

# 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**

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**Trish Frodell**, Director of Parish Social Ministry  
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Worship and Choir 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)

Fax: 631.661.7143

Website: [www.ollchurch.org](http://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](mailto: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](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.

*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, September 1, 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  
Phil Ambrosino  
Mary Borgs  
Sonia DaSilva  
Dcn. Nilo DeLeon  
Jerry Esposito  
Danielle Guilfoil  
Deborah Lamb  
Robert Lynaugh  
Rosalie Mangels  
John Muldoon  
Dottie Perdue

### Parish Staff

**Patti Anderson**  
Parish Office/Bulletin Editor

**Maryann Buonaspina**  
Parish Organist

**Rosemary Cannarella**  
Parish Office

**Amy Danowski**  
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 September 1, 2024

**Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/ Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
**Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5/ Lk 4:16-30  
**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/ Lk 4:31-37  
**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/ Lk 4:38-44  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/ Lk 5:1-11  
**Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/ Lk 5:33-39  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/ Lk 6:1-5  
**Next Sunday** Is 35:4-7a/ Jas 2:1-5/ Mk 7:31-37

### Financial Summary

#### August 25, 2024

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

*Financial information was unavailable at time of printing.  
It will be published in a subsequent issue of the bulletin.*

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

# *Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*

## **Italian Family Feast**

### **September 11-15, 2024**

Dear Friends:

Greetings to all of you! I hope you have enjoyed a relaxing summer, savoring the many blessings that Long Island has to offer. I have settled in nicely to Our Lady of Lourdes, arriving here one year ago.

September has arrived! That means we will be having our annual **Italian Family Feast** on the grounds of the parish. The dates of the feast are **Wednesday, September 11 – Sunday, September 15**. As you well know, the Feast means family, food, and fun. The Feast is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a parish family and to help support all our wonderful ministries as well.

In our recent mailing to you, we enclosed a chance book of twelve tickets. Tickets are \$3 each or 12 tickets for \$30.00. One prize of \$200 will be awarded each night of the Feast. Our parish needs every family to purchase at least one (1) chance book of 12 tickets. You must be in it to win it! Your support of our annual Italian Family Feast makes it possible for us to maintain and even increase the many activities and ministries that we all enjoy at Our Lady of Lourdes parish. We need your help and support!

The Italian Family Feast is also a spiritual time for the parish as well. The Our Lady of Lourdes tent and the Father Joe Garden will be open every night for those who wish to say a prayer and light a candle. Please join us for the **Feast Procession at 4:00pm on Saturday, September 14**. Everyone is invited to process through the Feast grounds, concluding with a recitation of a decade of the rosary before the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in front of the rectory. Following the procession, we will celebrate the normal 5:00pm Mass.

I look forward to seeing you all at the **Italian Family Feast** from **Wednesday, September 11 to Sunday, September 15**. Don't forget to take out a book of chances for the nightly drawing during the Feast.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Dennis A. Suglia, Pastor

PS: Don't forget our "**Super Raffle**." It is for \$10,000 in prizes and only 220 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$100 each. Don't wait; these tickets sell out quickly. Tickets will be on sale at the rectory and, following each weekend Mass, at the doors of the church.

### **SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON WRISTBANDS FOR FEAST** **\$30 UNLIMITED RIDE WRISTBANDS (Regular price: \$43)**

1. Visit: [newtownshows.com](http://newtownshows.com)
2. Click on "upcoming events"
3. Scroll to: Annual Italian Family Feast @ Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church, West Islip
4. Click on: "Pre-Sale Rides Now"
5. Click on: "Get Tickets" and choose the number of bracelets to purchase
6. Use Promo Code "**OLL**" at checkout

*Special Promo Code (OLL) is valid now until 10:00pm on Tuesday, September 10*  
Wristbands may be used on any day of the Feast (September 11 - 15)  
Once activated (at the Feast) the wristband is valid for that day only.

