

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

**Rev. Dennis A. Suglia**, Pastor  
**Rev. Charles Mangano**, Associate Pastor

**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  
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Worship and Choir Director  
**Vita Scorcio**, 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](mailto:ParishOffice@ollchurch.org)  
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## Religious Education Office

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

## Parish Outreach Office

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

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

## Liturgical Schedule

### Daily Mass

8:30am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

### Reconciliation/Confession

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

### Rosary

Daily at 8:00am

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday at 8:00am

## Sacraments

### Anointing of the Sick

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

### Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

### Marriage

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

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

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

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, October 29, 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

Fr. Dennis A. Suglia  
Eileen Rega  
Mary Borgs  
Sonia DaSilva  
Dcn. Nilo DeLeon  
Jerry Esposito  
Trish Frodell  
Deborah Lamb  
Rosalie Mangels  
John Muldoon  
Dottie Perdue  
Vita Scorgia

### Mission Statement

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

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

### Readings for the Week of October 29, 2023

**Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26/ 1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-40  
**Monday:** Rom 8:12-17/ Lk 13:10-17  
**Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25/ Lk 13:18-21  
**Wednesday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/ 1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a  
**Thursday:** Any reading from #668 or Masses for the Dead  
**Friday:** Rom 9:1-5/ Lk 14:1-6  
**Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/ Lk 14:1, 7-11  
**Next Sunday:** Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/ 1 The 2:7b-9, 13/ Mt 23:1-12

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

Parish Organist

**Rosemary Cannarella**  
Parish Office

**Amy Danowski**  
Parish Office

**Carol Grillo**  
Parish Office

**Rita Spera**  
Religious Education Office

### Financial Summary

#### October 22, 2023

Weekly Collection	\$ 15,417.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (2,383.00)

<b>World Missions</b>	\$ 4,592.00
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*The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$17,800.*

# Pilgrimage to Auriesville, NY October 22, 2023

We just returned from the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, New York late last night. It was a great trip, a day filled with prayer and celebration as we participated and listened to opportunities for worship and a few talks.

We shared some highlights and graces on the bus trip home. For me, and several of the pilgrims, the highlight of the day was the mid-afternoon Eucharistic procession. Then, the Eucharist was carried outside of the Coliseum (the worship space) onto the grounds of the holy site. It seemed as if all the 7,500 attendees followed the procession around to different stations on the grounds. All the while, we were singing Eucharistic hymns and praying as we heard different Gospel passages proclaimed at different stations. Imagine the sight of thousands of people singing in unison as our Lord, disguised under the ordinary appearance of bread, led us on our journey.

Another highlight which took place just prior to the procession was "Praise and Adoration". This is where the Lord is exposed in a Monstrance (the Blessed Sacrament) much like we do here on Tuesday afternoons. In this case the "praise" portion was led by the Sisters of Life ([sistersoflife.org](https://sistersoflife.org)) who sang very simple songs, many of which are composed by them, in order to cherish and honor our Lord's presence. Simply beautiful.

Special thanks to Father Charles for suggesting the idea and planning the event. To Deacon Rich for implementing the plan and to the Nam family, our beloved parishioners, of i-Delizia Deli for providing breakfast and comfort food for the journey upstate. And of course, all the pilgrims! For more information on the shrine visit: <https://www.ourladyofmartyrsshine.org/>

