

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
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Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm
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E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org
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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

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
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Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass

8:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

Reconciliation/Confession

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

Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

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

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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

Third Sunday of Lent • Sunday, March 20, 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 March 20, 2022

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/ 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/ Lk 13:1-9
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/ Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/ Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/ Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/ Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Is 7:10-14, 8-10/ Heb 10:4-10/ Lk 1:26-38
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6, Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/ 2 Cor 5:17-21/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Parish Staff

Patti Anderson
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

Michael Buonaspina
Parish Organist

Rosemary Cannarella
Parish Office

S. Kathleen Carberry, CSJ
Parish Office

Carol Grillo
Parish Office

Rita Spera
Religious Education Office

Financial Summary

March 13, 2022

Weekly Collection	\$ 13,818.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,982.00)

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I recently read a Lenten reflection that was so beautiful I wanted to share it with you. It is by Fr. Philp Bochanski.

*“One of my most vivid childhood memories is a scene from a film called *Animals Are Beautiful People*. It showed how a hunter in the Kalahari Desert in southern Africa tricked a baboon into showing him a hidden source of water, by trapping it, waiting until it was thirsty, then releasing it and following it to the oasis.*

What made an impression on me then — and still fascinates me now — is how the hunter trapped the baboon. He drilled a hole, just big enough for the baboon's paw to fit inside, into an anthill. Then, making sure the baboon was watching, he pretended to eat some seeds, then placed a pile of them inside the hole. The hunter hid, and the baboon's curiosity got the better of it. It reached into the hole and grabbed the seeds, but having closed its fist around them, it could not fit its hand back through the hole. Even when it saw the hunter coming, even when the hunter began to put a leash around its neck, even when it was completely trapped, that baboon would not let go of the seeds so that it could get free and run away.

How often we behave like that foolish baboon! Satan and his minions tempt us with all sorts of things, and curiosity or desire or both lead us straight into the Enemy's trap. Once we find the forbidden pleasure, we often become so attached to it that, even though we know it is not good for us, we just can't seem to let go. Those who have experienced addiction in their own lives or the life of a loved one know this situation quite well, but it affects all of us in our struggle with temptation and sin, in ways large and small.

The season of Lent is a time for us to let go of the things of the world so that on Easter Sunday we may wholeheartedly renew our baptismal promises in which we reject sin and Satan and give ourselves completely to the Triune God. Voluntary fasting and abstinence teach us to go without things that please the body, and thus overcome gluttony and lust. By sacrificial almsgiving we learn to let go of money and material things that we do not need, and to reject the greed that accumulates possessions, the sloth that finds comfort in material things, and the envy and anger that poison our hearts when we feel we do not have enough. A more intentional commitment to prayer, especially in the form of adoration and intercession, helps us to overcome pride, selfishness and self-reliance, and to place our faith and hope in God and His Providence, and to love Him and our neighbor with generous hearts.

I pray that this Lent will continue to be a fruitful time for you and lead you to a deeper relationship with God and with your loved ones. The paradox of discipleship is that the more we surrender to God, the freer we become. Let us ask Him for the grace we need to let go of the attachments we have made to this world, so that we can cling more tightly to Him.” Fr. Philip

Have a great week walking with the Lord. Ask Him to give you the grace to fast, pray and do alms giving. With Him, you can do the unthinkable, unimaginable and forgive what you think is unforgiveable.

Peace and blessings,

Fr. Charles

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Margaret Lehmann*. 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>	Patric 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, James Patrick Barrett, Jr. (infant), Joyce Berlangero, Morgan Brennan, Thomas J. Calogero III, Maria Clark, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Robin Delisola, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Sarah Franckowski, Nicolette Gebhardt, Ted Gladkowski, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Joseph Isoldi, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, George Mangels, Joseph Marrone Jr., Jamie Munkwitz, Dan Murphy, Cynthia Nieves, Edward Pauciullo, William Pellegrino, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Catherine Randazzo, Stephanie Russo, Anthony San Filippo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Jennifer Stoop, Barbara Turnbull

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



Rest In Peace

Eileen Peterson

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

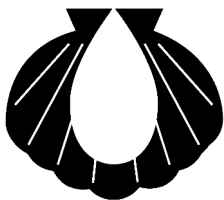


Upcoming Marriages

Lisa Wamsley

First Presbyterian Church, Greenlawn and

Alexander Mathe, OLL



Baptism

*Madeline Mae Cestaro
Zeke Joseph Santagato*

Masses may be viewed via livestream on our Facebook page. Please join us directly on Facebook or by visiting our website at: ollchurch.org, where you will be redirected. You do not need a Facebook account.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 21

8:30am Thomas & Bridget Maher
12:10pm Lily Cestaro

Tuesday, March 22

8:30am Lillian Van Wagner
12:10pm Gaetona Novello

Wednesday, March 23

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
8:30am Robert Harding Davis
12:10pm Frances Clement

