

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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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
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Website: www.ollchurch.org

Religious Education Office

Phone: 631.661.5440 (select option #3)
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,
1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm
E-mail: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

Phone: 631.661.9262 (select option #4)
Monday-Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm

SAGE (*Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment*)
Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122
E-mail: Sage@ollchurch.org

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass

8:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

Reconciliation/Confession

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

Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

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

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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

The Epiphany of the Lord • Sunday, January 2, 2022



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
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Lisa Cantalino
Sonia DaSilva
Dcn. Nilo DeLeon
Jerry Esposito
Trish Frodell
Pam Gagliano
Deborah Lamb
Rosalie Mangels
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Dottie Perdue
Vita Scorcia

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 January 2, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/ Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/ Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/ Lk 4:14-22
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/ Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/ Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/ Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Parish Staff

Patti Anderson
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Parish Organist

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Parish Office

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Parish Office

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Parish Office

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Religious Education Office

Financial Summary

December 26, 2021

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

*Financial information was not available at the time of printing.
It will be published in next week's bulletin.*

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

Dear Parishioners:

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the “manifestation” of the Christ-child to the whole world. This feast is also often referred to as “Little Christmas.” In Europe, traditionally this is the day in which gifts are exchanged because this is the day the Wise Men, the Magi, gave their gifts to Christ. In Cologne, Germany, the relics of the Wise Men will be shown to the people at a Solemn Mass. In England, in the Royal Chapel, Queen Elizabeth will offer gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to a child. In Spain, there will be parades complete with the Wise Men riding on camels into the various Cathedrals. In Poland, this is a traditional time for all the parish priests to visit every home in their parish and to bless the home for the coming year. Polish families mark the wood over the front doors of their homes in this way:

20 + C + M + B + 22

It is the year 2022 separated by Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, the three Wise Men. Sadly, we have lost many of these customs in the United States. But, these traditional customs help us to remember what Christmas is about and who we are: the adopted brothers and sisters of Jesus.

Another tradition is the baking of the “*KINGS' CAKE*.” A cake or pastry is baked with a toy baby hidden inside (presumably a toy baby big enough that you won't swallow and choke on the toy baby!). Whoever “wins” and finds the toy baby is given the honor to make the cake or pastry for the following year. Many Hispanic bakeries will carry “*Rosca de Reyes*”, cake of the kings.

In Italy, the feast of the Epiphany is associated with the visit of the *Befana* (a corruption of the word, “Epiphany”). *La Befana* is an ugly, broom-stick riding woman who during the night, between January 5 and 6, brings gifts to children or a lump of coal. The legend is that, having missed the opportunity to bring a gift to the Child Jesus together with the Wise Men, she now brings gifts to other children during the night.

On this day, members of the Greek Orthodox Church participate in the great “Blessing of the Waters.” After the Divine Liturgy, there is a procession from the Church to the beach, lake, etc. The Orthodox priest blesses the water by tossing a cross into the water. Men dive in to retrieve the cross. The person who finds the cross first and swims back receives a special blessing for the person and for his family. The water blessed this day is known as “theophany water” and is used by people to bless themselves and their homes.

I am sure that we all know the song, “*The Twelve Days of Christmas*.” The Feast of the Epiphany marks the end of the twelve days of Christmas, though the official end of the Christmas season is not until next weekend, when we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian



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

... and remember those of our parish family that are in the armed services, listed in our Parish Book of Intentions.



Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 to leave the names of parishioners who:

- Are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist.
- Are in Good Samaritan Hospital and/or a local nursing home and would like to be visited by a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry.
- Would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Pray for Our Sick

Please remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers ...

Connie Ambrosino, Joyce Berlangero, Morgan Brennan, Thomas J. Calogero III, John Drake, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Sarah Franckowski, Kasey Gagliano, Nicolette Gebhardt, David Gilbride, Ted Gladkowski, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Anne Kerrigan, Martin Kerrigan, Rosemary LeConte, James Leung, Aidan Miller, Robert J. Olenik, Edward Pauciullo, William Pellegrino, Stephen Piccolo, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Anthony San Filippo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Natalie Stone, Louise Sturgeon

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

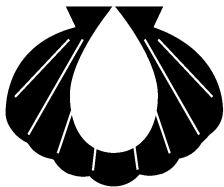
All of our Masses may be viewed via live-stream on our parish website. Please join us by visiting our website at: ollchurch.org.



