

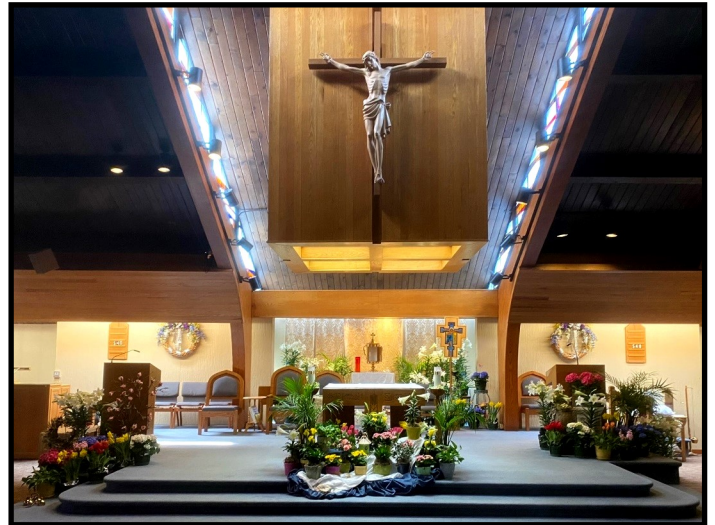
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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

**Deacon Nilo DeLeon, Deacon Tom Lucie,
Deacon Rich Maher, Deacon Jack Meehan**

Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ, Director of Religious Ed
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
Website: www.ollchurch.org

Religious Education Office

Phone: 631.661.5440 (select option #3)
Monday-Friday: 9:00am-Noon,
1:00pm-5:00pm, 7:00pm-9:00pm
E-mail: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

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

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

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass

8:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

Reconciliation/Confession

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

Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

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

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

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

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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

Third Sunday of Easter • Sunday, April 23, 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 April 23, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/ 1 Pt 1:17-21/ Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/ Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/ Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/ Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/ Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/ Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/ 1 Pt 2:20b-25/ Jn 10:1-10

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

April 16, 2023

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| Weekly Collection | \$ 18,115.00 |
| Weekly Budget | - \$ 17,800.00 |
| +/- for the week | \$ 315.00 |

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

On the Road to Emmaus

The Gospel from Luke about the two disciples who walked with Jesus on the road to Emmaus is one of the most beautiful, hopeful and inspiring resurrection gospels. Yet, after Jesus told His disciples that He would suffer, die and be resurrected on the third day, the disciples were in a deep state of grief appearing to lose all hope that any sense of joy would ever return. They certainly did not think for a moment that Jesus had risen from the dead.

Many of us have experienced the loss of a loved one. Even when we are expecting their death, many times we fall into a deep sense of despair and maybe even depression. We are numb, bewildered, feel abandoned and deeply feel the pain of separation. The joy in our lives and the sense of hope feel like they are a million miles away. In fact, we believe at a time like this that we will never feel normal again. I suppose the disciples felt disillusioned in this way. In Luke's gospel, even as Jesus drew near and walked alongside them, "their eyes were prevented from recognizing Him".

As much as it may have appeared that the disciples understood what Jesus tried to tell them about who He was and what His mission on earth was all about, there are some biblical scholars who believe the disciples, like most people, expected a Messiah who was powerful in earthly ways. They felt that the Messiah was supposed to be a strong military and political leader to set Israel free from Israel's enemies. In Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus say to these two bewildered disciples, "how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke"! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" The disciples didn't recognize Jesus because they lost their faith and trust in Him. It was not until Jesus opened the scriptures by explaining what the prophets had spoken about that they then came to realize that Jesus was in fact the fulfillment of the scriptures, "Were our hearts not burning within us while He spoke to us on the way." It was in conversation and the breaking of the bread, fellowship, and relationship, that the disciples came to recognize Him, "And it happened that, while He was with them at table, He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them."

