

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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

**Deacon Nilo DeLeon, Deacon Tom Lucie,  
Deacon Rich Maher, Deacon Jack Meehan**

**Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ**, Director of Religious Ed  
**Trish Frodell**, Director of Parish Social Ministry  
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**Debbie Meyer**, Business Manager  
**Robin Reynolds Brennan**, Coordinator of  
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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • Sunday, September 29, 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

**Robin Reynolds Brennan**  
Parish Office

**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 29, 2024

**Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/ Jas 5:1-6/ Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Monday:** Jb 1:6-22/ Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday:** Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/ Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/ Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Thursday:** Jb 19:21-27/ Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5/ Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/ Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday** Gn 2:18-24/ Heb 2:9-11/ Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

### Financial Summary

#### September 22, 2024

Weekly Collection	\$ 16,417.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	(1,383.00)

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



# Fall Festival

Craft Vendors

Pumpkin Patch (\$5)

Food Sales (\$)

Face Painting

DJ Music

Games

Crafts

Apple Cider Donuts  
Apples & Caramel Dip  
Pulled Pork  
Hot Dogs  
Cotton Candy  
Philly Pretzels  
Apple Cider



**October**

**5**

**Saturday**

**11am - 3pm**

**Our Lady of Lourdes  
The Great Lawn**

455 Hunter Ave., West Islip

**No  
Entry  
Fee**

*Rain Date - October 12th*

**Bring your own lawn chair or blanket**



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

September 23, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At this year's general election, New York voters will decide whether to approve a proposed amendment to the State Constitution. Officially known as "Proposal One", the amendment would add new language to the State's version of the "Bill of Rights" that, if approved, could insert gender ideology into child and adult sports, schools, hospitals, and even our churches.

The proponents of Proposal One refer to it as the "Equal Rights Amendment" and claim that the amendment is intended to protect the right to access an abortion. Proposal One, however, does nothing to ensure "equal rights" nor does it have anything to do with the legality of abortion in New York.

Since 1938, the State Constitution has guaranteed the right to the equal protection of the laws and has barred discrimination against any individual by a public or private institution based upon "race, color, creed or religion." Now, eighty-five years after the adoption of the Constitution's prohibition on discrimination, the State Legislature has discovered that we need an "Equal Rights Amendment" that ensures a "right" to an abortion in New York.

New York's abortion laws are already among the most permissive in the nation. Proposal One does nothing to alter the abortion laws or to further liberalize them. In fact, the word "abortion" does not appear anywhere in the proposed amendment. New Yorkers who vote in favor of Proposal One because they believe it will provide additional legal guarantees related to abortion are victims of a misleading campaign that masks the true purpose of the amendment.

Voters need only to read the language set forth in Proposal One to learn its actual purpose and to discern its potential for harm. While they will find no mention of abortion, voters will discover that, if adopted, Proposal One would prohibit discrimination based upon "gender identity" or "gender expression." This language would transform the laudable and longstanding anti-discrimination article in the State Constitution into a legal weapon that would force institutions across the state—public and private, religious, and secular—to accommodate the most radical forms of gender ideology.

Under this language, for example, a CYO girls' basketball team, or a local girls' soccer club, could be forced to allow a biological male to participate on the team if he wishes to do so because of his "gender expression." To bar such a person from the team would constitute an act of illegal discrimination.

The same language can be employed against health clubs, public and private schools, restaurants, and other public places to mandate that these institutions open their bathrooms and locker rooms to anyone, regardless of biological sex, based upon an individual's "gender identity." To restrict access to a bathroom or locker room according to biological sex would be another form of unconstitutional discrimination.

Furthermore, Proposal One would undermine the bedrock religious liberty protections that the State Constitution is supposed provide for Catholic parishes, schools, and hospitals, as well as for the religious institutions administered by other faiths. The amendment would expose a church or school to a lawsuit if, for example, it refused to hire a "transgender" catechist or dismissed an employee for the promotion of notions about gender that are antithetical to Church teaching. A teacher could demand to be called by a "preferred pronoun", as could any student, regardless of age. A refusal to adopt this sort of language regime would violate the Constitution.

