# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, 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: 10:30am-2:30pm

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.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord • Sunday, April 17, 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

# Parish Staff

Vita Scorcia

#### **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

## 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 April 17,2022

**Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40/ Is 50:4-7/ Phil 2:6-11/ Lk 22:14—23:56 or

23:1-49

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/ Jn 21:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/ Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/ Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/ Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/ Jn 20:19-31

# Financial Summary

#### **April 10, 2022**

 Weekly Collection
 \$ 20,713.00

 Weekly Budget
 - \$ 17,800.00

 +/- for the week
 \$ 2,913.00

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

Dear Parishioners:

Happy and blessed Easter! May the resurrected Christ always reign in your heart.

I would like to offer a few Easter quotes:

"A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act." - Mahatma Gandhi

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us." - St. Augustine

"If man had his way, the plan of redemption would be an endless and bloody conflict. In reality, salvation was bought not by Jesus' fist, but by His nail-pierced hands; not by muscle, but by love; not by vengeance, but by forgiveness; not by force, but by sacrifice. Jesus Christ our Lord surrendered in order that He might win; He destroyed His enemies by dying for them and conquered death by allowing death to conquer Him." - A.W. Tozer

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." - Pope John Paul II

As we know, Easter celebrates Christ's triumph over sin and death. Because of Christ, sin and death is not the end of the story; eternal life is the end of the story.

I realize that when we look at the world, it does not appear that Christ has triumphed; it does not appear that sin and death has been conquered. War in Ukraine, fighting in Yemen, rising inflation, etc. all point to the presence of sadness and even evil in the world. One can easily become despondent.

But things were not too different at the time of the resurrection: Roman occupation and suppression, violence, abject poverty, etc.: the world was a mess back then as well.

That is when our faith comes in: we believe in Christ's triumph even when it does appear to be so! Also, while the war over sin and Satan is over, it does not mean that there cannot be casualties. Even when there is "peace" after a conflict/war, many times people still are killed; it takes awhile for the peace to take hold.

The good news: Christ won! We won! The bad news: Be careful; be vigilant! Do not be a casualty to sin! Live and act as a resurrected person!

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

PS: Don't forget our Easter season raffle; tickets are \$25 each or 6 tickets for \$100. You have to be in it to win it! The drawing will take place on Pentecost Sunday, June 5, after the 12:30pm Mass.



Easter 2022

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

Every Easter, as we celebrate our Lord's victory over death, we delight in the consolation that all is restored through the Resurrection, and we ponder God's relentless invitation to live the divine life given at baptism.

This is the good news of our faith: Christ has conquered death and we are invited to life. This good news needs to be heard time and again. Even when things are bleak, we remember Christ is victorious and that we have been invited to witness to his victory. As Pope Francis says:

"Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force. Often it seems that God does not exist: all around us we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. On razed land life breaks through, stubbornly yet invincibly. However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads. Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history. Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have arisen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power."

We know well the bleakness that can overwhelms us. How good it is to recall God's goodness! The Risen Lord moves through the locked doors of fear to lead us, to lead our families and to lead the world to peace. May we never forget God's triumph over death and our baptismal call to be an instrument of that power. May we show the Risen Lord to all we meet.

This Easter, as we rejoice in Christ's Resurrection, let us remember especially those who suffer in Ukraine and the millions who have been displaced by that tragic war. Together, we pray that the Risen Christ bring light to their darkness and give them peace.

Be assured of my prayers for you in these holy and joyful weeks.

Happy Easter!

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

1 Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, n. 276.

# Are You In Need of Mercy?

Are you familiar with the Divine Mercy of Jesus? On February 22, 1931, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ appeared to a nun by the name of Sister Maria Faustina. She was from the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Cracow, Poland. Jesus appeared to her bringing with Him a wonderful message of Mercy for all people. In the apparition she saw Jesus



standing before her in a white robe. With His left hand He was pulling back His garment revealing His heart, out of which came white and red rays (symbolic of the blood and water which flowed from His side when pierced with a lance on the cross. This image reminds us of the tender Mercy of God which was shed upon the world at Calvary). It is in the heart of Jesus that we find love, mercy, strength, hope and healing. Jesus said to St. Faustina, the greater the sinner, the greater their right to my mercy. No matter what sin one commits, if their heart is truly repentant, God will forgive them.

This image of Jesus as He appeared to St. Faustina can be seen hanging on the wall in the area of the church where the tabernacle used to be.

