Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

"Do not be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." LUKE 5:11



February 9, 2025

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2025



Pastoral Team

Associate Pastor

Nilo DeLeon

Deacon

Deacon

Deacon

Deacon

Tom Lucie

Rich Maher

Jack Meehan

Pastor

Rev. Dennis A. Suglia

Rev. Charles Mangano

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY

New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our Parish Family. Please call or visit the Parish Office

Sacraments

Baptism

Marriage

appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

call the Parish Office.

please call the Parish Office.

Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner,

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an

Arranged at least six months in advance, please

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Church. For non-Catholics and for Catholics who

have never received formal religious education.

A process to be embraced by the Catholic

If interested, please call the Parish Office.



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Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass 8:30am Monday - Saturday 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 Monday - Saturday 8:00am **Miraculous Medal Novena** Monday 8:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday 12:00-7:30pm **Divine Mercy Prayer** Thursday 1:30pm **Nocturnal Adoration** 1st Saturday of the Month - 6:00-10pm

Trish Frodell

Receptionist

Religious Education

Phone: 631-661-5440 (option 3) Monday-Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:00-5:00pm, 7:00-9:00pm Email: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org Sr. Nancy Campkin CSJ Director of Religious Ed Sr. Diane Liona CSJ Director of Religious Ed Rita Spera Religious Education Office

Parish Outreach Office

Phone: 631-661-9262 (option 4) Monday - Wednesday - Friday: 9:30am-3:30pm Call for an appointment Trish Frodell Director of Parish Social Ministry

Liturgy & Music

Robin Reynolds Brennan Coordinator of Worship and Choir Director Maryann Buonaspina Parish Organist

Pastoral Council

- Phil Ambrosino Mary Borgs Sonia DaSilva Nilo DeLeon Jerry Esposito Danielle Guilfoil
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 Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm

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 Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm

 Marcelle Crudele

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 Robin Reynolds Brennan
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SAGE (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment)

Phone: 631-661-3224, Ext. 122 Email: Sage@ollchurch.org Cathy Danowski SAGE Coordinator

Our Mission

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



2025 is the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The concept of "Jubilee" has its origins in the Book of Leviticus (chapter 25) as a special year of reconciliation, pilgrimage, and coming home.

Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

What is a Jubilee Year All About?

The 2025 Jubilee officially opened on December 24, 2024, with the rite of Opening of the Holy Door of the Papal Basilica of St. Peter by the Holy Father, who then presided over the celebration of the Night Mass of the Lord's Birth inside the Basilica. The year will end in Rome on January 6, 2026.

"Jubilee" is the name given to a particular year; the name comes from the instrument used to mark its launch. In this case, the instrument in question is the *yobel*, the ram's horn, used to proclaim the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, but it takes on special significance when it marks the beginning of a Jubilee year.

In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called the first Jubilee, also known as a "Holy Year," since it is a time in which God's holiness transforms us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time: at first, they were celebrated every 100 years; later, in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. There have also been "extraordinary" Holy Years: for example, in 1933 Pope Pius XI chose to commemorate the 1900th anniversary of the Redemption, and in 2015 Pope Francis proclaimed the Year of Mercy as an extraordinary jubilee. The way in which Jubilee Years are marked has also changed through the centuries: originally the Holy Year consisted of a pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, later other signs were added, such as the Holy Door.

A Jubilee year is a time for celebration, and sees millions of believers seeking spiritual renewal and a stronger connection to their faith.

Characteristics of the Jubilee

Throughout the year we will examine and learn more about the Characteristics of the jubilee:

- Pilgrimage
- Reconciliation
- Holy Door
- Prayer
- Profession of Faith
- Indulgences
- Liturgy



Gospel Reflection

by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we consider the call to continue the mission of Jesus by engaging in some form of ministry. The first and the last readings are call narratives; the epistle contains a statement of the faith that undergirds our response to our call; the psalm response celebrates the gracious goodness of God that makes all of this possible.

Our call is more than a summons to faith; it is a call to ministry. Isaiah is called in order to be sent; the fishermen are called in order to gather others to Jesus. So it is with us. We are called to be sent out to the world. This call comes to us in the ordinariness of life. It will usually come to us as we wash our nets or our dishes, as we teach or raise children, as we prepare a brief for trial or examine a patient; as we repair cars or work at the computer. The call of God comes to us in the ordinariness of life.

