you missed the sign-up or still want some more information, please contact the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Ushers

We are always in need of committed women and men to serve in our usher ministry. The ministry of usher is one of the most vital as they welcome, assist parishioners, take up the collection and help people to receive the Eucharist! If you're interested, talk to one of the ushers at the Mass you attend, call the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Parish Office

661-3224

Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7:30 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

Monday-Friday:

9 AM - 3 PM

email: ReginaC@ollschool.org

Religious Education Office

661-5440

Monday-Friday:

9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 5 PM

7 PM - 9 PM

email:

ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach

661-9262

Monday-Friday:

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

S.A.G.E.

661-3224

(Senior Advocates for
Growth and Enrichment)

email:

Sage@ollchurch.org

Thrift & Gift Boutique

Monday & Thursday:

9 AM - 11 AM

Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Pray for Our Sick

We ask that you keep in your prayers the sick of our parish:

*Jannine Augustine, Rose Bassile, Jo Brogan,
Christian Bullock, Suzanne Coyle, John Finch,
Benjy Margulies, Arabella Elizabeth McCarthy,
Silvestro Messina, Nichole O'Connor,
Michael Ojeda, Joe Radosti, Rose Serragano,
Dorothy Sullivan, Dorothy Traufield, Loretta Vitale*



Altar Society

Angela MacDermott

Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Communion Calls

Communion brought to those who are homebound.
Contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care of the 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.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Please join us on our **Pilgrimage to Lourdes, April 17 -25, 2006** with Fr. Michael Vetrano, commemorating the **Fiftieth Anniversary of Our Lady of Lourdes.**

For more information you are cordially invited to the Lourdes meeting on Tuesday, August 30 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.



Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group will meet on Thursday, **August 18 at 3 PM** in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel.**

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group will meet on Friday, **August 19 at 8 PM** in **Room 16/cafeteria.**

Rosary/Novena

Rosary:

Daily after 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday after 8 AM Mass

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.

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:



Jerry Clark, Jr.-US Army

Justin Estelle-US Army

John Finn-US Army

Kenneth Gein-US Army

Ed Kelly III-US Air Force

William Morrow-US Marines

Peter Provenzano-US Army

Jonathan Rothwell- US Army

John Thompson-US Marines

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

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday and Tuesday at 8 PM
and Saturday at 7 PM in
Lourdes Hall(lower level-convent).

ALANON
Each Wednesday at 10 AM in
Lourdes Hall.

Parish Societies

Holy Name
Second Sunday of each month at
the 8 AM Mass followed by
breakfast meeting.

Daytime Eucharistic Devotion-
Wednesday
(following first Saturday of month)
from 1 PM to 3 PM.

Nocturnal/Eucharistic Adoration-
First Saturday of each month from
6 PM to 10 PM.

Senior Circle
Last Monday of each month at
12:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Rosary-Christian Mothers-
First Monday of each month for
spiritual and social evenings.



Ten Ways to Observe the Year of the Eucharist

(one way to be printed each week in the bulletin)

8. **Witness your faith publicly. Be Jesus in the world.**

More than ever, our troubled world, which began the new Millennium with the spectre of terrorism and the tragedy of war, demands that Christians learn to experience the Eucharist as a great school of peace, forming men and women who, at various levels of responsibility in social, cultural and political life, can become promoters of dialogue and communion (#27).

Following the example of Jesus is the guiding and fundamental pattern of Christian life, not only in personal actions of faith, but as individuals in service to the common good, and in our mission as the body of Christ. In the Sacred Liturgy, we are formed to go forth to love and serve the Lord. If what happens within the church does not make a difference to the vulnerable and those in need beyond the doors of the church, we are in danger of being isolated from the very people we are called to serve. These next months can be a good time to talk to political and city leaders, begin to be aware of current events if you feel distant from what goes on in the world, and to find out what you can do to support and care for your neighborhood.



