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Vita Scorcia, Ministry Spiritual Director

#### Sacraments

### **Anointing of the Sick**

and Choir Director

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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 25, 2016

### **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

### **Parish Office**

Phone: 631.661.3224, 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: 631.661.7143 | Website: www.ollchurch.org

## **Our Lady of Lourdes School**

Phone: 631.587.7200, press 2 Monday-Friday: 9:00am-3:00pm E-mail: lkrol@ollschool.org

## **Religious Education Office**

Phone: 631.661.5440, press 3 Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon, 1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm E-mail: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

### **Parish Outreach Office**

**Phone: 631.661.9262, press 4** Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

**SAGE** (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment)

Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122 E-mail: Sage@ollchurch.org



# 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

Nilo DeLeon

Jerry Esposito

Trish Frodell

Pam Gagliano

Deborah Lamb

Rosalie Mangels

Deacon Jack Meehan

John Muldoon

**Dottie Perdue** 

Vita Scorcia

# Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson** 

Parish Office

AnnMarie Buonaspina

Director of Youth Choirs

Michael Buonaspina

Parish Organist

**Stacy Gordon** 

School Office

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 September 25

**Sunday:** Am 6:1a, 4-7/ 1 Tm 6:11-16/ Lk 16:19-31

**Monday:** Jb 1:6-22/ Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday:** Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/ Lk 9:51-56 **Wednesday:** Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/ Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/ Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/ Lk 10:13-16 Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/ Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/ 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/ Lk 17:5-10

# **Financial Summary**

**September 18, 2016** 

Weekly Collection \$ 15,476.00 Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00 +/- for the week \$ ( 2,324.00)

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

### Dear Parishioners:

A few parishioners asked me to print the various quotes from my reflection on Mother Teresa a few Sundays ago. You can also "google": "Mother Teresa: quotes" and you'll find a lot more.

### **QUOTES FROM MOTHER TERESA**

- + Being a Christian means doing little things but with great love.
- + God does not ask me to be successful; He asks me to be faithful.
- + If we really want to love, we must learn to forgive.
- + At the end of our lives we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, or how much money we have made or how many great things we have done. We will be judged by: "I was hungry and you gave me to eat; I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in."
- People are often unreasonable and self-centered forgive them anyway.

  If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives be kind anyway.

  If you are honest, people may cheat you be honest anyway.

  If you find happiness, people may be jealous be happy anyway.

  The good you do today, may be forgotten tomorrow do good anyway.

  Give the world the best you have and it may not be enough give your best anyway.

  For you see, in the end, it was between you and God; it was never between you and them
- + If you judge people, you have no time to love them.
- + What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.
- + A life not lived for others is not a life.
- + The poor are Jesus in disguise.

anyway.

- + If we pray, we will believe; if we believe, we will love; if we love, we will serve.
- + When a poor person dies it is not because God did not take care of him or her. It has happened because neither you or I wanted to give the person what he or she needed.
- + The greatest destroyer of peace is the crime of the taking of innocent human life. If we can kill our own child, what is left for you and me to kill each other? ... Let us all pray that we have the courage to stand by the unborn child and to give the child the opportunity to love and to be loved.
- + I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God who is sending a love letter to the world.
- + I know God will not give me anything more than I can handle. I just wish He wouldn't trust me so much.
- + Live simply so that others may simply live.
- + I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love
- + The greatest disease today is not leprosy or tuberculosis but, rather, the feeling of being unwanted.
- + We need to find God but He cannot be found in noise and restlessness. God is the friend of silence. We need silence to touch souls.
- + Prayer is the mortar that holds our house together.
- + If we want a love message to be heard, it has to be sent out constantly. To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it.
- + Together, we can do something beautiful for God.

In Christ,

## **Altar Society**

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Carol Grillo*. 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 in the Middle East conflict.

Brian Barthel-US Air Force
Michael DiMatteo-US Marines
Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force
Christopher Florca-US Marines
Anthony Mannino-US Marines
James Rooney III-US Marines
Michael Wilkinson-US Army

... 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.

