Our Lady of Lourdes Parish 455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795



August 10, 2025

Nineteenth 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.



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

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.

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

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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.

Gospel Reflection

by Nick Brodie Dianne Bergant CSA

"All creation," Pope Leo affirms, "exists solely in the form of coexistence ... always interconnected." While we might be lonely at times, none of us exists alone. We are all, always, part of something bigger.

Focused on encouraging unity, the pope repeatedly calls for the Church to become ever more synodal—more conscious that we travel together. He wants us to "recognize our own poverty and our riches," allowing ourselves the grace to "feel part of a greater whole."

None of us is saved alone. As the pope points out, "even the most original and unique of charisms"—or gifts—will "wither" if it is directed away from the community it is called to serve.

The pope calls us to follow "the way of the Beatitudes, a path that we tread together, between the 'already' and the 'not yet,' hungering and thirsting for justice." He calls us to be "poor in spirit, merciful, meek, pure of heart, men and women of peace."

In this context, the pope shows us what spreading the Gospel really means. "Evangelization," he says, "is not our attempt to conquer the world, but the infinite grace that radiates from lives transformed by the Kingdom of God." It is not you or me who evangelizes, but the Spirit—taking each of us in our seeming ordinariness and changing the world.

In the middle of Ordinary Time we discover a theme normally associated with the end of the liturgical year and the season of Advent—vigilance in anticipation of the return of the master. This vigilance demands that we live lives of faith. We do not know when God will open the door of our existence and call us into a deeper realization of the sacred dimension of life itself. Vigilance is a characteristic of a Christian at all times, for all times. We must be ever vigilant.

While we live in the expectation of the coming of God in the future, we also live now in the presence of God. This means that God is present with us now, as a companion in our lives. It also means that this presence is the context within which our lives unfold. However, until all things are brought to fulfillment, we live in this presence by faith. Faith and hope are intimately joined. As believers we are called to trust in the promises of God, even when what is promised seems impossible.

We are assured that we will be blessed, but we can never be sure of the exact nature of the blessing. In faith, we put our trust in God and then carry out our responsibilities. In faith we wait for the Lord, who is our help and our shield, not really knowing under what guise he will come to us. Faith is both the cost of living as a disciple and the reward.



Feast of the Assumption

Thursday, August 15 - Holy Day of Obligation

There will be a Vigil Mass on Thursday, August 14th at 5:00pm Masses will be held Friday, August 15th at 8:30am, 12:10pm and 7:30pm.



"By the authority of Our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory,." - Pope Pius XII

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, 2024 10:00am or 7:30pm Parish Center Tuesday, September 25, 2024 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

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.



Pancake Mix/Syrup Hamburger Helper Canned Chili Canned potatoes Canned Puree/Crushed Tomatoes

SAGE SUMMER CAFE

All parishioners 55 years old and up are invited to join the SAGE Group for lunch in July and August. Take some time to share a meal, see old friends and meet some new friends. It is just a nice time together.

Bring your own sandwich, salad or whatever you enjoy for lunch. We will provide beverages and some treats for dessert.

TUESDAYS 11:30AM - 1:00 PM

PARISH CENTER.

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HAVE YOU BEEN GETTING OUR WEEKLY EMAILS?

Don't miss a thing!
Join our email list today!
We are sending out exciting
news, events, reminders and other
information right to your inbox!





Scan the QR code or visit our website to sign up.

Weekly Readings

Readings for the Week of August 10, 2025

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 10

- Secular Franciscan Meeting 1:30pm
- Baptism 2pm

Monday, August 11

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Knights of Columbus Meeting 8pm

Tuesday, August 12

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

Wednesday, August 13

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- KOC District Deputy Meeting 6pm
- Our Lady of Fatima Honor Guard 7pm
- OLL Feast Volunteer Meeting 7pm

Thursday, August 14

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Divine Mercy Prayer Group 1:30pm
- Vigil Mass 5pm
- Butterfly Caregiver Support 5:30pm

Friday, August 15 - Feast of the Assumption

- Rosary 8am
- Mass 8:30am
- Mass 12:10pm
- Mass 7:30pm

Saturday, August 16

- Rosary 8am/Mass 8:30am
- Baptism 1pm
- Confession 4-4:45pm

Sunday, August 17

• Regular Mass Schedule



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

Wednesday, August 13th at 7pm in the All Purpose Room.

Consider joining the team this year!

We need volunteers for

- FOOD BOOTHS
- CASINO GAMES
- TEAM SUPPORT

- RAFFLE SALES
- GAME BOOTHS
- BOOTH RUNNERS
- CLEAN UP TEAM

Let us know if you would like to be a Captain for any of these teams.

