### 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

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



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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, January 28, 2024



#### 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 Scorcia
Phil Ambrosino

#### Parish Staff

#### **Patti Anderson**

Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

#### Maryanne Buonaspina

Parish Organist

#### Rosemary Cannarella

Parish Office

#### Amy Danowski

Parish Office

#### Carol Grillo

Parish Office

#### Rita Spera

Religious Education Office

#### 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 January 28, 2024

**Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/ Mk 1:21-28 **Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/ Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/ Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/ Mk 6:1-6 **Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/ Mk 6:7-13 **Friday:** Mal 3:1-4/ Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/ Mk 6:30-34

**Next Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/ 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39

#### **Financial Summary**

#### **January 21, 2024**

Weekly Collection \$ 15,177.00 Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00 +/- for the week \$ (2,623.00)

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

# A Special Day in the life of our Parish Family!

The Installation of OLL's 8th Pastor, Fr. Dennis A. Suglia





All are invited to the parish celebration, immediately following Mass, in the School Cafeteria.



#### **Altar Society**

Altar linens this week will be cared for by Gaye Mazzo. 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.

Maria Caputo-US Army Michael DiMatteo-US Marine Corps Michael Fantauzzi-US Air Force Christopher Florca-US Marine Corps **Dominick Gennaro-***US Army* Patrick Harty-US Coast Guard Ritchard Higham-US Army **Keith Horyczun-***US Army* Colby Matthew Kelly-US Army Luke Loftsgaarden-US Army Anthony Mannino-US Marine Corps Msgr. Brian McNamara-US Air Force Peter Zaccaria-US Navy Anthony Memoli-US Marine Corps

Timothy Milligan-US Marine Corps Melissa Mockler-US Navv Patric Mockler-US Navy Andrew Perniciaro-US Army Brandon Ranzie-US Army Jack Shires-US Navv Raymond Sgambati-US Navy James Stultz -US Army Alvaro Suarez-US Army Jack Taffner-US Marine Corps Michael Wilkinson-US Army

... 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 ...

Joe Amadeo, Sandra Amberg, Connie Ambrosino, Baby Maya, Baby Owen John Barrett, Jeanette Battista, Michael Battista, Thomas J. Calogero III, Lisa Crowe, Susan Dedes, Joseph Dilegame, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Paula Edwards, Ana Ferrante, Helen Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Christopher Gargiulo, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Bea Guzzo, William Hacker, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Paul Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Dave Kegel, Michael Kegel, Ann Kerrigan, Toni Kreamer, Vincent Lichioveri, Peter Lies, Vincent Marinelli, Seamus Martin, Jodianne Carrino Mentus, Glenn Meyer, Richard Meyer, Dennis Morgan, Wesley Morrell, Peter O'Connor, Amanda O'Malley, Edward Pauciullo, Rose Pauciullo Cameron Pillitteri, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Clifford Proctor, William Rivers, Fabian Rojas, Colleen S., Diane Scharen, Robert Scharen, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, David Smiloff, Diana Smiloff, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, Louise Sturgeon, Dolores (Bunny) Thaxter

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



#### Rest In Peace

Laurie Ann D'Alessio Nicholas Lehnert Regina Ronca Jean Violet Swailes

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



#### **Upcoming Marriages**

Amanda Tyrie OLL and Andrew Chase Parish not provided



Carson Kenneth Hass Rowan Washington Murphy Masses may be viewed via livestream on our Facebook page.

Please join us directly on Facebook or by visiting our
website at: <u>ollchurch.org</u>, where you will be redirected.

You do not need a Facebook account.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, January 29

8:30am Grace K. Ciccarello

Tuesday, January 30

8:30am Charles & Louise Mangano

Wednesday, January 31

St. John Bosco

8:30am Stephen J. Gili

Thursday, February 1

8:30am Cosimo Ciocia

Friday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord World Day for Consecrated Life

8:30am Linda Cosentino

Saturday, February 3

St. Blaise, St. Ansgar

8:30am Tom Collins, Jacqueline Gutierrez,

**Basillo Aquino & Family** 

5:00pm Carl Schmid & Emma Cameron,

Thaddeus Gladkowski, John P. Caparella & Beverly Caparella, Elizabeth McClorey

Sunday, February 4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

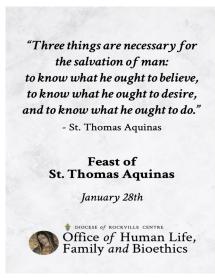
8:00am Cecilia Wolf

9:30am Jim Weydig & the Boy Scouts of America

11:00am Mario D'Alessandro Domenicone

12:30pm Pedro de Roxas

6:00pm People of the Parish, Ted Gladkowski





#### **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**, **January 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **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.

