

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
Rev. Charles Mangano, Associate Pastor

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Deacon Rich Maher, Deacon Jack Meehan,
Deacon John Teufel**

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Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry
Sr. Diane Liona CSJ, Director of Religious Ed
Debbie Meyer, Business Manager
Robin Reynolds Brennan, Coordinator of
Worship and Choir Director
Vita Scorcia, Ministry Spiritual Director



Parish Office

Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm
Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm
E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org
Fax: 631.661.7143
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Religious Education Office

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Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,
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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.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, September 18, 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 September 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/ 1 Tm 2:1-8 / Lk 16:1-13
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/ Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/ Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/ Mt 9:9-13
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/ Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/ Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/ Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/ 1 Tm 6:11-16/ Lk 16:19-31

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

September 11, 2022

Weekly Collection	\$ 17,360.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (440.00)

Catholic University	\$ 3,481.00
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.

The Feast – A fine example of Time, Talent and Treasure

Every year, as we prepare for our annual Feast, I wonder if we will have enough volunteers to help. Year after year our parish community has exceeded my expectations. One of the great aspects of our volunteers is they come from every age group. We have volunteers from twelve years old to ninety years old. They all have one thing in common, they want to give of their time to help their parish.

Some of our parish ministries get involved in the Feast as well. The Rosary Christian Mothers maintain Our Blessed Mother's Tent. Visitors to the tent are invited to pray and light candles. Our parish Knights of Columbus, Council 17379 has assisted in various positions for our feast. Our deacons and the Sisters of St. Joseph have also been involved in volunteering their talent. When you have the sisters involved, it means you also get assistance from our Religious Education Program, parents and students. Sister Nancy also has her squad of volunteers to help with set-up for the feast. Boy Scout Troop 179 also volunteers their time to help keep our feast grounds and neighborhood clean. Sister Diane helped out last year getting the POP bracelets organized, and let's not forget the Sisters who reside in the convent, and who have volunteered in the past.

In addition to these groups, we often get volunteers from St. John the Baptist DHS, West Islip High School as well as other schools in our parish boundaries. We have even received assistance outside the parish boundaries. Last year and this year, we have received funds and assistance from the Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 2, Babylon, New York. As you can see, it takes a large army of volunteers who give of their time.

This brings us to the talent. We depend on a wide variety of talent. Some volunteers begin organizing for the next Feast just as the current Feast comes to a close. They take a look at what went well, and what could we do better for the next Feast. There are people who have great organizational skill, which helps with the long term and day to day workings of the Feast. Our volunteers who help sell our raffles use their salesmanship talent, as well as an unbridled enthusiasm. (Our pastor, Fr. Brian is one of our best sellers of Super Raffle tickets.) Many of you have seen him with his clipboard selling shares of the Super Raffle Tickets; he also comes up with some pretty creative names for the group buying a share in the prizes. Remember Fr. Brian's mantra, "You have to be in it to win It." Some of our volunteers use their ability to cook or bake to help out in our food court. (Don't worry, they don't let me near the grill; I can literally burn water or at least the pot.) Our Parish Office staff always assists us; sometimes we forget just how much. Between the bulletin, website, taking messages, selling raffles, and mailings; they do it all.

There is a whole cadre of people who help with our Friday and Saturday night gambling. Let's not forget our runners; those who get supplies for our booths. There is also a group that handles ticket sales, and handing out the pay one price bracelets. As you can see, it takes many hands, and many talents to run a Feast.

This leaves our treasure to discuss. Last year, we started our Angel and Archangel donations. It allows people to donate money either to a booth or a ride in someone's name, whether living or deceased. This has allowed many of our parishioners, who might not be able to volunteer their time, to actively support our Annual Feast. The Angel donation is in the amount of \$25, while the Archangel donation is for \$50 or more. This has been helpful in support of the feast. We have also relied on the generosity of our parishioners, who may have a business and want to be a sponsor. You can see their signs on our fence near the beer garden. Finally, for those of you who come to the Feast, your support is always appreciated. We look forward to a great turnout this year, and to use a catch phrase of Sr. Nancy, "Come and See."

