

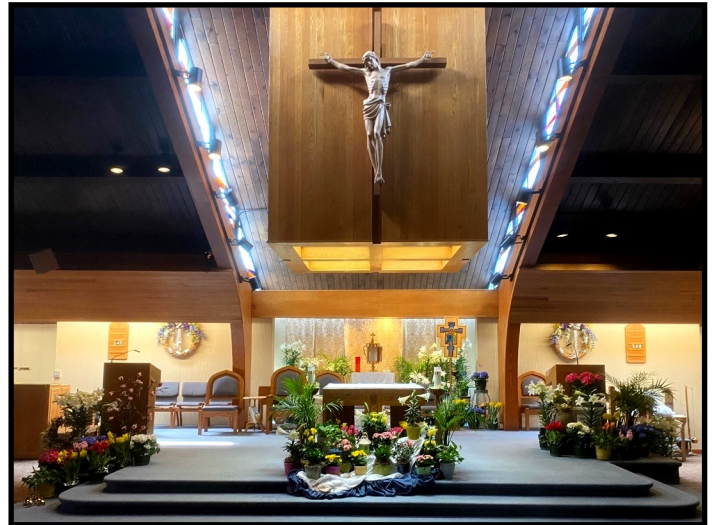
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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-Thuraday: 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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter • Sunday, May 7, 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 May 7, 2023

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/ 1 Pt 2:4-9/ Jn 14:1-12
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Jn 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Jn 15:12-17
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/ 1 Pt 3:15-18/ Jn 14:15-21

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 30, 2023

Weekly Collection	\$ 18,079.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ 279.00

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

Dear Parishioners:

Every year I invite the Diocese to show the video for the annual **Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)**. The origins of the CMA go all the way back to Bishop McGann in the 1980's! The CMA is the primary avenue by which the Diocese carries out the mission of Christ here on Long Island.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal helps lay paths of evangelization through the formation of our priests, deacons and lay leaders. It assists in training our religious education catechists and adult faith formation leaders who educate our youth and parish families, and programs that promote the sanctity of life at all stages. Working together, we are all enriching the lives of all Long Island. Through the CMA, every year through the support and commitment of individuals and organizations, we are able to serve more than 600,000 people in our Long Island community.

I would say that there is no organization or body on Long Island that provides the breadth and depth of spiritual and social services to so many individuals and families as the Catholic Church. Your generosity helps to make all of this, and so much more, possible!

I strongly encourage every parishioner to contribute to the CMA. We rightly need to support our Parish here at Our Lady of Lourdes. HOWEVER, we also need to have a wider vision and reach out to the needs of the Diocese as well. The Diocese does certain activities (vocations, Catholic Charities, etc.) that we are not able to do at a Parish level. Please give something; no donation is too small!

Thank you for your support.

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

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

WHAT IS THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL MONEY USED FOR?

100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Touching each of our 133 parishes and more than 600,000 people each year, together we are building a community of faith, hope and love for so many.

Some of the areas include:

- Priests', Deacons' and lay leaders' education and formation
- Food programs for seniors, low-income families and women and their children
- Affordable and safe housing for seniors, veterans and adults with mental and physical disabilities
- Faith Formation, including Baptismal Preparation, Pre-Cana and RCIA programs
- Respect Life Initiatives
- Religious education for hundreds of thousands of students
- Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries
- Substance abuse services and day treatment programs
- Hospital ministry to those who are ill and their families
- Prison Ministry

JOIN US FOR A

COMMUNITY PRESENTATION EVENT

DATE:

THURSDAY

MAY 25TH

5:30PM - 7:30PM

LOCATION:



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center
455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY



**Alzheimer's Disease
Resource Center**
Keeping Help and Hope In Mind



**Futterman, Lanza
& Pasculli, LLP**
ELDER LAW & ESTATE PLANNING



"A Gentle Touch"
Senior Home Care

Light refreshments will be served
Raffle Baskets

This event is free but pre-registration is required
Please RSVP by May 19th by emailing:



Michele@Agentletouchseniorcare.com
or Call Kayla @ 631-647-7622

This event is for:

- Church Members
- Community Members
- Senior Focused Professionals
- Social Workers

ADRC Presenter:

Carol Hartmann, MBA, ACC Director of Programs,
Education, and Training

Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center

DEMENTIA 101

- The basics of Alzheimer's disease including symptoms, disease progression, changes in the brain and their affect on functioning
- How Alzheimer's disease is diagnosed and treatment of Alzheimer's disease.



