Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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Parish Office

Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org Fax: 631.661.7143 Website: www.ollchurch.org

Religious Education Office

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SAGE (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122 E-mail: Sage@ollchurch.org



Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass 8:30am Weekend Masses Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm and 6:00pm. Reconciliation/Confession Saturday: 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment Rosary Daily at 8:00am Miraculous Medal Novena Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

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.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, September 4, 2022



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.

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God!

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara Eileen Rega Mary Borgs Lisa Cantalino Sonia DaSilva Dcn. Nilo DeLeon Jerry Esposito Trish Frodell Pam Gagliano Deborah Lamb Rosalie Mangels John Muldoon Dottie Perdue Vita Scorcia

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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.

Readings for the Week of September 4,2022

Sunday:Wis 9:13-18b/ Phlm 9-10, 12-17/ Lk 14:25-33Monday:1 Cor 5:1-8/ Lk 6:6-11Tuesday:1 Cor 6:1-11/ Lk 6:12-19Wednesday:1 Cor 7:25-31/ Lk 6:20-26Thursday:Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23Friday:1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/ Lk 6:39-42Saturday:1 Cor 10:14-22/ Lk 6:43-49Next Sunday:Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/ 1 Tm 1:12-17/ Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Financial Summary

August 28, 2022 Weekly Collection \$ 14,069.00 Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00 +/- for the week \$ (3,731.00) August 21, 2022 Weekly Collection Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00 +/- for the week \$ (3,294.00)

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.

Dear Parishioners:

This weekend we celebrate Labor Day. Historically, Labor Day is an annual holiday to celebrate the achievement of workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our country.

Labor Day has its origins in the labor union movement, specifically the 8-hour day movement which advocated 8 hours for work, 8 hours for recreation and 8 hours for rest. Labor Day became a <u>national</u> holiday in 1894. The first Labor Day celebration was on September 5, 1882 in New York City with the plans of the Central Labor Union. In 1884 the first Monday in September was chosen. The Central Labor Union encouraged other cities to celebrate the holiday. While a number of individual states began to celebrate the holiday, in 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday of September a legal holiday.

Labor Day also has a spiritual component. Labor Day is an opportunity to take stock of the ways workers are honored and respected. The Church has spoken out about the dignity of work and the rights of workers. The Church's "social teaching" really began with Pope Leo XIII, over 140 years ago. Such Papal encyclicals include: *Rerum Novarum* (1881, Pope Leo XIII), *Quadragesimo Anno* (1931, Pope Pius XI), *Gaudium and Spes* (1965, Vatican II), *Laborem Exercens* (1981, Pope John Paul II), and *Caritas in Veritate* (2009, Pope Benedict XVI).

The three principles of Catholic Social Teaching are: Human Dignity (We are all made in the image and likeness of God), Solidarity (We are all interdependent and interconnected which should compel people to strive for the common good) and Subsidiarity (Fosters personal responsibility and focuses on an individual's need to balance individual needs versus the common good).

Pope Francis has said: "Work is fundamental to the dignity of the person... It gives one the ability to maintain oneself, one's family and to contribute to the growth of one's own nation". In addition, Pope Francis has said, "Through work, the family is cared for and children are provided with a dignified life... where there is no work, there is no dignity."

However, Pope Francis has also cautioned against too much work: "Together with a culture of work, there must be a culture of leisure. To put it another way, people who work must take time to relax, to be with their families, to enjoy themselves, read, listen to music, play a sport."

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don't forget to "celebrate" Labor Day by laboring around the Parish. Our "Parish Clean-up" Day will take place on Monday, Labor Day, from 9:00am – 10:30am. Bring rakes, clippers, weed pullers, etc. I also need to dismantle a sagging deck. Bring some crow bars! See you then!

Our Italian Feast is approaching too! Don't forget to hand in your chance books, both for the nightly raffle and the Super Raffle.

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Janet Loehr*. If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224.