Rest In Peace

Rachelle Conover
Iris Scarpa

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



Baptism

Layla Rai Mayhew

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 3

Holy Name of Jesus

8:30am Thomas Byrne & Cookie Durkin

Tuesday, January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:30am Pasquale Sgambati

Wednesday, January 5

St. John Neumann

8:30am John Martucci

Thursday, January 6

St. André Bessette

8:30am Reneida Rivera

Friday, January 7

St. Raymond of Penyafort

8:30am Mr. & Mrs. Peter Magliocco, Sr. (Living)

Saturday, January 8

8:30am Alfredo Lefty Delgado

5:00pm Alice Cullen

Sunday, January 9

Baptism of the Lord

8:00am Douglas Smith

9:30am Joseph Staniszewski

11:00am Fortunato & Carmela Maggi

12:30pm Deceased Members-Sweeney & Primrose Families

6:00pm People of the Parish, Mamie & Michael Raia & Family, Rose & Dominick Cocco & Family, John & Angela Andrich, Jeffrey Miller, Louise & Tony Crisci

Life Center Winter Clothing Drive

The Life Center of Long Island is in great need of Gently Used and New Winter Clothes for Boys and Girls in Sizes 2T, 3T & 4T.



Please consider donating today! Our three centers in **Hempstead, Massapequa, and Deer Park, and our new center in Smithtown** will all gladly take donations. If you cannot travel, please contact us at 516-798-8746, and we can schedule a driver to pick up your donations. Thank you so much for all of the time, talent, and treasure you give us in our shared mission of protecting and cherishing every life, from the womb through eternity.

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month except in September when Labor Day falls on the first Monday. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 3. We will begin with Rosary at 7:00pm in the Church, followed by our business meeting at 7:15pm in the Parish Center.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Bring your prayer and creativity together in a gift of love.

Join us ... **Wednesday, January 5 at 9:30am in the Parish Center.** All you need to bring is scrap yarn, knitting needles or crochet hooks (patterns and instructions will be given to you) and your gifts of love and prayer.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

We come together in the Church every Thursday from 1:30pm-2:30pm to pray and reflect on the Divine Mercy. We welcome anyone wishing to join us in this mission.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, January 4th from 12:30pm to 8:00pm.** Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus during our new Extended Adoration. Invite a family member or friend along too! Below are the Tuesday dates when adoration will end a little earlier because of other events happening in the church. Otherwise, all the other Tuesdays of the year will be 12:30pm to 8:00pm. In case of inclement weather, please call the parish office at 631-661-3224 ext.0, or log onto the parish website (ollchurch.org) to check if adoration has been canceled.

Tuesday, January 11: adoration ending at 3:30pm
Tuesday, January 18: adoration ending at 3:30pm
Tuesday, March 1: adoration ending at 6:30pm

Tuesday, March 22: adoration ending at 7:00pm
Tuesday, March 29: adoration ending at 7:00pm
Tuesday, April 12: adoration ending at 7:00pm

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.



Ketchup
Mustard
Cooking Oil
Cookies/Snacks
Laundry Detergent

Young Men's Ministry begins January 7

This exciting new ministry, open to all young men and boys from 6th grade to high school seniors, is dedicated to helping the young men and boys enjoy the value of a life of service - to each other, to their community, and to God.

We will do this by empowering and enabling these boys to form the ministry in a way that best reflects their talents, passions and strengths.

We will encourage our boys to express themselves freely in an environment that will provide them with safety, encouragement and motivation. The artists, the dreamers, the tinkerers, the thoughtful, the builders, the athletes will all find a home here as they come together to help each other meet and overcome the challenges of today's world and use their unique gifts and talents to help others. Our first night will include a review of our ground rules and safety of our boys, a discussion of the goals of the ministry allowing the boys to begin shaping it, a few contests of skill and wits and a team activity to pull us all together. The ministry will gather on the first and third Friday of each month from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the All Purpose Room. We will make use of the gym and classroom-type settings so have the boys dress comfortably and wear sneakers.