Futterman, Lanza & Pasculli, LLP Presenter:

Wayne Carrabus, CPA, Esq. Futterman, Lanza & Pasculli, LLP

PREPARING FOR A MEDICAL CRISIS

- Learn which important documents you should prepare and gather ahead of time in the event of a medical crisis.
- Discussion of the legal documents and how to keep all these documents organized.

Social Workers will receive TWO Continuing Education Credits.

Futterman, Lanza & Pasculli, LLP is recognized by the NYS Education Department's State Board for social work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #SW-0625

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 *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 -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	James Stultz -US Army
Luke Loftsgaarden -US Army	Alvaro Suarez -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
Timothy Milligan -US Marine Corps	

... 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, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Marie Ippolito, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Michael Kegel, Stephanie Koral, Bill Labasci, Nora Le Viness, 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, Arlene Unverzagt

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



Rest In Peace

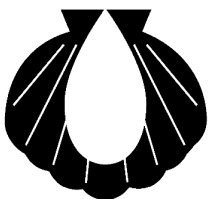
Patricia A. Mancini

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



Upcoming Marriages

*Kira Grunenberg, OLL
and
Michael Boulanger,
St. Luke's Lutheran Church,
Farmingdale*



Baptism

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, May 8

8:30am Nichole O'Connor

Tuesday, May 9

8:30am McCarthy & Muccio Families

Wednesday, May 10

St. John of Avila, St. Damien de Veuster

8:30am John Sweeney

Thursday, May 11

8:30am Carmine Barila

Friday, May 12

St. Nereus, St. Achilleus, St. Pancras

8:30am Grace Ciccarello (Living)

Saturday, May 13

Our Lady of Fatima

**8:30am Marissa Testa, Lydia Sanan, Kathy Cuomo,
Anthony Rizzo (Living)**

**5:00pm Beverly Caparella, Louise Mangano, Denise Yost,
Jason Meola, Anthony DeMotta, John Sullivan
Msgr. Brian McNamara**

Sunday, May 14

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day

**8:00am Mother's Day Novena
Msgr. Brian McNamara**

**9:30am Mother's Day Novena
Fr. Charles Mangano**

**11:00am Mother's Day Novena
Msgr. Brian McNamara**

**12:30pm Mother's Day Novena
Fr. Charles Mangano**

**6:00pm Mother's Day Novena
Msgr. Brian McNamara**

Healing After Abortion

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

Pregnant? Need Help?

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

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, May 9nd from 12:30pm to 7:00pm**. 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.

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, May 6th** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



Divine Mercy Prayer Group

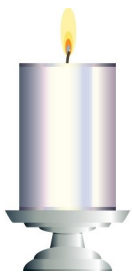
We come together in the Church every Thursday from 1:30pm-2:30pm to pray and reflect on the Divine Mercy. We welcome anyone wishing to join us in this mission.

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 in Jars
Crushed Tomatoes/Tomato
Puree
Spaghetti
Oatmeal



Mother's Day Candles

Once again, we are offering a *Loving Candle* which will be lit on Mother's Day weekend. This symbolic light will remain lit for the life of the candle (approximately a week). This is a beautiful way to remember our living and deceased loved ones. The *Loving Candles* will be available after all Masses this weekend. Candles will also be available at the Parish Office during the week for a donation of \$10.00.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 631-661-3224, ext. 121.

Nights of Recollection - Fr. Charles and Laurie Mangano

Some people have been asking when Fr. Charles and his sister Laurie will be doing another night of recollection, singing and preaching. There is no date set for Our Lady of Lourdes at this time, but they will be doing one on Thursday, May 11th at St. Thomas the Apostle in West Hempstead at 7:30pm in the church. The theme will be Heart to Heart. All are welcome.

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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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!

CYO Travel Basketball Program Director

The Our Lady of Lourdes CYO Travel Basketball Program is looking for a director to run the program next season. The main responsibilities of this position include team registration, budget management, facilities coordination, and communication between CYO LI and the OLL team coaches. Most of the position demands occur between September and February. If interested, please contact Christi Abbate via email at christiabbate@gmail.com.



Good Samaritan University Lecture Series

Join us to learn about the latest advancements in stroke and brain aneurysm treatment and care.

Thursday, May 11, 2023 - 4:00pm

**West Islip Fire Department
309 Union Blvd., West Islip**

Food and refreshments will be available.

Call 631-376-4444 to register.



In recognition of Mother's Day Open House Screening Day

Join Catholic Health for a breast screening:
Saturday, May 13, 2023 10:00am – 2:00pm

Good Samaritan Women's Imaging Center

735 Montauk Highway, West Islip

Walk ins welcome for those with insurance.