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Marie Zito*. 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> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Melissa Mockler</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Christopher Florca</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Patric Mockler</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Dominick Gennaro</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Thomas F. Parson</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
<b>Patrick Harty</b> - <i>US Coast Guard</i>	<b>Brandon Ranzie</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Ritchard Higham</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Jack Shires</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Keith Horyczun</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>Raymond Sgambati</b> - <i>US Navy</i>
<b>Luke Loftsgaarden</b> - <i>US Army</i>	<b>James Stultz</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Msgr. Brian McNamara</b> - <i>US Air Force</i>	<b>Alvaro Suarez</b> - <i>US Army</i>
<b>Anthony Memoli</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>	<b>Jack Taffner</b> - <i>US Marine Corps</i>
<b>Timothy Milligan</b> - <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 ...

*Connie Ambrosino, Andrew Arena, Kathy Arena, Jeanette Battista, Benjamin J. Calogero, Thomas J. Calogero III, Thomas Cavanagh, Frank Cognetta, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Anna Ferrante, Mike Ferrante, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Bea Guzzo, Christine Harty, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Patricia Horne, Sara Iannaccone, Paul Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Dave Kegel, Michael Kegel, Vincent Marinelli, Seamus Martin, Baby Kieran John McKay, Jennifer Monroe, Dennis Morgan, Tom O'Brien, Peter O'Connor, Edward Pauciullo, Rose Pauciullo, Diane Peterson, Frank Peterson, Cameron Pillitteri, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Wyatt Rajotte, Jamie Raynor, Sally Riddle, Donna Rojas, Robert Saraceno, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcia, Kathy Shaddock, Gary Shaddock, Baby Shaddock, Susan Shaddock, Daniel Segreto, Margie Siefken, Jerry Smotzer, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, Larry Sturgeon, Louise Sturgeon, Keri Thomas, Chelcea Toth, Ed Valenti, Marge Valenti, Phyllis Van Dyken*

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



## Rest In Peace

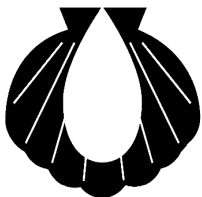
Diane Kerrigan

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



## Upcoming Marriages

**Christina Confessore,**  
St. John the Baptist, Wading River  
and  
**James Luppens**  
St. John the Baptist, Wading River



## Baptism

Julia Karina Calcagno  
Conor James Jacobs  
Jonathon James Rodriguez  
Arabella Rose Stewart

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

## Mass Intentions

Monday, September 2

Labor Day

8:30am Dianne Devi Chamanall

Tuesday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great

8:30am Karen Epp

Wednesday, September 4

8:30am People of the Parish

Thursday, September 5

8:30am Lynaugh Family (Living)

Friday, September 6

8:30am Massimo Ferro (Living)

Saturday, September 7

8:30am Dorothy Sheehan, Ed Lieber,  
Rev. R. Michael Reid

5:00pm

Pasquale Sgambati, John W. Funaro,  
David B. Brethel, Sr., Anna Scalabrino,  
Kathleen Storjohann, Concetta Senna Mustich  
Fr. Felix Odibe

Sunday, September 8

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Grace LaPenna  
Fr. Felix Odibe

9:30am Michael Hegarty  
Fr. Felix Odibe

11:00am Kay Scipione  
Fr. Dennis Suglia

12:30pm Charles & Louise Mangano  
Fr. Dennis Suglia

6:00pm People of the Parish, Annmarie Marco,  
Kathryn Chester, Philomena McPartland,  
Christopher A. Rodriguez  
Fr. Dennis Suglia

Note: Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.

## The Catholic University of America Collection

Next weekend, (September 8-9) the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting both future Catholic leaders, religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, Faith-inspired education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that brings together clergy and laity to address the challenges that the Catholic Church faces in the U.S. contributing education, formation, research, events, and media, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation. As always, thank you for your generosity.

You may also support the collection at: [futurecatholicleaders.givecatholictogether.org](https://futurecatholicleaders.givecatholictogether.org).

## SAGE

Our SAGE meeting will be this **Tuesday, September 3 in the Parish Center**. We are back to our usual 9:30am time. All parishioners 55 years and up are invited to join in prayer, discussion and friendship.

*Add a Little Spice (SAGE) to your life!*

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</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](http://ollchurch.org)) to check if Adoration has been canceled.



## Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the first Monday evening of each month except in September when Labor Day falls on the first Monday. The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 3, 2024** in the **Spiritual Life Center**. We will begin with the Rosary at 7:00pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:15pm.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry / Baby Blanket Bunch

*Bring your prayer and creativity together in a gift of love.* Join us on **Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</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.

## 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

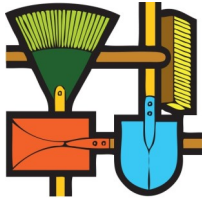
If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 631-661-3224, option 4.

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



Spaghetti Sauce  
Pancake Mix  
Kidney beans  
Canned Potatoes  
Canned Beets





## Parish “Clean-up” Party

On **Monday, September 2**, (Labor Day) we will be having a Parish “Clean-up” Party from **9:00am to 11:00am**. Please bring hand clippers, loppers, hand saws, rakes, etc. We need to do some extra cleaning up. We also have a few things to do to get ready for the Feast.

*All are welcome; no experience needed!*



The Parish Office will be **closed** on **Monday, September 2, 2024** in observance of **Labor Day**.

The Parish Office will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 9:00am.

## Children’s Liturgy of the Word - September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am Mass

After a summer of rest, prayer and planning, WE ARE BACK AND READY TO GO!! Children's Liturgy will start again next Sunday at the **9:30am Mass**. The children are invited to the **PARISH CENTER** to hear and learn about the scripture readings of the day at their level. Children from 4 years old through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. Parents may join us, if they wish.



## PEP 1 Religious Education Program Registration Information

*“Discover the Treasures of God’s Love”*

If you have a child entering first grade in public school, your child should be registered for our “PEP 1” Religious Education Program. This first year program is required for participation in First Eucharist. It introduces the children to a basic understanding of the loving presence of God, the person of Jesus, conscience formation and the importance of community worship.

*Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 23 4:15-5:15 pm*

### Information Meeting and Registration

Choose one:

Monday, September 30, 2024                      10:00am or 7:30pm                      Parish Center

Tuesday, October 1, 2024                      10:00am or 7:30pm                      Parish Center

The meeting will take approximately 45 minutes and will be held in the Parish Center (meeting room opposite the playground)

- Please bring your child’s Baptismal certificate (a copy is acceptable).
- *Baptismal Certificate or copy is needed even if child was baptized at OLL.*
- No child will be assigned a room number unless we have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.
- Returning families who have an incoming first grader **MUST** attend the registration meeting.

The registration fee (if this is your oldest child) is \$220

## 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.





## An Invitation for Adult Men (18 years or older) to Join our Parish Knights of Columbus Council 17379

Our Lady of Lourdes Council 17379 is looking for Parish men to help enrich our Parish and community. The Knights of Columbus will help you live your Faith and become closer to Jesus. Our Council has been very active in contributing to Parish Ministries and the community through charitable works. Our Plant Sales and recent Pancake Breakfast have helped to raise money for many scholarships and donations. We also assist around the Parish during the Family Feast, Parish Clean Up and with many of the OLL events. **Our Lady of Lourdes Council meets every second and fourth Monday in the Parish Center at 8:00pm.** Council meetings are less than an hour, the homemade dessert is delicious (no calories in free food!!), gain Brothers in Christ and grow our Parish Family. To learn more about our Council or to join, please scan the QR code listed here or visit: [OLL17379.org](http://OLL17379.org).



**Our next meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2024 in the All Purpose Room.**



## LOCAL WEST ISLIP NATIVE PRAYING FOR A DONOR



### About Dan Segreto

In July 2023 Dan suffered a stroke and went into Kidney Failure. His Kidneys have not recovered and he is required to do dialysis 3 times a week, which is physically and mentally challenging. To save his life, dan requires a kidney transplant. Dan's Blood Type is O positive and requires a Kidney donated from any O type blood to be a perfect match.

NYU Langone has a Swap Program, any Blood type Donor can donate a kidney in Dan's Name, NYU Langone will swap the kidney for a kidney that is Dan's Match.

Please Donate Blood and consider getting tested to donate a Kidney.

Please Call: NYU Langone  
**212-263-3621**

## Baptism Ministry

Sunday September 15, 2024

**9:30 AM Mass**



Since you have had your baby baptized in the last year, we at Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish invite you to a special Mass and celebration of your child. The children and families will receive a special blessing and gift from the Parish. We would love to

see you, please RSVP to [parishoffice@ollchurch.org](mailto:parishoffice@ollchurch.org) with the number of people attending by September 1st Fellowship to follow in the Parish Center.





