

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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**Rev. Charles Mangano**, Associate Pastor

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## Parish Office

**Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)**

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm

Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am-2:00pm

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

Fax: 631.661.7143

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## Religious Education Office

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

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,

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

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

## Parish Outreach Office

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

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

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

**Phone: 631.661.3224, Ext. 122**

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

## Liturgical Schedule

### Daily Mass

8:30am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

### Reconciliation/Confession

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

### Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

## Sacraments

### Anointing of the Sick

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

### Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

### Marriage

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

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

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

*The Baptism of the Lord • Sunday, January 9, 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  
Mary Borgs  
Lisa Cantalino  
Sonia DaSilva  
Dcn. Nilo DeLeon  
Jerry Esposito  
Trish Frodell  
Pam Gagliano  
Deborah Lamb  
Rosalie Mangels  
John Muldoon  
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 9, 2022

**Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/ Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/ Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/ Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/ Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/ Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/ Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1/ Mk 2:13-17  
**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/ 1 Cor 12:4-11/ Jn 2:1-11

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

**Michael Buonaspina**  
Parish Organist

**Rosemary Cannarella**  
Parish Office

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

**Stacy Gordon**  
Parish Office

**Carol Grillo**  
Parish Office

**Rita Spera**  
Religious Education Office

### Financial Summary

#### January 2, 2021

Weekly Collection	\$ 13,712.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (4,088.00)

<b>Christmas</b>	\$ 36,278.00
<b>Parish Ministry</b>	\$ 8,952.00
<b>December 26, 2021</b>	\$ 8,449.00
<b>Solemnity</b>	\$ 4,333.00

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

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. It is the official end of the Christmas season and now we will return to "ordinary time" until the start of the season of Lent. Before Vatican II, the Christmas season ended on February 2, which was called "Candlemas Day". This was the day when all the candles that were to be used in the church in the coming year were blessed. Now we call February 2 the Feast of Presentation. The Feast of the Presentation was also a day in which many religious sisters entered the convent for their novitiate formation.

St. Pope John Paul II brought to the Vatican the tradition of a bigger-than-life outdoor Nativity display in St. Peter's Square. Interestingly enough, St. Pope John Paul II kept the Vatican Nativity scene up until February 2! So, if anyone gives you a hard time because your Christmas decorations are still up, don't tell people that you procrastinate; rather, tell people you are a traditionalist!

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is an appropriate time to reflect upon our own baptism. For the vast majority of us, we were baptized as infants. As infants, we could not choose to believe in Jesus or not; our parents and godparents made that choice on our behalf. However, as adults, we have to choose to live out the baptismal promises made by our parents and godparents. It is one of the reasons why everyone renews their baptismal promises on Easter Sunday. Each and every Easter, we are challenged to re-affirm, as adults, our baptismal promises. Baptism is not just an event in the past but a challenge for the future for each one of us.

Baptism is not a simple ritual; baptism has actual, powerful effects! At our baptism, we were washed free from original sin, became a member of God's family and became a temple of the Holy Spirit. As St. Paul reminds us as well: "So you are no longer a slave (to sin) but a child (of God) and if a son or daughter (of God), then also an heir" (Galatians 4:4-7). So, by virtue of our Baptism, we have an inheritance: heaven, eternal life, gazing upon the face of God and being reunited with all our other family and friends who have died and gone before us to be with the Lord.

As you can see, Baptism is a powerful Sacrament. Baptism is a great gift from God, but it is also a great responsibility for us. Let us live as baptized, converted, transformed people! We need to ask ourselves: Have I taken my baptismal promises (to reject sin and Satan and to live a life of holiness) seriously? Do I try to draw closer to God, day by day? As a parent with young children, am I doing all I can to raise my son or daughter in the Catholic faith? On Judgement Day, we are going to be asked these questions. We want to make sure that we have good answers to these important questions!

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don't forget our holiday raffle. Tickets are \$25 each or 6 tickets for \$100. You should have received tickets in the mail but if you did not, look just in the Bulletin or stop the Parish Office. Remember: You have to be in it to win it!  
**The raffle drawing will take place following the 12:30pm Mass on Sunday, January 16.**

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Joyce Petersen*. 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*      **Patric Mockler**-*US Navy*  
**Dominick Gennaro**-*US Army*      **Andrew Perniciaro**-*US Army*  
**Patrick Harty**-*US Coast Guard*      **Brandon Ranzie**-*US Army*  
**Ritchard Higham**-*US Army*      **Stephen Rolston**-*US Army*  
**Colby Matthew Kelly**-*US Army*      **Jack Shires**-*US Navy*  
**Luke Loftsgaarden**-*US Army*      **James Stultz**-*US Army*  
**Anthony Mannino**-*US Marine Corps*      **Jack Taffner**-*US Marine Corps*  
**Msgr. Brian McNamara**-*US Air Force*      **Michael Wilkinson**-*US Army*  
**Anthony Memoli**-*US Marine Corps*      **Peter Zaccaria**-*US Navy*

... 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 ...

*Linda Accardo, Connie Ambrosino, Joyce Berlangero, Morgan Brennan, Margaret (Marge) Cassiano, Thomas J. Calogero III, 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, Cynthia Nieves, Robert J. Olenik, Edward Pauciullo, William Pellegrino, Stephen Piccolo, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Anthony San Filippo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Barbara Turnbull*

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).