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Dennis



## Altar Society

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

## Members in the Military

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

<b>Maria Caputo</b> -US Army	<b>Anthony Memoli</b> -US Marine Corps
<b>Drew Carleton</b> -US Air Force	<b>Timothy Milligan</b> -US Marine Corps
<b>Michael DiMatteo</b> -US Marine Corps	<b>Melissa Mockler</b> -US Navy
<b>Michael Fantauzzi</b> -US Air Force	<b>Patric Mockler</b> -US Navy
<b>Christopher Florca</b> -US Marine Corps	<b>Andrew Perniciaro</b> -US Army
<b>Dominick Gennaro</b> -US Army	<b>Brandon Ranzie</b> -US Army
<b>Patrick Harty</b> -US Coast Guard	<b>Jack Shires</b> -US Navy
<b>Ritchard Higham</b> -US Army	<b>Raymond Sgambati</b> -US Navy
<b>Keith Horyczun</b> -US Army	<b>James Stultz</b> -US Army
<b>Christopher Jensen</b> -US Air Force	<b>Alvaro Suarez</b> -US Army
<b>Colby Matthew Kelly</b> -US Army	<b>Jack Taffner</b> -US Marine Corps
<b>Luke Loftsgaarden</b> -US Army	<b>Michael Wilkinson</b> -US Army
<b>Anthony Mannino</b> -US Marine Corps	<b>Peter Zaccaria</b> -US Navy
<b>Msgr. Brian McNamara</b> -US Air Force	

... 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 ...

*Sandra Amberg, Connie Ambrosino, Baby Maya, Jeanette Battista, Michael Battista, Billy Carberry, Thomas J. Calogero III, Dennis Cavanagh, Grace Ciccarello, Lisa Crowe, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Paula Edwards, Ana Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Christopher Gargiulo, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, William Hacker, Kevin Hahn, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Michael Kegel, Nora LeViness, Joseph Marco, Vincent Marinelli, Theresa McCarthy, Lorraine Mockler, Dennis Morgan, Mary Murphy, Peter O'Connor, Amanda O'Malley, Edward Pauciullo, Joseph Pepe, Cameron Pillitteri, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, Donna Rojas, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Diana Smiloff, 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**

*Stephanie Cerami  
James Gordon Johnson Jr.*

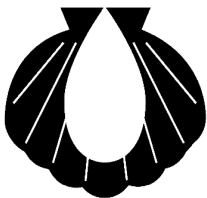
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*We extend our prayerful sympathy to the families and loved ones of those recently deceased.*

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**Upcoming Marriages**



**Baptism**

*Tyler Joseph Jacobs  
Matteo Frank Mancuso  
Santino John Mancuso  
Luke Patrick Rizzo*

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

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, October 30**

**8:30am Richard H. Landry**

**Tuesday, October 31**

**8:30am Linda Francavilla**

**5:00pm Victor & Margaret Scafuro**

**Wednesday, November 1**

*All Saints Day*

**8:30am Salvatore Pinello**

**12:10pm Cosimo & Grazia Ciscia**

**7:30pm Rocco J. Izzo**

**Thursday, November 2**

*All Souls Day*

**8:30am All Souls Novena**

**12:10pm All Souls Novena**

**7:30pm All Souls Novena**

**Friday, November 3**

*St. Martin de Porres*

**8:30am Susan Trifoli**

**Saturday, November 4**

*St. Charles Borromeo*

**8:30am Aida Jose, Mary Ferraro**

**5:00pm**

**Marie & Sam Piazza, Martin Moses, Tony Squeo, Desi Padilla, Rita Bunting, Michael Herr, Gregory J. Veilson**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**Sunday, November 5**

*Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00am Marge & John Kopitsch**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**9:30am Edward Cameron**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**11:00am Dolores O'Dea & Patricia O'Dea-Rist**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*

**12:30pm Mario Francavilla**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*

**6:00pm**

**People of the Parish, Biagio Mingoia, Kevin Graham, Massimo Ferro (Living) Joanne Tomolonis, Roberta Polumbo**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*


October 29, 2023  
**Thirtieth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

October is  
**Respect Life Month:**  
*We are not just for Life, but for  
Eternal Life with God  
in Heaven*

"...I came that they may have life,  
and have it abundantly."  
- John 10:10

**respect life**  
OCTOBER 2023

"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its  
conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to  
defend the dignity of every human person with courageous  
determination. Christ is with you; be not afraid!"  
- Pope St. John Paul II

Learn more 

## 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

## 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.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry / Baby Blanket Bunch

*Bring your prayer and creativity together in a gift of love.*

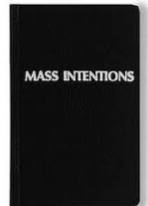
Join us ... **Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am in the Parish Center.** All you need to bring is scrap yarn, knitting needles or crochet hooks (patterns and instructions will be given to you) and your gifts of love and prayer.

