

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Msgr. Brian McNamara, Pastor
Rev. Charles Mangano, Associate Pastor
Rev. Sylvester Chukwumalume, in Residence
Chaplain at Good Samaritan Hospital
Rev. Saji Jose, CM, in Residence
Chaplain at Our Lady of Consolation Nursing

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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
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Religious Education Office

Phone: 631.661.5440 (select option #3)
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
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.

Second Sunday of Lent • Sunday, March 5, 2023



Welcome to our Parish Family

New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our Parish Family. Please call or visit our Parish Office.

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

- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Pastoral Council

Msgr. Brian McNamara
Eileen Rega
Mary Borgs
Lisa Cantalino
Sonia DaSilva
Dcn. Nilo DeLeon
Jerry Esposito
Trish Frodell
Pam Gagliano
Deborah Lamb
Rosalie Mangels
John Muldoon
Dottie Perdue
Vita Scorcia

Mission Statement

As stewards of all that God has given us, the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes serves and ministers to all who come to this place.

Regardless of a person's history, ethnicity, gender, orientation, age or race, we commit ourselves to open wide the doors of our Parish to provide a place of welcome and hospitality.

Readings for the Week of March 5, 2023

Sunday Gn 12:1-4a/ 2 Tm1:8b-10/ Mt 17:1-9
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/ Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/ Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/ Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

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

February 26, 2023

Weekly Collection	\$ 14,750.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,050.00)

Ash Wednesday	\$ 8,597.00
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The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.



***Join us for our Lenten Parish Mission
March 6-9 - 7:30pm - Church***

Monday, March 6 - COMMUNION & CONFESSION

Join **Fr. Dave Atanasio** as he reminds us that a close, intimate relationship with Christ depends on a healthy acknowledgement of our sins. Fr Dave is one of us, home-grown, raised in Our Lady of Lourdes Church! Fr. Dave is currently the Chaplain at St. John the Baptist High School.

Tuesday, March 7 - PORTRAITS OF MERCY

Join **Christian Murphy**, a Parishioner and college Campus Minister, as he leads us on a deep journey through his latest project, *PORTRAITS OF MERCY*". Through the visual arts, Christian will lead us on a reflection on the topic of "MERCY".

- + What can we do in our lives to live with a merciful heart?
- + How is God trying to speak to me.

Pope Francis has likened the Church to a "field hospital", where so many people are in need a healing. Through our own individual acts of mercy, we can assist in the healing process of those in need.

Wednesday, March 8 - FORGIVENESS

How to forgive? Why forgive? Begin to heal!

Join **Fr. Charles Mangano** as he shares with us how forgiveness is the key to Freedom. Forgiveness is not easy, but we will learn what the Catechism of the Catholic church says about it and it will gladden our hearts. Father will speak about what forgiveness is... and isn't ... and he will offer us tools to begin to heal. The evening will conclude with Father leading us in a forgiveness prayer.

**Closing Mass on Thursday, March 9
7:30pm - Church**

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Connie Lynch*. If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224.

Members in the Military

We ask that you pray especially for those in our parish that are on active duty.

Michael DiMatteo -US Marine Corps	Melissa Mockler -US Navy
Michael Fantauzzi -US Air Force	Patric Mockler -US Navy
Christopher Florca -US Marine Corps	Andrew Perniciaro -US Army
Dominick Gennaro -US Army	Brandon Ranzie -US Army
Patrick Harty -US Coast Guard	Stephen Rolston -US Army
Ritchard Higham -US Army	Jack Shires -US Navy
Colby Matthew Kelly -US Army	Raymond Sgambati -US Navy
Luke Loftsgaarden -US Army	James Stultz -US Army
Anthony Mannino -US Marine Corps	Alvaro Suarez -US Army
Msgr. Brian McNamara -US Air Force	Jack Taffner -US Marine Corps
Anthony Memoli -US Marine Corps	Michael Wilkinson -US Army
Timothy Milligan -US Marine Corps	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 ...