We are called to proclaim the message of the resurrection by any and every means possible. Some, like Isaiah and the disciples of Jesus, will witness in open and dramatic ways. They will teach and preach; they will nurse the sick and care for the elderly. Others will witness in less conspicuous ways. They will insist on fair practices in their own workplaces; they will weed out expressions of prejudice and violence so that a new and just world can be fashioned for themselves and for their children. Called in the ordinariness of their lives, they will witness to the death and resurrection in that very ordinariness, thus transforming everything into extraordinariness.



February 10th

Memorial of St. Scholastica (480-547) was the twin sister of St. Benedict, the Patriarch of Western monasticism. She was born in Umbria, Italy, about 480. Under Benedict's direction, Scholastica founded a

community of nuns near the great Benedictine monastery Monte Cassino. Inspired by Benedict's teaching, his sister devoted her whole life to seeking and serving God. She died in 547 and tradition holds that at her death her soul ascended to heaven in the form of a dove.



February 14th Memorial of St. Cyril (827-869) & St. Methodius (826-885)

St. Cyril was a priest and a philosopher and accompanied his brother St. Methodius to Moravia to preach the Gospel. They both perfected a Slavonic alphabet which is now known as the Cyrillic alphabet and translated

the liturgy into this language. They were summoned to Rome, where Cyril died on this date in 869, and Methodius was consecrated bishop and sent to Pannonia. Methodius died on April 6, 885, in Velehrad, Czech Republic, after working tirelessly on spreading the Gospel.

Guest Speaker

Next weekend we are pleased to welcome Rev. Bernard Robert Bonnot who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound.



UNBOUND[,]

Unbound is an international sponsorship ministry founded by lay Catholics grounded in the Gospel call to put the needs of the marginalized and vulnerable first. Whose mission is to support families and communities worldwide on their self-directed paths out of poverty.

As a priest of the Diocese of Youngstown, Ohio, Father Bonnot served as an associate pastor, senior pastor, high school teacher, and as diocesan director of communication services. He also directed satellite communication efforts for the United States



Conference of Catholic Bishops' Interfaith efforts and served as a chaplain for the Army National Guard in Ohio, New York, and Maryland. His faith journey was strengthened through seeing the world. He visited a fellow Youngstown priest in El Salvador, traveled to Maryknoll Missions in Panama, Peru, Chile, Bolivia, and Brazil and worked alongside the bishop of Ngong, Kenya. Now retired, Father Bonnot enjoys reading, writing, golf, and travel in his R.V. He sees Unbound as a way to express his Christian concern for the human race while reaching out to the margins with his talent, treasure and person.

To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at <u>www.unbound.org</u>.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 9

- Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30am Mass
- OCIA 11am 12pm
- Secular Franciscans Meeting 1:30-4:30pm

Monday, February 10

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Pep 3 4:15-5:15pm
- Knight of Columbus Meeting 8pm

Tuesday, February 11

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Adoration 12:20-7:30pm
- Anxiety Disorder Recovery Group 2-4pm
- Grade 5 Rel. Ed. 4:15-5:15pm

Wednesday, February 12

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Pep 1 4:15-5:15pm

Thursday, February 13

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Divine Mercy Prayer Group 1:30pm
- Pep 2 4:15-5:15pm
- Adult Choir 7-9pm

Friday, February 14

Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am

Saturday, February 15

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Confession 4-4:45pm

Sunday, February 16

• Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30am Mass

Weekly Readings

Readings for the Week of February 9,2025

Sunday:	ls 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11	Thursday:	Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30
Monday:	Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56	Friday:	Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37
Tuesday:	Gn 1:20—2:4a/Mk 7:1-13	Saturday:	Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10
Wednesday	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23	Next Sunday:	Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26



Each year, prior to the beginning of Lent, parishes burn the previous year's palm to provide the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. We invite you to return the blessed Palm branches you received at Mass last Palm Sunday so that we can include them in the ashes we will use this year for **Ash Wednesday, March 5**th

Baskets will be available near the doors as you enter the church from February 7th through February 16th.

Deadline for returning palm is Sunday, February 16th

Looking for Altar Servers!

Are you in 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th grade or higher? Do you feel in your heart that Jesus could be calling you to serve as an Altar Server during Holy Mass? It is a real honor to do so.

If you are interested, please call the Parish Office to register at 631-661-3224 ext. 2 and come to the following training sessions.

Important Dates: All trainings are in the Church

Monday, March 10th Wednesday, March 12th Monday, March 17th Wednesday, March 19th Monday, March 24th Wednesday, March 26th **Sunday, March 30th** from 4:15pm to 5:30pm----- Training from 5:30pm to 6:30pm----- Training and rehearsal for the installation from 5:30pm to 6:30pm----- Training and rehearsal for the installation **12:30pm Mass Altar Server Installation during the Mass**

Parish Outreach

631-661-3442 (option 4) Hours for Outreach: Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 9:30am - 3:30pm ONLY Appointments are preferred.