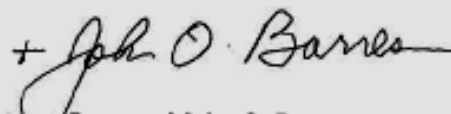
Catholic hospitals that do not perform gender-related surgeries could be sued for illegal discrimination against people who wish to express their gender identity through a medical procedure.

Supporters of Proposal One dismiss these concerns as far-fetched fearmongering. Yet they cannot offer any other plausible application of the language in the amendment. Unlike proposals in other states that were designed to limit the power of a state legislature to regulate access to abortion, Proposal One never mentions abortion, nor does it expressly restrict the power of the State Legislature to pass laws related to abortion. Instead, the amendment adds a "word salad" of terms to the State Constitution that would turn the shield of anti-discrimination protection into a sword that can be used to pierce religious and secular institutions in order to impose, by force of law, a gender ideology that voters have never endorsed.

New York's Constitution has, for nearly a century, expressly prohibited discriminatory practices. Proposal One does nothing to enhance the universally accepted principle of equality before the law. Proposal One is, instead, a deceptive effort to impose an ideological agenda upon the State disguised by popular and inoffensive rhetoric about "equal rights" and by appealing to voters who believe the state's abortion laws are at risk of change. But, to paraphrase the Gospel, by its language you shall know it. The words of Proposal One reveal its true intent and the effects it would have if adopted.

New Yorkers who do not wish to see the State Constitution used to implement a harmful gender ideology that would reach into nearly every facet of ever day life, from sports to schools, from bathrooms to gyms to hospitals—even into churches, synagogues and mosques—must vote "NO" on Proposal One.

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

## Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Claire McLaughlin*. 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 ...

*Patricia Amabile, Connie Ambrosino, Andrew Arena, Kathy Arena, Jeanette Battista, Peter Boyle, Benjamin J. Calogero, Thomas J. Calogero III, Thomas Cavanagh, Frank Cognitiona, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Bea Guzzo, Christine Harty, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Patricia Horne, Sara Iannaccone, Paul Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Dave Kegel, Michael Kegel, Richard Kliegl, Vincent Marinelli, Gaye Mazzo, 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, Baby Shaddock, Susan Shaddock, Daniel Segreto, Margie Siefken, Jerry Smotzer, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, Larry Sturgeon, Louise Sturgeon, Keri Thomas, Chelcea Toth, 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

*George Yacobellis*

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

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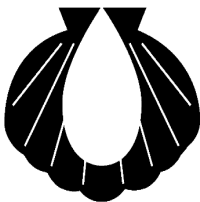
## Upcoming Marriages

**Meghan Eileen Haggerty**

*Maria Regina, Seaford*  
and

**Edward Alexander Markiewicz**

*Maria Regina, Seaford*



## Baptism

*Harper Ruth Anderson*

*Julia Alice Carey*

*Mathias David*

*Isabella Rose Kurzyp*

*Amelia Memoli*

*Nicholas Joseph Pierre*

*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 30**

*St. Jerome*

**8:30am Frank Aparo**

**Tuesday, October 1**

*St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus*

**8:30am Franklin Edwards**

**Wednesday, October 2**

*The Holy Guardian Angels*

**8:30am Alec Gany**

**Thursday, October 3**

**8:30am Salvatore Pinella**

**Friday, October 4**

**8:30am Frank Bronkhurst**

**Saturday, October 5**

*St. Francis of Assisi*

**8:30am Marlene Pfeiffer**

**5:00pm** Barbara & Louie Argento, Carol & Thomas Rush, Matt & Anna Lattanzio, Russell Salerno, Helen & Joseph Lehmann, Ken Chapuisat

