

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

***"I am
the
bread
of***

LIFE."

John 6:48

**Our Lady of Lourdes
August 13, 2006**

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. Robert Scheckenback

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. John Asomugha

In Residence

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

Pastoral Council

Michael Abbruscato

Salomon Acosta

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Mary Steck

John Sureau

Fr. Mike Vetrano

Marie Yuliano (*co-chair*)

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Religious Education Office

Mary Anne Lettieri

Parish Office

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School Office

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Organist

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

Lori Walsh

Parish Office

Remembering Our History

Summer Evening Prayer 2006



Learn
More About
Our Church

Our Lady of Lourdes:

Then and Now -

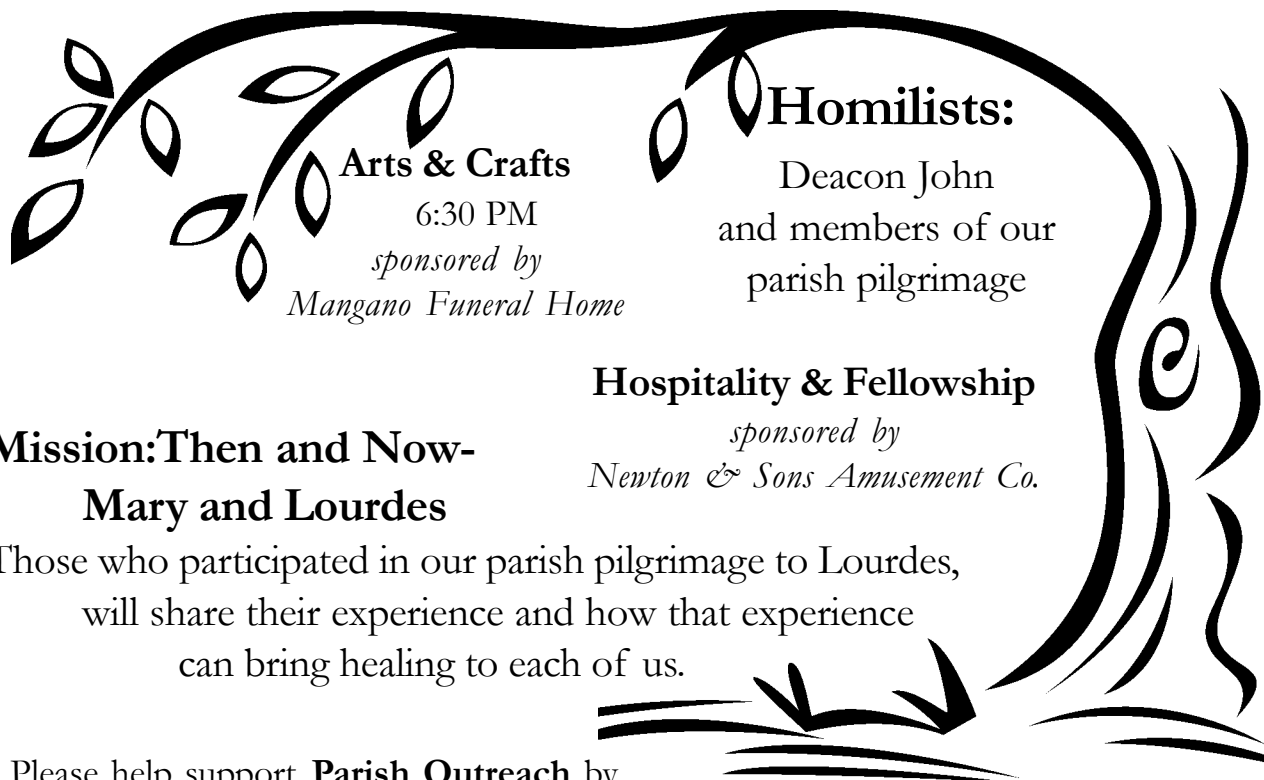
Mary and Lourdes

Monday, August 14

7 PM on the Great Lawn

Celebrating the past five decades of life here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

We'll look at different aspects of our parish's life, how we've changed, and how each of us are called to be even more actively involved in our parish's future!



