

March 5, 2006 • Our Lady of Lourdes • First Sunday of Lent



**By His
Wounds
We Are Healed**

Our Lady of Lourdes

455 Hunter Avenue
West Islip, New York 11795

Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano

Pastor

Rev. Stanislaus Chukwube

Associate Pastor

Rev. Nestor Watin

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. 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 Scorgia
Ministry Spiritual Director
John Sureau
Coordinator of Worship
Sr. Betty Toohig
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Anthony Trombino
Business Manager

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Jane Desthers
Stephen Frodell
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Mary McMahan
Doreen Spiller
Mary Steck
John Sureau
Fr. Mike Vetrano
Marie Yuliano (*co-chair*)

Parish Staff

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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

First Week of Lent
Monday, March 6
7:30 PM
Church

Parish

Lenten Mission



Sister Jean Amore, CSJ
President,
Sisters of St. Joseph, Brentwood

*“Let us proclaim
Jubilee...”*

a year of hope, justice and reconciling love!”

Can God’s love really transform our lives? Can it help us and change us in the midst of our problems, concerns, hopes, and dreams? Is God’s love really reaching into the world around us in the midst of problems great and small?

In Scripture the word for this transformation is *“Transfiguration.”* Jesus experienced it on the mountain with his disciples and tonight, Sister Jean will help us to focus on the mystery of the Transfiguration in this *Jubilee Year of “hope, justice, and reconciling love.”* As we proclaim a year of jubilee, let’s prepare to be changed for the better this Lenten season.

Sister Jean is currently the president of the Sisters of St. Joseph. She has served as the Academic Dean of St. Joseph’s College, and is a gifted educator and a nationally respected speaker. In her role as congregational leader, Sister Jean has been an outspoken advocate on behalf of the poor and marginalized, focusing attention on a variety of social justice issues, including immigration reform and the consistent life ethic. We are fortunate to have her speak here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

After prayer we will gather for hospitality and fellowship in the All Purpose Room. A free will offering will be taken each week for the various works of the Sisters of St. Joseph

ALL Faith Sharing Ministry

Time
Talent
Treasure



Treasure
Talent
Time

A Small Faith Sharing Group experience is sharing scripture, sharing faith, sharing friendship, sharing stories, sharing laughs and sharing a meal.

What is Faith Sharing and Why Do We Share Our Faith?

Faith Sharing Prayer Groups (4 to 10 people) meet periodically or seasonally usually at ones home to reflect on God's presence in the everyday life experiences by reading the Scripture and discerning God's Word.

Taking the time to listen and be touched by someone's reflection helps us to make connections with others allowing us to see how sacred our lives are and how precious all life is while growing deeper in our Faith, Hope, and Love...

Many Faith Sharing groups began during "Renew 2000" and have continued on their prayerful faith sharing journey.



Here are a few questions to help you reflect on what stewardship means in your own life:

- What resources, talents and abilities has God given to me?
- Do I use them in service to others?
- How might I take a step to become a more effective steward in my own life?



Our Jubilee Year 2005-2006

Our Lady of Lourdes
50th Anniversary Jubilee Celebration
November 17, 2006
Southward Ho Country Club

Raffle prizes are needed—please help to make this an unforgettable event! Do you have a vacation home? Would they be willing to donate a week or weekend as a prize? Do you have frequent flier miles to share as a prize? All donations will be considered – be creative, be generous.

If you are able to make a donation or know someone that can please call the Parish Office at 661-3224 and ask for Lori, or email to lori@ollchurch.org

Young Artist Series

Performing Arts at OLL

Eighteen-year-old, world class pianist Natasha Paremski comes to Our Lady of Lourdes in performance on March 23 at 7:30 PM. Natasha's concert is the latest in the OLL Young Artist Series and follows the success of the Rachel Barton Pine violin concert last season. Our parish is committed to providing opportunities to celebrate and appreciate the beauty of the arts.



Tickets are \$20 for adults, students under age 17 attend free! Pick up concert tickets at the Parish Office. Please make all checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Questions? Email jengallagher@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 661-3224.

Premium Seating/Event Patrons: We invite parishioners to consider becoming **“Event Patrons.”** The donation for an “Event Patron” is \$100 per person and entitles you to seating in the very front section of the Church. In addition, we will publish your name and/or business card in the event program. Your donation helps make this event possible and affordable, especially for the young people who attend! Thank you.