We, unlike the disciples, have the gift of seeing how the story evolved. We know how it did not end on Good Friday, rather we have seen the resurrection. God's plan for Jesus far outweighed anything that the disciples could have imagined. Although we are naturally torn by the loss of a loved one, we know that there is something beyond the horror of the crucifixion, beyond death itself. Our God is a loving and compassionate God, one who keeps promises to raise us up as Jesus was raised up.

Jesus' presence did not end on the walk to Emmaus. Our gospel from Luke is a very clear sign that our Lord is truly experienced every time we attend Mass. He is present in Scripture and in the Eucharist. In the last section of Matthew's Gospel before the passion and resurrection, Matthew presents us with some of Jesus' most powerful words spoken. It is in the section called "The Judgment of Nations". Here Jesus places the "sheep on his right", and says, "Come, you who are blessed by My father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave Me food, naked and you clothed Me." In response to the righteous who said, "when did we see you hungry, naked or a stranger", the King will say to them in reply, "Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of Mine, you did it for Me". Our risen Lord is experienced at the Mass every time it is celebrated. Jesus is also experienced by others when we allow Him to work through us in a loving and compassionate manner, thus becoming the hands and heart of Jesus, especially to the most vulnerable who are most in need.

In Christ,

Deacon Tom

Veterans Outreach Series



Supporting those who served

Learn more about resources available to you from various organizations including Catholic Health and Good Samaritan University Hospital, Suffolk County Veterans Services agency, Long Island Cares and Catholic Charities.

- Free screening and health education series for veterans of all branches of armed forces.
- Free donated clothing available, provided by the Guilds of Good Samaritan University Hospital.
- Light food and refreshments available.

Screenings include:

- Prostate* • Blood pressure • BMI
- Cholesterol • Food insecurity

* Prostate screenings by appointment. Available only on May 25th at the Brentwood American Legion Post.

Please call (631) 376-4444

Limited appointments available.

Thursday, April 27

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

American Legion Post 651
23 Foster Avenue
Sayville, NY

Thursday, May 25*

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

American Legion Post 1006
198 First Street
Brentwood, NY

Thursday, June 29

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

American Legion Post 1738
340 Union Boulevard
West Islip, NY



goodsamaritanuniversity.org

Father Brian McNamara

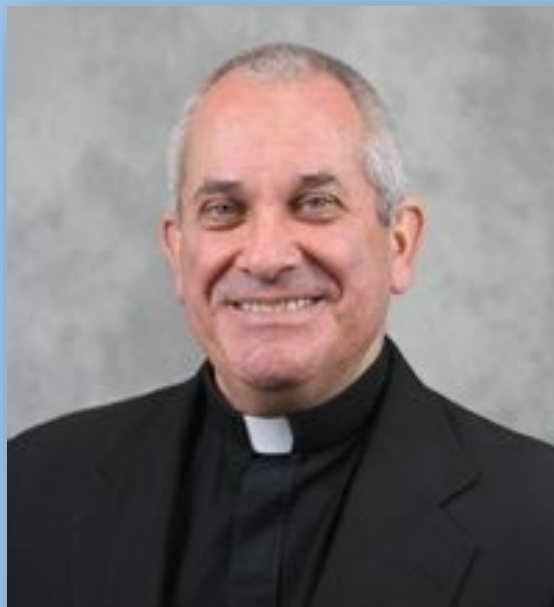
Fr. Brian arrived here in June, 2012 and has completed 11 years as our Pastor.

He will be leaving Our Lady of Lourdes Parish this June to serve as Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Smithtown.

