

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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**Rev. Charles Mangano**, Associate Pastor  
**Rev. Sylvester Chukwumalume**, in Residence  
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## Parish Office

**Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)**  
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](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)  
Fax: 631.661.7143  
Website: [www.ollchurch.org](http://www.ollchurch.org)

## Religious Education Office

**Phone: 631.661.5440 (select option #3)**  
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,  
1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm  
E-mail: [ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

## Parish Outreach Office

**Phone: 631.661.9262 (select option #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](mailto: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 Epiphany of the Lord • Sunday, January 3, 2021*



## 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 Scorgia

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

**AnnMarie Buonaspina**  
Director of Youth Choirs

**Michael Buonaspina**  
Parish Organist

**S. Kathleen Carberry, CSJ**  
Parish Office

**Maggie Frodell**  
Parish Office

**Carol Grillo**  
Parish 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 January 3

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12  
**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/ Mk 6:34-44  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/ Mk 6:45-52  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/ Lk 4:14-22  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/ Lk 5:12-16  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/ Jn 3:22-30  
**Next Sunday:** Is 55:1-11/ 1 Jn 5:1-9/ Mk 1:7-11

## Financial Summary

### December 27, 2020

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| Weekly Collection | \$ 10,158.00   |
| Weekly Budget     | - \$ 17,800.00 |
| +/- for the week  | \$ (7,642.00)  |

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| Christmas       | \$ 38,089.00 |
| Parish Ministry | \$ 6,435.00  |

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

Dear Parishioners:

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the “manifestation” of the Christ-child to the whole world. This feast is also often referred to as “Little Christmas”. In Europe, this is the day on which gifts are exchanged because this is the day the Wise Men, the Magi, gave their gifts to the Christ-child.

This feast is celebrated more enthusiastically in most European countries. In Cologne, Germany, the relics of the Wise Men will be shown to the people at a Solemn Mass. In England, in the Royal Chapel, Queen Elizabeth will offer gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to a child. In Spain, there will be parades complete with the Wise Men riding on camels into the various Cathedrals. In Poland, this is a traditional time for all the parish priests to visit every home in their parish and to bless the home for the coming year. In Poland, families mark the wood over the front doors of their homes in this way:

$$21 + C + M + B + 20$$

It is the year 2021 separated by Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, the three Wise Men. Sadly, we have lost many of these customs in the United States. But these traditional customs help us to remember what Christmas is about and who we are: the adopted brothers and sisters of Jesus.

On this day, members of the Greek Orthodox Church participate in the great “Blessing of the Waters”. After the Divine Liturgy, there is a procession from the Church to the beach, lake, etc. The Orthodox priest blesses the water by tossing a cross into the water. Men dive in to retrieve the cross. The person who finds the cross first and swims back receives a special blessing for the person and for his family. The water blessed this day is known as “theophany water” and is used by people to bless themselves and their homes.

I am sure that we all know the song, “*The Twelve Days of Christmas*”. The Feast of the Epiphany marks the end of the twelve days of Christmas, though the official end of the Christmas season is not until next weekend, when we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Before Vatican II, the official end of the Christmas season was February 2, known then as “*Candlemas Day*”.

We also began a new year. I am sure that you are in agreement with me that 2020 could not end quickly enough! I hope and pray that 2021 will be a year filled with much health, happiness and, especially, holiness. I challenge each and every one of us, day by day, to make the decision to draw closer to God. In Pre-Cana, we always tell the engaged couples that “love is a decision”; it is not simply a feeling. Love means doing sacrificial actions for our spouse, even when we don’t “feel” like doing it! We make the decision to love. I pray that you and I make the decision to draw closer to God and to love Him more dearly this year. Through our intentional increased prayer and good works, we will draw closer to the Christ who loved us so much that He died for us. Blessed New Year to your families!

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.



