

“Rejoice with me



**because I have found
my lost sheep.”**



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

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.

Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano
Pastor

Rev. Patsy Amabile
Associate Pastor

Rev. Robert Scheckenback
Associate Pastor

Rev. Ambrose Cabildo
In Residence

Deacon John DeGuardi

Deacon Tom Lucie

Deacon Jack Meehan
Coordinator of Stewardship
Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar
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

Louise Jane Krol
School Principal

Sr. Diane Liona
Director of Religious Education

Mary McMahan
Director of Parish Social Ministry

Robin Reynolds-Brennan
Director of Music and Worship

Vita Scorcia
Ministry Spiritual Director

Sr. Betty Toohig
Senior Ministry-SAGE

Anthony Trombino
Business Manager

Pastoral Council

Stacie Baltrusitis
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

Parish Staff

Mary Anne Lettieri
Parish Office
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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
fax: 661.7143
website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

587.7200 (*option 2*)
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM
email: 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

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

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

"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!

**THEY'RE
BACK!!**

Advance Tickets

Any six rides for \$13 (average discount of over 50%!)

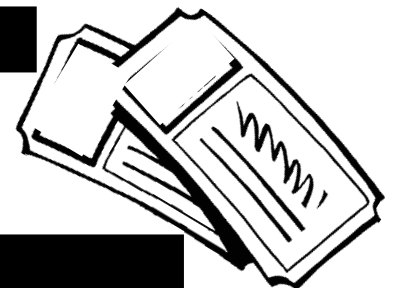
Tickets good for all rides any day of the Feast!

Purchase tickets, Monday-Friday at Parish Office from 9AM to 5PM

Advance ticket sales will end Monday, September 13

Pay-One-Price

Ride *all* rides each day-Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday-for only \$25/day purchase Pay-One-Price at the feast



Super Raffle

\$10,000 in Prizes!

Super Raffle tickets are \$100 each - only 200 tickets sold!

Drawing to be held on Sunday, September 19 at 9 PM

Walk with Mary & Feast Mass

Saturday, September 18

Procession at 4 PM

Mass at 5 PM



On Saturday, September 18 we celebrate our Feast Mass and Walk with Mary with a procession at 4 PM and Mass at 5 PM. Please plan on joining us as we bless all those who minister here. All those who take part in ministry here at the parish are invited to walk together with others who share that ministry with you.

Official Feast Sponsor

Munch Landscape Inc.

**West Islip
Wines & Liquors, Inc.**

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!

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

Holy Name Society

The Holy Name Society meets on the second Sunday of each month. The next meeting will be on **Sunday, September 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**.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

What's it all about?

IF you are an adult AND

- ... you were never Baptized
- ... you were Baptized in another faith and would like to become a baptized Catholic
- ... you never received Holy Communion (Eucharist)
- ... you never received your Confirmation

IF you are an adult AND one or all of the circumstances above apply to you...

IF you feel you would like to become a baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith

Our email address is RCIA@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 661.3224, option #1, and we would be happy to help you.

Our Lady of Lourdes School

New Nursery Class!

Now opening a two day Tuesday/Thursday morning Nursery Class. For more information or to register, please call the school office at 587.7200, extension 100 or visit our website at www.ollschool.org

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**.

Serving the Body of Christ



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

What does it take to be an Extraordinary Minister?

- Participation in Sunday Eucharist*
- Commitment to serve two to three times a month*
- Attendance at a Diocesan training and a parish training*
- Openness to bring Communion to the Sick.*

If you have questions or are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact Mrs. Mary Borgs of our parish's Liturgy Committee at 665.2928 or e-mail Fr. Pat Amabile at FrPat@ollchurch.org. Please respond by September 15 to be registered in the upcoming Fall Diocesan Training Session.

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.

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, September 16, 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.

There's a new...Men's Group

A new *evening* men's prayer group! It will be held once a month, on the third Wednesday of each month from **7:30 PM until 8:30 PM in the Spiritual Life Center**.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday night, September 15**. Come with your ideas.

