

**“As a groom rejoices in his bride,
so shall your God
rejoice in you.”**



Isaiah 62:5

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of Lourdes • January 20, 2013



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.

Daily Mass 8 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5 PM
Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM,
11 AM, 12:30 PM and 6 PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

Rosary

Daily after 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday after 8 AM Mass

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 ad-
vance, please call the Parish Office.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of
Adults(RCIA)** A process to be em-
braced by the Catholic Church. For
non-Catholics and for Catholics who
have never received formal religious
education. If interested, please call
the 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.

Vision...

so that all may know that they are a vital part of the Body of Christ, we further recommit and challenge ourselves to...

Live out our Baptismal call passionately by caring for all of God's people with justice.

Grow in an understanding of God's role in each of our lives.

Respond to the Gospel in a radical way, inviting and inspiring all to form the Kingdom of God in every moment of life.

Acknowledge we are not complete without the willingness to grow, discern and discover the Spirit who moves and guides us.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Brian McNamara
Pastor

Rev. Patsy Amabile

Associate Pastor

Rev. Robert Scheckenback

Associate Pastor

Deacon John DeGuardi

Deacon Tom Lucie

Deacon Jack Meehan

Coordinator of Stewardship

Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Nancy Campkin

Director of Religious Education

Trish Frodell

Director of Parish Social Ministry

Louise Jane Krol

School Principal

Sr. Diane Liona

Director of Religious Education

Mary McMahon

Business Manager

Robin Reynolds-Brennan

Coordinator of Worship

OLL Choir Director

Vita Scorcia

Ministry Spiritual Director

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara

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Stacie Baltrusitis

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Nilo DeLeon

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Rosalie Mangels

Maryellen McKee

Deacon Jack Meehan

John Muldoon

Bob Natale

Vita Scorcia

Parish Staff

AnnMarie Buonaspina

Director of Youth Choirs

Michael Buonaspina

Parish Organist

Jennifer Gallagher

Women's Chorale Director

Anne Gregg

School Office

Mary Anne Lettieri

Parish Office

Debbie Meyer

Bulletin Editor/Business Office

Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

Lori Walsh

Parish Office



Parish Office

661.3224, option 1

Monday-Thursday

9 AM - 7:30 PM

Friday: 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM

Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM

email: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org

fax: 661.7143

website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

587.7200, option 2

Monday-Friday

9 AM - 3 PM

email: lkrol@ollschool.org

Religious Education Office

661.5440, option 3

Monday-Friday

9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 5 PM

7 PM - 9 PM

email: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

661.9262, option 4

Monday- Friday

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

S.A.G.E.

661.3224, ext. 122

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

email: Sage@ollchurch.org

Religious Education

RESCUE - “*Religious Education Sponsor Candidate United Effort*”

All Grade 8 Confirmation Candidates will meet with their Sponsors... with a kick-off some Sunday afternoons in January. This night of prayer and reflection will provide them with an opportunity to learn about their new roles as sponsors and candidates, hear personal reflections about what it means to be a sponsor and commit to take a more active role in this process. Each evening will conclude with Sunday's 6 PM Mass.

Let's continue to pray for our parish's Confirmation Candidates.

Adult Faith Formation

Book Discussion: *Crossing the Desert, Learning to Let Go, See Clearly, and Live Simply* by Robert Wicks

Presenter: Tom Petriano/ Religious Studies Dept./ St. Joseph's College

Tuesdays January 22, 29, February 12, 26, and March 12

Spiritual Life Center

7:30-9:30 PM

*Book will be available for purchase in the Religious Education Office. Cost is \$15
It will be helpful to read Chapter 1 before first session.*

“*Crossing the Desert* is about the journey all of us are called to take-*especially* when we feel lost, under great stress, or during times of desolation. And it is about discovering the true freedom we need to make the journey successfully.” These words from the introduction to Robert Wicks' book, *Crossing the Desert, Learning to Let Go, See Clearly, and Live Simply* set the direction for this five week series based on Wicks' book. Weekly gatherings will be based on a discussion of key themes of this book.

