

Our Lady of Lourdes • Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 22, 2010

“For what child is there that a father does not discipline?”



Hebrews 12:7



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.

Our Lady of Lourdes

*455 Hunter Avenue
West Islip, New York 11795*

Daily Mass
8 AM

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 5 PM
Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM,
11 AM, 12:30 PM and 6 PM

Reconciliation
Saturday: 4 PM - 4:45 PM

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.

Vision...

so that all may know that they are a vital part of the Body of Christ, we further recommit and challenge ourselves to...

Live out our Baptismal call passionately by caring for all of God's people with justice.

Grow in an understanding of God's role in each of our lives.

Respond to the Gospel in a radical way, inviting and inspiring all to form the Kingdom of God in every moment of life.

Acknowledge we are not complete without the willingness to grow, discern and discover the Spirit who moves and guides us.

Pastoral Team

Rev. Michael A. Vetrano
Pastor

Rev. Patsy Amabile
Associate Pastor
Rev. Robert Scheckenback
Associate Pastor
Rev. Ambrose Cabildo
In Residence

Deacon John DeGuardi
Deacon Tom Lucie
Deacon Jack Meehan
Coordinator of Stewardship
Deacon John Teufel

Sr. Margaret Bickar
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Sr. Nancy Campkin
Director of Religious Education
Allegra D'Alo
Youth Minister/Social Action
Jennifer Gallagher
Childrens' Choir/Women's Chorale
Summer Program Director
Louise Jane Krol
School Principal
Sr. Diane Liona
Director of Religious Education
Mary McMahan
Director of Parish Social Ministry
Robin Reynolds-Brennan
Coordinator of Worship
Vita Scorcio
Ministry Spiritual Director
Sr. Betty Toohig
Senior Ministry-SAGE
Anthony Trombino
Business Manager

Pastoral Council

Stacie Baltrusitis
Lisa Cantalino
Sonia DaSilva
Nilo DeLeon
Jane Desthers
Jerry Esposito
Deacon Jack Meehan
John Muldoon
Bob Natale
Eileen Rega
Vita Scorcio
Mary Steck
Fr. Mike Vetrano
Christine Volk

Parish Staff

Mary Anne Lettieri
Parish Office
Debbie Meyer
Bulletin Editor/Parish Office
Rosemary Multer
School Office
Rita Spera
Religious Education Office
Lori Walsh
Parish Office

Parish Office

661.3224 (option 1)
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM
Saturday: 9 AM - 3 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 2 PM
email: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org
fax: 661.7143
website: www.ollchurch.org

Our Lady of Lourdes School

587.7200 (option 2)
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM
email: lkrol@ollschool.org

Religious Education Office

661.5440 (option 3)
Monday-Friday: 9 AM - Noon
1 PM - 5 PM
7 PM - 9 PM
email: ReligiousEd@ollchurch.org

Parish Outreach Office

661.9262 (option 4)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:
9:30 AM - 3 PM

S.A.G.E.

661.3224
(Senior Advocates for Growth
and Enrichment)
email: Sage@ollchurch.org



Religious Education

We will no longer mail our activities calendar.

All Religious Education information may be obtained by going to our OLL website ollchurch.org and click on the Religious Ed link or go to our echalk website ollreled.org and click on Religious Education Calendar, or Religious Education Programs, or Adult Faith Formation.

PEP 1 Registration Dates 2010

for children entering public school, grade 1 - September 2010

Meetings will take place in the Parish Center. (room opposite the playground on Hunter Ave)

Please note: Baptismal Certificates required for any child being registered in PEP 1.

Thursday, September 23	10 AM and 7:30 PM
Friday, September 24	10 AM
Tuesday, September 28	7:30 PM
Wednesday, September 29	10 AM
Wednesday, October 20	10 AM and 7:30 PM

If this is your *first child in our program*, the registration fee (Family Fee) is \$170 and textbooks are \$20 (if needed.) Details will be provided at the meeting.



OLL Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Walking in Jesus' Footsteps April 25 - May 4, 2011

Come and walk in the footsteps of Jesus along with our Pastor, Fr. Mike Vetrano.

Consider being with family and friends on a trip of a lifetime!

