

# 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**  
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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.

***Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe • Sunday, November 24, 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

## 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 November 24, 2024

**Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/ Rv 1:5-8/ Jn 18:33b-37  
**Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/ Lk 21:1-4  
**Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19/ Lk 21:5-11  
**Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4/ Lk 21:12-19  
**Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23;19:1-3, 9a/ Lk 21:20-28  
**Friday:** Rv20:1-4, 11—21:2/ Lk 21:29-33  
**Saturday:** Rom 10:9-18/ Mt 4:18-22  
**Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/ 1 Thes 3:12—4:2/ Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

## 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

## Financial Summary

### November 10, 2024

Weekly Collection	14,057.00
Weekly Budget	- \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,743.00)

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



## Mobile Outreach Bus

# Free Health Screenings and Flu Vaccinations

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



**Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**  
455 Hunter Ave  
West Islip, NY 11795

### 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
- Free flu vaccination (senior dose available)

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER, 25<sup>TH</sup> - 10:00AM - 2:00PM**  
**IN THE PARKING LOT IN FRONT OF THE PARISH OFFICE**

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

## Altar Society

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

## Members in the Military

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

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

... 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, Marybeth A., Andrew Arena, Kathy Arena, Jeanette Battista, Doris Cameron, Thomas J. Calogero III, Jerry Collins, Susan Dedes, Amanda DiTingo, Joanne Egan, Albert Feliney, Thomas Geraghty-USMC, Bea Guzzo, Christine Harty, Patrick Anthony Heffron, Patricia Horne, Paul Johnson, Henry Kahn, Shena Kahn, Dave Kegel, Michael Kegel, Richard Kliegl, Vincent Marinelli, Baby Kieran John McKay, Jennifer Monroe, Dennis Morgan, Tom O'Brien, Edward Pauciullo, Rose Pauciullo, Diane Peterson, Frank Peterson, Cameron Pillitteri, John Posanti, Louise Posanti, Sally Riddle, Patricia Rochford, Donna Rojas, Fabian Rojas, Joseph J. Schiavoni, Vita Scorcio, Kathy Shaddock, Baby Shaddock, Susan Shaddock, Daniel Segreto, Jerry Smotzer, Special Intention/Healing, Celestine Stewart, 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

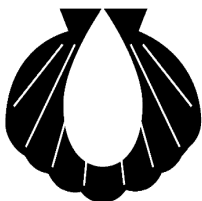
Joe Carpenter  
Linda Marie Macholz

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



## Upcoming Marriages

**Kelly Hague**  
Immaculate Conception,  
Newburyport, MA  
and  
**Matthew Milia**  
Immaculate Conception,  
Newburyport, MA



## Baptism

Callie Susan Diamond  
Oliver Matthew Kerzner  
Tiffany Nguyen Marckesano  
Mila Jade Rommel

*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, November 25**

*St. Catherine of Alexandria*

**8:30am Louis Gambardella**

**Tuesday, November 26**

**8:30am Matt Kuzmiak**

**Wednesday, November 27**

**8:30am Salvatore Martino**

**Thursday, November 28**

*Thanksgiving Day*

**9:30am People of the Parish**

**Friday, November 29**

**8:30am Joanne Maiella (Living)**

**Saturday, November 30 - Here ends the Year of Grace 2024**

*St. Andrew the Apostle*

**8:30am Carlo Radosti, Joseph Radosti (Living)  
Pierre-Louis Family (Living)**

**5:00pm Eddie Manarossi, Theresa McCarthy,  
Gaye Mazzo, Betty Langan, Dr. John Calogero  
Claire Gluf**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**Sunday, December 1**

*First Sunday of Advent*

**8:00am Joseph J. Cascone**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**9:30am Kathleen Dehler**

*Fr. Charles Mangano*

**11:00am Joseph Fanuele**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*

**12:30pm Dorothy Carley**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*

**6:00pm People of the Parish, The Hibernian Purgatorial Society, William Wankmuller, Robert Bolen, Grace LaPenna, Noelle Kuchler**

*Fr. Dennis Suglia*

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Over the past year and five months that I have been pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, I am so inspired by the faith of our parishioners. Also, the volunteerism is wonderful and your love for the parish is clearly seen.