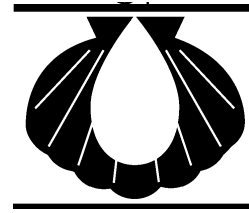
- All are welcome
- Please join us
- Let the desert teach you

Come join us and be a part of lively discussions and interesting presentations. Don't miss it!

*There is a \$5 fee for each session. No fee is required for those who have paid the Religious Education Family Fee or Our Lady of Lourdes School tuition. Registration is necessary and helpful. This will enable us to have enough reading material and refreshments for all those attending.
To register, please call the Religious Education Office at 661.5440, option 3 or email to religious@ollchurch.org.*

Baptism Ministry

“By water and the Holy Spirit they are to receive the gift of new life from God, who is love.”



The Baptism Ministry will have the first meeting of the new year, for current and new members, on **Tuesday, February 5 at 7 PM in the Spiritual Life Center.**

Senior Circle

The Senior Circle meets on the last Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, January 28 at 12:30 PM in the Parish Center.** We will be having our Christmas Party.



1 2013 El Salvador Mission Trip

Our first meeting for the 2013 El Salvador Mission trip will be held on **Tuesday, January 22 at 7 PM in the Parish Center.**

Anyone interested in going on our Parish Mission Trip, to be held this year, Saturday, June 29 to Friday, July 5, should join us at this meeting. Please bring a current passport with you, if you have one. The trip is open to students eighth grade and older, as well as adults.

Always Our Children

Always Our Children Ministry for gay Catholics, their parents and families. Come meet with us and recognize where God is present our lives. **We meet the last Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Spiritual Life Center. Our next meeting will be January 31.**

For more information, please call Stacie at 631.661.4254.



Our Lady of Lourdes School

EXCELLENCE IN CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2013

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 27th

10:30 a.m.—12 noon



- **Registration for 2013-2014** school year
- **Tours of school** facilities including classrooms, media center, TV studio, science lab, cafeteria, etc.

PROGRAMS: "Someone Special & Me," Nursery, Pre-Kindergarten,

Kindergarten (full day), Grades 1-8

Extended Care, After School Enrichment Activities, Sports Teams, Theatrical Arts

Visit our school web site at: **www.ollschool.org**

for more information about our
exciting programs!

Call the Main Office at

631-587-7200 ext 100 if you have questions.





School News...

- Mrs. Sullivan's afternoon Nursery class was busy working on our schools new iPads. The children played learning games using the Alphabet and numbers. Every one had lots of fun while learning. The children can't wait to use them again.
- In a collaborative effort between World Languages and Art Departments, Mr. Montella and Mrs. Lora put together an interdisciplinary project to celebrate the Christmas Season.
- THANK YOU to all our school and parish families and friends, that participated at Night at the Races! The event was a success. Thank you to all that volunteered to help. We appreciate your continued support.
- Our Lady of Lourdes School presents F.A.S.T Athletics Super Sports after school programs...Get up, get going, and get active with F.A.S.T Athletics Super Sports Program. F.A.S.T Athletics will offer a variety of sports each week such as: Soccer, Baseball, Basketball, Flag Football, Dodge ball and Kickball. Programs will include warm-up games as well as learning basic skills of each sport. Each class will end with a high energy game with the sport played that day. These programs are for all skill levels. EVERYONE is invited and encouraged to participate! Please pick up a form in the main office. www.fastathletics.com

Calling all school families and parish families...

Please help turn your shopping trips into money to support our school.

Here are two ways...

1. When you are shopping, look for "Box Top" logos, clip them and send them into the school office.

2. Shop at Stop and Shop-Our Lady of Lourdes School is participating in the A+ School Rewards again this year. This program runs through March 28, 2013, Our Lady of Lourdes School will have the opportunity to earn cash through this program.

