

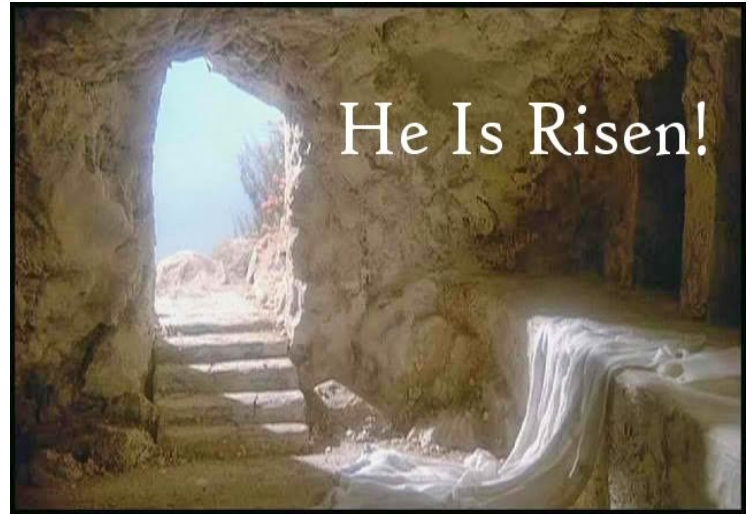
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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

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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 Scorgia, Ministry Spiritual Director



Parish Office

Phone: 631.661.3224 (select option #2)
Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm
Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm
E-mail: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org
Fax: 631.661.7143
Website: www.ollchurch.org

Religious Education Office

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

Parish Outreach Office

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

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.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord • Sunday, March 31, 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

Mission Statement

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

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

Readings for the Week of March 31, 2024

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9
or Mk 16:1-7
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/ Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/ Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/ Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/ 1 Jn 5:1-6/ Jn 20:19-31

Parish Staff

Patti Anderson
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

Maryanne Buonaspina
Parish Organist

Rosemary Cannarella
Parish Office

Amy Danowski
Parish Office

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Parish Office

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Religious Education Office

Financial Summary

March 24, 2024

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

Financial information was unavailable at time of printing. It will be published in the next bulletin.

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

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! Jesus Christ is truly risen today, Alleluia, Alleluia! Whenever we celebrate Easter, it gives us an opportunity to rejoice in Jesus' greatest miracle, His resurrection from the dead.

The important thing is to remember that Jesus did rise from the dead. Two thousand years of tradition have passed, but this truth never fades. Throughout that time, there have been pandemics and wars, natural disasters and plagues. Nonetheless, the central truth of the Resurrection guides us that we are called to new life in Christ.

It is times like these, when we can focus on our faith. What better time than to devote some time each and every day, both individually and with our families, to prayer, meditation and perhaps reading the bible. We have an opportunity to center ourselves with a new found focus on our interior life with God.

Let this Easter season bring us closer to Him who saves us from sin and death. Let us be confident that those who lost their lives have followed Him into eternity. And let us continue to be united with one another through our prayer.

In Christ,

Fr. Dennis





DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Easter 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Easter to you and your families! Thank you for your love for the inspired Word of God. Thank you for your love for the Resurrection appearances of our Lord in this Easter season and the way your lives are set on fire in your meditation and contemplation of these mysteries.

Thank you for your fidelity to the Eucharist and the Sunday Mass and your Catholic spirit of evangelization. Thank you for being instruments of Eucharistic Revival.

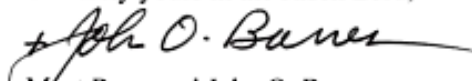
In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis states: “Christ’s resurrection is not an event of the past; it contains a vital power which has permeated the world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force...Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storms of history...Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power.” (276)

We continue to live through “the storms of history” and we rely on the Risen Lord and his glorified wounds to touch the wounds in Ukraine, the Middle East, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Armenia and Azerbaijan, the region of the Sahel, the Horn of Africa and Sudan, as well as Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, South Sudan and so many other troubled areas of the world.¹ We ask the Risen Lord and his glorified wounds to touch the wounds experienced in our own country.

In *The Everlasting Man*, G.K. Chesterton captured the power of our Lord’s Resurrection experienced in the cycles of history. He wrote: “Christendom has had a series of revolutions and in each one of them Christianity has died. Christianity has died many times and risen again; for it had a God who knew the way out of the grave.”