Donations to Outeach

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.

PANRTY NEEDS

Outreach is also in need of these items for our Food Pantry. Donations can be left in the vestibules before/after Mass on Saturday/Sunday or during Outreach hours.



Spaghetti Cannellini Beans Canned Chili Hot Chocolate Toothpaste

2025 Spring Bible Study/Retreat

Our next series will lead us in a closer relationship with the one who is closest to Jesus,



His Mother, Mary.

Dates: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24

Time: 1:00pm or 7:30pm (2 sessions available)

Place: All Purpose Room

A \$30.00 per person donation will cover the cost of materials. However, a free will offering is greatly appreciated if the cost creates

Facilitator training will be Tuesday, May 6th at 1:00pm and 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

The DVD presentation is by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, followed by small group discussion. We will be using his textbook and workbook, entitled **33 Days to Morning Glory**, along with a bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church.



To register, scan the QR code or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 ext. 2.

Jesus desires us to know Mary, to love her and be in close relationship with her. Therefore, during this study, we will consecrate ourselves to Mary which will allow her to lead us in deeper intimacy with her Son. This seven week series will feel more like a retreat in the presentation of the material and the reflection questions. We will also learn what four saints knew about the quickest, surest and easiest way to holiness.

Order 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...

...we would be happy to help you!

Our email address is: OCIA@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224



The next Knights of Columbus Council 17379 Meeting is

Monday, February 10th

8:00pm

In the Parish Center

New members always welcome!

To learn more or to join visit: <u>www.OLL17379.org</u>



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 10 Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin 8:30am George Wichelns

Tuesday, February 11 8:30am Sylvester J. Caramico

Wednesday, February 12 8:30am Thomas & Bridget Maher

Thursday, February 13 8:30am John Flynn

Friday, February 14 Memorial of Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop 8:30am Elvera Vieni

Saturday, February 15 8:30am Louis Galindez, Dcn. Rich Maher & Family (Living) Antonia Martino, Frank J. Seminerio

5:00pm James Amoroso, Anne Baur, Frank A. Cesario, James, Fry, Joseph M. & Helen M. Nolan Fr. Dennis Suglia

Sunday, February 16 8:00am Dennis Morgan Fr. Dennis Suglia

9:30am Claudia Kavitt Visiting Priest

11:00am Deceased members of the Coppella & Ferland families Visiting Priest

12:30pm Eddie Mariarossi Visiting Priest

6:00pm People of the Parish, Madeline Amato, Anne Kerrigan, Eleanor McGee, Andrea Pedalino, Bruce Richards Visiting Priest

Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.

Weekly Collection

February 2, 2025

Weekly Collection		\$1	8,443.50
Weekly Budget	-	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>7,800.00</u>
+/- for the week		\$	643.00)

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



Rest In Peace

Aubrey Grace Costanza Saverio Graziano Joyce Lehmann Loretta Cannon



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



Baptism

Callum Patrick Beyerbach Maeve Elizabeth Guercio Callum Quealy John Maiale



Pray for Our Sick

Wanda Dobias Tom O'Brien Robert Scharen Marybeth A. Patricia Amabile Anna Ferrante Edward Pauciullo Vita Scorcia Louie Amato Bea Guzzo Rose Pauciullo Daniel Segreto Connie Ambrosino Christine Harty Diane Peterson Diana Smiloff Special Intention/Healing Andrew Arena Patricia Horne Frank Peterson Kathy Arena Paul Johnson Cameron Pilliteri Louise Sturgeon Jeanette Battista Richard Kliegl John Posanti Keri Thomas Thomas J. Calogero, III Robert Kostanoski Louise Posanti Chelcea Toth Doris Cameron Vincent Marinelli Tessie Reilly Marge Valenti Tom Cavanagh Rose Mattiello Sally Riddle Sadie Williams Jerry Collins Baby Kieran John McKay Donna Rojas Grayson Danielski **Richard Meyer** Fabian Rojas Susan Dedes Wesley Morrell Diane Scharen

Names of the sick will be listed for six weeks for short-term requests and six months for long-term requests. Please call or email the Parish Office if you wish to include a name to the Prayer List.

Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 or email <u>ParishOffice@ollchurch.org</u> 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.

Members in the Military

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

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

... and remember those of our Parish family that are in the armed services, listed in our Parish Book of Intentions.