School ID#: 15003

All you have to do is: log on to www.stopandshop.com/aplus to register online or dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone.

Special Keys

New Religious Education Kindergarten program!

We started this program last year and have expanded it so that we have a session each month:

February 15, March 15, April 19, and May 17.

We meet in the Church at 4:30 PM on Friday and the program lasts about 40 minutes. Come and see what wonderful opportunities for your kindergarten children to learn about their faith! Email to register at sdiane@ollchurch.org

SAGE

The SAGE Group (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*) will meet on **Tuesday, January 22 in the Parish Center at 9 AM.**

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous: Monday and Tuesday at 8 PM and Saturday at 2 PM and 7 PM in Lourdes Hall (convent lower level.)

ALANON: Wednesday at 10 AM in Lourdes Hall (convent lower level.)

Free babysitting available Beginner's meeting at 9:30 AM.

AA Day-by-Day/Girls Night Out: Thursday at 7:30 PM in Lourdes Hall (convent lower level.)

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 1:30 PM** before the Blessed Sacrament for about one half hour. For more information, call Charles Argento at 586.8528.

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 PM until 10 PM.

All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship each evening.



Rest In Peace

Sister Rosarine Quinn, CSJ, former teacher at Our Lady of Lourdes School c. 1978-1986, died on December 23 and burial was held on December 28.

Mary D. Billott died on January 4 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 9. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her children, grandchildren, and entire family.

John M. Kennedy died on January 5 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 10. We extend our prayerful sympathy to his wife, Mary Ann, children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Madeline C. Pizzurro died on January 10 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was January 14. We extend our prayerful sympathy to her children, grandchildren, and entire family.

March for Life

Our Lady of Lourdes is joining with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church and other parishes of our Deanery for the Annual March for Life on Friday, January 25, 2013. We will gather at OLPH at 5 AM for Mass in the Church and depart immediately after. After the March, we will leave Washington at 5 PM (There will be a stop to and from Washington, DC. All are encouraged to bring sandwiches and snack for the bus as the stops will likely be brief.)

To RSVP to this event, contact Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to jsureau@drvc.org. All responses are requested by January 18. A Free Will Offering of \$20 is requested, but not required, for participation. This will cover the cost of the bus and any extra monies will be donated to Regina Residence, Catholic Charities outreach to pregnant and parenting women and their children.

Can You Help?

“The Postal Service delivers mail six days a week to nearly 140 million addresses. Each year this number increases by 2 million!”

...and OLL needs you to keep this trend moving!!

Please contact the Rectory Office if you are available to assist with our Bulk Mailings. Our next meeting will be Tuesday morning, January 22 at 11 AM in the Parish Center. We will begin preparations for the Lenten and Easter mailings. We have a group of dedicated volunteers who help one hour at a time. Thank you.

2013 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Serving God by Serving Others

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This letter brings with it my sincere hope that the recent Christmas and New Year Holidays were filled with many blessings for you and your families. As we begin the 2013 Calendar year, I hope that you join with me in praying that the work of our Church will continue to thrive and expand as we Serve God by Serving Others.

I am very grateful for your support of our Church, and I am delighted to be able to share with you that last year because of the Catholic Ministries Appeal our critical ministries were able to assist more than 600,000 people in our community.

Your generosity helped us:

- support the formation of our priests and deacons who give their lives to the Church.
- provide religious education to more than 110,000 of our youngsters in public schools.
- provide food, shelter and care to the disadvantaged in our communities through the good works of Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs. Last year, we provided assistance to thousands of families who were displaced due to Hurricane Sandy.
- form future generation of Catholics through Campus Ministry, Young Adult and Youth Ministry programs.

During this time which the Holy Father has named the *Year of Faith*, we are all called as Catholics to rediscover, and share with others, the precious gift of Faith, and to let this special time be an opportunity for each one of us to intensify the witness of charity, which is faith in action.