This Easter and every Easter we celebrate this Everlasting Man who knew his way out of the grave and who invites us and the Catholic Church on Long Island to a great Resurrection.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Diocese of Rockville Centre

¹ See Pope Francis’ December 25, 2023 *Urbi et Orbi* Message.

Are You In Need of Mercy? Divine Mercy Prayer Service



Are you familiar with the Divine Mercy of Jesus? On February 22, 1931, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ appeared to a nun by the name of Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska. She was from the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Cracow, Poland. Jesus appeared to her bringing with Him a wonderful message of Mercy for all people. In the apparition she saw Jesus standing before her in a white robe. With His left hand He was pulling back His garment revealing His heart, out of which came white and red rays (*symbolic of the blood and water which flowed from His side when pierced with a lance on the cross. This image reminds us of the tender Mercy of God which was shed upon the world at Calvary*). This image of Jesus as He appeared to St. Faustina can be seen hanging on the back wall of the church behind the last pew. It is in the heart of Jesus that we find love, mercy, strength, hope and healing. Jesus said to St. Faustina, “the greater the sinner, the greater their right to My mercy.” No matter what sin one commits, if their heart is truly repentant, God will forgive them.

In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II (now a Saint) canonized Sister Faustina a saint, making this apparition worthy of belief. The Holy Father also declared the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the whole Church. Jesus asked this of St. Faustina.

Therefore, as a parish, we will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday on **April 7, 2024**. We will praise God for His eternal love and abundant mercy. How? There will be a prayer service in the Church from 2:30pm until 4:30pm. The prayer service will consist of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, readings from scripture, praying the chaplet of Divine Mercy (*which consists of various prayers which Jesus gave to Sister Faustina to give to the world. This chaplet is prayed on ordinary rosary beads*), the sorrowful mystery of the rosary, singing and the opportunity to venerate the image of the Divine Mercy and the first-class relic of Saint Faustina. All are welcome to join us.

In the apparition of Jesus to St. Faustina, He also gives us the Divine Mercy Novena to pray and, like all Novenas, it is 9 days. The Novena begins on Good Friday and ends the day before Divine Mercy Sunday. The Novena is very unique because Jesus gives us the intentions that He wants us to pray for over the 9 days. It is a most beautiful and selfless prayer. There will be red Novena pamphlets at all the doors of the church in case you need one.

A huge and merciful gift given us on Divine Mercy Sunday is that we can receive a plenary indulgence. Jesus promised this to us through St. Faustina when He reminded us of His great mercy. What is a plenary indulgence? It is the total remission (*washing away*) of temporal punishment due to sin. When I confess my sin with a sincere and contrite heart, I am totally forgiven, but the temporal (*the here and now*) damage that was done to others (*and myself*) as a result of my sin remains. That’s why we do penance to try to repair the damage we have done. That is what purgatory is about. That’s why a plenary indulgence is a merciful gift from the Lord. How can one receive it? Here are the requirements: One must go to Mass and receive Holy Communion on the feast of Divine Mercy, April 6th / 7th. One must go to confession within 10 days of the feast (*either before or after*), pray the Apostles Creed (*which is your profession of faith*), take a few moments to reflect on the mercy you have received in your life, pray one Our Father and Hail Mary for the Pope’s intention and lastly, have a desire to be freed from the attachment to sin. **Priests will be hearing confession during the prayer service on Sunday, April 7th for your convenience.**

Several years ago, Fr. Charles and his sister recorded a Divine Mercy Album which consists of the Divine Mercy Chaplet presented in three different ways: scriptural, traditional and sung. It also has the Litany of the Divine Mercy and several reflection songs. The purpose of the CD is to help you pray and reflect more deeply on the love of our Lord expressed in his passion. The CD’s are sold through their music ministry website: www.frcharleslaurie.com.

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.

