

August 24, 2025

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.



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Pastoral Team

Rev. Dennis A. Suglia

Pastor

Rev. Charles Mangano

Associate Pastor

Nilo DeLeon

Deacon

Tom Lucie

Deacon

Rich Maher

Deacon

Jack Meehan

Deacon

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage

Arranged at least six months in advance, please call the Parish Office.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

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.

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday - Saturday: 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

Rosarv

Monday - Saturday: 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday: 8:00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 12:30-7:30pm

Divine Mercy Prayer

Thursday: 1:30pm

Nocturnal Adoration

1st Saturday of the Month: 6:00-10:00pm

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: 631-661-3224 (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, Choir Director

Maryann Buonaspina

Parish Organist

Pastoral Council

Fr. Dennis A. Suglia

Phil Ambrosino **Deborah Lamb Mary Borgs** Robert Lynaugh Sonia DaSilva **Rosalie Mangels** Nilo DeLeon John Muldoon Jerry Esposito **Dottie Perdue Danielle Guilfoil** Eileen Rega

Parish Office

Phone: 631-661-3224 (option 2)

Fax: 631-661-7143

Email: ParishOffice@ollchurch.org

Website: www.ollchurch.org

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-7:30pm Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm Sunday: 10:30am-2:30pm

Marcelle Crudele

Business Manager, Bulletin Editor

Robin Reynolds Brennan Rosemary Cannarella

Receptionist Receptionist Amy Danowski **Trish Frodell** Receptionist Receptionist

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.

Many of us plan a trip out East in the nice weather to go to vineyards, farm stands and go pumpkin picking. Consider adding a pilgrimage of your own to Southampton at the Basilica Parish of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

The faithful, pilgrims of hope, will be able to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence granted by the Holy Father if they undertake a pious pilgrimage to any sacred jubilee site.

Requirements for Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year of Hope on Long Island

- + Visit the Jubilee Cross at St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre or pilgrimage to The Basilica Parish of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Southampton
- Hake a Sacramental Confession within seven days before or after the visit to the Jubilee Cross or Basilica
- + Be spiritually present in the Holy Eucharist
- + Pray for the Holy Father and his intentions

"This is the Jubilee. This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord." – Pope Francis.

SEPTEMBER 7



9:30AM MASS

CHILDREN'S LITURGEY OF THE WORD

All children 4 yrs old up to 4th grade are invited to join Children's Liturgy in the PARISH CENTER during 9:30 Mass each Sunday.

The Scripture Readings of the day are shared with the children in multiple learning styles appropriate for their ages. The children join the group while the traditional readings and homily are happening in the main church. They return to their families for the remainder of Mass.

Parents are welcome to join us if they wish.

PEP 1 Religious Education Program Registration Information "Discover the Treasures of God's Love"

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

Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 22nd 4:15-5:15 pm

Information Meeting and Registration

Choose one:

Monday, September 22, 2025 10:00am or 7:30pm Parish Center Tuesday, September 25, 2025 10:00am or 7:30pm Parish Center

The meeting will take approximately 45 minutes

Please bring your child's Baptismal certificate (a copy is acceptable).

- + Baptismal Certificate or copy is needed even if child was baptized at OLL.
- + No child will be assigned a room number unless we have a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.
- + Returning families who have an incoming first grader MUST attend the registration meeting.

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

HAVE YOU BEEN GETTING OUR WEEKLY EMAILS?



Don't miss a thing!
Join our email list
today! Scan the QR
code or visit our
website to sign up.



ATTENTION USHERS

There will be an important Usher meeting on Thursday, September 25th at 7pm in the Church.

Please make every effort to attend.

If you would like to join our Usher Ministry, please join us at the meeting!

Yarn Donations Needed Baby Blanket Bunch Needs Your Help

Our Baptism Ministry gives a *blessed*, white baby blanket to each child baptized in the parish. The blankets are handmade by our Baby Blanket Bunch, a division of our Prayer Shawl Ministry.