**Sunday, October 6**

*Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:00am Anna Lauria**

**9:30am Reilly Family**

**11:00am Joanne Gonzalez**

**12:30pm Richard DiStefano**

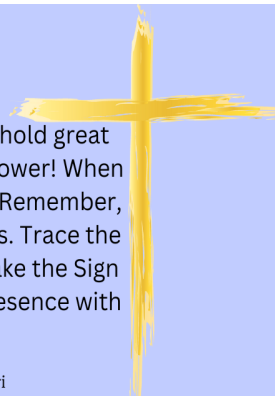
**6:00pm** People of the Parish, The Hibernian Purgatorial Society, Sean Muldoon, Russell Salerno, Ellen Caputo and Edith Caputo, John Cote

*Note: Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.*

## DID YOU KNOW

Why do we make the sign of the cross over our bodies at the beginning of mass? You hold great power at your fingertips. Calling on God's name is Biblical, and His name holds great power! When we make the Sign of the Cross, we invoke God's presence on us as a "terror to devils." Remember, the Sign of the Cross is POWERFUL! In moments of struggle, make the sign of the Cross. Trace the sign of the Cross on your children's foreheads as a sign of protection and blessing. Make the Sign of the Cross slowly and deliberately as a "badge of honor" and a reminder of God's presence with you. (See Ezekiel 9:4 and Revelation 14:1)

Taken from: The Biblical Walk Through the Mass by Dr. Edward Sri



## Second Collection - Respect Life Sunday

Sunday, October 6 is Respect Life Sunday, a day dedicated to reflecting on the sanctity and dignity of all human life. On this day, we are reminded that threats to life and human dignity take many forms in our world. The Diocese works tirelessly to strengthen our commitment to promoting a culture of life through advocacy, education, and parish outreach. Your generosity in the Respect Life envelope collection will support this essential mission. We deeply appreciate your prayers and support.

## SAGE

Our next SAGE meeting will be **Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** at 9:30am in the **All Purpose Room**

## Prayer Shawl Ministry / Baby Blanket Bunch

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

Join us ... **Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</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.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this **Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** from **12:30pm to 7:00pm**. Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus. Invite a family member or friend along too! In case of inclement weather, please call the parish office at 631-661-3224 ext. 0, or log onto the parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org)) to check if Adoration has been canceled.

**Please note: Adoration will end at 7:00pm from 9/17-10/22 due to Bible Study classes.  
On 10/22, Adoration will begin at 2:00pm and end at 7:00pm.**

## 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**



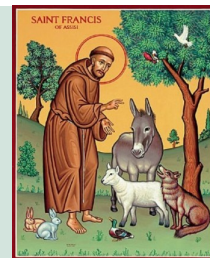
Bagged Rice  
Crushed Tomatoes/Tomato Puree  
Oil  
Cookies/Crackers  
Toothpaste



## Blessing of the Animals

*Sunday, October 6 at 3:00pm on the Great Lawn*

ALL ANIMALS, great and small, are invited to a special blessing and ceremony celebrating St. Francis of Assisi and his love for all God's creatures. Everyone is invited to this special blessing for our pets who are such a blessing to us.  
Please bring your own chairs or blankets to sit on.



## El Salvador Mission Trip Night: Informational Meeting

There will be an informational meeting on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss our proposed Mission Trip to El Salvador. It will be at 7:30pm in the All Purpose Room. We will have young adults, who have gone on previous trips, to discuss their experiences. Plans are under way to have some guests to demonstrate traditional Salvadorian dances. Of course, it would not be a meeting at Our Lady of Lourdes without food. We will have pupusas, some dessert, and beverages. More information to follow in the coming weeks. Come join us. Look forward to seeing you.  
- Deacon Rich



## 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.



# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Italian Family Feast

2024





# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

## Italian Family Feast

### *Thank You!!*

I wanted to thank all the feast volunteers for putting in the extra effort to ensure our feast was successful again this year. We had great weather and many happy attendees that passed through our “gates” to experience the joy that the feast offers. A special word of thanks to Frank Antonawich and Deacon Rich Maher for heading up our efforts. I also wanted to thank Eileen Rega, along with Jerry Esposito and Rita Spera for their efforts in selling out the Super Raffle. Let’s hope for continued blessings as we prepare for an even better feast next year!

