

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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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.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist • Sunday, June 24, 2018



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 Scoria

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 June 24

Sunday: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80
Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/ Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13, 23:1-3/ Mt 7:15-20
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Mt 7:21-29
Friday: Acts 12:1-11/ 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/ Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Mt 8: 5-17
Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24/ 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/ Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Parish Staff

Patti Anderson
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor
AnnMarie Buonaspina
Director of Youth Choirs
Michael Buonaspina
Parish Organist
Carol Grillo
Parish Office
Stephanie Hahn
Parish Office
Nancy Kuchler
Parish Office/School Office
Rita Spera
Religious Education Office

Financial Summary

June 17, 2018

Weekly Collection	\$ 15,594.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,206.00)

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

Dear Parishioners:

I would like to encourage everyone to participate in a new initiative called *FORMED*. *FORMED* is sometimes referred to as a “Catholic Netflix”. *FORMED* is an online platform that provides access to the best Catholic audio talks, movies and video-based studies.

FORMED provides access to a great selection of e-books, movies, audio-presentations and study programs. It is for all ages, young and old. There is a children’s section, as well.

I would encourage EVERYONE to sign up! It really is a great resource. If you are technologically challenged (as I am!), get your kids or grandkids to help you. Wouldn’t it be nice on a dingy, rainy summer day that you watch a religious movie or video. The Children’s section is pretty big. There is even an extensive section in Spanish.

The price is right (It’s FREE!) and it gives you access to a lot of good material. Many of you have taken advantage of the audio discs at the entrance of the Church. All of these audio discs are available at *FORMED*. Give it a try! Please see page 7 of the bulletin for direction on how to sign up.

Congratulations to all our high school graduates! Our local public schools celebrated graduation this week and our Catholic high schools celebrated graduation over the past few weeks as well. While our graduates should be proud of their accomplishments, I would say that the best is yet to come. In a special way, I urge all graduates to listen to God’s call in their life. Many times at graduation, we ask the graduate, “What do you want to be when you grow up?” I would say the better question is to ask is: “What do you think GOD wants you to be when you grow up?” God has plan for each one of us; part of that plan may be a vocation to the priesthood and religious life. I urge all graduates to pray and ask for God’s guidance in their life for the future.

For those college-bound who are going away to college, keep in touch with Christ through the Campus Ministry Office at your college or the Neuman Center at your college. I am excited about our partnership with Newman Connection to help our graduating high school students’ transition to college life. The youth of our parishes are the future of our Diocese! We need you to obtain the names of your high school graduates and where they are going to college. **We do NOT require a phone number, email or any personal information, simply the NAME and CAMPUS they will be attending.** With this information, we will be able to successfully connect the students to their college faith community. If you have any questions, please contact Cassie Campton, at (866) 815-2034 ext. 708 or email her at: ccampton@newmanconnection.com.

As we begin the summer season, I encourage everyone NOT to take a vacation from Christ and His family, the Church. Even when you are on vacation outside of the area, please make an effort to go to Mass. God’s grace does not take a vacation from us; let’s not take a vacation from Him! The reception of the Eucharist is essential to drawing closer to Christ. Holiness is a life-long project and takes a spiritual discipline. It is not easy, BUT it is possible for everyone!

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Pat Wissing*. 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*
Stephen Rolston-*US Army*
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 ...

Salvatore Albanese, Paula Bemenek, Janet Bruckner, Evelyn Clarke, Richard Clarke, Diane Cullen, Harold Deegan, Amanda Ditingo, Franklin Edwards, Paula Edwards, Ron Graziano, Denis Heffron, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Thomas Hicks, Jr., Msgr. William Jablonski, Margaret Kegel, Anne Kerrigan, Mary Jane Keveny, George Koehler, Marilyn Kolk, Kathleen Kruger, Charlphine Lanigan, Amy Lillis, Sean Lillis, Bruce Linhart, George Mangels, Connie McGee, Eugene McGuire, Vinny Meade, John Muldoon, Louise Posanti, Dorothy Proctor, June Quirino, Michael Randazzo, Christine Rizzo, Joseph Roccaro, Louis Saracione, Jr., Joseph J. Schiavoni, Anne Marie Schiraldi, Arthur Schweit, Brian Shannon, Bernadette Stone, Natalie 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.



