

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
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 Rich Maher, **Deacon John Teufel**

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Vita Scorcio, Ministry Spiritual Director

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

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Website: www.ollchurch.org

Religious Education Office

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Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,

1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm

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Parish Outreach Office

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Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

SAGE (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*)

Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122

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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.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, September 19, 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 September 19

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/ Jas 3:16—4:3/ Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/ Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/ Mt 9:9-13
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/ Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/ Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/ Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/ Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/ Jas 5:1-6/ Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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

September 12, 2021

Weekly Collection	\$ 13,908.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,892.00)

Catholic University	\$ 2,896.00
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This past week, September 14th, we celebrated the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (of Jesus Christ). Many people have expressed to me their frustration over all the changes in life that have occurred over the past year and a half. So many businesses have closed, human services are not the same, many people have lost loved ones due to covid, covid cases are rising, many uncertainties in life, etc.. It seems that many people are experiencing a low-level anxiety. I too have been dealing with the many changes in life and so I voiced it to the Lord in prayer the other day (Sept. 14th on the feast day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross). A few hours after speaking to the Lord about it, a priest friend sent me a text (*having no idea what my prayer consisted of*). It was truly the Lord speaking to me. The text was a quote from St. Bruno and it said: ***"While the world changes, the Cross stands firm."*** I couldn't believe my eyes. This statement from St. Bruno reminds us that the cross, which is the sign of God's love for us, is constant and never changes. In the crosses of our lives God promises to be there with us. We are NEVER alone. That truth stands firm. The cross (change and suffering) will always be a part of our lives here on earth because this is not heaven. We carry our crosses with God's love, strength and deep faith and trust in Him. Praise God.

This past week, September 15th, we also celebrated the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. She grieved over the suffering and death of her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, but she also grieves over our suffering which is often caused by our sin.

Second reading today from St. James 3:16 – 4:3 says, ***"...Where do wars and where do conflicts come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions."***

In the alleged apparitions of our Lady in Medjugorje, Mary says that if there is a war in our hearts (due to jealousy, anger, unforgiveness, greed, etc..) there will be war, discord, dissension in our relationships, families, churches, communities, nation, world. That is why we must pray and make use of what God has given us as Catholics, the sacramental life of the church (Confession and Holy Communion). This will help heal our hearts which in turn heals our world. Let us pray for one another that we choose to follow Christ and allow him to convert our hearts.

Before I close this bulletin column just a word of thanks to all who made the Italian Feast a possibility for our parish family this week. God bless you for all your hard work and dedication. What a wonderful way to bring the parish together with fun and food. Not only do we pray together but it is also important to play together.

Have a good week and remember that with God you can do the unthinkable, the unimaginable and forgive what you think is unforgivable.

Peace and blessings,

Fr. Charles

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Claire McLoughlin*. 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.

Michael DiMatteo-*US Marine Corps* **Timothy Milligan**-*US Marine Corps*
Michael Fantauzzi-*US Air Force* **Melissa Mockler**-*US Navy*
Christopher Florca-*US Marine Corps* **Andrew Perniciaro**-*US Army*
Dominick Gennaro-*US Army* **Brandon Ranzie**-*US Army*
Patrick Harty-*US Coast Guard* **Stephen Rolston**-*US Army*
Ritchard Higham-*US Army* **Jack Shires**-*US Navy*
Colby Matthew Kelly-*US Army* **James Stultz** -*US Army*
Luke Loftsgaarden-*US Army* **Jack Taffner**-*US Marine Corps*
Anthony Mannino-*US Marine Corps* **Michael Wilkinson**-*US Army*
Msgr. Brian McNamara-*US Air Force* **Peter Zaccaria**-*US Navy*
Anthony Memoli-*US Marine Corps*