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| <b>Michael DiMatteo</b> - <i>US Marines</i>       | <b>Anthony Memoli</b> - <i>US Marines</i>   |
| <b>Michael Fantauzzi</b> - <i>US Air Force</i>    | <b>Timothy Milligan</b> - <i>US Marines</i> |
| <b>Christopher Florca</b> - <i>US Marines</i>     | <b>Melissa Mockler</b> - <i>US Navy</i>     |
| <b>Dominick Gennaro</b> - <i>US Army</i>          | <b>Andrew Perniciaro</b> - <i>US Army</i>   |
| <b>Patrick Harty</b> - <i>US Coast Guard</i>      | <b>Brandon Ranzie</b> - <i>US Army</i>      |
| <b>Ritchard Higham</b> - <i>US Army</i>           | <b>Stephen Rolston</b> - <i>US Army</i>     |
| <b>Colby Matthew Kelly</b> - <i>US Army</i>       | <b>Jack Shires</b> - <i>US Navy</i>         |
| <b>Luke Loftsgaarden</b> - <i>US Army</i>         | <b>Jack Taffner</b> - <i>US Marines</i>     |
| <b>Anthony Mannino</b> - <i>US Marines</i>        | <b>Michael Wilkinson</b> - <i>US Army</i>   |
| <b>Msgr. Brian McNamara</b> - <i>US Air Force</i> | <b>Peter Zaccaria</b> - <i>US Navy</i>      |

... ..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 ...

*Thomas J. Calogero III, Thomas Chisari, Toby Conwell, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Ted Gladkowski, Elizabeth (Betty) Goode, Tyler Gossweiler, Robert Grippo, Denis Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Carol Randazzo Hopkins, James Leung, Anne Kerrigan, Marty Kerrigan, Michael F. Maher, Edward Pauciullo, Connie Polik, Fred Polik, Teresa Regina, Matthew Roopchandsingh, Richard Shaddock, Doris Shaddock, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, Phyllis Van Dyken, Roger Welden,*

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



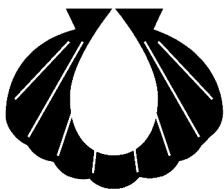
## ***Rest In Peace***

*Anthony B. DeLise  
Neil Jason Vellecca*

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

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## ***Baptism***

*Juliana Maia Czimber  
Ryan John Duke  
Thomas John Rotsch*

*Our priests will be celebrating Mass via live-stream on our parish website and will remember the Mass Intentions for each day. Please join us by visiting our website at: [ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org).*

## ***Mass Intentions***

### **Monday, January 4**

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

**8:30am** Pasquale Sgambati

### **Tuesday, January 5**

*St. John Neumann*

**8:30am** Michael Toohig

### **Wednesday, January 6**

*St. André Bessette*

**8:30am** Lisa DePetro

### **Thursday, January 7**

*St. Raymond of Peñafort*

**8:30am** Edmund Lee

### **Friday, January 8**

**8:30am** Renaida Rivera & Family

### **Saturday, January 9**

**8:30am** People of the Parish

**5:00pm** Sweeney & LaRocca Families  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

### **Sunday, January 10**

*Baptism of the Lord*

**8:00am** Frank Aparo

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**9:30am** Felicia Spiers Burnham

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**11:00am** Fortunato & Carmela Maggi

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**12:30pm** Mary Breest

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**6:00pm** People of the Parish, Vincent Comiskey

*Fr. Charles Mangano*



## Now and at the Hour of Our Death

### Catholic Guidance for End-of-Life Decision Making

Illness and aging, coupled with rapid advances in medical technology, can lead to heightened anxiety when health care decisions must be made. Go to [www.CatholicEndofLife.org](http://www.CatholicEndofLife.org) for assistance in navigating the end-of-life challenges that you and/or your loved ones face. Learn about the key principles of Catholic teaching in this area, and how to apply them in the complex world of medical advance directives.

## Meeting Cancellations

Due to prescribed social distancing and COVID protocols, **all meetings are cancelled until further notice.** Please watch the bulletin and our parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org)) for updates.

## 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.



- Oatmeal
- Hamburger Helper
- Cereal
- White Rice
- Laundry Detergent

## Christmas Raffle



Below please find a set of 6 chances. It is a 50-50 drawing. Chances are \$25 each or 6 chances for \$100. 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will win 35% of the money, 2<sup>nd</sup> place will win 10% of the money and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will win 5% of the money. You have to be in it to win it!