Rest In Peace

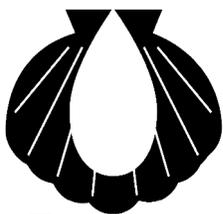
*Gloria E. Brasser
Carol A. Bridgeford
Marylin Sina*

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



Upcoming Marriages

*Jill Okurowski
OLL, West Islip and
Peter Hewlett
Mt. Sinai Congregational
Church, Mt. Sinai*



Baptism

*Kade Mikai Arikian
Landon Frank Iorio
Noah Aiden Pachacz
Lily Marie Salatti
Madison Avery Tonsetic
Sadie Morgan Waring
Skyler Madison Waring*

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 25

8:30am Kay & Nick DiFrisco

Tuesday, June 26

8:30am Pat & Bridget Keane (Living)

Wednesday, June 27

St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30am Elizabeth Meditz

Thursday, June 28

St. Irenaeus

8:30am Helen Flynn

Friday, June 29

Sts. Peter and Paul

8:30am Anne Russ

Saturday, June 30

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8:30am Papo Cruz, Marcela Mateo, Dorothy V. Congero

5:00pm

Joseph Lehmann and Mary & John Flynn
Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, July 1

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Brian Cannetti & Family

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am

James Francis Conroy
Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am

Roy Cadieux
Fr. Greg Breen

12:30pm

Sweeney & LaRocca Families
Fr. Greg Breen

6:00pm

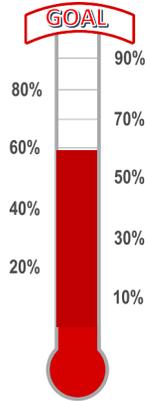
People of the Parish, Robert Kelleher,
Xavier Seabury (Living), Joshua Beylin (Living),
Aidan Miller (Living), Steve Restivo
Msgr. Brian McNamara



RESTORE OUR CONVENT

As of June 11, 2018:

Parish Goal: \$442,840
Percentage attained: 59%
Amount Pledged: \$261,871
Total Paid to Date: \$157,923
Number of Pledges: 618



As members of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, we are faced with a challenge that we can only overcome together. As you know from the recent mailing, there are urgent maintenance needs at our convent. It is important that each and every member of the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish family participates in this worthy project. It is only by our generosity in making a sacrificial gift that we will be able to accomplish our objectives. **We have established a goal of \$442,000 in order to accomplish our objectives.** While this seems like a large amount, participation by all members of the parish family will make this goal not only attainable, but one that we can surpass. If every family pledges \$400, after a \$40 down payment, your sacrifice would be \$1 a day for one year. We can all do that. If you are able to pledge a higher amount, please do so. We're asking for equal sacrifice, not equal giving.

TOTAL PLEDGE	10% DOWN	QUARTERLY PAYMENTS 4 PAYMENTS	MONTHLY PAYMENTS 12 PAYMENTS
\$5,000	\$500	\$1,125	\$375
\$2,500	\$250	\$563	\$188
\$1,000	\$100	\$225	\$75
\$750	\$75	\$169	\$56
\$400	\$40	\$90	\$30

As you make your gift, please remember...

- Pledges and one time donations are welcomed and greatly appreciated.
- Payment reminders will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan.
- All contributions are deductible for tax purposes.
- Any questions?
Call Fr. Brian at 631-661-3224

Please make your check payable to:

Restore Our Convent Campaign

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/ State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Env. #: _____

Email: _____

I/we pledge to the Campaign as follows:

Amount of Pledge/ Donation: \$ _____

Down Payment: \$ _____

Balance: \$ _____

I /we prefer to pay the balance:

Monthly _____ Quarterly _____

Please send information about paying my pledge by
Credit or Debit card

Signature

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... and *ALL* this is available 24/7

FORMED... is for you. Are you looking to be inspired, deepen your faith, learn more about your faith, and be better able to share with others?