Walk the streets of Jerusalem and be in the place of our Christian heritage. Come to Bethlehem, visit the Basilica of the Nativity. Be at the Baptism site of Jesus on the Jordan River, sail on the Sea of Galilee and walk in the Garden of Gethsemane. You will visit the room of the Last Supper, walk on the Via Dolorosa "The Way of the Cross", and drive through the wilderness of Judea and the mountains of Jerusalem. All this on your trip of a lifetime.

For more information, our next meeting will be on

Wednesday, August 25 at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center.

The Tenth Annual Summer Evening Prayer 2010

(YES! It's been TEN years)



A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC

*An old fashioned evening of music and fellowship
Come each evening to enjoy God's gift of music!*

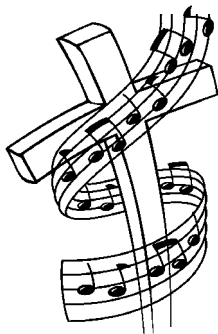
Monday, August 23
7 PM Great Lawn



**West Islip
Symphony Quartet
"High Tea"**



A-L finger sandwiches and M-Z pastries



Music Ministry at OLL

Come let us sing joyfully to the Lord!

Calling all adults, teens, and young children!

We need you!

Do you like to sing? Do you play an instrument? Do you like to have fun and meet new people?

Come be part of OLL's Music Ministry! Come minister to the parish family of Our Lady of Lourdes!

Come to our rehearsals:

Youth Choir Thursdays at 5 PM

Adult Choir Thursdays at 7 PM

Contemporary Choir Sundays at 5 PM

Women's Chorale To be announced

first rehearsal will be September 9

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Beginning A New Life, Inc.

Sister Lynn Caton will be back at Our Lady of Lourdes this weekend, August 21/22 and she will be speaking at all our Masses. Sister Lynn was a lifelong parishioner here at Our Lady of Lourdes, a cantor, and a member of our choir, until she entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 2006. She will be sharing her experiences about her ministry as a prison chaplain in Nassau and Suffolk Counties and Orange County, California.

There will be a second collection taken next weekend to support her newest ministry, "Beginning A New Life, Inc.", a mentoring program here on Long Island for formerly incarcerated persons to assist in a productive transition back to society. We look forward to seeing Sister Lynn, listening to her stories, and continuing to be a part of her journey.

"The Six!"

Our Sunday night Mass continues throughout the Summer - it's casual, lively, less than an hour, at the end of the summer day and a great way to have some great summer fun and make God a part of it all!

Look for us outside...and don't forget to bring a chair!

Are you interested in helping to make "The Six" happen? We need lectors, set up people, clean up people, greeters, welcomers and more! If you're interested or have some questions contact Robin, e-mail to robin@ollchurch.org.

Our Lady of Lourdes School

New Nursery Class!

Now opening a two day Tuesday/Thursday morning Nursery Class. For more information or to register, please call the school office at 587.7200, extension 100 or visit our website at www.ollschool.org

SAGE

The SAGE Group (Senior Advocates for Growth and Enrichment) will meet on **Tuesday, August 24**, in the **Parish Center at 9 AM**.

Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group

The Jesus, King of All Nations Prayer Group meets each **Thursday afternoon** in the **Church**. Please join us in praying for our nation's healing. We will pray before the Blessed Sacrament from **3 PM until 4 PM**.

Good Samaritan Prayer Group of L.I.

The Good Samaritan Prayer Group of Long Island holds their **meetings every Friday (except the first Friday of the month) at OLL School in Room 16 from 8 PM until 10 PM**. All are welcome to experience singing, praying and fellowship each evening.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



Italian Family Feast 2010

September 15 - 19, 2010

Opens Wednesday thru Friday at 7 PM

Opens Saturday at 6 PM

Opens Sunday at 2 PM

**THEY'RE
BACK!**

"The Magic of Mark & Kym"

**An illusionary journey into
the World of Magic!**

Sunday, September 19

Show Times: 2:30 PM, 3:30 PM and 5 PM

Free Admission!

**Come one and all-especially children -to see live exotic animals,
breathtaking illusions, and become involved in audience participation!**

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to support our annual Italian Family Feast. We have our faithful volunteers that come and help year after year-and to them we are very grateful. We need to attract new volunteers to keep our feast the wonderful annual family event that it is!

Can you help?

If you're interested or have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

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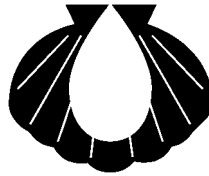
Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous:

Monday and Tuesday at
8 PM and Saturday at 2 PM
and 7 PM in Lourdes Hall-
convent lower level.

