



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
Rev. Andrew Garnett, Associate Pastor
Rev. Lawrence Maduwesi, in Residence
Chaplain, Southside Hospital

Deacon John De Guardi, Deacon Tom Lucie,
Deacon Rich Maher, 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
Debbie Meyer, Business Manager
Robin Reynolds Brennan, Coordinator of Worship
and Choir Director
Vita Scorgia, Ministry Spiritual Director

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.

**Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 23, 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 Buonaspin
 Director of Youth Choirs
Michael Buonaspin
 Parish Organist
Stacy Gordon
 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 October 23

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/ 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/ Lk 18:9-14
Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/ Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/ Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/ Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/ Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Eph 2:19-22/ Lk 6:12-16
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/ Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/ 2 Thes 1:11-2:2/ Lk 19:1-10

Financial Summary

October 16, 2016

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,101.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (1,699.00)

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

Dear Parishioners:

Recently, a “Pew Research” poll was conducted among 35,000 adults in the United States regarding religious affiliation. The headlines in the report indicate that, over the past 7 years, there has been a significant increase in the number of people who declare themselves to have no affiliation with any particular organized religion. This group (now 20% of the American population), are not mainly composed of agnostics and atheists. These are the people you meet constantly (especially among the Millennials, those age 16 – 36 years old) who say that they are not “religious” but they are spiritual. The Pew Research poll has dubbed these people, “the nones.”

What does that mean when one says that they are not religious? Well, the word religion itself comes from the Latin “religare” – literally “to bind fast.” In the land of America where we cherish individual freedoms and the firm stance that no organization or bureaucracy should “bind” me to anything, it is no surprise that religion is on the decline. We treasure our individuality and our freedoms that empower us to choose the person we want to become. And when it comes to God or a Higher Power, I choose to experience Him on my terms; I certainly don’t need an organization to sell me a bunch of beliefs and rules. I will find the pathway of my own choosing. That represents our current cultural stance; it is a self-centered approach to God and faith – and for everything else as well!

Any important relationship, whether it is a marriage or a deep friendship, requires time and commitment. It is very hard to have a deep relationship if you do not put any time, effort or energy into the relationship. Married couples know that when they start to take their marriage for granted, the marriage suffers a bit. Any important relationship requires that time and commitment.

The same is true with our relationship with God: that relationship requires time, commitment and effort. The basic commitment is to go to Mass on Sunday. At Mass, we are challenged by the Word of God (God’s revelation of who He is to us through the Scriptures) and we receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion. If we are what we eat, by receiving Holy Communion, by receiving Christ, we shall become like Christ.

Don’t be a “none.” Make a commitment to Christ and do your part to live up to that commitment by being faithful to Mass on Sunday.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don’t forget our fundraiser to help the poor in our Parish Outreach and for the poor of the Diocese through the “SPIN” fundraiser. Fr. Andrew is leading a “SPIN TEAM” for this special fundraiser. See the bulletin for details.

Altar Society

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

Sal Albanese, MaryAnne Anitra, Maryjane Boyd, Clare Buetow, Ann Calogero, Benjamin Calogero, Thomas J. Calogero III, Grace Ciccarello, Patricia Coulman, Anne Dandrilli, Harold Deegan, Sal DePetro, Amanda DiTingo, James Dobson, Michael Einfeldt, T. J. Ferrante, Nicole Funk, Robert Garretson, Charlene Grahn, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Msgr. William Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, George Koehler, Patrick Lillis, Sean Lillis, Vinny Meade, Dotty Meloni, Ken Monroe, Phyllis Pasciuta, Bob Perlow, Dorothy Proctor, Nannette Proscia, June Quirino, Jimmy Reilly, John Rickey, Rose Rickey, Joseph Roccaro, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Denise Stark, Loretta Sullivan, Deacon Jack Teufel, Andrew Velten, Kathleen Wood

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



Rest In Peace

*Ludwig R. Bruno
Joan E. Clark*

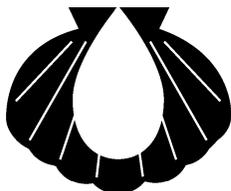
We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased.