Maria Caputo - <i>US Army</i>	Timothy Milligan - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
Christopher Florca - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	Melissa Mockler - <i>US Navy</i>
Dominick Gennaro - <i>US Army</i>	Patric Mockler - <i>US Navy</i>
Patrick Harty - <i>US Coast Guard</i>	Thomas F. Parson - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
Ritchard Higham - <i>US Army</i>	Jack Shires - <i>US Navy</i>
Keith Horyczun - <i>US Army</i>	Raymond Sgambati - <i>US Navy</i>
Luke Loftsgarden - <i>US Army</i>	James Stultz - <i>US Army</i>
Msgr. Brian McNamara - <i>US Air Force</i>	Alvaro Suarez - <i>US Army</i>
Anthony Memoli - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	Jack Taffner - <i>US Marine Corps</i>

... 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 Owen John Barrett, Jeanette Battista, Thomas J. Calogero III, Thomas Cavanagh, Frank Cognetta, Susan Dedes, Joseph Dilegame, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Paula Edwards, Anna Ferrante, Helen Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Bea Guzzo, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Paul Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Margaret Kavoures, Dave Kegel, Michael Kegel, Toni Kreamer, Peter Lies, Vincent Marinelli, Seamus Martin, Jodianne Carrino Mentus, Glenn Meyer, Richard Meyer, Wesley Morrell, Peter O'Connor, Edward Pauciullo, Rose Pauciullo, Cameron Pillitteri, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, William Rivers, Fabian Rojas, Colleen S., Diane Scharen, Robert Scharen, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Gary Shaddock, George Shaddock, Margie Siefken, Diana Smiloff, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, Larry Sturgeon, Louise Sturgeon, Dolores Thaxter

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



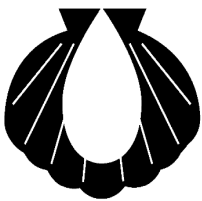
Rest In Peace

Gerzan Argueta
Herbert Higgins

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



Upcoming Marriages



Baptism

Natalia Marie Siggilino
Josephine Marie Stasolla

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 1

8:30am

Rev. Msgr. Domenick T. Graziadio

Tuesday, April 2

8:30am

Maria & Manuel Martins

Wednesday, April 3

8:30am

People of the Parish

Thursday, April 4

8:30am

Tina Perera

Friday, April 5

8:30am

Tom Collins

Saturday, April 6

8:30am

Carmela Y. Luongo

5:00pm

Barbara & Louie Argento, Dorothy Brando, Matt & Anna Lattanzio, The Burke Family, Lu-Anne Brady, Joyce M. LaRose, Jon Giuliani

Fr. Dennis Suglia

Sunday, April 7

Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00am

Donna Marie Neuman

Fr. Dennis Suglia

9:30am

Bruce Schmid

Fr. Dennis Suglia

11:00am

Linda Francavilla

Fr. Charles Mangano

12:30pm

Wladislaw Bulanowski, Emma Musial

Fr. Charles Mangano

6:00pm

People of the Parish, Irene Bishop, Cynthia Breitfeller, Ronald Morgan, George Mangels, Thomas Albano

Fr. Charles Mangano

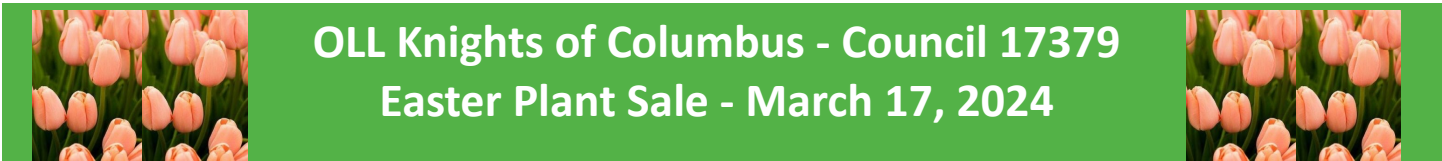
Note: Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.



An Invitation from the Knights of Columbus

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

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 8, 2024 in the Parish Center.



Thank you to our Parish Family at Our Lady of Lourdes

The Knights of Columbus Council #17379, would like to thank YOU, our Parish Family, for your generous support of our 2024 Easter Plant Sale. We are very grateful, and honored to call Our Lady of Lourdes "home"!