ALANON:

Each Wednesday at
10 AM in Lourdes Hall-
9:30 AM beginners meeting
convent lower level.
(Free babysitting available.)



Baptisms

Layla Ann Camacho

Kristopher and Melissa

Alex James Peterson

Steve and Veronica

Jack Henry Cava

Mark and Lori

Welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome
to all newly registered members of our
parish family...

Paul and Nicole Cassagnau & family

*Sergemont and Jennifer Guillaume &
family*

Anthony and Jennifer Casta & family

Upcoming Marriages

Virginia Dowd, OLL and

Michael Palitz, Holy Rosary, Hawthorne, NY

Emilia Rodriguez and

Douglas Dennerlein, both OLL

Rosary/Novena

Rosary:

Daily after 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday after 8 AM Mass

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.

Remembering...

Monday, August 23

Saint Rose of Lima, virgin

8:00 AM Luigi Capoccia

Tuesday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew, apostle

8:00 AM Gabriella Fontana

Wednesday, August 25

Saint Louis of France

Saint Joseph Calasanz, priest

8:00 AM Ann Keogh

Thursday, August 26

8:00 AM Charlotte & James Quinn

Friday, August 27

Saint Monica

8:00 AM Joseph Intoci

Saturday, August 28

8:00 AM Joseph Kolk, Eda & Edward Rutkowski,
Frances Ceribelli, Gunther Steck, Robert Healey,
Edna Levey, Thomas Aellis

5:00 PM Noelle Fabbicante
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

Sunday, August 29

8:00 AM Agnes Hallahan
Fr. Pat Amabile

9:30 AM George Stone
Fr. Ambrose Cabildo

11:00 AM Helen & Joseph Dyczynski
Fr. Mike Vetrano

12:30 PM Florence Donaldson
Fr. Mike Vetrano

6:00 PM People of the Parish, Chris Hansen, Rick & Ruth Munkwitz,
Florence McLoughlin, Mario Domeniconi, William Stalter,
Kieran Morrin, George Scibelli
Fr. Pat Amabile



Rest In Peace

Ellen Fiore died on July 19 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was July 21 at St. Kevin's, Flushing, Queens. We extend our prayers to her husband, Louis, son, Peter, niece, Allegra D'Alo, OLL Youth Minister, and entire family.

Louis Ventura died on August 8 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was August 12. We extend our prayers to his children, grandchildren, and entire family.

Ronald Ladika died on August 11 and celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial was August 16. We extend our prayers to his wife, Susan Jane, children, grandchildren, and entire family.



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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

In my travels I've visited cities like Washington, New York, and Chicago. And while I'm mostly a country person at heart, there is a certain vibrancy in city life. I like walking down the crowded streets of a shopping or entertainment district and watching the people. I suppose I enjoy it, because it is so different from the country road that I usually walk down in the early morning. If I'm taking an evening walk in the city, I'm always intrigued by the long lines that form outside certain clubs. You can hear the thumping of the music, and see the flashing of the lights. As I walk by, the waiting crowd is often trying to convince the bouncers guarding the doors that they know someone on the inside who would surely let them in if the person only knew they were out on the sidewalk. From my cursory observance, the pleading patrons are almost never admitted.

It is probably not fair to compare the kingdom of heaven to the big city club scene, even though people come from the east and the west, the north and the south, to get in on a Saturday night. Like the clubs, the kingdom of God does have an exclusive clientele, and you do have to know someone to get in-and he has to know you.

We get to know Jesus by spending time with him through prayer and by reading the Bible. We get to know him even better by our communion with him when we receive the Eucharist. And we get to know Jesus when we discover him in the hungry, the thirsty, the homeless, the stranger, the sick, and the imprisoned. There's not a line stretching around the corner to meet these kinds of people. But maybe there should be. If we want to get in to the best place ever, then we're going to have to line up to help these least ones.

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Readings for the Week of August 22, 2010

Sunday:	Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday:	2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday:	2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Altar Society

Altar linens this week will be cared for by *Elizabeth Netska*.

If you would like to help care for our altar needs,
please call the Parish Office at 661.3224.

Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 661.3224 to leave the names
of parishioners who:



- are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist.
- are in Good Samaritan Hospital 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 ...