Upcoming Marriages

*Debra Earley and
Daniel Tonsetic, both OLL*

*Susan Mayoka and
Salvatore Piccinini, both OLL*



Baptism

*Benjamin Maia Czimber
Hunter Richard Gatto
Richard Joseph Rotsch*

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret
8:30am Mary Tedaldi

Tuesday, October 25

8:30am Jerriann & Louis Ruocco

Wednesday, October 26

8:30am Valerie Moscarelli

Thursday, October 27

8:30am Salvatore & Vincenzia Ricciardi

Friday, October 28

Sts. Simon and Jude
8:30am Brian Bogart

Saturday, October 29

Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30am Ray Pendergrass, Theresa Calcanes,
Edward Swick, Raymond Stegemann

5:00pm William Donovan
Fr. Andrew Garnett

Sunday, October 30

8:00am Mark Polito
Fr. Andrew Garnett

9:30am Marian McNamara
Fr. Andrew Garnett

11:00am Maryann De Polo
Visitor

12:30pm Nancy Esposito
Fr. Andrew Garnett

6:00pm People of the Parish, Harold Leavy,
Margaret Zimmerly, Ray Pendergrass,
Connie Cusumano, Paul Anthony Marconi,
David Joseph Serkes
Fr. Andrew Garnett

Thank You!

A special "THANK YOU" to the **West Islip Country Fair Committee**. Every year, this committee hosts the annual West Islip Country Fair held on the grounds of the West Islip Public Library. Each year, this committee makes a monetary donation to the needy of our community through a donation to our Parish Outreach. This year, the Committee donated \$1,500 to the needy of our community. A special "thank you" to the members of the West Islip Country Fair Committee: **Maria Pecorale (Chair), Irene Munno (Recorder), Kay Bedell, Virginia Bonfiglio, Gary Campbell, Sue Constantine, Jim Davolio, Jennifer Delaney, Nancy Donohue, Maria McNamee, Kay Manley, Fran Mattace, Pat Rich, Kelly Sepe, Helen Schlick and Peggy Yezek.**



Word of Life - Sunday, October 23

"The dying process is a sacred time—a final season to seek closure in this life and prepare for the next in the hope of sharing in Christ's Resurrection."

"Caring for Loved One's at Life's End"
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

To read the article, visit: www.goo.gl/fvSEYp
or scan QR Code.



Jubilee Year of Mercy

Psalm 41 speaks about freeing one from evil which is considered a profound act of God's love. The tone of this psalm is filled with confidence and trust in the all merciful love of God. Psalm 41 is considered a psalm for everyone and the Amen, Amen at the conclusion signals the end of the first book of the Psalter (1-41). Amen, Amen or I believe, I believe serves as an exclamation point to faith in God!

Psalm 41

Refrain: Lord, heal my soul, for I have sinned against you.

Happy the man who considers the poor and the weak.
The Lord will save him in the day of evil.
Will guard him, give him life, make him happy in the land
And will not give him up to the will of his foes.

The Lord will help him on his bed of pain,
He will bring him back from sickness to health.
As for me, I said: "Lord, have mercy on me,
Heal my soul for I have sinned against you."

If you uphold me I shall be unharmed
And set in your presence for evermore.
Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel
From age to age. Amen. Amen.



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 Works of Mercy**

for this month are

Counsel the Doubtful

Comfort the Sorrowful

I am praying you're surrounded by

quiet, peace and serenity,

but most importantly ... His love.



All Souls Day Remembrance Candle

This year, in memory of your deceased family and friends, we are offering a *Loving Memory Candle* which will be placed in the Tabernacle area and lit on Tuesday, November 1. This symbolic light will remain in the Tabernacle area for the life of the candle (approximately a week). This is a beautiful way to remember our deceased loved ones.

The *Loving Memory Candles* will be available after all the Masses this weekend and next weekend and at the Parish Office (Rectory) during the week for a donation of \$10. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 631.661.3224, ext. 121.

SAGE

The SAGE Group (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*) will meet on **Tuesday, October 25 in the Parish Center at 9:00am.**

Always Our Children

We are gay and lesbian Catholics, their family members and friends who meet once a month to pray, support each other, and discuss how God is present in our lives. We look forward to meeting this month on **Thursday, October 27 at 7:30pm in the Spiritual Life Center.** Each month, a relevant different topic is discussed and reflected upon. Come join us; all are welcome.

Bake Sale

Next weekend, the Dominican Sisters will be hosting a bake sale. They will be selling bread, brownies, and apple and blueberry pies. These are all baked accordingly to the Dominican Sisters recipes. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers.

All Souls Mass of Remembrance

We Remember ... We Celebrate ... We Believe ...



During the past year at Our Lady of Lourdes, more than 100 Funeral Masses were celebrated for members of our Parish family who have died. Their families will be invited to participate in a special Mass of Remembrance, followed by hospitality, on **Saturday, November 5 at 11:00am.**

Let us remember in prayer this day all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and for their families who mourn their passing - may they know of Christ's healing love.

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

Confirmation

On **Wednesday, November 9**, Msgr. James M. McNamara, Vicar, Central Vicariate, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the candidates of our Parish. These young women and men are the chosen members of this community who have studied, served and prepared for this Sacrament.