In the year 2000, Saint Pope John Paul II canonized Sister Faustina and made this apparition worthy of belief. The Holy Father also declared the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the whole Church.

Therefore, as a parish, we will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday on **April 24, 2022**. We will praise God for His eternal love and abundant mercy. How? There will be a prayer service in the Church from 2:30pm - 4:30pm. The prayer service will consist of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, readings from scripture, praying the chaplet of Divine Mercy (which consists of various prayers which Jesus gave to Sister Faustina to give to the world. This chaplet is prayed on ordinary rosary beads), the sorrowful mystery of the rosary, singing and the opportunity to venerate the image of the Divine Mercy and the first class relic of Saint Faustina. All are welcome to join us.

In the apparition of Jesus to St. Faustina, He also gives us the Divine Mercy Novena to pray and, like all novenas, is 9 days. The Novena begins on Good Friday and ends the day before Divine Mercy Sunday. The Novena is very unique because we are praying for God's intentions, not our own. Jesus gave St. Faustina the intentions that He would like us to pray for each day. It is a most beautiful and selfless prayer. There are red Novena pamphlets at the doors of the church in case you need one.

A huge and merciful gift, given us on Divine Mercy Sunday, is that we can receive a plenary indulgence. Jesus promised this to us through St. Faustina when He reminded us of His great mercy. What is a plenary indulgence? It is the total remission (washing away) of temporal punishment due to sin. When I confess my sin with a sincere and contrite heart, I am totally forgiven but the temporal (the here and now) damage that was done to others (and myself) as a result of my sin remains. That's why we do penance to try to repair the damage we have done. That is what purgatory is about. That's why a plenary indulgence is a merciful gift from the Lord. How can one receive it? Here are the requirements: One must go to Mass and receive Holy Communion on the day of the feast of Divine Mercy, April 24<sup>th</sup>. One must go to Confession within 10 days of the feast (either before or after), pray the Apostles Creed (which is your profession of faith), take a few moments to reflect on the mercy you have received in your life, pray one our Father and Hail Mary for the Pope's intention and, lastly, have a desire to be freed from the attachment to sin.

Several years ago Fr. Charles and his sister recorded a Divine Mercy Album which consists of the Divine Mercy Chaplet presented in three different ways: scriptural, traditional and sung. It also has the Litany of the Divine Mercy and several reflection songs. The purpose of the CD is to help you pray and reflect more deeply on the love of our Lord, expressed in His Passion. The CDs are sold through their music ministry website: <a href="https://www.frcharleslaurie.com">www.frcharleslaurie.com</a>. Proceeds go to charity.

# **Altar Society**

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Rosemary Kaste* 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, James Patrick Barrett, Jr. (infant), Joyce Berlangero, Morgan Brennan, Thomas J. Calogero III, Maria Clark, Susan Dedes, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Robin Delisola, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Sarah Franckowski, Nicolette Gebhardt, Ted Gladkowski, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Joseph Isoldi, Betsy Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, George Mangels, Joseph Marrone Jr., Pat McKeefery, John McMahon, 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

Phyllis Clyde Anna LaPietra Christina Montesanto Barry R. Siefken John Robert Stippel

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



Kayla Walsh, OLL and Armand Giroux, OLL



Tyce Joseph Colombo

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, April 18

8:30am Josephine Van Meter

Tuesday, April 19

8:30am Joseph Francavilla-First Anniversary

Wednesday, April 20

8:30am Cosimo Ciocia

Thursday, April 21

8:30am Deceased Members of the Aragona Family

Friday, April 22

8:30am Erna Schmid

Saturday, April 23

8:30am Mark Bokowski, Carmela Tisi, James DeVito

5:00pm Matt & Anna Lattanzio

Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, April 24

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00am Frank Aparo

Fr. Charles Mangano

9:30am Jimmy Reilly

Fr. Charles Mangano

11:00am All Souls of the Bruno Family

Msgr. Brian McNamara

12:30pm Giuseppina Francavilla

Msgr. Brian McNamara

6:00pm People of the Parish, Breitfeller Family-Living &

Deceased, Camille Watts, Patrick Amato, Frank McCormick, Giuseppe Buccellaro

Msgr. Brian McNamara



#### 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 <a href="www.CatholicEndofLife.org">www.CatholicEndofLife.org</a> 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.

