Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
Rev. Gregory Breen, Associate Pastor
Rev. Sylvester Chukwumalume, in Residence
Chaplain, Southside Hospital
Rev. Freddy Lozano, in Residence

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Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry
Louise Jane Krol, School Principal
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Debbie Meyer, Business Manager
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Vita Scorcia, Ministry Spiritual Director

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: principal@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

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.

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
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Parish Office/Bulletin Editor
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Director of Youth Choirs
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Stephanie Hahn
Parish Office
Nancy Kuchler
Parish Office/School Office
Rita Spera
Religious Education 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 March 18

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/ Heb 5:7-9/ Jn 12:20-33
Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a, 16/ Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/ Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/ Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/ Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/ Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ Is 50:4-7/ Phil 2:6-11/ Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Financial Summary

March 11, 2018	
Weekly Collection	$ 16,854.00
Weekly Budget	- $ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	$ (946.00)
Catholic Relief Services	$ 5,122.00
March 4, 2018	$ 19,036.00

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

Dear Parishioners:

Spring officially starts this week; I am hoping that means an end to the snow! Enough already! At least, it is light outside until 7:00pm!

Yesterday we celebrated **St. Patrick's Day (March 17)** and tomorrow we celebrate **St. Joseph's Day (March 19).** We have the Irish and Italians honored within two days of each other. While these feast days are two days often associated with food and drink, they are also challenging feast days for each one of us.

St. Patrick, the patron Saint of Ireland, was born in 387 and died in 461. He was forced into slavery as a child and escaped slavery in his early 20's. He was baptized and eventually became a priest and then a bishop. He was a great missionary and brought the Gospel to the pagans of Ireland. His famous prayer is the "*Breastplate of St. Patrick":*

Christ be within me; Christ be behind me;
Christ be before me; Christ be beside me;
Christ to win me; Christ to comfort and restore me;
Christ beneath me; Christ above me;
Christ in danger; Christ in the hearts of all that love me;
Christ in the mouth of friend and stranger.

St. Joseph, the patron saint of the Church, was hand-chosen by God to be the husband of Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. We know very little about Joseph but, to me, he is the "un-sung hero" of the Bible. He simply and faithfully took care of Mary and Jesus. He is a great role model for all husbands and fathers. With no fanfare, Joseph simply did what was needed to get done! Actually, St. Joseph has two Feast days: March 19: Joseph, the husband of Mary and May 1: Joseph, the Worker.

St Patrick challenges us to assist Christ's Church with *dramatic missionary growth,* even in difficult situations. St. Joseph reminds us that holiness resides in doing the simple day in and day out tasks in helping our families become like the Holy Family! Let you and I be challenged by these two saints!

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: As you know, last weekend, I spoke at all the Masses concerning the project to repair/restore the convent. I hope you all prayed about and talked about it. I think it is a necessary project and, as I said in my talk, the project is a concrete way to say, "Thank you" for all the ministry that the Sisters of St. Joseph have provided for our parish over the past almost 60 years! I hope all families can make that pledge of at least $400 ($40 down and $1 per day for 1 year!). Also, if you can make a larger pledge, please do so. We are looking at equal sacrifice, not equal giving!

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by Rita Spera. 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.

Michael DiMatteo-*US Marines*
Michael Fantauzzi-*US Air Force*
Christopher Florca-*US Marines*
Patrick Harty-*US Coast Guard*
Colby Matthew Kelly-*US Army*
Anthony Mannino-*US Marines*
Anthony Memoli-*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 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 …
Fr. Carl J. Arico, Frank Bambara, Paula Bemenek, Grace Ciccarello, Diane Cullen, Harold Deegan, AnneMarie Dolan, Anthony Dolan, Franklin Edwards, Paula Edwards, Ron Graziano, Denis Heffron, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Donald Horn, Msgr. William Jablonski, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, George Koehler, Marilyn Kolk, Renee Lichtenstein, Richard Macher, George Mangels, Eugene McGuire, Una McGrade, Vinny Meade, George Manzolillo, Louise Posanti, Dorothy Proctor, June Quirino, Christine Rizzo, Joseph Roccaro, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Anne Marie Schiraldi, Thomas Schmidt, Arthur Schweit, Linda Scoco, Doris Shaddock, Kathy Shaddock, Brian Shannon, Jenny Sparby, Bernadette Stone, Richard Wagner, Roger Welden, Marie Wilson

