

# 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)  
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**Deacon Rich Maher**, **Deacon John Teufel**

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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  
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## 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.

*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, July 18, 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  
Dcn. 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 July 18

**Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6/ Eph 2:13-18/ Mk 6:30-34  
**Monday:** Ex 14:5-18/ Mt 12:38-42  
**Tuesday:** Ex 14:21—15:1/ Mt 12:46-50  
**Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/ Mt 13:1-9  
**Thursday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
**Friday:** Ex 20:1-17/ Mt 13:18-23  
**Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8/ Mt 13:24-30  
**Next Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44/ Eph 4:1-6/ Jn 6:1-15

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

**AnnMarie Buonaspina**  
Director of Youth Choirs

**Michael Buonaspina**  
Parish Organist

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

**Stacy Gordon**  
Parish Office

**Carol Grillo**  
Parish Office

**Rita Spera**  
Religious Education Office

### Financial Summary

#### July 11, 2021

Weekly Collection	\$
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$

The financial information for July 11th was not available at the time of printing. It will be published in a future issue.

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

## How is your Prayer Life?

The other day, I was listening to a Christian music station. As the station host came back from a song, he started to mention how, when our energy levels are down, a quick twenty minute nap, followed by caffeine (in the form of coffee) can have a rejuvenating effect. He called this a “napachino.” While I found this enlightening, I did not see the relevance to Christian music or its message. Just as I was about to change the station, he made a comparison I didn’t see coming.

He said, “Prayer is like a napachino for the soul.” It got me to thinking about an occasion during my time at the Seminary when my Spiritual Director, Deacon John DeGuardi, asked me about my prayer life. It seemed like a routine question, but it caught me off guard. Deacon John saw the look in my eyes, and allayed my fears. He wasn’t testing me, rather looking to see what tools I had in my prayer tool box. That one question led to many sessions dealing with the variety of prayers and how they could help deepen my prayer life. Deacon John cautioned me to never let my prayer life suffer due to time constraints. There is always enough time for prayer. Even now I realize how, at times, my prayer life could use a boost.

I thank Deacon John for making me aware that, from time to time, I have to tune-up my prayer life. Thinking back to the radio show, I began to ponder some quick and witty jingles that would be helpful in our prayer lives. Perhaps “Energize your prayer life, your soul will thank you.” Maybe taking an idea from that bank commercial, “What’s in your prayer toolbox?” Or how about, “Got Prayer?”

Better yet, I need not look further than what the Saints have said about prayer. St. Paul gives us good advice in Romans 12:12. “Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” St. Padre Pio has some simple, but helpful advice in his prayer: “Pray, Hope and Don’t Worry.” St. Teresa of Calcutta says this about prayer: “Every moment of prayer, especially before our Lord in the tabernacle, is a sure, positive gain. The time we spend in having our daily audience with God is the most precious part of the whole day.” When talking about prayer, especially before the tabernacle, St. Teresa is referring to Eucharistic Adoration. Our Parish has Eucharistic Adoration every first Saturday of the month from 6:00pm to 9:50pm. We’d love to see you there.

St. Faustina in her Divine Mercy prayer says this: “Jesus, I trust in You.” St. John Paul II said this about Divine Mercy: “The Message of Divine Mercy has always been near and dear to me... which I took with me to the See of Peter and which it, in a sense, forms the image of this Pontificate.” When St. John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina making her St. Faustina, he simultaneously made the Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday. He commented, “This is the happiest day of my life.”

What a simple prayer, but one of my favorite things St. John Paul II said about prayer was: “In prayer you become one with the source of our true light – Jesus Himself.” St. John Paul II was a great advocate for reciting the Rosary. He said, “The Rosary is my favorite prayer. A marvelous prayer! Marvelous in its simplicity and its depth. In the prayer, we repeat many times the words that the Virgin Mary heard from the Archangel, and from her kinswoman Elizabeth.” St. John Paul II is also responsible for adding the Luminous Mysteries to the Rosary.

Well, it is time for me to feed my soul, so I think I will have a “napachino”. I will leave you with this. However you decide to pray, do it sincerely and prayerfully.

May God Bless You

Deacon Rich

## 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.



<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 ...

*Connie Ambrosino, Thomas Anderson, Loretta Anzalone, Christina Barthel, Patricia Blanch, Thomas J. Calogero III, Kayla Cappetta, Stacy Chisari, Grace Ciccarello, Robert Cigliano, Lynn Cooper, Joseph Dreher, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Patricia Dennehy, Amanda DiTingo, Pat Eastwood, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, David Gilbride, Robert M. Grippo, Patricia Guinta, Josephine Heffron, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Audrey Hoskins, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, Martin Kerrigan, Christopher Lennon, James Leung, Michael F. Maher, Michael Moskowitz, Dawn Muldoon, Rosemarie Olivieri, Edward Pauciullo, Barbara Perino, Christopher Sanchez, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, David Stucker, Betty Teufel, Dcn. Jack Teufel*

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



## Rest In Peace

Antoinette Ferraiolo  
Catherine La Femina  
Josephine Moenius

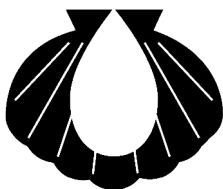
We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased.