# **Pray for Our Sick**

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

Helen Abizeid, Sal Albanese, Thomas Anderson, MaryAnne Anitra, Rebecca Arrov, Luddy Bruno, Clare Buetow, Ann Calogero, Benjamin Calogero, Thomas J. Calogero III, Frank Castellano, Bob Cestaro, Helen Ciardella, Grace Ciccarello, Diane Cullen, Sal DePetro, Joseph DeSantis, Amanda DiTingo, James Dobson, Michael Einfeldt, T. J. Ferrante, Robert Garretson, Elizabeth Goode, Charlene Grahn, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Patricia Hernandez, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Dawn Hutchinson, Msgr. Wm. Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, Maryjane Keveny, George Koehler, Mary Lazzarini, Patrick Lillis, Sean Lillis, Vinny Meade, Dotty Meloni, Ken Monroe, Dominic Netti, Tobie Oreste, Phyllis Pasciuta, Bob Perlow, Peter Porzio, Dorothy Proctor, Nannette Proscia, June Quirino, Jimmy Reilly, John Rickey, Rose Rickey, Joseph Roccaro, Alan Roman, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Barbara Sheehan, Denise Stark, Loretta Sullivan, Andrew Velten

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



Gianna Liege DeSena Nikolas & Fabiana

Celeste Anna Fazio Anthony & Tara

Frank Joseph Joyce Timothy & Amanda

James Patrick Landi Michael & Jean

Savannah Rose Sosnicki Kevin & Kristy

Gabriella Renee Tarantola Roy & Danielle

Addison Rae Thome Brian & Jennifer

Vincent Michael Vitale Eric & Kerry

## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, September 26

Sts. Cosmas and Damian

**8:30am** Marian McNamara

**Tuesday, September 27** 

St. Vincent de Paul

**8:30am** Ellen Federico (*living*)

Wednesday, September 28

St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

8:30am William Basso

Thursday, September 29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

**8:30am** Nicholas Serdock (*living*)

Friday, September 30

St. Jerome

**8:30am** Al & Edith Peterson

Saturday, October 1

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

8:30am Ruth Murray, Joan Puccia, Peter DeBlasi

**5:00pm** Franklin G. Edwards V

Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, October 2

**8:00am** Henry Gleckler

Fr. Andrew Garnett

**9:30am** Elizabeth Serdock (*living*)

Fr. Andrew Garnett

**11:00am** Reilly Family

Visitor

**12:30pm** John Lovari

Fr. Andrew Garnett

**6:00pm** People of the Parish, Mr. & Mrs. Maresca and

Family, Alfred Cordani, Leonard Postiglione, Margaret Healion, Daniel Hess, Joan Puccia, Rocco Germano, Tom & Connie Passalacqua,

Richard Xavier Batista, Theresa Kilrain,

Joseph Flaherty

Msgr. Brian McNamara



# **Project Rachel Hope & Healing after Abortion**

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: <u>hopeafterabortion.com</u>
- Call the Respect Life Office's confidential phone line: 1.888.456-HOPE (4673)
- En Español: Esperanzaposaborto.org
- Visit the Respect Life Office website respectlife.drvc.org for more information

### For anyone suffering Crisis Pregnancy

Visit <u>OPTIONLINE.ORG</u> for Pregnancy Options & 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 - Psalm 130: With the Lord

Refrain: With the Lord there is mercy and the fullness of redemption, call to Him in your trials, He will answer whenever you call.

Out of the depths I cry to you, I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, open your ears and hear my voice, attend to the sound of my plea.

If you O Lord, should mark our guilt, then, Lord, who could hope to survive? But with you is found forgiveness of sin, and mercy that we might revere you.

Trust in the Lord, count on His word, wait for the Lord, my soul. I will wait for the Lord all the days of my life as sentinels wait for the dawn.