Our Catholic Faith Through Literature

The Prodigal Son

Tuesdays, March 7, 14 and 21, 2006

presented by Tom Petriano

7:30 - 9:30 PM in the Parish Center

Henri Nouwen's *Return of the Prodigal Son* was written in response to a period of turmoil in his own life. He was inspired to write about Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son through his discovery of Rembrandt's famous interpretative painting of the same parable.

Using both Nouwen's book and Rembrandt's painting as guides, these sessions will involve guided reading, discussion, and reflection on the themes of reconciliation, forgiveness and being claimed as God's beloved.

Henri Nouwen's book, *Return of the Prodigal Son*, will be available at the Religious Education Office at a cost of \$16. It is recommended, but not necessary, to have read Part I before the first evening.

future classes in the series...

Vino and DaVinci

Wednesday, May 3, 2006

presented by Margaret Mannino

7:30 - 9:30 PM in the Parish Center

Healthcare Issues in the 21st Century

future classes in the series...

Living Wills, Health Care Proxies, Patient Rights

Tuesdays, March 28 and April 4, 2006

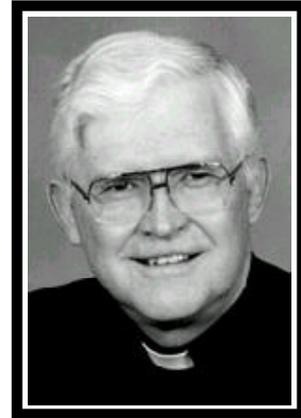
with Marty and Anne Kerrigan

Pre-Registration is necessary and helpful. This will enable us to have enough reading material and refreshments for all those attending. Please call the Religious Education Office, Monday-Friday, 9AM – 5PM and 7PM – 9PM, 661-5440 or e-mail to religioused@ollchurch.org.

Fee: \$5 per presentation or \$15 for the series (5 presentations). No fee is required for those who have paid the Religious Education Family Fee or Our Lady of Lourdes School Tuition. Fees may vary appropriately.

Our Lady of Lourdes Welcomes Bishop Dunne!

Next weekend, the weekend of March 11/12, our parish will welcome Bishop John Dunne for a pastoral visit! As Auxiliary Bishop for the central part of Long Island, Bishop Dunne visits each parish about every four years to help the growth and development of our community. Bishop Dunne will preach at all the masses on this weekend, speak with parishioners after each liturgy, and meet with many of our parish leadership groups.



School News

OLL Publicity

Our recently held Open House was very well received! Our new philosophy is that it does not stop there. A continued effort to put OLL and its wonderful accomplishments in the public eye must involve all of us. An informative **Presentation of Our Lady of Lourdes School** will be held at the **West Islip Public Library** on **March 9 at 7 PM**. The presentation will feature a video of Our Lady of Lourdes School along with a drama club presentation and other information to share.

In a continued effort to show off **OLL**, an **EXPO** will be held in March featuring all school departments and programs. The EXPO will be open to the public and offer a glimpse at what one would observe occurring in our classrooms and enrichment programs.

School Board

There is an **“Open School Board”** meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, March 8 at 7 PM**.

Topics to be discussed include new tuition and school finances.

It's that time of year to begin to think about running for the Our Lady of Lourdes School Board.

So many people mention that work schedules prohibit their participation in their child's school.

Here is an opportunity to be involved. Nominations will be solicited in March/April and the elections for seats on the 2006/2007 School Board will be held in May.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

God's Word Helps us to Grow

This Lent, our Children's Liturgy team is working with the young people of our parish to recognize how the powerful readings of Lent can help us to become better disciples of Jesus! Each week of Lent, we will focus on a line from Scripture and let that become a source of growth on our beautiful Lenten tree in the Parish Center (*come and see*) and in the lives of our families and friends.

We invite our youngest parishioners to gather at the 9:30 AM each Sunday - what a great way to celebrate our Lenten season together!

(If you miss a week, “parent pieces” and Lenten activity sheets can be found on the table directly across from Parish Outreach.)

Daily Mass
8 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM

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

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

Rest In Peace

*Patricia A. Mastrocinque
Rachel DiRico*



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.

Upcoming Marriages

*Rosaria Bencivenni, St. Patrick, Glen Cove and
Pierre Abizeid, OLL*

Financial Summary

February 26, 2006

Weekly Collection	\$ 18,273.50
Weekly Budget	<u>-\$ 21,000.00</u>
+/- for the week	\$ (2,726.50)

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$21,000.

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 contact the Parish Office.

Remembering...