... 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, Patricia Blanch, Morgan Brennan, Thomas Calogero Jr., Thomas J. Calogero III, Lynn Cooper, Joseph Dreher, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Kasey Gagliano, Robert M. Grippo, Patricia Guinta, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, Martin Kerrigan, Rosemary LeConte, Christopher Lennon, James Leung, Michael F. Maher, Rose Mattiello, Allison Michelini, Aidan Miller, Michael Moskowitz, Dawn Muldoon, Robert J. Olenik, Edward Pauciullo, Barbara Perino, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, David Stucker, Louis Van Dyken

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



Rest In Peace

Carmine Livio Rozzo

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

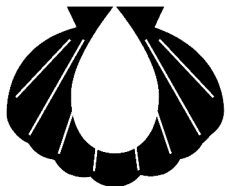


Upcoming Marriages

Shannon McHugh
St. Mary, East Islip
and

Colin McVey
St. Mary, East Islip

Rachael Finlay
St. John Nepomucene, Bohemia
and
Mark Skidmore, OLL



Baptism

Adeline James Hartley
Vincenzo Patricio Martino
Cecelia Anne Solarte

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 20

Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Paul Chõng Ha-sang & Companions
8:30am Maria Rosa & Benedetto Di Pietro

Tuesday, September 21

8:30am James Grillo, Sr.

Wednesday, September 22

8:30am Rosalie Lamano

Thursday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina
8:30am Domenico, Maria & Attilio Menafra & Family

Friday, September 24

8:30am Peter Alessi, Sr. & Peter Alessi, Jr.

Saturday, September 25

8:30am Langan Family, Mary Ann Carpino,
Theresa & Frank Feliney,
Mary, Vito & Maria Cinque

5:00pm Matteo & Anna Lattanzio
Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, September 26

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Frank Aparo
Fr. Charles Mangano

9:30am Deceased Members of the Adell Family
Fr. Charles Mangano

11:00am Frank Bronkhurst
Msgr. Brian McNamara

12:30pm Pat Iacovo
Msgr. Brian McNamara

6:00pm People of the Parish, Frank Polizzi, Evelyn Reilly
Debra Romanowski, Barbara Sirakowski
Joan (Deceased) & Frank (Living) Kovar
Msgr. Brian McNamara

Stand up for Life: Respect Life Sunday, 2021



Have you ever thought about going to the March for Life in Washington DC in January? Do you know about the largest Pro-Life event right here on Long Island for the past 23 years? Join in, attend this rally. In only an hour of your time you can help save a life, the greatest gift.

Stand Up For Life is on Sunday, October 3, 2021, from 2:00pm to 3:30pm (rain or shine). Please join us in Huntington at Routes 110 & 25 (near the Whitman Mall) or in Manorville LIE exit 70S on County Road 111. This rally is part of a nationwide family friendly event, held at more than 1,500 sites across the USA & Canada. This is not a march; we stand about 10 feet from each other on the public sidewalk, using **ONLY** Pre-Approved Signs. These allowable signs are available at the site; you don't have to bring anything. Just come as you are, bring a friend or the whole family. You can come for part of the time or the full 90 minutes. Please know by your presence that you help save a life.

Gifts From Bethlehem Olive Wood Carvings September 25-26



Handcrafted olive wood gifts will be available for purchase after all Masses on September 25-26. Stop by and see a wide selection of uniquely crafted items made from the olive trees of the Holy Land. Each piece, handcrafted by local artisans, is representative of an indigenous form of art that has evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land, and is a major source of income in the Bethlehem area. More than 65% of the income of the community in Bethlehem comes from this work. Your purchase provides vital support for a Christian tradition, as well as protection of this very important culture and tradition.

Men's Prayer Group - *Evening*

The evening Men's Prayer Group is held once a month, on the third Tuesday **from 7:30pm until 8:30pm**. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday evening, September 21 in the Spiritual Life Center**. Come with your ideas. We'll read and discuss the Liturgy for the following Sunday Mass. For more information, call Clifford Proctor at 631-669-3198.