The Ministry is in need of donations of Lion Brand "Pound of Love worsted weight #4" (the weight can be found on the packaging) soft white yarn for the blankets. The yarn can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

Yarn can be found at Michaels, Hobby Lobby and on Amazon.



We thank you for your generosity!



Starting this week, for those that are unable to attend in person, Masses may be live streamed on our YouTube page

@OLLChurchWI

Please join us directly on YouTube or visit our website at www.ollchurch.org
And click on the link in the menu and you will be

redirected.

If you subscribe to our YouTube page: @OLLChurchWI then you can receive notifications when we go live.

There is NO FEE to subscribe to our page it is FREE!





WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 24

- Regular Mass Schedule (C)
- Baptism 2pm (C)

Monday, August 25

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am (C)
- Knights of Columbus Rosary 7:15pm (C)
- Knights of Columbus Meeting 8pm (PC)

Tuesday, August 26

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am (C)
- Adoration 12:30-7:30pm (C)
- Anxiety Recovery Group 2-4pm (PC)
- VIRTUS Training 6pm (PC)

Wednesday, August 27

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am (C)
- Women's Prayer Group 9:30am (PC)
- Women's Prayer Group 7:30pm (PC)

Thursday, August 28

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am (C)
- Divine Mercy Prayer Group 1:30pm (C)
- Respect Life Ministry Meeting 7pm (PC)

Friday, August 29

Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am (C)

Saturday, August 30

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

Sunday, August 31

• Regular Mass Schedule (C)

C = Church

PC = Parish Center

APR = All Purpose Room

Weekly Readings

Readings for the Week of August 24, 2025

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Mk 6:17-29

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk

14:1, 7-14



SEPTEMBER 10 - 14

Wednesday - Saturday 6-10pm Sunday 2-8pm

VEGAS CASINO NIGHT FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Rides Food Games Raffles

\$15 OFF TICKET PRE-SALE SPECIAL!

August 15th - September 3rd

Pre-purchase your Single Day, Unlimited Ride Wristband and use the promo code **FAMILY5** to get an extra \$5 off for a total of \$15 off the window price.

\$10 OFF TICKET PRE-SALE

September 4th - September 14th

Get \$10 off when you pre-purchase your Single Day,
Unlimited Ride Wristband up to five hours before opening each day.



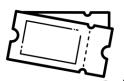
Our Lady of Lourdes Church 455 Hunter Avenue West Islip







OUR LADY OF LOURDES ITALIAN FAMILY FEAST



SEPTEMBER 10th - SEPTEMBER 14th

SUPER RAFFLE TICKETS

Only 220 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100.

First Prize - \$7,000

Second Prize - \$2,000

Third Prize - \$1,000

Don't wait - these tickets sell out very quickly!

Purchase your ticket after weekend Mass, or in the Parish Office during the week beginning August 16th

Super Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, September 14th at 8:00pm Winner need not be present

WALK WITH MARY AND FEAST MASS

On Saturday, September 13th, we celebrate our Feast Mass and Walk With Mary with a procession at 4:00pm and Mass at 5:00pm.

Please join us in prayer and song as we process through the Feast grounds.



ANGELS & ARCHANGELS



Our Angels and Archangels Fund offers an opportunity to support the Feast and make it a memorable one! Angels and Archangels donations may be made by a business, individual, or family and can be made in honor of a loved one (living or deceased.) If you would like to lend your support this year, please return the form below with your donation to the Parish Office. Angels & Archangels donations will be listed in the bulletin following the completion of our Feast.

Thank you for your continued support.

| Angel: \$25 | Archangel: \$50 or more |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Name | Phone No |
| Address | |
| Donation in Honor of | |
| Living | Deceased |

OUR LADY OF LOURDES ITALIAN FAMILY FEAST

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you help?

We're always looking for new volunteers to make the Feast a success!

There will be a volunteer meeting on

Tuesday, September 2nd at 7pm in the Parish Center

Consider joining the team this year!

We need volunteers for

- FOOD BOOTHS
- CLEAN UP TEAM
- RAFFLE SALES
- TEAM SUPPORT
- CASINO GAMES
- BOOTH RUNNERS

GAME BOOTHS

If you can't make the meeting email us at RMaher@ollchurch.org, call the Parish Office and leave your contact information, or scan the QR code to sign up online at our website.