Please join us as we celebrate Fr. Brian

**Sunday, May 21, 2023
at the 12:30pm Mass**

Reception to follow in the Cafeteria



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

-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Altar Society

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

Members in the Military

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



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

Salvatore Albanese, Sandra Amberg, Connie Ambrosino, John Anitra, Baby Maya, Michael Battista, Richie Brooks, Annemarie Brooks, Samantha, Melissa and Ricky Brooks, Linda Cantwell, Thomas Cavanagh, Thomas J. Calogero III, Susan Dedes, William DeGeorge, Amanda DiTingo, Patricia Eastwood, Joanne Egan, Paula Edwards, Mike Ferrante, Anna Ferrante, Jean Gargiulo, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Tom Grogan, William Hacker, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Marie Ippolito, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Michael Kegel, Stephanie Koral, Bill Labasci, Vincent Marinelli, Joseph Marrone, Jr., Michele Carrano-McGee, John McMahon, Glenn Meyer, Richard Meyer, Ken Monroe, Edward Pauciullo, Steve Peterson, Mary Polik-Gunther, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Dina Rajotte, Edwin Ramirez, Bob Scharen, Diane Scharen, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, 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

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



Upcoming Marriages

*Samantha Alvarado, OLL
and
John (Jack) Ehret, OLL*



Baptism

*Lianna Kathleen Coffin
Declan Jamie Storoshenko*

*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, April 24

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:30am **Giuseppina Francavilla**

Tuesday, April 25

St. Mark, Evangelist

8:30am **Mary Keane**

Wednesday, April 26

8:30am **Michael Reilly**

Thursday, April 27

8:30am **Susan Trifoli**

Friday, April 28

St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

8:30am **Geraldo & Filomena Masi**

Saturday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena

8:30am **Mildred Karl, Gloria Shotter**

5:00pm

**Matt & Anna Lattanzio, Julia Flynn,
Barbara & Louie Argento, Vincent Branciforte,
Anthony Tito, Jr.**

Fr. Charles Mangano

Sunday, April 30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am **Valerie Joy Petito**

Msgr. Brian McNamara

9:30am **Dcn. Jack Teufel**

Msgr. Brian McNamara

11:00am **Paula Pagano**

Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm **Cathy Iversen**

Fr. Charles Mangano

6:00pm

**People of the Parish, The Herbert Family,
Barbara Beckerman, Richard Ventiera,
John Sullivan**

Fr. Charles Mangano

July 7-9, 2023
Huntington, NY

If regret over a past abortion is part of your life, you are not alone.
We care. We can help.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

your story is confidential

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats are a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional and/or spiritual pain of an abortion. God's mercy awaits you. Come receive His healing.

Retreat Fee: \$250
Limited space. Call now.



Diocese of Rockville Centre
Office of Human Life,
Family and Bioethics

Contact:
Donna Crean • 516-287-8748 • dcrean@drvc.org
www.drvcife.org/projectrachel
www.rachelsvineyard.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

El Salvador Mission Trip Update

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the trip scheduled for this July will have to be postponed until next year. Tentative dates for next year are from Saturday, June 29, 2024 through Friday, July 5, 2024. We will be sending a check for \$1,500.00 to the Santa Ana Project to be used as needed. Thank you for your continued support of our Mission Trip and the Santa Ana project.

- Deacon Rich



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 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, April 25th from 12:30pm to 7:30pm**. Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus. 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.

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 Sauce
- Canned Chicken
- Cookies/Crackers
- Cereal
- Laundry Detergent

Life in the Spirit Seminar

with Fr. Charles Mangano and the St. John Nepomucene Prayer Group

Is God calling you to experience Him in a more personal, fulfilling, and intimate way, a way you have never experienced Him before? If yes, we invite you to a Life in the Spirit seminar.



St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church
1140 Locust Avenue, Bohemia, NY
Saturday, May 13, 2023 8:30am – 4:00pm

Please bring a bag lunch. We will provide drinks.
 Free will offering will be gratefully accepted.

Registration required. Space limited to 150 people.

Register before May 6 at the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0945AFA72CA1F5C61-life>

Need help? E-mail: livingbread_bohemia@aol.com or call: 631-589-4715.

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.



Easter Raffle

Below, please find a set of 6 chances. It is a 50-50 drawing. Chances are \$25 each or 6 chances for \$100. 1st place winner will win 35% of the money, 2nd place will win 10% of the money and 3rd place will win 5% of the money. You have to be in it to win it! The drawing will take place on **Pentecost Sunday, May 28th after the 12:30pm Mass.**



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Our Knights of Columbus Council #17379 has sponsored the banner for the Marlins, one of our local Little League teams. Best of luck for the season, Guys!!!