Thanks again to all those who give of their time, talent, and treasure; you are indeed good stewards. See you at the Feast.

May God bless you.
Deacon Rich

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Rita Spera*. 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 Hart - <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, Thomas J. Calogero III, Jerry Campbell, Michele Carrano-McGee, Maria Clark, Susan Dedes, Dcn. John DeGuardi, 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, James Leung, Bill Libasci, Joseph Marrone, Jr., Pat McKeefery, John McMahan, Kristina Messina, Glenn Meyer, Richard Meyer, Kenneth Monroe, Dan Murphy, Edward Pauciullo, Joseph Pepe, Mary Polik-Gunther, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, John Principe, Clifford Proctor, Daniel Ramaikus, Melissa Rogan, Ida Schiavoni, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Kathy Shaddock, Richard Shaddock, 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

Janet Loehr

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



Upcoming Marriages

Kayla Vallinoto, OLL
and

Gerard Cunningham, Jr.
St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh



Baptism

Scarlet Ruby Jack
Vivian Denisa Jenik
Aaron Douglas Smith

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.

Altar Bread and Wine

In memory of Beverly Caparella



Mass Intentions

Monday, September 19

St. Januarius

8:30am Lorraine Rozzo

Tuesday, September 20

St. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, St. Paul Chõng Ha-sang & Companions

8:30am Florence Roach

Wednesday, September 21

St. Matthew

8:30am James Grillo, Sr.

Thursday, September 22

8:30am James & Leila Maher

Friday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietreicina

8:30am Fr. Sylvester (Living)

Saturday, September 24

8:30am Peter Alessi, Jr., Helen Lehmann, Carlin Ho
Giannino DePaola, Theresa McPhail,
Leticia Tito (Living)

5:00pm Camille DiMezza

Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, September 25

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Frank Aparo

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Joseph A. Kelly, Jr

Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am Frank X. Bronkhurst

Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm Frank & Audrey Capparelli

Fr. Charles Mangano

6:00pm People of the Parish, Robert Harvey, Janet Loehr,
Frances Clements, Paula Colleran,
Bernadette Mullins, Christopher Fischer

Fr. Charles Mangano

Emily's Gift Perinatal Bereavement Program

Emily's (Every Moment I Love You Still) Gift is our Resolve Through Sharing Perinatal Bereavement Program for early pregnancy loss under 20 weeks gestation.

As caregivers, we recognize and respect every infant as a person from the moment of conception. To help you during your time of grief, we can provide a burial for your baby at no cost in a communal plot at Queen of All Saints Cemetery in Central Islip. Then each year, in the spring and fall, Good Samaritan Hospital holds a special memorial service to ensure that those babies' lives, no matter how brief, can be remembered.

For more information, please call our perinatal bereavement facilitator at 631-376-4089 or the Pastoral Care Department at 631-376-4103.



SAGE

Our next meeting for senior, but light-hearted, parishioners is this Tuesday, September 20 at 9:30am in the Parish Center.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, September 20th 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) to check if adoration has been canceled.

Men's Prayer Group

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection after the 8:30am Mass on **Wednesday, Sept. 21st from 9:30am-11:00am in the Parish Center**. We meet once a month to read and discuss the Scriptures for the following Sunday. We'll gather for 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.

Important DRVC Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>.

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.



Sauce in Jar
Canned Tuna
Canned Chili
Shampoo
Laundry Detergent

St. Pius X Residence for Retired Priests

“A priest who is close to his people walks among them with the closeness and tenderness of a good shepherd; in shepherding them, he goes at times before them, at times remains in their midst and at other times walks behind them.”

-Pope Francis

Dear Friends:

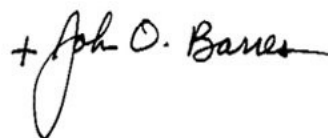
Please accept my deepest thanks for your prayers and continued financial support for our senior priests residing at the St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility.