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 19
St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30am Josephine Sabella & Family

12:10pm Living & Deceased Members of Gilbride & Lyons Families

Tuesday, March 20
8:30am Sr. Margaret & Sr. Betty (Living)

12:10pm People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 21
8:30am Una McGrabe (Living)

12:10pm Patricia & Joseph, Pat & Brian Boylan

Thursday, March 22
8:30am Vinnie Amato

12:10pm Frank Casaro, Venture & Laura Casaro & Louis & Magerita Fortunato

Friday, March 23
St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
8:30am Baby Nicholas Russo

12:10pm Scott Peterson & Family

Saturday, March 24
Blessed Oscar Romero
8:30am Carol Ann Hernandez-Spesato

5:00pm Thomas & Bridget Maher
Msgr. Brian McNamara

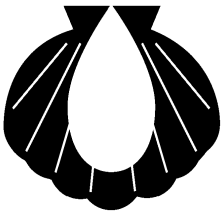
Sunday, March 25
Palm Sunday
8:00am Sr. Anna Maria Vigorito, OP (Living)
Fr. Greg Breen

9:30am Charles & Georgette VanManen
Fr. Greg Breen

11:00am Cheryl Nappo
Msgr. Brian McNamara

12:30pm Holly Patricia Wilson- Camhi
Msgr. Brian McNamara

6:00pm People of the Parish, Thomas Detore, Ellen Shay, Nancy Gallo, Marion Schreiner, Dominick Chiaravalle
Msgr. Brian McNamara



Baptism

Angelina Rose Clayton
Elijah Thomas Hopkins

Project Rachel
Hope & Healing after Abortion

Project Rachel is a network of specially trained, compassionate care-givers, 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 the Respect Life Office website - respectlife.drvc.org - for more information

For anyone suffering Crisis Pregnancy

Visit OPTIONLINE.ORG for Pregnancy Options & Resources
Call the 24-hour National Hotline: 1-800-712-HELP (4357)

Pregnant? Need Help?

Birthright, Inc. **24 Hour Helpline 1-800-550-4900**

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727
Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

Men's Prayer Group-*evening*

An evening Men's Prayer Group! It will be held once a month, on the third Tuesday of each month **from 7:30pm until 8:30pm**. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday night, March 20 in the Spiritual Life Center.** Come with your ideas. We'll read and discuss the Liturgy for the following Sunday Mass. For more information, call Clifford Proctor at 631-669-3198.

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.

Rice-A-Roni
Knorr Sides
Canned Mixed Vegetables
Baked Beans
Beans
Hamburger Helper
Rice
Spaghetti Sauce

SHARE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Lenten Rice Bowls

Long ago, Christ offered us the example of the Good Samaritan who stopped to heed the cries of a person in need. During this Lenten Season we have been filling our RICE BOWLS from Catholic Relief Services to respond to the needs of people around the world. Your offerings in the Rice Bowls will spread Christ's light and love to many.
We will be collecting the Rice Bowls during all Masses on **March 17 and 18**. Please bring your Rice Bowls with you to Mass and be part of the presentation of our gifts to continue Christ's work in the world.

Good Friday Silent Vigil on Behalf of Unborn Children

THE LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE is holding a **Good Friday Silent Vigil on Behalf of Unborn Children** on **MARCH 30, 2018** from **10:30am to NOON**, in front of Nassau University Medical Center (2201 Hempstead Tpke., East Meadow; on the public sidewalk). Pro-life women, men and children are invited to take part in this peaceful vigil for the protection of life in the womb and against abortions committed at NUMC and throughout Long Island. We stand as a reminder that abortion is not healthcare. Signs provided (east end of hospital).
Information: 631-243-1435 or e-mail: info@prolifeLI.org

RCIA – The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

On Sunday, Feb. 18, Christina Davis and Stephaney Degen participated in the Rite of Election at St. Anne's R.C. Church in Brentwood with Bishop Brennan and all the parishes in Suffolk County in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

On Sunday, February 25, we celebrated the Call to Continuing Conversion for our baptized candidate Penny Ryan. These were important steps in the journey of the R.C.I.A. It's a clear sign to the community that they are coming closer to receiving the Sacraments of Initiation and Full Communion with the Church at our Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 31.

