Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor

Rev. Charles Mangano, Associate Pastor

Deacon Nilo DeLeon, Deacon Tom Lucie, Deacon Rich Maher, Deacon Jack Meehan, Deacon John Teufel

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Debbie Meyer, Business Manager
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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

Fax: 631.661.7143

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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, January 30, 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

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Stacy Gordon Parish Office

Carol Grillo Parish Office

Rita SperaReligious Education Office

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 30, 2022

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/ Lk 4:21-30

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/ Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/ Mk 5:21-43 **Wednesday:** Mal 3:1-4/ Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/ Mk 6:7-13 Friday: Sir 47:2-11/ Mk 6:14-29 1 Kgs 3:4-13/ Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Financial Summary

January 23, 2022

Weekly Collection \$ 12,802.00 Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00 +/- for the week \$ (4,998.00)

Catholic Elementary Schools \$4,028.00

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

Dear Parishioners:

As you may recall, we entered "ordinary" time in the Church's liturgical year. While we tend to focus on the "special" seasons of the Church year (Advent/Christmas, Lent/Easter), we must not overlook or minimize the importance of the Sunday celebration of the Mass throughout the year. Ordinary time is, actually, rather extraordinary! Why? Because every Sunday the Catholic community comes together to remind the world that Jesus was raised from the dead on the first day of the week and that God's creation came to completion.

Sunday after Sunday, we come to Mass to be challenged by the Word of God and then nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion. Just think, every Sunday (in fact, every day when we celebrate Mass) I, as the priest, ask Christ to come down from heaven and be with us in Holy Communion. That is an extraordinary event!

As you may already know, this church year, we will be reading largely from the Gospel of Luke; last year we largely read from the Gospel of Mark. Luke was written about 60AD, about 10 years after the writing of the Gospel of Mark. Luke wrote to a community in which the large majority of the readers were pagan converts to Christianity. Matthew, in contrast, wrote to a community in which the majority of readers were Jewish converts to Christianity.

Last Sunday, was also "Word of God" Sunday. Pope Francis has asked us to focus on God's word, the Scriptures, on the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary time. I would like to offer you the following quotes:

St. Jerome: "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ."

St. John Chrysostom: "To become an adult Christian, you must learn the Scriptures."

Pope St. John Paul II: "Learning to read the Scriptures is fundamental for the believer: It is the first step of a ladder, which continues with meditation and thus, real prayer. Prayer based on biblical reading is the principal way of Christian spirituality."

Vatican II: "Through the Scriptures, therefore, the invisible God, out of abundance of His love, speaks to His people as friends and lives among them, so that God may invite and take them into friendship with Himself."

I strongly believe that every Catholic home should have a Bible in it; the Word of God should be in your home, blessing your home. I also encourage you to google: "Bishop Robert Barron: free daily homily". He will send you a free homily based on the Gospel reading for the day; it will arrive by e-mail. Read the Gospel for the day and then read his reflection. I, myself, do it every day. It will help you to grow in your spiritual life.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Does anyone know of a person in the carpeting business? I need some new carpets for rooms in the rectory and convent. Please call me at the rectory.

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Connie Lynch*. 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
Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force
Christopher Florca-US Marine Corps
Dominick Gennaro-US Army
Patrick Harty-US Coast Guard
Ritchard Higham-US Army
Colby Matthew Kelly-US Army
Luke Loftsgaarden-US Army
Anthony Mannino-US Marine Corps
Msgr. Brian McNamara-US Air Force
Anthony Memoli-US Marine Corps

Timothy Milligan-US Marine Corps
Melissa Mockler-US Navy
Patric Mockler-US Navy
Andrew Perniciaro-US Army
Brandon Ranzie-US Army
Stephen Rolston-US Army
Jack Shires-US Navy
James Stultz -US Army
Jack Taffner-US Marine Corps
Michael Wilkinson-US Army
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 ...

Connie Ambrosino, Joyce Berlangero, Morgan Brennan, Thomas J. Calogero III, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Sarah Franckowski, Nicolette Gebhardt, Ted Gladkowski, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Rosemary LeConte, Amy Lillis, Cynthia Nieves, Robert J. Olenik, Edward Pauciullo, William Pellegrino, Stephen Piccolo, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Catherine Randazzo, 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.



Linda Marie Accardo Ronald A. Boily Mario D'Alessandro

We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased. Masses may be viewed via livestream on our Facebook page.