#### 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!



#### **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.

Hours for Outreach: Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 9:30am - 3:30pm ONLY



Egg Noodles Rice in Bag Crushed Tomatoes Tomato Sauce Soap



January 28, 2024 Catholic Schools Week

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Each year, the Church throughout the United States takes the opportunity to celebrate the gift of Catholic Education during Catholic Schools Week which begins today and concludes on February 3, 2024. As Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, I want to express how incredibly proud I am of our Catholic Schools in the ways that they evangelize our young Catholics here on Long Island.

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis says, "Catholic schools, which always strive to join their work of education with the explicit proclamation of the Gospel, are a most valuable resource for the evangelization of culture" (§134). This mission-driven approach to Catholic Education is especially fitting as the Church in the United States participates in a national Eucharistic Revival, because the mission of the national Eucharistic Revival is embedded into the mission of Catholic Education. Assisting students to know and love Jesus through the transformative power of the Mass, and equipping them to evangelize their families and communities, is an extraordinarily beautiful and achievable goal that our Catholic Schools strive to achieve each day.

As schools throughout the Diocese celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2024 with Masses, open houses, and other various activities, we give thanks to the Lord for those who make these events and Catholic Education as a whole possible. To the dedicated and faithful administrators, teachers, and staff members: thank you for working tirelessly every day to advance the Church's evangelizing mission by your love for Christ and by helping his children to know the presence and power of his love in their lives. To the many parents and guardians who generously offer so much time to assist your pastors and principals in advancing the mission of Catholic Education in your parish and regional schools: your love for Christ and his Church is inspiring, and I am so grateful for your Good Samaritan charity, dedication, and perseverance. In addition, I want to express my gratitude to the Morning Star Initiative and the Department of Education staff who collaborate and work together to provide every student in our Catholic Schools with an education that is robustly Catholic, academically excellent, safe and supportive, and sustainable.

St. John Bosco, a patron saint of school children, understood the essential mission of Catholic Education in the world. He once said, "If we want to have a good society, we must concentrate all our forces on the Christian education of the young." Because of the fantastic work being accomplished in our Catholic Schools, I think we can have great hope in the future of society here on Long Island: a future that is filled with young Catholics who are on fire for Jesus Christ and his Church!

Through the intercession of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, the patron saint of Catholic Education, Saint John Bosco, and Mary, Star of Evangelization, may the Lord continue to bless the Morning Star Initiative, the Department of Education, our Catholic Schools, and all those involved in Catholic Education on Long Island, especially our students!

Sincerely yours in Christ

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

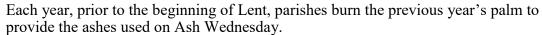


#### Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS).

The weekend of February 3-4, 2024, Father Donato Infante will be visiting our parish on behalf of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). Fr. Donato Infante is a priest of the Diocese of Worcester, Massachusetts. He earned his undergraduate degree at Boston College and then studied for the priesthood at Saint John's Seminary in Brighton, Massachusetts and the Pontifical North American College in Rome. Since his ordination in 2015, he has been involved in university ministry at three different colleges in his diocese in various capacities. He currently serves in his diocese as vocation director and as chaplain at Saint Paul Diocesan Jr/Sr High School. FOCUS is a national organization

serving college students at more than 232 campus/locations including eight international locations, 23 parish venues and nine digital expansion campuses. More than 970 FOCUS missionaries invite college students into a relationship with Christ and His Church, while equipping them for a lifetime of Catholic evangelization. Fr. Infante is excited to be with you soon and share the hope of the New Evangelization! To learn more, please visit <a href="https://www.focus.org">www.focus.org</a>.

#### Last Year's Palm Becomes This Year's Ashes





We invite you to return the blessed Palm branches you received at Mass last Palm Sunday so that we can include them in the ashes we will use this year on Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Please deposit your palm in the baskets near the doors as you enter the church. **Deadline for returning palm is Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.** 



#### 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: <a href="https://www.kofC.org">www.kofC.org</a>.

Our next meeting will be Monday, February 12, 2024 in the Parish Center.

#### 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.



#### **Blessing of Throats— February 3, 2024**

In observance of the Feast of St. Blaise (February 3) throats will be blessed at our regular Saturday morning Mass (8:30am)





#### **Boy Scout Sunday - February 4**

All Scouts interested in participation in Boy Scout Sunday are invited to join with us at the 9:30am Family Mass on February 4, 2023. Those attending should come in full dress uniform.

