

Our Lady of Lourdes

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 21, 2005

**“I will give
you the keys**



**to the
kingdom of heaven.”**

Matthew 16:19

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

Our final
Summer Evening
Prayer of 2005!



Sing a New Song



to the Lord

**LAST
CHANCE**

What better way to end summer than to join with our parish family and give thanks to God!

Evening Prayer
Monday, August 22
at 7 PM

"Summer Sauce"
supper at 6 PM
sponsored by
Lang-Tobia-DiPalma
Funeral Home

Music for Evening Prayer
will be by
OLL Children's Choir/
St. Martin's, Amityville
Children's Choir.

Arts and Crafts
begin at 6:30 PM
for the kids-
sponsored by
Joe Riscica's
Auto Repairs, Inc.

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.

SAGE

The SAGE Group (**S**enior **A**dvocates for **G**rowth and **E**nrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, August 23, in the Parish Center at 9 AM**. All older parishioners are welcome.

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*”.

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.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



Italian Family Feast 2005

September 14 - 18, 2005

Opens Wednesday thru Friday at 7 PM
Opens Saturday at 6 PM
Opens Sunday at 2 PM

Super Raffle

Super Raffle Drawing to be held on
Sunday, September 18 9 PM

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-Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM.

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

Don't wait – get your number early! Tickets are selling very fast!

Volunteers Needed!

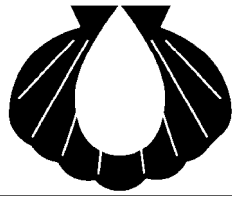
Volunteers are always welcome at our annual
Italian Family Feast 2005.

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.



Baptisms

Isabella Noemi Campozano

Daniel & Jennifer

Christopher James Lospinuso

Vincent & Regina

Gabrielle Marie Mercurio

John and Barbara

Gianna Marilyn Randazzo

Frank and Doreen

Ginamarie Second

Ronald and Carla

Anthony Joseph Spadolini

Anthony and Ann

Jessica Lynn Tarnowska

James and Samantha

Alyssa Paige Woltmann

James and Debra

Kiara Selena Mendoza

Andy and Yulia

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

Neven Vrilin, brother of Branka

Robert T. Beck, husband of Jane

Frances Amodeo, wife of Anthony

Rose Bassile, mother of Louise

Upcoming Marriages

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 22

8:00 AM Dec'd mbrs of Edwards & Sniadowski Families

Tuesday, August 23

St. Rose of Lima

8:00 AM Jospeh Intoci

Daily Mass

8 AM

Wednesday, August 24

St. Bartholomew

8:00 AM Margaret O'Leary

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM

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

Thursday, August 25

St. Louis of France

8:00 AM Joanna Jakowicki

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

Friday, August 26

8:00 AM James Loretz

Saturday, August 27

8:00 AM Virginia Petrino, Joseph Vetrano, Shaun Ryan,
In Honor of the Blessed Mother, William Priemer, Sue Haff,
Joseph Arrighi, Frank DiFranco, Jo Brogan (living)

5:00 PM John Lovari

Fr. John Asomugha

Sunday, August 28

8:00 AM Josephine Rappa

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

9:30 AM Albert Ferrini

Fr. Stan Chukwube

11:00 AM Helen & Joseph Dyczynski

Fr. Mike Vetrano

12:30 PM Francisco & Felizberta Dimaculangan

Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

6:00 PM Kevin O'Brien, Jerome Nash, Shaun Ryan,
Philip Lazarone, Annie Sweeney, William Montgomery,
William Chartrand, Domenico Lopez, Winifred Beaver

Fr. Stan Chukwube

Financial Summary

August 7, 2005

Weekly Collection	\$ 17,109.29
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$19,057.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ (1,947.71)

August 14, 2005

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,957.56
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$19,057.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ (2,099.44)

Church in Latin America

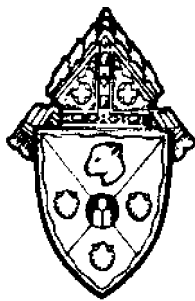
Collected Amount	\$ 1,632.50
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Feast of the Assumption

Collected Amount	\$ 705.00
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$19,057.