When a diocesan priest is ordained, he promises to shepherd God’s people through happy and difficult times. Through the years, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has been blessed with many shepherds who have done just this and selflessly guided the faithful of Long Island. Even in retirement, our priests continue to shepherd the flock and make a profound impact on the lives of Catholics of all ages. They celebrate Mass in our parishes, visit the sick and homebound, and bring God’s Word to those in prison.

After a lifetime of sacrifice and service, no priest should face retirement without the care and support they may need with daily living. Happily, our St. Pius X facility provides a life-enriching experience for the men who live there, enabling our dedicated shepherds to live or recuperate in an environment that gives them the extra care and attention that they need. At the same time, St. Pius X allows them to serve as active, fully engaged members of the community.

Please take some time to review the enclosed materials. I encourage you to give prayerful consideration of a gift in support of our retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility. As our Holy Father has pointed out, “... *a community that takes care of the sick and elderly priests is one that is well-rooted in Jesus.*” May I also ask that you remember all our priests in your prayers as I know you and your family are remembered in ours.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ John O. Barres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre



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.

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 26, 2022 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

PEP 1 Religious Education Program Registration Information

“Discover the Treasures of God’s Love”

If you have a child entering first grade in public school, your child should be registered for our “PEP 1” Religious Education Program. This first year program is required for participation in First Eucharist. It introduces the children to a basic understanding of the loving presence of God, the person of Jesus, conscience formation and the importance of community worship.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 12 4:15-5:15 pm

INFORMATION MEETING AND REGISTRATION

Choose one:

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 10:30am or 7:30pm
Wednesday September 28, 2022 10:30am or 7:30pm

The meeting will take approximately 45 minutes and will be held in the Parish Center (meeting room opposite the playground)

- ~ Please bring your child’s Baptismal certificate (a copy is acceptable).
- ~ *Baptismal Certificate or copy is needed even if child was baptized at OLL.*
- ~ No child will be assigned a room number unless we have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.
- ~ Returning families who have an incoming first grader **MUST** attend the registration meeting.

The registration fee (if this is your oldest child) is \$215

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.





CALLING ALL BUILDING/CONSTRUCTION EXPERTS

As you know, I spoke at all the Masses about various building projects that will take place in the near future (parking lot, school boiler, etc.)

I want to establish a **BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE**. This Committee would help me on certain projects precisely because you would have expertise in a given area (plumbing, paving, air conditioning, etc.). As a member of the committee, you would look at the scope of work/specifications/etc. for a given project. I really need your help. Please call and leave your name and contact number at the rectory. Thank you for helping me and the Parish!

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.



Important Information for ALL Parish Volunteers

The Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all clergy, employees, and volunteers (18 yrs. or older) to participate in the Safe Environment Guidelines as established by the Charter for the Protection of Children/Young People (2002) and outlined in the Diocesan Child Protection Policy.

Note: If you already have a Virtus account (www.Virtus.org), have signed the Code of Conduct and attended the Class, all you need to do is initiate the updated background screening through Sterling Volunteers.

Requirements are as follows:

1. Attend a Virtus: Protecting God's Children class
2. Undergo background screening.
3. Sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct.

Instructions to Complete the Safe Environment Requirements:

1. Log into the Virtus website: www.Virtus.org.
2. Begin the registration process by creating a Virtus account. The first screen requests the location: Please select Rockville Centre from the drop down list.
3. Follow directions on each page.
4. During the registration process you will receive a copy of the Code of Conduct and Pastoral Code of Conduct. Please sign each Code electronically.
5. Select the class you wish to attend.
6. Complete the background screening application provided. Background screening is conducted by Sterling Volunteers.

When you complete the registration process, you will have a Virtus account and an account with Sterling Volunteers. Your Virtus account will contain the date you signed the Codes of Conduct; date you submitted the background screening application and date you will attend Virtus. Please keep your username and the password for both your Virtus account and Sterling account as these are required to access each account.