More than the sentinels wait for the dawn, let Israel wait for the Lord. For kindness is His, redemption for all, forgiveness of sins for His people.



## **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 661.3224, option 4.



Canned chili Canned fruit Canned vegetables Pork & beans Soups Tuna

# **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 Spiritual Work of Mercy

for this month is

Instruct the Uninformed (Teach by Example)

Teacher God,

Help parents to know when to let go

And when to hold tight.

Let parents feel respected and loved.

### **SAGE**

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on Tuesday, September 27 in the Parish Center at 9:00am.

### **Nocturnal Adoration**

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." This is Jesus Christ's invitation every first Saturday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is taken to the altar after the 5:00pm Mass and will be exposed up to 9:50pm. Everyone is invited to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament to offer prayers, petitions and thanksgiving to Jesus. Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5:00pm Mass on **Saturday, October 1**, concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!

# PEP 1 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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.

### **INFORMATION MEETING AND REGISTRATION**

Choose one:

Monday September 26 10:30am or 7:30pm Wednesday September 28 10:30am 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), and the registration fee (if this is your oldest child) is \$200



# **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 *RCIA* @ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 631.661.3224, option 1, and we would be happy to help you.

# **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**



# **Italian Family Feast 2016**



# Super Raffle Winners

\$7,000 #165 \$2,000 #114 \$1,000 #128

# Feast Sponsors

Please patronize and support our generous
Feast Sponsors:
Atlantic Hyundai of West Islip
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Moreland Hose
Munch Landscaping
Nick's Deli
Ocean Janitorial
Precision Painting and Paperhanging
Sergeant B's Landscaping

West Islip Wines and Liquors



## Nightly Raffle Winners

Wednesday	#16448
Thursday	#53830
Friday	#14832
Saturday	#43293
Sunday	#52730



# Thank you!

Thank you "Feast Volunteers" for all you do! Our feast was a great success! Also, a shout out to Feast Committee Chairs – Frank Antonawich and Deacon Rich Maher.

### **ATTENTION ALL CHILDREN AND TEENS:**

# You are invited to be part of the Youth Music Ministry at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

# The youth choirs meet every Sunday at the

# **9:30am Mass**

Rehearsal after Mass each week in the Parish Center or the

# 6:00pm Mass

Rehearsals will be in the church weekly at 5:00pm prior to the 6:00pm Mass



Come join our music ministry as you Praise God with Music!

Ms. AnnMarie Buonaspina Youth Music Ministry Director annmarie@ollchurch.org

## **Our Lady of Lourdes School**

Our Lady of Lourdes School is selling valuable, family-friendly **KidStuff Coupon Books** which are filled with hundreds of national, regional and local coupons for all ages! The KidStuff Book is conveniently organized, offers incredible savings and is sold exclusively through schools! Our school earns 50% or more profit for every book we sell!



Use just a few coupons and easily save more than the \$25 cost of the book ... Remember to keep KidStuff in your car! Most coupons are long-term and valid for 16 months! See all 24 editions at

http://www.kidstuffcb.com/kidstuff-coupon-book-editions. KidStuff ships books to our school where you can pick them up from the school office.

To order, please email Mrs. Nancy Kuchler in the School Office at <a href="nkuchler5622@ollschool.org">nkuchler5622@ollschool.org</a> or call 631.587.7200 ext. 101.



# **OLL's Christmas Spectacular**

# St. Francis Tells the Christmas Story

will be presented once again with performances on Friday, December 9 at 5:30pm and 8:15pm

# Come and be a part of this special presentation!

Rehearsals will be on several Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm

**Sign-Up Meeting:** 

Tuesday, September 27 at 7:00pm in the Church

For more information, please email: ollchristmasshow@gmail.com

# Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 2 2:00pm Father Joe Garden

## Bless them all, big and small!

Join us in celebrating the **Feast of St. Francis of Assisi** and bring your beloved pets and companions for a special blessing.