We'll read and discuss the Liturgy for the following Sunday Mass.

For more information, call Jack Fitzgerald at 587.5548 or Tim Keegan at 926.4900.



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

Monday, September 27 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Please note: Deposits are due and will be taken at this time if you have not done so already.

NEW!

Religious Education

We will no longer mail our activities calendar.

All Religious Education information may be obtained by going to our OLL website ollchurch.org and click on the Religious Ed link or go to our echalk website ollreled.org and click on Religious Education Calendar, or Religious Education Programs, or Adult Faith Formation.

PEP 1 Registration Dates 2010

for children entering public school, grade 1 - September 2010

Meetings will take place in the Parish Center. (room opposite the playground on Hunter Ave)

Please note: Baptismal Certificates required for any child being registered in PEP 1.

Thursday, September 23	10 AM and 7:30 PM
Friday, September 24	10 AM
Tuesday, September 28	7:30 PM
Wednesday, September 29	10 AM
Wednesday, October 20	10 AM and 7:30 PM

If this is your **first child in our program**, the registration fee (Family Fee) is \$170 and textbooks are \$20 (if needed.) Details will be provided at the meeting.



Confirmation

On Thursday, November 4, Bishop John Dunne, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the candidates of our parish. These young women and men are the chosen members of this community who have studied, served and prepared for this Sacrament.

This Sunday, September 12, all our Confirmation Candidates, Sponsors and Parents are invited to attend their first *Spirit Night* at "The Six" as the Candidates petition for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

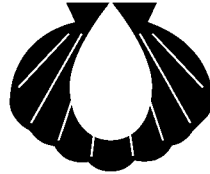
Support Groups

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.)



Baptisms

Michael Victor Nash

Christopher and Jennifer

Luke Albert Rizza

Kevin and Erin

Dean Edward Aromando

Edward and Victoria

Welcome

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

Glen and Danielle Delaney & family

James and Alyson Ruane & family

Brian and Deborah Gredder & family

Upcoming Marriages

Sara Davanzo and

Eric Desanctis, both OLL

Stacey Dempsey and

Robert Ehlers, both OLL

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.

Remembering...

Monday, September 13

St. John Chrysostom, bishop and doctor of the Church

8:00 AM John Sweeney

Tuesday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 AM Darlene Leiter

Wednesday, September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 AM Ruby Newbill

Thursday, September 16

St. Cornelius, pope and martyr

St. Cyprian, bishop and martyr

8:00 AM Margaret Homann

Friday, September 17

St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop and doctor of the Church

8:00 AM Salvatore Carrano

Saturday, September 18

8:00 AM Mario Domenicone, Gunther Steck, Valentino Vulaj,
Edna Levey, Ronald Ladika, George Johnson,
Hazel & Lawrence Ashley

5:00 PM Mary Occhiuzzo
Fr. Mike Vetrano

Sunday, September 19

8:00 AM Fred Ball
Fr. Pat Amabile

9:30 AM Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Alliegro
Fr. Bob Scheckenback

11:00 AM Baby Shaddock (*anniversary*)
Fr. Mike Vetrano

12:30 PM Cecilia Cedeno (*100 birthday*)
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Thomas H. Newton, Rose Giacalone,
Kathleen Vitale, Felix Rivera, Walter B. Erwood, Jack Salvato,
Blanca Gonzalez, Carmela Albanese
Fr. Pat Amabile

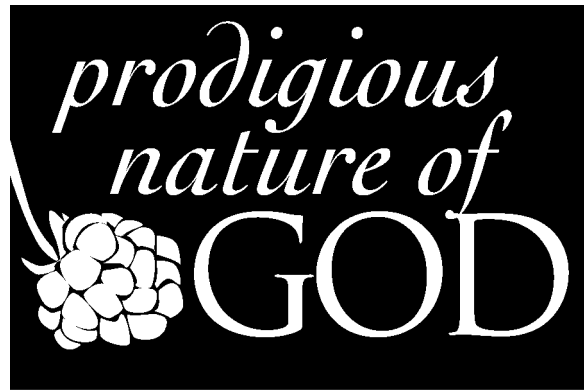


Rest In Peace

Frank Barbera died on August 28 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was September 1 at Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Deer Park. We extend our prayers to his brother, Jack Barbera, and entire family.