Please join us directly on Facebook or by visiting our
website at: <u>ollchurch.org</u>, where you will be redirected.

You do not need a Facebook account.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 31
St. John Bosco
Section 1 John P. Koo

8:30am John P. Keating

Tuesday, February 1 8:30am Cosimo Ciocia

Wednesday, February 2
The Presentation of the Lord
8:30am Carl Schmid

Thursday, February 3
St. Blaise, St. Ansgar
8:30am Tom Collins

Friday, February 4 8:30am Caroline Olenick

Saturday, February 5

St. Agatha

8:30am Emma Cameron, Mario D'Alessandro, John Carino, Salvatore Vitale

5:00pm Lou & Barbara Argento Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, February 6

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Corazon Smith (Living)

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Salvatore Pinello

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11:00am Salvatore Pinello

Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm LaRocca & Sweeney Families

Visiting Priest

6:00pm People of the Parish, Anita Falabella,

Robert Twible, Angie Federico, Trinidad Gasata,

Sandra Ernano

Visiting Priest

Birthright - Volunteers Needed at Islip Office

In these trying times, with COVID-19 still with us, it must cause Moms much anxiety to bring a new life into this world. Yet, it is exactly this new life that can ring joy and hope to all of us! This tiny bundle of love is a gift from God and is meant to be here! These little miracles will bring their very own character, talents, ideas, gift, visions, and smiles to everyone they touch on their journey!! Our world will definitely be missing something without them. Birthright is there in the beginning, offering positive alternatives to abortion, as well as friendship, emotional support and practical help. At this time, we are in need of volunteers. If you want to make a difference and can give 3½ hours, one day a week, **training will be provided**.

Please call Islip Birthright at: 631-277-3888, M-F 10:30am-2:00pm. Website: www.islip@birthright.org.

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

Join us ... Wednesday, February 2 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.

Nocturnal Adoration

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

This is Jesus Christ's invitation every first Saturday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is taken to the altar after the 5:00pm Mass and will be exposed up to 9:50pm. Everyone is invited to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament to offer prayers, petitions and thanksgiving to Jesus. Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5:00pm Mass on **Saturday**, **February 5**th, concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday**, **February 1**st **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, March 1: adoration ending at 6:30pm Tuesday, March 29: adoration ending at 7:00pm 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.



Mayonnaise Canned Stew Grape Jelly Laundry Detergent Feminine Products



Lectio Unveiling Scripture and Tradition: Eucharist

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and Blood of Christ"... The are phrases we know from the Mass. Do you know where they come from? Do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching?

Join Adult Faith Formation to watch a new Bible study called "Lectio: Eucharist, Discovering the Mass in the Bible." Experience Dr. Brant Pitre leading us to a greater and deeper understanding of the Scripture and discover God's wonderous plan for our salvation.

This is a wonderful way to journey through Lent in preparation for the Triduum. We'll celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening with renewed faith and thanksgiving. Hope to see you there!

Day /Time Mondays 9:00am-11:00am

Place Parish Center

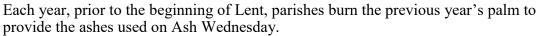
Dates February 14, 21, 28 March 7, 14, 21, 28

April 4, 11, and 14 (Holy Thursday morning)

Contact Carol Paprocky 631-666-4312

Vita Scorcia 631-669-4717

Last Year's Palm Becomes This Year's Ashes





We invite you to return the blessed Palm branches you received at Mass last Palm Sunday so that we can include them in the ashes we will use this year on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. Please deposit your palm in the baskets near the doors as you enter the church.

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.



El Salvador Trip Update

Recently, I spoke with Stacey King, our trip coordinator for El Salvador. She told me all trips have been cancelled for the year 2022. While El Salvador is presently administering COVID Vaccines, there still is some risk involved. Another concern is transportation. It appears, according to Ms. King, to be erratic. I have also checked the United States State Department website, and they suggest anyone planning on visiting El Salvador should reconsider doing so at this time. That being said, Ms. King and I have tentatively scheduled a trip for June 24 – June 30, 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been contributing to the Casa House throughout the year. Our parish will be sending a check for \$1500 to UNBOUND for the Santa Ana region, where we have been visiting now for many years. I will ask Ms. King to please apply the money where it is needed, and to let us know how the money will be used.