Roy Anderson, Susan Aviza, Deacon Dick Barry, Ben Bellotti, Antoinette Bongiorno, Nicholas Buscemi, Jr., Viola Callanan, Michael Ciotkosz, Donald L. Coffey, Regina Cranor, Mike DeJong, Jeanne DellaRagione, Ann Donlon, Tony Drexler, Debbie Eichen, Mike Gaffney, Brian Hinkelman, Lili Hinkelman, Max Illiano, Diana Kaehne, Mary Kaval, Kathleen Kerrigan, Josephine Kosiczky, Arline Lawrence, Joseph Lehmann, Kara Lobasso, Salvatore LoVerde, Charlie Maccio, Louise Malcuit, Vicky Massaro, Christopher McCandless, Michele McCann, Peter McCann, Sr., James McGarrity, Dorothy Meloni, Rick Mirabella, Michael Montesanto, John Mordente, Brenden Muldoon, Ruth Murray, Evelyn Nonnon, John O'Brien, Arthur Petrino, Joanne Popper, Laura Prichard, Joe Radosti, Carol Randazzo-Hopkins, Baby Skyler Rene, Michael Savino, Ann Marie Schiraldi, Jayna Schmidt, Baby Isabella Shaw, Dorothy Shiavone, Roy Sorrese, Derek Stahl, Lindsay Stahl, Mary Clair Stephen, Stephen Straub, Sr., John Tramazzo, Nancy Turano, Joan Udriis, Al Van Pelt, Vera Vieni, Bunny Vilim, Kyle Williams, Joe Yezek

Financial Summary

August 15, 2010

Weekly Collection	\$ 15,243.00
Weekly Budget	-\$ 19,000.00
+/- for the week	\$ (3,757.00)

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is \$19,000.

Members in the Military

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

They are:

Bryan R. Dempsey-US Marines

Christopher Florca-US Marines

Michael Mallimo- US Army

Anthony Mannino-US Marines

JD Montefusco-US Marines

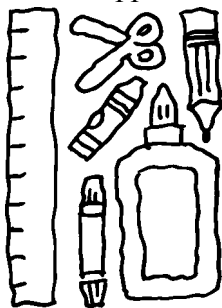
Peter Provenzano-US Army

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

Outreach School Supply Drive

Outreach will be collecting school supplies to donate to families in need.

School Supplies we could use include:



- *Glue Sticks
 - *Marble Notebooks
 - *Two Pocket Folders
 - *Soft Pencil Cases
 - *Pink Erasers
 - *Highlighters
 - *Markers
 - *Pencil Sharpeners (*that catch shavings*)
 - *2 & 3 inch Binders
 - *Fiskar scissors
 - *Post-It-Notes
 - *Supply box
 - *Tennis Balls
- and of course...CRAYONS!

Donations can be left in the food baskets at the doors of the Church and, as always...our thanks!

Mary

Pantry Needs



baked beans
boxed potatoes
boxed rice
canned meat
cookies
crackers
hot chocolate
mayonnaise

Donations to Outreach

Parish Outreach has received many donations in memory of loved ones.

If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Mary McMahon, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 661.3224, option 4.

Learn About Medicare

- Learn about Medicare: Parts A, B, C, D
- Learn when you should enroll
- Learn how you can save money on Medicare costs.

This is a free Seminar sponsored by Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

Wednesday, August 25, at 10 AM, Wyandanch Senior Nutrition Center, 28 Wyandanch Ave, Wyandanch. Please call 853.5802 to register. Seating is limited.

New York State Assistance

During this economic downturn, many families are in need of extra support. There are many New York State programs and services that may be able to assist you.

To check eligibility for any New York State program, log onto *myBenefits.ny.gov*. This website offers a quick, easy and confidential pre-screening for individuals to determine if they may be eligible for help.

You may qualify for supports such as food stamps, school meals, tax credits, health insurance, Medicaid, Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), and Temporary Assistance.

Love-Illusion and Reality

Ron Rolheiser, OMI

In her novel, *Brief Lives*, Anita Brookner makes this observation: When we are young, she says, and hear sad love songs we think that the sadness and disappointment are a prelude to the experience of love rather than the result of experience in love. This happens, she suggests, because we are young and still aspire to sublimity, but when we get older we realize that sublimity is in devastatingly short supply, that the act of love is finite, that we are disappointed about this, and that what we long for is permanent transformation.