Monday, March 6

8:00 AM Kenneth Ross

Tuesday, March 7

Ss. Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs

8:00 AM Nancy L. Bencivinni

Wednesday, March 8

St. John of God

8:00 AM Molly Sweeney

Thursday, March 9

St. Frances of Rome, religious

8:00 AM Thomas Mingione

Friday, March 10

8:00 AM Stephen Perone

Saturday, March 11

8:00 AM John Celiberti, In Honor of Blessed Virgin, Karnik Kabjian,
Donald MacIntyre, Errol Kats, Zoe Papatomas, Antonino Mattarella,
Patricia Mastrocinque, Wayne Christensen, Alfred Sinkevich

5:00 PM Hedwig Marczak

Sunday, March 12

8:00 AM Pasquale DeVivo

9:30 AM Tony Squeo

11:00 AM Anne Massaro

12:30 PM James Healy

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Ginny & Rick Munkwitz, Etta Tuddenham,
Janet Graziano, Daniel J. LoCricchio, Marion Bartholomew,
Raymond Scalossi, James Holland, Brian Shuffler, Rose Yondola,
Rachel DiRico

Altar Society

Terri Ryan

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.

Pray for Our Sick

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers ...

Mark Barry, Thomas Brennan, Jo Brogan, Christian Bullock, Jerry Castonguay, Regina Cranor, Paula Edwards, Christopher Fisco, Jason Fisher, Madeline Hopper, Henry Kossinger, Mike Lorento, Benjy Margulies, Joseph Martucci, Peter McCann, Sr., Arabella Elizabeth McCarthy, Margaret Miller, Nichole O'Connor, Nancy Palazolla, Joe Radosti, Christine Rogers, Rose Serragano, AnneMarie Valentino, Rosemary Van Acker, Loretta Vitale, Norah Williamson

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 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

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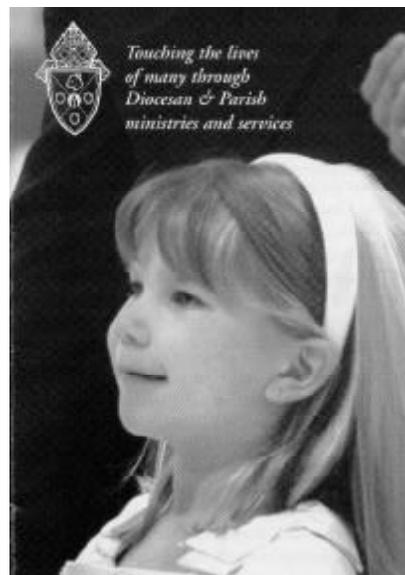
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(Senior Advocates for Growth
and Enrichment)

email: Sage@ollchurch.org

2006 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Parish Goal	\$118,600
Pledged Amount	\$ 58,864
# of Pledges	246
Average Pledge	\$ 239



The 2006 Catholic Ministries Appeal has begun here at Our Lady of Lourdes. This extraordinary endeavor is designed to support the ministries and services of our Parish and Diocese. Your participation provides support to the many programs and services that help further the mission of Jesus Christ here on Long Island.

Please consider supporting this important initiative, as it will help us continue to do the work of the Lord here on Long Island. To show your support for your parish and Diocese, please contact our Parish Office at 661.3224.

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, April 10

3 PM - 9 PM

Diocesan Day of Reconciliation

7:30 PM

Reconciliation Prayer Service
with individual confessions

Thursday, April 13

Holy Thursday

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

4:00 PM Children's Liturgy:
Washing of the Feet

7:30 PM Evening Mass of the
Lord's Supper

Friday, April 14

Good Friday

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

12 Noon Children's Liturgy

3 PM Solemn Celebration

of the Lord's Passion

7:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 15

Holy Saturday

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

12 Noon Blessing of the
Easter Foods- Church

7:30 PM The Great Vigil

Parish Outreach



Outreach Office Hours

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

For information/assistance call 661.9262.

Scrip is sold in Parish Outreach during office 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—
If interested, please call the Parish Outreach Office at 661.9262.

Food Pantry

Many of Our Lady of Lourdes Food Pantry clients need our assistance during a time of crisis. Some of our clients need ongoing help. The donations you make allow us to ease the burden for our clients and supply them with nourishment for their families. We at Outreach are grateful for your ongoing support and ask you to continue to help us in our effort to assist our clients.

In order to insure an ample supply of a variety of goods, we have prepared the following “*weekly needs*” lists. Hopefully, this new format will be more informative and helpful to you in understanding our needs. However, you do not need to limit your shopping to the items on the “*weekly needs*” list. There is always a need for items such as toilet paper, toothpaste, detergent, personal hygiene and feminine products. Also, brown paper bags from the super-market are always a welcomed item.