Altar Society

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





Church Ministries

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **every Tuesday 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 visit the parish website (ollchurch.org) to check if Adoration has been canceled.

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 and exposed after the 5:00pm Mass concluding with Benediction at 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, March 1st** Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome. Bring a friend!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We invite young people from age 4 to 4th Grade to hear God's Word in a special way at the **9:30am Mass every Sunday** from September through June.

Adult Choir

Do you like to sing? New choir members are always welcome!!

Choir Mass: Sundays at 11:00am Rehearsals: **Thursdays at 7:00pm to 8:00pm** in the Church Season: September to June. Interested singers are invited to come to a rehearsal and try it out!

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.

Men's Prayer Group

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection **after the 8:30am Mass on February 19**th in the Parish Center. We meet once a month to read and discuss the Scriptures for the following Sunday. Come with your ideas and suggestions. We'll gather for conversation and fellowship.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers

Our Lady's Rosary Makers welcomes all men and women who are interested in learning the art of making corded / beaded rosaries. All materials will be supplied. You may also take home pre-packaged kits to complete additional rosaries. Completed rosaries will be blessed and given free-of-charge to the homeless, the sick, hospitals, developing nations, the military, police, etc. The We meet on the **third Wednesday of each month**. Meetings are in the Parish Center from 1:00pm-2:30pm and from 7:30pm-9:00pm. You may choose which group to attend. Free-will offerings will be graciously accepted and will be used in purchasing additional supplies.





Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the **first Monday of each month**. The next meeting will be on Monday, January 6. We will begin with Rosary at 7:00pm in the Church, immediately followed by our business meeting in the Spiritual Life Center.

SAGE (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment)

Come join other mature parishioners as we walk through this chapter of our life journey. We share our experiences, our hopes. our laughter and our spirituality at our meetings. Next meeting February 18th at 9:30am

St. Agnes of Assisi - The Secular Franciscan Order

Would you like to give more time to God, but wonder how to do that when your life is so busy? Do you long for holiness, and feel a need for support in growing spiritually? Perhaps your heart has been moved by stories of St. Francis of Assisi, or the Peace Prayer attributed to him, and you are seeking that same holy simplicity, true peace and perfect joy? If so, Christ may be calling you to explore the Secular Franciscan life. We invite you to join our monthly meetings, **2nd Sunday of the month**, **1:30pm-4:30pm** in the Parish Center For more information, contact Jackie Totino, SFO at 516-320-1326.

Women's Prayer Group

The Women's Prayer Group will meet on February 26th at 9:30am and at 7:30pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend

Young Men's Ministry

All boys from 6th to 12th grades are invited to meet in the All Purpose Room on the **first and third Fridays of the month from 6:45-9:00pm**. Each meeting includes time for the boys to discuss religious and spiritual topics of their choosing followed by games which include basketball, hockey, kickball, wiffle ball and relay races. There are also board games and art activities for those who are interested. These days our young people hear messages which are incompatible with our values. Our goals are to encourage the boys to keep God in their lives, live faithful lives, be of service, be respectful of others, and be gentlemen at all times. We welcome men 18 years and older to serve as volunteers in this ministry. For further information please call Robert Natale at 631-943-5962.

Groups

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 or to join, please scan the QR code listed here or visit: www.OLL17379.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: <u>https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179</u> or contact us at: <u>troop179cc@yahoo.com</u>.

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday and Tuesday at 8:00pm, Saturday at 11:00am & 7:00pm and Sunday at 9:30am All meeting are in Lourdes Hall (lower level of Convent)

ALANON

Wednesday at 10:00am. Beginner's meeting at 9:30am. Free babysitting available. 2nd and 4th Wednesday meetings are via Zoom. For more meeting info visit: al-anon.org. All meeting are in Lourdes Hall (lower level of Convent)

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 next to of Outreach). For more information and to register, please call Bob at 631-235-2229.

Butterfly Memory Café - Friday, February 21st 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. There is no charge to participate, but space is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to register, please call Grace at A Gentle Touch Senior Care at: 631-647-7622 or e-mail: grace@agentletoauchseniorcare.com.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group - Thursday, February 20th from 5:30-7:00pm

Caregiving for someone with Alzheimer's or a related dementia can cause frustration, fear, anger, sadness and other emotions. Our support group can provide emotional, social, and educational help to caregivers whose lives are affected by dementia. Join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 5:30pm-7:00pm in the Parish Center There is no charge to participate, but please contact Maegan at 631-647-7622 or via e-mail at: <u>Jennafer@agentletouchseniorcare.com</u> to reserve your place.