Jean Rubino died on August 31 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was September 2. We extend our prayers to her daughter, Joann McCoy, and entire family.

Ann M. Donlon died on August 31 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was September 4. We extend our prayers to her daughter, Noelle, and entire family.



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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

My raspberry patch is about three feet wide and twenty-five feet long. I planted it just a few years ago, putting in two different varieties, a more traditional summer bearing type and what is often described as ever-bearing, which is really a type that bears its first crop in the fall, but will bear again the next summer if you leave the canes standing. Raspberries don't demand a whole lot of work—just some manure in the spring, appropriate watering when the berries are forming, and pruning out the dead canes each year after the crop has been exhausted. Because of their fragility, fresh raspberries are hand-harvested, making them an expensive item in the produce department. It's always amazing to me to see a price of \$5.00 on a little six-ounce container when my own little patch produces over sixty pints in July, and still more in the fall up until frost. It is a prodigious abundance.

Prodigious is an apt description for God's actions in this week's Gospel story. The parables that Jesus presents—the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son—each have endings that seem incredible to any sober analysis of the situations. The value of ninety-nine sheep is huge. It is not worth it to abandon them in the desert—a place of great danger—to look for one. Gathering friends and neighbors for a celebration costs more than the value of a single coin. And throwing a banquet for someone who has used up half of all your assets just doesn't make sense.

But that is the prodigious nature of God. Just like my raspberry patch, which produces so much with so little effort, God's mercy is continuously poured out over and over again. Like raspberries in a store, that mercy came at a great price—through the death of his Son on the cross. But God's mercy bears fruit constantly leading us back when we stray.

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Readings for the Week of September 12, 2010

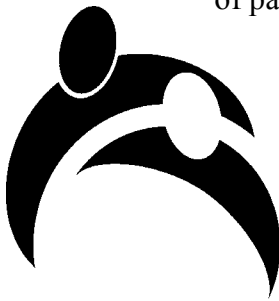
Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 <i>or</i> 15:1-10
Monday:	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Jn 19:25-27 <i>or</i> Lk 2:33-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 <i>or</i> 16:10-13

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Joyce Petersen*.
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 ...

*Susan Aviza, Bernadette Cogswell, William Cronin, Beverly DeCanio,
Mike DeJong, Tony Drexler, Debbie Eichen, Mike Gaffney, Salvatore Greco,
Ruth Hiller, Charlie Macchio, Michael Montesanto, Rosemary Novak,
Joe Radosti, Dorothy Schiavone, Baby Isabella Shaw, Roy Sorrese,
Lindsay Stahl, Linda Starr, Nancy Turano, Joan Udris, Al Van Pelt,
Bunny Vilim, Joe Yezek*

Please note: Any name that has been added to the "Pray for Our Sick" list prior to March 2010 has been removed. However, if the person continues to need our prayers, please call the Parish Office to have the name included. All names shall remain on the list for a "short term" of five weeks or "long term" for five months.

Financial Summary

September 5, 2010

Weekly Collection	\$ 19,131.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ 131.00

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

The Catholic University of America

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. This week is the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country. Please be as generous as your means will allow. Thank you.

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

Joshua Tyrrell-US Army

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



Pantry Needs

baked beans
boxed potatoes
boxed rice
canned meat
cookies
crackers
hot chocolate
mayonnaise

Donations to Outreach

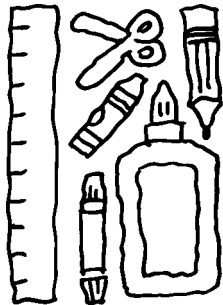
Parish Outreach has received many donations in memory of loved ones.

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

Outreach School Supply Drive

Outreach will be collecting school supplies to donate to families in need.