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 12 at 6pm Monday, August 18 at 6pm Thursday, August 21 at 9am Tuesday, August 26 at 6pm

Saturday, September 6 at 9am Saturday, October 4 at 9am

Thursday, September 4 at 6pm

Questions? Contact your Ministry/Group Coordinator or

Marcelle Crudele, Safe Environment Coordinator at the Parish Office or email mcrudele@ollchurch.org

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 17th 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 De	eceased

Ttaly Pilgrimage





















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Rest In Peace

Maureen Ciccarelli



Baptism

Phoenix Noel Campozano
Camryn Kristine Luu



Krystena Carlson

Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip, NY

&

Anthony William Portillo

Weekly Collection

August 3, 2025

Weekly Collection \$ 19,262.00

Weekly Budget - \$ 17,800.00

+/- for the week \$ 1,462.00

2nd Collection for Texas Flood Relief \$ 4,532.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 11 - Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

8:30am Gerard Françavilla

Tuesday, August 12

8:30am Albert Feliney

Wednesday, August 13

8:30am Rose Laurretta

Thursday, August 14-Memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8:30am Deloris Manitakis 5:00pm Russell DeCeck

Friday, August 15 - Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am Salvatore Pinello 12:10pm Richard Conti 7:30pm Patricia Ward

Saturday, August 16

8:30am Anne Keane (Living), Rev. Joseph C. McComiskey, Teresa Reilly, For a decrease in the loss of personal effects of the elderly in retirement homes

5:00pm Anthony Civitano, Valerie Genovese (1-yr. ann.),
Sylvio Giambano, C.J. Guider, Iacovo Family
Nancy Rentz
Fr. Felix Odibe

Sunday, August 17

8:00am Joseph & Caroline Kelly

Fr. Felix Odibe

9:30am Giuseppe Tini

Fr. Felix Odibe

11:00am Deceased members of the Endres Family

Fr. Dennis Suglia

12:30pm Paul Soyack

Fr. Dennis Suglia

6:00pm Carol Ann Baker, Royal E. Longo,

Deloris Manitakis, Patricia Matsen,

Joseph Peter Valentini, People of the Parish

Fr. Dennis Suglia

Celebrant information is subject to change without notice.



The Fellowship Ministry has a lot of great events in the works for the upcoming months. We have been working hard to come up with fun opportunities for parishioners of all ages to come out and spend time together as a church family!

Events like fellowship after Mass, bowling, Gift Card BINGO, lighting of the parish Christmas Tree, and more!

If you are interested in joining the ministry to help make these events possible let us know. Call the Parish Office and leave your contact information or email mcrudel@ollchurch.org.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 21st at 7pm In the Parish Center All are Welcome!

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

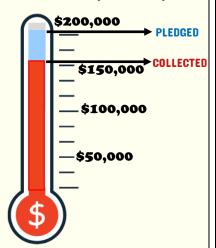


LIGHT UP OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Our campaign continues and we almost at our pledge goal! Thank you to all who have already pledged or contributed!! If you have not had a chance to make your contribution, please consider sending a donation to the Parish Office or visit our website and make your donation online with a credit card.

As a note – if you have made a monthly or weekly

pledge, your donation can be sent to the Parish Office or placed in the Sunday Collection – just be sure to mark Light Up OLL in the memo – in order to save money, coupons will not be mailed out.



Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

LIVE STREAM

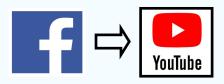
Masses may be viewed via livestream on our Facebook page.

You do not need a Facebook account.

Please join us directly on Facebook or by visiting our

website at www.ollchurch.org

where you will be redirected.



We are planning to move our parish Live Stream to YouTube in the near future! Please take a moment to subscribe to our YouTube page: @OLLChurchWI. We will share more details in the coming weeks as we prepare for the transition.

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

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

Margaret Lehmann

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

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, 2025 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!



Always be ready and keep your lamps burning



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Below are some things we can do that will help us to always be ready for Jesus.

PRAY What are some things we can pray for?		
Write a prayer about one of them.	CARE FOR OTHERS	
Dear God,	Draw a picture of yourself caring for someone you know	
A		
Amen.		
ASK FOR FORGIVENESS When do we need to say "I'm sorry" to others and to God?		

Luke 12:35-40

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. 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. 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, August 22nd 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

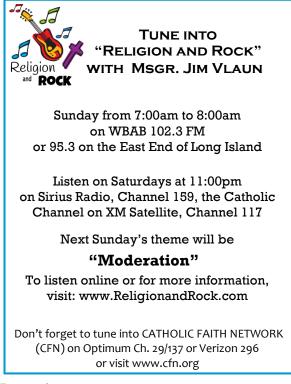
Caregiving for someone with Alzheimer's or a related dementia can cause frustration, fear, anger, sadness and other emotions. Our support group can provide emotional, social, and educational help to caregivers whose lives are affected by dementia. Join us on the third Thursday of each month from 5:30pm-7:00pm 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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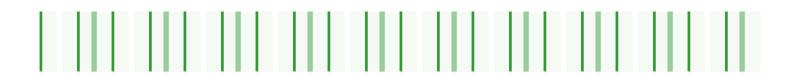
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