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: <u>Donna526@aol.com</u> or call Diane at: 631-587-0966 or Donna at: 631-835-8788. Website: www.FamiliesAnonymous.org



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: <u>www.longisland.engagedencounter.com</u>

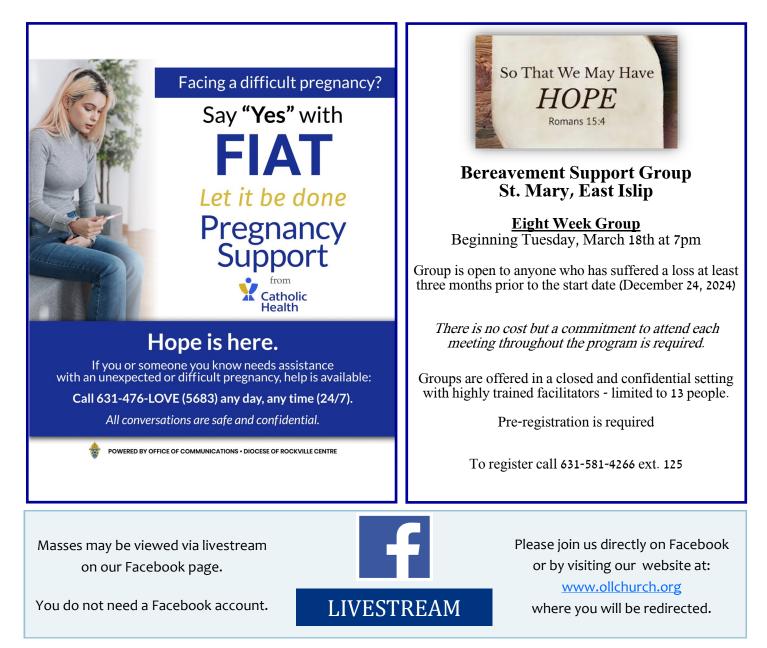
Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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 experience will take place June 27-29th at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Lloyd Harbor.





Register at: <u>www.WWME.org</u> or contact: Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835.



Growing with the Gospel

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus was powerful enough to control the fish in the sea! Peter caught no fish by himself one night. With Jesus' help, Peter caught more fish than his boat could carry. When Peter saw what Jesus did, he was afraid. How would you feel?



Mission for the Week



With your parents, try turning on a lamp while it isn't plugged in. It doesn't work, does it? That's how we need to be plugged in to God to do His work. Without Him, what we try will never work.

ဦ္ဒီ Puzzle

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







Prayer

Dear God, Your power is so amazing!



Draw fish swimming into Peter's net.

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Canonization Pilgrimage to Italy for

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Handicapped Encounter Christ Ministry

Handicapped Encounter Christ (HEC) is a ministry for adults with physical, mental, cognitive and/or sensory disabilities. It is based on the Cursillo movement of the Catholic Church. HEC brings together the communities of disabled and enabled adults so they can get to know our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the year, we have many events and annually there is a three-day HEC retreat held in the spring. We are always looking for participants to join this ministry — those that are disabled and those who are not so that together we are one community learning from each other, enjoying each other's company, and establishing many beautiful friendships as we all get to know our Lord.

The 2025 HEC retreat takes place Thursday evening April 24th and ends Sunday afternoon April 27th

PLEASE join our HEC retreat planning meetings for enabled adults who wish to volunteer and be of service on the retreat weekend:

Monday, February 10: 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn Wednesday, March 5: 7pm at St Kilian Parish, 485 Conklin Street, Farmingdale (Green Room) Monday, April 7: 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 29 Clay Pitts Road, Greenlawn

All are welcome - please join us!

Any questions, call Bernice 516-582-0302 or Bob 516-241-4122

The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Invite You to



Irish Night

We hope you will join us for our 51st Annual Irish Night Event

Saturday, March 1st

St. Brigid's in Westbury



Mass will be at 6pm

Music, Dancing & Celebrating begin at 7pm

It will sure to be an event that you won't want to miss!

For five decades our Irish Night has raised critical funding for the care of our senior sisters residing at the Motherhouse in Amityville, NY. We are honored to care for them as they come "home" to live their next stage of life.

For more information, please contact our Advancement Office at 631-842-6000 ext.246 or visit the event website: <u>www.sistersofstdominic.org/irishnight2025</u>

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Congregation. We hope you will join us on March 1st and raise a glass to good health for the coming year!

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