School Supplies we could use include:



- *Glue Sticks
- *Marble Notebooks
- *Two Pocket Folders
- *Soft Pencil Cases
- *Pink Erasers
- *Highlighters
- *Markers
- *Pencil Sharpeners (*that catch shavings*)
- *2 & 3 inch Binders
- *Fiskar scissors
- *Post-It-Notes
- *Supply box
- *Tennis Balls
- and of course...CRAYONS!

Donations can be left in the food baskets at the doors of the Church and, as always....our thanks!

Mary

The Abundance of God as an Invitation to Generosity

Ron Rolheiser, OMI

The sun is extraordinarily generous, giving huge parts of itself away every second.

Scientists tell us that every second, inside the sun, the equivalent of 4 million elephants are being transformed into light, an irretrievable, one-time gift. The sun is giving itself away. If this generosity should halt, all energy would eventually lose its source and everything would die and become inert. We, and everything on our planet, live because of the generosity of the sun.

In this generosity, the sun reflects the abundance of God, a largesse that invites us to also be generous, to have big-hearts, to risk more in giving ourselves away in self-sacrifice, to witness to God's abundance.

But this isn't easy. Instinctually we move more naturally to self-preservation and security. By nature we fear and we hoard. Because of this, whether we are poor or not, we tend to work out of a sense of scarcity, fearing always that we don't have enough, that there isn't enough, and that we need to be careful in what we give away, that we can't afford to be too generous.

But God belies this, as does nature. God is prodigal, abundant, generous, and wasteful beyond our small fears and imaginations. Nature too is stunningly overwhelming and prodigal. The scope of our universe, even just in so far as we know it, is almost unimaginable. So too is the abundance and prodigal character of God.

We see this, for instance, in the biblical parable of the Sower: The Sower, God, whom Jesus describes, is not a calculating person who sows his grain carefully and discriminately only into worthy soil. This Sower scatters seeds indiscriminately everywhere: on the road, in the bushes, in the rocks, into barren soil, as well as into good soil. He has, it seems, unlimited seeds and so he works from a generous sense of abundance rather than from a guarded sense of scarcity. We see that same abundance in the parable of the vineyard owner, where the owner, God, gives a full day's wage to everybody, whether he or she worked the full day or not. God, we are told, has limitless wealth and is not stingy in giving it out.

God is equally as prodigal and generous in forgiveness, as we see, in the Gospels. In the parable of the Father who forgives the prodigal son we see a person who can forgive out of a richness that dwarfs dignity and

calculated cost to self. And we see this same largesse in Jesus himself as he forgives both those who executed him and those who abandoned him during his execution.

God, from everything we can see, is so rich in love and mercy that he can afford to be wasteful, over-generous, non-calculating, non-discriminating, incredibly risk-taking, and big-hearted beyond our imaginations.

And that's the invitation: To have a sense of God's abundance so as to risk always a bigger heart and generosity beyond the instinctual fear that has us believe that, because things seem scarce, we need to be more calculating.

Gospel of Luke has one of the strongest social justice messages in all of scripture (every sixth line is a direct challenge for justice for the poor) and yet, in Luke's Gospel, Jesus, while warning about the danger of wealth, does not condemn the rich or riches. Rather he makes a distinction between the generous rich and the miserly rich. The former are good because they radiate and incarnate God's abundance and generosity while the latter are bad because they belie God's abundance, generosity, and huge heart.

Jesus assures us that the measure we measure out is the measure that we ourselves will receive in return. In essence, that says that the air we breathe out will be the air we re-inhale. That isn't just true ecologically. It is a broad truth for life in general. If we breathe out miserliness, we will re-inhale miserliness; if we breathe out pettiness, we will breathe in pettiness; if we breathe out bitterness, then bitterness will be the air that surrounds us; and if we breathe out a sense of scarcity that makes us calculate and be fearful, then calculation and fearfulness will be the air we re-inhale. But, if aware of God's abundance, we breathe out generosity and forgiveness, we will breathe in the air of generosity and forgiveness. We re-inhale what we exhale.