## 2024 Mass Intention Book

The **2024 Mass Intention Book** will be opened on **Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 9:00am until 4:00pm in the Parish Center.**

As always, individual Mass intentions are not accepted for Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day and All Souls Day. These days are part of a novena of Masses.

Due to the overwhelming requests for Mass intentions throughout this past year, we have found it necessary to limit requests. Each person may only request a maximum of **seven (7)** Mass intentions at a time.



## 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.

**New Standard Hours for Outreach are as follows:**

**Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 9:30am - 3:30pm ONLY**



Oatmeal  
Canned Beets  
Manwich  
Canned Chicken  
Shampoo / Conditioner



## All Saints' Day

Wednesday, November 1 is All Saints' Day, a holy day of obligation. We will celebrate Mass on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm and on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am, 12:10pm and 7:30pm.

## All Souls' Day

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Souls' Day, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. We will celebrate Mass at 8:30am, 12:10pm and 7:30pm.



## 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 November 4<sup>th</sup>** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:30pm to 4:30pm**. 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](http://ollchurch.org)) to check if Adoration has been canceled. **Note: Adoration will end early (4:30pm) due to the Vigil Mass beginning at 5:00pm**

## 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. Next weekend (11/4 and 11/5) 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.



## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

*What's it all about?*

*IF* you are an adult *AND*

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

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

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



## “Special K”



Designed for children in Kindergarten, this program fosters their interest in and understanding of the process of Religious Education. We meet in the Solarium monthly, on Friday afternoons at 4:30pm. The theme has been “Welcoming Jesus” and we have covered many topics: Prayer, Sharing, and Community among them. This year, the Program will begin in October. We have expanded our range of topics to include some holiday traditions and explanations of the Church seasons so that a young child may connect more easily with parish life. The program is entirely voluntary - so come and see! If you plan on coming, e-mail Sister Diane so we will have enough materials: [sdiane@ollchurch.org](mailto:sdiane@ollchurch.org).

**Dates: Fridays: Nov. 17, Dec. 15, Jan. 26, Feb. 16, Mar. 22, Apr. 17, May 10**

## Confirmation 2023

On **Wednesday, November 8** the Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski. These Confirmation Candidates are the chosen members of this community who have studied, served and prepared with their Sponsors for this Sacrament. During the past few weeks, they have continued their journey towards Confirmation and even greater involvement in the life of our church. The Confirmation Candidates of our Parish have participated in “Spirit Nights” with their parents and sponsors. These times together were an opportunity for them to experience how important it is to be active, faith-filled members of the church community. Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they embrace this very important commitment in their faith journey and that they will continue to be strengthened, loved and supported by YOU ... their Parish family.



## Do you like to sing? New choir members are always welcome!!

Choir Mass: Sundays at 11:00am  
Rehearsals: Thursdays at 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the church  
Season: September to June  
Interested singers are invited to come to a rehearsal and try it out!



## 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](mailto:parishoffice@ollchurch.org).



Join Bishop Barres and the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, for the **Annual Te Deum Dinner** and presentation of the Immaculate Conception Medal to **Msgr. Frank J. Caldwell**, recognizing his more than 40 years of distinguished priestly service, **Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**. We will also celebrate the gift of our three recently ordained priests: **Fr. Steven McClernon, Fr. Michael Nam, M.Id. and Fr. Subin Wilson, M.Id.** Vespers at 4 PM, followed by reception and dinner. Journal & sponsorships available. **Reservations required.** \$150 per guest. Seminary Development Office, (631)423.0483 x 102; [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu).