Members in the Military

We ask that you pray especially for those in our parish that are on active duty.

Michael DiMatteo-US Marine Corps
Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force
Christopher Florca-US Marine Corps
Dominick Gennaro-US Army
Patrick Hart-US Coast Guard
Ritchard Higham-US Army
Colby Matthew Kelly-US Army
Luke Loftsgaarden-US Army
Anthony Mannino-US Marine Corps
Msgr. Brian McNamara-US Air Force
Anthony Memoli-US Marine Corps

Timothy Milligan-US Marine Corps Melissa Mockler-US Navy Patric Mockler-US Navy Andrew Perniciaro-US Army Brandon Ranzie-US Army Stephen Rolston-US Army Jack Shires-US Navy James Stultz-US Army Jack Taffner-US Marine Corps Michael Wilkinson-US Army Peter Zaccaria-US Navy

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



Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 to leave the names of parishioners who:

- Are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist.
- Are in Good Samaritan Hospital and/or a local nursing home 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 ...

Connie Ambrosino, Thomas J. Calogero III, Michele Carrano-McGee, Maria Clark, Susan Dedes, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Amanda DiTingo, Xavier DiPalm, Frank Dobias, Paula Edwards, Joseph Feminella, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Nicolette Gebhardt, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Betsy Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Anne Kerrigan, Marty Kerrigan, James Leung, Bill Libasci, Pat McKeefery, John McMahon, Kristina Messina, Glenn Meyer, Richard Meyer, Kenneth Monroe, Dan Murphy, Edward Pauciullo, Joseph Pepe, Mary Polik-Gunther, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, John Principe, Clifford Proctor, Daniel Ramaikus, Melissa Rogan, Ida Schiavoni, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Kathy Shaddock, Richard Shaddock, Jennifer Stoop, Larry Sturgeon, Louise Sturgeon

Names of the sick will be listed for six weeks for short-term requests and six months for long-term.

Masses may be viewed via livestream on our Facebook page. Please join us directly on Facebook or by visiting our website at: <u>ollchurch.org</u>, where you will be redirected. You do not need a Facebook account.

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 5 Labor Day 8:30am Peter Lynaugh

Tuesday, September 6 8:30am S. Jane Fritz

Wednesday, September 7 8:30am Minnie & Peter Alessi

Thursday, September 8The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary8:30amSalvatore Pinello

Friday, September 9St. Peter Claver8:30amPeggy Flynn

Saturday, September 10 8:30am Beverly Caparella, Harry Withers, Mark Amato, Helen Lehmann, Anthony Tito Sr., Teresa Harris

5:00pm Meyer Brody Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, September 11 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am Donna Neuman Fr. Anthony Akabogu

- 9:30am Matthew Rogan Fr. Charles Mangano
- 11:00amAll Souls of the Bertolotti Family
Fr. Charles Mangano
- 12:30pm Salvatore Pinello Fr. Anthony Akabogu

6:00pm People of the Parish, For those who died on 9/11 and those who suffer due to the aftermath., Julius F. Downs, Bernadette Mullins, Charles Mangano Sr., Clarence Watters *Msgr. Brian McNamara*



Baptism

Anthony Marziliano Joseph Marziliano Jr. Taylor Shea Meredith



Now and at the Hour of Our Death Catholic Guidance for End-of-Life Decision Making

Illness and aging, coupled with rapid advances in medical technology, can lead to heightened anxiety when health care decisions must be made. For assistance in navigating the end-of-life challenges that you and/or your loved ones face, please visit: <u>www.CatholicEndofLife.org</u>. Learn about the key principles of Catholic teaching in this area, and how to apply them in the complex world of medical advance directives.

SAGE

The SAGE GROUP (Senior Citizens who are Young at Heart) will be on **Tuesday, September 6th at 9:30am** in the **Parish Center**. Come together to share prayer, life experiences, community and fun.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, September 6**th **from 12:30pm to 8:00pm**. Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus during our new Extended Adoration. Invite a family member or friend along too! In case of inclement weather, please call the parish office at 631-661-3224 ext.0, or log onto the parish website (<u>ollchurch.org</u>) to check if adoration has been canceled.