## Upcoming Marriages

Caitlin Reusch, OLL  
and  
Justin Patus,  
Good Shepherd, Holbrook

Gina Lattari, Rego Park  
and  
Mauricio Issa, Rego Park



## Baptism

James Xavier Hall  
Peyton Noelle Pratt  
Carew James Stanton

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

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, July 19**

**8:30am** Donna Livoti

**Tuesday, July 20**

*St. Apollinaris*

**8:30am** Jonathan P. Groh

**Wednesday, July 21**

*St. Lawrence of Brindisi*

**8:30am** Rose Zito

**Thursday, July 22**

*St. Mary Magdalene*

**8:30am** Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Reiss

**Friday, July 23**

*St. Bridget*

**8:30am** Margaret T. Kegel

**Saturday, July 24**

*St. Sharbel Makhlūf*

**8:30am** People of the Parish, Charles Layne

**5:00pm**

William J. Heartt

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**Sunday, July 25**

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00am** Anne & Joe Giuliani

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**9:30am**

Kathleen Kruger

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**11:00am**

Ines Polito

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**12:30pm**

Charlotte Sweeney

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**6:00pm**

People of the Parish, Josephine Papa, Marie Nicosia,  
Linda Spango, Dolores & John D. Gordon,  
Susan Marr

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

### **A Unique New Approach to Women's Health and Wellness**

The Gianna Center offers an exciting approach to women's health care. Our highly skilled team provides preventive and specialized fertility, infertility and other related women's health needs, honoring their dignity and the sanctity of human life. While we are successfully able to address male infertility as well, we are uniquely qualified to care for women of all ages and at all stages of life. Named after St. Gianna Beretta Molla, the Center features two unique women's health services-the Creighton Model FertilityCare™ System and NaProTECHNOLOGY™, both of which allow us to provide women with a natural, restorative, scientifically-based approach to improving health and respecting fertility. The center has been recognized as a FertilityCare™ Center of Excellence by The American Academy of FertilityCare™ Professionals for providing the highest quality of care to patients and the community in need of restorative women's health and fertility care services. There are 340 FertilityCare™ Center affiliates in the U.S., and the Gianna Center is one of six to earn this distinction.

## **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

## **Ministry Meeting Start-ups**

Please check with your ministry leader as to when your group will resume regular meetings. Groups need to follow the same protocols as inside the church: Wear a mask if not vaccinated; maintain reasonable social distancing.



## **Important Outreach Information - Summer Schedule**

Our Outreach Office is now operating on their Summer Schedule:

**Open on Mondays and Thursdays ONLY - 9:30am until 3:30pm**

*We ask that you please call 631-661-3224, option 4, before coming down.*

Outreach is not accepting any articles of clothing as donations at this time.

## **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.



Boxed Milk  
Cream of Wheat  
Cooking Oil  
Iced Tea  
Detergent

## July Eucharistic Adoration

*As we approach the middle of summer, we invite you to spend some quality time with the Lord.*

**Saturday, July 24 from 6:00pm-7:30pm** - Adoration and Holy Hour Prayers led by Fr. Charles.

**Monday, July 26 from 12:00pm-8:00pm** - Eucharist will be exposed for silent prayer and adoration. Closing Benediction begins at 7:45pm.



## Do you know a Senior, graduating from High School?



It is especially important to connect our graduating High School Seniors to the campus minister at their chosen college so they can connect with other Catholic students. As 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. This year, students will be able to connect immediately by downloading our newly created “Newman Connection App” on their phone!

**Please send the graduate’s First & Last Name, e-mail address, and phone number as well as the Name of College, City/State they will be attending to Patti Anderson at: [panderson@ollchurch.org](mailto:panderson@ollchurch.org).**

The respective *Newman Connection* campus leader will be informed and will welcome the student when he or she arrives in the fall.

## Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

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.

## 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.





## Blood Drive!

Thank you all for participating in Our Blood Drive on June 21, 2021.

Total Units Donated – 50

Our Lady of Lourdes Food Pantry has received 50 lbs. of food from NYCB for your most generous donations

Your donation helped save up to three lives. Our community hospitals need your help.

*Thank you for sharing this lifesaving gift!*

If you were unable to come that day, please consider giving this vital gift of life by donating at:

LONG ISLAND BLOOD SERVICES, 3125 Veterans Hwy, Bohemia, 1-800-933-2566

OR

LONG ISLAND BLOOD SERVICES, 1050 Sunrise Hwy., Massapequa, 1800-933-2566

Please use group number 08030 so that your donation becomes part of

Our Lady of Lourdes Blood Drive account.