Please contact the Office for the Protection of Children/Young People if you have questions or require assistance. cprotection@drvc.org



Fall Spectacular Super Raffle

Super Raffle tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses. Tickets will also be available in the Parish Office during the week. The cost is \$100 per ticket. Only 220 tickets will be sold.

First Prize - \$7,000

Second Prize - \$2,000

Third Prize - \$1,000

Drawing for the raffle will be on Sunday, September 18th. Winner need not be present.
As Father Brian always says, *"You got to be in it, to win it."*



OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST ANGEL and ARCHANGEL Donations



Support for our annual Feast has always been overwhelming. Sometimes, people want to help with our feast, but cannot give time as a volunteer. Our Angels and Archangels Fund offers them an opportunity to help our parish raise funds. It gives one the opportunity not only to support our booths, but to make it a memorable one. All Angels and Archangels donations may be made by a business, individual, family or for a loved one (living or deceased.) Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory. Your name will appear in the bulletin following the completion of our feast. My thanks in advance; I know each family will do all they can to make our feast the best ever.

Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory.

Thank you and God bless,
Fr. Brian

Name _____ Phone No. _____
 Address _____
 Name of Deceased _____
 Name of Living _____
 Angel: \$25 _____ Archangel: \$50 or more _____

Please check the booth you wish your Angel to Sponsor:

<u>Food</u>	<u>Beer/Wine/Soda</u>	<u>Games</u>
() Corn	() Inside – Casino)	() Hammer
() Hot Dog	() Outside	() Fast Pitch
() Pretzel		
() Coffee/Dessert		

Please return this form along with your donation to the rectory.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Italian Family Feast

September 14-18, 2022



Saturday 6:00pm—11:00pm
Sunday 2:00pm—8:00pm
Vegas Night Gambling on Friday and Saturday



Walk With Mary and Feast Mass

On Saturday, September 17th, we celebrate our Feast Mass and Walk With Mary with a procession at 4:00pm and Mass at 5:00pm. Please plan to join us in prayer and song as we process through the Feast grounds.

Super Raffle

\$10,000 in prizes. Only 220 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100. Don't wait - these tickets sell out very quickly! Purchase your ticket after mass on weekends, or in the Parish Office during the week. Super Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, September 18th at 8:00pm.

Additional Raffles

Purchase separate tickets to win a Big Screen Television, Outdoor Barbecue Package, or Local Gift Certificates.

\$5 per raffle ticket - 6 raffle tickets for \$20

Pay-One-Price

POP bracelets are available online through a link from the parish website (ollchurch.org). We are encouraging everyone to purchase your POP Bracelets online to avoid crowded lines at the Feast. (Pick up your online bracelets at the Fr. Joe Garden when you arrive at the Feast.)

Purchase POP Bracelets online at the link below to get the Pre-Sale price of \$29.95

<https://newtonshows.yapsody.com/event/index/740443/italian-feast-our-lady-of-lourdes>

Pre-Sale Tickets may be purchased for a specific day up until 2 hours before the Feast opens on that day.

Bracelets purchased at the Feast will be \$40.00

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to support our annual Italian Family Feast. Can you help? If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 and leave a message for Deacon Rich or Frank Antonawich.

You may also e-mail Deacon Rich at: rmaher@ollchurch.org



Care of Our Common Home - Integral Ecology

Integral Ecology is the understanding that all life – all creation, social, cultural, religious, political and economic systems are connected. Every stone, insect, animal, and plant has its place and purpose. We humans are called to steward/care for Creation, not given the right to dominate, use, abuse any part of Creation. This was a misreading of Genesis. The human is not outside of nature looking in but in nature, and nature is in us. This is a changed world vision than the view with which we were raised. Such an ecology requires the imagination to think about comprehensive solutions to what is both an environmental and human crisis.

Sister Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ sums up this major shift in: “Is God’s Charity Broad Enough for Bears”, listed in the resources below.