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, January 10**  
8:30am Helen Ianno

**Tuesday, January 11**  
8:30am Mr & Mrs. Al Kleinlaut (Living)

**Wednesday, January 12**  
8:30am Jim & Arlene De Mar (Living)  
8<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**Thursday, January 13**  
*St. Hilary*  
8:30am Carl D. Li Bassi

**Friday, January 14**  
8:30am Frank Aparo

**Saturday, January 15**  
8:30am Alexandra Pomatico (Living), Emmanuel Sugatan  
  
5:00pm Jean Jorgensen  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**Sunday, January 16**  
*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00am Arthur Person  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

9:30am Louis Gargiulo  
*Msgr. Brian Mcnamara*

11:00am Linda Sinclair  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

12:30pm James Leonard  
*Msgr. Brian Mcnamara*

6:00pm People of the Parish, John J. Kerrane,  
William Muller  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*



**Rest In Peace**

*John B. Fatuzzo*

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

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# Roe v. Wade Anniversary Memorial Face the Truth Event



Pro-lifers are invited to help restore the right to life for preborn children by joining the Long Island Coalition for Life for the Roe v. Wade Anniversary Memorial Face the Truth pro-life event on Saturday, January 22, 2022, from 2:00p.m. to 3:30p.m. This peaceful public witness will be held on the sidewalk in front of Nassau University Medical Center, 2201 Hempstead Tpke., E Meadow. Be a positive sign for LIFE! Signs provided. Rain or shine. Sponsored by: LICL 631-243-1435, [info@prolifeLI.org](mailto:info@prolifeLI.org).

## Pregnant? Need Help?

**Birthright, Inc. 24 Hour Helpline 1-800-550-4900**

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727

Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

## SAGE

Our next SAGE meeting will be **Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30am in the **ALL PURPOSE ROOM** (located next to the Outreach Office). Let us start our New Year together.

## 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 11<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm to 3:30pm**. 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](http://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.



- Pancake Mix
- Canned Peaches
- Boxed Oatmeal Packets
- Crackers
- Canned Stew

## Young Men's Ministry - Next meeting is Friday, January 21

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 tinkers, 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. At our next gathering, we'll watch a short but inspiring video from Denzel Washington followed by a discussion of what his words meant to everyone. We'll continue our work from our inaugural meeting and form committees within the ministry so the boys can sharpen their existing talents or try something completely new while working together towards our common projects. We opened and used items from Our Big Bag of Fun Stuff at the first meeting, so the boys will be involved in finding replacements to refill the bag. Like Christmas in January! And of course, we'll have our regular group activities of skill, smarts, wits and teamwork as we compete ourselves and each other in contests of fun. 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 via e-mail at: [rnatale64@hotmail.com](mailto:rnatale64@hotmail.com).

*Per N.Y. State mandate, everyone is required to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status.*



### *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.

*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](mailto: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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:30pm-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@gentletouchseniorcare.com](mailto:michele@gentletouchseniorcare.com).



### **New!!! Dementia Caregiver Support Group begins Thursday, January 20, 2022**

Caregiving for someone with Alzheimer's or a related dementia can cause frustration, fear, anger, sadness and other emotions. Our support group can provide emotional, social, and educational help to caregivers whose lives are affected by dementia.

**Join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 5:30pm-7:00pm in the Parish Center**

***There is no charge to participate, but please contact Michele at 631-647-7622, ext. 2006 or via email at: [michele@gentletouchseniorcare.com](mailto:michele@gentletouchseniorcare.com) to reserve your place.***



### **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](mailto:troop179cc@yahoo.com).





## Christmas Flower Offering

Robert Boyd  
Mary Boyd  
John Keating

Christine Murphy  
Mrs. Pasqual Carpentiere  
Mr. & Mrs. Angelito Cruz

Mary Brunhuber  
Mr. & Mrs. Antoine Abi-Zeid  
Adelle Ferrara

### Church Census Information

#### Has your contact information changed, or are you moving?

The process of updating our Parish Data System information is an ongoing process. We ask that you please submit any recent changes -- address, family members, phone numbers, etc. With your help, our parish data information will be more accurate, and receipt of Parish Offering Envelopes and other church information can be processed more efficiently.

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

### Diocese of Rockville Centre Adult Enrichment Classes

#### Introduction to Canon Law

**Date and Time:** Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.  
Jan. 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24  
**Location:** St. Patrick  
9 N. Clinton Avenue, Bay Shore  
**Instructor:** Rev. Lee Descoteaux

#### Introduction to Theology of the Body

**Date and Time:** Mondays, 7-9 p.m.  
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14 and 28  
**Location:** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
175 Wolf Hill Rd, South Huntington  
**Instructor:** Laura Domenico

Cost per course: \$25.00 For more information or to register visit: [drvc-faith.org](http://drvc-faith.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. 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will win 35% of the money, 2<sup>nd</sup> place will win 10% of the money and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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!*

<p align="center"><b>CHRISTMAS RAFFLE</b></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100</p>	<p align="center"><b>CHRISTMAS RAFFLE</b></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100</p>	<p align="center"><b>CHRISTMAS RAFFLE</b></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>1 Ticket for \$25; 6 Tickets for \$100</p>
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## Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on 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](http://www.babylonchorale.org) or e-mail [info@babylonchorale.org](mailto: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](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.

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](mailto: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](http://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](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 **March 19-20, 2022**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: [www.engagedencounterli.org](http://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/>. Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences.

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](http://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 “Unity”.

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

# Sharing the Gospel

Your Dad says, "Wash your hands, please. It is almost time to eat." After you wash your hands really well, your Dad smiles. He says, "That's my boy. You did a good job!" In today's Gospel, it was time for Jesus to be baptized. After His baptism, Jesus talked to God His Father in prayer. Jesus did everything His Father asked. God was happy with His Son and said, "I'm pleased with You."



# Mission for the Week



Find out what makes God happy. As a family, read: John 15:9-12.

## Puzzle

Circle the picture that is the **same** as the **first** one. Then color in all the pictures.



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## Prayer



Dear God,  
I want to  
make You  
and my  
parents happy.

Amen.

## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of God telling you, "Good job!"