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Throughout the past year, our parish family has journeyed with those seeking Baptism, reception and full initiation into the life of the Church. From the Rite of Acceptance in December, to the Rite of Election, Call to Continuing Conversion and the Scrutinies celebrated during Lent, we have celebrated their faith and, in turn, renewed our own. At the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8, 2023:

- we celebrated the Baptism of Audrey Leo, Stacy Minitello and Jennifer Parag
- we celebrated the reception into the Church of Michael Boulanger
- we celebrated the Confirmation of Audrey Leo, Stacy Minitello, Jennifer Parag and Michael Boulanger

Their journey has become our journey. Their excitement and enthusiasm has inspired and excited us about our faith journey! Their journey still continues as they enter the Period of Mystagogy which lasts from Easter Sunday until the completion of the Easter season, fifty days later on Pentecost Sunday and completes the initiation process. Let's continue to pray for them as they continue to more fully realize what the life of the Church has in store for them.

If you're interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your own initiation, please email: RCIA@ollchurch.org or contact Sister Nancy Campkin at: 631-661-5440, Option 3. We would love to welcome you!

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.

Knights of Columbus OLL Council #17379 Annual Scholarships

All applicants must be in the 11th or 12th grade, and the scholarship must be used for high school, college, or vocational school. Those who meet the criteria may apply for both scholarships.

A one thousand dollar scholarship is available to a student whose parent, grandparent, or guardian is a member of the Knights of Columbus Council # 17379, and in good standing. A five hundred dollar scholarship is available to a student whose family is an Our Lady of Lourdes Parish member.

To apply for the scholarships, please visit the Knights of Columbus OLL Council #17379 website at: <https://www.oll17379.org/> and click on the Scholarship link at the top of the page.

The deadline for applications is May 15, 2023.



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, April 24, 2023 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.

Knights of Columbus - Council 17379

Mother's Day Plant Sale

After All Masses - May 6 and May 7

*Plan ahead and purchase a great gift for someone special...
or even for yourself!*



Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

On Sunday, **April 30th**, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island.

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

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



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

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

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON

Saturday, May 20th and Sunday, May 21st

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

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



Butterfly Memory Café - May 5, 2023 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, May 5th from 1:30pm-2:30pm. There is no charge to participate, but space is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to register, please call Michele at A Gentle Touch Senior Care at: 631-647-7622 or e-mail: michele@agentletouchseniorcare.com.



Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, May 18, 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.

Is the Holy Spirit calling YOU? Volunteers Needed.

Maria Regina Residence, at 1725 Brentwood Rd., Brentwood, is a 188-bed Skilled Nursing Facility, currently under the care of the Sisters of St. Joseph. We are seeking compassionate, dedicated men and women who are willing to volunteer their time and talent in various service areas (usually for one or two mornings or afternoons per week.) Current priority needs include: transporting residents in their wheelchairs within the building, serving as visitors or Eucharistic ministers, helping in the gift shop and more. Is the Holy Spirit calling YOU? For more information, please contact the Pastoral Care Office and leave your contact information at 631-299-3288. Prayerfully and thankfully, we look forward to hearing from you and will respond on the next scheduled office day.



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/bsatrop179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

Catholic Theology Courses this Summer at St. Joseph's Seminary

Class Dates: May 31 through July 14

Open to qualified lay men and women, clergy, and consecrated religious.

Offered in person or online - Zoom in from any location to join a class.

Reasonably priced - Affordable tuition rates!

50% tuition discount for new students, alumni auditors, diocesan and parish employees.

Taught by world-class faculty.



To learn more about our schedule of classes for summer, go to: www.dunwoodie.edu or email: sjs.academics@dunwoodie.edu

Liturgical Minister Training –Spring 2023

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Part A—This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This “BASIC” training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training.