FORMED... is FREE because OLL applied and received a scholarship, and we paid the balance of \$600 FOR ONE YEAR.

FORMED... is for all OLL parishioners, along with other parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre....
A great resource for DRAMATIC MISSIONARY GROWTH

FORMED... it's EASY and FREE to Register!

Go to... ollchurch.formed.org (enter this link in the "address bar" of your browser)

Click "Register" and enter your name, email address and "your" desired password.

You're all ready to access the inspiring and engaging content on **FORMED!**

We recommend you start with: **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist.**

El Salvador Casa House

In the past, the "Casa House" in the Narthex has provided housing and bedding for our friends in El Salvador. In 2016, after returning from our Mission Awareness Trip, we provided sixteen complete bed set-ups for our Santa Ana Mission.

Next weekend (June 30/July 1), we are asking you to give us your loose change for our Casa Project. Place your donations in the wooden house located in the Narthex of the Church. Thank you for your support.



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.



Gabriel's Courage Perinatal Support Program

Gabriel's Courage is a family centered program for families who receive a life-limiting prenatal diagnosis during their pregnancy. The program offers a multidisciplinary team approach to care and support throughout pregnancy, birth and post birth. Gabriel's Courage is a program of Catholic Health Services and Good Shepherd Hospice. This program offers hope, affirms life and provides an opportunity for the family to welcome their baby, as well as assisting in saying goodbye. Gabriel's Courage is seeking financial support to continue this

important program. If you are interested in making a donation to Gabriel's Courage, please contact Good Shepherd Hospice Development Office at 631-465-6350.

At times, infant burial can be challenging financially. Gabriel's Courage seeks to honor the lives of these babies and support parents in their wishes to bury their child. A burial is the last act of parenting for some of our families. We ask that you consider donating resources for burials which could include financial support or donation of an available grave. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Peter Ryan, Director of Catholic Cemeteries, at 516-334-7990, Ext. 109. Thank you for your support of this special program and the recipients in its care.

WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL – BORN AND UNBORN

Pro-life Face the Truth event on Saturday, July 7, 2018, from 10:00am to 11:30am; at LIE Exit 70S & County Route 111, Manorville. Without the Right To Life we have no other rights! Pro-lifers are invited to join in a peaceful presence against the status quo of legal abortion. We hold signs (provided) on the public sidewalk. Sponsored by Long Island Coalition for Life: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeLI.org.

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

Donations to Outreach

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



- Canned Beets
- Canned Carrots
- Canned Mixed Vegetables
- Hamburger Helper
- Cookies

Peter's Pence

Next weekend, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. As always, thank you for your generosity. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

EAGLE SCOUT BAKE SALE

Saturday, June 23 from 4:15pm-6:30pm

Sunday, June 24 from 7:45am-2:30pm

in Church Narthex

Eagle Scout Candidate, Joseph Candia, from Boy Scout Troop 179 will be doing a Bake Sale to raise money for his Project... Joseph will be fixing the fence around the OLL playground, painting blacktop games for the children to play during recess, and planting some perennial flowers. Please purchase some baked goods to help Joseph beautify our playground area.



Do you know a Senior who is about to graduate from High School?

It is that time of year again – graduation! As many of our teens move onto college, you can help them continue their journey of faith. Many colleges, secular and parochial, provide a *Newman Center* for incoming Catholic students. These Centers provide pastoral support and ministry to students, in addition to providing a space to meet other Catholic students interested in growing in their faith.

Please send the graduate's First & Last Name and the Name of College, City/State they will be attending to Patti Anderson at: panderson@ollchurch.org.

The respective *Newman Connection* campus leader will be informed and will welcome the student when they arrive in the fall.



Blood Drive! GIVE BLOOD...SAVE A LIFE

A CLOSER LOOK AT BLOOD NEEDS

Quite simply, blood is LIFE, but frankly, there sometimes isn't enough to go around. That's why it's critical for all of us to do our part in expanding the blood supply so everyone, who so desperately needs blood, gets it.

All eligible donors are strongly urged to give blood.

Thank you, in advance, on behalf of the patients you will be helping.

