Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor Rev. Andrew Garnett, Associate Pastor

Deacon John De Guardi, Deacon Tom Lucie, Deacon Jack Meehan, Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ, Director of Religious Ed **Trish Frodell,** Director of Parish Social Ministry

Louise Jane Krol, School Principal

Sr. Diane Liona CSJ, Director of Religious Ed

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Vita Scorcia, Ministry Spiritual Director

Parish Office

Phone: 661.3224, press 1

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm

Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm Sunday: 9:00am-2:00pm

E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org

Fax: 661.7143

Website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

Phone: 587.7200, press 2Monday-Friday: 9:00am-3:00pm
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Religious Education Office

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Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon, 1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm E-mail: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

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Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

SAGE (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment)

Phone: 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.

Second Sunday of Lent • February 21, 2016



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!

- Mother Teresa

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara

Eileen Rega

Mary Borgs

Lisa Cantalino

Sonia DaSilva

Nilo DeLeon

Jerry Esposito

Trish Frodell

Pam Gagliano

Deborah Lamb

Rosalie Mangels

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John Muldoon

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Vita Scorcia

Parish Staff

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Michael Buonaspina

Parish Organist

Anne Gregg

School Office

Mary Anne Lettieri

Parish Office

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

Lori Walsh

Bulletin Editor/Website

Pat Young

Parish Office

Mission Statement

As stewards of all that God has given us, the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes serves and ministers to all who come to this place.

Regardless of a person's history, ethnicity, gender, orientation, age or race, we commit ourselves to open wide the doors of our Parish to provide a place of welcome and hospitality.

Readings for the Week of February 21

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/ Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/ Lk 9:28b-36

Monday:1 Pt 5:1-4/ Mt 16:13-19Tuesday:Is 1:10, 16-20/ Mt 23:1-12Wednesday:Jer 18:18-20/ Mt 20:17-28Thursday:Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/ Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/ 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/ Lk 13:1-9

Financial Summary

The following collections will be posted in next weekend's bulletin:

Ash Wednesday \$

February 14, 2016

Weekly Collection \$

Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00

+/- for the week \$

Church in Need-2/14 \$

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

My dear Friends in Christ,

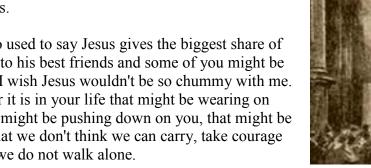
Behold the Wood of the Cross

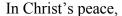
The unavoidable reality of every human life is that we must go through Good Friday to indeed reach Easter Sunday. It takes a flagellation, a crowning with thorns and a nailing of a human being to a piece of wood to arrive at Resurrection Sunday. Like any athlete knows, this means no pain then no gain, no cross then no crown, no gaul then no glory. And so as Christians, we have to share in the cross of Christ. Hans Urs von Balthasar writes, "It is to the Cross that the Christian is challenged to follow his Master: no path of redemption can make a detour around it."

We approach the cross of Christ with courage and with faith because we know that we do not carry it alone. We know that our Savior goes before us in carrying the cross and carries it with

us even when we might feel alone. Whether the cross has found you by way of the loss of a loved one, illness or even just through a small daily sacrifice of oneself, our Savior is there for us. It is only through the cross that we are saved and only by joyfully bearing whatever may come will our sufferings become meritorious. Christ conquered sin and death that we might have eternal life. Christ opened the door, we need to walk through it. It is only by participating in the sufferings of Christ that we truly live out our vocation as Christians.

Padre Pio used to say Jesus gives the biggest share of his cross to his best friends and some of you might be thinking I wish Jesus wouldn't be so chummy with me. Whatever it is in your life that might be wearing on you, that might be pushing down on you, that might be a cross that we don't think we can carry, take courage because we do not walk alone.









Altar Society

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

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.

Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force Christopher Florca-US Marines Christopher Jensen-US Air Force Edward A. Kelly IV-US Air Force Anthony Mannino-US Marines James Rooney III-US Marines

... 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 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.