Prayer Shawl Ministry / Baby Blanket Bunch

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

Join us ... Wednesday, September 7th at 9:30am 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.

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month except in September when Labor Day falls on the first Monday. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 7th. We will begin with the Rosary at 7:00pm in the Church, followed by our business meeting at 7:15pm in the Parish Center.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

We come together in the Church every Thursday from 1:30pm-2:30pm to pray and reflect on the Divine Mercy. We welcome anyone wishing to join us in this mission.

Donations to Outreach

If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 631-661-3224, option 4.



Canned Tuna Canned Stew Oatmeal Crushed Tomatoes/ Tomato Puree Laundry Detergent



The Parish Office will be **closed** on **Monday**, **September 5th** in observance of **Labor Day**. The Parish Office will **reopen** on **Tuesday**, **September 6th** at **9:00am**.



Parish "Clean-up" Party

On Monday, September 5, we will be having a Parish "Clean-up" Party from 9:00am to 10:30am. Please bring hand clippers, loppers, hand saws, rakes, etc. We need to do some extra cleaning up.

All are welcome; no experience needed!

The Catholic University of America Collection - September 10-11

Next weekend, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting both future Catholic leaders, religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, Faith-inspired education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that brings together clergy and laity to address the challenges that the Catholic Church faces in the U.S. contributing education, formation, research, events, and media, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation. Please give generously. Support the collection at: <u>futurecatholicleaders.igivecatholictogether.org</u>.

Children's Liturgy of the Word... We're Back!!

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be back on Sunday, September 11th. All children 4 years old up to 4th grade are invited to come together for age appropriate scripture readings and lessons during the 9:30am Mass each Sunday. The children share the word of God at their level along with other children. Parents may join the group if they wish.



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 more 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 <u>*RCIA@ollchurch.org*</u> or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, and we would be happy to help you.



K or C «

An Invitation from the Knights of Columbus

Men of the Parish (18 years and older), are you interested in serving your Faith, your Church, and your Community? If so, then you are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes Council 17379. Joining the Knights will make you part of a 129 year old Catholic Fraternal Order that exemplifies the high ideals of our faith and has contributed to our communities through charitable works and community outreach. We meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Parish Center. The fourth Monday is an Officers' meeting, but members are welcome to attend. Meetings begin at 8:00pm. So begin your journey of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism by becoming a Knight! Online membership is also available at: www.KofC.org.

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 12, 2022 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

PEP 1 Religious Education Program Registration Information

"Discover the Treasures of God's Love"

If you have a child entering first grade in public school, your child should be registered for our "PEP 1" Religious Education Program. This first year program is required for participation in First Eucharist. It introduces the children to a basic understanding of the loving presence of God, the person of Jesus, conscience formation and the importance of community worship.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 12 4:15-5:15 pm INFORMATION MEETING AND REGISTRATION

Choose one:

Wednesday, September 21,202210:30am or 7:30pmWednesday September 28, 202210:30am or 7:30pm

The meeting will take approximately 45 minutes and will be held in the Parish Center (meeting room opposite the playground)

- ~ Please bring your child's Baptismal certificate (a copy is acceptable).
- ~ Baptismal Certificate or copy is needed even if child was baptized at OLL.
- ~ No child will be assigned a room number unless we have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.
- \sim Returning families who have an incoming first grader MUST attend the registration meeting.

The registration fee (if this is your oldest child) is \$215

Baby Blanket Bunch - Volunteer Opportunities

The Baptism Program and the Prayer Shawl Ministry recently introduced the Baby Blanket Bunch.