Monday, June 25, 2018
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
All Purpose Room
3:15pm - 9:15pm



The Office of Diaconate Formation
will be conducting
THREE INFORMATION SESSIONS
for men and their wives.

7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, September 5

7:00 pm

FRIDAY, September 7

7:00 pm

SUNDAY, September 9

Are you discerning a vocation to the Diaconate?

**IF YOU AND YOUR WIFE WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ONE OF THE MEETINGS
CALL 631-423-0483 ext. 179 OR E-MAIL diaconateformation@drvc.org**

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743

Preparing for Marriage?

Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are no group discussions. Our next weekends will be held as follows:

Aug. 17-19, 2018 - Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY

Nov. 2-4, 2018 - Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY

For information/registration, please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032

or visit: www.engagedencounterli.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“My God is now my strength!” Let God be the strength of your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Nov. 16-18, 2018 in Huntington, NY and Feb. 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <http://www.wwmeli.org>.

Did you know you could raise money for *Our Lady of Lourdes School* just by doing your every day shopping!

Please take a moment to register and start earning money for OLL today!



Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/> and register your account. Make sure to register Our Lady of Lourdes in West Islip and then shop from your Amazon account as usual. OLL earns \$\$\$ with no additional cost to you.



ShopRite For My School: Register your card with ShopRite For My School Rewards! After you register your card, each shopping trip at ShopRite using your ShopRite Card earns CASH for our school!!

To register your card, go to: <https://www.shoprite.com/shoprite-for-my-school/>
Visit ShopRite For My School for more information.



Register your card with Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards! After you register your card, each shopping trip at Stop & Shop, using your Stop & Shop Card, earns CASH for our school! To register your card go to: <https://stopandshop.com/school-rewards/> Visit Stop & Shop A+ Rewards Program for more information.

tinyprints. + Shutterfly. <https://OLLSchoolWI.ShutterflyStorefront.com/>

Log in to use your Shutterfly account as usual. OLL will earn 13% of your purchase at no additional cost to you.



Box Tops for Education: Our Lady of Lourdes earns \$0.10 for every Box Top we collect. Please put all BoxTops, in a ziploc bag, in the box labeled "Box Tops" located in the Church Narthex.



Use the link: <https://oliverslabels.com/OLLSchoolWI/>
Shop as usual, and OLL will earn 20% of your purchase at no additional cost to you.

Empty and Used Inkjet and Toner Cartridges

Do you know that you can raise money for OLL just by turning in your empty and used printer cartridges?? Well you can! Just bring in your used inkjet or toner cartridges and start earning money for OLL today! A list of qualifying cartridges can be found under Fundraising on the www.ollschool.org website. A collection box for used printer cartridges will be in the lobby of the church.



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.

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

Families Anonymous

Are you at your wit's end? Is someone you love destroying family harmony?

Families Anonymous Can Help! For further information, please call Donna at: 631-589-3790

or visit: www.familiesanonymous.org

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

Considering Private Education for your child? Is the cost a concern?

It is more affordable than you think! Monthly tuition at OLL in West Islip is less than most families pay for one week of daycare. And, we offer substantial sibling discounts!!

Financial aid available for families who qualify through Tomorrow's Hope:

<http://www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org/>

There is still time to enroll your child for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Come see what makes OLL the right choice for you and your family
Schedule a private school tour**

- Experience a private guided tour of the school from Kindergarten to 8th Grade classes.
- Meet our skilled and nurturing teachers and administrative team.
- Explore all of the classrooms and facilities that will be available to your child.
- Learn about OLL's progressive curriculum and accelerated programs.
- Select a day when your child can shadow a current student in each of their classes. This is a great way for your child to meet their future teachers and classmates!
- Let us show you why OLL students love coming to school **EVERY DAY!**

Contact Karen Gaffney kgaffney5622@ollschool.org or call 631.587.7200



“Serving Others in God's Love”

Religious Freedom Week, June 22-29, 2018

[Religious] freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it. Pope Francis

If we don't know the facts of our religious freedom...

How do we know when it is being lost? How can we defend and preserve it for our children?