For a free screening for those that are under- or uninsured, please call (631) 376-3051 to schedule your appointment.



Free Screening Mammograms Only

To be eligible, women must:

Be 40 years of age or older

Not have had a mammogram within the past 12 months

No insurance necessary

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, May 8, 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!*



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT LIFE CENTER OF LONG ISLAND

The Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the Life Center of Long Island will be completed with collection of the filled bottles on Sunday:

MAY 21ST

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



Please continue to say the prayer attached to the bottle.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support.

Be assured it is making a **BIG, POSITIVE DIFFERENCE**

with the mothers and fathers served by
our pregnancy care centers!



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.



Butterfly Memory Café - May 19, 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 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.

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.



Boy Scout Troop 179

For 50 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. Troop meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30pm.

If you are interested in learning more about Boy Scouts and our Troop, please check out our website: <https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroup179> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

St. Patrick Church in Smithtown is hosting an exhibit of *The Eucharistic Miracles of the World* on Saturday, May 6th from 3:00 to 9:00pm and on Sunday, May 7th from 9:00am to 6:00pm in Canning Hall in St. Patrick School. The exhibit contains an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions of many Eucharistic miracles that have taken place, allowing those in attendance to make a "virtual visit." This international exhibition is based on the work of Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian teen and talented computer programmer who dedicated much of his short life to cataloguing Eucharistic miracles on a website he created. All are welcome. There is no cost to attend. St. Patrick Church and School are located at 280 East Main Street in Smithtown, NY.

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

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

*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!

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.



Employment Opportunities - FT/PT Nurses and Aides

The Nursing Department for the Sisters of St. Dominic located at their Motherhouse in Amityville is looking for full-time/part-time Nurses and aides to work with the Sisters. Our shifts are 12-hrs per day. We offer wonderful benefits and the opportunity to work in a home-like setting while providing quality care and service. To apply for any of the positions, please contact: Tracey Jahrsdoerfer at: tjahrsdoerfer@amityop.org.

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 “Moving On” Group

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

“Healthy Eating”

presented by: **Laura Simmons-Buck** off Long Island Cares

Friday, May 12, 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



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>.

Good Samaritan Spring Gala Raises \$300k for Level I Trauma Services

Good Samaritan University Hospital recently held its 58th Annual Spring Gala, "Growing Together," on Friday, March 31, at Crest Hollow Country Club, to celebrate Good Samaritan University Hospital's accomplishments and growth over the past year.

More than \$300,000 was raised to benefit Trauma Services & Research at Good Samaritan University Hospital. Funds raised will directly benefit the community and the more than 90,000 patients seen in the hospital’s Emergency Department each year. Recently, *Good Samaritan’s ED recently earned recognition as one of the highest level Trauma Centers on Long Island.*

The Gala offered a special opportunity to honor the Medical Staff of Good Samaritan, thank them for their devotion to the health and wellness of our local community, applaud their innovative spirit, and acknowledge their years of sacrifice and training in pursuit of this calling. Catherine Caronia, MD, MBA, Chair of Pediatrics and Graduate Medical Education at Good Samaritan University Hospital received the peer-nominated 2023 Physician of the Year Award.

Also at this year's Gala, Bethpage Federal Credit Union received the 2023 Community Honoree Award for their dedication and support of Good Samaritan and the communities we serve.

“This event was possible due to the support of a number of individuals and organizations,” said Ruth Hennessey. “We would like to extend a special thank you to our top sponsors, the Medical Staff at Good Samaritan University Hospital, Bethpage Federal Credit Union, and Long Island Anesthesiologists, PLLC.”





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

Attention married couples & Priests! Easter is a time for renewal. Here's a chance to get away for the weekend and focus on your spouse to renew and refresh your relationship. To help your good marriage be great!! Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priest-hood? Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage on a World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Every relationship is a journey. The grind of everyday life can cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This experience will help you listen, share and connect more deeply. Our next weekend experience will be on June 23-25, 2023 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY. Register at: <https://wwmenyli.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, 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 “Parents”. To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus is getting a place ready for you in heaven. One day you can spend time with Jesus there. You will never get sick. You will never be sad. You will never be left out. You will be loved because you are God's special child, and He wants to spend time with you every day.



Mission for the Week



Jesus is getting ready for you. Make sure you are getting ready for Jesus. Ask God to help you grow closer to Him every day.

Puzzle

Circle the picture that is **different**. Then color in all the pictures. -



Prayer

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for promising to make a special place for me in heaven, Jesus.



Something to Draw

Draw a picture of what you think your special place in heaven might look like.