The Church gives us this public and life-giving process of RCIA DURING LENT so that these good and holy people can be nourished and supported by our parish family. At the same time, we know that when we initiate others, we confront and renew our own identity as members of the Catholic Christian community.

Please continue to pray for these women of our RCIA and our RCIA team.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, March 20:
7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER

Movie: Passion of the Christ
Watch the very moving depiction of the Passion of Jesus as depicted by Mel Gibson.

Friday, March 23:
1:00pm & 7:00pm in the CHURCH

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 27:
7:30 in the PARISH CENTER

HOPE: A LENTEN VIRTUE
Come join us as Deacons Rich, Tom and Jack lead us in an evening of prayer and reflection.

"Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake from our lethargy... The Lord is knocking at the doors of our hearts. Have we put up a sign on the door saying: 'Do not disturb'?" ~ Pope Francis

LENTEN CHURCH ENVIRONMENT:

As you may have noticed when you entered church this weekend, we are continuing the custom of covering our crucifix and statues in the church; a practice permitted starting with the Fifth Sunday of Lent. They will remain covered until prior to the Easter Vigil. Since the environment perceived by our senses is an important part of our worship, it is the hope that this custom helps with your entering into and spiritual participation during these last days of Lent, as we approach the Sacred Paschal Triduum and the fifty days of Easter Time.

Easter Flower Offering

The deadline for Easter Flower Offerings is Sunday, March 18. Easter Flower Offerings received by this date will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Flower Offerings received after this date will appear in a subsequent bulletin. It would be helpful if you could clearly **PRINT** the name of your loved one and drop the envelope, along with your donation, in the collection basket.

Easter Candles

Once again, we are offering a ***Loving Candle*** which will be placed in the Tabernacle area and lit on Holy Saturday. 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 living and deceased loved ones. The ***Loving Candles*** will be available after all 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.

Attention Ushers

Holiday Ushers are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday at all Masses.
Please note your availability in the "Sign In Room."
Thank you for your service to our Parish family.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