We are extending a special invitation to **ALL SERVICE ANIMALS** who not only love their "person" but give of themselves in all they do each day!





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 over 40 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. We meet every **Thursday during the school year** 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.





# **Vendors Needed**

# OLL School Community Yard Sale and Craft Fair Saturday, October 15, 2016 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Do you want to get rid of those unwanted things piled up around the house while making a few extra dollars? Maybe you have been working hard on a craft that you would like to sell. It doesn't matter to us, either way we have a spot for you.

Early bird registration -\$30.00 (by Friday 10/7/16) ~ Registration after 10/7/16 -\$40.00

"The sale will be held in the parking lot. Registration will allow a vendor to occupy one parking space in the designated sale area.

Please send the completed registration form and payment to

Our Lady of Lourdes School

44 Toomey Rd

West Islip, NY 11795

For more information contact Carleen Thorn-Newlands at nybs1970@gmail.com

Community Yard Sale and Craft Sale Registration

<u>Vendor Information</u>	
Name	Type of Booth (Check all that apply)
Address	Used items Crafts
Phone Numbers	Payment Method
Ноте	CheckCash (do not mail cash)
Cell	Credit/Debit Card #
	Exp Date CRV #

## **Part-time Receptionist Position**

St. Joseph Parish in Babylon is seeking a warm, welcoming individual as our office receptionist. Hours are two weekday evenings, 6pm-9pm; two Sundays and one Saturday a month 9:30am to 1:30pm; other times when available. Excellent phone manner, attention to detail and clear handwriting essential. Computer skills a plus. Qualified candidates are invited to call 631.669.0068 Ext. 110 and please leave a message with your name and contact phone number. Thank you.

# **Golden Wedding Liturgy**

This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on **Sunday**, **October 23** at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on **Sunday**, **November 6** at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at **2:30pm**. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy*. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the Parish Office. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by **October 7** for the **October 23** liturgy and by **October 21** for the **November 6** liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time. If you have any questions, you may call 516.678.5800, ext. 207.

## **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.

Students who plan to apply to one or more Catholic high schools on Long Island must take the Catholic High School Entrance Examination. The exam will be administered without accommodations on **Saturday, October 29 at 8:30am** for students applying for admission to freshman classes beginning in the **Fall of 2017**. There is a \$60 non-refundable registration fee.

Students must register for the exam by **Wednesday**, **October 5**. Walk-ins will be permitted on the day of the exam. There is an additional \$15 fee for late registrations & walk-ins.

For more information or to register on-line, visit the Catholic High Schools of Long Island website at chsee.org.

Registration forms are also available for the Catholic High School entrance exam at the OLL School Office or Religious Education Office. If you have any questions, please call the OLL School Office at 631.587.7200, option #2 or the Religious Education Office at 631.661.5440, option #3.

Catho	olic High School Op	en House Schedule	
September 2016	_		
Sunday 25	12:00pm - 2:30pm	Holy Trinity High School	
October 2016			
Saturday 1	10:00am - 1:00pm	Kellenberg Memorial H.S.	
Saturday 1	11:00am - 2:00pm	Sacred Heart Academy	
Saturday 1	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Chaminade H.S.	
Sunday 2	10:00am - 1:00pm	St. Anthony's H.S.	
Saturday 15	9:00am - 12:00pm	McGann-Mercy Dioc. H.S.	
Sunday 16	10:30am - 2:00pm	St. John the Baptist H.S.	
Sunday 16	2:00pm - 4:00pm	St. Mary's High School	

# St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Please accept my deepest thanks for your prayers and continued support for the senior priests residing at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility.

As Rev. Msgr. Charles Nosser, retired Pastor of Our Lady of Victory, Floral Park and current resident of St. Pius X, shared, "We give thanks to God for this wonderful facility and thank the wonderful people of our Diocese for supporting it. St Pius is a place to come when you need assistance and still be with fellow priests and friends."