Lector Workshop is available for both new and experienced lectors.

Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

Tuesday, April 25: St. Elizabeth, Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 7:00pm -10:00pm
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors

Saturday, May 6: Christ the King, Commack - Pastoral Center Gym; 9:00am - 12:00pm
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A*

Saturday, June 3: St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville - Lower Level; 9:00am - 12:00pm
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Part A AND Lectors*

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B

Presented in conjunction with Catholic Health:

Tuesday, May 16: St. Elizabeth, Melville - Msgr. Kane Hall; 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Saturday, May 6: Christ the King, Commack - Pastoral Center Gym; 1:00pm - 4:00pm.*

Saturday, June 3: St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville - Lower Level; 1:00pm - 4:00pm.*

*We are offering Part A and Part B on the SAME day. Those who attend Part A in the morning are welcome to bring lunch or leave for lunch and return for the 1:00pm Part B session. Only those pre-registered for part B will be allowed to stay for this second session.

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. You cannot attend BOTH EMHC Part A AND Lector training on the same day – you must choose one or the other. Thank you for your interest!

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

September 8-10, 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





The Diocese of Rockville Centre

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who have celebrated ***Fifty Years of Marriage in 2023*** by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

**Sunday May 21, 2023 at 3:00pm - Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue
Celebrant : Most Rev. John O. Barres**

**Sunday June 4, 2023 at 3:00pm - Church of St. James, Seaford
Celebrant : Most Rev. Robert J. Coyle**

**Register online at: drvc-faith.org
Registration must be received by *Friday, April 28, 2023***



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

Spring 2023 Liturgical Catechesis



**EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION
THE MASS - STEP BY STEP
LITURGY EXPLAINED**

Join

BISHOP ANDRZEJ

this Spring at these in-person presentations.
All are welcome! Registration is **REQUIRED**.

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Liturgy of the Word Explained
St. Paul the Apostle, Brookville

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Liturgy of the Eucharist Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Mass Concluding Rites Explained
Curé of Ars, Merrick



All sessions begin at **7:30 pm** and take place in the Church.

St. Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Road
Brookville, NY 11545

Curé of Ars
2323 Merrick Avenue
Merrick, NY 11566

Advance registration is required. Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your name, parish, email address and phone number.

Send your email to: westernvicariate@drvc.org or
call Suzanne at 516-744-6850. Please do not contact the parish directly.



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. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on **July 15-16, 2023**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: longisland.engagedencounter.com.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter - Walk to Emmaus

Let us take that walk to Emmaus! Luke 24:13-14 and 30-32: "Two disciples were walking when Jesus joined them", but they did not know it was Jesus. "When he sat down with them at the table, broke bread and said the blessing, their eyes were opened and they recognized Him." They said, "Were not our hearts burning within us while Jesus spoke to us on the way.." We can make our hearts burn within us in our marriage. Take your spouse on that walk to Emmaus by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Sign up to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on **June 23-25, 2023** at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. You will learn new ways/tools to renew and revitalize your relationship. Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at: 631-486-8607 or <https://wwmenyli.org/>.



Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

The group, led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader, meets 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.

Note: Meetings from April 18 through June 13 will be in the All Purpose Room.

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

Sharing the Gospel

Even though He had risen from the dead, two of Jesus' friends had not seen Him yet. These men were still sad and confused. Imagine their surprise when Jesus walked with them, explained the Scriptures about the Savior, and then broke bread for a meal. They saw Him alive!



Mission for the Week



Pack a bag with some snacks and your Bible, and take a long walk with your family. When you stop to eat your snacks, read your favorite story about Jesus.



Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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| Emmaus | Christ | village |
| talking | Moses | bread |
| Cleopas | Prophets | Simon |

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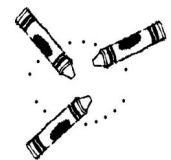
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Prayer



Jesus,
when I am
sad or
confused,
help me to remember
that You are alive and
with me always.
Amen.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture
of Jesus
walking with
you on a long
road.