

# 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)

**Deacon Nilo DeLeon**, **Deacon Tom Lucie**,  
**Deacon Rich Maher**, **Deacon John Teufel**

**Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ**, Director of Religious Ed  
**Trish Frodell**, Director of Parish Social Ministry  
**Sr. Diane Liona CSJ**, Director of Religious Ed  
**Debbie Meyer**, Business Manager  
**Robin Reynolds Brennan**, Coordinator of  
Worship and Choir Director  
**Vita Scorcia**, 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

E-mail: [ParishOffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)

Fax: 631.661.7143

Website: [www.ollchurch.org](http://www.ollchurch.org)

## Religious Education Office

**Phone: 631.661.5440 (select option #3)**

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,

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

E-mail: [ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

## Parish Outreach Office

**Phone: 631.661.9262 (select option #4)**

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

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

**Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122**

E-mail: [Sage@ollchurch.org](mailto:Sage@ollchurch.org)



## Liturgical Schedule

### Daily Mass

8:30am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm  
and 6:00pm.

### Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment

### Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

## Sacraments

### Anointing of the Sick

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

### Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

### Marriage

Arranged at least six months in advance, please call the Parish Office.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

A process to be embraced by the Catholic Church. For non-Catholics and for Catholics who have never received formal religious education. If interested, please call the Parish Office.

*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, October 10, 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 October 10

**Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11/ Heb 4:12-13/ Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27  
**Monday:** Rom 1:1-7/ Lk 11:29-32  
**Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25/ Lk 11:37-41  
**Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11/ Lk 11:42-46  
**Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30/ Lk 11:47-54  
**Friday:** Rom 4:1-8/ Lk 12:1-7  
**Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18/ Lk 12:8-12  
**Next Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/ Heb 4:14-16/ Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

### 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

#### October 3, 2021

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,873.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ 927.00

**Respect Life** \$ 4,335.00

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

Dear Parishioners:

Autumnal greetings from the rectory! I hope this letter finds you well.

In the game show *JEOPARDY*, there is sometimes a category called “Potpourri”. The category is a compilation of questions that were never used on a given show. So, it is a collection of questions from various categories. This Pastor’s Letter is a “potpourri” of various topics.

The first topic I would like to address is bullying. Obviously, bullying can entail physical intimidation, but bullying has become more and more focused on cyber-bullying. We must always be clear with our children that bullying of any kind is simply wrong. We must do all we can to eliminate bullying. Bullying can even take place between adults.

I would also like to encourage everyone to sign up for the **CATHOLIC ACTION NETWORK**. Go to: [www.nyscatholic.org](http://www.nyscatholic.org). The Catholic Conference will send you emails regarding important issues and legislation affecting us as Catholics. It is a good resource to have to know what is going on in Albany. In addition, there is also legislation on the federal level. Go to: USCCB; click on “Issues and Actions”, then click on Contact Public Officials. The federal government should not be forcing us to violate our consciences for their own agenda.

If you ever need rehabilitation services or long-term care, I invite you to consider taking a tour of Maria Regina Residence. Some of the positives for me include:

Every resident has a private room (shared bathroom with another room). That, in itself, is a homerun!

The food is great, especially the soups! The soups are homemade, and they were my mother’s favorite!

Mass everyday

Variety of other spiritual activities

Maria Regina Residence has 5-star rating!

As you may know, Maria Regina Residence is sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph and their presence is evident in the very brick and mortar of the building. My own mother was there before her passing and she had a very pleasant experience.

Also, think about volunteering at Maria Regina Residence. I see a number of our parishioners there helping out the residents. It is a wonderful ministry to be a part of!

Remember: Together, we can something beautiful for God.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don’t forget to help out on our Parish Clean-up party on Monday, Columbus Day, from 9:00am – 10:30am. Many hands make light work!

## 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.

**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, Christina Cafarelli, 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, Aidan Miller, Michael Moskowitz, Dawn Muldoon, Robert J. Olenik, Edward Pauciullo, Barbara Perino, Stephen Piccolo, Clifford Proctor, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, David Stucker,*

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

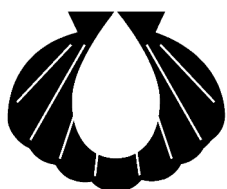
All of our Masses may be viewed via live-stream on our parish website. Please join us by visiting our website at: [ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org).