Fr. Dennis Suglia

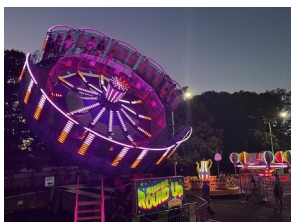
### Super Raffle Winners:

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	\$7000	# 054
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	\$2000	# 145
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	\$1000	# 063



### Daily Raffle Winners

Wednesday	9/11/24	# 71364
Thursday	9/12/24	# 27952
Friday	9/13/24	# 76181
Saturday	9/14/24	# 60000
Sunday	9/15/24	# 14301



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# ***Our Lady of Lourdes Parish***

## **Italian Family Feast**

### ***Thank You to Our 2024 SPONSORS***

Munch Landscape, Inc.	\$1000
West Islip Wines & Liquors	\$ 500
Chestnut Bay Equestrian, Inc. of West Babylon	\$ 500
Pamper Our Parents, Inc.	\$ 500
Eagle Sanitation, Inc.	\$ 500
Island Industrial Boiler, Inc. - Division of All Industrial Boiler, Inc.	\$ 500
Anonymous Donation	\$ 500
Our Little Italy Pizza & Pasta	\$ 500
Boening Brothers, Inc.	\$ 500
EASTCO LTD. Operating	\$ 150
Moreland Hose and Belting Corp. - Hempstead and Oakdale	\$ 150
Ocean Janitorial Supply	\$ 100
Quality Candle Company	\$ 100
Monte Bros. Sound Systems, Inc.	\$ 100
Ultimate Pest Control, Inc.	\$ 100

### ***Thank You to Our 2024 Archangels***

Anonymous	\$200	
Gerry Fogarty (Deceased)	\$100	
Jennie Zigrest (Living)	\$100	Any Location
LI Tech Advisors	\$100	
Gerry Fogarty (Deceased)	\$100	Outside
Patrick Manley (Deceased) and Bob & Kay Manley (Living )	\$100	
Maureen Thompson (Deceased)	\$ 75	Coffee / Dessert
Frank Aparo (Deceased)	\$ 50	Coffee / Dessert
McKenna, Bridget, Kieran, Grace (Living)	\$ 50	
Joe Catuosco (Deceased)	\$ 50	Inside Casino
JR	\$ 50	Hammer
Jerry Esposito (Living)	\$ 50	Coffee / Dessert
Bruce John Ferland, Sr. (Deceased)	\$ 50	Corn
Donald & Suzanne Ferguson	\$ 50	Coffee / Dessert
Rita Bunting (Deceased)	\$ 50	Coffee / Dessert
Frank Bronkhurst	\$ 50	Beer/ Wine
Helen & Joseph Lehmann (Deceased)	\$ 50	Inside Casino
Tony Squeo & John Sullivan (Deceased)	\$ 50	Outside
Deacon John DeGuardi (Deceased)	\$ 50	
Deacon Jack Teufel (Deceased)	\$ 50	
Anonymous	\$ 50	

### ***Thank You to Our 2024 Angels***

Loving Memory of Virginia Beno	\$ 25	Coffee / Dessert
James Teague (Deceased)	\$ 25	Coffee / Dessert
Vinnie Cosentino (Deceased)	\$ 25	Inside Casino
Fasano Family (Living)	\$ 25	Fast Pitch
Elizabeth O'Connell (Living)	\$ 25	



## 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, October 14, 2024 in the Parish Center**



# BLOOD DRIVE

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

**Parish Center**

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip

**Wednesday, October 2, 2024**

**1:45pm—7:45pm**



**Please Scan the QR Code or call the number below to Schedule your Blood Drive Appointment.**

*Appointments are preferred, however walk-ins will be welcome if space permits.  
Please remember to eat, drink and bring your doner ID card or ID with name and photo.*



800.933.BLOOD • [nybc.org](http://nybc.org)



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## 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, October 5<sup>th</sup>** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!



