

OUR LADY OF LOURDES • EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • AUGUST 1, 2010

"What profit



ECCLESIASTES 2:22

comes from  
toil and  
anxiety?"



## *Welcome to our Parish Family!*

*New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our parish family.*

*Please call or visit our Parish Office.*

## *Our Lady of Lourdes*

*455 Hunter Avenue  
West Islip, New York 11795*

**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

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### *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.*

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### *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.

## *Pastoral Team*

**Rev. Michael A. Vetrano**  
Pastor

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**Rev. Patsy Amabile**  
Associate Pastor

**Rev. Robert Scheckenback**  
Associate Pastor

**Rev. Ambrose Cabildo**  
In Residence

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**Deacon John DeGuardi**

**Deacon Tom Lucie**

**Deacon Jack Meehan**  
Coordinator of Stewardship  
**Deacon John Teufel**

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Senior Ministry-SAGE

**Sr. Nancy Campkin**  
Director of Religious Education

**Allegra D'Alo**  
Youth Minister/Social Action

**Jennifer Gallagher**  
Childrens' Choir/Women's Chorale  
Summer Program Director

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School Principal

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**Mary McMahan**  
Director of Parish Social Ministry

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**Vita Scorcia**  
Ministry Spiritual Director

**Sr. Betty Toohig**  
Senior Ministry-SAGE

**Anthony Trombino**  
Business Manager

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Lisa Cantalino  
Sonia DaSilva  
Nilo DeLeon  
Jane Desthers  
Jerry Esposito  
Deacon Jack Meehan  
John Muldoon  
Bob Natale  
Eileen Rega  
Vita Scorcia  
Mary Steck  
Fr. Mike Vetrano  
Christine Volk

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## *Parish Staff*

**Mary Anne Lettieri**  
Parish Office  
**Debbie Meyer**  
Bulletin Editor/Parish Office  
**Rosemary Multer**  
School Office  
**Rita Spera**  
Religious Education Office  
**Lori Walsh**  
Parish Office

### **Parish Office**

661.3224 (*option 1*)  
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM  
Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM  
Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM  
email: [ParishOffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)  
fax: 661.7143  
website: [www.ollchurch.org](http://www.ollchurch.org)

### **Our Lady of Lourdes School**

587.7200 (*option 2*)  
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM  
email: [lkrol@ollschoool.org](mailto:lkrol@ollschoool.org)

### **Religious Education Office**

661.5440 (*option 3*)  
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - Noon  
1 PM - 5 PM  
7 PM - 9 PM  
email: [ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

### **Parish Outreach Office**

661.9262 (*option 4*)  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:  
9:30 AM - 3 PM

### **S.A.G.E.**

661.3224  
(Senior Advocates for Growth  
and Enrichment)  
email: [Sage@ollchurch.org](mailto:Sage@ollchurch.org)



## **OLL Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Walking in Jesus' Footsteps April 25 - May 4, 2011**

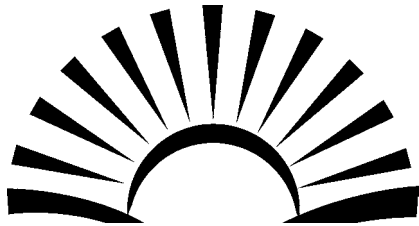
**Come and walk in the footsteps of Jesus along with our Pastor, Fr. Mike Vetrano.**  
Consider being with family and friends on a trip of a lifetime!

Walk the streets of Jerusalem and be in the place of our Christian heritage. Come to Bethlehem, visit the Basilica of the Nativity. Be at the Baptism site of Jesus on the Jordan River, sail on the Sea of Galilee and walk in the Garden of Gethsemane. You will visit the room of the Last Supper, walk on the Via Dolorosa "The Way of the Cross", and drive through the wilderness of Judea and the mountains of Jerusalem. All this on your trip of a lifetime.

*For more information, our next meeting will be on*

**Wednesday, August 25 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.**

## **Top Reasons for NOT going to Mass this Summer...**



1. It's hot.
2. It's too early.
3. It's a drag.
4. It's too long.
5. I love the beach.
6. We have so much going on.

*We've got the answer for you....*

### **"The Six!"**

Our Sunday night Mass continues throughout the Summer - it's casual, lively, less than an hour, at the end of the summer day and a great way to have some great summer fun and make God a part of it all! Look for us outside...and don't forget to bring a chair!