Your service to the Church helps demonstrate your faith in action as does your support of all of the critical work of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. This commitment encourages me to once again come to you and ask for your leadership participation in the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Whatever size your gift is, please know that it is deeply appreciated and will help us continue to join together to serve God by serving others. Supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal is an opportunity for us to *Belong More Deeply* to the Lord, the Church and to one another.

With my gratitude and prayers, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Bishop of Rockville Centre

For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, to view the video, or to donate, please visit www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org or call 516-379-5210 ext. 2.

Remembering...

Monday, January 21

Saint Agnes, virgin, martyr

8:00 AM

Tuesday, January 22

8:00 AM Cassie Aitken

Wednesday, January 23

Saint Vincent, deacon and martyr

8:00 AM Elinor Shaddock

Thursday, January 24

Saint Francis de Sales, bishop and doctor

8:00 AM Joseph & Amelia Moscarelli

Friday, January 25

The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

8:00 AM Domenica Prudente

Saturday, January 26

8:00 AM Donna Gerek (living)

5:00 PM Ante Vulin

Fr. Patsy Amabile

Sunday, January 27

8:00 AM Jim Olsen

Fr. Patsy Amabile

9:30 AM Nancy Proctor

Fr. Patsy Amabile

11:00 AM Dolores Haggerty

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

12:30 PM Joseph Rizzo

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Vincent Mannino,
John Kubasek, Jerrilyn Smith, Carmela Lubrano,
Pam Van Wagner, Mary Accardo

Fr. Bob Scheckenback

The Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.** The Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday, January 22 at 9 AM.



MARTIN
LUTHER
KING, JR.
- DAY -

experiencing a
miracle



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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Occasionally we hear someone speak about experiencing a miracle. Usually it involves rescue from some accident or health crisis. "It was a miracle that car didn't hit me, the way they were driving" or "It was a miracle they were able to save her leg, the way that it was smashed." We even talk about "miracle" drugs, a reference to the amazing properties of life-saving antibiotics, antivirals, and certain other compounds. Miracles have a character of the unexplained to them. While scientists can describe in great detail the action of "miracle" drugs, to the rest of us they seem just amazing. Doctors can illuminate the process by which someone is healed through surgery and therapy, but again, it seems almost unbelievable when we see the results. Engineers can detail why a collision never happened, but to those who escape harm, it seems like a miracle indeed!

The miracle at the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee is the third aspect of what comprises the manifestation of Christ known as the Epiphany mystery. (The appearance of the Magi and the baptism at the Jordan are the other two.) In his Gospel, John describes the action by Jesus at Cana as a "sign" that reveals his glory. It is the revelation of his glory that causes the disciples to believe in him. Jesus is made manifest, and so people come to believe. It is what happened to the Magi; it is what happened to the crowds gathered at the Jordan; it is what happens to the disciples who are with him at the wedding feast.

The wonder of God's glory is not reserved to spectacular miracles that take place only at rare intervals. It is a wonder that a drug can cure someone, or that a surgeon can work so skillfully, or that for whatever reason, accidents are avoided. Seeing the manifestation of God's action each day is the sign of one who believes that the Word is made flesh and dwells among us.

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Readings for the Week of January 20, 2013

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25--8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
Saturday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Altar Society

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



Brian Clark-*US Army*
Bryan R. Dempsey-*US Marines*
Jeremy deRoxas-*US Air Force*
Michael Fantauzzi-*US Air Force*
Christopher Florca-*US Marines*
Kyle Fouhy-*US Marines*
Anthony Mannino-*US Marines*
James Rooney III-*US Marines*
Christopher Wilson-*US Marines*