Each Sunday, when the parish family gathers in the church before Mass, it is great to see the enthusiasm parishioners have when they greet one another. You can see the warmth and love among you which gives me joy. While this is a gift indeed, at the same time, I would like to offer an additional reflection on this.

I know there are people who come early to church to prepare themselves spiritually before the next Mass begins. Some may even be carrying burdens and need time to pour out their hearts to the Lord. It is difficult for them to do this due to the noise level of those who are speaking in the church. I would like to suggest that 15 minutes before the Mass begins, the church becomes a place of quiet prayer. Perhaps we can reserve the narthex (*church lobby*) for the place to have conversation before the Mass begins. This would meet the needs of both groups of parishioners: those who would like to share with others before the Mass and those who would like to pray. Therefore, starting the first weekend of Advent, December 1<sup>st</sup>, the cantor will invite everyone into a time of sacred silence fifteen minutes before the Mass begins, so we can ready ourselves for the sacred encounter with God.

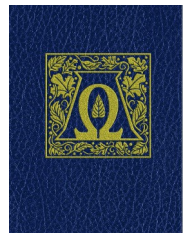
Thank you for assisting one another in creating an atmosphere where everyone can prepare their hearts to meet Jesus.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Dennis Suglia  
Pastor

## Book of the Names of the Deceased

Beginning November 2, and continuing throughout the month of November, a special book will be placed in the Sanctuary, inscribed with the names of all who have died in our Parish Family over the past year. In prayer, let us remember all of these men and women who have gone before us, “marked with the sign of faith.” May our united prayers help us to better understand and appreciate our faith in Christ, our risen Lord, who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all!



## 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, December 14<sup>th</sup>** concluding with Benediction at 9:50pm. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!

**Please note: Due to the Paint & Sip event on December 7<sup>th</sup>, the December Nocturnal Adoration has been moved to December 14<sup>th</sup>.**



## Casa Project Update

In the past, the “Casa House” in the Narthex has provided housing, bedding and ecostoves for our friends in El Salvador. We couldn’t do this without your support and generosity. Next weekend (11/30 and 12/1) 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.







## 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, November 25, 2024 in the Spiritual Life Center.**



## St. Nicholas is coming to OLL!! Pancake Breakfast with St. Nicholas

Enjoy a delicious breakfast with family and friends!  
Special visit by St. Nicholas  
Holiday Crafts and Games!



**Sunday, December 8, 2024**

9:00am to 12:30pm in the School Cafeteria  
\$10.00 per person / Children under 5 yrs. are FREE

*sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #17379 and Children's Liturgy Committee*

**Bring your camera for pictures with St. Nicholas  
and Family Holiday Pictures.**



**TICKETS ON SALE AFTER MASS ON: NOV. 23-24  
or at the Parish Office**



**Deadline for Ticket purchase: Tuesday, December 3**



The Parish Office will close on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm (no evening hours) in observance of Thanksgiving.

The office will re-open on Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

## Thanksgiving Day Mass - Thursday, November 28 at 9:30am

*Thanksgiving Mass will also be live-streamed on our website: [ollchurch.org](http://ollchurch.org)*

*Come together to celebrate the goodness of the Lord at our Mass on Thanksgiving Day!*

This is an opportunity to take time out to reflect on the many *good* things that have happened in our lives during the last year. However, we must also remember those who are in need. We ask that you bring a non-perishable food item to the Thanksgiving Mass to be a blessing to those in need. At the Offertory, you will be invited to process up and place your non-perishable food item in the baskets located in the sanctuary.

A basket will also be available if you prefer to give a monetary contribution.

*We will give thanks as God's holy and blessed people!*

## Confirmation 2024

On Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> the Sacrament of Confirmation was administered by Bishop John Barres in our Parish. Eight classes of grade 9 students, a total of 122 students were confirmed. They are sent forth now to live out their Catholic faith with even greater enthusiasm and conviction. Please pray for our newly Confirmed as they embrace this very important commitment in their faith journey and that they will continue to be strengthened, loved and supported by YOU ... their Parish family.