All items can be placed in the baskets at each entry of the Church before or after Mass, in the food bin by Parish Outreach Office or left directly at the Parish Outreach Office during working hours.

We are always open to any suggestions or ideas you would like to share with us. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

OLL Parish Outreach Pantry

Week 4

paper products

soap

toothpaste

toothbrush

towels

toilet tissue

kleenex

personal feminine
products

shampoo

weekly needs:

cereal

coffee/tea

detergent

hot chocolate

Parish Social Ministry

Our next Parish Social Ministry is tomorrow, Monday, March 6. The meeting will take place at 4:30 PM in the OLL School Faculty Room. Please keep the members of our Parish Social Ministries in your thoughts and prayers.

The Six

- Clean Up Your Act!

This Lent, we'll examine the many ways we can clean up our act this Lenten season-the readings of Lent call each of us to do this.

To put the thoughts and ideas into action, we're making wash up kits for the homeless. We are in need of small washcloths, large ziploc bags, toothbrushes, toothpaste, small hand sanitizers, body washes and/or bars of soap. We do not need shampoo at this time due to the great response in Advent. We'll gather to put together the Wash Up Kits after "The Six" on Sunday, April 2.

Prayer and Reflection for Peace

save the date...

Sunday, March 19

7:30 PM

OLL Church

Remembering the Third Year of the start of the War in Iraq

Sponsored by Pax Christi USA and the OLL Social Action Group. Come to Our Lady of Lourdes as we recall this difficult day for our country and our local community. Regardless of your position on the war, we are all united in our hope for peace and the safe return of our military service women and men.



Education Tax Credits – Take some action!

On Tuesday, February 14, 2006, members of Our Lady of Lourdes were among thousands from the Diocese of Rockville Centre who visited legislative leaders in Albany to lobby them for their support of education tax credits. And time is of the essence! We need to continue to communicate support for education tax credits NOW, during state budget negotiations, before a final budget is agreed upon by legislative leaders. Please write to your elected State Senator and Assembly representative now by clicking this link <http://capwiz.com/nyscatholicconference/utr/1/GZHKFNOSRS/BJONFNOSVW/628530406> send them a message. Remember: education tax credits are a reasonable and responsible way to help all families offset the costs of education, whether their children are enrolled in a religious or independent school, a public school, a charter school or if they are home-schooled. Support education tax credits today!

For more information about this issue and many others – log on to www.nyscatholic.org.

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

ALANON

Each Wednesday at 10 AM in Lourdes Hall-convent lower level.



First Sunday of Lent

The little boy approached his catechist at the end of that week's religious education session with a big smile on his face. "Only thirty-eight days to go!" he said excitedly. His catechist had just finished a lesson on the season of Lent and the preparation for Easter, so he was pleased with the boy's apparent understanding of the season. "That's right," he said to the boy. "And then what happens?"

"I get to eat chocolate again!"

Today's gospel reading from Mark is a brief description of the beginning of Jesus' ministry. Part of the reading refers to the Holy Spirit sending Jesus into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by Satan. The significance of this narrative is two-fold; most of us will spend a period of our lives "wandering" as we begin our faith journey to God's loving arms. In addition, no one, not even Jesus, is free from the temptation of sin and evil but we are free to reject it as Jesus did.

In this first week of Lent as Jesus tells us to turn away from our sins and believe in the good news, he is asking us to make a sacrifice. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that a truly acceptable sacrifice to God is a broken spirit. (CCC 2100) If we can finally reject our temptations and sins and offer ourselves to God, we will then be united in the journey of Christ to his one perfect sacrifice for all of humankind.

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Readings for the Week of March 5, 2006

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/ 1 Pt 3:18-22/ Mk 1:12-15
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/ Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/ Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/ Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/ Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/ Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/ Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Rom 8:31b-34/ Mk 9:2-10



Daytime Eucharistic Devotion

The afternoon adoration for the month of March will be on **Wednesday, March 8 from 1-3 PM**. All are invited and welcome! We will be praying for Pope's intentions and religious vocations. Bring a friend!

Holy Name Society

The Holy Name Society meets on the second Sunday of each month. The next meeting will be on **Sunday, March 12**. We will begin with the **Rosary at 7:40 AM** in the Church and the meeting will follow the 8 AM Mass at 9 AM in Room 16.

Senior Circle

Atlantic City Trip

Come join the Senior Circle for a trip to the Tropicana Casino on **Wednesday, March 22**. The bus will leave the OLL parking lot at 9:30 AM sharp. The cost is \$20 with \$5 back. For reservations call Vera at 587.1553. Seating will be on a first come first served basis.