Arts & Crafts

6:30 PM

sponsored by

Mangano Funeral Home

Homilists:

Deacon John
and members of our
parish pilgrimage

Hospitality & Fellowship

sponsored by

Newton & Sons Amusement Co.

**Mission: Then and Now -
Mary and Lourdes**

Those who participated in our parish pilgrimage to Lourdes, will share their experience and how that experience can bring healing to each of us.

Please help support **Parish Outreach** by bringing school supplies each week for those in need.

Celebrating Our Parish Life

Our Lady of Lourdes 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance November 17, 2006 Southward Ho Country Club

Beautiful Raffles/ Prizes/ Music/Fellowship

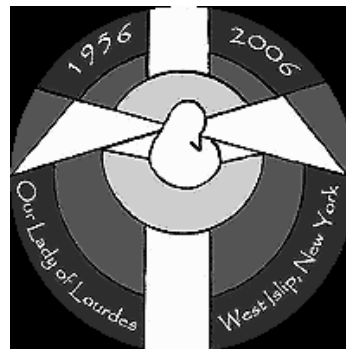
All Are Welcome

Tickets will be going on sale soon!

Tickets will be sold on a first come-first served basis.

Cost: \$100 per person

watch upcoming bulletins for more information...



Our Lady of Lourdes 50th Anniversary “Golden Jubilee Journal”

The *Golden Jubilee Journal* will portray Our Lady of Lourdes illustrious parish history of the past fifty wonderful years!

We offer all parishioners and friends an opportunity to express their best wishes, congratulations, or to memorialize loved ones with a journal ad.

If you are interested in placing an ad in our *Golden Jubilee Journal*, stop by the Parish Office or call 661.3224 for a “Contract”. Fill it out and return it with payment to OLL Church. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Mike Abbruscato at 661.3224.

Our Lady of Lourdes Italian Family Feast 2006 September 13 - 17



Super Raffle

Tickets will be on sale at the Church doors before and after all weekend Masses beginning this weekend, August 12/13.

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 2006. 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.

1956 - 2006

**Our Lady of Lourdes
Italian Family Feast
September 13 - 17, 2006**

Pay One Price

Ride all rides on
**Wednesday, Thursday
and Sunday**
for only **\$20**

(purchase Pay One Price
tickets at the feast)

Opens

Wednesday - Friday
at 7 PM
Saturday at 6 PM
Sunday at 2 PM

Super Raffle

Drawing to be held on
Sunday September 17 at 9 PM
Super Raffle tickets are \$100 each

Only 100 tickets being sold!

Advance Tickets

Any six rides for \$12
(average discount of over 50%)

**Tickets good for
any ride/any day.**

Purchase "Advance Tickets" at
the Parish Office Monday through
Friday from 9 AM until 5 PM.

Advance ticket sales end
Monday, September 11.

Religious Education

Registration for children in public school entering Grade 1 in September 2006 to be part of Our Lady of Lourdes Religious Education P.E.P. Program.

Family names A - L **Monday, September 25** **10 AM or 7:30 PM**

Family names M - Z **Wednesday, September 27** **10 AM or 7:30 PM**

Meetings will be held in the Parish Center (*room opposite the playground*) and will begin promptly at the designated time.

Please bring the child's Baptism Certificate. There is a Family Fee of \$105 for families new to the program.

Living Liturgy

Altar Servers - *Serving the Lord with Gladness*

Each week over twenty young people make a commitment to serve this parish community as altar servers! Throughout the upcoming weeks, we'll take some time to hear their reflections on ministry and service. Maybe their words can be an inspiration for each of us!