St. Pius X ensures that our senior priests are being cared for in a setting that fosters their spiritual lives, nurtures their physical and mental wellbeing and guarantees that they can continue to live with dignity while assessing a wide array of social and spiritual opportunities.

"Still on duty," St Pius X provides the opportunity for our senior priests residing there to remain fully engaged members of our Diocesan community, serving as our teachers, counselors and spiritual leaders. Every morning in their Chapel, they can be heard praying for the good people of our Diocese.

St. Pius X means so much to our retired priests. Please give prayerful consideration of a gift in support of this important facility. Your support will ensure that our retired priests will be served today and long into the future.

I ask you to remember them especially in your daily prayers, as we are remembered in theirs.

With my prayers and gratitude, I am

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre

To learn more about the St. Pius X Enriched living facility, visit <a href="https://www.drvc.org/stpiusx">www.drvc.org/stpiusx</a>
Diocese of Rockville Centre • PO Box 4000, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-4000 • 516-678-5800 ext. 257

# Our Lady of Fatima Day - Thursday, October 13

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport Manor Road, Manorville, NY 11949

631.325.0661 | www.OurLadyofTheIsland.org

10:00am - Rosary Procession at Rosary Walk

11:30am - Mass at The Rock

12:30pm - Lunch Break

1:30pm - Conference

3:00pm - Holy Hour

# **Autumn in West Islip Luncheon**

The West Islip Beautification Society is hosting an Autumn in West Islip Luncheon

Sunday, October 16

12:00noon-4:00pm

Southward Ho Country Club, Bay Shore

The event features beautiful expert floral demonstrations by *Bayport Flower House* - dozens of raffle prizes!

Tickets are on sale for \$50 until October 1. Contact Josephine Milone at 631.669.0433.

# **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

**Attention Married Couples!** 

Fall in Love again with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

This might be just what you're looking for! It's time to renew your relationship. Rediscover your love and enhance your hopes and dreams! WWME is the original and still the best!



Non-residential weekend: October 15 and 16

at Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston (Queens), N.Y. 11362

Full weekend: November 4 to 6

at The Montfort Spiritual Center, 26 South Saxon Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

Space is limited. For more information about the weekends or to apply, call 1.877.697.9963 or visit

## **Vendors Wanted for Christmas Craft Fair**

Sunday, December 11 from 10:00am to 4:00pm

St. John the Baptist DHS – West Islip

Spaces are still available. For information, call Kathy 516.241.1294

## **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 "Autumn Changes."

# **Sharing the Gospel**

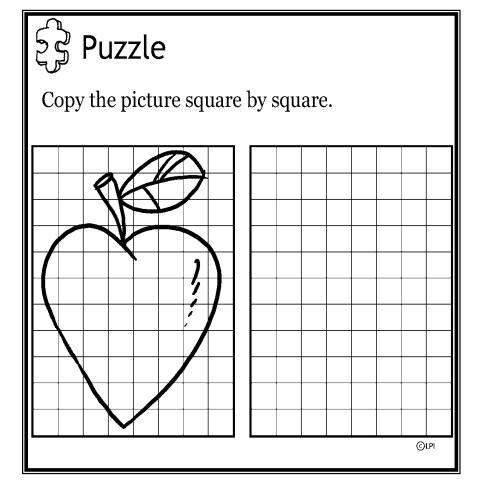
Today, Jesus told a story about a selfish rich man who ignored God and refused to share with other people. All his money did him no good when he died. He didn't go to heaven. He had his whole life to learn about God, and he could have helped many people with his money. Instead, he forgot about God. He wasted his riches and bought a lot of nice things for himself. Learn from the rich man. Live for God, not for money.



# **Mission for the Week**



Use four jars to save your money, and label them GOD, GIVE, SAVE and SPEND. Use the money from the first two jars to share with God and others. Use the money in the last two jars for yourself.



# **Prayer**

Dear God, help me to share the things you have given me. I love you more than money.



# Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself using some money you saved to buy peanut butter for a poor family.