Are you interested in helping to make "The Six" happen? We need lectors, set up people, clean up people, greeters, welcomers and more! If you're interested or have some questions contact Robin, e-mail to [robin@ollchurch.org](mailto:robin@ollchurch.org).

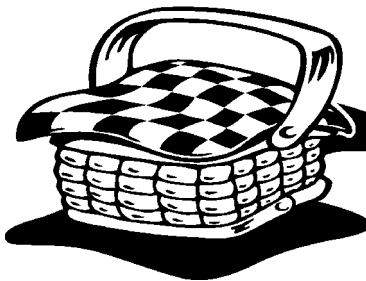
**The Tenth Annual  
Summer Evening Prayer 2010**

*(YES! It's been TEN years)*



**A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC**

*An old fashioned evening of music and fellowship  
Come each evening to enjoy God's gift of music*



**Monday, August 2**  
**7 PM Great Lawn**  
**Family Picnic Night**  
Bring your own fruit.

**Upcoming Evenings...**

**August 9** Taize  
Hero night and Italian ices

**August 16** OLL Cantors  
Make your own "SUNDAE" night

**August 23** W.I. Symphony Quartet "High Tea"  
A-L finger sandwiches and M-Z pastries

**Summer Evening Prayer 2010**

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



## Italian Family Feast 2010

**September 15 - 19, 2010**

**Opens Wednesday thru Friday at 7 PM**

**Opens Saturday at 6 PM**

**Opens Sunday at 2 PM**

**THEY'RE  
BACK!**

### **"The Magic of Mark & Kym"**

**An illusionary journey into the World of Magic!**

**Sunday, September 19**

**Show Times: 2:30 PM, 3:30 PM and 5 PM**

**Free Admission!**

**Come one and all-especially children -to see live exotic animals,  
breathtaking illusions, and become involved in audience participation!**

### **Volunteers Needed**

**Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to support our annual Italian Family Feast. 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 family event that it is!**

***Can you help?***

**If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.**

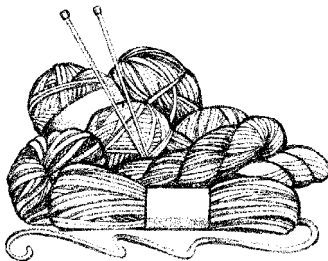


## Nocturnal Adoration

Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5 PM Mass on **Saturday, August 7**, concluding with Benediction at 9:50 PM. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome! Bring a friend.

## Daytime Eucharistic Devotion

The afternoon adoration for the month of August will be on **Wednesday, August 11 from 1-3 PM**. All are invited and welcome! We will be praying for peace in our families and peace in the world. Bring a friend!



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

*Bring your prayer and creativity together in a gift of love.*

**Join us ...**

**Wednesday, August 11 at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center**. All you need to bring is scrap yarn, knitting needles or crochet hooks (patterns and instructions will be given to you) and your gifts of love and prayer.

## Men's Prayer Group

*An Invitation to all men from OLL and beyond...*

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection after 8 AM Mass on **Thursday, August 19, in the Parish Center**. We meet once a month to read and discuss the Scriptures for the following Sunday. Come with your ideas and suggestions. We'll gather for conversation and fellowship. Join us in this pioneering experience for men. Call Jack Fitzgerald at 587.5548 for more information.

## Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group

The Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group meets each **Thursday afternoon** in the **Church**. Please join us in praying for our nation's healing. We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament from **3 PM until 4 PM**.

## 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.

## **Support Groups**

### **Alcoholics Anonymous:**

Monday and Tuesday at  
8 PM and Saturday at 2 PM  
and 7 PM in Lourdes Hall-  
convent lower level.

### **ALANON:**

Each Wednesday at  
10 AM in Lourdes Hall-  
9:30 AM beginners meeting  
convent lower level.  
(Free babysitting available.)

## ***Welcome***

We would like to extend a warm welcome  
to all newly registered members of our  
parish family...

*Joaquin and Nisa Ramirez & family*  
*Roderick and Anna Dantini & family*

## **Rosary/Novena**

### **Rosary:**

Daily after 8 AM Mass

### **Miraculous Medal Novena:**

Monday after 8 AM Mass

### **Anointing of the Sick**

Throughout the liturgical year.

