

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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**Rev. Charles Mangano**, Associate Pastor

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## Parish Office

**Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)**  
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm  
Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm  
Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm  
Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm  
E-mail: [ParishOffice@ollchurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org)

## Parish Outreach Office

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

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

## Liturgical Schedule

### Daily Mass

8:30am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

### Reconciliation/Confession

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

### Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

## Sacraments

### Anointing of the Sick

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

### Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

### Marriage

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

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

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

***Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, July 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  
Vita Scorgia

### 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 July 17, 2022

**Sunday:** Gn 18:1-10a/ Col 1:24-28/ Lk 10:38-42  
**Monday:** Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/ Mt 12:38-42  
**Tuesday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Mt 12:46-50  
**Wednesday:** Jer 1:1, 4-10/ Mt 13:1-9  
**Thursday:** Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/ Mt 13:10-17  
**Friday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
**Saturday:** Jer 7:1-11/ Mt 13:24-30  
**Next Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/ Col 2:12-14/ Lk:11:1-13

### 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

#### July 3, 2022

Weekly Collection	\$ 17,284.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (516.00)

#### July 10, 2022

Weekly Collection	\$ 15,712.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,088.00)

*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,

Words can not express the depth of my heartfelt gratitude for so many of you who have prayed for me and my family during the passing of my Father two weeks ago. Thank you once again for all the Mass and sympathy cards. A special thank you to those who were able to come to the wake and funeral of my Father or watch it live-stream. When I came to Our Lady of Lourdes 2 ½ years ago, you (*parishioners and staff*) welcomed me and my family with open arms. Thank you and it is a joy to be journeying with you.

When I became Pastor of Curé of Ars Church in Merrick 18 years ago, both my parents were also welcomed by the parishioners with open arms. They became involved in the parish for the next 12 years and made many friends. Before my Dad died, he expressed one day that he would love to have his funeral at Cure of Ars Church. The present Pastor of Cure of Ars, Msgr. Frank Caldwell, not only said we could have the funeral Mass there when the time comes, but he offered to wake my parents in the church as well. When I told my dad what Msgr. Caldwell was willing to do for them, he became very emotional saying, "*Curé were some of the best years of their life. I would love to be waked in the church.*" Due to the dementia of my mother, she would not be able to understand any of this but, she too, would be happy at the gift offered by Monsignor.

I was so grateful that the organist of our Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, Mike, was able to play for the funeral and Heidi, one of our Cantors, came to sing. Thank you so much. It was so great to have you there. I also thank our Pastor, Msgr. Brian McNamara, who has been so supportive of me continuing to help with the care of my parents. I will be forever grateful for this.

Yesterday, Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, would have been my Father's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. It was the Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. He passed three weeks before his birthday. Someone said to me last week, "*Given the fact that your Dad was in his mother's womb for 9 months, he made his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.*" I like that, lol. He is celebrating his 100<sup>th</sup> with the Lord, Our Lady, the angels and all the saints. What a celebration!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

In our second reading from St. Paul to the Colossians, he says: "*I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of His body, which is the Church.....*" One may ask themselves, what could possibly be lacking in the suffering or afflictions of Christ? What is lacking is this: Me offering my suffering, my afflictions with Jesus to the Father for the salvation of souls. This is called Redemptive Suffering. Jesus invites us to join Him in His redemptive act of saving souls. St. John Vianney, the Curé of Ars said: "*Suffering not offered up to God is wasted suffering.*"

The past few years my parents have been basically homebound. As I reflect on my Dad's life, I remember him saying to me last year that he felt that he was living too long and didn't know why God still had him here. What was his purpose?, he said. It was months later that my Dad said to me, "*Charles, I realized that just being alive, I am living my purpose. Loving others, living and offering up my suffering and pains to the Lord for the salvation of others is my purpose.*" Jesus offered His suffering to the Father with love and not resentment or bitterness. He accepted it and His offering opened the gates of paradise for us and washed away sin. Heaven is now a possibility for us. Yes, all of us are invited to unite our life's pains, sufferings, disappointments, frustrations, etc. to Jesus as we offer it with Him to the Father for the conversion and salvation of souls. We can assist souls to accept what Jesus has done for them and turn away from their sins so Jesus can save them. When my Dad was in the hospital three weeks ago and in a lot of pain, I reminded him about uniting his pain to Jesus on the cross for the salvation of souls and he said to me, "*I am.*" We do this as St. Paul says in the second reading today, "*....on behalf of His body, which is the Church....*" I was deeply moved by my Dad's faith and love for Christ and the Church. Christ's sufferings is waiting for us to unite our suffering with His. It takes a free act of the will. May we do this with love for Christ and one another.