Catholic Ministries Appeal



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

Parish status:	Aug. 15, 2005
Pledged to date:	\$112,419
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

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, Jo Brogan, Christian Bullock,
Suzanne Coyle, John Esposito, John Finch,
Julia Guando, Fr. Bill Jablonski, Benjy Margulies,
Arabella Elizabeth McCarthy, Nichole O'Connor,
Michael Ojeda, Joe Radosti, Rose Serragano,
Dorothy Sullivan, Dorothy Traufield, Loretta Vitale*



Altar Society

Adeline Maranzano

Anointing of the Sick

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

Communion CallsCommunion 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 25 at 3 PM** in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group will meet on Friday, **August 26 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
Michael F. Loguidice-US Air Force
Paul McEvoy-US Army
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)

9. Start seeing poor people. Learn to wash feet.

It is not by chance that the Gospel of John contains no account of the institution of the Eucharist, but instead relates the “washing of Feet” (cf. John 13:1–20) by bending down to wash the feet of his disciples, Jesus explains the meaning of the Eucharist unequivocally. Saint Paul vigorously reaffirms the impropriety of a Eucharistic celebration lacking charity expressed by practical sharing with the poor (cf. 1 Corinthians 11:17–22, 27–34). Can we not make this Year of the Eucharist an occasion for diocesan and parish communities to commit themselves in a particular way to responding with fraternal solicitude to one of the many forms of poverty present in our world?... This will be the criterion by which the authenticity of our Eucharistic celebration is judged (#28).

The poor remain an invisible population to many. In addition to looking away from the needy it is easy to experience “donor fatigue,” follow instincts to “take care of our own,” show pride in “earning our Keep,” and fall into patterns of entitlement and acquisition that widen the divide between those in need and those who live with abundance. Eucharist is not just about coming to Mass and receiving the body and blood of Christ. Just as we can become slothful when we ignore the need for balanced eating and exercise, we can become spiritually sedentary and myopic if we do not “work off” the holy food we ingest. We “work off” the Eucharist by washing the feet of our neighbor—giving someone a ride who is not mobile, caring for children, fighting racism, and improving schools, Eucharist is not only a noun, but also a verb and we are the ones that provide the lifegiving actions to witness this reality.



21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

In a recent survey, many people identified themselves as spiritual but not necessarily religious. They believed in a greater being, or higher power, or in God, but did not follow any particular religion or practice faith in any outward way. God was impersonal and distant, yet they tried to follow some sort of spiritual values and principles.

God reveals himself as the creator, the God of Abraham, Jacob and Isaac. He is the One who acts in time and history, doing great things for his people. He takes on our own flesh to save us. Christians know God in a personal way, speaking to him in our hearts, in our liturgies and in our way of life. We see his wisdom and greatness in all we see and in all we do.

Jesus asks the Apostles who they say he is. He is not an anonymous God, doing kind little deeds for people who occasionally acknowledge him. He proclaims the glory of God. He announces salvation. He gives his life, taking on evil in all its might, so that we might live. The core of our faith, the depth of our love is measured by how we answer: who do I say he really is?

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Readings for the Week of August 21, 2005

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/ Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/ Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/ Jn 1:45-51
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/ Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/ Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/ Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/ Rom 12:1-2/ Mt 16:21-27

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.

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
cereal
children's disposable diapers
cookies
crackers
jello
jelly
pudding
spam



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

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).

Operation Andrew

The Vocation Office will be sponsoring an evening of prayer and discussion of the priesthood and religious life for young men of our diocese on Wednesday, October 19. This evening will allow priests and brothers to share the story of their vocation in an informal setting with those present. There will be Mass with Bishop Murphy followed by dinner and conversation. For information please contact the Vocations Office at 631.424.9888 or email vocations@drvc.org.

Spiritual Journey

A spiritual journey of hope for women sexual abuse survivors. *This group meets the first Saturday of each month at Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church in Wyandanch.* The next meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, September 3 from 10 AM until 12 Noon in the Rectory Sitting Room.** For further information, please call Libby at 631.225.0734.

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:

“Uncertainty”

Don’t forget to tune in! Visit “Religion & Rock” on the web, www.religionandrock.com.