If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

### **Baptism**

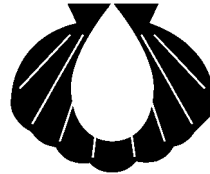
Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

### **Marriage**

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

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults(RCIA):**

A process to be embraced by the Catholic Church. For non-Catholics and for Catholics who  
have never received formal religious education. If interested, please call the Parish Office.



## ***Baptisms***

*Madison Rose Catania*

Vincent and Jennifer

*Cooper James Terracciano*

David and Kristie-Ann

## ***Upcoming Marriages***

*Andrea Bone and*

*Peter Cacciatore, both OLL*

*Tania Kolomiyets and*

*Joseph Bottino, both OLL*



# Remembering...

**Monday, August 2**

*Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop*

**8:00 AM** Carmela & Vincent Stumpo

**Tuesday, August 3**

**8:00 AM** Rosa Sancilio

**Wednesday, August 4**

*Saint John Mary Vianney, priest*

**8:00 AM** John Lovari

**Thursday, August 5**

*The Dedication of the Basilica of*

*Saint Mary Major in Rome*

**8:00 AM** Patrick McCarthy

**Friday, August 6**

*The Transfiguration of the Lord*

**8:00 AM** Gloria & Louis Maggi

**Saturday, August 7**

**8:00 AM** Edward John O'Rourke, Margaret Kruger,  
Neven Vulin, Joseph Bavaso, Anne M. Willett,  
Paul Willig, David Hannigan, Sr.

**5:00 PM** Dorothy & Joseph Boening  
*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

**Sunday, August 8**

**8:00 AM** William Martino  
*Fr. Stan O'Konsky*

**9:30 AM** Thomas Vincent Riker  
*Fr. Stan O'Konsky*

**11:00 AM** Cassy Aitken  
*Fr. Ambrose Cabildo*

**12:30 PM** Ronald Pascale  
*Fr. Pat Amabile*

**6:00 PM** People of the Parish, Carolyn Timmer, Jean Somma, Ruth McLoughlin,  
Theresa Vilardi, Lillian Cumming McLaughlin, Bruce & Louise Davenport,  
Angie Cinquemani, Anne Catalano, Joseph Wisniewski  
*Fr. Pat Amabile*



## Rest In Peace

*Frances Ceribelli* died on July 17 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 21. We extend our prayers to her children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Gunther Steck* died on July 21 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 23. We extend our prayers to his wife, Mary, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Lawrence Graci* died on July 19 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 23. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, and entire family.

*Edward H. Herger* died on July 23 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 26. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, great-grandchild, and entire family.

*Lillian Michalski* died on July 23 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 26. We extend our prayers to her children, grandchildren, and entire family.

reconciliation  
IS  
greater  
THAN  
justice



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## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If you grew up in a family with another sibling, it is likely that at some point you or a brother or sister went to mom or dad and said something like, "Tell [put your sibling's name here] to share [toy, cake, cookie, TV-fill in the blank]." We've all done it, even if we're an only child and used the line on a school teacher or aunt or uncle when playing with a cousin. Most of us have an innate sense of fairness and justice. We want to be treated equitably. We grow up with aphorisms like "Fair is fair," "Take turns," and "Play by the rules." We appeal to authority (Mom, Dad, teacher, referee, judge) when we think we're being taken advantage of. Our expectation is that justice will prevail.

Civil trials often involve that quest for justice. An aggrieved party seeks an equitable outcome through a judgment against an offender. But justice alone does not guarantee solace. How many times have we heard in the news about a plaintiff who explains that it was not the court judgment that brought peace and resolution. Inevitably, they explain how they have found peace when they were able to bring themselves to forgive the offender. Many describe how the anger or pain in their hearts continued to interfere with their lives until they could put it aside by being reconciled.

The words of Jesus in the Gospel that "one's life does not consist of possessions" reflect this understanding. While compensatory and punitive damages help relieve an injustice, they do not resolve a situation completely. Only movement toward forgiveness and reconciliation can bring that about. It is not easy to do that, but our Christian experience acknowledges that it can be done, even if it takes years to accomplish. The hope is that we will be "rich in what matters to God" (Lk 12:21).