Resources:

Pope Francis

Thomas Reese, SJ

Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ

Nicholas Collura

Laudato Si’ # 49 and # 91

Everything is Connected <https://paxchristiusa.org/2015/09/02/reflection>

Is God’s Charity Broad Enough for Bears <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VHKdcEjnL38>

Ecological Conversion

[A Matter of Spirit Spring 2022 - Seasons of Justice by Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center - Issuu](#)



SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC
of AMITYVILLE, NEW YORK



Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee



Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, September 22nd, 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.



Butterfly Memory Café - October 7th 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, August 19th 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.



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 visit our website: <https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatrop179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

Sagtikos Manor - Student Volunteers needed for their Fall Festival

Sagtikos Manor is in need of student volunteers for their Fall Festival (before, during and after) on Sunday, October 9th. Community Service hours will be provided for your time spent helping, and food will be provided. Kindly contact Phyliss Carr at 631-321-6809 to sign up and for more information.

Dominican Village Fall Frenzy Auction & Dinner

Friday, November 4, 2022 6:00pm -10:00pm

Dominican Village in Helen Butler, O.P. Hall
565 Albany Avenue, Amityville, NY 11701

PREVIEW DAYS: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd 12:00pm - 4:00pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4th 12:00pm - 4:00pm

All are welcome to view and purchase basket tickets.

Join us for the dinner/auction on November 4th at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are available, seating is limited.

Take your chances on fabulous baskets! Winner need not be present.

Restaurant Gift Certificates, Wine & Liquor Baskets, Designer Bags, Flat Screen TV, and so much more.

BASKETS: 25 tickets for \$20.00 GOLD PRIZES: 6 tickets for \$20

CASH PRIZE RAFFLES: \$10.00 per ticket or 6 for \$50.00

1st Prize: \$1,500 * 2nd Prize: \$750 * 3rd Prize: \$500

Donor Opportunities Available & Wish List Items

Any theme baskets valued at \$75.00 and over

Gift certificate, gift cards, bicycles for any age, TV's, coffee makers, air fryers, mixers etc.

Large Wicker Baskets Needed!

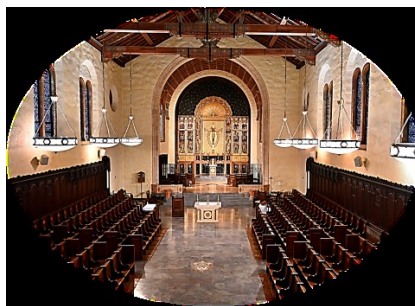
Donate new items that can be used in (or added to) baskets created by us. All donations can be delivered to Dominican Village, or a representative will pick up. All donations are tax deductible, as permissible by law.

For more information call Emily Monem at: 631-842-6618 or e-mail: emonem@dominicanvillage.org

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

Join us for a Fall Concert of Organ, Vocal and Chamber Music Selections!

Sunday, September 25, 2022 - 4:00pm - Seminary Chapel



Wine & Cheese Reception to follow

Ray Henderson, Organ
Lisa Kelly, Harp & Piano

Susan Hugelmeyer, Soprano
Peter Schubart, Oboe & Piano

Reserve online at: www.icseminary.edu (Events)

\$50.00 per Guest

Information: 631-423-0483 ext.102 or bmalone@icseminary.edu

**You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education.
Please feel free to visit our schools during the times and dates listed below.**

Open House Schedule

September 2022

Saturday, Sept. 24	10:00am - 1:00pm	St. Anthony's High School
Sunday, Sept. 25	2:00pm - 4:30pm	St. Mary's College Preparatory High School

October 2022

Saturday, Oct. 1	10:00am - 2:00pm	Chaminade High School
Saturday, Oct. 1	10:00am - 1:00pm	Kellenberg Memorial High School
Saturday, Oct. 1	11:00am - 2:00pm	Sacred Heart Academy
Sunday, Oct. 2	10:00am - 1:00pm	Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Sunday, Oct. 2	1:00pm - 4:00pm	St. Dominic High School
Saturday, Oct. 15	10:00am - 1:00pm	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School
Sunday, Oct. 16	10:00am - 1:00pm	St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

Follow us on social media: [@CatholicHS of LI](#)

Catholic High School Entrance Exam - November 5, 2022



Application for the test to attend one of the nine high schools in our Diocese is made through TACHS, an online testing program.