Parish Spiritual Care Companions

Do you know a parishioner who is homebound and would welcome a visit from one of our trained Parish Spiritual Care Companions? Please call Rick Danowski at 586.2192, Vita Scorcia at 669.4717 or Charlie Zeiss at 669.7189.

Pray for Our Sick

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

Salvatore Albanese, Carol Alma, Joan Ansman, Richard Bombardieri, Thomas J. Calogero III, Patricia Carlson, Joan Clark, Kathy Corcoran, Irene Dauria, Margaret De Luca, Cynthia De Vivo, Joan Demsheck Preston, Amanda DiTingo, Roseann Dorohow, Frank Edwards, Paula Edwards, Jake Feldman, William Fuchs, Mary Gagliardo, Kenneth Garretson, Robert Garretson, Sandra Gil, Jeanette Giordano, Ralph Giordano, Jr., Ellen Golda, Beau Hamilton, Claire Hansen, Tommy Haughney, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Charlene Hervey, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Betty Infurno, Msgr. William Jablonski, Hank Kahn, Shena Kahn, Tom Kaval, Anne Kerrigan, George Koehler, Rita LaPiana, Patrick Lillis, Sean Lillis, Ellen McGee, Una McGrade, Vinny Meade, Debbie Mees, Dotty Meloni, Marie Miranda, Peter Murray, Ruth Murray, Nora Neshta, Nicholas Piotrowski, Nicky Polini, Dorothy Proctor, Hilda Raffaele, Jimmy Reilly, John Rickey, Rose Rickey, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Derek Stahl, Lindsey Stahl, Mary Stone, Anthony Tito, Andrew Velten, Linda Ward, Charles Zeiss

Names of the sick are listed for **five weeks** for short-term requests and **five months** for long-term.



Rest In Peace

John E. Durdaller Helen J. Puleo

We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased.

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle8:30am Edward J. Garnett, Jr.12:10pm Charles Homann

Tuesday, February 23

St. Polycarp

8:30am David McCarthy

12:10pm Modesta Tina LoSchiavo

Wednesday, February 24

8:30am Armand Stagnitta **12:10pm** Gerard Ambrosino

Thursday, February 25

8:30am Thomas J. Calogero, Jr.

12:10pm Frank Romanelli

Friday, February 26

8:30am Sophie Mantone **12:10pm** Marian McNamara

Saturday, February 27

8:30am Ethel G. Ball, Kurt J. Reuter

5:00pm Cornelius J. Guider

Fr. Andrew Garnett

Sunday, February 28

8:00am Kenneth Ross

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Edward Cameron III

Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am Robert Beck

Fr. Andrew Garnett

12:30pm André Alcobia, Maria & Manuel Martins

Fr. Andrew Garnett

6:00pm People of the Parish, Warren Nordheim,

Jennette Chefetz

Msgr. Brian McNamara

Jubilee Year of Mercy

This year has been designated as a year of mercy by Pope Francis. There will be many activities throughout this beautiful year focusing on God's mercy and our mercy towards others. One way to immerse ourselves in this year of mercy will be by praying some of the psalms of mercy during our Sunday liturgies. The psalms reflect all of life's emotions - sadness and joy, mercy and compassion, anger and love. Mercy is one of God's most highlighted characteristics in the book of psalms. Each month, we will be praying together, in song, one particular psalm that will emphasize God's mercy. During the month of February, let us look at Psalm 103 which links mercy and compassion. How do mercy and compassion interrelate? Can we have one without the other?

Psalm 103: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful

Refrain: The Lord is kind and merciful, the Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's name; bless the Lord, and forget not God's benefits.

God pardons all your iniquities, and comforts your sorrows, Redeems your life from destruction and crowns you with kindness.

> Merciful, merciful, and gracious is our God; Slow to anger, abounding in kindness.





Project Rachel

Hope & Healing after Abortion

"God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning."
"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an

abortion ... Do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope ... The Father of mercies is ready to give you His forgiveness and His peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."