## Fall Spectacular Super Raffle

Super Raffle tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses Tickets will also be available in the Parish Office during the week. The cost is \$100 per ticket. Only 220 tickets will be sold.

First Prize - \$7,000      Second Prize - \$2,000      Third Prize - \$1,000

**Drawing for the raffle will be on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Winner need not be present.  
Remember, "You have to be in it, to win it."**

## OLL Family Feast Volunteers Needed

**The next Feast Volunteer Meeting will be on  
Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.**



Volunteers are still needed for our Annual Parish Italian Feast. Whether you have volunteered in the past or would like to volunteer for the first time, we could use your help! If you missed the first volunteer meeting, please contact me at: [rmaher@ollchurch.org](mailto:rmaher@ollchurch.org). If you do not have VIRTUS certification, you **MUST** take the class and have a background check in order to volunteer. Sign up online at: [VIRTUS.org](http://VIRTUS.org).

The dates for this year's feast are **Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars!

~ Deacon Rich



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST ANGEL and ARCHANGEL Donations



Support for our annual Feast has always been overwhelming. Sometimes, people want to help with our feast, but cannot give time as a volunteer. Our Angels and Archangels Fund offers them an opportunity to help our parish raise funds. It gives one the opportunity not only to support our booths, but to make it a memorable one. All Angels and Archangels donations may be made by a business, individual, family or for a loved one (living or deceased.) Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory. Your name will appear in the bulletin following the completion of our feast. My thanks in advance; I know each family will do all they can to make our feast the best ever.

*Please return the form below with your donation to the rectory.*

Thank you and God bless,  
Fr. Dennis

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Deceased \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Living \_\_\_\_\_  
 Angel: \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Archangel: \$50 or more \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the booth you wish your Angel to Sponsor:

<u>Food</u>	<u>Beer/Wine/Soda</u>	<u>Games</u>
( ) Corn	( ) Inside – Casino)	( ) Hammer
( ) Hot Dog	( ) Outside	( ) Fast Pitch
( ) Pretzel		
( ) Coffee/Dessert		

*Please return this form along with your donation to the rectory.*



**LIFE CENTER  
OF LONG ISLAND**  
*A Voice for the Unborn on Long Island*

*-serving Long Island since 1986*

1767 Deer Park Avenue, Deer Park, NY 11729 | 631.243.0066  
35 East Willow Street, Massapequa, NY 11758 | 516.798.9100  
474 Fulton Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550 | 516.408.6300  
91 Maple Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787 | 631.656.0441

*August 23, 2024*

*Fr. Dennis Suglia  
Our Lady of Lourdes  
455 Hunter Ave.  
West Islip, NY 11795*

*Dear Fr. Dennis Suglia,*

*On behalf of the Life Center of Long Island, I would like to thank you and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes for participating in our Baby Bottle Campaign. I am pleased to share that the campaign rose over \$13,775.53!!!*

*This generosity allows the Life Center to continue to flourish and provide the services needed by so many each year, including those from your community. Thank you for bringing hope, healing, and new life to those mothers and fathers in the midst of an unexpected pregnancy.*

*In the past two years, we have saved 109 babies lives and distributed the equivalent of over 1.2 million dollars of essential baby needs such as diapers, wipes, formula, clothing, car seats etc. We are supporting these families with free material aid until their children reach two years of age thanks to the generosity of your parish and our local communities.*

*A special note of gratitude to Jon Gilmartin, for his faithful dedication to upholding the dignity of Life. We would not have had the successful campaign that we had without their hard work and commitment.*

*We would welcome the opportunity to invite you and any other parishioner who may be interested in a personal tour of our Massapequa Center. Please call us to schedule at your earliest convenience.*

*For all God's children,*

*Gloria Schreiber*

*Gloria Schreiber  
Chief Executive Officer*

*Cc: Jon Gilmartin*

## 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, September 7<sup>th</sup>**, concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



## Women's Prayer Group - Coming Soon

We will be meeting the Fourth Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center at both 9:30am and 7:30pm. Consider starting or ending your day with this special opportunity to share our faith. Looking forward to seeing you September 25, and October 23, 2024. All are welcome.