We are hoping to give a *blessed*, white baby blanket to each child baptized in the parish. This gift to the family will be a sign of this special day on which we welcomed our newest members into our parish family. We always need more people to knit or crochet the white baby blankets. The blankets can be brought to the Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting at 9:30am on the first Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center or dropped off at the Rectory. We



also need volunteers who will help by donating soft white yarn for the blankets. The yarn can be dropped off at the rectory or brought to the meeting as well. Please share your special creative talent, generosity and love with the youngest of our parish.



I want to establish a **BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE**. This Committee would help me on certain projects precisely because you would have expertise in a given area (plumbing, paving, air conditioning, etc.). As a member of the committee, you would look at the scope of work/specifications/etc. for a given project. I really need your help. Please call and leave your name and contact number at the rectory. Thank you for helping me and the Parish!

Thank You So Much

We would like to extend a huge **Thank You** to the wonderful "Mailing Team" that volunteer their time to prepare the Annual Feast Mailing. They spend countless hours, stamping, folding, stuffing, etc. to make our annual mailings happen. They are *Elizabeth Abatino, John Amabile, Marilyn Barthel, Eileen Clifford, Connie Cristaudo, Nancy DePetro, Joanne and Ed Guiffré, Sara Iannaccone, Peggy Kapalko, Steve MacQuade, Kay Manley, Josephine Pastore, Joyce and Bob Petersen, Michael Poveromo, Dona Teague, Bill Young, and Marie Zito.* We must give a great big shout out to *Rita Spera*, Religious Education Office, who prints ALL the letters. It is a monumental task, and we thank all you for your time and talent. We could not get these mailings done without each one of you!

- Fr. Brian and Debbie Meyer, Business Manager

Important Information for ALL Parish Volunteers

The Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all clergy, employees, and volunteers (18 yrs. or older) to participate in the Safe Environment Guidelines as established by the Charter for the Protection of Children/ Young People (2002) and outlined in the Diocesan Child Protection Policy.

Note: If you already have a Virtus account (<u>www.Virtus.org</u>), have signed the Code of Conduct and attended the Class, all you need to do is initiate the updated background screening through Sterling Volunteers.

Requirements are as follows:

- 1. Attend a Virtus: Protecting God's Children class
- 2. Undergo background screening.
- 3. Sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct.

Instructions to Complete the Safe Environment Requirements:

- 1. Log into the Virtus website: <u>www.Virtus.org</u>.
- 2. Begin the registration process by creating a Virtus account. The first screen requests the location: Please select Rockville Centre from the drop down list.
- 3. Follow directions on each page.
- 4. During the registration process you will receive a copy of the Code of Conduct and Pastoral Code of Conduct. Please sign each Code electronically.
- 5. Select the class you wish to attend.
- 6. Complete the background screening application provided. Background screening is conducted by Sterling Volunteers.

When you complete the registration process, you will have a Virtus account and an account with Sterling Volunteers. Your Virtus account will contain the date you signed the Codes of Conduct; date you submitted the background screening application and date you will attend Virtus. Please keep your username and the password for both your Virtus account and Sterling account as these are required to access each account.

Please contact the Office for the Protection of Children/Young People if you have questions or require assistance. <u>cprotection@drvc.org</u>



Feast Meeting There will be an important **Feast Meeting** on **Wednesday, September** 7th from **7:00pm-9:00pm** in the **All Purpose Room**.



Fall Spectacular Super Raffle

Super Raffle tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses. Tickets will also be available in the Parish Office during the week. The cost is \$100 per ticket. Only 220 tickets will be sold.

First Prize - \$7,000Second Prize - \$2,000Third Prize - \$1,000Drawing for the raffle will be on Sunday, September 18th. Winner need not be present.
As Father Brian always says, "You got to be in it, to win it."



OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST ANGEL and ARCHANGEL Donations



Support for our annual Feast has always been overwhelming. Sometimes, people want to help with our feast, but cannot give time as a volunteer. Our Angels and Archangels Fund offers them an opportunity to help our parish raise funds. It gives one the opportunity not only to support our booths, but to make it a memorable one. All Angels and Archangels donations may be made by a business, individual, family or for a loved one (living or deceased.) Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory. Your name will appear in the bulletin following the completion of our feast. My thanks in advance; I know each family will do all they can to make our feast the best ever.

Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory.

Thank you and God bless, Fr. Brian		
Name Address	Phone No	
Name of Deceased		
Name of Living		
Angel: \$25	Archangel: \$50 or more	
Please check the booth	you wish your Angel to Sponsor:	
Food	Beer/Wine/Soda	Games
() Corn	() Inside – Casino)	() Hammer
() Hot Dog	() Outside	() Fast Pitch
() Pretzel		

() Coffee/Dessert

Please return this form along with your donation to the rectory.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Italian Family Feast September 14-18, 2022



Wednesday and Thursday 7:00pm—10:00pm Friday 7:00pm—11:00pm Saturday 6:00pm—11:00pm Sunday 2:00pm—8:00pm Vegas Night Gambling on Friday and Saturday



Walk With Mary and Feast Mass

On Saturday, September 17th, we celebrate our Feast Mass and Walk With Mary with a procession at 4:00pm and Mass at 5:00pm. Please plan to join us in prayer and song as we process through the Feast grounds.

Super Raffle

\$10,000 in prizes. Only 220 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100. Don't wait - these tickets sell out very quickly! Purchase your ticket after mass on weekends, or in the Parish Office during the week. Super Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, September 18th at 8:00pm.

Additional Raffles

Purchase separate tickets to win a Big Screen Television, Outdoor Barbecue Package, or Local Gift Certificates.

5 per raffle ticket - 6 raffle tickets for 20

Pay-One-Price

POP bracelets are available online through a link from the parish website (<u>ollchurch.org</u>). We are encouraging everyone to purchase your POP Bracelets online to avoid crowded lines at the Feast. (Pick up your online bracelets at the Fr. Joe Garden when you arrive at the Feast.) Purchase POP Bracelets online at the link below to get the Pre-Sale price of \$29.95 <u>https://newtonshows.yapsody.com/event/index/740443/italian-feast-our-lady-of-lourdes</u> Pre-Sale Tickets may be purchased for a specific day up until 2 hours before the Feast opens on that day. Bracelets purchased at the Feast will be \$40.00

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to support our annual Italian Family Feast. Can you help? If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 and leave a message for Deacon Rich or Frank Antonawich.

You may also e-mail Deacon Rich at: rmaher@ollchurch.org



On Care for Our Common Home Invitation

Last week's bulletin gave you a brief introduction to Pope Francis' Encyclical Laudato Si'. Have you checked out the website for the Laudato Si' Movement? If you have, you may have learned that this encyclical contains six very readable chapters:

What is Happening to Our Common Home

The Gospel of Creation

The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis

Integral Ecology

Lines of Approach and Action

Ecological Education and Spirituality

We, the Sisters of St. Dominic who have served in your parish are inviting you to partner with us in learning more about our Common Home and the ways we can help to sustain Mother Earth. Click the Laudato Si' button on the homepage of the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville website: www.sistersofstdominic.org.



SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC

Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee

Important DRVC Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc.

Upcoming Bereavement Support Program St. Mary's Parish, East Islip

Eight Week Group beginning Tuesday, September 13th at 7:00pm

Support Groups are open to anyone who has suffered a loss at least three months prior to the start of the group. Loss must have occurred prior to June 13, 2022. There is no cost but a commitment to attend each meeting throughout the program is required.

Groups are offered in a closed and confidential setting with highly trained facilitators and limited to 13 people. All Covid CDC guidelines will be followed.

Pre-registration is required.

Please call 631-581-4266 ext.125 to register.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

8 Week Program for Age 50 and Over Starting Thursday, September 15, 2022 3:00pm - 5:00pm at St. Joseph Parish Center - 39 N. Carll Avenue, Babylon

> For losses that have occurred before June 30, 2022 *For more information and registration, please call:* Terry Hoffmann 631-669-0198 or Geri Olson 631-661-8994





Marriage Struggling?