20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ever since the events of September 11th, it seems that we are much more conscious of the heroic among us, honoring those whose lives of service make a difference in our communities. Heroes are those who go above and beyond the call of duty to achieve a greater good. They see the possibility to make a difference and they take the chance. Heroism is not determined by their success, but by their willingness to try.

The woman who approached Jesus is a hero. She recognized the power of Jesus to heal her daughter and despite all odds, she persisted in her request for his attention and mercy. She was not Jewish, she had no social status, but she had a sick daughter and she wanted her to be well. No one would get in her way or stop her from asking the Lord for help.

Faith has its heroes, often called saints. They try to make the world a better place, help other people, give of themselves, make God's presence known, teach and share the faith, and spread the Gospel message. Faith calls us to work for God, to do something that really and truly makes a difference in our church, in our world, and in the lives of those we love. Be a hero of faith! (c) 2005 Liturgical Publications Inc

Readings for the Week of August 14, 2005

Sunday:	Is 56:1, 6-7/ Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/ Mt 15:21-28
Monday:	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a/ Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15/ Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a/ Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/ Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/ Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday:	Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Parish Outreach

Outreach Office Hours

Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM.

For information/assistance call 661.9262.

Script is sold in the Outreach office during business hours.

Home Care

If you need help at home—home companion or child care—please call Parish Outreach at 661.9262.

Our Lady of Lourdes Bereavement

Our parish support group for those who have lost a loved one—

All Are Welcome!

If interested, please call the Parish Outreach Office at 661.9262.



Parish Outreach would like to thank Dr. Gallagher and her Vacation Bible Camp children for their food donation during their camp activities. We here at Parish Outreach, are very grateful, especially during the summer months when our supply is quite low.

Pantry Needs

Thank you for your continued generosity in helping to provide food and necessities for so many in need.



Please donate whatever you can—some suggested items would be: *boxed potatoes, boxed rice, canned chili, canned fruits, canned soups, canned vegetables-corn, peas, string beans, cereal, cookies, crackers, jello, jelly, pudding, spam and children's disposable diapers.*

Thrift Shop

We cannot accept winter items such as clothing, blankets, skis, toys and books at this time. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this dilemma, we simply don't have the room.

Now the good news! We will celebrate the joyous season of Christmas every Saturday in the month of August from 10 AM until 1 PM. We are offering beautiful, low priced items for sale. The proceeds will benefit the Outreach Pantry. Please come and enjoy a cool shopping day with Christmas in your heart.

Thrift & Gift Boutique

Monday & Thursday: 9 AM - 11 AM

Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM

Escape for the Weekend

An opportunity to enrich your marriage on August 20 and 21 at the Hampton Inn-Brookhaven, Farmingville. The cost is \$175 per couple for the weekend which includes Myers-Briggs workshop, all materials, one room-double occupancy, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday. Please make check payable to-Office of Laity and Family and send to: P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023. For further information and registration, please call 516.678.5800, extension 223.

Bereavement Support Group

Facilitator training to be held at St. Sylvester Parish in Medford on Tuesday, August 16 from 7 - 9 PM or Emmanuel Retreat Center at Kellenberg High School, Uniondale on Wednesday, August 17 from 7 - 9 PM. There is a \$20 fee for registration, book and facilitator guide. To register, call 516.678.5800, extension 508 or email cllok@drvc.org.

Divorce and Beyond

A ten-week program for the divorced or those going through the divorce process. An opportunity to find that special comfort and insight that can only be found in a group who are experiencing similar feelings. Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Parish, Centerport beginning Friday, September 2 from 7:30 - 9 PM, call Parish Outreach to register at 631.754.9045 or St. Barnabas Parish, Bellmore beginning Friday, September 16 from 7:30 - 9 PM, call Carol to register at 516.432.2241. (\$20 fee includes registration fee, book and notebook).