...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 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, Joseph Badala, Jr., Catherine Battiata, Joe Bucci, Rebecca Ann Budriss, Robert Capasso, Marie Cirone, Neil Coogan, Paula Dannhauser, Anthony D'Auria, Beverly DeCanio, Jeanne DellaRagione, John Desmond, Frank Edwards, Franklin Edwards, Arlene Egloff, Eileen Eisele, Betty Fallon, Jake Feldman, Joann Fiorello, Denise Frame, Elizabeth Fredriksen, Billy Fuchs, Rudy Fusco, Donna Galindez, Kenneth Garretson, Vivian Gordon, Max Iliano, Terry Keegan, Debbie Lamb, Patrick J. Lillis, John Liona, Christopher Maher, Anthony Marotta, Marge Marotta, Vicky Massaro, Danielle Mazzarone, Denise Michelback, Elizabeth Minicozzi, Allen Minkler, John Muldoon, Patrick O'Connor, Jr., Phyllis Pasciuta, Thomas Petrizzi, Joseph Radosti, Sanchez Family, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Joseph S. Schiavoni, Ann Marie Schiraldi, John Sweeney, Nancy Turano, Vera Vieni

Mosquito Bites

2012-01-22

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser

When grace enters, there is no choice - humans must dance.

W.H. Auden wrote those words and, beautiful as they sound, I wish they were true. When grace enters a room we should begin to dance but, sadly, more often than not we let some little thing, some minor mosquito bite, blind us to grace's presence.

I say this with sympathy, not cynicism. We all know how mosquitoes can ruin a picnic. Here's an example: You are celebrating your birthday in your back yard, having a picnic with family and friends. The weather is perfect, the sun is warm, the mood is mellow, and everything around and within you is an invitation to be joyful and grateful. This is "Sabbath" in the biblical sense: You are celebrating life, your birthday. You are healthy, surrounded by family and friends who love you, enjoying leisure, time off the wheel of work, all with good food and good drink. Grace has entered and everything is wonderful, except for one thing, mosquitoes. As dusk begins to take hold they discreetly begin to infiltrate, inflicting a bite here and a bite there until eventually most everyone loses his or her focus and is preoccupied with keeping exposed parts of their flesh under vigilance. Eventually most of the good cheer and the gratitude evaporate and irritation at the mosquitoes effectively ends any inclination to dance. The picnic is brought down by a series of little bites!

We could all recount a hundred kinds of incidences of this sort. Given the complexity and contingency within our everyday lives, mosquitoes of some type are invariably present. There is some rain on every parade, some irritation in virtually every situation in life, and some element challenging pure grace within almost every moment of life. Life rarely comes to us pure, free from all shadow. That's why former spiritualities said that we are "living in this valley of tears". In our lives we never experience a moment of clear-cut, pure, joy. Everything comes with a shadow, a mosquito at the picnic.

And so it is not always easy to dance, even in the clear presence of grace. Mosquito bites can easily cause us to lose perspective, to lose the big picture, the one that would have us see and celebrate grace, even in the face of some minor irritation. A minor irritation can make us lose sight of a huge grace.

Today there is a rich spiritual and psychological literature that challenges us to try to live more fully inside the present moment and not let our heart-

aches about the past or our anxieties about tomorrow cheat us out of the riches of today. But, as we know, that is easier said than done. Elements from our past - half-remembered lullabies from childhood, an almost--forgotten face, a past love, an humiliation on the playground deep in our past, a misstep that still haunts us, and thousand other things from our past - impale themselves into our present. And the future, as well, colors our present as we anxiously worry about an impending decision, the meeting we must have tomorrow, what the doctor is going to tell us at our next visit, and how will meet our next mortgage bill. The present moment never comes to us pure.

And yet the challenge remains, an important and healthy challenge: Don't let the mosquito bites within life blind you to the larger presence of grace! One of my favorite spiritual writers, David Steidl-Rast articulates this challenge very strongly, though he does it by emphasizing the positive. Here's an example from his writings: "You think this is just another day in your life. It's not just another day; it's the one day that is given to you today. It's given to you; it's a gift. It's the only gift that you have right now, and the only appropriate response is gratefulness. If you do nothing else but to cultivate that response to the great gift that this unique day is, if you learn to respond as if it were the first day of your life and very last day, then you will have spent this day very well."