11:00am on The Great Lawn

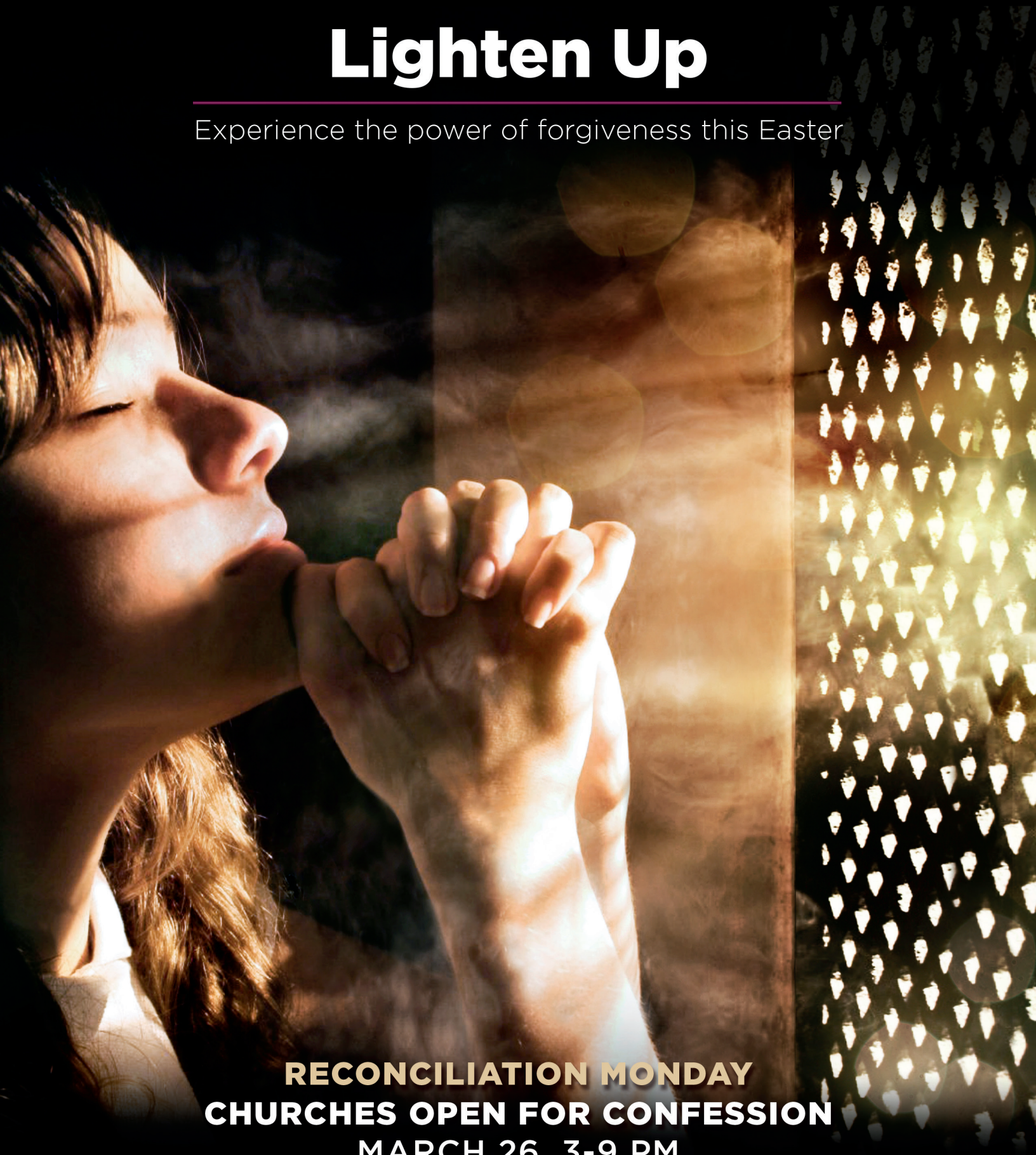
Come join our parish family in our Easter Egg Hunt. All children and families are welcome to a fun event as we hunt for eggs, play games and taste some goodies. Please bring your own Easter Baskets.

Please consider donating to the Appeal and making a difference in someone's life.

To make a donation, you can visit drvc.org/CMA or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296
Thank You!

Lighten Up

Experience the power of forgiveness this Easter



RECONCILIATION MONDAY
CHURCHES OPEN FOR CONFESSION
MARCH 26, 3-9 PM

Archdiocese of New York
archny.org

Diocese of Brooklyn
dioceseofbrooklyn.org

Diocese of Rockville Centre
drvc.org

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The Office of FAITH FORMATION
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
STAY CONNECTED drvc-faith.org

Bereavement Ministry Facilitator Training

St James Parish, Pastoral Center, Room 104, Setauket
Saturday, March 24 and April 7, 2018, 9:00am to 3:00pm
Saturday, April 14, 2018, 9:00am to 12:00pm
St. Bernard Parish, Parish Center, Peach Room, Levittown
Mondays, April 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2018, 9:30am to 12:00pm

Ministry of Consolation Level I Training

Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip
Spiritual Life Center
Tuesdays, April 17, 24 and May 1, 15, 9:30am to 11:30am

RCIA Enrichment Day

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington
Sunday, April 22, 2018, 2:30pm to 7:00pm

Catholic Teachers In Public Schools Communion Breakfast

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception,
Dining Room, Huntington
Sunday, May 6, 2018, 11:00am to 12:00pm

Nurses Week Mass & Blessing

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre
Monday, May 7, 2018, at 7:45am

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ireland

Dublin, Ireland
August 20 through 27, 2018.

For more information visit our website: *www.drvc-faith.org*

Golden Wedding Jubilee Liturgy

This Spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at a Mass on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Masssapequa. Mass will begin at 2:30pm. Registration form and complete instructions can be obtained at the Rectory.
Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by April 13, 2018.
If you have any questions, you may call 516-678-5800, extension 504.