I'm not sure that I agree completely. Most certainly, sadly, sublimity is in devastatingly short supply and this brings more sadness to our lives than we ever consciously realize, but I'm less certain whether the sadness expressed in sad love songs speaks of love's finitude or of something else.

Most sad love songs do in fact express a frustration or disappointment that is a prelude to love. Of what do sad songs speak? Frustration, betrayal, impossibility, jealousy, regret, separation, death: The frustration of loving someone who doesn't love you; the heartache of longing for someone when the situation is impossible; regret over some mistake; the bitterness of being betrayed in love; the anguish of separation; the death of someone before the love could be complete; the pain of jealousy. All of these in some way are a prelude to love, at least to full love. All speak of the sadness that comes from not being able to fully actualize love.

But Brookner speaks of something else. The sadness and disappointment she names come from the experience of a love that isn't frustrated, betrayed, impossible, jealous, separated, or cut off by death. The sadness and disappointment she articulates come from the experience of love's finitude, from love's congenital inadequacy on this side of eternity, and from the realization that anyone that we love on earth, no matter how good or wonderful he or she might be, isn't God and can never, all alone, be enough for us.

What Brookner describes is what we feel at the death of a honeymoon. All honeymoons end, some for bad reasons - disinterest, boredom, over-familiarity, lack of emotional discipline, or flat-out infidelity by one or both of the partners. But honeymoons end too for good reasons. A honeymoon can have done its work, served its time, and the disillusionment and disappointment that set in are then a positive invitation to move the relationship to a deeper level. How?

Disillusion can be good or bad. To be disillusioned is to have "an illusion dispelled". The love that we feel when we are on a honeymoon is not an illusion. It's real, massively real, sometimes to the point of suffocation. But something isn't real on a honeymoon and that illusion must eventually be dispelled. What isn't real?

When we are in the honeymoon stage of love with someone, we aren't so much in love with that person (though we think we are) as we are in love with love itself, with the experience of being in love, with what being in love is doing to us. We're in love with a wonderful, powerful, fiery energy inside of us. We're in love with an archetype: When John falls in love with Mary, initially he is not so much in love with Mary as he is in love with what she is carrying, all of femininity, the feminine side of God. That's why when we are first in love with someone that other person alone is sufficient to take away our restlessness and loneliness. It is enough just to be with him or her. Functionally, he or she is God for us. That's why obsessions in love can be so paralyzing.

But always, even if we are wonderfully faithful to each other, this feeling eventually disappears. No matter how good someone is, eventually he or she will not be enough for us. A certain necessary disillusionment sets in and, with it, a certain disappointment and sadness. We discover that we have married a human person, not God. Only God is enough.

Our disillusionment is an invitation to move from being in love with an archetypal energy (with God as manifest in a human person) to actually loving and caring about a concrete, singular, human being. This is akin to what the apostles felt at the transfiguration when, after the beauty that Jesus had displayed in his transfigured body disappeared, they realized that what remained "was only Jesus". Many is the man or woman who, at the end of a honeymoon within which they had been looking at a transfigured partner, realizes: "It's only Mary! It's only John!"

Initially this is felt as sadness, disappointment. But it's not an invitation to lowered, stoic expectations. On the contrary, it's an invitation to a deeper journey into that relationship, one within which eventually, without illusion, we will again see the other person as transfigured, as we first saw him or her on the honeymoon - as eternal, as Godlike, as enough.

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2010 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Parish Goal	\$101,839
Amount Pledged	\$ 85,294
# of Donors	402
Average Pledge	\$ 213
<i>as of July 31, 2010</i>	

CMA 2010

**One Faith, One Hope,
Many Gifts.**

You can make a difference!

While all of us have reason to be proud of the help that is being provided through the Catholic Ministries Appeal and our Parish, we also know that more and more people are seeking assistance from us. To meet the ever growing needs of our community, we all need to prayerfully consider how we can help.

Your support to the Appeal will help us to serve or deliver more than 500,000 meals to the disadvantaged this year, provide affordable safe housing to the most vulnerable senior citizens in our community, educate our young people in our faith, help others to follow the call to serve in the priesthood and support the needs of our very own parish.

The Appeal truly supports our parish and the entire Church of Long Island. As your Pastor, I ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift to help those in need. It is with these needs in mind that I am asking you to consider supporting the 2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal.