## Babylon Chorale Auditions

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions on Monday evening, September 9, 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](http://www.babylonchorale.org) or e-mail [info@babylonchorale.org](mailto:info@babylonchorale.org)



## Boy Scout Troop 179

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

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

Join us to prepare for St. Michael the Archangel's feast day and learn about our avid protector

September 3 7:30  
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center

FRASSATI  
young adult group  
21-39 year olds



2024  2025

# REVIVE

## SPEAKER SERIES

7:30PM

Wednesday, September 4

 Church of St. Rose of Lima  
2 Bayview Ave, Massapequa, NY 11758



**Featured Speaker**  
**Deacon Harold  
Burke-Sivers**

**Presentation:**  
*Living a Eucharistic Faith:  
The Big Deal About the  
Mass and Why It Matters.*

**Admission is free.**

All are invited to gather at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa for a special event as we encounter Eucharistic Revival on Long Island.



Dynamic speaker Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers will show clearly and definitively that the Mass and Scripture are intimately connected. Deacon Harold will demonstrate from the Bible how the Mass unites us to Christ's sacrifice on the Cross in an intimate and personal way, and explain how to live Eucharistically by making the connection between what happens at Mass and the application of its fruits in our lives.

Inspired by our invitation to live Eucharistically, the evening will conclude with a brief period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

For more information, please email: [mcooke@drvc.org](mailto:mcooke@drvc.org)

Office of Evangelization and Catechesis • Diocese of Rockville Centre



## **Butterfly Memory Café - September 13, 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, September 13<sup>th</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, September 19, 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 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 Maegan at 631-647-7622 or via e-mail at: [maegan@agentletouchseniorcare.com](mailto:maegan@agentletouchseniorcare.com) to reserve your place.*

## **Important Information for ALL Parish Volunteers**

The Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all clergy, employees, and volunteers (18 yrs. or older) to participate in the Safe Environment Guidelines as established by the Charter for the Protection of Children/Young People (2002) and outlined in the Diocesan Child Protection Policy.

Note: If you already have a Virtus account ([www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org)), have signed the Code of Conduct and attended the Class, all you need to do is initiate the updated background screening through Sterling Volunteers.

### **Requirements are as follows:**

1. Attend a Virtus: Protecting God's Children class.
2. Undergo background screening.
3. Sign the Diocesan Code of Conduct.

### **Instructions to Complete the Safe Environment Requirements:**

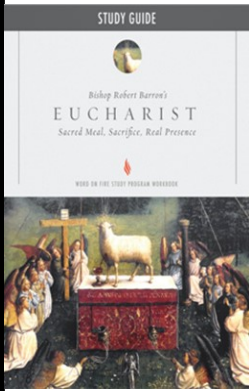
- Log into the Virtus website: [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org).
- Begin the registration process by creating a Virtus account. The first screen requests the location: Please select Rockville Centre from the drop down list.
- Follow directions on each page.
- During the registration process you will receive a copy of the Code of Conduct and Pastoral Code of Conduct. Please sign each Code electronically.
- Select the class you wish to attend.
- Complete the background screening application provided. Background screening is conducted by Sterling Volunteers.

When you complete the registration process, you will have a Virtus account and an account with Sterling Volunteers. Your Virtus account will contain the date you signed the Codes of Conduct; date you submitted the background screening application and date you will attend Virtus. Please keep your username and the password for both your Virtus account and Sterling account as these are required to access each account.

Please contact the Office for the Protection of Children/Young People if you have questions or require assistance: [cprotection@drvc.org](mailto:cprotection@drvc.org)



## Our Next Bible Study



Exciting news: this fall, we will be having another bible study entitled, “**Eucharist**” by **Bishop Robert Barron**. He is 64 years old and has been a Bishop for the past nine years. He was appointed the Ordinary of the Diocese of Winona–Rochester in 2022 where he presently resides. He is the founder of the Catholic ministerial organization *Word on Fire*, and was the host of *Catholicism*, a documentary TV series about Catholicism that aired on PBS. He is extremely gifted in his ability to explain the Catholic faith in clear, understandable and inspiring ways.