Knights of Columbus Council #17379



Fr. Pat Amabile
 Fr. Joe Lukaszewski
 Fr. Bill Jablonski
 Fr. Bill Shean
 Fr. Brendel
 Fr. Toomey
 Msgr. Wiest
 Msgr. Minturn
 Victims of 9/11
 June & John Carrick
 Ellen & Tom McMahon
 Mr. & Mrs. Edward Moore
 Andrew L. Velten
 Drew Velten
 Mr. & Mrs. John Bochicchio
 Dowling, Kelly, McCarthy and
 Petrone Families
 Joseph & Helen Nolan

John & Dolores Oleksiuk
 Christopher Rodriguez
 Fred N. Polik & Phyllis Gunther
 Mr. Richard M. Devlin, Sr.,
 The Devlin Families,
 The Peterson Families,
 Ms. Dorothy Troisi
 In Honor of Mrs. Lillian Devlin
 In Memory of Mr. Richard M. Devlin
 In Memory of the Devlin Families
 In Memory of the Peterson Families
 Ireneo & Consolacion De Leon
 Raymundo & Carolina Herrera
 Crecensiana Madriaga
 Anthony Borzell, Florence Borzell,
 Maureen Borzell and
 Patricia & Raymond Zitoni
 Deceased Members of the Graci,
 Meehan, Piazza & Timory Families
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Piscola
 Dick Ryan
 Catherine M. Rao, Anthony M. Rao,
 Peggy McGurk
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Folks
 Deceased Members of the Herr Family
 Ms. Annette Yao
 The Dowd Family
 The Fioravanti Family
 Madeline Hopper
 Pete Schreiner & Marion Schreiner
 Mr. & Mrs. Basilio Aquino & Family
 Barbara Johnston

Living & Deceased Members of the
 Ruvolo & Lanfair Families
 Lucille Yngstrom, Philip Berthold Sr.,
 Philip Berthold, Jr., Ray Berthold and
 Flo Kiss
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Mockler
 Frances Mannino, Jennie Dallara,
 Cathy Chienese, Susan Bruno
 Ms. Krista Bourne
 Martin James Finn
 James Teague
 Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Lombardo
 Pat & Ed
 Richard Mongelli
 Mr. & Mrs. Michal Cannetti
 Theresa & Frank Felinay
 Anna & John Lauria
 Rosemary & Charles Clancy
 Alice B. Weckerle, rc
 Mr. & Mrs. Dean Mario
 Joe Catuosco
 Deceased Members of the
 Capoccia Family
 The Bencivinni Family
 Sal & Nancy Bencivinni
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert D'Aiello
 Edith & Francis Monaghan
 Mr. & Mrs. Terence Reilly
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Ahern
 Helen Morrison
 Gordan Morrison

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 19th** after the 12:30pm Mass.

Please note: Raffle Tickets will NOT be mailed to your home.

They will only be available via the weekly bulletin. Completed raffle tickets, with your check or cash, should be returned to the Parish Office.



EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER RAFFLE	EASTER RAFFLE
Name _____	Name _____	Name _____
Phone _____	Phone _____	Phone _____
1 Ticket for \$25, 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25, 6 Tickets for \$100	1 Ticket for \$25, 6 Tickets for \$100
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Name _____	Name _____	Name _____
Phone _____	Phone _____	Phone _____
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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

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month. The next meeting will be on **Monday, April 1st**. We will begin with Rosary at 7:00pm in the Church, immediately followed by our business meeting in the Parish Center.

SAGE

Our next SAGE meeting will be **Tuesday, April 2nd** at 9:30am in the Parish Center.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, April 2nd 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.

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



Cookies/Crackers
Canned Fruit
Juice
Toothpaste
Soap



A Plenary Indulgence Granted by Papal Decree

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience™

In Honor of St. Bernadette's Feast Day



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue West Islip, NY

Saturday, April 13th 7:00 PM

Followed by refreshments
in the All-Purpose room

- ★ ***Receive Lourdes Water***
- ★ ***Touch the Grotto Rock***
- ★ ***Adoration & Benediction***
- ★ ***Rosary Decade & Procession***

For information contact:
Parish Office 631-661-3224 or
parishoffice@ollchurch.org



Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality
North American Volunteers
www.LourdesVolunteers.org



DIVINE MERCY

Jesus, I Trust in You!

Tuesday, April 2
7:30 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center
West Islip

"Tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners."



FRASSATI
young adult group

Ages 21-39

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 (4/6 and 4/7) 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 April 6th** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



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.

Free health screenings

Mobile Outreach Bus



The Community Outreach team is pleased to offer free health screenings in your community by a Catholic Health registered nurse.