Biography of an Altar Server

by Cassidy Bock

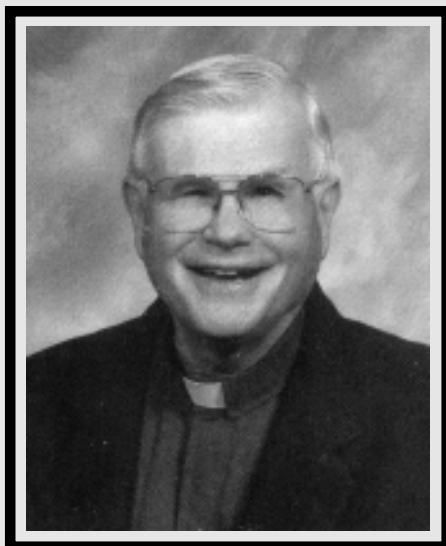
My name is Cassidy Bock. I am eleven years old. I go to Our Lady of Lourdes School. I am in the fifth grade.

I signed up to be an altar server through my school. I went for training last August. I wanted to be an altar server because I wanted to help our my church. I like altar serving because it is fun!

Last Call!

This is your last opportunity until winter to become an altar server here at Our Lady of Lourdes! We are looking for good young people of our parish to be part of our altar server ministry. Young people who are entering fourth grade or above this September are eligible to be altar servers. If you're interested in becoming an altar server, call the Parish Office at 661.3224 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

Our Lady of Lourdes 22nd Annual Duffers Classic
Timber Point Country Club
August 24, 2006



Honoree

Monsignor Bill Jablonski

Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes

February 1981 - June 1995

You're invited to join us for Cocktails and Dinner.

Cocktails begin at 2 PM with dinner to follow.

The cost is \$75 per person.

Come and be a part of this celebration and show your support!

All of the profits from this year's outing will be donated to Our Lady of Lourdes School for the building of a Science Lab and/or a Technology Center.



Cocktail/Dinner Reservation

Our Lady of Lourdes 22nd Annual Duffers Classic

Timber Point Country Club

August 24, 2006

Honoree Monsignor Bill Jablonski

Cocktails begin at 2 PM with dinner to follow.

number of guests _____ \$75 per person

Name _____

Address _____ Telephone Number _____

Reservations will be accepted until Friday, August 18.



Daily Mass
8 AM

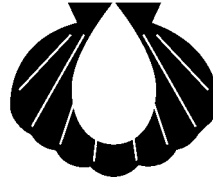
Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM

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

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM



Baptisms

Vincenzo Anthony Milone

John and Jennifer

Franceska Rose Bosco

Michael and RoseMary

Christine Nicole Dannenfelser

Karl and Diana

Leeann Carin-Jac LaMotte

Dennis and Catherine

Amanda Grace Lundquist

Derek and Regina

Matthew Derek Lundquist

Derek and Regina

Rest In Peace

Ann Marie Cornelia

Matthew Nowicki

John Salgado

Frances Onofrietti

Winifred Yasinovsky

Upcoming Marriages

Stephanie Porzio, OLL and

Michael Rottino, St. James, Seaford

Lorena Moschetta, OLL and

Lev Beylin, OLL

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.

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.

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.

Remembering...

Monday, August 14

St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr

8:00 AM Paul DeGuardi

5:00 PM Marie Conrad

Tuesday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Manuella Gaizo

7:30 PM Robert T. Beck

Wednesday, August 16

St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00 AM John McHugh, Sr.

Thursday, August 17

8:00 AM Rosario Fedele

Friday, August 18

St. Jane de Chantal, religious

8:00 AM Peter Reehil

Saturday, August 19

8:00 AM Norah Williamson, Thomas V. Galletta, Chloe Gerek,
Marguerite Rometo, Mary & Thomas Kennedy, Roy T. Sorrese, Jr.,
Mae Willenbacher, Stan Bernstein, Matthew Nowicki, Mildred Rodriguez