But that is a grace that does not come easily, it must be fervently prayed for. Mosquitoes will inevitably make their presence known at every picnic in our lives. That's a given. The challenge is to not lose sight of the larger presence of grace because of minor irritations.

And it helps to keep one's sense of humor about this: I was trying to untie my shoe lace yesterday, a simple, rote act that I've performed blindly thousands of times. I tugged on a lace and, given how shoes are tied, it should be impossible for the laces not to open. But somehow a knot appeared instead! How can this happen? The answer lies in a simple, age-old, philosophical axiom: In the world of irritation there are no impossibilities, no limits of finitude, only infinite potentialities.

Small wonder humans don't always dance when grace enters.

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Financial Summary

January 13, 2013

Weekly Collection	\$ 17,907.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (1,093.00)

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs, and salaries is \$19,000.

Christmas Poster Contest

Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name Society are proud to announce the winners of the Parish's 2012 Christmas Poster Contest:

Kindergarten

Keira Heller

First Grade

First Place-James Terjesen

Second Place-Madison Erb

Second Grade

First Place-Nicholas Barone

Second Place-David Martinez

Third Place-Giovanni Colesanti

Third Grade

First Place-Jack Vivona

Second Place-Michael Spano

Fourth Grade

First Place-Christopher John Pierre

Second Place-Gianna Diamonte

Third Place-Juliana Maldonado

Fifth Grade

First Place-Natalia Khoury

Second Place-Krystyna Carchi

Third Place-Madison Tomas

Sixth Grade

First Place-Sara Gallegos

Second Place-Terence Lin

Third Place-Angelina Diamonte

Seventh Grade

First Place-Ethan Lin

Second Place-Sara Siddiqui

Third Place-Edward McMahon

Eighth Grade

First Place-Kathryn Antonawich

Second Place-Bianca Valenti

Third Place-Noella Marvelli

In years past the winners would continue on to the diocesan poster contest, but unfortunately due to financial constraints we will awarding the winners on a parish level. Thank you to all participants for their beautiful artwork. We continue to be amazed each year by the beautiful submissions. The members of the Holy Name Society thank one and all for your submissions.

Spiritual Care Companion

Would you like to learn to become a beacon of hope to support the spiritual needs of those in your parish who are hospitalized, living in nursing homes, homebound or adults with special needs? Come learn more about sharing your gift of time and presence as a Spiritual Care Companion.

Catholic Health Services of Long Island sponsors this fee three-week training, for volunteers of all faiths, with basic pastoral care skills and information to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Our training includes communication skills, concerns of the sick and homebound and adults with special needs, spiritual companionship, grief, death & dying, ethical issues and more.

Information Session: Saturday, February 9 from 9:30-11:30 AM

Trainings: Saturday, March 9, 23 and April 6 from 9:30-11:30 AM

Location: CHS of Long Island, 245 Old Country Rd, Melville

To register, please call Carol Cella at 631.465.6307 or Trish Luvini at 631.465.6306.

Hospice for the Grieving Heart

Good Samaritan Hospital, in conjunction with Good Shepherd Hospice, will host a free seminar: Bridge to Hope: Hospice for the Grieving Heart this Valentine's Day. Encouragement, education and support to help cope with the loss of a loved one this Valentine's Day. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, February 6 from 6:30 to 8 PM. The seminar will take place at the West Islip Library, 3 Higbie Lane, Room A. Please call Diane McNamara at 631.465.6382 to reserve your seat or for more information.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Bishop McGann Council of the **Knights of Columbus, Bay Shore, will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, January 20 from 3-7 PM.** The money raised will be donated to the Knights of Columbus Council, Long Beach, who after Sandy, fed and housed a lot of people who lost their homes. Sadly, the K of C lost their building in a fire, one week later. Adults \$10, under 12 \$5.