Thursday, March 24

St. Oscar Romero
8:30am John Yost
12:10pm Claire Salleum

Friday, March 25

The Annunciation of the Lord
8:30am Gerald Moran
12:10pm Cheryl Nappo

Saturday, March 26

8:30am The Gorzelnik Family (Living)

5:00pm Raymond W. Everett, Jr.
Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, March 27

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday
8:00am Paul Breitfeller
Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Salvatore Pinello
Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am Baby Nicholas Polini
Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm Susan Rindos
Fr. Charles Mangano

6:00pm People of the Parish, Judy Ann Jordan,
Ann Thomson, Richard Andreala,
Leo Wetter (Living)
Jonathon Doodian & Family (Living)
Fr. Charles Mangano

*Forgive us, Lord, for once again
the bully's lust for all the marbles
has spoiled the peace on our playground
and proven, sadly, one more time:
we don't play well with others...*

*This time he's the bully,
though other times it's her
or me, or them, or us,
as if we all take turns
at sending someone home in tears:
we don't play well with others...*

*This time, Lord, the stakes are high
and the guns in play aren't toys:
some will bleed and some will fall
and many grieve what foolishness
and pride will prove:
we don't play well with others...*

*Forgive us, Lord, as once again
we turn to you in prayer
and beg your mercy,
pleading for the grace to learn
how to live in peace,
as your sisters and your brothers,
one family, wherever we may be...*

*Protect us, Lord while we're awake
and watch over us while we sleep
that awake, we might keep watch with you
and asleep, rest in your peace...*

Amen.



Catholic Relief Services Collection – March 27, 2022

Next weekend (March 26-27) our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. As always, thank you for your generosity and for helping to reveal Christ’s Love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



LENT / 2022

Come and pray this Lent - Sunday, 6:00pm Mass

All 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families: Please join the 6:00pm Mass with your grade...

3rd Sunday of Lent Mar. 20 Grade 5 “Sent” to make a difference
4th Sunday of Lent Mar. 27 Grade 6 “See” be open to God’s love
5th Sunday of Lent Apr. 3 Grade 7 “Serve” our Parish Family
Palm Sunday Apr. 10 Grade 8 “Pray” as Holy Week begins

Lectio Unveiling Scripture and Tradition: Eucharist

“The Lamb of God,” “The Bread of Life,” “The Body and Blood of Christ”... These 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 wondrous 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	March 21, 28, April 4, 11
Contact	Carol Paprocky: 631-666-4312 or Vita Scorcia: 631-669-4717



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 and fourth Monday of each month in the Parish Center. The fourth Monday is an Officers’ meeting, but members are welcome to attend. 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.

Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask.

**Our next meeting will be Monday, March 28, 2022
at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.**

Lent 2022

CALENDAR

Daily At-Home Lenten Activities for Families

MARCH

SUN 20

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Jn 8:7

Be careful of throwing stones at people through unkind words. Think carefully before you speak to make sure your words are filled with kindness and caring.

MON 21

"As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, my God." Ps 42:2

Pray today for families and nations who long for peace. Make an effort to practice peace through your words and actions.

TUE 22

"Look to the Lord in his strength; seek to serve him constantly." Ps 105:4

What tests your strength as a family? Consider how you can you turn your anxieties over to God and serve him through your faith and trust.

WED 23

"Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the Kingdom of heaven." Mt 5:19

The greatest Commandment teaches us to love God and to love one another as we love ourselves. Talk about ways you are keeping this commandment in your home.

THU 24

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted." Ps 34:19

Name some of the "brokenhearted" people in the world. Offer a prayer for their comfort and consolation.

FRI 25

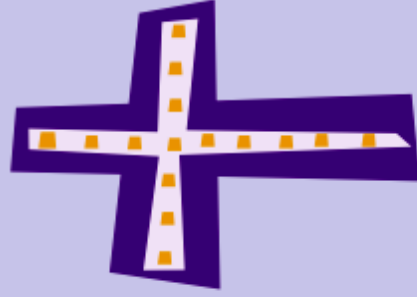
"Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'" Lk 1:38

Today is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. Offer a Hail Mary together and look to Mary as a model of faith.

SAT 26

"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Lk 18:14

Offer to help someone today without expecting anything in return.



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, March 22:

7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER

MOVIE: THE CHOSEN

Join us as we watch this wonderful portrayal of the 12 Apostles: Episode 5 & 6

Friday, March 25:

12:45pm & 7:30pm in the CHURCH

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 29:

7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER

MOVIE: THE CHOSEN

Join us as we watch this wonderful portrayal of the 12 Apostles: Episode 7 & 8

Friday, April 1:

12:45pm & 7:30pm in the CHURCH

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, April 5:

7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER

MOVIE: THE CHOSEN

Join us as we watch this wonderful portrayal of the 12 Apostles: Episode 9 & 10

Friday, April 8:

12:45pm & 7:30pm in the CHURCH

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Monday, April 11:

2:00pm – 9:00pm

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Confessors will be available throughout this time. Come and be reconciled to God through Confession.