Support Groups *(all meetings are in Lourdes Hall - lower level of Convent)*

Alcoholics Anonymous: Monday and Tuesday at 8:00pm and Saturday at 11:00am and 7:00pm.

ALANON: Wednesday at 10:00am. Beginner's meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available.

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
- Rice
- Bagged Black Beans
- Canned Stew
- Canned Tuna

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Italian Family Feast

September 15-19, 2021



Wednesday and Thursday 7:00pm—10:00pm
Friday 7:00pm—11:00pm
Saturday 6:00pm—11:00pm
Sunday 2:00pm—8:00pm
Vegas Night Gambling on Friday and Saturday



Walk With Mary and Feast Mass

On Saturday, September 18th, we celebrate our Feast Mass and Walk With Mary with a procession at 4:00pm and Mass at 5:00pm. Please plan to join us in prayer and song as we process through the Feast grounds.

Super Raffle

\$10,000 in prizes. Only 220 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100. Don't wait - these tickets sell out very quickly! Purchase your ticket after mass on weekends, or in the Parish Office during the week. Super Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, September 19th at 8:00pm.

Television Raffle Tickets

Also, purchase your raffle tickets to win a Big Screen Television.
\$5 per raffle ticket - 6 raffle tickets for \$20

Pay-One-Price

POP bracelets are available online through a link from the parish website (ollchurch.org). We are encouraging everyone to purchase your POP Bracelets online to avoid crowded lines at the Feast. (Pick up your online bracelets at the Fr. Joe Garden when you arrive at the Feast.) **Purchase POP Bracelets online by Wednesday, September 8** for an extra \$3 savings for a total of \$8 from window price by using promo code: **early**.
Bracelets **purchased online after September 8**, savings will be \$5

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to support our annual Italian Family Feast. Can you help? If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 and leave a message for Frank Antonawich. You may also e-mail Deacon Rich at: rmaher@ollchurch.org

Troop 179's Annual Car Wash Fundraiser

Saturday, September 25th from 9:00am – 3:00pm!

Rain date is Saturday, October 2nd

Your car has been good to you during these difficult times.

Treat it right with a nice bath at our car wash!

The car wash will be held in front of Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory.

Donations of \$5 per car, van or pickup and \$10 donations for boats or trucks are greatly appreciated!

We hope to see you there. Thank you for your support!

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.

PEP 1 Religious Education Program Registration Information

“Discover the Treasures of God’s Love”

If you have a child entering the first grade in public school, your child should be registered for our “PEP 1” Religious Education Program. This first year program is required for participation in First Eucharist. It introduces the children to a basic understanding of the loving presence of God, the person of Jesus, conscience formation and the importance of community worship.

INFORMATION MEETING AND REGISTRATION

Choose one:

Monday, September 27, 2021 10:30am or 7:30pm

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 10:30am or 7:30pm

The meeting will take approximately 45 minutes and will be held in the Parish Center (meeting room opposite the playground)

- Please bring your child’s Baptismal certificate (a copy is acceptable).
- *Baptismal Certificate or copy is needed even if child was baptized at OLL.*
- No child will be assigned a room number unless we have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.
- Returning families who have an incoming first grader **MUST** attend the registration meeting.

The registration fee (if this is your oldest child) is \$210.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 13th - 4:15pm-5:15pm

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.





Come Join the **Super Heroes at Children's Liturgy** at 9:30am Mass



LEARNING

FUN

FRIENDS

WORD OF GOD

PRAYER

SONG

Children age 4 through 4th Grade
Parents are welcome to accompany their child.

Please Save the Date!!!



Blood Drive!

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

3:15pm - 9:15pm

OLL Parish Center

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED - Walk-ins allowed



**For every pint of blood that is donated,
NYBC will donate a pound of food to Outreach.**



*For more information, or to schedule an appointment, contact Doreen at 516-478-5031
or go to the following link: https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/285460*

Everyone must wear a mask, **regardless** of vaccination status.