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### Readings for the Week of August 1, 2010

**Sunday:** Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21  
**Monday:** Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:13-21  
**Tuesday:** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36  
*or* 15:1-2, 10-14  
**Wednesday:** Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28  
**Thursday:** Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23  
**Friday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36  
**Saturday:** Hb 1:12---2:4/Mt 17:14-20  
**Next Sunday:** Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19  
*or* 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

## Altar Society

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

## Pastoral Care of Our 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.
- would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

## Pray for Our Sick

Please remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers ...

*Caryl Alfieri, Roy Anderson, Susan Aviza, Edvard Back, Deacon Dick Barry, Ben Bellotti, Antoinette Bongiorno, Nicholas Buscemi, Jr., Michael Ciotkosz, Donald L. Coffey, Regina Cranor, Mike DeJong, Jeanne DellaRagione, Ann Donlon, Tony Drexler, Debbie Eichen, Mike Gaffney, Brian Hinkelman, Lili Hinkelman, Max Illiano, Diana Kaehne, Mary Kaval, Kathleen Kerrigan, Josephine Kosiczky, Joseph Lehmann, Kara Lobasso, Charlie Maccio, Louise Malcuit, Vicky Massaro, Christopher McCandless, Michele McCann, Peter McCann, Sr., Dorothy Meloni, Rick Mirabella, Michael Montesanto, Brenden Muldoon, Ruth Murray, Evelyn Nonnon, John O'Brien, Arthur Petrino, Joanne Popper, Laura Prichard, Joe Radosti, Carol Randazzo-Hopkins, Baby Skyler Rene, Michael Savino, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Jayna Schmidt, Baby Isabella Shaw, Dorothy Shiavone, Roy Sorrese, Derek Stahl, Leslie Stahl, Mary Clair Stephen, Stephen Straub, Sr., Sheila Timmer, John Tramazzo, Nancy Turano, Al Van Pelt, Vera Vieni, Robert Watts, Sr., Kyle Williams, Geraldine Wloszczyna, Joe Yezek*

## Financial Summary

### July 25, 2010

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,415.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,585.00)

*The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$19,000.*

## 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:

**Bryan R. Dempsey**-*US Marines*

**Christopher Florca**-*US Marines*

**Michael Mallimo**- *US Army*

**Anthony Mannino**-*US Marines*

**JD Montefusco**-*US Marines*

**Peter Provenzano**-*US Army*

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

## Pantry Needs



canned pasta, ravioli, etc.  
chili  
jelly (*desperate need*)  
macaroni & cheese  
pasta  
tomato sauce

## Learn About Medicare

- Learn about Medicare: Parts A, B, C, D
- Learn when you should enroll
- Learn how you can save money on Medicare costs.

This is a free Seminar sponsored by Suffolk County Office for the Aging. Wednesday, August 25, at 10 AM, Wyandanch Senior Nutrition Center, 28 Wyandanch Ave, Wyandanch. Please call 853.5802 to register. Seating is limited.

## New York State Assistance

During this economic downturn, many families are in need of extra support. There are many New York State programs and services that may be able to assist you. To check eligibility for any New York State program, log onto *myBenefits.ny.gov*. This website offers a quick, easy and confidential pre-screening for individuals to determine if they may be eligible for help. You may qualify for supports such as food stamps, school meals, tax credits, health insurance, Medicaid, Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), and Temporary Assistance.

## Donations to Outreach

*Parish Outreach has received many donations in memory of loved ones.*

*If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Mary McMahan, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 661.3224, option 4.*

## The Eucharist as a Call to Justice

Ron Rolheiser, OMI

When the famous historian Christopher Dawson decided to become a Roman Catholic, his aristocratic mother was distressed, not because she had any aversion to Catholic dogma, but because now her son would, in her words, have to "worship with the help". She was painfully aware that, in church at least, his aristocratic background would no longer set him apart from others or above anyone. At church he would be just an equal among equals because the Eucharist would strip him of his higher social status.

She intuited correctly. The Eucharist, among other things, calls us to justice, to disregard the distinction between rich and poor, noble and peasant, aristocrat and servant, both around the Eucharist table itself and afterwards outside of the church. The Eucharist fulfills what Mary prophesized when she was pregnant with Jesus, namely, that, in Jesus, the mighty would be brought down and that lowly would be raised up. It was this very thing that first drew Dorothy Day to Christianity. She noticed that, at the Eucharist, the rich and the poor knelt side by side, all equal at that moment.