5:00 PM Danny Salegna
Fr. Stan Chukwube

Sunday, August 20

8:00 AM Robert Beck
Fr. John Asomugha

9:30 AM Rose Ingrassia
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

11:00 AM Frank Barba, Jr.
Fr. Ed Dowling

12:30 PM Patrick & Donald Manning and Grandparents
Fr. Stan Chukwube

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Eileen Okurowski, Aidan Williams,
Margaret Drew, Jeremy Best, Deanna Greenwald, Brendan Brosnan,
Irene Intravia, Rose Bell VanWagner, Giovanni Taddeo, John Pessoni,
Christina Maria Barone, Matthew Nowicki
Fr. Bob Scheckenback

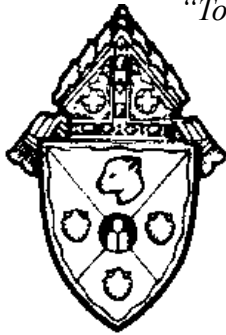


Feast of the Assumption

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, August 15

2006 Catholic Ministries Appeal



“Touching the lives of many through Diocesan and Parish Ministries and services.”

Parish Status as of July 1, 2006

Parish Goal	\$118,600
Pledged Amount	\$ 93,572
# of Pledges	405
Average Pledge	\$ 231

The 2006 Catholic Ministries Appeal is in full swing here at Our Lady of Lourdes. Thank you to all those parishioners who have responded so generously. This extraordinary endeavor is designed to support the ministries and services of our Parish and Diocese.

We have passed the halfway point of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. As you can see, we have not met our parish goal to date. In order that we might benefit from receipt of our rebate, we must meet our goal-better still exceed it! In order to do that—we need the help of each of our parishioners. To show your support for your parish, please contact our Parish Office at 661.3224.

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 our parish and Diocese, please contact our Parish Office at 661.3224.

Financial Summary

August 6, 2006

Weekly Collection	\$ 18,437.42
Weekly Budget	-\$ 21,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,562.58)

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

Living Liturgy



Assembly...YOU!

Last year at World Youth Day, Pope Benedict XVI called on young people to see the liturgy – the prayer and praise of the Church, essential to their lives. His words are challenging and a cause for reflection for all of us! Throughout the next few weeks, we’ll publish those words here. Take some time each week to read them over and let them take effect in your life!

If the Church tells us that the Eucharist is an essential part of Sunday, this is no mere positivism or thirst for power. On Easter morning, first the women and then the disciples had the grace of seeing the Lord. From that moment on, they knew that the first day of the week, Sunday, would be His day, the day of Christ the Lord. The day when creation began became the day when creation was renewed. Creation and redemption belong together. That is why Sunday is so important.

It is good that today, in many cultures, Sunday is a free day, and is often combined with Saturday so as to constitute a “week-end” of free time. Yet this free time is empty if God is not present.

For reflection:

As we prepare for another “school year” how can you make Sunday a little more “free”?

How can you really make this a day for the Lord?



Feast of the Assumption

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, August 15

Mass

Monday, August 14 – 5:00 PM

Tuesday, August 15 – 8:00 AM and 7:30 PM

The Feast of the Assumption celebrates the belief that the body and soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken into heaven after the end of her earthly life. Mary’s assumption into heaven is seen by many as a fulfilment of Jesus’ promise to all faithful servants; that they too will be received into the kingdom of God. Belief in the Assumption of Mary had become widespread by the end of the seventh century and was eventually defined in an infallible statement by Pope Pius XII in 1950.



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

According to the Food and Drug Administration, Americans spend over \$50 billion each year on weight-loss products and foods. An additional \$75 billion is spent on obesity-related health care even as millions around the world go hungry every night. This is truly a sad and shameful irony, if not bordering on sinful. We are called to learn to do a better job of sharing our worldly gifts, to help provide daily bread to our brothers and sisters who are truly needful.

Today's Gospel reading is John's version of the story of the Jews who were growing impatient with this man who claimed to be the Messiah. They had known him growing up, and as far as they were concerned he was a carpenter one day and claimed to be the Son of God the next. In response, Jesus tells them again he is truly the bread of life, and all who seek God will be given eternal life through belief in him.