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. Let's take a moment to recognize the Sisters of St. Joseph, named for St. Joseph. For more than 169 years, the Sisters of Saint Joseph have served the people of Long Island. As a Congregation, the Sisters of St. Joseph seek to make all their ministries reflections of their charism and mission. Sisters of St. Joseph are educators from elementary to the university level, social workers, health care professionals, lawyers, parish ministers, administrators and spiritual directors. They also own and operate additional ministries which include six high schools, a learning program for immigrant women, and a skilled nursing facility.

The Sisters of St. Joseph Living in Our Lady of Lourdes Convent

Since the 1960s, our parish family has been blessed to have the Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood living, working and worshiping with us. Upon their arrival, they began the coordination of Sunday religious education classes and continued with staffing the parish school. Sister Diane Liona came to the parish to teach first grade in 1970 and has been a director of religious education at OLL since 1975! Sister Nancy Campkin came to the parish in 1980, taught kindergarten in the school for two years and then became a director of religious education, along with Sister Diane. Also living in the convent on Toomey Road are four other Sisters of St. Joseph: Sister Jane Fritz, Sister Isabelle Lonegan, Sister Edith Maher & Sister Marie Ross. Also living in the OLL Convent is Sister Evelyn Lamoureux, who is a member of the religious order of Daughters of Wisdom. In this Year of St. Joseph, let us give thanks to these Sisters, and all the Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood, who have done so much for all of us over the years.

The Sisters of St Joseph of Brentwood Mission Statement

As Sisters of St. Joseph, living in the 21st Century, we believe in the power, presence and love of God working through an evolving universe and in God's self-communication through Jesus Christ. We are committed to Jesus' mission and seek to promote justice, to live lives of non-violence and to respond to the needs of our time. Our goal is to foster love, unity and reconciliation among all people.

Reflection & Prayer

Joseph was not set apart; his life was steeped in daily dealings with the world around him. It was far from the idyllic existence we may sometimes imagine. Joseph was a woodworker, a neighborhood craftsman who made furniture, carved other objects, and spent time apprenticing his son in the same trade. Like many believers, Joseph walked with God as a family man, laboring in his shop and living at home. He combined prayer, hard work and the responsibilities of being a husband and father. Scripture describes him as a just man, one who observed the law faithfully, who was upright and righteous in his relationships. Joseph was a man of faith, attuned to the inspirations of God's spirit in his life. He was an ordinary man who followed the path of his life wherever God led him. Joseph served God faithfully and lived true to his beliefs. - Clara Santoro, CSJ

St. Joseph, help us to grow in your spirit. Teach us to live the ordinary with extraordinary justice, love and faithfulness.



Blessing of the Animals

All animals, **GREAT AND SMALL** and their owners are invited to the **Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 3:00pm.**
No Rain Date

This is a parish tradition for the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The blessing will be on the **Great Lawn** (by Hunter Avenue).
Please bring your own chair, if you feel that you need one.

Masks are greatly appreciated, though not required.
Social Distancing will be observed.

Join us in this special blessing as we remember all of God's creation.



Knights of Columbus Council #17379 Installation of Officers

The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes Council #17379, West Islip recently held an Installation of Officers Ceremony. Msgr. Brian J. McNamara, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, was installed as the Council Chaplain. Erik J. Pauzé was installed as Grand Knight and will make member recruitment, fund raising, and assisting the Church with its ministries his priorities. The officers of the council were installed on September 13, 2021 at the Parish Center by 8th District Deputy Charles Shami.

Standing left to right: Thomas Gallagher-Lecturer, Bartolo Viruso-Outside Guard, James E. Anderson-Treasurer, Brian Haggerty-Recording Secretary, Joseph A. Lehmann-Warden, Thomas Conwell-Inside Guard, Thomas A. Perri-2 Yr. Trustee, Daniel F. White-3 Yr. Trustee.