You can make a difference in our parish and in the lives of those around us by making a gift to this year's appeal. Only you can decide what that gift will be.

Thank you for all that you do in our parish.

Please consider what you can do to make this campaign successful.

2010 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Please make your check payable to:

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Pledge: \$ _____

Down Payment: \$ _____

Balance: \$ _____

Parish: _____

Name: _____

Monthly Quarterly

Address: _____

Annually Other

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Donor Signature: _____ Acct# _____

Retrouvaille

A life line for married couples...

A Retrouvaille weekend is a deeply personal and private experience shared between a husband and wife that can help a couple to reconnect and go on to lead a happy and fulfilling life together. For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille weekend that begins on **Friday, September 10** at the Montfort Retreat House, Bay Shore, please call 1.800.470.2230.

Mass of Healing

Join us for a Mass of Healing, Anointing of the Sick and Praise & Worship on **Friday, August 27 at 7 PM at St. Frances Cabrini Church, Coram.** Mass celebrant is Fr. Anthony Ewherido, homilist and anointing leader is Fr. Toni-Mario Ozele, assisted by Deacon Marty McIndoe and Deacon Sonny Pagnotta.

A Vocation as a Deacon

An “*Afternoon of Discernment*” will be conducted at the **Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington on Sunday, September 12 from 1 PM until 4 PM**, for men, and their spouses, who believe God might be calling them to the diaconate. For more information or to sign up, please contact the Office of Deacon Formation at 631.424.8360 or email deacons@drvc.org.

Upcoming Reunions

St. Michael’s Commercial High School-Class of 1960

The 1960 graduating class of St. Michael’s Commercial High School, East New York Brooklyn, is celebrating their 50th Anniversary Reunion. The reunion will be held on Sunday, September 12 at St. Ignatius Retreat House, 251 Searingtown Road, Manhasset. For information, email vonbay@optonline.net or call Regina (Breen) von Hof at 516.488.6741.

100 Year Alumni Reunion

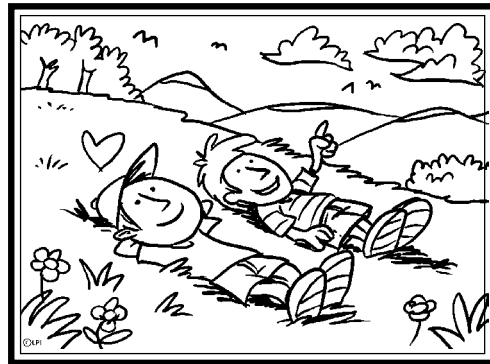
Holy Child Jesus Parish, Richmond Hill, is celebrating its 100 Year Anniversary this year and is inviting alumni back for a Homecoming Celebration. The 100 Year Alumni Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 18. Please either call the Parish Office at 718.847.1860 or email at hcjchurch@aol.com. Please call or email your name, address, and the year of graduation.

Religion & Rock

Tune into “Religion & Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7 AM to 8 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11 PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11 PM on XM Satellite, channel 117. Next Sunday’s theme is “**Moderation.**” Don’t miss it! To listen online or receive more information regarding “Religion & Rock” go to www.religionandrock.com or at “Religion & Rock” on ITUNES. Don’t forget to tune into TELECARE, Cablevision 29 or Verizon FIOS 296 for the Best in Catholic Television!

Sharing the Gospel

Heaven will be wonderful. People from all over the world will be there to enjoy God's friendship. No matter how small you feel now, you will always be important to God in heaven. Once you accept the gift of love from Jesus, you will want to change your life. You will want to spend time with God, and you will want to show love to other people. Then you can look forward to heaven.



Mission for the Week



Pray to God with your family, and ask God to change your hearts so that you love him more than anything else.



Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

JESUS
TAUGHT
SAVED

NARROW
LOCKS
KNOCK

DOOR
FEAST
KINGDOM

J U E S W A O N I H W
A K N O C K Y S O J E
R I U A L F E A S T M
H N E T N A U V G A H
T G P L A I T E H U T
W D O O R N S D A G N
I O V L R A L G E H S
S M E N O S O K D T H
H L O R W D C A R O E
N Y A F G O K I N G T
O B J E S U S E S A V

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Prayer



Dear God,
help me to do all
that I can to grow
closer to you.

Something to Draw



Draw a picture of
yourself standing next
to Jesus in heaven.