(Evangelium Vitae no. 99, John Paul II)

Project Rachel is a network of specially trained, compassionate caregivers, including counselors and clergy, who are prepared to assist those who suffer from abortion loss.

For anyone suffering abortion loss

- Project Rachel Hope After Abortion hopeafterabortion.com
- Call the Respect Life Office's confidential phone line: 1.888.456.HOPE (4673)
- En Español: Esperanzaposaborto.org
- Visit Respect Life Office website: respectlife.drvc.org for more information

For anyone suffering Crisis Pregnancy

- Visit optionline.org for Pregnancy Options and Resources
- Call the 24-hour National Hotline: 1.800.712.HELP (4357)
- For more information or a list of Crisis Pregnancy Centers and Maternity Residences, visit respectlife.drvc.org

Jubilee Year of Mercy



... You are the visible face of the invisible Father

Of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy

Our Parish Corporal Work of Mercy

for this month is

Feed The Hungry / Give Drink To The Thirsty

Please bring donations for our Parish Outreach Pantry
during the month of February

Peanut Butter, Tuna, Chili,

Stew, Canned Pasta, Cereal,

Mac & Cheese, Canned Tomatoes



Additional Daily Mass

During Lent, we will have an **additional** daily Mass during the week. From Monday to Friday, in addition to the normal 8:30am Mass, we will also have a **12:10pm Mass**.

Stations of the Cross

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus Fridays in Lent
1:00pm and 7:00pm in the Church





Passion: Gospel of Luke

Tuesday, February 23 7:30pm in the Parish Center

Fr. Brian will lead us through the Passion of Christ from the Gospel of St. Luke.

Parish Mission - March 7-10

Our Parish Mission will be led by **Deacon Kevin McCormack**, Principal at Xaverian High School in Brooklyn, co-host of Religion on the Line on WABC (770AM) every Sunday morning and Deacon at Our Lady of Peace in Lynbrook. Deacon Kevin is a gifted speaker and taught many Adult Faith Formation courses at OLL over the years.

Plan to attend and bring a friend, especially if he or she has been away from the church for a period of time!



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, February 23: PASSION: GOSPEL OF LUKE

7:30pm in the PARISH CENTERJoin Fr. Brian as he leads us through the Passion of

Christ in the Gospel of St. Luke.

Friday, February 26: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCHMeditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 1: TAIZE PRAYER EXPERIENCE

7:30pm in the PARISH CENTERJoin us as we pray before the Cross in a quiet,

meditative atmosphere.

Friday, March 4: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCHMeditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Monday, March 7 - Thursday, March 10: PARISH MISSION

7:30pm in the CHURCH Join with us as Deacon Kevin McCormack

helps us to draw closer to Christ in this holy

year dedicated to Mercy.

Friday, March 11: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCHMeditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 15: Movie: Passion of the Christ

7:30pm in the PARISH CENTERWatch the very moving depiction of the Passion of

Jesus as depicted by Mel Gibson.

Friday, March 18: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCHMeditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

"LENT comes providentially to re-awaken us, to shake us from our lethargy."

Pope Francis













In addition to our parish website (<u>ollchurch.org</u>), please visit us on *Facebook* at *The Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes*. Click "Like" and you will receive the latest news on upcoming parish events and information.

Ministry of Praise

Members pray at home for the intentions of the Church and Parish; designed for the homebound, senior citizens, etc. Monthly calendar is available in the Narthex. Prayer requests can be left in the Ministry of Praise box along with the name and address of any homebound person who might want a copy of the calendar mailed to them (please print).

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 8:00pm until 10:00pm. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship.

Prayer for Divine Mercy

An invitation to all men and women to be part of God's plan. We invite you to meet in prayer for the world and our nation to put their trust in God. Our hope is that the nations will have a new spirit of morality. Please come with your love and hope for humanity as well as your prayer requests. We gather together every **Thursday at 1:30pm** before the Blessed Sacrament for about one half hour. For more information, call Charles Argento at 586.8528.