Have a great week walking with your Lord. Remember, with God you can do the unthinkable, unimaginable and forgive what you think is unforgivable.

Peace and blessings,  
Fr. Charles

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Angela MacDermott*. 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.



<b>Michael DiMatteo</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Timothy Milligan</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
<b>Michael Fantauzzi</b> - <i>US Air Force</i>	<b>Melissa Mockler</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Christopher Florca</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Patric Mockler</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Dominick Gennaro</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Andrew Perniciaro</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Patrick Hart</b> - <i>US Coast Guard</i>	<b>Brandon Ranzie</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Ritchard Higham</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Stephen Rolston</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Colby Matthew Kelly</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Jack Shires</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Luke Loftsgaarden</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>James Stultz</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Anthony Mannino</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Jack Taffner</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
<b>Msgr. Brian McNamara</b> - <i>US Air Force</i>	<b>Michael Wilkinson</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Anthony Memoli</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Peter Zaccaria</b> - <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, Thomas J. Calogero III, Michele Carrano-McGee, Maria Clark, Susan Dedes, Dcn. John DeGuardi, Robin Delisola, Amanda DiTingo, Frank Dobias, Paula Edwards, Joseph Feminella, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Nicolette Gebhardt, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Betsy Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Anne Kerrigan, Marty Kerrigan, Bill Libasci, George Mangels, Joseph Marrone Jr., John McMahan, Glenn Meyer, Kenneth Monroe, Dan Murphy, Edward Pauciullo, Mary Polik-Gunther, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, John Principe, Clifford Proctor, Daniel Ramaikus, Catherine Randazzo, Melissa Rogan, Stephanie Russo, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcica, Kathy Shaddock, Richard Shaddock, Jennifer Stoop, Larry Sturgeon, Louise Sturgeon,*

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



## **Rest In Peace**

*Morgan Brennan  
Noelle Mary Kuchler  
Robert Malone  
Jeanette Soriano*

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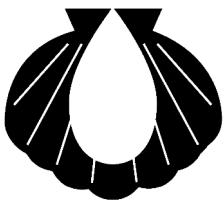
*We extend our prayerful  
sympathy to the families  
and loved ones of those  
recently deceased.*

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## **Upcoming Marriages**

*Elizabeth Moreira, OLL  
and  
Plevins Gaston-Pierre, Jr.,  
Our Lady of the  
Miraculous Medal, Wyandanch*



## **Baptism**

*John Joseph Barrett  
Penelope Rose Macaluso*

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

## **Mass Intentions**

**Monday, July 18**

*St. Camillus de Lellis*  
**8:30am Rocco Pomatico**

**Tuesday, July 19**

**8:30am Anna La Pitera**

**Wednesday, July 20**

*St. Apollinaris*  
**8:30am Deceased Members of the Bencivinni Family**

**Thursday, July 21**

*St. Lawrence of Brindisi*  
**8:30am Christina Montesanto**

**Friday, July 22**

*St. Mary Magdalene*  
**8:30am Christina Montesanto**

**Saturday, July 23**

*St. Brigid*  
**8:30am Louise Mangano (Living), Mitch Lohan**

**5:00pm William J. Heartt**  
*Fr. Visitor*

**Sunday, July 24**

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**8:00am Marguerite D'Alessandro**  
*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**9:30am Salvatore Pinello**  
*Msgr. Brian McNamara*

**11:00am Ines & Mark Polito**  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**12:30pm Claire Freeman**  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**6:00pm People of the Parish, Bernadette Mullins,  
Michael Busby, Manuel Rivera, Felipe Rivera,  
José Rivera, Francine McGuire, Ruth Fitzgerald**  
*Fr. Charles Mangano*

## Healing After Abortion

Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org). For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: [Lumina@postabortionhelp.org](mailto:Lumina@postabortionhelp.org)

## Pregnant? Need Help?

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

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727  
Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

## Men's Prayer Group

The Men's Prayer group will meet on Wednesday, June 15th from 9:00am-11:00am in the Parish Center. All men are welcome to join us for prayer, conversation and fellowship.