We are taught that the New Law or the Law of the Gospel is the work of Jesus Christ made manifest through our charity with others. Charity, the greatest virtue that flows from faith in Jesus Christ, begins with loving each other with brotherly affection just as he loved us. (CCC 1970) Only when we hunger for the bread of life that is Jesus Christ will we be able to help provide the daily bread to those who need it most.

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Readings for the Week of August 13, 2006

Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:4-8/ Eph 4:30-5:2/ Jn 6:41-51
Monday:	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/ Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday:	<i>Vigil:</i> 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 1 Cor 15:54b-57/ Lk 11:27-28; <i>Day:</i> Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab 1 Cor 15:20-27/ Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday:	Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/ Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12/ Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/ Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/ Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday:	Prv 9:1-6/ Eph 5:15-20/ Jn 6:51-58

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Terri Ryan*.
If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

Communion Calls

Communion brought to those who are homebound.
Contact the Parish Office at 661.3224.



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 ...

Pat Bonavita, Patrick Bowers, Jay Brander, Thomas Brennan, Jo Brogan, Christian Bullock, David Calogero, June Cerami, Emilio Ceribelli, Regina Cranor, Joseph Cristallo, Fortunata Durkin, Jason Fisher, Anne Foote, Susan Fornatora, Anthony Lombardo, Mike Loreto, Benjy Margulies, Peter McCann, Sr., Christine Muldoon, Eugene Olsen, Joe Radosti, Joseph Rivera, Rose Serragano, Bunny Vilim, Loretta Vitale, Joe Yezek

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: rcioffi@ollschool.org

S.A.G.E.

661-3224

(Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment)

email: Sage@ollchurch.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

Outreach Office Hours

Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM.
For information/assistance call 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.



Parish Social Ministry

Our Parish Social Ministry (*Outreach and Social Action*) are committed to keeping you informed about the many resources that are available to you!

HEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

The *Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)* is a federally funded program that assists eligible households in meeting their home energy needs. New York's benefit program is structured in such a way that higher benefits are provided to those households that have larger percentages of their income spent on energy costs, contain a vulnerable individual, and have the lowest income.

Vulnerable individuals are defined as children under the age of 6, adults aged 60 or older, or disabled individuals.

To determine if you are eligible for these benefits, fill out an application at the Office of Social Services in Suffolk County, Ronkonkoma, call 631. 854. 9700, or download an application at <http://www.otda.state.ny.us/otda/heap/default.htm#background>. Check this web site for more information about the program as well! You can also contact Parish Outreach at 661.3224 for more information or e-mail to outreach@ollchurch.org.

Social Action Alerts

Counseling and Intervention Service

We are hoping to begin this service in the Fall of 2006 and begin our ministry by working through Our Lady of Lourdes School, Religious Education and Parish Outreach.

In our work and planning, we are still in need of a additional counselors, mental health professionals, counselors, psychologists and more who are willing to offer their services to make this a helpful and effective ministry!

If you are able to be a part of this – please contact John Sureau at 661.3224, ext. 135 or e-mail to jsureau@ollchurch.org.

NYSCATHOLIC.ORG

Find out more about the Church's Social Justice teaching – and most importantly – how you can be a part of it by going to www.nycatholic.org. Register there for free e-mail updates about important social justice issues!

WEEK 4

detergent
kleenex
paper towels
personal feminine products
shampoo
soap
toilet tissue
toothbrush
toothpaste

Our pantry is running low on the following items...

cereal
coffee
macaroni & cheese
soup

SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, August 15**, in the **Parish Center at 9 AM**. All older parishioners are welcome.

Atlantic City Bus Trip

Come join the **Senior Circle** for a day of fun on **Tuesday, September 19** to the **Tropicana Casino**. The cost is \$20 and you get back \$5. The bus leaves from OLL parking lot at **9:30 AM sharp**. For information or reservations call Vera at 587.1553.