Sadly, we often don't take this dimension of the Eucharist seriously. There is a common tendency to think that the practice of justice, especially social justice, is an optional part of being a Christian, something mandated by political correctness rather than by the gospels. Generally we don't see the call to actively reach out to the poor as something from which we cannot exempt ourselves.

But we are wrong in this. In the gospels and in the Christian scriptures in general, the call to reach out to the poor and to help create justice in the world is as non-negotiable as keeping the commandments and going to church. Indeed striving for justice must be part of all authentic worship.

In the New Testament, every tenth line is a direct challenge to reach out to the poor. In Luke's gospel, we find this in every sixth line. In the Epistle of James, this occurs in every fifth line. The challenge to reach out to the poor and to level the distinction between rich and poor is an integral and non-negotiable part of being a Christian, commanded as strongly as any of the commandments.

And this challenge is contained in the Eucharist itself. The Eucharistic table calls us to justice, to reach out to the poor. How?

First, by definition, the Eucharistic table is a table of social non-distinction, a place where the rich and the poor are

called to be together beyond all class and status. At the Eucharist there are to be no rich and no poor, only one equal family praying together in a common humanity. In baptism we are all made equal and for that reason there are no separate worship services for the rich and the poor. Moreover, St. Paul warns us strongly that when we gather for the Eucharist the rich should not receive preferential treatment.

Indeed, the gospels invite us in the opposite direction. When you hold any banquet, they tell us, we should give preferential treatment to the poor. This is especially true for the Eucharist. The poor should be welcomed in a special way. Why?

Because, among other things, the Eucharist commemorates Jesus' brokenness, his poverty, his body being broken and his blood being poured out. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin expresses this aptly when he suggests that the wine offered at the Eucharist symbolizes precisely the brokenness of the poor: In a sense the true substance to be consecrated each day is the world's development during that day - the bread symbolizing appropriately what creation succeeds in producing, the wine (blood) what creation causes to be lost in exhaustion and suffering in the course of that effort. The Eucharist offers up the tears and blood of the poor and invites us to help alleviate the conditions that produce tears and blood.

And we do that, as a famous church hymn says, by moving "from worship into service". We don't go to the Eucharist only to worship God by expressing our faith and devotion. The Eucharist is not a private devotional prayer, but is rather a communal act of worship which, among other things, calls us to go forth and live out in the world what we celebrate inside of a church, namely, the non-importance of social distinction, the special place that God gives to the tears and blood of the poor, and non-negotiable challenge from God to each of us to work at changing the conditions that cause tears and blood. The Eucharist calls us to love tenderly, but, just as strongly, it calls us to act in justice.

To say that Eucharist calls us to justice and to social justice is not a statement that takes its origin in political correctness. It takes its origin in Jesus who, drawing upon the great prophets of old, assures us that the validity of all worship will ultimately be judged by how it affects "widows, orphans, and strangers."

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# 2010 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

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One Faith, One Hope,  
Many Gifts.

<b>Parish Goal</b>	\$101,839
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	\$ 84,498
<b># of Donors</b>	396
<b>Average Pledge</b>	\$ 213
<i>as of June 30, 2010</i>	

**100% of all money raised by the Catholic Ministries Appeal goes to support the five critical ministries of the Appeal.**

Every year, through the support and commitment of individuals and organizations, we serve more than 500,000 people in our Long Island community. This support enables our children to continue to receive the gift of spiritual formation, sacramental preparation, and quality education. It allows seminarians, deacons, and lay leaders to fulfill their calling to serve their community. With your support Catholic Charities can maintain its services for the poor and disadvantaged, and we can continue to reach out to our young people and others to find the best ways to guide and pass on our faith from generation to generation.

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Pledge	8 Payments
<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 500	62.50
<input type="checkbox"/> 250	31.25
<input type="checkbox"/> 150	18.75

**Every Gift Counts!**

Please make checks payable to:  
Catholic Ministries Appeal  
Thank you for your support

For gifts of securities, please call the Appeal Office for instructions. (516) 379-5210, Ext. 2  
**Matching gifts:** if you qualify for a matching gift from your employer, please forward to the cma office.

