

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
Chaplain, South Shore University Hospital (Southside)
Rev. Freddy Lozano, in Residence

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Deacon John Teufel

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Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry
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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
Fax: 631.661.7143
Website: 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

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



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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter • Sunday, April 25, 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
John Muldoon
Dottie Perdue
Vita Scorgia

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 April 25

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/ 1 Jn 3:1-2/ Jn 10:11-18
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/ Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/ Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/ Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/ Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/ Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/ Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/ 1 Jn 3:18-24/ Jn 15:1-8

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

Financial Summary

April 18, 2021

Weekly Collection	\$ 14,021.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,779.00)

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

Dear Parishioners:

As you may know, one of our parishioners, **Nilo DeLeon**, has been studying to become a Permanent Deacon. It is a four-year formation process. The first year, called the “Aspirancy”, focuses on spiritual development. Years 2, 3 and 4 also emphasize spiritual development but these years also emphasize academic/theological development. A man studying to be a deacon goes to class every other Saturday, from 8:30am – 4:00pm. It is a rather grueling 4 years, since deacon candidates usually have full-time jobs as well.

In Year 3, a man studying for the Permanent Diaconate is installed as an “**Acolyte.**” The role of the acolyte is “to assist the deacon and to minister to the priest. His duty is to attend to the service of the altar and to assist as needed in the celebration of the Mass (carrying the Processional cross, missal, candles and similar functions). He may also distribute Holy Communion. A few months ago, Nilo was installed as an acolyte.

On a practical level, you will see Nilo DeLeon serving on the altar. Unlike a deacon, Nilo will not be wearing a stole (the long scarf-like vestment that a deacon wears across his chest). However, like a deacon or a priest, Nilo will wear an alb (the long white garment). As an acolyte, Nilo can assist at the altar but he cannot lead the Penitential Rite, proclaim the Gospel, etc.

Hopefully, Nilo will be ordained a deacon on May 22, 2021. Please continue to pray for Nilo in particular and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life in general. I still believe that God is calling men and women to this type of service in the Church. We need to develop an ability to hear that call from God.

We are also entering “First Holy Communion” season. Almost 125 young boys and girls will be receiving Jesus for the first time over the next 6 weeks. Please keep our First Holy Communion candidates in your prayers over the next few weeks. Pray that these children will open their hearts to the grace of the Eucharist and that their parents will be faithful in bringing their children to church for Mass on Sunday to receive the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don't forget our Easter raffle. It is \$25 per tickets or 6 tickets for \$100. You have to be in it to win it!”

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Janet Loehr*. 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 - <i>US Marines</i>	Anthony Memoli - <i>US Marines</i>
Michael Fantauzzi - <i>US Air Force</i>	Timothy Milligan - <i>US Marines</i>
Christopher Florca - <i>US Marines</i>	Melissa Mockler - <i>US Navy</i>
Dominick Gennaro - <i>US Army</i>	Andrew Perniciaro - <i>US Army</i>
Patrick Harty - <i>US Coast Guard</i>	Brandon Ranzie - <i>US Army</i>
Ritchard Higham - <i>US Army</i>	Stephen Rolston - <i>US Army</i>
Colby Matthew Kelly - <i>US Army</i>	Jack Shires - <i>US Navy</i>
Luke Loftsgaarden - <i>US Army</i>	Jack Taffner - <i>US Marines</i>
Anthony Mannino - <i>US Marines</i>	Michael Wilkinson - <i>US Army</i>
Msgr. Brian McNamara - <i>US Air Force</i>	Peter Zaccaria - <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 ...

