

## OUR LITURGY

Jeremiah announces that God has a new covenant in mind for Israel—a covenant of mercy, love, and self-sacrifice written in the hearts of God's people. Jesus' life and death exemplifies this covenant of love and self-sacrifice. The Gospel reminds us that if we imitate Christ, we, too, can share in His glory and eternal life.



## REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Margaret Stuart, Vincent Abruzzo, George Powers, for our deceased soldiers and all of our deceased relatives and friends.

## REMEMBER OUR SICK

Paul Ahearn	Lucy Amato	Michael Ambrosio
Dianne Barello	Mary Barello	William Barry
Oliver Bouchard	Maryellen Bowers	Hazel Boyce
Mr Michael Boyle Sr	Leo Cantelmo	Joyce Ann Ciullo
Angelina DeSimone	Olivia Marie Devine	Barbara DiGirolomo
Nancy DiTrapani	Mary Dougherty	Maggie Errico
Robert Filce	Pat Gracey	Raymond Harold
Jeanne Hartman	Catherine Hickey	Maryann Imperato
Margaret Indelicato	Matthew Jankay	Jack Kelleher
Joseph Kelly	Nicholas J LaBollita	Georgiana Lopez
Anne M Skidmore	Michael Marscovetera	Howard Meeks
Laurie M Townsend	Sam Monteleone	Margie Mytko Sempey
Timothy M Nigro	Antonietta Partenope	Lorraine Persson
Grace C Peshkur	Joseph C Poirot	Joan Reilly
Janet Rodgers	Charles Romano	Ben Scannella
Sharon Schneider	Dorothea Slinkosky	Darryll Smith
Stacie Tizzard	Lloyd Turnier	Danny Yezzo

**PLEASE NOTE:** To keep our prayer list current, we will keep names on the sick list for two months. We ask families to return the bulletin cut-out to include names of those who are ill for another two months.

## OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

This Week End	Mass	Next Week
Fr Maffeo	5:00 pm	Fr Boyle
Fr Maffeo	7:00 am	Fr Boyle
Fr Tapel	9:00 am	Fr Maffeo
Fr Boyle	10:30 am	Fr Tapel
Fr Thomas	12:00 noon	Fr Thomas
Fr Boyle	5:00 pm	Fr Tapel



## MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, April 2, Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 7:00 Cornelius J Dunleavy requested by Loving Wife Anne
- 7:00 Thomas J Longboat requested by Mrs Mary Montalto
- 9:00 William Sendlein requested by John & Sharon Buckley
- 9:00 Margaret Moore requested by Elizabeth, John & Debbie
- 10:30 Joseph Fischetti requested by Ed Mitchell
- 10:30 Jack McNally requested by Ed Mitchell
- 12:00 Eileen Sineno requested by Eileen Sterling
- 12:00 Bess Chicella requested by the Rainone Family
- 5:00 Ruth Nunziata requested by Norma & Arthur Owen
- 5:00 Janet Donnelly requested by Olga, Andre & Marc

## Monday, April 3

- 7:00 Austin Pecora requested by Kevin & Christina Rogers
- 7:00 Edith Horan requested by Linda, Frank & Girls
- 9:00 Jane M Favale requested by The Gillin Family
- 9:00 Vincent Palladino requested by Philip, Lisa & Skylar
- 12:10 Mary Dineen requested by Cathy & John Neary

## Tuesday, April 4, St Isidore

- 7:00 Gerard Webb requested by Josephine Valsechi
- 8:45 Stanley Stasiowski requested by The Oliva Family
- 8:45 Josephine Macchiarolo requested by Niece Gloria
- 12:10 Mary Veronica Salata requested by Loving Children

## Wednesday, April 5, St Vincent Ferrer

- 7:00 Larry Gutierrez requested by Connie McLean
- 9:00 Judy Hayes requested by Georgann & Tom
- 9:00 Nicholas J DeChance requested by Henry & Carol Donald
- 12:10 Anna Kenny requested by John & Joyce McGay

## Thursday, April 6

- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Vincent Palladino requested by Mike & Geri Devenney
- 9:00 Lillian Kruithoff requested by Catherine & Grandson Mathew
- 12:10 Marian Commisso requested by Ed & Lisa Spahn