- Do you feel alone?
- Are you frustrated or angry with each other?
- Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?
- Are you separated or divorced, or thinking about separation or divorce?

Another marriage-saving weekend is coming to the Metro/New York Area:

September, 9-11 2022

The Retrouvaille Program helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. To be connected directly and confidentially to someone who can help, or to register, contact:

or

www.helpourmarriage.org

Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille is a 5013c non-profit, peer ministry. Couples of all faiths, or no faith, are encouraged to attend, and no one is ever turned away for lack of funds.



(Retro vi – French for rediscover)

Because No Marriage is Beyond Hope



The "Moving On" Group

An 'After-Bereavement' Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

"The Geek Squad" from Best Buy

Friday, September 9, 2022 at 7:00pm

St. Joseph Parish Center

39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

For further information please call: Linda Sparaco at 631-225-9530 or Joyce Gangone at 631-813-9356.

Father Mychal Judge 911 Walk of Remembrance

All are invited to attend the Father Mychal Judge 911 Walk of Remembrance in NYC.

Held the Sunday before 9/11, the walk was started in 2002 by Det. Steven McDonald in Honor of his friend who perished in his role as Fire Dept. Chaplain. It remembers all civilians, police and fire fighters who were victims of that day. Join us as we retrace Fr. Mychal's steps beginning at St. Francis of Assisi Church where Father lived and ending at St. Peter's in lower Manhattan where Father was brought, the first identified victim of 9/11. Stops will be made along the way to honor police and fire department units. Join us as we come together to pray and never forget.

Walk begins at 9:30am Sunday, September 4, 2022 at FDNY 31st Street and 7th Avenue,

directly across from St. Francis of Assisi Church, where the rosary will be said at 9:00am.

Walk concludes 12:00pm at St. Peter's RC Church, Barclay Street, NYC.

911WalkOfRemembrance@gmail.com 646-856-Walk www.911WalkOfRemembrance.com

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Annual Communion Breakfast

Sunday, September 18th



Mass Seminary Chapel 10:00am

Rev. Msgr. Steven R. CampSeminary Rector & Pastor, Church of St. Patrick, Huntington
Celebrant and Speaker(Mass followed by Brunch and Msgr. Camp's Presentation in Refectory)Reserve online: www.icseminary.edu (Events)\$50.00 per personReserve by September 11thWalk-in Guests cannot be accommodated
Additional Information: 631.423.0483x102

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Employment Opportunity - St. John the Baptist DHS

Spanish Teacher needed to teach high school Spanish at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School in West Islip. Candidate should have BA or MA in Spanish or related area. Please send resumé and cover letter to: <u>principalsoffice@sjbdhs.org</u> or fax to: 631-587-8996.

SJB Offers Prep Course for TACHS Exam

St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the test for ADMISSION INTO CATHOLIC HIGH

SCHOOLS (TACHS EXAM). This course consists of five 2½ hour sessions beginning in September. A Test Taking Strategies Class is also being offered on the Friday evening before the exam. For additional information please visit <u>www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net</u> or call 631-587-8000 ext.117

Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday, September 12th and Monday, September 19th, 2022 at Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For further information and current protocols, visit: <u>www.babylonchorale.org</u> or e-mail: <u>info@babylonchorale.org</u>

Hope House Ministries needs your help!

Contact your Elected Representatives in support of Hope House Ministries.

Hope House Ministries is eligible for a grant to support people in our area recovering from the long term effects of opioid addiction. Hope House has been serving men, women, teenagers and families in different ways for over 40 years. If you'd like to express in writing your sup-

port for Hope House's application for the grant, please go to: <u>https://www.hhm.org/local-representative-letter/</u> Download the template letter, sign and send it to your local representative.

Church Census Information

Has your contact information changed, or are you moving?