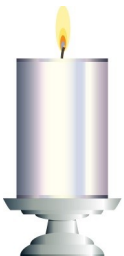
## *An Invitation from the Knights of Columbus*

Men of the Parish (18 years and older), are you interested in serving your Faith, your Church, and your Community? If so, then you are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes Council 17379. Joining the Knights will make you part of a 129 year old Catholic Fraternal Order that exemplifies the high ideals of our faith and has contributed to our communities through charitable works and community outreach. We meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Parish Center. The fourth Monday is an Officers' meeting, but members are welcome to attend. Meetings begin at 8:00pm. So begin your journey of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism by becoming a Knight! Online membership is also available at: [www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org).

**Our next meeting will be Monday, November 13, 2023 at 8:00pm in the Parish Center.**



**Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00am on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.**  
*Be sure to turn you clocks BACK ONE HOUR .*



## **All Souls Day Remembrance Candle**

Once again, in memory of your deceased family and friends, we are offering a *Loving Memory Candle* which will be lit on Wednesday, November 1. This symbolic light will remain for the life of the candle (approximately a week). This is a beautiful way to remember our deceased loved ones. The *Loving Memory Candles* will be available after all the Masses the weekend of October 29<sup>th</sup> and also at the Parish Office (Rectory) for a donation of \$10. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 631-661-3224, ext. 121.

## **Ministry of Consolation :: Mass of Remembrance**

### *We Remember - We Celebrate - We Believe*

During the past year at Our Lady of Lourdes, more than 120 Funeral Masses were celebrated for members of our Parish Family who have died. Their families will be invited to participate in a special Mass of Remembrance on **Saturday, November 18 at 11:30am**. Let us remember in prayer this day all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and for their families who mourn their passing - may they know of Christ's healing love.



## **Boy Scout Troop 179**

For 50 years, Our Lady of Lourdes has been sponsoring Boy Scout Troop 179 of West Islip. Troop meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30pm. If you are interested in learning more about Boy Scouts and our Troop, please check out our website: <https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroup179> or contact us at: [troop179cc@yahoo.com](mailto:troop179cc@yahoo.com).



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# Medjugorje

Accommodations at the Home of **Ivan Dragicevic** (Alleged Visionary)

PILGRIMAGE WITH SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS:

**Fr. Charles Mangano & Fr. Tony Stanganelli**

Father Charles Mangano, a priest of the Diocese Of Rockville Center, New York, for 34 years and Fr. Tony Stanganelli, ordained as well for the diocese some 45 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 27 years and have made numerous trips to Medjugorje. They both are quoted in saying "Medjugorje is a piece of heaven on earth". Fr. Charles and Fr. Tony joyfully look forward to serving you on this spiritual pilgrimage.

## \$3,398 per person from New York (JFK)

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**August 12-20, 2024 or August 19-27, 2024**

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# ALL PARISHIONERS invited to hear the details of the **Miracle Story**

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 7:30pm in the Church**



- Kevin Becker will share his miraculous healing as a result of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati appearing to him while he was in a coma.
- Fr. Charles will offer a short reflection on the life of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, a 24 year old young adult from Turin, Italy, on the road to sainthood.
- A special blessing, using the relic of Pier Giorgio, will be provided by Fr. Charles followed by veneration.



# Good Samaritan University Lecture Series



**Diabetes Care: Manage your health first**

**Monday, November 6, 2023**

**11:30 am**

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

Living with diabetes is not easy but with  
the proper education, it can be managed.

Food and refreshments will be available.