Are you a member of a Parish Ministry or Group? Do you volunteer for the Church? If you answered "YES" then the Diocese requires you to be *VIRTUS* trained & compliant.

How Do I Become VIRTUS Trained & Compliant?

VIRTUS compliance has 4 Key Components:

- 1. Completing the Virtus training "Protecting God's Children"
- 2. Acknowledging and signing a Code of Conduct
- 3. Undergoing a Background Screening (every 5 years)
- 4. If your Ministry/Group works directly with children you are required to read "Bulletins" (online newsletters) every month and answer the question at the end.

If you need training you will register online by visiting <u>www.Virtus.org</u>, then click the link for first time registrants. Begin the registration process by creating a Virtus account. The first screen requests the location: **Please select Rockville Centre from the drop-down list.**

- Follow directions on each page.
- * During the registration process you will receive a copy of the Code of Conduct and Pastoral Code of Conduct. Please sign each Code electronically.
- * Select the class you wish to attend.
- Complete the background screening application provided. Background screening is conducted by Sterling Volunteers.

UPCOMING TRAINING DATES AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

The following dates for VIRTUS training will be held in the Parish Center

Tuesday, August 26 at 6pm Thursday, September 4 at 6pm Saturday, September 6 at 9am Saturday, October 4 at 9am

Questions? Contact your Ministry/Group Coordinator or Marcelle Crudele, Safe Environment Coordinator at the Parish Office or email mcrudele@ollchurch.org



Rest In Peace

Palmina Anna Gagliano



Baptism

Harper Rose Janssen Dean Matthew Raucci



Knights of Columbus Council 17379

Next meeting is Monday, August 25th

Rosary is at 7:15pm in the Church

Meeting begins at 8:00pm in the Parish Center



Women's Prayer Group

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 27th at 9:30am and 7:30pm in the Parish Center

Weekly Collection

<u>August 17, 2025</u>

Weekly Collection \$ 13,593.50

Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00
+/- for the week \$ (4,206.50)

Assumption of the Blessed Mother \$3,957.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 25

8:30am Marie Julia Fenelus Myrthil

Tuesday, August 26

8:30am Msgr. Brendan P. Riordon

Wednesday, August 27 - Memorial of Saint Monica

8:30am Anne Keane (Living)

Thursday, August 28 - Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30am Cathy Holland (Living)

Friday, August 29 - Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:30am George Portelli

Saturday, August 30

8:30am Robert Pecoraro, Rosemary Reese,

For a decrease in the loss of personal effects of

the elderly in retirement homes

5:00pm Bonnie Dunne Ray, Massimo Ferro (Living),

Claire Kulak, Carol Miceli, Teresa "Tessie" Reilly

Fr. Felix Odibe

Sunday, August 31

8:00am Clair Thomson

Fr. Felix Odibe

9:30am Rev. Francis R. McMullen

Fr. Felix Odibe

11:00am Richard Conti

Fr. Dennis Suglia

12:30pm Nick Italico

Fr. Dennis Suglia

6:00pm Robert Bush, Joseph Caldarola

Carmiene Hutch (IRO Her Birthday),

People of the Parish

Fr. Dennis Suglia

Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.

Spiritual Adoption Program Baby Development Update

Five Month Developing Baby

Your spiritually adopted baby is about 10 inches long and weighs a lb. and is developing important skills like practicing breathing motions by inhaling amniotic fluid which aids in lung development. Heart is fully formed. Baby is able to sleep and wake at regular intervals.

Please continue to pray for your spiritually adopted baby.



"During your earthly life this child which you have adopted, will be known only to God, but in the hereafter you will enjoy each others company for all eternity".

Parish Outreach

631-661-3224 (option 4)

Hours for Outreach: Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 9:30am - 3:30pm ONLY Appointments are preferred.

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 or visit our website.

PANTRY 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.