Services for adults (18 and older):

- Brief cardiac history
- Blood pressure screening
- BMI screening
- Simple blood test for cholesterol and glucose
- Health education
- Referrals as needed
- Resources for those without insurance

Our Lady of Lourdes R.C. Church
455 Hunter Ave
West Islip, NY
Monday April 15, 2024
10am- 2pm

chsli.org



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje



Your Trip Includes:

- Round-trip Airfare from New York
- All Airport Taxes & Fuel Surcharges
- 7 Nights: Dragicevic Family Home with Private Baths & Air Conditioning in Double Occupancy Only (No Single Rooms)
- Breakfast and Dinner Daily
- Wine with Dinners
- Transfers by Private Motor Coach
- Escorted by Professional Local Christian Guides
- Sightseeing and Spiritual Activities
- Mass Daily & Spiritual Activities (English at 10:00 am & Croatian at 6:00 pm)
- Special Times of Prayer and Group Meetings
- Unlimited Use of the Private Home Chapel Books and Tapes
- Luggage Handling (1 Piece per Person)



August 19 - 27, 2024

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



PILGRIMAGE WITH SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

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

For Details and to Book Now Visit:
www.pilgrimages.com/frmangano
Booking Code: CM100158



SCAN HERE

2024 Parish Summer Pilgrimage with Spiritual Directors Fr. Charles Mangano and Fr. Tony Stanganelli sponsored by 206 Tours

Where to? Medjugorje (former Yugoslavia, now Bosnia Hercegovina). \$3,398.00 includes airfare, lodging, meals (breakfast and dinner), tour guide, etc. Medjugorje means between the mountains because mountains surround the village. This is the place where the alleged apparitions of Our Lady have been occurring since 1981. We will be staying in the home of Ivan, the alleged visionary, and we will be present while he has the alleged apparition of Our Lady each day. When the children asked Our Lady the reason for her coming, her response was **“My Son has sent me because we are concerned about your salvation.”** (The salvation of everyone). When they asked her, “Why did you chose Medjugorje?”, her response was, **“Because I have found faith here.”** Pilgrims come from all over the world, and seeing their strong faith empowers our soul with deeper faith, hope and love. We will experience adoration of the Blessed Sacrament outdoors under the stars along with thousands of other pilgrims. It is an experience of a lifetime. We will also have the opportunity to climb Apparition Hill while praying the rosary (*the site of the first alleged apparition*) and Cross Mountain as we pray the stations of the cross. For those who choose not to climb the mountains, they are free to gather in Ivan’s chapel and pray the rosary and stations of the cross as a group. The love for Jesus and Mary is so evident in Medjugorje that it’s palpable in the village. Medjugorje is a place where Heaven touches the earth. You will not only see and be in awe of the long lines of people waiting to go to confession, but you will also have the opportunity to go to the sacrament if you choose to do so. A pilgrimage is a microcosm of life. As a group we will pray together, learn more about Our Lord’s and Our Lady’s love for us, sing, laugh, relax and experience much more together. The alleged visionaries in Medjugorje tell us that no one goes to Medjugorje by accident. They are called individually by Our Lady. What an awesome thought! All are welcome. If you feel called to go to Medjugorje, I invite you to respond to Our Lady’s invitation. See the 206 Tours ad in the bulletin.

ATTENTION ALL YOUNG ADULTS

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

The Frassati Young Adult Group
will be participating in the 6-week
Parish Bible Study

TUESDAYS
7:30PM
OUR LADY OF LOURDES
ALL PURPOSE ROOM

APRIL 30 **MAY 21**
MAY 7 **MAY 28**
MAY 14 **JUNE 4**

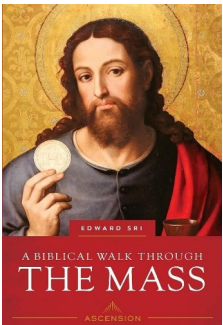


In lieu of **NO TUESDAY MEETINGS in MAY**
Frassati Young Adult Group is excited to host:

PAINT-N-SIP EVENT

Saturday, May 18 6:30pm

Frassati Meetings will resume Tuesday, June 18



2024 Spring Bible Study “A Biblical Walk Through the Mass”

This next study is entitled *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*. This will help us to see where the elements of the Mass are rooted in the bible. A Biblical Walk Through the Mass is a scriptural tour through the prayers, hymns, and rituals of the Liturgy. Practically every part of the Mass finds its inspiration in Scripture, as Pope Benedict XVI has noted. Therefore, the more we understand the biblical background to the *Kyrie*, the *Gloria*, and other prayers of the Liturgy, the more we will be able to enter into all that we say and do in the Mass.