*Thanks for being the source of life for others!*



## St. Anthony's High School Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following young parishioners who have attained Honor Roll status for the Fourth Quarter of the 2020-2021 school year at St. Anthony's High School. We are all very proud of you accomplishments!

*Kayla Dantini*

*Nicole DeCanio*

*Amanda Dolan*

*Jillian Keogh*

*Joseph Walas*



## Chaminade High School Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following young parishioners who have attained a final Honor Roll average for 2020-2021 school year at Chaminade High School. We are all very proud of you accomplishments!

*Andrew T. Rao*

*Thomas L. Stueber*

*Matthew S. Stueber*

## 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 processed more efficiently.

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



# CALLED TO BE A DEACON?

*If you are discerning a vocation to the diaconate,  
you and your wife are invited to attend an*

## INFORMATION SESSION

### CHOOSE ONE OF THREE MEETING DATES:

7:00pm Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

4:00pm Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

*at the*

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

To reserve a place at one of the meetings,  
contact Carol Rizzotti, at 631-423-0483 ext. 179  
or email: [diaconateformation@drvc.org](mailto:diaconateformation@drvc.org).



## Families Anonymous VIRTUAL Meetings

12-Step support groups giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems is now meeting virtually until further notice. For further information e-mail: [Donna526@aol.com](mailto:Donna526@aol.com) or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: [FamiliesAnonymous.org](http://FamiliesAnonymous.org).

## NY Project Hope - Coping With Covid

Feeling uncertain, overwhelmed, anxious during COVID? Talking with a crisis counselor is always free, confidential and anonymous, allowing you to talk freely about the issues that are affecting you. We will help you navigate these unusual times and take some of the burden off your shoulders.

Project Hope Crisis Counselors will help you with anything from economic hardships to behavioral health issues. A Crisis Counselor will give you self-help tips and come up with a plan for you to be your own advocate. We have a multitude of resources available to you and would love to be the shoulder you lean on. After all, New Yorkers are in this together.

Need to talk? Call: 1-855-818-HOPE(4673) e-mail: [projecthope@nhcc.us](mailto:projecthope@nhcc.us) website: [www.nhcc.us](http://www.nhcc.us)

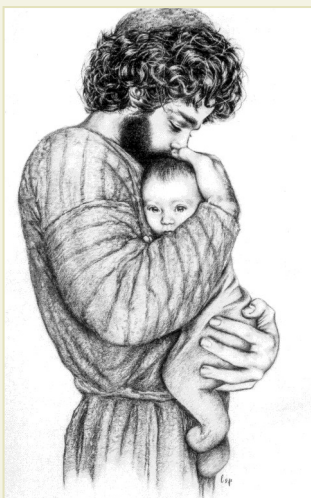
A program of the NYS Office of Mental Health. Funded by FEMA

Administered by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration  
New Horizon Counseling Center, Copiague, NY

## 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.

The following is a 19<sup>th</sup> century French prayer that Pope Francis has recited every morning for over 40 years. *The drawing below of Joseph & the Infant Jesus was created by a member of the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Poor.*

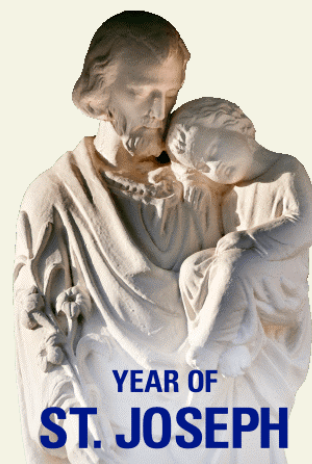


Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph,  
whose power makes the impossible possible,  
come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty.  
Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations  
that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome.  
My beloved father, all my trust is in you.  
Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain,  
and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary,  
show me that your goodness is as great as your power.  
Amen.

The following prayer serves as the conclusion to Pope Francis' apostolic letter on St. Joseph, *Patris Corde*, "With a Father's Heart."

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed St. Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.  
Amen.



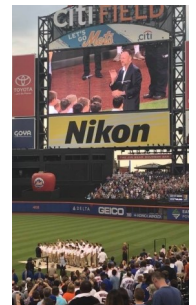
## Diocesan Boys/Teens Choir of Rockville Centre accepting applicants.

Music helps us express what words alone cannot. During Sunday Liturgy, when all are lifting their voices in song, the sound of the assembly, celebrant, choir, cantor and organ creates a wonderful expression of faith. Each member of the Diocesan Boys/Teens Choir has the opportunity to explore their faith through the music they sing. Equally important, they strengthen the faith of those around them with the beautiful melodies and texts which they present. By sharing the gifts God has given them, the Diocesan Boys/Teens Choir enriches the lives of many.