Loretta Anzalone, Rebecca Budriss, Thomas J. Calogero III, Kayla Cappetta, Grace Ciccarello, Robert Cigliano, Lynn Cooper, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Patricia Dennehy, Amanda DiTingo, Pat Eastwood, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Elizabeth (Betty) Goode, Robert M. Grippo, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Carol Randazzo Hopkins, Audrey Hoskins, Hank Kahn, Shena Kahn, Diane Mahlstadt, Margaret Mooney, Dawn Muldoon, Rosemarie Olivieri, Vivian Patterson, Edward Pauciullo, Patricia Planteny, Teresa Regina, Matthew Roopchandsingh, Christopher Sanchez, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, David Stucker, Col. Bernard Talley, Betty Teufel, Dcn. Jack Teufel, Anna Turnwall, Phyllis Van Dyken

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

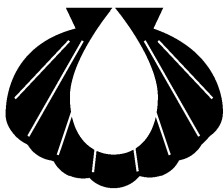
All of our Masses may be viewed via live-stream on our parish website. Please join us by visiting our website at: ollchurch.org.



Rest In Peace

Cosimo Ciocia
Rosario Y. Lacson
Julia M. Pascone

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



Baptism

Quinn Thomas Carleton

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 26

8:30am Karen Epp

Tuesday, April 27

8:30am Pasquale Mastrantuono

Wednesday, April 28

St Peter Chanel, St Louis Grignon de Montfort

8:30am Mr & Mrs. Geraldo Masi & Filomena

Thursday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena

8:30am Mildred Karl

Friday, April 30

St. Pius V

8:30am Mary Conwell

Saturday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

8:30am Pasquale Sgambati, Barbara Trommer,
Benny J. Asaro

5:00pm Michael & Mary Maher

Sunday, May 2

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am John McArdle

9:30am Joseph Boykin

11:00am Carmela Capparelli

12:30pm Helen Balchunas

6:00pm People of the Parish, Sal Gaeta,
Mary Flynn, Maryann Mazzola,
Maureen & Brenden Corrigan (Living)

Diocese of Rockville Centre *Healing After Abortion*



Project Rachel retreats offer the opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The retreats are directed by specially trained compassionate caregivers, including counselors and clergy, who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

“Entering Canaan” **Day of Prayer and Healing for Women -- Saturday, May 15, 2021** *Please register by May 10th*

For more information and to register please visit: www.drvc.life.org/projectrachel
or contact Project Rachel at 1-888-456-HOPE (4673), 1-516-766-2538 or projectrachel@drvc.org

All information will remain confidential.

Casa Project Update

In the past, the “Casa House” has provided housing, bedding and ecostoves for our friends in El Salvador. We couldn't do this without your support and generosity. Next weekend (5/1 and 5/2) we are asking you to give your loose change to our Casa Project. Place your donations in the wooden house located in the north vestibule by the Father Joe Garden.

Thank you for your support. We truly appreciate your generosity.

Please note: the CASA house is now in the north vestibule by the Father Joe Garden.



Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

A Recovery Group for those suffering from Anxiety Disorder will be resuming on Tuesday, May 4th. The Group, led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader, will meet every Tuesday from 2:00pm -4:00pm in the Parish Center (located across from the playground and to the right of Outreach). For more information and to register, please call Michael at 631-968-9154.



Video of Covid-19 Memorial Blessing

If you were unable to attend the blessing of the crosses in our Covid-19 Memorial Garden, a video of the blessing is now available on our website (ollchurch.org). You may also view the video on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/ukQUYOAWxOA>

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.



Pasta Sides
Oil
Boxed Milk
Diced Tomatoes
Bagged Beans

The Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis has declared the period of time from December 8, 2020 through December 8, 2021 as the Year of St Joseph when we remember the 150th anniversary of his declaration as Patron of the Universal Church. Special thanks to our parish's Art & Environment Ministry for enhancing our statue of St Joseph in the church.



Prayer to St Joseph

Grant, we pray, Almighty God
 that by Saint Joseph's intercession
 your Church may constantly watch over
 the unfolding of the mysteries of human salvation,
 whose beginnings you entrusted to his faithful care.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God, for ever and ever. Amen. St Joseph, pray for us!

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, and we would be happy to help you.