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on this Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm to 7:30pm. Come, spend some intimate time with Jesus. Invite a family member or friend along too! In case of inclement weather, please call the parish office at 631-661-3224 ext. 0, or log onto the parish website ([ollchurch.org](http://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**



Tomato Sauce  
Canned Fruit  
Canned Potatoes  
Canned Chicken  
Pudding



## Thanksgiving at OLL

*It's November..... and Thanksgiving is fast approaching.*

Once again, we ask our generous parish family and friends to help those less fortunate by making a donation to Outreach.

We would like to suggest that when you are shopping for your Thanksgiving dinner, you buy a duplicate item for one of our families in need and bring it to Parish Outreach for distribution.

Any donations of Thanksgiving food, including turkeys or hams would be gratefully accepted. If your budget has room to donate a complete dinner, we are working with families of 2 -9 members.

We'll be in the Parish Center on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm to accept donations. We will be also be accepting donations from November 20<sup>th</sup> to November 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Outreach office from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Thank you for all you do!



## Advent Lessons and Carols

Thursday, December 5, 2024

*You are invited to come and gather together in our church  
to hear beautiful music and inspiring Scripture  
to help us prepare again for the birth of our Savior  
Jesus Christ at Christmas.*

## Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

(Formerly... 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.



## Did You Know

**The definition of Eucharist – The word “Eucharist” in Greek means “Thanksgiving?”**

The Israelites in the desert received this “manna from Heaven,” yet they struggled to offer thanks and gratitude to God in the midst of their trying circumstances. How often do we not see the blessing in our challenging situations that cause us stress and complain about our stress like the Israelites? Yet, if you look deeper there is always a blessing in your struggle. In this season of Thanksgiving, let us remember that God, through his son Jesus Christ, provides daily sustenance with an everlasting love. Jesus feeds our souls with his divine mercy and feeds our bodies with the Eucharist. This Thanksgiving let us thank Him and remember that God always sustains us through the Eucharist. (See Exodus 16:4-36, Luke 22:17-19, 1 Corinthians 11:24, and 1 Thessalonians 5)

(Taken from: “The Biblical Walk Through the Mass” by Dr. Edward Sri)



## 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).

## Canonization Pilgrimage to Italy for Blessed Carlo Acutis & Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

*Walk in the Footsteps of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati*

TURIN, PALLONE, SIENNA, FLORENCE, & ROME  
(Assisi - Optional Post Tour)

**July 26 - August 06, 2025**

*Canonization Date is subject to change, and is pending official confirmation from the Vatican. If the canonization date changes, we will offer you an option to transfer your deposit to the new dates or another 206 Tours Pilgrimage through January 2026.*

**\$6,929 per person**  
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- Round-trip Airfare
- Accommodations at first class hotels
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Assistance of a local guide
- And so much more!

**Optional Post-Tour to Assisi:**  
August 6 - 8, 2025 | \$849 per person  
See the Body of Blessed Carlo Acutis

[www.206tours.com/frmangano](http://www.206tours.com/frmangano)



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**Spiritual Directors: Fr. Dennis Suglia,  
Fr. Charles Mangano, & Fr. Tony Stanganelli**

**Contact:** [piernha@206tours.com](mailto:piernha@206tours.com) (800) 206-8687  
[olivia@206tours.com](mailto:olivia@206tours.com)





**Our Lady of Lourdes Knights of Columbus**  
*Annual Christmas Poinsettia Sale*

**AFTER ALL MASSES**  
on  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
and  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15**

*Select a beautiful plant to decorate your home  
or as gifts for family members and friends,  
while also supporting our Parish!*



*Our Lady of the Snow*  
*Prayer Night*



*Join us for prayer  
and fellowship!*

*Ring in the winter season and  
refresh your soul!*

*Tuesday, December 3rd, 7:30pm*  
*Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center*

*We will learn about the story of Our  
Lady and enjoy making decorations for  
the upcoming Paint n' Sip!*



*Ages 21-39*





Early Bird Special: **\$200 Discount!** Register with deposit by Jan 1, 2025. Promo Code: **EBD**



# Medjugorje

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

PILGRIMAGE WITH SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS:

## Fr. Charles Mangano & Fr. Tony Stanganelli

Father Charles Mangano, a priest of the Diocese Of Rockville Center, New York, for 34 years and Fr. Tony Stanganelli, ordained as well for the diocese some 45 years ago, are our spiritual directors for this pilgrimage. Father Charles is presently the associate pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in West Islip and Father Tony serves as pastor of Saint Thomas the Apostle Church in West Hempstead. Together they have served as spiritual directors for numerous pilgrimages over the past 27 years and have made numerous trips to Medjugorje. They both are quoted in saying "Medjugorje is a piece of heaven on earth". Fr. Charles and Fr. Tony joyfully look forward to serving you on this spiritual pilgrimage.