#### **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 (2/3 and 2/4) 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.

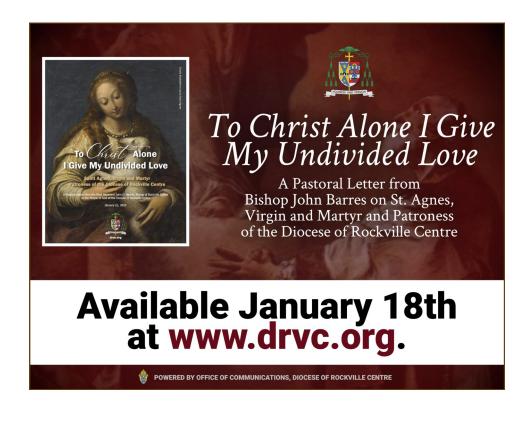


#### **Nocturnal Adoration**

"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 February 3<sup>rd</sup>** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



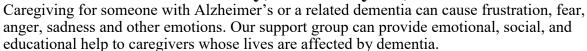




#### Butterfly Memory Café - February 2, 2024 from 1:30pm-2:30pm

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, February 2<sup>nd</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.

#### Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, February 22, 2024



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: <u>cassandra@agentletouchseniorcare.com</u> 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.

#### MERCY SOUP KITCHEN SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..." Matthew 25:35

It is an exciting time at the Mercy Soup Kitchen of Wyandanch as it is preparing to launch its new and expanded post-Covid operation.

Located in the basement of Trinity Lutheran Church at 17 South 20<sup>th</sup> Street, the Kitchen served its first meal to hungry people in 1980 and currently serves an average of 108 people per day. During the pandemic, however, the Kitchen procedures had to be modified in order to provide hot, nourishing meals safely and continuously to those in need. Indoor sit-down dining was discontinued and only take-out dining was available. But, today, the Kitchen is posing for a post-Covid reopening – a reorganizational rebirth of sorts – where the Kitchen procedures can finally return to again offering guests dignified, indoor sit-down dining.

The Kitchen relies heavily on its generous volunteer support and, as such, **numerous on-site and off-site volunteer opportunities are now available.** While there are openings for on-site positions, such as helping to prepare and serve meals and to perform various maintenance functions, there are also openings for diverse off-site positions in areas such as finance, grant development and preparation, legal compliance assurance, marketing duties, social media facilitation and fund raising/donation coordination.

Only with the efforts of its volunteers can the Kitchen succeed in its mission to provide food security to those in need. Please consider sharing some of your time and talents with the Kitchen to make this happen. We invite you to join our team.

For further information, contact Vito Colletti at 631-358-9917 or vcolletti@optonline.net



Date: 1/27/2024 Snow Date: 2/3/2024

**Time:** 4 p.m. — 7:30 p.m.

Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Church, school cafeteria

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

Cost: \$10.00 per person (includes 2 \$1 raffle tickets)

#### **All You Can Eat**

Spaghetti, Meatballs, Bread, Salad & Dessert

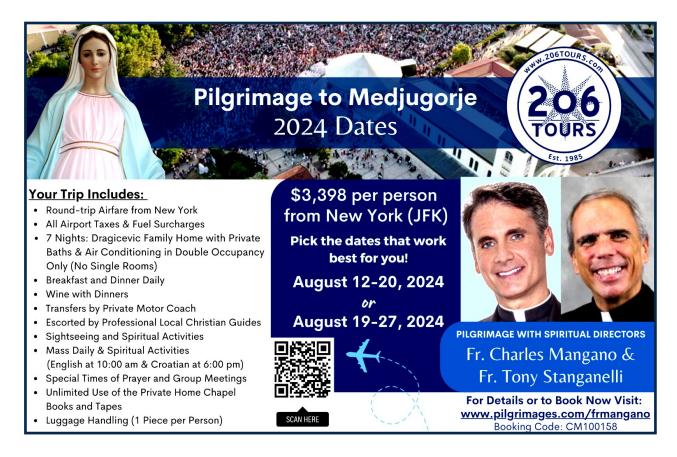
#### Tickets Can Be Purchased At The Door

If you can't make the event the troop will be taking pre-orders after mass on select weekends at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. You choose a pick up time. Just fill out and submit one of our spaghetti dinner order forms before 1/21/24. Any questions message us on

Facebook at Friends of Troop 179 West Islip, NY.

Prizes: Friends Of Troop 179 will be selling raffle tickets to win many donated prizes as well as a 50/50 drawing!