Jon Ackerman, Connie Ambrosino, John Anitra, Baby Ellis, Baby Maya, Michael Battista, Thomas J. Calogero III, Susan Dedes, Amanda DiTingo, Paula Edwards, Mike Ferrante, Anna Ferrante, Martin Finn, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Tom Grogan, William Hacker, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Patrick Horne, Marie Ippolito, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Michael Kegel, James Leung, Vincent Marinelli, Joseph Marrone, Jr., Michele Carrano-McGee, John McMahon, Zachary Melengic, Richard Meyer, Heather Paganica, Edward Pauciullo, Steve Peterson, Mary Polik-Gunther, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Dina Rajotte, Ida Schiavoni, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcica, Celestine Stewart

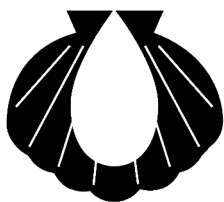
Names of the sick will be listed for **six weeks** for short-term requests and **six months** for long-term.



Rest In Peace

Clifford Zeblisky

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



Baptism

Natale Robert Spata

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 6

8:30am Grace Fusco
12:10pm Thomas Gorman

Tuesday, March 7

St. Perpetua & St. Felicity
8:30am James Wendell McCrae
12:10pm Massimo Ferro (Living)

Wednesday, March 8

St. John of God
8:30am Valerie Joy Petito
12:10pm Molly Sweeney

Thursday, March 9

St. Frances of Rome
8:30am Lucille Susan Soltesz
12:10pm Joseph Ferrick

Friday, March 10

8:30am Thomas & Bridget Maher
12:10pm Manuel & Maria Ramos

Saturday, March 11

8:30am Margaret Anne Donohue-Ledwith,
George Haimbuecher

5:00pm Valerie Joy Petito, Matt & Anna Lattanzio,
Barbara & Louie Argento, Marty Moses,
Francis Rimmel, Richard Pasche, William Morris
Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, March 12

Third Sunday of Lent
8:00am Thomas & Florence Brady
Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am Winifred Wolf
Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am Arthur Driscoll, Jr.
Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm Juanita Rini
Fr. Charles Mangano

6:00pm People of the Parish, Sylvester J. Caramico,
Terrence Bolin,
Msgr. Brian McNamara



Good Samaritan University Hospital Women's Health Lecture

Saturday, March 11 10:00am-12:00pm

The Bristol Senior Living -520 Montauk Hwy, West Babylon

At any age, it is important for women to stay on top of their health. Learn the latest in breast and other gynecologic screenings, surgical oncology, and cardiovascular health by local leading Gynecologists, Oncologists and Cardiologists.

To attend, please RSVP to 631-376-4444

Pregnant? Need Help?

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

Islip: 631-277-3888 - Hampton Bays: 631-728-8900 - Rocky Point: 631-821-9727

Southold: 631-876-5138 - Wantagh 516-785-4070

SAGE

Our next SAGE meeting will be Tuesday, March 7 at 9:30am in the Parish Center.

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month. The next meeting will be on Monday, March 6. We will begin with Rosary at 7:00pm in the PARISH CENTER, immediately followed by our business meeting, also 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.

Nocturnal Adoration

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

This is Jesus Christ's invitation every first Saturday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is taken to the altar after the 5:00pm Mass and will be exposed up to 9:50pm. Everyone is invited to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament to offer prayers, petitions and thanksgiving to Jesus. Nocturnal Adoration will follow the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, March 4th concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



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.



- Canned Chili
- Spaghetti
- Canned Fruit
- Boxed Milk
- Size 2 and Size 4 Diapers

Second Collection March 11-12

The Second Collection next weekend (March 11-12) will be for Easter Flowers. As always we thank you for your continued generosity.



A Car for Fr. Saji ??

Car Needed

As you know, Fr. Saji is a priest from India, living in our Rectory and working at Our Lady of Consolation Nursing facility. He is in need of a car. If anyone is able to donate a car or is willing to sell him a car at a really good price, please give me a call at the Rectory. Thank you for your consideration.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having extended hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, March 7th** from **12:40pm to 7:00pm**. Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus during our 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.

Note: Adoration will begin at 12:40pm and end at 7:00pm on March 7th.

Casa Project Update

In the past, the “Casa House” in the Narthex has provided housing, bedding and ecostoves for our friends in El Salvador. We couldn't do this without your support and generosity. This weekend (3/4 and 3/5) we are asking you to give your loose change to our Casa Project. Place your donations in the wooden house located in the north vestibule by the Father Joe Garden. Thank you for your support. We truly appreciate your generosity.