## Help Feed the Hungry

The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen of Wyandanch is in need of a volunteer to coordinate a team of volunteers on Fridays. The duty would be to assure that the day runs smoothly. Also, a few daily volunteers are needed for Wednesday and Friday. The volunteer hours are 9 AM until 2 PM. If you can help, please call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

## The Beginning Experience

Help for the heartache of divorce, separation, and widowhood. A weekend away for a lifetime of change. **The next weekend is August 20-22.** For information and reservations, call John at 516.822.0635, Karen at 201.736.8200, or Jim at 718.474.3779.

## Centering Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, August 10 from 7:30 - 9:30 PM  
in the OLL "Spiritual Life Center."

All are welcome to experience this prayer practice of "silence".  
For any further information, please call Diane at 587.0966.

## Upcoming Reunions

### St. Michael's Commercial High School-Class of 1960

The 1960 graduating class of St. Michael's Commercial High School, East New York Brooklyn, is celebrating their 50th Anniversary Reunion. The reunion will be held on Sunday, September 12 at St. Ignatius Retreat House, 251 Seasingtown Road, Manhasset. For information, email [vonbay@optonline.net](mailto:vonbay@optonline.net) or call Regina (Breen) von Hof at 516.488.6741.

### 100 Year Alumni Reunion

Holy Child Jesus Parish, Richmond Hill, is celebrating its 100 Year Anniversary this year and is inviting alumni back for a Homecoming Celebration. The 100 Year Alumni Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 18. Please either call the Parish Office at 718.847.1860 or email at [hcjchurch@aol.com](mailto:hcjchurch@aol.com). Please call or email your name, address, and the year of graduation.

## Religion & Rock

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# Sharing the Gospel

When you put Jesus first in your life, you will have everything you need. Having a lot of stuff won't really make you or God happy. God doesn't want you to keep your blessings to yourself. God wants you to share what he has given you. Be "rich" in only the things that God cares about. The closer you grow with God, the happier you will be.



## Mission for the Week

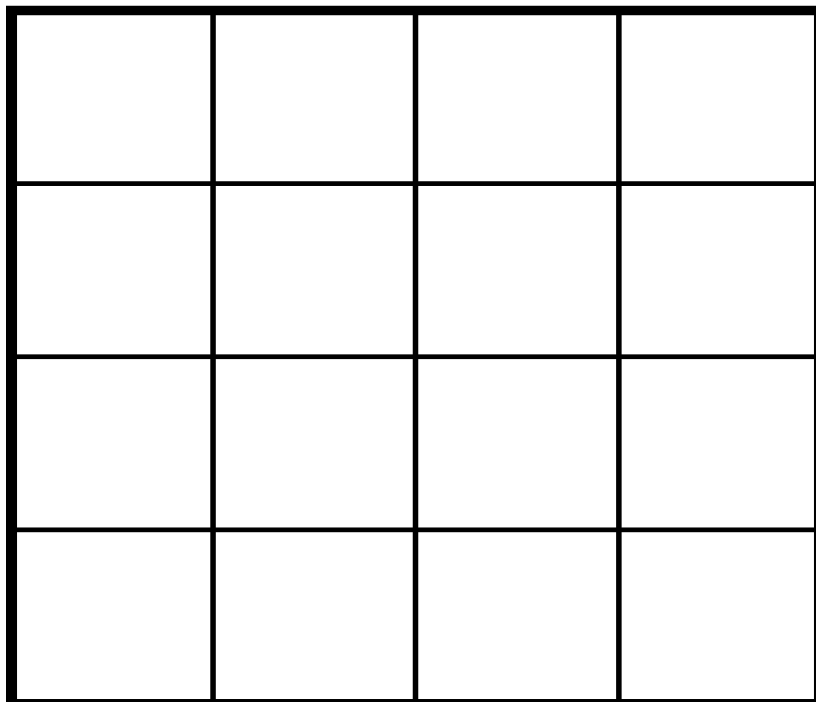
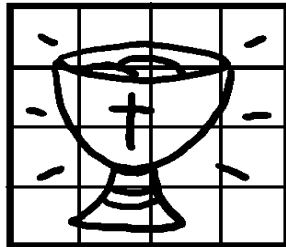


When you get home, pack three toys and three books to give to children without any."



### Puzzle

Enlarge the picture square by square.



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### Prayer



Dear God,  
 Help me to remember what is really important to you.

### Something to Draw



Draw a picture of yourself giving one of your books away to someone who doesn't have any.