**Rest In Peace**

Sam Damiano  
Annamae "Ann" O'Kane

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



**Baptism**

Robert Salvatore Newcombe  
Dylan Luca Ortiz  
Leila Isabella Vargas

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, October 11**

*St. John XXIII*

**8:30am** Nicholas A. Cavalluzzo

**Tuesday, October 12**

**8:30am** Charles Rex, Jr. (Living)

**Wednesday, October 13**

**8:30am** Grace Ciccarello (Living)

**Thursday, October 14**

*St. Callistus I*

**8:30am** Frank & Luigi Capoccia

**Friday, October 15**

*St. Teresa of Jesus*

**8:30am** Lorie Bloomquist (Living)

**Saturday, October 16**

*St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

**8:30am** Robert Ward, Kristen Gebhard, John Savona (Living)

**5:00pm** Erna Schmid

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**Sunday, October 17**

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00am** Jerome & Helen West

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**9:30am** Patricia Heshta

*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**11:00am** Joseph Capo II

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**12:30pm** Giovanna Artese

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

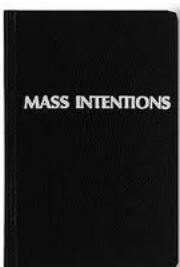
**6:00pm** People of the Parish, Joseph Roccaro, Jay F. Kilkenny

*Fr. Charles Mangano*



## Now and at the Hour of Our Death Catholic Guidance for End-of-Life Decision Making

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



## 2022 Mass Intention Book

The Mass Intention Book for 2022 will be opened on **MONDAY, October 18, 2021 at 9:00am in the PARISH CENTER.**  
***Please be sure to wear a mask regardless of your vaccination status.***

As we have done for the past few years, we will not be accepting individual Mass intentions for Easter, Christmas, Mother's Day or Father's Day. Those days will be part of a novena of Masses for which you will receive an envelope in the parish mailing.

## Attention: Parents of Children in Kindergarten Special K Program

A wonderful program introducing the children to Jesus is held in the Solarium Room on Fridays from 4:30 till about 5:15pm on the following dates:

October 22  
November 5

December 17  
January 21

February 11  
March 18

April 29  
May 20

There is no fee for the program. To register, e-mail Sister Diane at [sdiane@ollchurch.org](mailto:sdiane@ollchurch.org) It's a fun way to begin religious education!

## Donations to Outreach

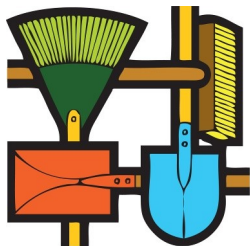
If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 631-661-3224, option 4.



- Canned Beets
- Canned Carrots
- Juice
- Cookies
- Laundry Detergent



The Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, October 11** in observance of ***Columbus Day*** and will reopen at 9:00am on Tuesday, October 12.



### Parish “Clean-up” Party

On **Monday, October 11**, we will be having a Parish “Clean-up” Party from **9:00am to 10:30am**. Please bring hand clippers, loppers, hand saws, rakes, etc. We need to do some extra cleaning up.

*All are welcome; no experience needed!*



### *An Invitation from the Knights of Columbus*

Men of the Parish (18 years and older), are you interested in serving your Faith, your Church, and your Community? If so, then you are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes Council 17379. Joining the Knights will make you part of a 129 year old Catholic Fraternal Order that exemplifies the high ideals of our faith and has contributed to our communities through charitable works and community outreach. We meet on the second Monday of each month in the Parish Center. Meetings begin at 8:00pm. So begin your journey of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism by becoming a Knight! Online membership is also available at [www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org).

Note: All COVID-19 guidelines are followed.

***Anyone NOT vaccinated MUST wear a mask.***

**Our next general meeting is Monday, October 11, 2021**



### Boy Scout Troop 179

For 50 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. Troop meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

If you are interested in learning more about Boy Scouts and our Troop, please check out our website: <https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatrop179> or contact us at: [troop179cc@yahoo.com](mailto:troop179cc@yahoo.com).

### 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.



Please join us for our  
**Butterfly Memory Café**



To be held at: The Parish Center at Our Lady of Lourdes  
455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY

### What is a Memory Café?

It is a program designed for persons with mild to moderate cognitive impairment and their caregiver to promote social engagement with others also navigating their way through dementia's journey. Activities include crafts, music, reminiscing, art, or movement.

\*Light refreshments will be served\*

### Program Dates 2021-2022 - Fridays 1:30 - 2:30 pm

October: 22	January: 7, 21	April: 1, 22
November: 5, 19	February: 4, 18	May: 6, 20
December: 3, 17	March: 4, 18	June: 3, 17

There is no charge to participate, but space is limited. Please call to reserve your place.  
RSVP to Michele at (631) 647-7622, ext. 2006 or  
[michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com](mailto:michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com)

This program is designed to be enjoyed by those with memory loss and their caregiver.