## August 11 - 19, 2025

**\$3,765 per person**  
from New York (JFK)

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All pricing based on double occupancy. (No single rooms.)*



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IN CELEBRATION OF THE 750TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF ST. THOMAS' DEATH

# VENERATION OF THE MAJOR RELICS OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024**

**10AM VOTIVE MASS OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**  
CELEBRANT: HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP ANDRZEJ ZGLEJSZEWSKI  
GUEST HOMILIST: FR. JOSEPH-MARY HERTZOG, O.P.

**11AM-12PM VENERATION**

**12PM PREACHING - ST. THOMAS: THEOLOGIAN AND MYSTIC**  
FR. BASIL COLE, O.P., S.T.D., S.T.M.

**12:30PM-1:30PM CONFESSIONS**

**12:30PM-3PM VENERATION**

**PLENARY INDULGENCE GRANTED FOR PILGRIMAGE TO A HOLY PLACE  
CONNECTED WITH THE ORDER OF FRIARS PREACHERS UNDER THE USUAL  
CONDITIONS**

**St. Barnabas the Apostle Church**

**2320 Bedford Ave.**

**Bellmore, NY 11710**

*served by the*

*Dominican Friars*

**Free Parking and Admission**

*a free-will offering  
will be taken*



## Around the Parish *by Anne Munkwitz*

November is a special month here in Our Lady of Lourdes, it's when we celebrate the founding of our parish in 1956. It is the month we as a nation celebrate and give Thanks for the blessings big and small that we have been fortunate to receive. That being said, I have been thinking about all those who do things we may not even be aware of, so please be patient with me as I try to remember those who enhance our prayer space and add to our worship. Please consider taking a moment to let them know you appreciate the gift they each give to us.

The following are volunteers to whom we owe our gratitude ... Dennis, who two days a week has been vacuuming the church and cleaning the windows (now with glass doors that's a lot of glass), to Bill, who opens the church every morning. He and Roland take turns each night closing the building. Ron who goes around straightening up, Roland and Kathy that lead the rosary daily. All the lectors, that do a great job of proclaiming the Word of God, the ministers of the Eucharist that not only help at Mass but also bring communion to the home bound, the altar servers, that assist the priest at Mass and the wonderful cantors, who share their beautiful voices. Let us not forget the ladies who clean all the altar linens and our ushers. Jerry and his crew that beautifully decorate the altar for each liturgical season. Muriel and her group that pray the Chaplet each week day morning after Mass. Every Tuesday, Linda sets up for Adoration and stays the entire time, so Jesus has company all day. A special thanks to those who welcome our newest members at Baptism and those who assist as they are called home to God. Our woman and men that help Sisters Nancy and Diane with our Faith Formation program and assist as the children receive their sacraments. Our Outreach volunteers, that assist those in need. We have so many more ministries that help keep OLL running and operating smoothly and I am sorry for not mentioning each one but we are very grateful for the gift of your time and talent. There are a group of men in our parish that assist in every part of the operation of our magnificent complex, our deacons, who are the volunteers that dedicate their lives to God. Of course, we have the staff that do an excellent job of running the day-to-day happenings. Finally, our priests that help us in our daily joys and struggles on our faith journey.

Please consider taking a moment to express your gratitude to any or all of those who create a beautiful and sacred tapestry of prayer and worship.

Happy Thanksgiving ALL!!

### **Transforming the Church and Society through Care for our Common Home** **Wednesday, December 4, 2024 - 7:30pm – 8:45pm via Zoom**

The Catholic faith tradition offers both deep theological and ethical resources for addressing the climate crisis, as well as the inspiration and hope needed for critically needed action throughout society. The Catholic moral imagination provides a vision of an inclusive and sustainable future, and already existing practical action plans are guiding large-scale change. As Pope Francis writes, "Truly, much can be done!"