The drawing will take place on **Sunday, January 17 after the 12:30pm Mass.**

*Hopefully, the Wise Men will bring you a gift of a winning ticket!*

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*Christmas*

FLOWER OFFERING

*Alice Irene  
Michael Reilly  
Deceased Members of Giuffrè & Pezzutti Families  
Nancy Bencivinni  
John Lilly  
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Buonaspina  
Evelyn & Ed Carlin  
Rosalie & Joseph Pacini*

*Christmas Flower Offerings received after December 6<sup>th</sup>  
will be published in subsequent bulletins.*

## Virtual Bereavement Support Groups

Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are open (free of charge) to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death. Upcoming Virtual Bereavement Support Groups, led by a Bereavement Specialist, include:

### Loss Due to COVID-19 Bereavement Support Group

Thursday afternoons: 1/7/21 - 2/11/21 – 1:00pm-2:30pm

Registration Required - Please e-mail/call: Jennifer Herzog, LMSW

631-828-7636 / [Jennifer.Herzog@CHSLI.org](mailto:Jennifer.Herzog@CHSLI.org)

### Spousal/Partner Bereavement Support Group

Tuesday afternoons: 1/12/21 - 2/16/21- 12:00pm-1:30pm

Registration Required - Please e-mail/call: Carolyn Lisi- Haas, LCSW-R

631-828-7629 / [Carolyn.Lisi-Haas@CHSLI.org](mailto:Carolyn.Lisi-Haas@CHSLI.org)

### Adult Loss of Parent or Sibling Bereavement Support Group

Tuesday evenings: 1/12/21 - 2/16/21- 5:00pm-6:30pm

Registration Required - Please e-mail/call: Carolyn Lisi- Haas, LCSW-R

631-828-7629 / [Carolyn.Lisi-Haas@CHSLI.org](mailto:Carolyn.Lisi-Haas@CHSLI.org)

**Zoom and Email information required to participate.**

**Secure Zoom link to group will be sent to registrants.**

## 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](mailto:RCIA@ollchurch.org) or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, and we would be happy to help you.

## Retrouvaille Weekend - 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. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, January 22, 2021, 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.

Location: Marriott Melville Long Island - 1350 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, NY 11747



## Preparing for Marriage?

### Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

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 2 day weekend (**with safe social distancing**) will be held as follows:

**Mar. 6-7, 2021** Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY

**July 10-11, 2021** Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY

**Nov. 13-14 2021** Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY

For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: [www.engagedencounterli.org](http://www.engagedencounterli.org).



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

### Great News - Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!

God invites your marriage to be filled with His graces. Accept His invitation by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience via Zoom for seven sessions on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00pm-9:30pm. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information on upcoming dates or to apply, call John and Toni Torio at 718-344-3700 or visit us at <http://www.wwme.org/>



## Church Census Information

### Has your contact information changed, or are you moving?

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any recent changes -- address, family members, phone numbers, etc. With your help, our parish data information will be more accurate, and receipt of Parish Offering Envelopes and other church information can be distributed more efficiently.

Please mail the information to the Parish Office or email to [parishoffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:parishoffice@ollchurch.org).

## 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 "Life's Struggles". To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).



## Sharing the Gospel

Jigsaw puzzles are fun. Solve a puzzle with your whole family, and it comes together even faster. God helped the wise men solve a puzzle. They wanted to find the newborn king. Together the wise men read God's promises, did their homework, and followed the star. When all of their answers fit, they found baby Jesus.



## Mission for the Week

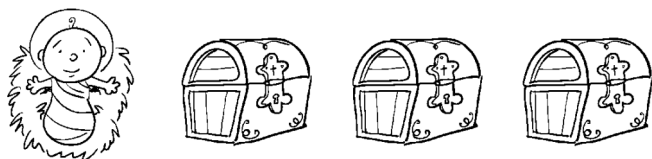
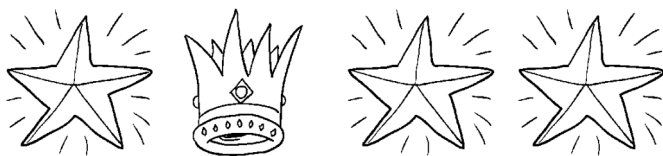


Solve a puzzle together with your family. Work together like the wise men did.



### Puzzle

Circle the picture that is **different**. Then color in all the pictures.



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## Prayer

God,  
thank you for  
all the people  
who helped me  
find Jesus.

## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of  
the people who  
help you learn  
more about Jesus.