## 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, July 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! In case of inclement weather, please call the parish office at 631-661-3224 ext.0, or log onto the parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org)) to check if adoration has been canceled.



## Altar Society Volunteers Needed!

Looking for volunteers to join the Altar Society. Pick up church linens, wash, iron and return them to the sacristy. We currently have eleven members, which means you would be responsible once every eleven weeks. The more members we have, the longer in between obligations.

*If interested, please call the rectory and leave your name and number or call me direct - Joyce Petersen (631) 539-2917.*

## 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.



Tomato Puree  
Spaghetti  
Juice  
Feminine Products  
Shaving Cream

## Second Collection - Utilities

There will be a second collection taken up next weekend (July 23-24). The collection will help defray the cost of utilities for the Parish. As always, we thank you for your continued generosity.

## Thank you for your donations to the Casa House Project

Dear Our Lady of Lourdes Church,

Thank you so much for the very generous donation of \$1,500.00 that was raised through the Casa House Project. This donation to the Santa Ana Project fund allows the team to utilize the funds where the needs of the families and communities are most urgent.

Thank you for the confidence and trust you have placed in us.

We hope to see you in Santa Ana next summer!

May God bless you.

Stacy King

Unbound Experience Integration Team



*Grandparents are like the wisdom of the family.*

*- Pope Francis*

### *Our Parish honors ALL GRANDPARENTS*

*Grandparents  
Are a Gift*



Pope Francis has decreed July 24, 2022 as a day for the church to honor grandparents throughout the world. This day was chosen to be close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary, our Blessed Mother. These two saints were wonderful role models for Mary with their love of God and acceptance of His will. Mary learned well from them. May we learn from their example as well.

Our Parish Family will honor all grandparents at each of the Masses on July 24. There will be a special blessing for grandparents at each Mass. Please join us and celebrate this wonderful stage in our lives and the blessing of having our grandchildren.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

*What's it all about?*

*IF* you are an adult *AND*

- ... you were never Baptized
- ... you were Baptized in another faith and would like to become a baptized Catholic
- ... you never received Holy Communion (Eucharist)
- ... you never received your Confirmation

*IF* you are an adult *AND* one or more of the circumstances above apply to you ...

*IF* you feel you would like to become a baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith... Our email address is [RCIA@ollchurch.org](mailto:RCIA@ollchurch.org) or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, and we would be happy to help you.





## *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](http://www.KofC.org).

**Our next meeting will be Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.**



## *Secular Franciscan Order*

The Secular Franciscan Order was established by St. Francis of Assisi more than 800 years ago. Our purpose is to bring the Gospel to life where we live and where we work. We look for ways to embrace the Gospel in our lives and try to help others to do likewise. Secular Franciscans are men and women, married and single, living in secular life. We have jobs, homes, cars, hobbies and families. Francis founded our third order with the intention of having men and women who can evangelize in everyday life.

Would you like to become closer to Jesus through St. Francis of Assisi?

Come to one of our monthly meetings and discover how you can bring the Gospel to life every day!

The Secular Franciscans meet here at OLL on the **Second Sunday** of each month  
from **1:30pm – 4:30pm** in the **Parish Center**

***For more information, please contact Dan at: 631-432-0453***

## **Dementia Caregiver Support Group** **Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 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](mailto:michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com) to reserve your place.***



## **Butterfly Memory Café - July 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, July 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](mailto:michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com).



## Baby Blanket Bunch - Volunteer Opportunities

The Baptism Program and the Prayer Shawl Ministry recently introduced the *Baby Blanket Bunch*.

We are hoping to give a *blessed*, white baby blanket to each child baptized in the parish.

This gift to the family will be a sign of this special day on which we welcomed our newest members into our parish family. We always need more people to knit or crochet the white baby blankets. The blankets can be brought to the Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting at 9:30am on the first Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center or dropped off at the Rectory. We

also need volunteers who will help by donating soft white yarn for the blankets. The yarn can be dropped off at the rectory or brought to the meeting as well. Please share your special creative talent, generosity and love with the youngest of our parish.



## Do you know a Senior, graduating from High School?

It is especially important to connect our graduating High School Seniors to the campus minister at their chosen college so they can connect with other Catholic students.