# **Easter Sunday**

The Parish Office will be closed on Sunday, April 17 in observance of Easter. The Parish Office will re-open at 9:00am on Monday, April 18.



## **SAGE**

Our next SAGE meeting will be Tuesday, February 19<sup>h</sup> 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.

# Young Men's Ministry

The Young Men's Ministry will gather Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm. This ministry is growing rapidly and we have capacity to add more! We look forward to seeing you there for a night of spiritually, sports, fun, and other guy stuff.

# **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

What's it all about?

IF you are an adult AND

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- ... vou 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.

## **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.



Spaghetti Black Beans Hamburger Helper Crackers Juice

# HE IS RISEN Celebrate the Resurrection

# **EASTER WEEK OPPORTUNITIES**

Tuesday, April 19: 7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER

#### **MOVIE: THE CHOSEN**

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

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday**, **April 19**<sup>th</sup> **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.

# Thank you for supporting our Easter Plant Sale!

The Knights of Columbus OLL Council 17379 would like to thank our parish family for supporting our Easter plant sale. We were able to sell out and we were delighted to hear about how well everyone's Christmas poinsettias did. We are excited to be helping Monsignor Brian and Our Lady of Lourdes continue the great work of our amazing parish.



The Knights will be selling beautiful plants on May 1st for Mother's Day. Plan ahead and purchase a great gift for someone special or even for yourself!

#### **Easter 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 Pentecost Sunday, June 5th after the 12:30pm Mass.

EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER 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
EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER 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

# 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, April 25, 2022 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

# Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

On Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Knights of Columbus (Our Lady of Lourdes Council) will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know the many services they provide?



Free pregnancy test kits
Free sonogram
Maternity housing with eligibility requirements
referrals
Medical care referrals
Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing,
diapers, and many other needed baby items
Male advocates available to speak with fathers



We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle as you leave and fill it with your donation.

(Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

# PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy. Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

Let us pray for the conversion of a mother's heart to give the gift of life to her preborn baby!

# **Father Charles and Laurie Mangano**

+ a brother & sister +

# Present a Night of Recollection

An evening of song, inspiration and reflection

# Our Lady of Lourdes Church 455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY

For information call: (631) 661-3224

Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>
7:30pm - 9:30pm
+ free will offering +



# TOPIC: Heart to Heart

How to grow in intimacy with Our Father who loves us



Do you desire to enter more deeply into prayer, to hear God speak to you, to freely relate all the concerns of your life to your Creator? Then this is the night for you!

This powerful program is designed to help guide you into a richer, more intimate life with God. Father Charles and Laurie will be sharing the four steps of praying that will aid you in a more fulfilling encounter with your God who loves you dearly. During the night, there will be a powerful testimony, prayer and beautiful soul stirring songs. Come and enter into a Heart to Heart encounter with your God.

+ This night includes a time of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament +

Father Charles and Laurie have united their gifts to praise God and minister to His people in a very special way. They have been singing for the Lord since childhood and, together, they have touched the hearts of thousands with their meditative and inspirational music. In addition to producing 13 albums, a DVD and music video, Father Charles and Laurie had co-hosted their own television show on Telecare for many years. They have sung at countless venues and their benefit concerts have raised \$458,590 for charity to date. This beautiful Night of Recollection on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> is guaranteed to be most uplifting! It is our hope that through this experience we will come to know, love and trust the Lord Jesus in a deeper and more intimate way, leading us to serve the Lord with gladness.

#### With Sincere Thanks

We, The Sisters in Our Lady of Lourdes Convent, would like to thank all in our Parish Family for remembering S Jane Fritz and all of us in your prayers. You have extended your sympathy and love to us in so many ways. We appreciate all you have done and we have been strengthened by your support. S Jane loved being here at OLL, she was with us for 34 years. She also loved all her teaching experiences but especially St. Joseph's College in Patchogue, where she served for 38 years.