**Presenter:** Erin Lothes, Ph.D., is a Catholic theologian and author of *Inspired Sustainability: Planting Seeds for Action* and *The Paradox of Christian Sacrifice: The Loss of Self, The Gift of Self* as well as many articles on faith-based environmentalism, divestment, and energy ethics. Dr. Lothes is senior manager of the Laudato Si Animators Program with the Laudato Si Movement, and a visiting scholar at the Center for Earth Ethics at Union Theological Seminary. Most recently, she has written a commentary to introduce the Orbis Books paper publication of Pope Francis's apostolic exhortation, *Laudate Deum*.

**Registration:** <https://brentwoodcsj.org/event/transforming-the-church-and-society-through-care-for-our-common-home/>

**Note:** This program is being sponsored by *Spirit Alive: The CSJ Institute for Faith Inquiry and Education*, an educational initiative supported by the Sisters of Saint Joseph, Brentwood NY. For more information go to <https://brentwoodcsj.org/spirit-alive-institute/>



## **Butterfly Memory Café - December 6, 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, December 6<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, December 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.*

## ***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.



## **The Babylon Chorale presents: *Peace* featuring Taylor Scott Davis' "Magnificat"**

A performance of holiday songs performed with orchestra.

**Sunday, December 8, 2024 at 4:00pm**

St. Peter's By The Sea Episcopal Church

500 South Country Rd. (Montauk Hwy), Bay Shore

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\$10 / Children 10 and under at all times

To purchase tickets online or for further information, visit our website at: [www.babylonchorale.org](http://www.babylonchorale.org) or email: [info@babylonchorale.org](mailto:info@babylonchorale.org)

## **2024 Catholic Faith Network Award of Excellence**

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will host the CFN Award of Excellence on Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at the Garden City Hotel. This year's honorees include *Cardinal Luis Antonio Gokim Tagle, Religious Leader, Dom & Sarah Kroger Quaglia, Media Leaders and Claudio & Jami DeVellis, Business Leaders.* Angelo & Denise Vivolo will serve as Co-Chairs for the event. For more information, please visit [www.cfnawards.org](http://www.cfnawards.org).



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FRIDAY JANUARY 24

2025



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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 **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 Encounter experiences will be on: January 7-February 18, 2025, Virtual 3RE, NY, and then on September 19-21, 2025** 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 “**Patience**”. To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).

## Sharing the Gospel

Today is Christ the King Sunday. Instead of using His power selfishly to get whatever He wanted, Jesus used his power to free people from sickness, from death, and from evil. Jesus came to tell us the truth about God. Now we need to listen to the voice of Jesus and follow His example.



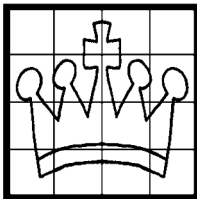
## Mission for the Week



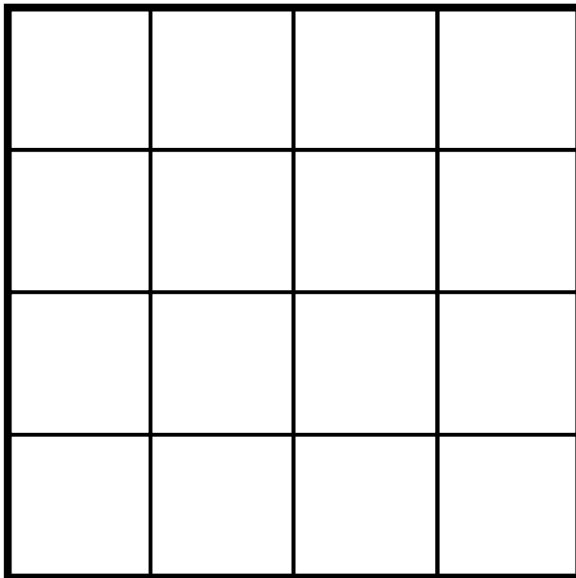
We "listen to Jesus" when we follow His example. This week, let others go first when you play a game.



### Puzzle



Enlarge the picture square by square.



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### Prayer

Dear God,  
Thank you for  
sending Jesus  
to be our  
loving king.  
Amen



### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus wearing a crown of thorns.