## 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 (9/5 and 9/6) 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.



## Dementia Caregiver Support Group Thursday, October 24, 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.*



## Butterfly Memory Café - October 25, 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, October 25<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).*

## 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





## Women's Prayer Group

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.



## Calling All Singers!

Do you enjoy singing in the privacy of your home and car or maybe while sitting in the pew at Mass? Have you ever thought about praising the Lord by singing! We are always looking for people to sing in the 11:00am Mass Choir, and we would love to have YOU! Why don't you come to a rehearsal and try it out? We rehearse on Thursday evenings in the church at 7:00pm and then sing at the 11:00am Mass on Sundays. If you are interested, please contact Robin Reynolds Brennan at [robin@ollchurch.org](mailto:robin@ollchurch.org) or call the rectory office.



## 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/bsatroop179> or contact us at: [troop179cc@yahoo.com](mailto:troop179cc@yahoo.com).

**The “Moving On” Group**  
An ‘After-Bereavement’ Group  
for Widows and Widowers presents:  
**“Socializing and Other Tips”**  
Conducted by your Facilitators  
Friday, October 11, 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

***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.

**St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School**  
*Home of the SJB Cougars*

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*Sunday, October 6th*  
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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 **February 15-16, 2025**. 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

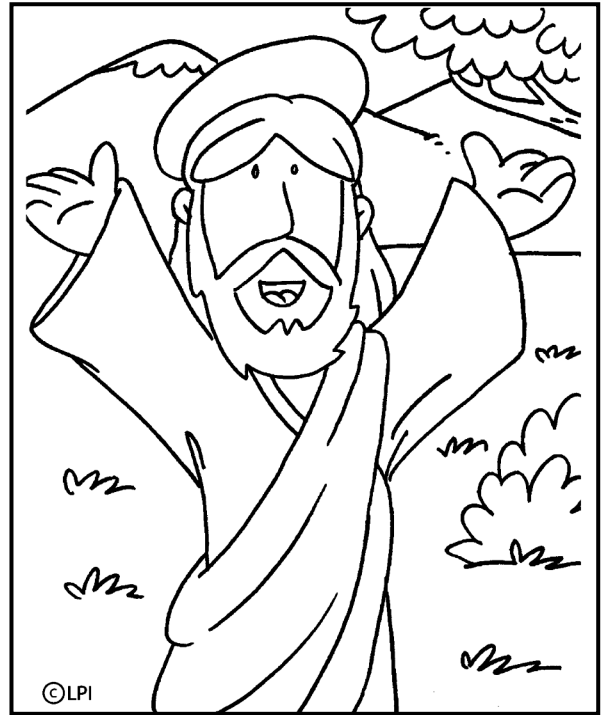
12-Step support group giving Hope & Strength to parents, family and friends concerned with a loved one's destructive behavior caused by Alcohol, Drugs or Related Behavioral Problems will meet virtually and in person. For additional information e-mail: [Donna526@aol.com](mailto:Donna526@aol.com) or call 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 “**Finding Answers**”. To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).

## Sharing the Gospel

The disciples started to feel proud because they thought they were the "in" group of friends of Jesus. One day they saw a complete stranger working powerful miracles in the name of Jesus. The disciples told the stranger to stop because he was not part of their special group. The disciples should have encouraged him instead.



## Mission for the Week



Pray for missionaries around the world who teach others about Jesus.



### Puzzle

Find 10 differences.



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## Prayer

Dear God,  
Help me  
to work  
side-by-side  
with other people who  
love Jesus, no matter  
who they are.  
Amen.



## Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself helping another Christian who does not belong to your church.