During the past few weeks, they have continued their journey towards Confirmation and even greater involvement in the life of our church. The Confirmation Candidates of our Parish have participated in “Spirit Nights” with their parents and sponsors. These times together were an opportunity for them to experience how important it is to be active, faith-filled members of the church community. Each “Spirit Night” concluded with celebrating Mass with our Parish family Sunday evening at 6:00pm. Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they embrace this very important commitment in their faith journey and that they will continue to be strengthened, loved and supported by YOU ... their Parish family.

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:

November 18, December 2, January 13, February 10, March 10, April 7, May 12 and June 2

We meet in the Church at 4:30pm on Friday ... and the program lasts about 40 minutes. Come and see what wonderful opportunities we have for your kindergarten children to learn about their faith!

E-mail to register: sdiane@ollchurch.org



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.

EXERCISE FOR OTHERS



Serving People In Need

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Saturday, October 29, 2016

Purpose of the event:

To raise funds for **Our Lady of Lourdes Outreach program** and other Diocesan programs that serve the neediest in our Long Island Communities

Event

“A New Spin on Giving Back” – Spin Teams will cycle to raise money
**Our own Father Andrew will be heading up
our Parish Spin Team – “The Lords of Lourdes”**

How Can YOU Participate?

Donate to our Parish Team by visiting the link below which can also be found on our parish website: ollchurch.org

How does our Parish Benefit?

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will receive **50%** of all funds raised by our Parish Team for our Social Ministry needs
(the remaining 50% will be restricted to Diocesan programs that do the same important work of serving the needy in our Diocese)

To make a donation, please visit:

<https://exerciseforothers.networkforgood.com/projects/16687-exercise-for-others-the-lord-s-of-lourdes>

Location of Event

WRP Fitness, Moriches

If you prefer to make a donation by check, please make it payable to:
“Diocese of Rockville Centre” with a notation in the memo: **“Exercise for Others”**

Did you know that the Catholic Ministries Appeal makes it possible for us to join together as one Catholic family on Long Island to serve more than 600,000 people each year?



It is only because of the generous support of tens of thousands of parishioners throughout the Diocese that we are able to serve all of God's people here on Long Island.

If you have already made your gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please know how deeply grateful we are for your generous support. If you have not yet made a gift, we prayerfully invite you to consider doing so. As always, you have the option to make a pledge which would be payable over the next few months.

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Please make checks payable to **Catholic Ministries Appeal**.

Parish Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Total Pledge	\$ _____
Down Payment	\$ _____

THANK YOU!!!

2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal

One Faith, Family and Community

Catholicministriesappeal.org

516.678.5800 ext. 296

Please join us for
Our Lady of Lourdes School
Autumn Bash

Lily Flanagan's

345 Deer Park Avenue, Babylon, NY

Saturday, November 5th

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

- * Hot Buffet
- * Open Bar
- * Live DJ

To volunteer or for more information, please contact:

April Magwood at amagwood@ollschooll.org or (917) 449-5015 or
Domenica Spence at dspence@ollschooll.org or (631) 223-5084

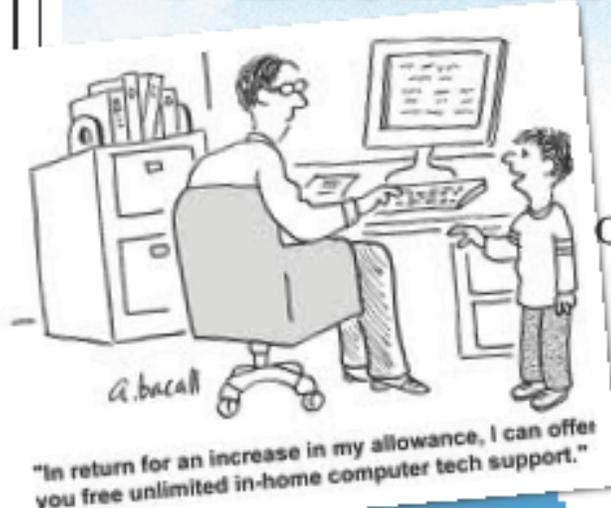
Tickets cost \$60 each

Please send cash or checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes School
by Friday, October 28th

Name _____ Number of Tickets _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Our Lady of Lourdes School MACBOOK AIR RAFFLE



✘ Autumn Bash Grand Prize ✘
MacBook Air 13.3"

Our Lady of Lourdes School's annual Autumn Bash has been graced with a wonderful grand prize!

A 13", 8GB MacBook Air laptop!

Save it for a Christmas present or steal it for yourself, anything is possible with a must have prize like this!