In addition to singing for Mass at St. Agnes Cathedral and various parishes throughout the Diocese, the Choir has performed international concert tours in Italy, singing at St. Peter's Basilica, as well as in Ireland, England, Germany, Austria and Prague. A highlight of the Austrian tour was studying the Mozart "Requiem" with the Director of the Vienna Boys Choir, and then performing it with a professional orchestra in Saint Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna. Locally, the Choir has performed the National Anthem at Citifield for Mets games, recorded a Christmas CD, performed in a professional show at Westbury Music Fair with Fr. Charles Mangano, and appeared on Catholic Faith Network, our Diocesan television station.

Do you know of a boy/teen in grades 3-12 who loves to sing and would like to share the gifts God has given him with this very talented and successful Choir? Recommendations are now being accepted for the training class for the 2021-2022 Choir Season. **Recommendations must be submitted by August 1, 2021.**

Information will be kept confidential. The group will meet twice a month, beginning next October in the evening. They generally meet on the first Wednesday at St. Rose of Lima Parish, Massapequa, and the third Thursday in Rockville Centre. If you have any questions, you may e-mail Michael L. Bower, Director of the Diocesan Boys/Teens Choir at: [mbower@stagnescathedral.org](mailto:mbower@stagnescathedral.org). For a Recommendation Form and Informational Packet, please contact Patti in the Parish Office ([panderson@ollchurch.org](mailto:panderson@ollchurch.org) or 631-661-3224 ext.120).



**Our Lady of  
Guadalupe School**  
Deer Park & Central Islip

**Good news for families on Long Island! Inspired by the Morning Star Initiative and led by the DRVC DOE & the Marianist Brothers of Chaminade & Kellenberg High Schools, a dual-campus N-8 Catholic elementary school will open in September '21 in Deer Park & Central Islip.**

### What is special about OLG?

- \* **An extended school day** will provide time for rigorous academic pursuits with special attention given to the development of strong mathematics and reading skills - all grounded in a robustly Catholic culture.
- \* **A free morning & after-school enrichment program** that will offer opportunities for academic, spiritual, and social-emotional growth with a special focus on the arts, sports, health, and community service.
- \* **A dual-language immersion program**, in partnership with Boston College, starting in N/PK and leading children on the path to becoming bilingual and biliterate in English and Spanish.

Please connect with us to learn more!

Website: [www.olgschools.org](http://www.olgschools.org) Email: [information@olgschools.org](mailto:information@olgschools.org)

Facebook & Instagram [@olgschools](https://www.facebook.com/olgschools) & Twitter [@school\\_olg](https://twitter.com/school_olg)

Telephones: (203) 442-5065 (English) and (203) 442-5392 (Spanish)

OLG West: 105 Half Hollow Rd., Deer Park, NY 11729 OLG East: 82 Carleton Ave., Central Islip, NY 11722

## 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:

**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).



## “Virtual” Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and there are also 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 Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>. Jesus said, “Come away and rest awhile”. Give your marriage new life by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Learn how to make your Sacrament of Marriage shine on the next VIRTUAL Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on September 24-26, 2021.



## Grief Support Group - September 13 - December 6

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help.

**Mondays 7:30pm-8:30pm September 13 – December 6, 2021**  
**Westminster United Presbyterian Church**

E-mail: [Pastorkerry@optonline.net](mailto:Pastorkerry@optonline.net) or call: 631-482-2033 to for more info and to register.

## 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 “Volunteering/Giving”. To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).

# Sharing the Gospel

Have you ever just wanted to be alone for a while? Jesus and His disciples knew what that felt like. They wanted to be alone to talk and rest, but crowds of people were surrounding them. Even when Jesus and His disciples tried to slip away unnoticed, people followed them anyway. They arrived only to find more crowds of people. This was certainly not the quiet time they had planned on. Being patient and kind, Jesus gave up what He wanted, and He began to teach the crowds.



## Mission for the Week



Spend some alone time with Jesus tonight. If you get interrupted because someone else needs help, that's okay. Go help, and then return to your alone time with Jesus.



### Word Search

Circle these words from today's Gospel in the puzzle:

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| PLACE    | GOING | SHEPHERD |
| APOSTLES | BOAT  | PEOPLE   |
| ALONE    | CROWD | TEACHING |

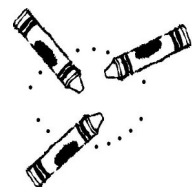
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 N L U G T B U T S R M  
 T E A C H I N G Y O A  
 P S O C L W C O I W N  
 G A S H E P H E R D T

### Prayer



Dear God,  
 Jesus gave up what He wanted, just so He could help other people. Help me to follow His example.  
 Amen.

### Something to Draw



Draw a picture of Jesus surrounded by large crowds of people.