Holy Hour for Vocations

The *Friends of the Seminary* sponsor a monthly Holy Hour for the intention of an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The Holy Hour, which is held on the third Friday of each month at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. The next **Holy Hour** will be **Friday, August 19 at 8 PM**. All are welcome. For further information, please contact the Vocation Office at 631.424.9888 or email to Vocations@drvc.org.

A Man Who Became Pope

Before he became Pope, Karol Wojtyla's life was a vigorous search for love and freedom. His transformational journey led him to the theatre, to profound experiences of love, friendship and loyalty, to scholarship, and to the Catholic priesthood. Watch "*A Man Who Became Pope*" on **Hallmark Channel, Monday, August 15 at 8 PM**.

Religion & Rock

Tune into "Religion & Rock" with Fr. 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.

Next Sunday's theme is:

“Relationship with God”

Don't forget to tune in! Visit "Religion & Rock" on the web, www.religionandrock.com.

Also watch "*Good News with Father Jim*" on TELECARE, channel 29, on Mondays and Fridays at 9:45 AM; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 7:45 PM; Sundays at 8 PM.

Women's Recovery Retreat/Vacation

Come pray, rest and renew yourself at Siena Spirituality Center, Water Mill from August 21-25. Retreat/vacation to be led by S. Jane Doherty, OP. Pool and beach available. To register or for further information, call 631.726.4710 or www.sienawatermill.org.

Fire Island Concert

Andy Cooney will be appearing in concert at the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Davis Park, Fire Island on August 27 at 7 PM. Tickets are \$25 per person. For further information, please call 631.928.2377, extension 22.

Craft Vendors Wanted

The St. Brigid/OLH School Fall Crafts Festival, a fun family event, to be held Saturday, September 17 on Maple Avenue in the Village of Westbury from 10 AM until 5 PM. For vendor information, call 516.984.7617.

Teacher Assistant

St. Mary School in East Islip is hiring teacher assistants for Early Childhood Programs-September 2005!
If interested, please call the school office on Tuesday or Wednesday, mornings between 8 AM and 10 AM at 631.581.4266, extension 3.

Position Available

Senior Secretary/Transcriptionist

Seeking an experienced secretary to provide secretarial, transcription and clerical services within the Office of the Bishop. Qualifications include high school graduate, business school graduate or Associates Degree in Business or Secretarial Science preferred. Three-five years high level secretarial support experience. Demonstrated expertise in the MS Office product suite and with dictaphone equipment. Typing speed of 50+ wpm required. Ability to work collaboratively with other administrative support personnel on major office and inter-office projects. Interested candidates should forward a cover letter, resumé and three references to Office of Human Resources, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P. O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023.

Wanted

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have been commissioned by the Diocese to bring Holy Communion to patients at Good Samaritan Hospital. Any day, based on your availability, from 10:15 to 11:15 AM.

If interested, please contact Sr. Mary Anna, Director of Pastoral Care at 631.376.4103.

Sharing the Gospel



Have you prayed for something for a long, long time? Don't give up! Don't stop! The woman in today's Gospel seems like a real pest, but Jesus praised her faith and answered her prayer. Yes, her faith was tested, but she didn't cave in. She just kept on "pushing it." May we each do the same!

Mission for the Week



Write your prayer needs (and the needs of those you love) on a clean paper. Read them and bring them to God *every day*. Leave space on your paper to write God's answers as they come, and don't forget to say thanks.



Word Unscramble

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| denmso | — — — — — — — |
| Iserla | — — — — — — — |
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| chindrel | — — — — — — — — — |
| crmsub | — — — — — — — |
| fahit | — — — — — — — |
| heedla | — — — — — — — |

Canaanite, woman, daughter, demons, Israel, begged, children, crumbs, faith, healed



Prayer

Dear God,
 I am not giving up.
 As long as you keep listening,
 I will keep asking.
 You know my needs
 better than I do,
 but you want me to speak from
 my heart.