Easter Raffle

Below, please find a set of 6 chances. It is a 50-50 drawing. Chances are \$25 each or 6 chances for \$100. 1st place winner will win 35% of the money, 2nd place will win 10% of the money and 3rd place will win 5% of the money. You have to be in it to win it! The drawing will take place on **Pentecost Sunday, May 23 after the 12:30pm Mass.**



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St. John the Baptist DHS - Showers of Kindness

Showers of Kindness provides new baby items to the families served by The Brentwood Health Center. We invite you to join the students of SJB in supporting the moms of many Long Island communities by donating any of the suggested items listed below:



Baby Hair Conditioner	Baby Wipes	Wash Cloths	Body Suits (3-6 months)
Baby Laundry Detergent	Bath Toys	Diaper Cream	Pacifiers
Baby Lotion	Bibs & Burp Cloths	Diapers (all sizes)	Receiving Blankets
Baby Shampoo	Bottles (no glass)	Hats (3-6 months)	Socks (3-6 months)
Baby Body Wash	Bottle Brushes	Hooded Towels	Teething Toys

Donations may be dropped off from April 26-April 30 in the school's front lobby between the hours of 8:00am and 2:30pm. For questions and any additional information, please call Joanne Jones at 631-587-8000, ext. 176 or e-mail: jones@sjbdhs.org Please note: *All items must be new and in original packaging.*

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, May 14, 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: Immaculate Conception Seminary, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743



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:

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.



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

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call John & Toni Torio at 718-344-3700 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. Give your marriage new life by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24 or Thursdays/Mondays June 3-24



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 "Nature".

To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.

Sharing the Gospel

Without a good shepherd to lead them, sheep would get lost. Without a good shepherd to protect them, sheep would get hurt. A good shepherd would even die just to keep his sheep safe. Jesus is your good shepherd, and you are His precious little lamb. When you get lost, Jesus comes to find you. When you are in danger, Jesus comes to comfort you. Listen to the voice of Jesus. Spend time reading the Bible every day. He wants to lead you to life with God. He wants to protect you from sin. Jesus gave up His life just to save you. Jesus is your good shepherd.



Mission for the Week

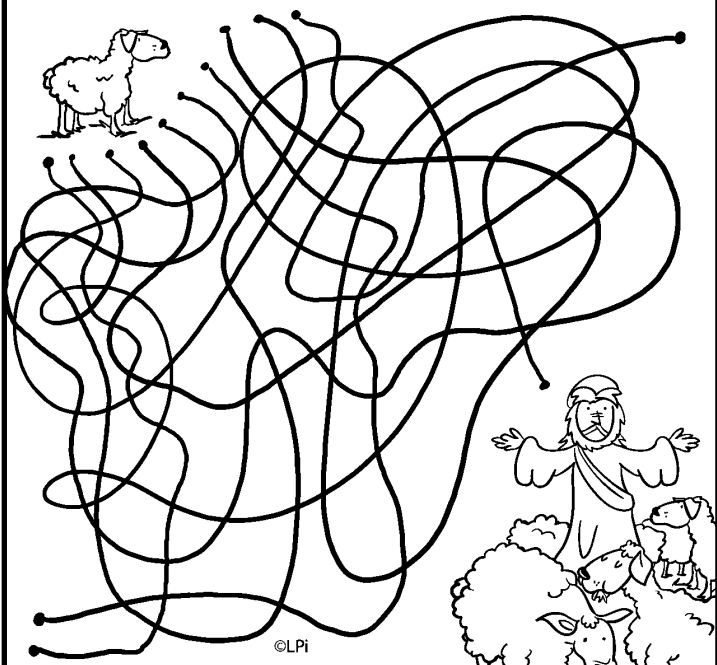


Learn as much as you can about Jesus, so you can follow Him. Read a Bible story with your family every night before bed.



Puzzle

Help this lamb find his way into the sheep pen with Jesus.



Prayer

God,
help me to
always follow
Jesus, my
good shepherd.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself as a little lamb and Jesus as your good shepherd.