Tuesday, April 12:

7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER

MOVIE: THE CHOSEN

Join us as we watch this wonderful portrayal of the 12 Apostles: Episode 11 & 12





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 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.

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, March 22nd** at 9:30am in the Parish Center.

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, March 22nd from 12:30pm to 7:00pm**. 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 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.



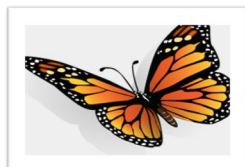
- Bagged White Rice
- Egg Noodles
- Cookies
- Oil
- Laundry Detergent



Easter Flower Offering

Easter Flower Offerings received by March 20th will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Flower Offerings received after that date will appear in a subsequent bulletin. It would be very helpful if you would **CLEARLY PRINT** the name of your loved one and drop the envelope, along with your donation, in the collection basket.

Bereavement Support Group for Widows and Widowers 8 Week Program for Age 50 and Over



For losses that have occurred before December 31, 2021

St. Joseph Parish Center 39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY

Begins Thursday, March 24, 2022 - 3:00pm-5:00pm

For more information and registration, please call:

Terry Hoffman at: 631-669-0198 or Geri Olson at: 631-661-8994

R.C.I.A. – The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Sunday, March 6, 2022, *Teresa Carlson, Haley Newberg and Mike Rashwan* participated in the Diocese of Rockville Centre **Rite of Election** at **St. Anne’s Brentwood with Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski** as Presider and all Parishes in Suffolk County attending. Our R.C.I.A. is now called “The Elect” and no longer called Catechumen.

These are important steps in the journey of the R.C.I.A.. It’s a clear sign to the community that they are coming closer to receiving the Sacraments of Initiation at our Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 16.

On Sundays, March 20, March 27 and April 3, the Third Sunday of Lent, and continuing on the Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, at the 11:00am Mass we will celebrate the “**Scrutinies**” – “The Elect” will continue to remain “united with Christ and make progress in their efforts to love God more deeply”.

The Church gives us this public and life-giving process DURING LENT so that these good and holy people can be nourished and supported by our parish family. At the same time, we know that when we initiate others, we confront and renew our own identity as members of the Catholic Christian community.

Please continue to pray for our R.C.I.A. and our R.C.I.A. team.

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.



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

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.

Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status.



Girl Scout Cookie Season

It's Girl Scout Cookie Season again! Look for the girls selling cookies outside in front of the Rectory/ Parish Office on most Sundays between 9:00am-1:00pm and please support their Troops!



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/bsatroup179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

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.



Butterfly Memory Café - April 1st 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, April 1st 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 e-mail: michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com.



Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, April 21, 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 3rd 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@agentletouchseniorcare.com to reserve your place.



St. John the Baptist DHS - Mid-Year Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following young parishioners who have achieved Mid-Year Honor Roll status for the 2021-2022 school year. We are very proud of your accomplishments!

Summa Cum Laude Honors

*Katia Barnes
Emilie Bobrowski
Madison Erb*

*Lauren Ginocchio
Allison Kenney
Sophia Lastorino*

*Kevin Ryan
Anthony Spadolini
Jack Vivona*

Lila Vivona

Magna Cum Laude Honors

*Daniella Alessandro
Nicholas D'Avanzo*

*Donovan Flareau
Eric Micara*

*Isabella Nieradko
Brandon Raber*

Hailey Shaughnessy

Cum Laude Honors

*Kiera Davis
Patrick Fox*

*Christopher Lospinuso
Mary McKeon*

*Gabrielle Mercurio
Matteo Russo*

*Anthony Vacca
Shae Wallace*



St. Anthony HS - Second Quarter Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following young parishioners who have achieved Second Quarter Honor Roll status for the 2021-2022 school year. We are very proud of your accomplishments!

*Brooke Berger
Justin Cetero
Chase Hartmann
Kelsey Mueller*

*Gerard Nealon
Jaclyn Piscola
Eriq Polanco-DellaUniversita
Salvatore Romano*

*Aidan Scibetta
Joseph Walas*



Join Bishop Andrzej
for Liturgical Catechesis
SYNOD on SYNODALITY

Journeying Together
Communion + Participation + Mission

This lecture will be presented via **ZOOM**

All are Invited to Participate.

Monday, April 25

Participation

Wednesday, May 18

Evangelization

All at 7:30 pm

To receive the ZOOM link, please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850 or email westernvicariate@drvc.org. If you previously registered for prior ZOOM calls, there is NO need to register again – you will automatically receive the ZOOM link via email.