Seated left to right: Edward Rodemeyer-Financial Secretary, Joseph M. Nolan-Deputy Grand Knight, Erik J. Pauze-Grand Knight, Carmine E. Soldano-Advocate, Msgr. Brian J. McNamara-Chaplain, Deacon Richard P. Maher.

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.

P/T Rectory Cook Position at St. Kilian Parish

St. Kilian Parish in Farmingdale is seeking a part-time Rectory Cook to work 20-25 hours per week, Monday through Thursday and Saturdays; 4 to 5 hours per day. Responsibilities include: planning, preparing and serving dinner, shopping for meals and kitchen needs. Appropriate cleaning and sanitizing of kitchen, dining room, pantries and appliances. Accommodating dietary needs of the priests, as well as planning, preparing and serving of special occasion meals and events. Please send cover letter/resume to Ed Fronckwicz, Business Manager, St. Kilian Church, (516)249-0127 or email edwardf@stkilian.com



Fall Harvest Fair
Saturday, September 25, 2021
10:00am - 4:00pm
Rain Date: October 2

Westminster Presbyterian Church
109 Udall Road, West Islip

CRAFT VENDORS - FALL FLOWERS - FOOD TRUCK
Vendors Wanted

Please call 631-661-6740 or e-mail WUPC@optonline.net for an application.



Catholic Health
Good Samaritan Hospital

Volunteers Needed

The Guilds of Good Samaritan Hospital are currently seeking new members to join our team of volunteers. Opportunities include, but are not limited to, our Thrift Shop, located in Babylon Village, Gift Shop, and Gift Cart. Patient facing roles and clerical opportunities are also available within the hospital. To obtain an application, or to learn more information, please contact Good Samaritan Hospital's Manager of Volunteer Services, Brittany Colasanto at brittany.colasanto@chsli.org, or 631-376-3659. We look forward to meeting you!



Seminary Ambassador Program

Interested in sharing the 'good news' of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington? Become a "Seminary Ambassador." All that is required is a willingness to help publicize Seminary events and programs in your home parish. You are invited to an information meeting on **Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:00pm at the Seminary**. All are welcome! R.S.V.P. by calling the Seminary Development Office at: 631-423-0483, ext. 102, or by e-mail at: bmalone@icseminary.edu.

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

MEETING DATE:

7:00pm Tuesday, September 21st

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.



Catholic High School Fairs



Designed for rising 8th graders, the Catholic High Schools of the Diocese of Rockville Centre will host two Catholic High School Fairs which will feature exhibits by all nine Catholic high schools in the diocese. This informative event will help future high school students learn more about high school options and the application process. **Pre-registration is required for both High School Fairs.** Visit: CHSEE.ORG to register.

Open House/High School Fair Schedule

September 2021

Monday, Sept. 20	5:00pm -7:00pm	High School Fair - St. Joseph's College, Patchogue
Tuesday, Sept. 21	5:00pm - 7:00pm	High School Fair - Molloy College, Rockville Centre
Saturday, Sept. 25	10:00am - 1:00pm	St. Anthony's High School
Sunday, Sept. 26	2:00pm - 4:30pm	St. Mary's College Preparatory High School

October 2021

Saturday, Oct. 2	10:00am - 2:00pm	Chaminade High School
Saturday, Oct. 2	10:00am - 1:00pm	Kellenberg Memorial High School
Saturday, Oct. 2	11:00am - 2:00pm	Sacred Heart Academy
Sunday, Oct. 3	10:00am - 1:00pm	Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Sunday, Oct. 3	1:00pm - 3:30pm	St. Dominic High School
Saturday, Oct. 16	11:00am - 1:30pm	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School
Sunday, Oct. 17	10:00am - 1:00pm	St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

Please check the individual school's website for additional information and tour registration (if required).