To attend, please RSVP to  
(631) 376-4444

[goodsamaritanuniversity.org](http://goodsamaritanuniversity.org)



## **Butterfly Memory Café - November 3, 2023 from 1:30pm-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, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:30pm-2:30pm. *There is no charge to participate, but space is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to register, please call Hannah at A Gentle Touch Senior Care at: 631-647-7622 or e-mail: [hannah@agentletoauchseniorcare.com](mailto:hannah@agentletoauchseniorcare.com).*



## **Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, November 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 5:30pm-7:00pm in the Parish Center**  
*There is no charge to participate, but please contact Cassandra at 631-647-7622 or via email at: [cassandra@agentletouchseniorcare.com](mailto:cassandra@agentletouchseniorcare.com) to reserve your place.*

## ***St. Agnes of Assisi – The Secular Franciscan Order:***

Would you like to give more time to God, but wonder how to do that when your life is so busy? Do you long for holiness, and feel a need for support in growing spiritually? Perhaps your heart has been moved by stories of St. Francis of Assisi, or the Peace Prayer attributed to him, and you are seeking that same holy simplicity, true peace and perfect joy? If so, Christ may be calling you to explore the Secular Franciscan life. We invite you to join our monthly meetings, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, 1:30pm-4:30pm in the Parish Center at Our Lady of Lourdes in West Islip. For more information, contact Jackie Totino, SFO at 516-320-1326.



## **Employment Opportunity - Sisters of St. Dominic Motherhouse, Amityville**

The Nursing Department for the Sisters of St. Dominic located at their Motherhouse in Amityville is looking for full-time/part-time Registered and Licensed Nurses and Aides to work with our Sisters. Our shifts are 12-hrs per day/night with rotating weekends. We offer wonderful benefits and the opportunity to work in a home-like setting while providing quality care and service. For more information and to apply for a position, contact: Tracey Jahrsdoerfer, Director of Carlin Hall at: 631-842-6000 ext. 264.

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# Understanding Confession

21-39-year-olds



Beginners Welcome

## Viewing of Video by Fr. Mike Schmitz

R.S.V.P.



Open discussion  
Snacks & Refreshments

November 7  
7:30pm  
OLL Parish Center



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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**Stress in Your Marriage?**

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**Our Next Weekend is  
November 3-5  
at the Immaculate Conception Seminary,  
Huntington**

Visit our web site at [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org)  
or call 800-470-2230 for more information



**Surviving  
the Holidays**

provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season.

**Join us for this 2-hour seminar**

Location	Date & time	Contact info
Westminster United Presbyterian Church 109 Udall Rd., W. Islip	Saturday 10:00 -12:00p.m. November 11	Kerry Riddle, Pastor Pastorkerry@optonline.net 631-482-2033

[griefshare.org/holidays](http://griefshare.org/holidays)



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## Preparing for Marriage?

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

Engaged Encounter is an effective Pre-Cana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on **Nov. 4-5, 2023**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com).



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

**Attention married couples & Priests, want to make this an EXPERIENCE to remember?**

**Fall in love again. 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 priesthood? Uncover the secrets to a 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 experiences will be on November 10-12, 2023 and February 9-11, 2024** at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington. Register at [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or contact: Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835. **Deadline for November Weekend registration is October 30, 2023**



## 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 Bob at 631-235-2229.

## 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, and Sunday at 9:30am.

**ALANON:** Wednesday at 10:00am. Beginner’s meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday meetings are via Zoom. For more meeting info visit: [al-anon.org](http://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](mailto:Donna526@aol.com) or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: [FamiliesAnonymous.org](http://FamiliesAnonymous.org).

## Religion and Rock

Tune into “Religion and Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday’s theme is “**Family Life**”. To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).



# Sharing the Gospel

When you have a choice to make, think about what God wants. Make sure your choices are good and that they help other people. When you follow God's example, you will be ready to love other people. With God's help, you can be gentle, forgiving and kind.



## Mission for the Week



As a family, help an elderly person in your neighborhood. Help them with Fall projects around their home, or help them clean their yard.

### Puzzle

What letter **begins** each picture name? Circle the beginning letter. Then color the pictures.



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## Prayer

Dear God,  
Help me to  
love You and  
other people  
more and  
more every day.



## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself praying to God for someone who hurt your feelings.