I have never met a truly generous man or woman who didn't say that, always, he or she received more in return than he or she gave out. And I have never met a truly big-hearted man or woman who lived out of a sense of scarcity. To be generous and big-hearted we have to first trust in God's abundance and generosity.

From God's abundance we get a sun that is generous and a universe that is too huge and prodigal to be imagined. That's a challenge not just to the mind and the imagination, but especially to the heart - for it to become huge and generous.

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2010 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Parish Goal	\$101,839
Amount Pledged	\$ 85,294
# of Donors	402
Average Pledge	\$ 213
<i>as of July 31, 2010</i>	

CMA 2010

**One Faith, One Hope,
Many Gifts.**

You can make a difference!

While all of us have reason to be proud of the help that is being provided through the Catholic Ministries Appeal and our Parish, we also know that more and more people are seeking assistance from us. To meet the ever growing needs of our community, we all need to prayerfully consider how we can help.

Your support to the Appeal will help us to serve or deliver more than 500,000 meals to the disadvantaged this year, provide affordable safe housing to the most vulnerable senior citizens in our community, educate our young people in our faith, help others to follow the call to serve in the priesthood and support the needs of our very own parish.

The Appeal truly supports our parish and the entire Church of Long Island. As your Pastor, I ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift to help those in need. It is with these needs in mind that I am asking you to consider supporting the 2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

You can make a difference in our parish and in the lives of those around us by making a gift to this year's appeal. Only you can decide what that gift will be.

Thank you for all that you do in our parish.

Please consider what you can do to make this campaign successful.

2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Please make your check payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal

Pledge: \$ _____
Down Payment: \$ _____
Balance: \$ _____

Parish: _____

Name: _____

___ Monthly ___ Quarterly

Address: _____

___ Annually ___ Other

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Donor Signature: _____

Acct# _____

Golden Wedding Jubilee

On **Sunday, October 17, 2010**, couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Libasci at **Christ the King Church in Commack at 2:30 PM**. Please pick up your registration card at OLL Parish Office no later than September 29. Approximately one week before the ceremony, information regarding the day will be mailed to you. If you have any questions, please call 516.678.5800, extension 207.

Centering Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, September 28 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.

Medicare

Know your A, B, C, & D's

Understanding Medicare and how to choose a plan suitable for your needs will be presented on **Wednesday, September 29 from 10 AM until 12 noon at St. Patrick's, Bay Shore, Msgr. Purick Hall, Rooms 1 & 2**. Reservations are required, please call 631.665.4911, extension 133.

Tea with Spirit

The former students and staff of Dominican Commercial High School are invited to attend a special celebration at the **Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Dominic at 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, on Sunday afternoon, October 3**. Please call Benincasa Family Services at 631.842.6000, extension 351 or email dcgrads@yahoo.com if you like to receive an invitation.

Help Feed the Hungry

The Mercy Inn Soup Kitchen of Wyandanch is in need of volunteers for Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday, starting in September. Also needed is a volunteer to coordinate the team of volunteers on Fridays. That duty would be to assure the day runs smoothly. The volunteer hours are 9:30 AM - 1:45 PM. If you can help, call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

Do you want to become an OLL Hospital Visitor?

Come learn about sharing your gift of time and presence as a Spiritual Care Companion with the hospitalized, homebound or those in nursing homes. Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors this free six-week training for volunteers (either 3 Saturdays at CHS Melville or 6 Wednesday afternoons at St. Charles Hospital, Port Jefferson) to become a caring, attentive, listening presence.

Information sessions will be held on Saturday, September 18, from 9:30 - 11:30 AM at CHS, 245 Old Country Road, Melville or Wednesday, September 22, 1 -3 PM at St. Charles Hospital, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson (Boardroom #2). Further information, please call Carol Cella at 631.465.6307 or Trish Luvin at 631.465.6306.

Education of a Lifetime

A Catholic High School education offers young people a challenging, value-centered liberal arts education. It also affords each student an opportunity to test abilities, add skills, build confidence and develop an understanding of faith, while preparing for college and for life.