Boy Scout Troop 179

For more than 42 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. We meet every **Thursday** in the School Cafeteria from **7:30pm to 9:00pm**. If you are interested in joining Boy Scouts, check out our website and stop by a meeting!

Website: http://witroop179.wix.com/bsatroop179#

Email: WIBSATroop179@outlook.com

Support Groups (all meetings are in **Lourdes Hall** - lower level of Convent) **Alcoholics Anonymous:** Monday and Tuesday at 8pm and Saturday at 11am and 7pm. **ALANON:** Wednesday at 10am. Beginner's meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available. **AA Day-by-Day/Girls Night Out:** Thursday at 7:30pm.

SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on Tuesday, February 23 in the Parish Center at 9:00am.

Donations to Parish 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 661.3224, option 4.

Special Keys ...



Religious Education Kindergarten Program!

We started this program a few years ago and have expanded it so that we have a session each month:

February 26 • March 11 • April 15 • May 13 • June 3

We meet in the Church at 4:30pm on Friday and the program lasts about 40 minutes.

Come and see what wonderful opportunities there are for your Kindergarten children to learn about their faith!

E-mail to register: sdiane@ollchurch.org

Church Census Information

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any 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 distributed more efficiently. Please mail the information to the Parish Office or email to parishoffice@ollchurch.org.

2015-2016 Missalette Memorial Opportunity

Each year, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish purchases new missalettes which include the order of Mass texts, readings for Sundays and Holy Days, daily Mass propers and all the music we sing throughout the year.

This year, and for the years to come, we are asking you to consider making a donation to help offset the cost of the missalettes. We are asking for \$20 per missalette. For each donation, there will be a book plate inscription on the inside front cover of a missalette.

We hope to offset the cost each year by having parishioners:

- Make a donation as a gift
- Memorialize a missalette in memory of a deceased friend or relative
- Dedicate a missalette in honor of a friend or relative (living)

We thank you for your consideration of this request. Your generosity and commitment to Our Lady of Lourdes is vital and your participation is greatly appreciated. Your gift will certainly enable us, as a Parish, to continue to lift our hearts and voices to God and at the same time, remember your intention.

2015-2016 Missalette Memorial

Yes, I would like to help defray the cost of our yearly missalette.

I am enclosing \$20 per book, checks made payable to Our Lady of Lourdes.

***Please return form to the Parish Office or mail back to the Parish

Name		
Address		
Phone_		
Email		Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Envelope/Contribution #	Example of a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5"	
The bookplate will have the following inscription: Please choose only one per book.	Memorial Label Inside the front cover of each missalette	In memory of John Doe
You may memorialize more than one book. Please print very clearly.		Given by Jane Doe & Family
(For a Deceased Person) In memory of		
Given by (Your names	s)	
(For a Living Person) Please Pray for		
Given by (Your names)		
(Given as a gift) Gift from		

THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY: SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT SIN

"I am a sinner. This is the most accurate definition. It is not a figure of speech, a literary genre. I am a sinner."

Those words of Pope Francis from a 2013 interview get right to the heart of the mystery of sin in our life. The simple fact is that sin is a reality. We can't rationalize it away, and we can't find excuses; we sin. As much as we try to blame others and try to find all sorts of reasons to say it's not our fault, the unvarnished truth is we sin.

Ironically, though, it's only by admitting the truth of our sinfulness that we can truly discover and experience the inconceivable depth and richness of God's mercy. As Pope Francis remarked in 2010, "Only we big sinners have this grace of knowing what salvation really means." That's because to understand what sin is, we first have to start with God's love.

We are profoundly loved by God with a love that is unconditional and life-giving. God has given us the gift of life. Through baptism, God has given us the gift of union with Christ and with each other in the Church. In the face of God's free gift, the only proper response on our part is a response of love that is given back to God, a love that makes our life a gift to Him and that leads to living in the way He asks us to.