Let us continue to pray for one another – Love, S Edith Maher, S Nancy Campkin, S Diane Liona, S Isabelle Lonegan, S Marie Ross

#### Thank You So Much

We would like to extend a huge **Thank You** to the wonderful "Mailing Team" that volunteer their time to prepare the mailings. They spend countless hours, stamping, folding, stuffing, etc. to make our annual mailings happen. They are *John Amabile, Marilyn Barthel, Eileen Clifford, Connie Cristaudo, Rosetta Fragola, Joanne and Ed Guiffré, Sara and Elizabeth Iannaccone, Peggy Kapalko, Steve MacQuade, Kay Manley, Linda Pagano, Josephine Pastore, Joyce and Bob Petersen, Michael Poveromo, Tessie Reilly, Nancy Sisson, Laura Skinder, Dona Teague, Bill Young, and Marie Zito.* We must give a great big shout out to *Rita Spera*, Religious Education Office, who prints ALL the letters, front and back, raffle tickets, etc. It is a monumental task, and we thank all of you for your time and talent. We could not get these mailings done without each one of you!

- Fr. Brian and Debbie Meyer, Business Manager

# All Volunteers - VIRTUS TRAINING

Are you aware that the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires that ALL volunteers (18 years or older) must attend the Virtus class? CYO Coaches, Religious Education Catechists, Cantors, Ushers, Youth Ministry workers, Eucharistic Ministers, Parish Volunteers (feast workers, mailing team, etc.) are required to attend Virtus training course, if they have not yet done so. You must register online by visiting <a href="www.Virtus.org">www.Virtus.org</a>, then click the link for first time registrants. You can view the list of sessions to find a course and then complete the registration online.

PLEASE NOTE: After completion of VIRTUS training, you will receive a certificate of completion. Please retain your certificate and training completion date for future use.



# **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.

# 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.



# FRIENDS OF TROOP 179

West Islip, NY

# ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022

\$8.00 per person plus a \$1 raffle or 2 for \$15.00 plus (2) \$1 raffles

#### ALL YOU CAN EAT

Spaghetti, Meatballs, Bread, Salad & Dessert

4:00 PM - 7:30 PM



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

455 Hunter Avenue (In the school cafeteria) West Islip, NY 11795

If you can't stay you can pre-order and choose a pick up time.

Just fill out one of our spaghetti dinner order forms before 4/24/22.

Any questions email troop 1 79cc@yahoo.com.

PRIZES:

Friends of Troop 179

We'll be selling raffle tickets to win many donated prizes as well as a 50/50 drawing. Tickets will be \$1.00 & \$5.00.



Troop 179 Website: https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179



Fr. Pat Amabile Fr. Joe Lukaszewski Fr. Bill Jablonski Fr. Bill Shean Fr. Brendel Fr. Toomey Msgr. Wiest Msgr. Minturn All Victims of 9/11 John & June Carrick Tom & Ellen McMahon Patrick Manley Peter McCann, Sr. Mrs. Patricia Henning Debbie & John Braslow Frank Aparo Deceased Family of Hirt & Bunting Mary Bamberger Deceased Menbers of the Martino, Oross and Paprocky Families Michael Reilly Margaret & Anthony Cavallo, Jennie & Joseph Vella Connie L. Vela & James Correa Amalia E. Busuttil James O'Brien, Evelyn Wessels, Mary Steward, John Steward and Jessie Neal, Sr. Beatriz Castano Mrs. Jennie Zigrest Joseph C. Capo II Okurowski & Lee Families Radesky Family Lucille & Philip Berthold and Phil Berthold, Jr. Mary & Joseph Lennon, Michael Lennon McArthur, Meehan & **England Families** Ruth & Peter Murray Deceased Members of the Ambrosino and Carrano Families The Angeloro & Caiati Families Thomas & Florence Brady Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Buonaspina Theresa Orsogna Frank Aparo

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Flower Offerings received after April 10 will appear in a subsequent bulletin.





# 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.

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.



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Gather. Pray. Listen.
FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH
Let's Journey Together!



# Butterfly Memory Café - April 22<sup>nd</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, April 22<sup>nd</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 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 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@agentletouchseniorcare.com to reserve your place.