For further information, call Sal at 531.495.1263 or Jack at 631.666.4939.

Telecare Telethon Time

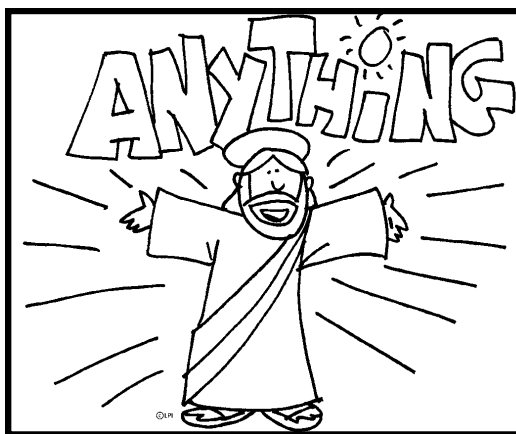
The Telecare Telethon is the weekend of Saturday, January 19 from 2-10 PM and Sunday, January 20 from 12-10 PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137 or Verizon FiOS channel 296 to support our diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest "stars" including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Join Msgr. Jim Vlaun, Msgr. Joe DeGrocco, and Fr. Frank Nelson for the 21st Annual Telecare Telethon celebrating the Year of Faith and consider making a donation by phone or a secure donation over the internet at www.TelecareTV.org.

Religion & Rock

Tune into "Religion & Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7 AM to 8 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Unity."

Sharing the Gospel

Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." That's the smartest thing any of us can do.



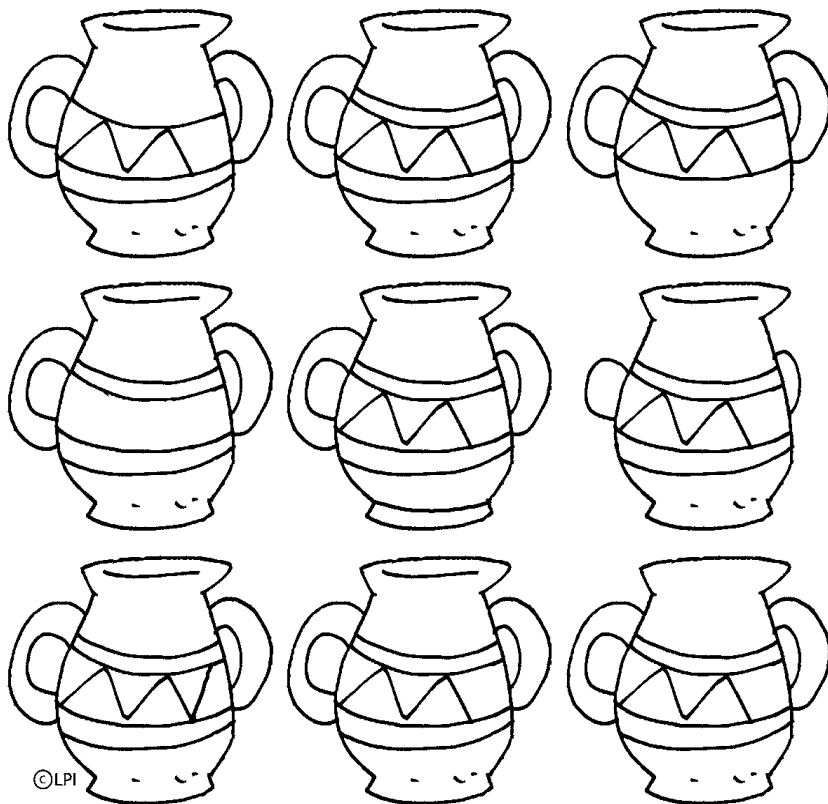
Mission for the Week

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.



Puzzle

Find the two identical jars.



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ANSWER: NUMBERS TWO AND EIGHT



Prayer

Dear God,
help me to do
everything you say.
I know you can do
anything.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of
the wedding servants
listening carefully to
Jesus.