El Salvador Trip - Next meeting: March 16

We have had two informational meetings regarding our Mission Trip to El Salvador. Our trip is scheduled for July 1st to July 7th. The next meeting will be on **March 16th** from 7:30pm – 8:30pm in the Media Center located in the school. In the meantime, if you would like any further information regarding our trip, please contact Deacon Rich at: RMaher@ollchurch.org.

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.

A close-up photograph of a person's hands shaping a piece of clay on a pottery wheel. The hands are positioned to guide the clay as it rotates. The background is slightly blurred, showing other pottery items and a workshop setting.

You Are the Potter, We Are the Clay

*You are the Potter.
We are the clay.
As handcrafted creation
I've no right to say
"Why hast thou made us thus?"
It's not open for us to discuss.*

*You are the Potter.
We are the clay.
On your spinning wheel
teach us to stay.
Let your hands shape us in the right direction,
yielding to pressure
that works out imperfection.*

*You are the Potter.
We are the clay.
Perhaps we're not exquisite
and put on display.
Let us be content
just by You to be used
in the exact manner
that You wisely choose.*

*You are the Potter.
We are the clay.
If you see part of us
that's in disarray,
to You, we make this earnest appeal,
although it may hurt, put us back on the wheel.*

*You are the Potter.
We are the clay.
You know what's best.
Dear Lord, have Your way.
In your mercy and patience
cease not to work on us
till we're fit for a God-filled eternity.*

Poem by Carol Connell

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

PARISH MISSION: MARCH 6 - 9

Monday, March 6: 7:30pm in the CHURCH

FR DAVE ATANASIO: COMMUNION & CONFESSION

A close, intimate relationship with Christ depends on a healthy acknowledgement of our sins.

Tuesday, March 7: 7:30pm in the CHURCH

CHRISTIAN MURPHY: PORTRAITS OF MERCY

Christian Murphy, a parishioner and college Campus Minister, leads us on a visual and spiritual journey.

Wednesday, March 8: 7:30pm in the CHURCH

FR. CHARLES: FORGIVENESS

How to forgive? Why forgive? Begin to heal!

Thursday, March 9: 7:30pm in the CHURCH

MASS:

Let us conclude our Parish mission by celebrating the Eucharist.

Friday, March 10:

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Friday, March 17:

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Friday, March 24:

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Tuesday, March 28:

7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER

PRESENTATION: THE EUCHARIST

Join Fr. Brian to explore the theology of the Eucharist.

Friday, March 31:

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Monday, April 3:

3:00pm – 9:00pm

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

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

Tuesday, April 4

7:30pm in the PARISH CENTER

MOVIE: JESUS OF NAZARETH: THE PASSION

Watch this powerful movie depicting Christ's Passion and Death for us.





"...let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them."

- Pope Francis

Almsgiving in Lent

During the Lenten Season we are asked to pray, fast and give alms.

Lent is a perfect time for us to pray for those in need - whether it is for their material, emotional or spiritual needs. And when you practice fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those of our neighbors who reach out to us for help.

One way to do this is by making a gift to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, which supports programs that help people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs.



For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org

or call 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

Fatima, Spain & Lourdes

Post Optional Tour to Lisieux, Nevers & Paris



SCAN ME

Pilgrimage with Spiritual Directors

Fr. Charles Mangano & Fr. Tony Stanganelli

Father Charles Mangano, a priest of the Diocese Of Rockville Center, New York, for 33 years and Fr. Tony Stanganelli, ordained as well for the diocese some 44 years ago, are our spiritual directors for this pilgrimage. Father Charles is presently the associate pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in West Islip and Father Tony serves as pastor of Saint Thomas the Apostle Church in West Hempstead. Together they have served as spiritual directors for numerous pilgrimages over the past 26 years and have made several trips to Fatima, Lourdes and the many other holy places we will be visiting. They joyfully look forward to serving you on this spiritual pilgrimage

August 13 - 22, 2023

\$4,413 per person from New York, NY (JFK)

August 22 - 26

Optional Post Tour to Lisieux, Nevers & Paris

Additional \$1,689 per person

All Pricing Based On Double Occupancy

Pricing available from any airport: www.206tours.com/addon



Register Online, It's Safe & Easy! www.pilgrimages.com/frmangano



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, February 27, 2023 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

Prom Dress Drive

for Brentwood High School

**Sunday, March 26th from 11:00am–3:00pm
in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center**

A variety of dresses in all sizes and dress shoes are needed.