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any recent changes -- address, family members, phone numbers, etc. With your help, our parish data information will be more accurate, and receipt of Parish Offering Envelopes and other church information can be processed more efficiently.

Please mail the information to the Parish Office, or email to: parishoffice@ollchurch.org.



Boy Scout Troop 179

For 50 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. Troop meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30pm. If you are interested in learning more about Boy Scouts and our Troop, please check out our website: <u>https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179</u> or contact us at: <u>troop179cc@yahoo.com</u>.







Preparing for Marriage?

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are provided with social-distancing during this time.

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on Nov. 19-20, 2022. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: longisland.engagedencounter.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Do you have grandparents or older friends that danced and partied in the 1930s and 40s? Did they only listen to radio shows? If you answered YES please nominate that couple for the Longest Married Couple Project, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) starting today. Go to: https://wwme.org/community/sponsored-events/longest-married-couple/ to place your nomination or call 321-544-3440 or e-mail: dick.diane.baumbach@wwme.org. Deadline: September 10th

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at: https://wwmenyli.org/.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Let your heart lead you and your spouse to experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on September 23-25 or November 11-13 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY.

Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

The group, led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader, will meet every Tuesday from 2:00pm-4:00pm in the Parish Center (located across from the playground and to the right of Outreach). For more information and to register, please call Michael at 631-968-9154. *Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status.*

Part Time Receptionist - OLPH - Lindenhurst

Requirements include knowledge of basic computer skills, answering phone calls, and greeting parishioners. Must have an upbeat personality and enjoy working with the public. Hours: Monday and Tuesday evenings, 4:00pm-9:00pm, and Saturdays 9:00am-2:00pm. There will be an intensive training period, which means there needs to be an opened availability during this time. This is a position where flexibility is needed to fill in when necessary. Resumes may be sent to Jill Marie Delano jdelano@oloph.org.

Support Groups (all meetings are in Lourdes Hall - lower level of Convent)

Alcoholics Anonymous: Monday and Tuesday at 8:00pm and Saturday at 11:00am and 7:00pm. ALANON: Wednesday at 10:00am. Beginner's meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available.

Families Anonymous Meetings

12-Step support group giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems will meet virtually and in person. For additional information e-mail: Donna526@aol.com or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: FamiliesAnonymous.org.

Religion and Rock

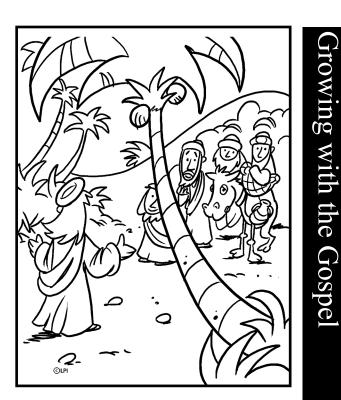
Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Stress". To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.





Sharing the Gospel

Living God's way can be very hard for some people. Name the people in your family. Can you love God more than you love your family? Name some of your friends. Can you love God more than you love your friends? Name your favorite books, movies or toys. Can you love God more than those things? It is OK to love your family, have good friends, and enjoy the gifts God has given you. Just remember to love God first.



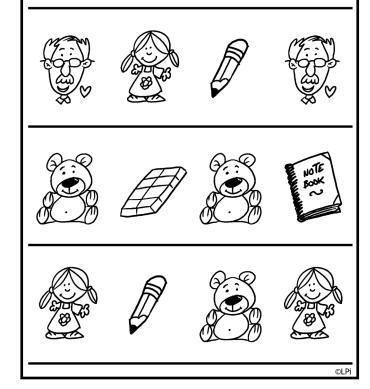
Mission for the Week



Say a special prayer to God today. Thank Him for your family, your friends, and for all the things God has given you to enjoy.

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Circle the picture that is the **same** as the **first** one. Then color in all the pictures.



Prayer

Dear God, Help me to love You more than anyone or anything else.



Something to Draw