Some Basic Facts of America's Religious Freedom:

- **Our founders believed man's natural and unalienable rights come from our Creator** and individual conscience was to be protected so each person could serve his God according to his conscience. George Washington, for example, said... *“every man, conducting himself as a good citizen, and being accountable to God alone for his religious opinions, ought to be protected in worshipping the Deity according to the dictates of his own conscience.”*
- **Conscience rights were protected by the first amendment's** prohibition of state-imposed religion and protection of the free exercise of religion. *“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.”* 1st Amendment
- **“Freedom of Religion” allows us to live our morals and faith in school, church community and state.** A limited *“Freedom of Worship”* confines faith and morals inside our churches, away from the public square.
- **“Separation of church and state” is a phrase that is not in the Constitution or any founding document** but is generally taken out of context and used to attack the religious freedom it actually affirmed. It was a phrase in a letter from Thomas Jefferson assuring Baptists in Danbury, CT, that religious freedom and individual conscience were from God, not government. He confirmed that the first amendment was meant to protect individual conscience and churches from government control by building a “wall of separation between church and state”.

"Religious freedom allows the space for people of faith to serve others in God's love in ministries like education, adoption and foster care, health care, and migration and refugee services. Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz.

On the June 22 feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, we remember these saints who were martyred in 1535 for standing up to King Henry VIII for the sanctity of marriage and the freedom of the Church. In our country today, the Church faces challenges to her freedom to serve in healthcare, child welfare services, and education. Religious freedom is rooted in human nature, and therefore it is a fundamental human right. Religious freedom is about preserving space to worship and serve. www.USCCB.org

Rally for Religious Freedom – Saturday Morning, June 30

Sponsored by the Diocese of Rockville Centre and Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Speakers: Rev. Eric R. Fasano, J.C.L., Co-Chancellor Diocese of Rockville Centre

Sr. Constance Veit, L.S.P., Communications Director, Little Sisters of the Poor

June 30, at St John the Baptist High School, 1170 Montauk Hwy, W. Islip 11795

10:00am Public Witness Rosary in front of school; 10:30am Rally program in auditorium

Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Celebrate Annual Luncheon

Join us on **Friday, June 29th, 2018**, as the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville host their **17th Annual Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon** at Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, NY.

Each year our luncheon celebrates the beauty of the spirit of women - their strength, compassion, and wisdom. Guests will enjoy fantastic auctions and raffles, as well as an inspirational lecture from keynote speaker Sr. Aimee Koonmen, OP, Executive Director of Bethany House. This year's Master of Ceremonies is News12 Long Island Anchor and Journalist, Carol Silva. Tickets are \$75 each.

Proceeds from the event benefit our retired Sisters - the beautiful and dedicated women who have spent their entire lives serving the tri-state area and beyond; now it is our turn to care for them. For further information, please call: 631-842-6000 ext. 246



Magnificat Breakfast - July 21, 2018

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend a Breakfast on Saturday, July 21st, at The Hofstra Club in Uniondale at 9:45am. Our speaker will be Barbara Campbell, who will be sharing her powerful testimony of how the love of God manifested in her life, particularly in the healing of her blinding eye disease.

The Breakfast is \$35 per person, 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 July 17th. Payment will not be accepted at the door.

For additional information, please contact Judy at 917-453-5750. Come and bring a friend for a morning of fellowship, refreshment and worship!



Upcoming Workshops July-August-September

School of Missionary Disciples Information Sessions - Numerous Dates and Locations

Basic Religious Studies Course Series - SS. Cyril and Methodius, Deer Park

Course Series: Old Testament, New Testament, Christology, Church, Morality, Liturgy & Sacraments

Catechist Training for New and Nearly New Catechists - St. Jude Church, Mastic Beach

Addressing Multi-Cultural Realities in Faith Formation Programs - St. Anne's Brentwood

Addressing Multi-Cultural Realities in Faith Formation Programs - Our Lady of Loretto, Hempstead

Addressing Multi-Cultural Realities in Faith Formation Programs - Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, Southampton

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ireland with Bishops Barres and Brennan - Dublin, Ireland

Catechetical Congress - St. John the Baptist DHS, West Islip

For more information and to register, please visit: www.drvc-faith.org

Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course

St. John the Baptist DHS is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. The course will consist of five 2½ hour sessions beginning in September.