Catholic High School Entrance Exam - November 6, 2021

Normally, application to attend one of the nine high schools in our Diocese is made through the Catholic High School Entrance Examination. **This year the test will be given through TACHS, an online testing program.** For more information and to register for the exam, please visit: www.TACHSINFO.com.

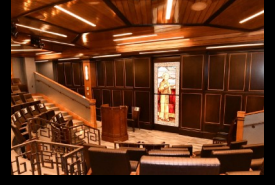
Registration deadline is October 24, 2021



TACHS Prep Courses offered at St. John the Baptist, DHS

St. John the Baptist, DHS is offering a **Prep Course** to prepare students for the **Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools (TACHS EXAM)**. It will consist of five 2½ hour sessions beginning in September. St. John's will also offer a **Test Taking Strategies Class** the Friday evening before the exam. For additional information, please visit: www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call: 631-587-8000 ext.117.

St. Anthony's High School
Franciscan Brothers
Open House - Saturday, September 25
Continuous Tours 10:00am-1:00pm



New for 2021

The Business and Entrepreneurship Center
The Brother James McVeigh, O.S.F. Retreat Center

Tour Highlights

The Susan & Gerald O'Shea Innovation Center
The Saint Francis Hospital Medical Education Lab
The William & Christine Entenmann Science Center
Our Lady of the Angels Chapel
Student Center and Athletic Facilities

Website: www.stanthonyshs.org - 631-271-2020, ext. 315 - admissions@stanthonyshs.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 or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: FamiliesAnonymous.org.

Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island

A social organization for single persons, including widows, widowers and singles

New Member Orientation Meeting

Tuesday, September 21st at 5:00pm

Knights of Columbus Council #6526

1869 Wantagh Avenue

Wantagh, NY 11793

(Parking in the rear of building)

Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME. Bring proof of single status to join. Annual dues are \$30. Refreshments following the meeting. For further information, and to verify there will be a meeting, please contact Carol at 516-794-4933 or Janet 516-579-4016.

Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions for new members on Monday evening September 20th at the Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For further information and current protocols, call 631-585-3111, visit our website: www.babylonchorale.org or e-mail: info@babylonchorale.org.

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 provided with social-distancing during this time.

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 13-14, 2021. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: 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 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/>.

“But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity.” Fill your marriage with peace and love. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences near you are found on the website.

The next VIRTUAL Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will be on **September 24-26, 2021**.



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

Sharing the Gospel

Even though they were friends, sometimes the disciples fought with each other. In today's Gospel reading, they were fighting over who was the most important. All twelve of them wanted to be Number one - the best disciple. Then Jesus told them a secret. The best disciple is the one who helps other people.



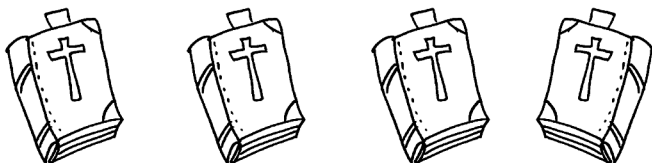
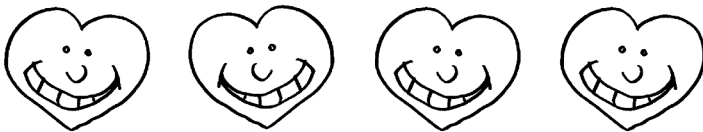
Mission for the Week



Ask your family members how you can help each of them this week. When you help them with a cheerful heart, God smiles.

Puzzle

Circle the pictures that are **facing** the **same** way. Then color in all the pictures.



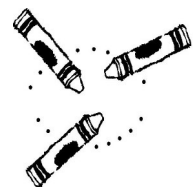
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Prayer



Dear God,
when I am
tempted to
fight with my friends,
show me ways
to help them instead.
Amen.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture
of yourself
helping someone
who is younger than you.