(There are 1250 seniors, including 603 young women graduating this year.)



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:

- Log into the Virtus website: www.Virtus.org.
- Begin the registration process by creating a Virtus account. The first screen requests the location: Please select Rockville Centre from the drop down list.
- Follow directions on each page.
- During the registration process you will receive a copy of the Code of Conduct and Pastoral Code of Conduct. Please sign each Code electronically.
- Select the class you wish to attend.
- 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



Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, March 16, 2023

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 - March 17th 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, March 17th 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/bsatroup179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

SEEKING “ROOM IN THE INN” FOR A REFUGEE FAMILY OF 3 FROM UKRAINE

In the Fall of 2021, the Sisters of Saint Joseph began accepting refugee families from both Afghanistan and Ukraine into their Motherhouse in Brentwood. The experience has been both enlightening and rewarding. At the moment, we have reached our capacity. Presently, we have a family of 3 that is looking for an apartment in the Bay Shore/Brentwood area that they could “rent” at least until June so that their 8 year old daughter might be able to finish the school year without further disruption in her life. (Needless to say, their funds are extremely limited – they are only able to pay about \$500-\$800 monthly). We are hoping (and praying) that someone might know of a basement apartment or a small unit in a two family home that they would be willing to rent to this refugee family. This family unit (Mother, Father, 8 year old daughter and a 2 pound Yorkie) are extremely independent. They speak English and they own a car. The father has a job (remote) and the mother is going to school to learn English. The little girl is in 4th grade.

If you wish to learn more about this family in need – please contact: Sister Annelle Fitzpatrick, CSJ at Fitzpatrick@CSJBrentwood.org or by phone at: 631-273-1187, ext. 155.

Deepen Your Lenten Devotion – “Hope, and Working Through Fear.”

Join the Friends of the Seminary on Sunday, March 19, 2023 - “Hope, and Working Through Fear.”
Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM presents a Lenten Day of Prayer at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
440 West Neck Road, Huntington - 9:30am to 3:30pm.



Talks by Fr. Griffin, Quiet Time, Confession, Lunch and Mass.

Donation - \$50. Reservations required

To register, call: 631-423-0483 ext. 102, e-mail: bmalone@icseminary.edu,
or Visit: www.icseminary.edu.

Employment Opportunity - Administrative Assistant F/T

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Lindenhurst is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant for the parish Faith Formation Department. This position is Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9:00am–5:00pm, Wednesday 11:00am–8:00pm and Saturday 7:30am–1:30pm.

Responsibilities:

- Manage daily operations including, but not limited to, phone, clerical, correspondence, mail, and record keeping.
- On-site coordination and overseeing of classes.
- Prepare folders for classes, run off sheets for teachers, send out invoices, answer e-mails, scheduling, prepare weekly bulletin page, etc.
- Collaborate with the director in planning curriculum for the year to prepare Levels 1-8 to receive Sacraments.
- Assist the director as needed with all programs overseen by the Faith Formation Department.

To apply, contact: April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation, e-mail resume: akleinlaut@oloph.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.

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>.

The “Moving On” Group

An ‘After-Bereavement’ Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

How to Cope Holistically with Anxiety

presented by: Sara Patel

Friday, March 10, 2023 at 7:00pm

St. Joseph Parish Center

39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

For further information please call:

Linda Sparaco at 631-225-9530 or Joyce Gangone at 631-813-9356



Upcoming Bereavement Support Program

Offered at St. Mary, East Islip

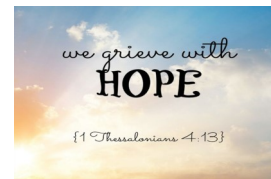
Eight Week Group beginning Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Support Groups are opened to anyone who has suffered a loss at **least three months prior** to the start of the group. (Loss must have occurred prior to December 14, 2022)

Each week the group meets for 90 minutes followed by ½ hour of refreshments and hospitality. There is no cost but a commitment to attend each meeting throughout the program is required. Groups are offered in a closed and confidential setting with highly trained facilitators and limited to 13 people.

Pre-registration is required. Seating is limited.