Tomato Sauce in Jar Canned Chili Canned fruit Canned Carrots Shampoo

Special thank you to **our** Mailing Team for working so hard to get the Feast Mailing out!



LIGHT UP OUR LADY OF LOURDES

We are almost at our pledge goal! If you have not had a chance to make your contribution, please

consider sending a donation to the Parish Office visit our website or place your donation in the Sunday Collection – just be sure to mark Light Up OLL in the memo.



Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

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 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



| Matilda Allocca | Billy Davis | Marilyn Kolk | Louise Posanti |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Connie Ambrosino | Al DiMasi | Stephen Leahy | Nanette Proscia |
| Elizabeth Assoon | Mark Dixon | Vincent Marinelli | Dina Rajotte |
| Jeanette Battista | Valerie Falzone | Vincenza Marks | Marie Rajotte |
| Maryann Buonaspina | Pam Gagliano | Barbara McCarthy | Vita Scorcia |
| Thomas J. Calogero, III | Palmina Gagliardi | Una McGrave | Doris Shaddock |
| Doris Cameron | Christine Harty | Kieran John McKay | William Valentine |
| Doug Cameron | Luke Waylon Ioannou | Maria Nuzzo | Sadie Williams |
| Joe Carvalho | Paul Johnson | Tom O'Brien | Harold Wissing |
| James Corrado | Henry Kahn | Edward Pauciullo | |
| Maria Crisci | Shena Kahn | Cameron Pillitteri | |
| Grayson Danielski | Lisa Kimmel | John Posanti | |

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 add a name to the Prayer List.

Pastoral Care of Our Sick

Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 or email ParishOffice@ollchurch.org 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
Julianna Petrosino-US Navy
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 Rita Spera

If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224.

Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

BIBLE STUDY / RETREAT

Entitled "Consoling the Heart of Jesus"

- Awaken Your Spiritual Life
- Find out what Jesus has to say to you Receive an Abundance of Graces to
 - overcome weaknesses

2 SESSIONS AVAILABLE

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 1:00

Sept 16, 23, 30. Oct 14, 21, 28 Nov 4, 11, 18. Dec 2

OR

WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:30PM

Sept 17, 24 Oct 15, 22, 29 Nov 5, 12, 19. Dec 3

\$30 pp Free Will Donation covers the expenses

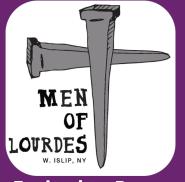
To Register visit OLLChurch.org or call the Parish Office 631-661-3224 ext.2

DVD presentation, Text & Workbook by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

followed by small group discussion.

Facilitator Training Tuesday, SEPT 9 at 1:00pm OR 7:00pm





Is Excited to Present:



Program Information:

- Starting September 13th, 2025Saturday Morning 7:00 8:30am
- Saturday Morning 7:00 8:30am
 A light breakfast will be served
- Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip, Parish Center
- All men over the age of 18
- Fr. Dennis and Fr. Charles will be the groups spiritual advisors

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive.

By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society. We hope that you will join the Men of Lourdes and become a part of a group of men committed to growth, faith, transformation and brotherhood!

Our Mission statement:

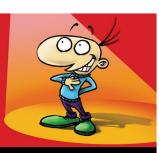
The Men of Lourdes Men's Group exists to build a community of spiritually strong men who unite and stand together to become godly men, who submit to the authority and wisdom of the Church, and encourage each other to make commitments and forge convictions that last a lifetime, to Jesus Christ, their families, and to one another!



Scan the QR code to Register!



Those who are least will be the most important



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Write or draw someone who is not considered an important person. Then fill in the missing letters.

Write or draw someone who considers themselves more important than others. Then fill in the missing letters.

The o_es wh_ are _ow le__t im__rt_nt wi__ be th_ mo_t i_po_tan_.

Draw some people from many different lands, sitting at the feast in God's kingdom.



Luke 13:22-30 © Creative Ministry Resources

Church Ministry Meetings

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. o, 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. Please come and pray with us. All are invited and welcome.

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!

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.



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.