There will also be a Test Taking Strategies Class the Friday evening before the Exam.

For additional information, please visit: www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117

Are you EXCITED but OVERWHELMED when you think about HIGH SCHOOL? Let Holy Trinity help!

This event is meant for middle school students who would like more information about the Catholic high school admissions process, how to go about visiting high schools, the scholarship and financial aid process, and more! You will also have the opportunity to learn about Holy Trinity and what makes us unique from other high schools!

Tuesday, July 17th at 7:00pm, Wednesday, August 1st at 7:00pm, Thursday, August 16th at 7:00pm

RSVP online at: www.holytrinityhs.org/admissions/admissions_events

Event will include: Presentation from Holy Trinity's Director of Admissions, Mrs. Jackie Lombardi
Q & A Session
Student Testimonials
Campus Tour

Questions? Contact Admissions at 516-433-2900 x 151 or jgovernale@holytrinityhs.org

Employment Opportunity

Kellenberg Memorial High School is accepting resumes for the position of Assistant Director of the Annual Appeal. The individual will be responsible for developing solicitation themes and donor appeal mailings, maintaining donor database, and coordinating donor acknowledgements, generating donor reports, and assisting with the Office of Advancement's special events. Strong writing skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office and Raiser's Edge are required. For more information, please email Director of Advancement Denise Miles at mrs miles@kellenberg.org.



Heroes of the Game

The Long Island Ducks, Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone and Legislator Susan A. Berland are proud to honor veterans.

Veterans will be honored at every L.I. Ducks home game and will receive 10 complimentary tickets to the game for family and friends. Contact Suffolk County Veterans Services Officer Melissa Pandolf for more information at **631-853-VETS** (631-853-8387)

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 "America."

Sharing the Gospel

When God sends us to do His work, He first prepares us. He gives us people who care. Whatever name we are called, we too are "gifts of God." When we use our gifts for good today, everyone says, "You are going to do great things in the future." Who are the people who care about you? Do you see yourself as a gift of God? How can you remind yourself that you are? How are you using your gifts? What do you hope to become in the future? How could you be like John and work for God in this world? How could you work for God today?



Mission for the Week

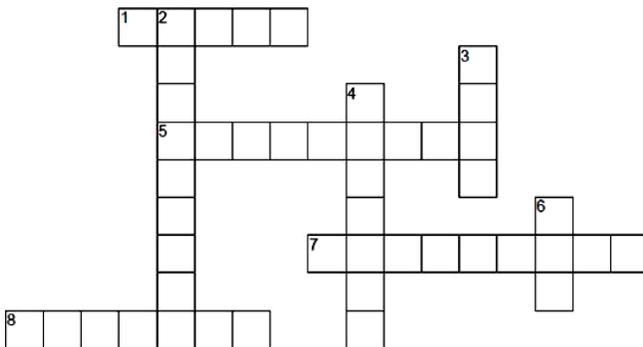


Names have special meanings. In our families, some people are named after parents or other relatives and ancestors. Spend some time as a family focusing on one another's names as well as on the names of other relatives. Point out the significance of each name and how the naming took place.

"His Name Is John"

"And you, my little son, will be called the prophet of the Most High because you will prepare the way for the Lord." Luke 1:76

Puzzle is based on Luke 1:67-80



ACROSS

1. Kind and gentle treatment of another person
5. The father of John the Baptist
7. To be forgiven of our sin
8. One who speaks for God

DOWN

2. The mother of John the Baptist
3. The one who prepared the way for Jesus
4. To make ready
6. To disobey God's law

ZACHARIAS	MERCY	SALVATION	PREPARE
ELIZABETH	SIN	JOHN	PROPHET

Prayer

Dear Jesus,
Help me to be like St. John the Baptist and lead others to Jesus. Amen.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of St. John the Baptist being held by his dad, Zechariah.