This bible study will be a six-week series. The dates are Tuesdays, September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15 and 22. There will be a 1:00pm session in the Parish Center and a 7:30pm session in the All Purpose Room. Each week, we will view a video and have small group discussions based on the Study Guide questions. The answers to all questions are in the workbook. Because the bible study starts in mid-September, all the books and supplies

need to be ordered over the summer. Therefore, **please call the parish office today to register at 631-661-3224 ext. 2, or sign up using the QR Code listed below.** There will be a free-will offering to help defray the cost of study. If you are open to being a facilitator, please advise the receptionist when you register.

Because we are still in the Year of the Holy Eucharist, proclaimed by Pope Francis, we thought focusing on the Eucharist would be most appropriate. While the topic of the Eucharist was addressed in the last bible study, this new study will focus solely on the Eucharist, going more in depth.

Did you know that more than half of current Catholics do not know the Church’s teaching on the “real presence of Christ” in the Eucharist? Statistics show that more than 70% of Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. While the Eucharist is an ineffable mystery, Vatican II called the Eucharist the “source and summit of the Christian life.” With this new bible study, we will delve into the mystery of Christ's presence in our lives, and the centrality of the Eucharist as an important part of that presence. This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for communion with God, and the Real Presence of Christ This is foreshadowed in many parts of the Old Testament, the once-and-for-all sacrifice that reunited humanity with God, and the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ, present through transubstantiation.

I hope you will be able to join us for this most beautiful bible study. Each week will be live streamed and archived on our parish website so, if you miss a week, you can still view the video.



To register for Bible Study (only if you have **NOT** already registered via telephone) please scan the QR code listed here.

## 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

## *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.



**Catholic Charities Talbot House**  
**30-C Carlough Road**  
**Bohemia, NY 11716**




Residential Stabilization (detox)  
 Looking for per diem/on call: LPN, RN, and NP (family health)  
 Days, Evenings, Overnights, Weekends available  
 Contact: Toni DeFelice [defelice.toni@catholiccharities.cc](mailto:defelice.toni@catholiccharities.cc) 631-589-4144


## Employment Opportunity - Part-time Cook

The Daughters of Wisdom currently have a part-time position for Cook, for the evening meal, open at their Islip Convent. The hours are Monday thru Friday –totaling approximately 18 hours. If you are interested, please contact Sr. Evelyn at 631-277-2660, ext. 11.

### 2024 TACHS Prep Course & Test Taking Strategies Class For Admission into a Catholic HS



HOSTED BY  
**St. John the Baptist  
 Diocesan High School**



Our TACHS Prep Classes and Test Taking Strategies Class are taught by experienced St. John the Baptist **English and Math** Teachers. Through their insight and knowledge, Prep Course students receive a review of reading, writing, vocabulary, grammar, and mathematical skills, increasing your child's test-taking abilities. Five Prep Classes are offered on Saturdays before the Exam and the night before the exam we offer a Test Taking Strategies Class.

**Prep Course- \$400.00**

- Five Saturday Classes-
  - Sept 28, Oct 5, Oct 19, Oct 26, Nov 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- All materials included in fee

**Test Taking Strategies- \$150.00**

- Friday, Nov 8
- 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- All materials included in fee

**Prep Course & Test Taking Strategies- \$500.00**

Please visit our website [<https://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/tachs-exam-prep-course>] or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117 for more information.

## Bereavement Support Group for Widows and Widowers

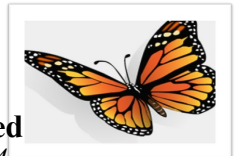
8 Week Program for Age 50 and Over

Starting Thursday, September 19, 2024 from 3:00–5:00 pm

St. Joseph Parish Center 39 N. Carll Ave, Babylon

**For losses that have occurred before June 20, 2024. Registration Required**

*For more information and registration, please call: Geri Olson 631-661-8994*



## Bereavement Support Program

at St. Mary, East Islip

Eight Week Group beginning Tuesday, October 1, at 7:00pm

Open to anyone who has suffered a loss

at **least three months prior** to the start of the group.