344 Deer Park Avenue  
Babylon, NY 11702  
631.647.7622

[www.AGentleTouchSeniorCare.com](http://www.AGentleTouchSeniorCare.com)



# Father Charles and Laurie Manganò

~ a brother & sister ~

## Present a Night of Recollection

*A Night of Song.....Night of Inspiration..... Night of Reflection*

### Our Lady of Lourdes Church

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY

Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup>  
at 7:30 p.m.

~ free will offering ~



## Topic: Divine Providence



*Discover how our fears and toxic guilt prevent us from living in the freedom of peace that God desires for us.*

*This outstanding program is supported by scripture, song and personal reflection and is designed to comfort and inspire those facing struggles of any kind. If you've ever wondered: "Where is God in this struggle?", "Why is God allowing this to happen?" or "How can God love me if...?" then this evening is for YOU!*

*You will have an opportunity to participate in a symbolic offering of your fears and have them prayed over. Come and refresh your soul and rejuvenate your spirit knowing that God's Divine Providence is at work every day in your life.*

**Father Charles and Laurie** have united their gifts to praise God and minister to His people in a very special way. They have been singing for the Lord since childhood, and together they have touched the hearts of thousands with their meditative and inspirational music. In addition to producing 13 albums, a DVD and music video, Father Charles and Laurie have also co-hosted their own TV show on Telecare (now Catholic Faith Network – CFN) for twenty years. They have sung at countless venues in the U.S., as well as abroad, and their benefit concerts have raised \$426,000 for charity to date. This beautiful Night of Recollection on Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup> **is guaranteed to be most uplifting!** It is our hope that through this experience you will come to know, love and trust the Lord Jesus in a deeper and more intimate way, leading you to serve the Lord with gladness. Bring a friend!



## 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.*



## 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](mailto:brittany.colasanto@chsli.org), or 631-376-3659. We look forward to meeting you!



## Volunteers Needed

Maria Regina Residence, at 1725 Brentwood Rd., Brentwood, is an 188 -bed Skilled Nursing Facility currently under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph. We are seeking compassionate, dedicated men and women who are willing to volunteer their time and talent in various service areas ( usually for one or two mornings or afternoons per week.)

Options include: assisting to transport residents in their wheelchairs within the building, serving as visitors or Eucharistic ministers, acting as greeters, delivering newspapers, assisting with recreations, filing and more. Is the Holy Spirit calling YOU? For more information, please contact Sister Mary Sheppard, CSJ and leave contact information at 631-299-3288. Prayerfully and thankfully, we look forward to hearing from you and will respond on the next scheduled office day.



## Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. National Irish History Writing Contest

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. sponsors a National Irish History Writing Contest for students in Grades 6-12. The contest is divided into two levels: Level 1 is for students in Grades 6, 7, or 8 and Level 2 is for students in Grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. Any students enrolled in parochial, private, public schools, or who are home schooled are eligible to participate. ***You do not have to be Irish.***

**The topic for 2021-2022 (Level 1 and Level 2) Irish History Contest is:**

**On the 40th Anniversary of the Irish Hunger Strike of 1981: What was the impact on Irish History?**  
Monetary awards are given to each level and the deadline for entries is November 15, 2021.

Anyone interested, please contact: [laohdiv2historian@gmail.com](mailto:laohdiv2historian@gmail.com) for contest rules and guidelines.

## Sundays at the Seminary

*Sponsored by the Friends of the Seminary*

Viewing and Discussion of Dr. Brant Pitre's DVD Series

**Mary: The Bible and the Mother of God**



Dr. Brant Pitre, Distinguished Research Professor of Scripture at The Augustine Institute, received his Ph.D. in New Testament and ancient Judaism from Notre Dame University. Among his books are Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary, Jesus and the Last Supper, The Case for Jesus. With John Bergsma he co-authored A Catholic Introduction to the Bible: The Old Testament. He is the author of several CD and DVD Bible Studies, exploring the Jewish roots of Scripture and the Catholic Faith. Mary – The Bible and the Mother of God is one of his more popular DVD series.