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:



John Finn-US Army
Kenneth Gein-US Army
Paul McEvoy-US Army
William Morrow-US Marines
William Potter-US Army
Peter Provenzano-US Army
James Stultz- 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.

Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group

The Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group meets each **Thursday afternoon** in the **Church**. The meeting is from **3 PM until 4 PM** in front of the **Blessed Sacrament**.

Contemplative Outreach of Long Island/Queens

Two Enrichment Days

Day One: March 11

The **Welcoming Prayer** presented by Therese Saulnier of Contemplative Outreach of New Jersey

Day Two: April 8

Divine Therapy presented by Anne Mazza of Contemplative Outreach of Long Island/Queens

Each day will include periods of prayer, presentations and group sharing.

Both days will be held at **Christ the King Parish, Commack from**

9:30 AM until 3 PM. Please bring a bag lunch. For further information call Diane at 587.0966.

Fun and Faith Day

Attention Cub Scouts

Attend the Cub Scout Fun and Faith Day on Saturday, March 11 from 9 AM until 2 PM at St. Joseph's School in Ronkonkoma. A special day of prayer, song, games and craft are planned. Cub Scouts, dens and packs are all welcome. For further information contact the Catholic Scouting Office at 516.678.5800, ext 245 or email to scouting@drvc.org.

Young Widows

A six week bereavement support group for those 50 years old and younger. Being held at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, West Hempstead beginning on Wednesday, March 8 fro 7:30 PM until 9 PM. For registration and more information please call Sue Mione, R.N. at 516.483.6851.

Bishop Murphy's Lenten Vocation Retreat Weekend

March 10-12

We all have a vocation in life. Some are called to be married, and some are called to be single. Others are called to a special vocation, which involves serving the Lord in a special way. They can be called to the Priesthood. To decide what your vocation in life is, it is helpful to pray to the Holy Spirit for discernment. If you are a man, mature high school age or older, interested in a priestly vocation, Bishop William Murphy, along with priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Rockville Centre invite you to join in this weekend retreat. Arrival will be at **5 PM on Friday, March 10 and the retreat will conclude after Mass at noon on Sunday, March 12.** This weekend will offer time for prayer, Mass and socializing along with open discussions of the priesthood. There is no fee to attend but pre-registration is required. For further information or to register, please contact the Vocation Office at 631.424.9888 or email to Vocations@drvc.org.

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: "**Sacrifice.**"

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.

Sharing the Gospel

Eating healthy food helps you to think better and do your best, especially if you have to take a test at school. In today's Gospel reading, Jesus had not eaten healthy food in almost six whole weeks. That is a long time to go without eating! Imagine how tired and hungry Jesus must have been when Satan came along to test him. Jesus was amazing, though. He could be strong and do his best, even without food! Satan gave Jesus a very hard test, but Jesus did not fail.



Prayer

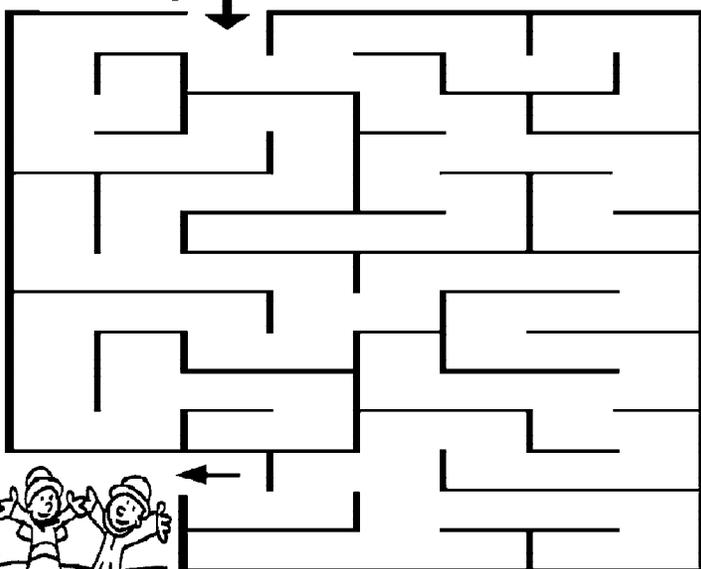


Dear God,
give me the strength to do my best for you.
In Jesus' name, Amen.



Maze

Help Jesus get through the wilderness maze.



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Mission for the Week

Read today's Gospel with your family. Have you ever skipped a meal before? How did you act? Talk about how strong Jesus was to follow God when he was so hungry.