Sin sets itself against God's love for us and turns our hearts away from that love. Like the sin of Adam and Eve, it is disobedience, a revolt against whereby we desire to have a mastery over our life that in truth belongs to God. Sin is an inordinate love of self, even to the point of putting oneself before God. It is a proud exaltation of self, in contrast to the obedience of Jesus, whose observance of the Father's will brought about our salvation.

Sin can be likened to a disorder or sickness. Take the example of our physical health: sometimes we are seriously ill, and sometimes we just have a cold. So, too, with spiritual health: sin can be serious (mortal) or less serious (venial).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that "sin is an offense against reason, truth, and right conscience; it is failure in genuine love for God and neighbor caused by a perverse attachment to certain goods. It wounds the nature of man and injures human solidarity." (1849)

Sin is a personal act, but our sins can sometimes lead others to commit sin. Our participation in collective wrong-doing can lead to "social sin," sin that gives rise to social situations and institutions that are contrary to the very nature of God.

The awareness of sin in our life should lead us to immediately trust in God's mercy. We have the great gift of being able to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance. The Sacrament of Penance brings us the experience of God's love and mercy, proving to us His desire to keep us always close to Him as His beloved sons and daughters. ❖





Lenten Day of Prayer at the Seminary

Sunday, February 28, 2016

Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, C.M., will present a Day of Prayer at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington from 9:30am to 3:00pm. The theme will be "*Mercy of God.*"

Fr. Griffin will lead us in reflecting upon the meaning of mercy, and pay special attention to the way in which we give it expression in some of the corporal works of mercy (visiting the sick, comforting the lonely, burying the dead), and in a spiritual work of mercy (forgiveness).

Includes lunch, opportunity for confession, and Mass. Donation - \$30. Sponsored by Friends of the Seminary. Reservations required: 631.423.0483x102 or bmalone@icseminary.edu.

Bereavement Support Group

St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8-week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group, which begins on Wednesday, March 16 through May 4 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Refreshments will be served. For information and/or registration, please call the rectory at 631.581.4266, ext. 100. Please note the groups are open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to December 16, 2015.

A New Option for Senior Living - Harvest Houses Residences for Independent Seniors

What is **Harvest House**? Directed by Sisters of St. Dominic, **Harvest House** is a positive option for independent Seniors 65+ who want the fullness of living in a family atmosphere, in a secure environment minus the burden of managing a home or apartment.

Harvest House offers ... The fullness of living in companionship, with nutritious meals, private bedroom, common living space to be with friends, share ideas, stories and good times.

Harvest House is ... Affordable, conveniently located to shopping, places of worship, library, restaurants, public transportation and more ...

Locations ... Syosset, NY and Floral Park, NY

For information call: S. Jeanne A. Brendel, O.P. CSW at 516.496.9796

Website: www.harvesthouses.org





Sisters of St. Joseph to Launch St. Joseph Worker Brentwood Volunteer Program

Looking to do a year of service? Do you know of a young woman between 21 and 30 who desires an experience that is challenging, life-changing, and filled with new experiences? Are you THAT WOMAN? Consider the St. Joseph Worker Brentwood Volunteer Program!

The St. Joseph Worker Brentwood Volunteer Program is seeking to provide young women who have completed college with an opportunity to volunteer in a specific ministry in the fields of social services, healthcare, education and advocacy/systemic change. Volunteers will live in community with other volunteers. The program begins in August and will finish in late June. Volunteers must be able to give a one-year commitment. Ministry will be in surrounding neighborhoods in Sister of St. Joseph Ministries.