After providing a general overview of the Liturgy, this study devotes a session to each of the major sections of the Mass: **the Introductory Rites, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and the Concluding Rites**. Between each class, readings from the Bible, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) will be given to participants for their review. This is to deepen their understanding of the prayers and other elements of the Mass. During this study each person will receive a workbook and text book by Dr. Edward Sri which is based on the 2011 translation of the Mass.

The Study will be six consecutive Tuesdays: April 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4. There will be a DVD presentation by Dr. Edward Sri each week and group facilitators will be assisting our weekly discussion. The last session will be a Mass and hospitality. There will be two sessions each Tuesday, 1:00pm (*limited to 116 people*) and 7:30pm (*limited to 184 people*). You can sign up for whichever session is most convenient. The cost of the bible study is \$30.00 per person to cover the cost of the books and supplies. If you cannot afford that amount, feel free to give whatever you can afford. Please don't let the cost keep you away.

To register please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 ext. 121. All are welcome.



"By being with Jesus, we discover that His pastoral heart always beats for the person who is confused, lost, far away, " Pope Francis

Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal helps Catholic Charities and Parish Outreach provide love, care, and spiritual nourishment to those in need.

When Amanda’s mom passed away in 2019, her mom’s ex-husband left, leaving her three stepsisters alone with the threat that they would be put in foster care. Without any hesitation she took the children in to care for them. *“It’s been a hard battle. We were homeless and in bad situations, but I know that God will not give you something you can’t handle. You must keep the faith and push forward. With the help of the Parish Social Ministry program at St. John the Evangelist, Center Moriches, I was able to get through this hardship. In addition to food, the PSM has helped me to renew my lapsed insurance license and assisted in paying bills. If I need to talk to anyone, I can call or email to make an appointment. They have been there for me through everything. I really appreciate all they do for me and for everyone else. It is a blessing. They are angels on earth.”*



- Amanda, Client of St. John the Evangelist’s Parish Outreach

The Director of the Parish Outreach, Katie Spellman, shared how her work allows her to grow in her faith. *“Working in Parish Social Ministry has taken my faith outside of the Church. It’s an opportunity for me to dig deeper into faith and think of the humble servant. It’s a gift for me to work here – it feeds my soul.”*

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: _____ Parish: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: Home _____ Cell: _____

Signature: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

Catholic Ministries Appeal Diocese of Rockville Centre PO Box 4000 Rockville Centre, NY 11571-4000

THANK YOU



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



Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, April 18, 2024

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 Cassandra at 631-647-7622 or via email at: cassandra@agentletouchseniorcare.com to reserve your place.



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

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.



Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday evening, April 1, 2024 starting with rehearsal at 7:30pm at Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus.

All voice parts are welcomed.

For further information, visit: www.babylonchorale.org or email: info@babylonchorale.org.

Sisters of St. Joseph Spring Liturgy & Luncheon

St. Joseph's Chapel and Academy Building - Brentwood Campus

Sunday April 7, 2024

11:00am-4:00pm

Volunteers needed to assist with the following:

Handing out liturgy booklets for Mass

Guiding/directing to rooms during luncheon

Sale of raffle tickets

Clean up after the event

Link to volunteer registration form: <https://forms.gle/u7pWkSsPZo188sBq6>

Sprint into Spring 5K Fun Run/Walk

Sisters of St. Joseph - Brentwood Campus

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Volunteers needed between 7:00am-2:00pm to assist with the following:

Parking lot supervision

Breakfast Boost Station

Distribution of t-shirts

Hydration station

Guidance along the walk/run route

Clean up after the event

Link to volunteer registration form: <https://forms.gle/yerrqa3WvoJsvvNCA>

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, 2nd 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.



Pedestrian Safety Open House

Tuesday, April 9, 2024
6:00 pm

West Islip Fire Department
309 Union Boulevard
West Islip, NY

Stay after the panel discussion for a dinner and information tables, featuring the panelists and other great resources.