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

Sociable Singles

Sociable Singles Dance on Saturday, September 10 at 8:30 PM, Knights of Columbus Hall, Long Island Avenue, Deer Park. \$20 donation at the door includes buffet, cake, coffee and DJ. For further information please call 631.242.4711.

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

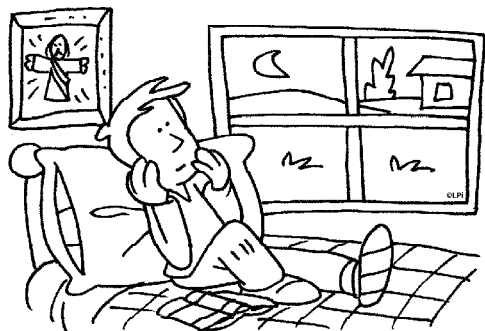
Senior Secretary/Transcriptionist

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

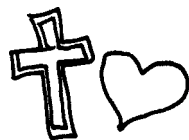
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who have been commissioned by the Diocese to bring Holy Communion to patients at Good Samaritan Hospital. Any day, based on your availability, from 10:15 to 11:15 AM.
If interested, please contact Sr. Mary Anna, Director of Pastoral Care at 631.376.4103.

Sharing the Gospel



Who is Jesus? Each one of us must answer that question for ourselves. Jesus didn't let his disciples get away with just telling others' answers. We need to know Jesus for ourselves. Peter got it right because of God's action in his life. Only God can reveal the truth of who Jesus is for us. Only God can give us the power to believe, because faith is his gift.

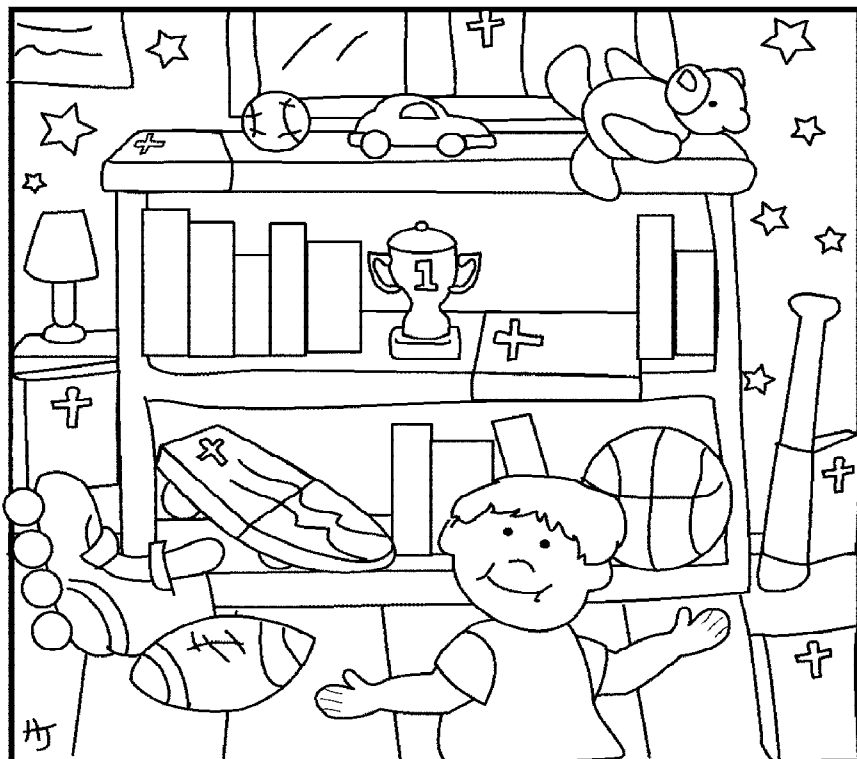
Mission for the Week



Make a "Jesus Poster." Write Jesus' name large in the middle of a page. Around it, write titles for Jesus, like "shepherd," "teacher," "healer" and "friend." Draw a picture of Jesus, as you see him. Share your poster with others.

Puzzle

How can we know God. Spend time in His Word everyday. Find 7 hidden Bibles in the picture below.



Prayer

Dear Jesus,
I believe that you are the Messiah, the Savior, the Son of the Living God. Thank you for the gift of faith.
Please help me to keep my faith in you living and growing. I want to know you more and more.