Fellowship

The Fellowship Ministry organizes fun activities for our parish family. If you are interested in helping with these social events please join us! Call the Parish Office for more information.

Frassati Young Adult Group

Young adults between the ages of 21 and 39 are invited to join the Frassati Young Adult Group. Our group is named after Pier Giorgio Frassati, a young adult from Turin, Italy, who lived from 1901 to 1925. Pier Giorgio, soon to be canonized as a saint this summer, is the patron of young Catholics of all kinds due to his immense devotion to the Eucharist and his great works of charity despite his short life. Come gather with your peers to discover more about prayer and all that God has planned for you while making good memories with great people! Our meetings are held the **first and third Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm** in the Parish Center. Verso l'alto!

Men's Prayer Group

We invite all men of the parish to meet for prayer and reflection the **third Wednesday of the month** 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. We meet on the **third Wednesday of each month** 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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The prayer shawl ministry meets the **first Wednesday of every month at 9:30am** in the Parish Center. New members are always welcome! Bring your knitting needles or crochet hooks if you have them - if not we have some you can use. The ministry makes blankets for our newly Baptized babies in the Parish.

Respect Life Ministry

The Respect Life Ministry promotes the principles that human life, from to conception to natural death, is a gift from God and deserves respect and protection. The group will meet for prayer, pro-life activities, education, and planned fundraising. Meetings are the **last Thursday of each month at 7pm** in the Parish Center.

Rosary Christian Mothers

The Rosary Christian Mothers meet on the **first Monday of each month**. We will begin with Rosary at **7:00pm** immediately followed by our business meeting in the Parish 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 the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

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? 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 meets the **fourth Wednesday of the month 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 grade 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 the Parish Office.

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

many other parish 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 and 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 above 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 https://witroop179.wixsite.com/bsatroop179 or contact us at troop179cc@yahoo.com.

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)

Anxiety Sufferers

ALANON

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

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

Butterfly Memory Café - Friday, September 5th 1:30-2:30pm



What is a Memory Café? It is a program designed for persons with mild to moderate cognitive impairment and their caregivers to promote social engagement with others navigating through dementia's journey. Activities include crafts, music, reminiscing, art or movement. Light refreshments will be served. The group meets **every other Friday, from 1:30-2:30pm**. 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@agentletouchseniorcare.com.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group

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 third Thursday of each month from 5:30pm-7:00pm in the Parish Center There is no charge to participate, but please contact Jennafer at 631-647-7622 or via e-mail at Jennafer@agentletouchseniorcare.com to reserve your place.

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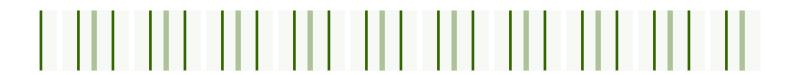
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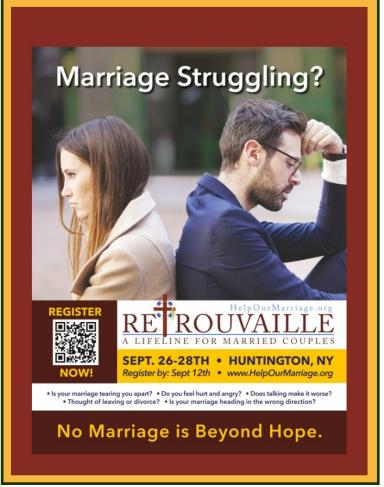
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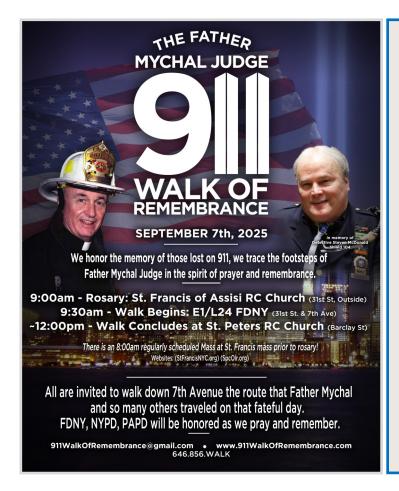
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