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), from September through June, at OLL School in Room 15 from 8:00pm until 10:00pm. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship. Please note: For the balance of the Winter months, meetings will be held in the Parish Center from 3:00-4:00pm. (No meeting on Mar. 30) Evening schedule resumes on May 11.

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 631-586-8528.

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

Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

A **Recovery Group** for those suffering from **Anxiety Disorder** meets on Tuesdays from 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Spiritual Life Center (in Convent building). The Group is led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader.
For more information, please call Michael at 631-968-9154.

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.

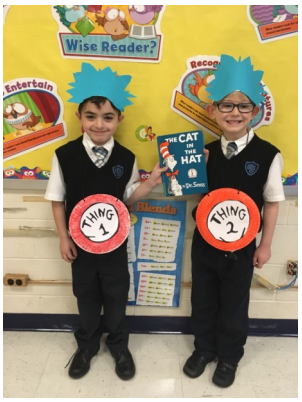
Our Lady of Lourdes School

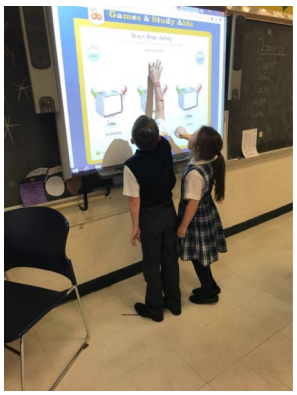
Growing in Wisdom and Grace

44 Toomey Road, West Islip, NY 11795 | Phone 631-587-7200 | Fax 631-587-4531

What's happening at OLL School lately...

Our Nursery students enjoyed playing with their rice table. As you can see it's a lot of fun! Pre-K is learning about volcanos and what makes them erupt. Our special guest, Sister Joyce read a St. Patrick's Day book to the Kindergarten class. And, our First Graders enjoyed celebrating Dr. Seuss Day.





Grab a Bat, have a Ball….Adult OLL Wiffle Ball is back!

Come join us after the 6:00pm Mass on the following Sundays…
4/8, 4/15, 4/22 & 4/29 from 7:00-9:00pm in the All Purpose Room

Great way to meet other parishioners! Teams will be decided each week. No equipment needed. You do not need to attend every week. Limited to 30 parishioners, so sign up quickly!
To sign up, e-mail: tthunter@optonline.net with your name, address, phone number, and if you have played OLL Wiffle Ball before. Put "**OLL Wiffle Ball**" as the subject.

For questions contact:
Terri Hunter at: 631-838-3572 (cell) or tthunter@optonline.net
Margaret Dixon at: margaretcd@aol.com
Susan Hahn at: 631-877-8736 (cell)

Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Group - OLLY

Calling all High School Students - Grades 9-12

Mark your calendar and join us on the following dates:
Fridays, April 6 and 20, 2018
Fridays, May 11 and 25, 2018
Fridays, June 8 and 22, 2018

7:00-9:00pm in the Parish Center - Food, Fellowship and FUN! Bring a Friend!!!

Any questions, please call or text:
Stephanie Hahn: 631-617-8212 Emily Brierly: 631-813-9457
Fr. Greg: 631-661-3224 ext.121

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Untie him and let him go." Let the love of God free us from any fetters in our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 27-29, 2018 in Huntington, NY and Nov 16-18, 2018 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at http://www.wwmeli.org.

Preparing for Marriage?

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." Let our eyes be opened to the love of God in our marriages by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr. 27-29, 2018 in Huntington, NY and Nov. 16-18, 2018 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at: http://www.wwmeli.org.

Maria Regina Residence, at 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood, is a 188-bed Skilled Nursing Facility under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph. We are currently seeking compassionate, dedicated men and women who are **willing to volunteer** their time and talent in varied service areas (usually one morning or afternoon/week) in assisting the Pastoral Team as a Eucharistic Minister, helping to transport residents in their wheelchairs, assisting with recreational service, or other need in the building.
For more information, please contact Sister Mary Sheppard, CSJ at 631-299-3288. Prayerfully and thankfully, we look forward to hearing from you.