\$40 per ticket!

Drawing to be held

November 5, 2016

While you're at it, grab some friends and come enjoy an adult night out with us at Lily Flannigans! Buffet, open bar, music and raffles... what more could you ask for?

Please Contact April with any questions:

amagwood@ollschool.org

Winner does not need to be present

Family Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of tickets for your chance to win one MacBook Air:

_____ @ \$40 each\$ _____ (enclosed)

You will receive your tickets after you return this form to the office.

Please make checks payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes School"

Return this form to the Office, to the attention of: "MacBook Raffle" by November 3rd, 2016



In addition to our parish website (ollchurch.org), 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.



Join Bishop Murphy and the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception for the presentation of the Immaculate Conception medal to **Msgr. James M. McNamara**, recognizing a lifetime of dedicated priestly service, on **Sunday, November 6 at 4:00pm** at the Seminary in Huntington. We will also celebrate the gift of our three recently ordained priests: **Frs. Jiha Lim, Steve Maddaloni and Daniel Rivera**. Vespers in the Seminary Chapel at 4:00pm followed by cocktails and dinner in the Refectory. Journal and sponsorships available. **Reservations required.** \$100 per guest. Seminary Development Office, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743, 631.423.0483 x 102; bmalone@icseminary.edu.

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. Re-discover your love and enhance your hopes and dreams! WWME is the original and still the best!



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 weekend or to apply, call 1.877.697.9963 or visit our web site at <http://www.wwme.org>.

You Can Help Heal Your Marriage

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? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on **Friday, November 4**, please call 1.800.470.2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

Benefit for Hope House Ministries

On **Saturday, December 3 at 2:00pm**, Andy Cooney's "Classic Irish Christmas Show" to benefit Hope House Ministries, will be held at St. Joseph's College, Patchogue, NY. Andy and his band will be joined by "America's Irish Colleen", Deirdre Reilly, the Darrah Carr Dance Troupe and Emcee Mike McCormack. Reserved Seat Admission Tickets are \$35 per person and may be purchased through Hope House Ministries (631.928.2377, ext. 22).

Vendors Wanted for Christmas Craft Fair

Sunday, December 11 from 10:00am to 4:00pm - St. John the Baptist HS – 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 "Living with Possessions."

Sharing the Gospel

If you have ever thought that you were better than somebody else, you are not alone. Even grown-ups think that way sometimes. The truth is, you really are not better than anyone else. You sin. You make mistakes, just like other people do. No matter how big or how small you think your mistakes are, they still make God angry. Instead of looking down on other people, remember your own mistakes. Ask God to forgive you.



Mission for the Week

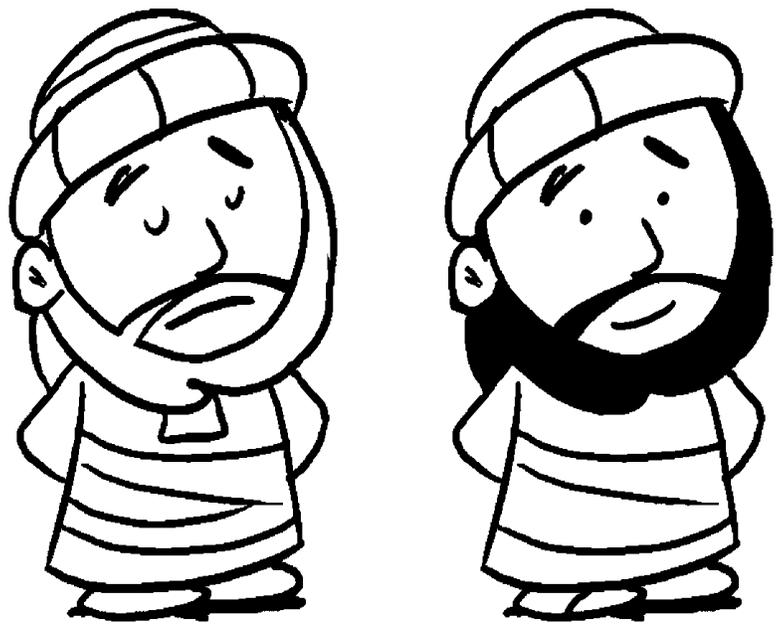


Ask everyone in your class to make cards for people in prison. Jesus knows when people are truly sorry for what they have done wrong. Jesus wants to forgive prisoners, just like he wants to forgive you.



Puzzle

Find 8 differences between the two pictures.



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Prayer

Dear God, I am so sorry I ever thought I was better than anybody else. Please forgive me.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of something you did wrong. Then draw a picture of yourself asking God to forgive you.