Join us for an open house on **Saturday, March 12 between 2:00pm and 4:00pm on the Mary Louis Academy grounds, Jamaica, New York**, to hear about the SJW Volunteer Program and see the house where volunteers will live. Applications are being accepted now. Link for the application: (http://brentwoodcsj.org/application-st-joseph-worker-program/)

For further information, please contact:

Sister Theresa Scanlon, CSJ 646.660.2711 Sister Suzanne Franck, CSJ 631.273.7575 scanlont@csjbrentwood.org sfranck@sjcny.edu SJWBrentwood@csjbrentwood.org

An Evening of Celtic Music February 27, 2016 at 7:00pm St. Anthony's HS Auditorium 275 Wolf Hill Road South Huntington, NY 11747



The Evening of Celtic Music is a benefit for St. Anthony's High School Celtic Friar Pipe Band. The Celtic Friar Pipe Band, Iona College Pipe Band, Friar Show Choir, The Bob Morris Irish Band, Irish Dancers and an Irish Sing-Along will be among this evening's entertainment. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$25.

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 2 Babylon

Paint Party Fundraiser - Sunday, February 28 from 1-5pm Paint and all materials provided by instructor. Come experience a new adventure! Tickets are \$40.00 and make a great gift for daughters, moms, grandmas and girl friends. Join us for a wonderful afternoon of fun. Coffee, tea and snacks included. Cash bar. Tickets: Ann Munkwitz 631.666.4756 or Casey DeNatalie 631.241.8508

Spiritual Care Companion

Would you like to learn to become a Spiritual Care Companion sharing your time and presence for those hospitalized, living in nursing homes, homebound or adults with special needs?

Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors a free three-week training, for volunteers of all faiths, providing basic pastoral care skills and information needed to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Our training includes communication skills, concerns of the sick and homebound, spiritual companioning, grief, death and dying, and how to care for the caregiver. There is a materials fee of \$20.00 which includes an 85-page workbook as well as six Catholic Updates.

Information Session: Saturday, February 20 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Location: Catholic Health Services, 245 Old Country Road, Melville, NY 11747 **Trainings:** 3 consecutive Saturdays: March 5, 12 and 19 from 9:00am to 3:30pm

To register, please contact Carol Cella at 631.465.6307, Christine Torns at 631.465.6306 or Jo-Andrew D'Alessandro Accary at 631.465.6308.

Bridge for Peace presents "Lord is it I?" Sunday, March 13 at 3:00pm

Bring the family and friends to this dramatic presentation of The Last Supper at:

St. Joseph, Msgr. Nolan Hall, 39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY Free-will offering to support the on-going ministry of Bridge for Peace For information, call Sharon at 631.321.8986 or BFP at 631.730.3982

Bridge for Peace - Healing to the Nations

<u>bridgeforpeace@optonline.net</u> | <u>www.bridgeforpeace.org</u>

Religion and Rock

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7am to 8am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Forgiveness."

Sharing the Gospel

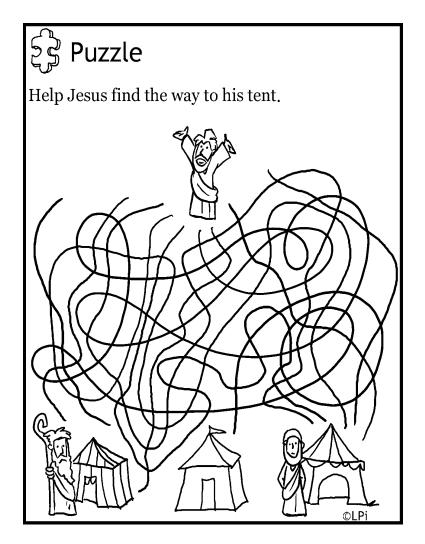
One night when Jesus prayed, Jesus showed Peter, James and John what he would look like in heaven. Jesus' face changed and his clothes glowed brightly. Jesus even talked to Moses and Elijah, who had gone to heaven many years earlier. Jesus was different. He was from God!



Mission for the Week



Find something that glows in the dark. As you see it in a dark room, imagine how brightly Jesus must have glowed.



Prayer

Dear Jesus,
I can hardly
wait to see
what you really
look like in
heaven.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus with bright, glowing clothes.