"The Synod calls the People of God, in all their diversity, to embark on a journey together toward a common mission to witness to the love of God at work in the world."

Synod Preparatory Document



Gather. Pray. Listen.

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

Let's Journey Together!

The Babylon Chorale presents *Remember The Past*

An eclectic collection of music through the centuries featuring Victoria, Vivaldi, Haydn, Schubert and others

Sunday, March 20, 2022 at 4:00pm

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

666 Albin Ave., West Babylon, NY

\$23 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors 60+, \$10 for children 12 and under

Purchase tickets online visit our website at: www.babylonchorale.org. Tickets also available at the door.

For more information, call 516-799-4974 or 516-221-3211, or email: info@babylonchorale.org

Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday, March 21, 2022 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Amityville. All voice parts are welcome. For further information and current protocols, call: 631-585-3111 (leave a message if no answer), visit: www.babylonchorale.org, or e-mail: info@babylonchorale.org.

Part-time Sacristan Position - St. Joseph's Brentwood

Sisters of St. Joseph, Brentwood, NY is looking for a part time Sacristan. The Sacristan role is highly visible and is responsible for providing a wide range of general support in a professional manner; overseeing day-to-day operations and procedures such as a welcoming presence and preparation for liturgical services. This position reports to The Director of Pastoral Care and will work every day including weekends. Confidentiality, excellent organizational skills and accuracy are key, along with good customer relations and the ability to communicate clearly. The ideal candidate for this position is outgoing, a skilled multi-tasker, accurate and reliable. Must be available to work on weekends and flexible hours as need arises (e.g., Holy Week, Christmas, etc.) We offer a positive, inspiring work environment. Becoming a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph team offers a rewarding future. To learn more about this opportunity, please send resumé to resume@csjbrentwood.org



Bookkeeping Position

Diocese of Rockville Centre is seeking a Bookkeeper for the Office of Parish Support. Full time and part time positions available. Individual will be expected to work with all Parish Support Managers and Associate Parish Support Staff, in providing financial services and administrative support to a select group of parishes and schools. Regular travel to assigned parishes and schools required. Some responsibilities include, processing payments, deposit cash receipts and tuition in a timely manner, process weekly and monthly ACH giving in G/L. Please e-mail your cover letter and resume in Word format as an email attachment. Please note Full-Time or Part Time Bookkeeper in subject line of e-mail to our Human Resources Department: Diocese of Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 - E-mail: employment@drvc.org.

Business Manager Opportunity - OLPH, Lindenhurst

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish is seeking to fill the position of Business Manager. Background in accounting, budgeting and finance (money management /analysis and payroll) required; business/management skills to oversee lease agreements, maintenance of buildings/grounds, and supervision of maintenance and secretarial staff. Ideal candidate would also possess, or be able to learn, the following: background in operations procedures and controls; basic technology skills: troubleshooting hardware and software; MS Word, Excel, Power Point, with Parish Data Systems (PDS) and QuickBooks; familiarity with employment law and human resources. Part-time, three full days a week, 9:00am-5:00pm - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - with flexibility for attendance at occasional evening or weekend meetings. Send resumé to: Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor at: msgrioe@oloph.org.

Nursing Positions - Full Time and Part Time

The Nursing Department for the Sisters of St. Dominic, located at their Motherhouse in Amityville, is looking for full-time/part-time Nurses and Aides to work with the Sisters. Our shifts are 12-hrs per day. We offer wonderful benefits and the opportunity to work in a home-like setting while providing quality care and service. For more information and to apply for positions, contact Tracey J. Jahrsdoerfer at: 631-842-6000 ext. 264. Resumés may be sent via e-mail at: tjahrsdoerfer@amityop.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 virtual 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. There will be an “in person” Marriage Encounter on June 24-June 26 at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at: <https://wwmenyli.org/>. Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don’t wait until it is too late, take time for your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.



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.

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

Sharing the Gospel


Jews didn't usually like the people from Samaria, let alone visit one of their towns or talk to any of them. Men didn't usually talk to women back then, either. When Jesus talked to the woman at the well, Jesus broke those silly rules. Jesus saw into the woman's heart and knew that she needed God in her life. Jesus came to rescue her from her sin. She was so happy that she invited everyone in her town to meet Jesus, too.







Mission for the Week











Ask God to open your heart so that you will be friends with other kids, no matter what they look like.

 **Puzzle**

Circle the picture that is **different**. Then color in all the pictures.

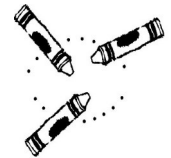
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Prayer



Dear God,
 Thank you for caring about me, no matter where I live, and no matter what I have done wrong.
 Amen.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of Jesus talking to you at the grocery store.