Future event nights will include a vast array of activities including inspirational speeches or movie scenes with classroom discussion, physical fitness and sports contests based on teamwork, guest speakers with things boys will enjoy and be fascinated by like automobile collections, robotics, sports memorabilia collections, engineering, art, music and more!! We'll together choose charitable projects to serve our community and use our strengths to solve problems.

For more information, please contact Robert Natale at 631-943-5962 or rnatale64@hotmail.com



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.

Note: All COVID-19 guidelines are followed.

Per N.Y. State mandate, everyone is required to wear a mask.

**Our next general meeting is Monday, January 10, 2022
at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.**

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.



The First Nativity Scene

The origin of the display of the Nativity dates back to the time of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis was concerned that people did not appreciate the gift of Christ's birth. St. Francis wanted to celebrate the Incarnation (God becoming a man) in a special way. He wanted to do something that would help people to remember the Christ Child and how Jesus was born in Bethlehem.



On Christmas Eve, in the year 1223A.D., at the proper time, St. Francis and his Franciscan brothers created a new Bethlehem. People, young and old, came to see this new sight. They carried torches to light up the sky as they approached the manger. Once again, shepherds came from the fields to come and adore the King. All were filled with joy over the mystery of the Incarnation. And a beautiful tradition was started.

As you look upon your own family Nativity set, may you remember and celebrate again God's love for His creation. In order to show His abundant love, mercy, and forgiveness for us, God became one like us. That is what the crèche ultimately symbolizes.

Visit a collection of Nativity Sets from around the world in the Parish Center.



Butterfly Memory Café - January 7th from 1:30-2:30pm

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 navigating through dementia's journey. Activities include crafts, music, reminiscing, art or movement. Light refreshments will be served. Our next event will take place on Friday, January 7th from 1:30-2:30pm. There is no charge to participate, but space is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to register, please call Michele at A Gentle Touch Senior Care at: 631-647-7622 or email: michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com.

Casa Project Update

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

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



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 7:30pm.

If you are interested in learning more about Boy Scouts and our Troop, please check out our website: <https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.



Christmas Flower Offering

John & Jennifer Gordon
 Meta Ermert
 Edward, Kathryn, Peter,
 & John Herger
 The Devlin Families
 & Peterson Families
 Richard M. Devlin, Sr.
 Raymond W. Everett, Jr.
 Thomas & Florence Brady
 Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Denzler
 Angela Lagiglia
 Nancy & Jerry Esposito, Sr.
 Anthony Zafferese

Marie Littlefair
 Kathleen B. Wall
 Gertrude Dunne
 Mr. & Mrs. S Robert Curran, Jr.
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Olsen
 Josephine & Carmine Barila
 Fannie & Anthony Messina
 In Memory of Rick Munkwitz
 DeLeon & Espina Family
 Edith & Francis Monaghan
 Reilly & Flanagan Family
 Mrs. Patricia Ryan
 Nancy Bencivinni
 Marion & Peter Schreiner
 Edward F. White
 Regina A. White

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Kleinlaut
 Diana Cestaro
 Hannah & John Greenhalgh
 Mrs. Amalia Capoccia
 Catherine Ventra
 Thomas Weilert
 Cono Peluso
 Fr. Toomey
 Fr. Brendel
 Msgr. Wiest
 Msgr. Minturn
 Msgr. Bill Jablonski
 Fr. Bill Shean
 Fr. Pat Amabile
 Fr. Joe Lukaszewski
 The Victims of 911

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.

Christmas Raffle



Below please find a set of 6 chances. It is a 50-50 drawing. Chances are \$25 each or 6 chances for \$100. 1st place winner will win 35% of the money, 2nd place will win 10% of the money and 3rd place will win 5% of the money. You have to be in it to win it!

The drawing will take place on **Sunday, January 16 after the 12:30pm Mass.**
Hopefully, the Wise Men will bring you a gift of a winning ticket!