Loss must have occurred prior to **July 1, 2024.**



There is no cost, but a commitment to attend each meeting throughout the program is required. Groups are offered in a closed and confidential setting with highly trained facilitators and limited to 13 people.

**Pre-registration is required.** Call 631-581-4266 ext.125 to register.

**GriefShare**

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## Grief Support Group

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*Help and encouragement  
after the death of a loved one*

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. At this 13-week group, you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

**Contact Us Today**

Westminster United Presbyterian Church  
109 Udall Road, West Islip, NY 11795  
Wednesdays, Sept. 18 - December 12  
4:45- 6:15 pm  
Contact Pastor Kerry: 631-482-2033  
**Register at [Griefshare.org](http://Griefshare.org); zip code 11795**

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

**His Global Love**

## Generational Healing Mass

Friday, September 20, 2024

## His Global Love Retreat Day

Saturday, September 21, 2024

At: St. Joseph Church, 39 N. Carl Ave., Babylon, NY 11702  
Tel: 631-669-0068



His Global Love Communities invite you to a  
**Generational Healing Mass at 7pm on Friday, September 20, 2024**  
Place: The Church Rosary at 6:15pm, Praise & Worship begins at 6:30pm

**Fr Kevin Joyce**  
from His Global Love presiding

**His Global Love Retreat Day**  
"The Zeal of the Warrior"

**Saturday, September 21, 2024 place: The O'Connell Room**

9:00am – 9:30am Praise & Worship	10:30am – 11:00am Praise & Worship	12:00pm – 12:30pm Praise & Worship
9:30am – 10:00am Talk # 1	11:00am – 11:30am Talk # 2	12:30pm – 1:00pm Talk # 3
10:00am – 10:30am Quiet Time	11:30am – 12:00pm Quiet Time	1:00pm – 1:30pm Quiet Time

\*Continental Breakfast\*     
 \*Bag Lunch\*     
 \*Free Will Offering\*

<https://www.youtube.com/c/HisGlobalLove/live>  
 Visit us on the web at [hisgloballove.org](http://hisgloballove.org)

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

# RETROUVAILLE

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**  
**September 13-15, 2024**  
Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington

**To register or for more information:**  
**1-800-470-2230**  
**[HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org)**

**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.

# SAVE THE DATE



## REBOOT

a life-changing event

FEATURING CHRIS STEFANICK

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Let internationally renowned speaker and author  
Chris Stefanick help you REDISCOVER God, and  
REDISCOVER the life you were made for.

**ST ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY**  
175 WOLF HILL ROAD, MELVILLE, NY 11746









In addition to our parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://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 **Sept. 14-15, 2024**. 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 experience will be on November 8-10, 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.



## Anxiety Disorder Sufferers

The group, led by a trained and certified Anxiety Disorder Group Leader, normally 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: 631-835-8788. 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 “**Reflecting**”. To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).

## Sharing the Gospel

If it were up to Peter, Jesus would never have died on the cross. Peter did not want to see his dear friend get hurt. It could have been tempting for Jesus to listen to Peter. But Jesus did not come to be happy or comfortable. Jesus came to die on the cross and rise again. He came to take your sins away. Jesus gave up his own life so that your life could be saved. He did it for you.



## Mission for the Week

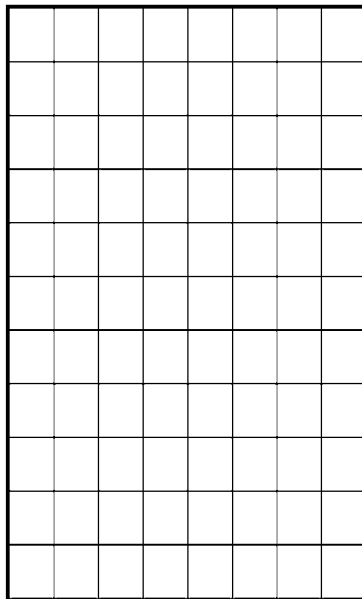


Every day, firefighters, police officers and soldiers give up their lives to protect yours. Thank God for them.



### Puzzle

Copy the picture square by square.



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## Prayer

Thank you, Jesus, for giving up your life to save mine.



## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus, with a big heart, pointing to the cross.