For more information and to register for the exam, please visit: www.TACHSINFO.com.

Registration deadline is October 27, 2022



Open House Sat. Sept 24

Continuous Tours 10am-1pm

**SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL
FRANCISCAN BROTHERS**



RECENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

NEWLY RENOVATED AND DESIGNED CAFETERIA
THE BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTER
THE BROTHER JAMES McVEIGH, O.S.F. RETREAT CENTER



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

THE SUSAN & GERALD O'SHEA INNOVATION CENTER
THE SAINT FRANCIS HOSPITAL MEDICAL EDUCATION LAB
THE WILLIAM & CHRISTINE ENTENMANN SCIENCE CENTER
OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CHAPEL

stanthonyshs.org - (631) 271-2020 x226 - admissions@stanthonyshs.org

Church Census Information

Has your contact information changed, or are you moving?

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

Please mail the information to the Parish Office, or email to: parishoffice@ollchurch.org.

Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday, September 19th, 2022 at Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For further information and current protocols, visit: www.babylonchorale.org or e-mail: info@babylonchorale.org.



SAVE THE DATE!

Open House
Sunday
October 16th
10:00AM-1:00PM

*Come meet our award-winning faculty
*Experience Cougar Nation
*Private campus tours available

1170 Montauk Hwy
West Islip, NY 11795
STJOHNTHEBAPTISTDHS.NET

SJB Offers Prep Course for TACHS Exam

St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the test for ADMISSION INTO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS (TACHS EXAM). This course consists of five 2½ hour sessions beginning in September. A Test Taking Strategies Class is also being offered on the Friday evening before the exam. For additional information please visit www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call 631-587-8000 ext.117



Employment Opportunity - St. John the Baptist DHS

Spanish Teacher needed to teach high school Spanish at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School in West Islip. Candidate should have BA or MA in Spanish or related area. Please send resumé and cover letter to: principalsoffice@sjbdhs.org or fax to: 631-587-8996.



Catholic Daughters of Court Victory 595 **Yard Sale September 24th 10:00am-3:00pm**

Rain date: September 25th
Knights of Columbus Hall
1341 Fifth Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

Join us for wonderfully NEW (and nearly new!) items at very low prices. All proceeds will be used to further the Catholic Daughters' charitable endeavors and scholarship opportunities.

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.



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/>.



You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes. Remember your wedding day sacramental vows. Learn how important these are at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on **September 23-25** or **November 11-13** at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY.

Fall Craft Fair - September 24

Fall Craft Fair at Westminster United Presbyterian Church, 109 Udall Road, West Islip on Saturday, September 24, 2022 (rain date October 1, 2022) 10am-4pm. Craft vendors, food truck & fall plants. Vendors wanted. Please call 631-661-6740 for more information.

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.

2nd and 4th Wednesday meetings are via Zoom. For more meeting info visit: al-anon.org

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

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus wants you to be honest. When you tell lies, your friends will not be able to trust you. Tell the truth. If you find a wallet, bring it to the police station. If you see someone drop some money, pick it up and give it back to them. If someone left a jacket or toy on the playground, don't take it. Turn it in to "lost and found." When you are honest with small things, people will see that you can be trusted with bigger things, too.



Mission for the Week



Ask your parents to tell you ways that they choose to be honest with their work, their money, and with God.



Puzzle

Circle the picture that is facing the **wrong** way. Then color in all the pictures.



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Prayer

Dear God,
Help me to be honest.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself giving money back to someone who dropped it.