Please call: 631-581-4266 ext.125 to register and reserve your seat.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

8 Week Program for Age 50 and Over

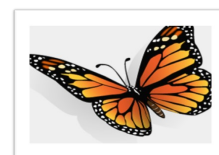
Starting Thursday, March 23, 2023

3:00pm – 5:00pm at St. Joseph Parish Center - 39 N. Carll Avenue, Babylon

For losses that have occurred before December 31, 2022.

For more information and registration, please call:

Terry Hoffmann 631-669-0198 or Geri Olson 631-661-8994



Retrouvaille Weekend - Marriage Struggling?

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?

Are you separated or divorced or *thinking about separation or divorce?*

The Retrouvaille Program helps couples through difficult times in their marriages.

Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille is a 5013c non-profit, peer ministry. Couples of all faiths, or no faith, are encouraged to attend, and no one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the next weekend on

April 21-23, 2023, 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





In addition to our parish website (ollchurch.org), please visit us on *Facebook* at *The Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes*. Click “Like” and you will receive the latest news on upcoming parish events and information.

Preparing for Marriage?

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?

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

Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on **March 18-19, 2023**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: longisland.engagedencounter.com.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Attention married couples & Priests. Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood? Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage on a World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Lent has begun. Psalm 51: "Create a clean heart in me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me." Renew and transform your relationship. How? Apply for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience: **June 23-25, 2023** at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY. Register at: WWME.org or contact: Chuck & Maria Reiss at: 631-486-8607.



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

Sharing the Gospel

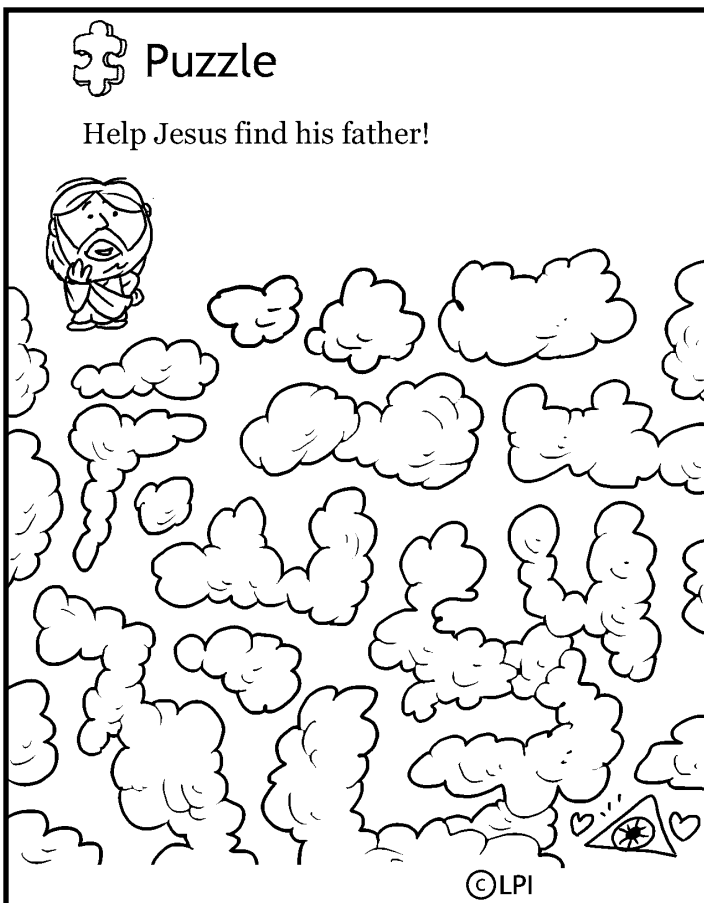
In today's Gospel reading, Jesus showed His closest friends - Peter, James, and John - what heaven would be like. Jesus' friends were amazed to see Moses and Elijah talking to Jesus. Moses and Elijah had gone to heaven hundreds of years before this day. Then Peter, James and John heard God's voice from the cloud. Jesus, their friend and teacher, was God's Son. They fell down in fear. You might, too, if you were there.



Mission for the Week



If you could see Jesus in heaven today, what would you talk about? What would you ask Him?



Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you
for showing
Jesus' friends
what heaven
would be like.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of
what you think
heaven might look like.