Experts will discuss the volume and circumstances surrounding recent crashes in the area and how we can best protect drivers on the road. Attendees will be able to ask questions about traffic safety and how to make your commute to work and school safer.



For more information and to RSVP, scan the QR code or call (631) 963-4167.



Presented by Good Samaritan University Hospital, the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, Walk Safe Long Island and the New York Coalition for Transportation Safety.



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Open House Breast Cancer Screening Events



Join Catholic Health for a Breast Screening directly with a Breast Surgeon.

Good Samaritan Women's Imaging Center
735 Montauk Highway, West Islip, NY 11795

Sunday, May 5

9:30 – 11:30 am

Wednesday, June 26

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Thursday, August 22

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Sunday, October 6

9:30 – 11:30 am

Walk-ins welcome for those with insurance.

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

Free screening mammograms only
To be eligible, women must:

- Be 40 years of age or older.
- Have not had a mammogram within the past 12 months.

No insurance necessary.

Food and refreshments will be available.



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RETROUVAILLE

HelpOurMarriage.org

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Because no marriage is beyond hope...

- Is your marriage tearing you apart?
- Do you feel hurt and angry?
- Does talking make it worse?
- Thought of leaving or divorce?

Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction.

Retrouvaille can help.

Our Next Weekend is

April 26-28, 2024

Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington

To register or for more information:

1-800-470-2230

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Retrouvaille is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges. It is not counseling and you will not be asked to share the personal details of your story.

Retrouvaille is different; it's a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthy, happier, stronger marriage.

Catholic in origin, couples of all faiths, or no faith background, are welcome to attend. We are a Christian Peer Ministry offering tens of thousands of marriages hope in over 160 communities world-wide.

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 drcv-faith.org

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





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 **June 8-9, 2024**. For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at: 631-563-1032 or visit: 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 experience will be on June 21-23, 2024** at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington. Register at: WWME.org or contact: Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835.



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.

2nd and 4th Wednesday meetings are via Zoom. For more meeting info visit: al-anon.org.

Families Anonymous Meetings

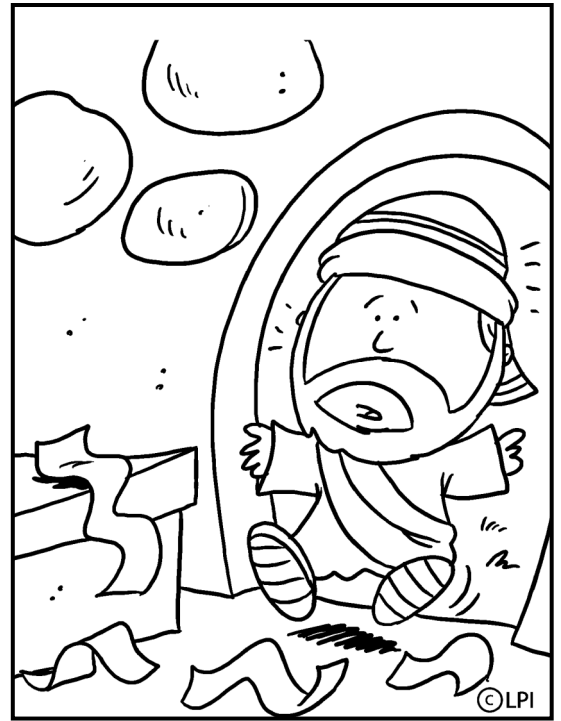
12-Step support group giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems will meet virtually and in person. For additional information e-mail: Donna526@aol.com or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or 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 “Community”. To listen online or for more information, visit: www.ReligionandRock.com.

Sharing the Gospel

It was very early in the morning on Sunday. The tomb stone was rolled away. Jesus was gone. All that was left inside were the strips of linen cloth. When John and Peter saw it, they were amazed. They did not understand all the promises the prophets wrote about Jesus yet. However, they knew He was alive. He had risen from the dead!



Mission for the Week



Bake Resurrection cookies with your family tonight. You can find the recipe online at:

<https://www.yourhomebasedmom.com/resurrection-cookies/>



Puzzle

Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.



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Prayer

Dear God,
I thank you for
bringing Jesus
back to life.



Something to Draw

Draw how surprised Peter and John were when they saw Jesus' empty tomb.