As our teens move onto college, you can help them continue their journey of faith.

Many colleges, secular and parochial, provide a *Newman Center* for incoming Catholic students. These Centers provide pastoral support and ministry to students, in addition to providing a space to meet other Catholic students interested in growing in their faith. This year, students will be able to connect immediately by downloading our newly created "Newman Connection App" on their phone!



**Please send the graduate's First & Last Name, e-mail address, and phone number as well as the Name of College, City/State they will be attending to Patti Anderson at: [panderson@olchurch.org](mailto:panderson@olchurch.org).**

The respective *Newman Connection* campus leader will be informed and will welcome the student when he or she arrives in the fall.

## All Volunteers - VIRTUS TRAINING

Are you aware that the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all volunteers (18 years or older) to attend the Virtus class? CYO Coaches, Religious Education, Catechists, Cantors, Ushers, Parish Volunteers (feast workers, mailing team, etc.) are all required to complete the Virtus training course, if they have not yet done so. You **MUST** register online by visiting [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org), then click the link for first time registrants. View the list of sessions to find a course, and then complete the registration online. ***If you have already taken the VIRTUS course you need not repeat it.*** 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/bsatroup179> or contact us at: [troop179cc@yahoo.com](mailto:troop179cc@yahoo.com).



# Quo Vadis, America?

A Pastoral Letter from the Most Reverend John O. Barres



To read, visit:

[www.drvc.org/QVA](http://www.drvc.org/QVA)

## Holy Trinity Class of 1982 40th Reunion

Friday, July 22nd and Saturday, July 23rd!

Friday, July 22nd  
 East Meadow Fire Dept.  
 Benevolent Hall  
 170 Maple Ave  
 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 23rd  
 Eisenhower Park  
 N Linden A Picnic Area  
 Parking Lot 6A  
 1:00 PM

**\$60 includes Dinner and Drinks at Friday's Event  
Bring your own food and drinks for Saturday!**

**Venmo @ginrit**

Money due by Sunday, July 17th

If you have any questions, call or text Ginny at 516 859-4940  
or email [virginia.m.ritter@gmail.com](mailto:virginia.m.ritter@gmail.com)

**"Once a Titan, Always a Titan"**

## *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 marriage 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 one of the upcoming weekends: **September 9-11, 2022** or **November 4-6, 2022**,  
please visit our website at: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org)  
or call: **1-800-470-2230** and you will be connected directly and confidentially  
to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

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

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## Preparing for Marriage?

### Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

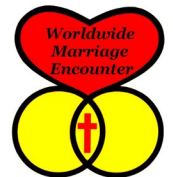
Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are provided with social-distancing during this time.

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on **Nov. 19-20, 2022**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com).



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>. Don't look at the past, it's gone. Look forward with an open heart and mind to the future with your spouse - share an experience with each other. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter experiences on September 23-25 or November 11-13 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY



## 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.*

## 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.

## Families Anonymous 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 and in person. For additional information e-mail: [Donna526@aol.com](mailto:Donna526@aol.com) or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: [FamiliesAnonymous.org](http://FamiliesAnonymous.org).

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

# Sharing the Gospel

God created work for each of us to do, and it is important to do it. But Martha was upset because she forgot to stop and make time for Jesus. Mary had the right idea. She took a break from her work to listen to Jesus. Time with Jesus is precious, so we need to make time to rest and enjoy His love.



## Mission for the Week

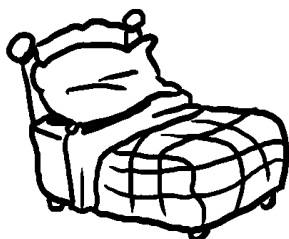
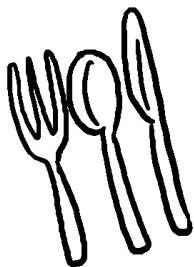
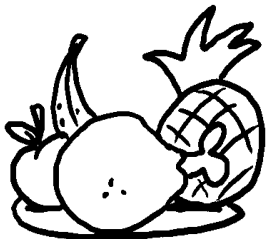


Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible or praying at meal time.



### Puzzle

Circle the things Martha worried about.



### Prayer

Dear God,  
 Thank you for reminding me to stop and enjoy time with You  
 Amen.



### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself sitting next to Jesus in your favorite chair.