Lenten Day of Reflection

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend **"Journey to the Cross"** which will enable us to have a deeper experience of reflection, meditation, and prayer, as we prepare for Holy Week - on Saturday, March 24th, at St. Agnes Cathedral, Ministries Bldg., Rockville Centre, from 9:00am to 3:30pm.

The cost is $20 per person (bring your own lunch), and pre-registration is required. Please make checks payable to "Magnificat" and mail to: Judy Murphy, 42 Pinehurst Street, Lido Beach, NY 11561. Checks must be received by March 19th. Payment will not be accepted at the door. For additional information, please contact Judy at: 917-453-5750. Come and bring a friend, as we prepare for Holy Week!

Dr. Scott Hahn at the Church of St. Patrick

Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00am-12:00pm Tickets: $15.00

400 Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743
Registration & details at: stpaulcenter.com/stpatricks

For more information, contact Jonathan McGovern at 740-264-9535
or jonathanmcgovern@stpaulcenter.com

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, May 9th from 7:00-9:00 pm.** The group will run for 8 consecutive weeks through **June 27th**. 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 **February 21, 2018.**

100 Year Anniversary

St. Agnes Cathedral Elementary School is celebrating 100 years on **May 19, 2018**! We are looking for alumni, former teachers, parents, and grandparents. Please use the link below so we can share information regarding the events that are planned.
stagnes-school.org/alumni/alumnilistsign_up

St. Anthony's HS Theatre Company - Disney's Beauty and the Beast

Thursday, March 22 at 7:00pm - Friday, March 23 at 7:00pm - Saturday, March 24 at 12:00pm and 7:00pm
Tickets available for $10 at the door / $5 for age 12 and under at 12:00pm show only
Please email LCordina@stanthonyshs.org with any questions

Dominican Commercial H.S., Jamaica, NY

Graduates are welcomed to join us on **April 22, 2018** in a DC Tribute. The building is being sold and we are gathering to enjoy one last day of memories and to thank the Dominican Sisters. Please contact: cathleenquinn@optonline.net for more details, or call 516-457-6923. Kindly RSVP if you are planning on attending. Doors will be open 11:00am - 2:00pm.

INDOOR Rummage Sale

Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 10:00am– 4:00pm

Westminster United Presbyterian Church
109 Udall Rd., West Islip, NY 11795

Come and get the bargain of the year!
For more information, contact: 631-661-9047 or visit www.WestminsterUPC.org

VENDORS WANTED

with Crafts and Attic Treasures

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL 2018

Westminster United Presbyterian Church
109 Udall Road, West Islip, NY 11795

June 2, 2018 10:00am - 4:00pm
Rain Date: JUNE 3, 2018 1:00pm - 6:00pm

For information/application to become a vendor visit our website: www.WestminsterUPC.org
or call Pat at 631-661-9047

VENDOR CONTACT INFO:
Contact: Pat Rich Liaison for Strawberry Festival
Phone: 631-661-9047 Email: cowseven@aol.com

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 "**Coping**."

Sharing the Gospel

When you act bossy, selfish, or rude, no one will want to spend time with you. You will be lonely and unhappy. Follow the example of Jesus instead. Be strong in your faith. Do all that God asks you to do, even when it is not easy. Be honest. Be kind. Share what you have been given. Be helpful. Forgive. Show everyone what God is like. When you follow Jesus' example, you won't be lonely. When people around you see that your faith is real, they will come to you for help. They will want to know what makes you different. Then you can point them to Jesus.

Mission for the Week

Look for ways to be helpful in your family. Help set the table. Take the trash out. Put away your toys and books without being asked. When your family notices you being so helpful, tell them you are trying to follow Jesus' example.

Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

~~grain~~	wheat	dies
suffer	glory	voice
give	life	serve

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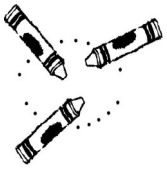
Prayer

Dear God,
Help me to
follow Jesus.
I want to show
everyone how
great You really are.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of yourself sharing your lunch with a friend who has no food.