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Name _____	Name _____	Name _____
Phone _____	Phone _____	Phone _____
1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Name _____	Name _____	Name _____
Phone _____	Phone _____	Phone _____
1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100

Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday, January 3, 2022 and Monday, January 10, 2022 at the Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For further information and current protocols, call: 631-585-3111 (leave message if no answer), visit our website: www.babylonchorale.org or e-mail info@babylonchorale.org.

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 marriages 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

January 21-23, 2022, please visit our website at: 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.

Weekend Location: Immaculate Conception Seminary
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743

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.

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.



The "Moving On" Group

An 'After- Bereavement' Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

"Staying Safe"

*Presented by: Jeanne Osias, of the Suffolk County Police Department
Topics Include: Current Scams, Online Safety, Burglary Prevention, etc.*

Friday, January 14, 2022 at 7:30pm

St. Joseph Parish Center
39 North Carl Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

For further information please call: Linda Sparaco at 631-225-9530 or Joyce Gangone at 631-513-7889



A New Dawn for Catholic Education on Long Island

In January 2020, the *Marianists*, *Tomorrow's Hope Foundation*, and the *Department of Education* launched the Morning Star Initiative (MSI) to revitalize Catholic education on Long Island through a robustly Catholic culture, academic excellence, safe and supportive communities, and fiscally sustainable schools.

DONOR IMPACT TO DATE

To date, fellow Catholics and foundations have pledged more than \$3 million to Tomorrow's Hope Foundation for vital MSI programs and local Catholic school needs, including:

- Tuition assistance for underserved students
- New learning devices for thousands of students and teachers
- Internet connectivity for 300 school families
- The launch of iReady, an innovative web-based student benchmarking tool, among all the Catholic elementary schools
- Vital startup investments in two MSI pilot schools

WHY GIVE?

By supporting MSI, donors can invest in a sustainable and robust educational model for our children and for future generations. Please help make that a reality by making a gift today.

"I am very confident in Brother Tom and the Marianist Brothers who are leading this [MSI] effort, and I am hopeful that other individuals and organizations will support this cause to help ensure our Catholic schools have a bright future."

— MICHAEL PASCUCCI, MSI DONOR

GET INVOLVED

Contact kbill@thfny.com or call (516) 745-7640



Morning Star Initiative



To make a tax deductible donation, please scan the QR code below or complete this form and mail your check to *Tomorrow's Hope Foundation* with "MSI" written in the memo line.

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation
50 Charles Lindbergh Blvd, Suite 500
Uniondale, NY 11553



First, Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parish: _____



1921-2021

St. Patrick School Is Celebrating 100 Years of Academic Excellence!

St. Patrick School Teachers are being honored at our 100th Anniversary Cocktail Party on January 29, 2022

Mass at 5:00pm (MPH) - Cocktail Party 6:00pm-8:00pm (School Gym) - Tickets: \$50.00 per Person
Come and be a part of the celebration!

To order tickets, visit: SPSBAYSHORE.ORG Contact us at: 631-665-0569 for further information.

Families Anonymous VIRTUAL Meetings

12-Step support group giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems will meet virtually until further notice. For additional information e-mail: Donna526@aol.com or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: 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 **March 19-20, 2022**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: www.engagedencounterli.org.



“Virtual” and “In-Person” Worldwide Marriage Encounters

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/>. Give yourselves the best Christmas present ever – take time for your marriage. Strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. There will also be an “In-Person” Marriage Encounter on January 28-30 at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. For more information, visit: www.wwme.org, click on apply and search by zip code or address.



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 “Life's Struggles”. To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.

Sharing the Gospel

Isn't God amazing? He made all the stars and planets to move, so every night the sky looks a little different. When God created the world, He planned exactly when the wise men would see the star. He wanted them to find Jesus.



Mission for the Week



Visit a planetarium to learn more about the star of Bethlehem.



Puzzle

Unscramble these words from today's Gospel:

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|----------|---------|-------|
| wise men | king | Mary |
| child | star | gifts |
| born | worship | dream |

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Prayer



Dear God,
thank you for
making the
planets and stars
so the wise men
could find Jesus.

Amen.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture
of stars
and planets
shining in the
night sky.