Open Houses present students and parents with a special opportunity to gain information about the programs, faculty, and facilities of the Catholic High Schools on Long Island. Administrators, faculty members, staff, and students are available to describe school programs and to answer questions at the Open House events. For additional information on particular schools, plan to attend one or more of the Open House.

Open House Schedule

September 2010

Saturday, September 18	11 AM - 1:30 PM	Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Sunday, September 19	10 AM - 1 PM	St. Anthony's High School
	1 PM - 4 PM	St. Dominic High School
Saturday, September 25	9 AM - 12 PM	McGann-Mercy D.H.S.
Sunday, September 26	12 PM - 2:30 PM	Holy Trinity D.H.S.
	2 PM - 4:30 PM	St. Mary's College Prep. High School

October 2010

Saturday, October 2	9 AM - 12 PM	Sacred Heart Academy
	10 AM - 1 PM	Kellenberg Memorial H. S.
	2 PM - 4 PM	Chaminade H. S.
Sunday, October 17	10:30 AM - 2 PM	St. John the Baptist D.H.S.

The Catholic High School Entrance Exam is scheduled for Saturday, October 30. Applications for the Catholic High School entrance exam are available at the Religious Education Office and the OLL School Office.

If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option #3 or the OLL School Office at 661.7200, option #2.

Help Feed the Hungry

The Mercy INN Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch, is on need of a volunteer to pick up food in the West Islip area early Monday mornings, and deliver it to the soup kitchen. Some heavy lifting is involved. If you can help, call Kathy at 631.422.1420.

Gennesaret Retreat

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with serious illness and offered free of charge is planned for **September 24, 25, and 26 at the Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore**. The retreat focuses on God's love and forgiveness and faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call Colette at 631.665.7052.

Dominican Village

Please join us for an Open House on Thursday, September 16 from 1 PM until 3 PM. Dominican Village is an independent retirement community that offers assisted living and respite care, outstanding programs, all-inclusive services and bountiful amenities. For more information, or to schedule a tour at your convenience, call 631.842.6091 or info@dominicanvillage.org.

Position Available

St. Mary School, East Islip has positions available for teacher assistants in school (27 1/2 hrs. per week). Responsibilities are with 3 and 4 year olds in Program. Please fax resumé to St. Mary's School at 631.581.7509.

Religion & Rock

Tune into "Religion & Rock" with Msgr. 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. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "**Being Excited.**" Don't miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding "Religion & Rock" go to www.religionandrock.com or at "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES. Don't forget to tune into TELECARE, Cablevision 29 or Verizon FIOS 296 for the Best in Catholic Television!

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus was kind to people who were lonely.

Jesus forgave people who were sorry for their mistakes.

Jesus ate dinner with people who needed God's love.

They sinned. Everybody knew it.

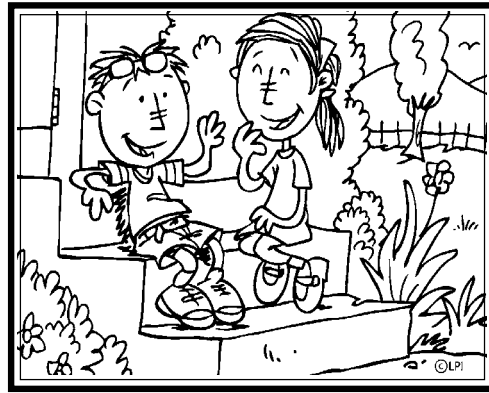
But Jesus knew that God's love could turn their frowns into smiles.

If there are kids in your class who don't have many friends,

be kind to them like Jesus.

When other kids make mistakes, forgive them like Jesus.

You'll make Jesus smile.



Mission for the Week



When you go outside to play at school, look for someone who is alone. Offer to be a friend and play together.



Read the Gospel and Color



Prayer



Dear God,
help me to
show kindness like
Jesus did.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of
yourself playing
with a child who's
lonely.