October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mother of the Messiah	The Queen Mother
October 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Perpetual Virgin	Mother of Sorrows
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	The New Rachel	Discussion

*Each session is from 2:00pm-4:00pm and will include two topics.*

For more information and to register, please contact the Development Office at 631-423-0483, ext. 102 or e-mail [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu)



## Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

258 Eastport Manor Road, Manorville, NY

### Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Wednesday, October 13, 2021

10:30am	Enthronement of the statue
11:00am	Rosary
11:30am	Mass, followed by a procession with the statue
1:30pm	Conference
3:00pm	Solemn Blessing



## Attention all Health Care Professionals!

Consider joining the *Long Island Guild of the Catholic Medical Association* recently chartered by the national CMA and endorsed by Bishop Barres.

### White Coat Mass for Health Care Professionals Sunday, November 7th at 11:00am St. Agnes Cathedral - Presider will be Bishop Barres.

Physicians, nurses, and healthcare professionals are all encouraged to attend.

Bring your white coats or healthcare garb to make a good showing for the participants--and bring a friend!

Our mission statement: To **see** Christ in our patients. To **be** Christ for our patients.

Goals: Fellowship, Educational and Spiritual Formation, Service. No dues for local membership.

For more information, please contact us at: [cmaliguildd@gmail.com](mailto:cmaliguildd@gmail.com)

## *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.

## Shrine of St. Anne's Columbiettes Garage Sale Saturday, October 16, 2021 9:00am-4:00pm

Knights of Columbus Hall  
96 Second Avenue, Brentwood, NY 11717

Vendors wanted (Set-up before 9:00am) Bring your own table and chair.

For additional information, call Viviana Garamy at 631-231-1859

COVID-19 Policies apply.

## **“In Person” Marriage Encounter weekends are back!!!**

Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood? Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage! This weekend experience (Friday evening to late Sunday afternoon.) helps you listen, share and connect more deeply with your spouse. More information or questions? Call Chuck & Maria Reiss at: 631-486-8607.



**November 12-14, 2021**

**Seminary of the Immaculate Conception**

440 W Neck Rd, Lloyd Harbor, NY 11743

Apply at: [www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org). Click apply and search by zip code or address.

Don't miss out - apply by October 20!

## ***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?

The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships. Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, November 5, 2021, please visit our website: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) or 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

## **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.

Join us for our conference:

## **Catholic Voices for the New Evangelization**

**Saturday, October 23, 2021**

Kellenberg Memorial High School  
1400 Glenn Curtiss Blvd.  
Uniondale, New York

The conference will feature presentations from Catholic Author

**Dr. Edward Sri**

**8:30am-12:15pm**

Call Mr. Alex Basile at 516-292-0200 ext. 342 for details - [mrbasile@kellenberg.org](mailto:mrbasile@kellenberg.org)

\$25 includes continental breakfast.

## Catholic High School Fairs



# Open House Schedule

### October 2021

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).*

## Holy Trinity Diocesan High School Open House

98 Cherry Lane, Hicksville, NY  
 Saturday, October 16, 2021 from 11:00am-2:00pm  
 Reservations required: [holytrinityhs.org](http://holytrinityhs.org) or 516-433-2900

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 17TH 10:00AM - 1:00PM**

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND OPENHOUSE**

**TO REGISTER FOR OPEN HOUSE, SCAN THIS QR CODE WITH YOUR MOBILE DEVICE'S CAMERA AND FILL OUT THE FORM IN YOUR WEB BROWSER!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL OUR ADMISSIONS OFFICE: (631) 587-8000x113**

[HTTPS://STJOHNTHEBAPTISTDHS.NET/](https://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/) | 1170 MONTAUK HIGHWAY - WEST ISLIP, NY 11795

## 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](http://www.TACHSINFO.com).

**Registration deadline is October 24, 2021**

**2021  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**  
DIOCESE OF  
ROCKVILLE CENTRE



*One Family in Mission*  
Creating Pathways to Faith

**STEP 1: Suggested Gift Plan – Every Gift Counts! Final Payments on a pledge are due January 31, 2022.**

Use the table below as a guide but feel free to adjust the payments to your means.