Good Samaritan Prayer Group of L.I.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group of Long Island holds their **meetings every Friday** (*except the first Friday of the month*) **at OLL School in Room 16 from 8 PM until 10 PM**.

All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship each evening.

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:

Daniel D'Arienzo-*US Army*

John Finn-*US Army*

Paul McEvoy-*US Army*

Michael Mallimo-*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**.

Gennesaret Retreat

Gennesaret Retreat, especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness, will be held at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore on September 15, 16, and 17. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call Colette Fanelli at 631.665.7052 or Sister Sally Ryan at 516.678.5800, ext. 540.

Charismatic Healing Mass

All are welcome! **St. Margaret of Scotland Church in Selden** will have a Healing Mass on **Tuesday, August 22**. Praise and worship will begin at 7 PM with the Mass at 7:30 PM. The celebrant will Fr. Anthony Ewherido. For further information please call 732.3131.

Marriage Encounter

Back to school means back to busy schedules. Take time out for your marriage before the hectic school year begins. Make a Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend on Long Island is the weekend of August 18-20 at the Melville Marriott. For registration and information, please call 1.866.499.6354.

Telecare Audience

You are invited to “*come on down*” and be a member of a live studio audience at **Telecare**, the television station of the Diocese of Rockville Centre located in Uniondale. They will be taping an exciting new game show that will debut this Fall. The show is called “*Divine Intervention*” and will be hosted by *Fr. Joe DeGrocco*, columnist for TLIC.

Shows will be taped from **Wednesday, August 16 through Friday, August 25**. You will be asked to stay for the taping of 2-3 shows, from approximately **10 AM until 3 PM**. Snacks will be provided and you may bring your own bag lunch if you would like. There will be lots of fun for the audience, and prizes too!

Groups are encouraged and preregistration is required. Please call 516.538.8700, extension 155 or send an email to divineintervention@telecaretv.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:

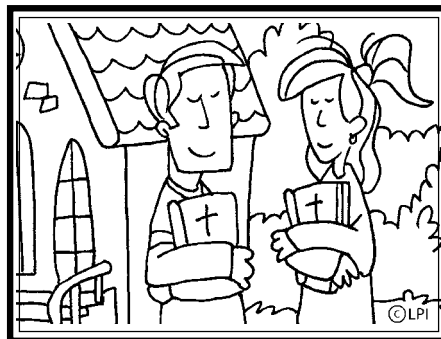
“Relationship with God”

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.

Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compared himself to manna. A long time ago God's people ate manna in the desert, because there was no other food to eat. By sending manna falling from the sky every morning, God taught his people to trust him. Manna tasted good, and it kept them healthy. God took care of them and gave them all they needed. Now, hundreds of years later, God sent Jesus down from heaven, so people could have everlasting life with him.



Prayer



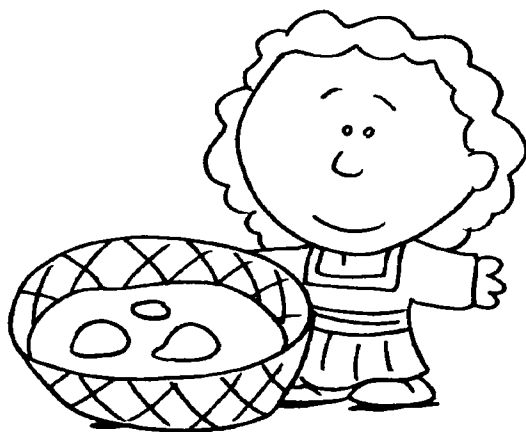
Dear God,

thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven
so that we can look forward to living with you forever
in heaven.
Amen.



Puzzle

Find the 3 shapes of manna on the ground
that match the 3 shapes in the basket.



Mission for the Week

The Hebrews often
baked manna into little
cakes. Ask your
parents if you can
make pancakes this
weekend, and talk
about how Jesus is
like manna.

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