#### **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.

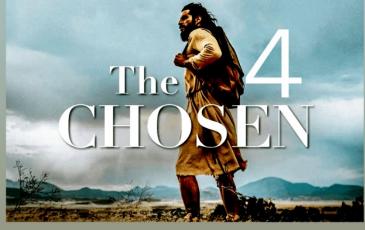
Please mail the information to the Parish Office, or email to: parishoffice@ollchurch.org.

#### **Pornography Addiction**

Many people have found themselves suffering with an addiction to pornography. God says, "My saving power will rise on you like the sun and bring healing like the sun's rays." Malachi 4:2. Overcome pornography and other unhealthy sexual behaviors with a professional, science-based Catholic program. It is called: *RECLAIM*Sexual Health. Visit <a href="https://www.ReclaimsexualHealth.com">www.ReclaimsexualHealth.com</a>. Get help or help others. Private and anonymous Online Help 24/7. The latest brain science cutting-edge technology. Personalized support and faith focused. The Brain Science of Change and Theology of the Body is God's way out. In 1 Corinthians 10:13 it says, "No trial has come to you but what is human. God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial, He will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it." Pornography is an addiction. Porn enslaves the soul, and deep shame is connected to it, but healing and recovery is possible. If you or someone you know has a porn addiction please log onto the website above.

You can also visit <a href="www.IntegrityRestored.com">www.IntegrityRestored.com</a>. This site is also designed for those who struggle with pornography use and those who may know of someone who struggles. Here you will learn about the pornography epidemic in America and how porn affects men, women, children and teens. You will learn about the addictiveness of pornography and the recovery process. Wives will learn how to help their husbands and vice versa as well as how to find healing for their own emotional pain (feelings of hurt, betrayal, etc.). The website takes a unique approach by incorporating Catholic spirituality into the recovery process. Porn reduces the human person to an object for one's selfish pleasure. This is in direct opposition to the beauty of the whole human person that God created in His image and likeness, never to be lusted after but to be loved as a whole person: body, mind and soul.

# MOVIE MEET UP





REGAL DEER PARK - TANGER OUTLETS

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 3 4:30 SHOWING MEET IN LOBBY AFTER

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PURCHASE YOUR OWN TICKETS IN ADVANCE



#### The "Moving On" Group

An 'After-Bereavement' Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

#### "Self Care Within Us"

presented by Sara Patel Friday, February 9, 2024 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





#### **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: <a href="https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179">https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179</a> or contact us at: troop179cc@yahoo.com.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre

#### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who celebrated Fifty Years of Marriage in 2024 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre Celebrant: Most Reverend Andrzej Zglejszewski Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Sunday, May 5, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.

Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue Celebrant: Most Reverend Robert J. Coyle Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 30, 2024

#### Register online at drvc-faith.org

For questions, please contact Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at (516)678-5800 ext. 200 or via email at Irobustelli@drvc.org







WWW.LISCHOOLS.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 **April 26-28, 2024**, please visit our website at:

www.helpourmarriage.org.

or call: 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially

to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

Weekend Location: Immaculate Conception Seminary 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743





In addition to our parish website (<u>ollchurch.org</u>), 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 **June 8-9**, **2024**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: **longisland.engagedencounter.com**.



#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

#### **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: <u>al-anon.org</u>.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:Donna526@aol.com">Donna526@aol.com</a> or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-589-3790. Website: <a href="mailtesAnonymous.org">FamiliesAnonymous.org</a>.

#### **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 "Forgiveness". To listen online or for more information, visit: <a href="https://www.ReligionandRock.com">www.ReligionandRock.com</a>.

#### **Sharing the Gospel**

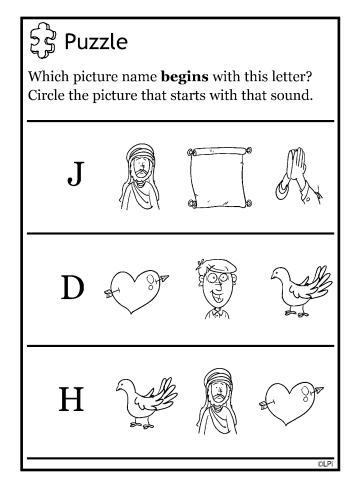
Grass stains, tomato sauce, brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil sprit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.



#### **Mission for the Week**



Make a new label for your family's stain pre-treatment bottle. Trace around the bottle, write Mark 1:21-28 in big letters, and decorate your label with a picture of Jesus. Tape you new label to the bottle so you and your parents remember how strong Jesus is.



#### **Prayer**

Dear God, You are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for You to clean.



## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus on a super-powerful stain fighting laundry soap.