Pledge	Down Payment	5 Monthly Payments (billed by Diocese)	Here's what your Pledge can do to fuel Dramatic Missionary Growth
\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 8 per month	\$50 may pay for gas for a Meals on Wheels van to deliver food for the day
\$ 75	\$ 25	\$ 10 per month	\$75 may help pay the electric bill in a cold winter month for a family in need.
\$ 150	\$ 50	\$ 20 per month	\$150 may help support a mother and her newborn infant in Catholic Charities Regina Maternity Community Case Management Program
\$ 200	\$ 75	\$ 30 per month	\$225 may help fund a Youth minister, inspiring vocations and evangelization
\$ 350	\$ 100	\$ 50 per month	\$350 may help subsidize a home for an adult who is developmentally disabled.
\$ 500	\$125	\$ 75 per month	\$500 may help support a Deacon's formation
\$ 775	\$150	\$ 125 per month	\$775 may help a Seminarian's education

**STEP 2: Pledge & Payment Information – To make a payment on line, go to <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/>**

Please check the appropriate boxes below. Checks should be made payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

**Amount of Pledge:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Plan:** (Please Check One)

Full Payment Today of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Down Payment Today of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP 3: Name and Address**

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish: 163 - Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip Pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Down payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your support!**

**100% of all funds raised are restricted to the ministries of the Appeal.**

**To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/>**

**or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.**

## Employment Opportunity-P/T Receptionist

St. Joseph's Church in Babylon is seeking a Part-Time Receptionist for Evenings and Saturdays. Hours are Tues.-Wed.-Thurs. from 6:00pm-8:00pm and Sat. from 10:00am-2:00pm. If interested, please call 631-669-0068, ext.107.

## The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Host Virtual Gala

The Sisters of St. Dominic will host their annual Dominican Gala virtually on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 6:30pm. This year we are proud to honor Gary Bonelli, Owner & CEO of Bonardi Construction and Sister Jeanne Clark, OP, Founder of Homecoming Farm. Proceeds from the event help the Ministry Support Fund, which provides funding to many of the Sisters' ministries caring for those most in need here, in Puerto Rico, and in El Salvador. Throughout the pandemic, the Sisters, Associates and Young Adults in our local areas committed to helping the most vulnerable populations in our community. They manned food pantries, delivered food to the homebound, expanded virtual communications and technology and offered caring and compassion. Because of generous donors like you, they were able to touch the lives of thousands negatively impacted. As always, your presence in this way enhances our mission of preaching. For more information about event tickets, 50/50 raffle or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Susan Jappell (631) 842-6000 x 246 or visit: [www.sistersofstdominic.org/2021gala](http://www.sistersofstdominic.org/2021gala).

## 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).

## 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](http://www.engagedencounterli.org)



## Religion and Rock

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Tradition". To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).



## Sharing the Gospel

The man in today's Gospel reading thought he was pretty good. He had been careful to obey most of God's rules. But he forgot the most important rule of all—love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. When Jesus asked the man to give away all he owned, the man went away sad. He loved money more than he loved God.



## Mission for the Week

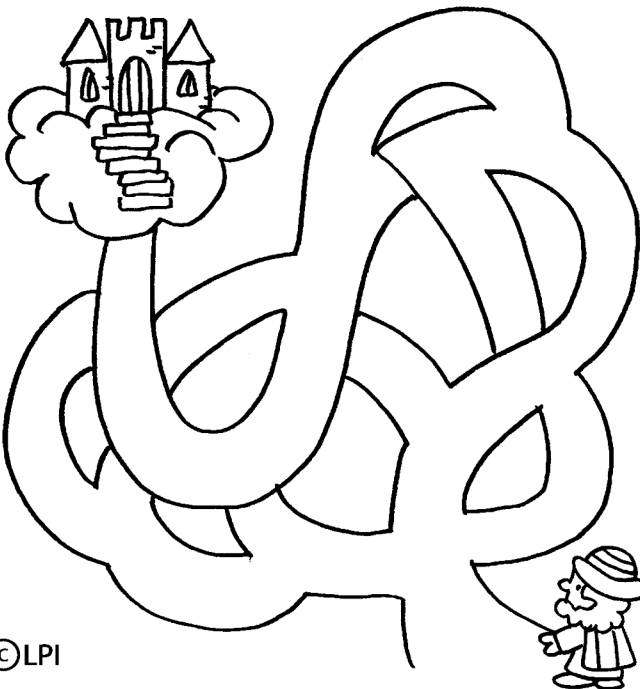


Make a list of things that are special to you. If God asked you to give away your favorite toy or game to someone who's poor, could you do it? Be honest with God, and ask Him to help you love Him more than anything.



### Puzzle

Help the disciple find the kingdom.

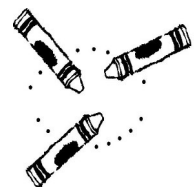


### Prayer



Dear God,  
 Help me to love  
 You more than  
 all the gifts  
 You have given to me.  
 Amen.

### Something to Draw



Draw a picture  
 of things that are  
 very special to you.