# The Diocese of Rockville Centre GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

**Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years** 

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who have celebrated Fifty Years of Marriage between 2020 and 2022 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

Sunday May 1, 2022 at 2:00pm - Church of Christ the King, Commack Celebrant: Most Rev. Richard G. Henning

Sunday May 15, 2022 at 2:00pm - Church of St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays Celebrant : Most Rev. John O. Barres

Sunday May 22, 2022 at 2:00pm - Church of St. James, Seaford Celebrant: Most Rev. Luis Romero



Register online at: <u>drvc-faith.org</u>
Registration must be received by Friday, April 22, 2022

For questions, please contact: Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at: 516-678-5800, ext. 200 or via e-mail at: LRobustelli@drvc.org

# Parish Business/ Facilities Manager - St. Kilian, Farmingdale

St. Kilian Parish in Farmingdale is seeking a full time Business and Facilities Manager responsible for the day-to-day operations of the parish and parish facilities, including financial administration, plant management, and staff supervision. Additional duties as assigned by and in support of the Pastor. Minimum 5-10 years managerial/professional experience. Please e-mail cover your letter and resume in Word format to: <a href="mailto:pastor@stkilian.com">pastor@stkilian.com</a>. Indicate "Business/Facility Manager" in subject line. Detailed job description available at <a href="https://www.drvc.org/career-opportunities/">https://www.drvc.org/career-opportunities/</a>

# **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 e-mail 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.

# 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@csibrentwood.org.

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# **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.

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.

# Is the Holy Spirit calling YOU? Volunteers Needed.

Maria Regina Residence, at 1725 Brentwood Rd., Brentwood, is a 188-bed Skilled Nursing Facility, currently under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph. We are seeking compassionate, dedicated men and women who are willing to volunteer their time and talent in various service areas (usually for one or two mornings or afternoons per week.) Current priority needs include: transporting residents in their wheelchairs within the building, serving as visitors or Eucharistic ministers, helping in the gift



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shop and more. Is the Holy Spirit calling YOU? For more information, please contact Sister Mary Sheppard, CSJ and leave your contact information at 631-299-3288. Prayerfully and thankfully, we look forward to hearing from you and will respond on the next scheduled office day.



# **Spring Open House**

Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 1:00pm

1000 Hempstead Avenue Rockville Centre, NY 11571 516-323-4000

For more information, visit:: www.molloy.edu/openhouse



# **Spring Concert at the Seminary**

Celebrate Spring with some light entertainment! Sunday, April 24, 2022, 5:00pm to 7:00pm - enjoy a late afternoon of "Love and Friendship in Song and Story" in Borromeo Hall. Under the direction of Timothy Carl, three professional singers will offer a semi-Classical program of duets and arias speaking of love and friendship. Reception to follow with wine, cheese and hors d'oeuvres. Reservations required - \$90 per guest. Contact the Seminary Development Office, 631-423-0483 x 102; bmalone@icseminary.edu.

# 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

# **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 **July 16-17**, **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: <a href="https://wwmenyli.org/">https://wwmenyli.org/</a>. Rejoice! Jesus has risen. May you experience new life in your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences.



## **Families Anonymous VIRTUAL Meetings**

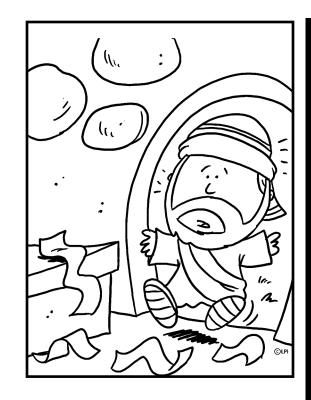
12-Step support group giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems will meet virtually until further notice. For additional information e-mail: <a href="mailto:Donna526@aol.com">Donna526@aol.com</a> or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: <a href="mailto:FamiliesAnonymous.org">FamiliesAnonymous.org</a>.

# **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 "**Poverty**". To listen online or for more information, visit: <a href="https://www.ReligionandRock.com">www.ReligionandRock.com</a>.

# **Sharing the Gospel**

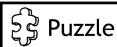
It was very early in the morning on Sunday. The tomb stone was rolled away. Jesus was gone. All that was left inside were the strips of linen cloth. When John and Peter saw it, they were amazed. They did not understand all the promises the prophets wrote about Jesus yet. However, they knew He was alive. He had risen from the dead!



# **Mission for the Week**



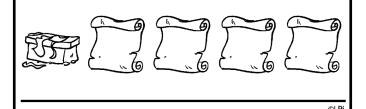
Bake Resurrection Cookies with your family tonight. You can find the recipe online at: <a href="https://www.food.com/recipe/empty-tomb-cookies-220621">https://www.food.com/recipe/empty-tomb-cookies-220621</a>



Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.







# **Prayer**

God,
I thank you
for bringing
Jesus back to life.

Amen.

# **Something** to Draw

Draw how surprised Peter and John were when they saw Jesus' empty tomb.