I look forward to our next Mission Trip to El Salvador. When I last visited, I told Yessenia, our Salvadorian hostess, I would work on my Spanish to which she responded she will work on her English. Please check the bulletin for further updates and fundraisers. May God bless you for your continued support of our sister parish in El Salvador.

~ Deacon Rich



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 has been moved to Monday, January 31, 2022 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

We will not be meeting on Monday, February 14th



Butterfly Memory Café - February 4th 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, February 4th 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@agentletouchseniorcare.com.

Young Men's Ministry

The Young Men's Ministry continues to grow. We now have almost 30 members are we have room to welcome more. Our next gathering is Friday, February 4th at 7PM in the Parish Center. Last week we added kickball and running bases to our group activities list. For our next meeting, we will feature a discussion about belonging, a brief talk about understanding and using the strengths God give us and of course, our group fun activities. We've recently discovered a secret supply room of sports equipment and fun. We're put some of that to use on the 4th when we kick off our group activities with scooter races and obstacle course. This ministry is open for all boys from 6th grades through high school seniors. We hope to see you there!



Caregiving for someone with Alzheimer's or a related Dementia Disease can cause frustration, fear, anger, sadness and other emotions.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO MEET THE CHALLENGES ALONE!

Our support group can provide emotional, social, and educational help to caregivers whose lives are affected by Dementia.



WHERE:

THE PARISH CENTER AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES 455 HUNTER AVE WEST ISLIP, NY 11795

WHEN:

THE 3RD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 5:30 PM - 7 PM

There is no charge to participate, but please contact Michele Payne at 631-647-7622, ext. 2006 or michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com to register.





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.

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.



Kellenberg Memorial High School Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following young parishioners who have achieved Honor Roll status for the First Trimester of the 2021-2022 academic year. We are very proud of your accomplishments.

Avery Beyrouty

Michaela Clifford

Miranda Clifford

Anna Heaton

Position Available – Part-time Rectory Cook

St. Kilian Parish in Farmingdale is seeking a part-time Rectory Cook to work 20-25 hours per week, Monday through Thursday and Saturdays; 4 to 5 hours per day. Responsibilities include:

- Planning, preparing and serving dinner; accommodating dietary needs of the priests
- Shopping for meals, kitchen needs
- Cleaning and sanitizing of kitchen, dining room, pantries and appliances
- Planning, preparing and serving for special occasion meals and events

Please send cover letter/resume to Ed Fronckwicz, Business Manager, St. Kilian Church, 485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735. Phone: 516-249-0127 or e-mail: edwardf@stkilian.com

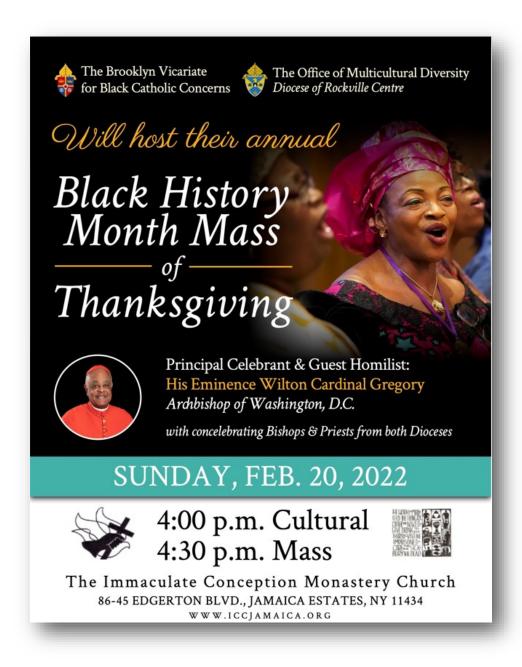
Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

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.

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

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.



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 May 13-15, 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



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://www.menyli.org/. Love is patient, love is kind. Increase your love for one another on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

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 "Forgiveness". To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus did not expect everybody to like Him. Jesus chose to follow God's plan, no matter what other people said. Even though some people wanted to hurt Jesus, He always spoke the truth. He always did what was right, no matter what.



Mission for the Week



Has anyone ever hurt your feelings because you love God? Pray for that person, and keep doing what is right.



Find eight differences between the two pictures.





Prayer

Dear God, help me to keep on doing what You want, no matter what other people say.

Amen.

Something to Draw

Draw Jesus walking away from people who didn't like Him.