## Friday, April 7, St John de la Salle

- 7:00 Pascas Thomas requested by The Yellico Family
- 9:00 Jane M Favale requested by The Munoz Family
- 9:00 Rita Leary O'Brien requested by Richard Smid
- 12:10 Dominic Pinzone requested by Loving Aunt, Uncle & Family

## Saturday, April 8

- 8:00 Patrick Sellitto requested by The Binger Family

## Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Lillian Harper requested by Tom & Millie D'Agostino
- 5:00 Walter Hilbert requested by Cathy & Jim Foy

## Sunday, April 9, Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

- 7:00 Josephine LoPiccolo requested by The Szemko Family
- 7:00 James Gibson requested by Patricia Brozinsky
- 9:00 McMurray & Eppolito Families requested by Terry & Eleanor
- 9:00 Dan DeMauro requested by Bob & Kathy Zane
- 10:30 Pray For the End of Abortion
- 10:30 Mary & Eddie Tempesta requested by Claire & Jim
- 12:00 Dorothy Stiefel requested by Mr & Mrs Edward Gabriel
- 12:00 Alice Commeso requested by John & Family
- 5:00 Kathleen Dolan requested by Doreen & Danny
- 5:00 Paul Shadlich & Rita & Bill Hubbard requested by Loving Family

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS AT THE MASSES ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE USHERS WHEN YOU ARRIVE FOR MASS.

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

As we recall the story of the *Wedding Feast at Cana*, the Blessed Mother went to Jesus to tell Him that there was no more wine. Jesus replied that this was not His concern and that **His Hour** had not yet come! In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us **that now His Hour has come**. This is The Hour for the Son of Man to be glorified, and for John the great *Hour of Jesus' Glorification is The Crucifixion and The Resurrection*. Jesus tells His disciples this because He knows that the powers against Him are getting stronger and stronger. This has occurred, as we read in John's Gospel (in other years), because Jesus' fame had spread to other areas after He raised *Lazarus* out of the tomb.

As we see in the beginning of today's account, some Greeks (*Greeks who were converts to Judaism and had come to Jerusalem for the Passover*) wanted to see Jesus because they heard all about Him. Today's pronouncement goes hand in hand with Jesus telling His Apostles in the *Synoptic Gospels* that He would go to Jerusalem be betrayed, suffer and die. Now the Hour has come and Jesus, while suffering over it **refused to leave it or run away**. As He said, "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say, 'Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour.'" Jesus like any of us is afraid, but He is also the Son of God, and He knows that if He does not go the way of the Cross, all would be lost. So, He does the Father's will and gives up His life so all can have life. And if course we are to participate in this new life we must likewise follow Jesus and lose our lives to this world and save our lives for the world that is to come!

Unless a grain of wheat dies to being a single grain wheat, it will not be able to grow into a stalk of wheat, which is something new providing many more grains of wheat and many new opportunities for life. Unless Jesus dies on the Cross and rises to new life, then the gift of eternal life and a life free from sin cannot be ours. Unless we die to our old ways and take on the totally new way of Jesus than we cannot give the Father and The Son their true Glory. The Glory the Son came to give to the Father is the gift of the human family fully redeemed, and fully acting as men and women made in the Image and Likeness of God. This is partly what the Father means when He answers Jesus' prayer,  
 " 'Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from

*heaven, 'I have glorified it and will glorify it again.'"*

For surely the Father is glorified in, the loving obedience of the Son, and the Father is glorified in each and every one of us who follows The Son. As we approach the end of this holy season, let us be like the grain of wheat that falls to the ground and dies to its old self and rise up to become something new in Christ.

Please see the bulletin for the schedule of Services and Masses and the times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, for Holy Week and Easter Sunday. **Please note that on Holy Saturday Evening there is no 5 PM Mass, as the Easter Vigil starting at 7:30 PM is the only Mass celebrated on this night. Likewise, there is no 5PM Mass on Easter Sunday Evening so our ministers, and staff can spend this great holiday with their families. However, we will be adding two Masses during the day to accommodate the crowds-see the schedule.**

*A very special thank you on behalf of the whole parish to Fr Renee, Fr Boyle, Lachlan, the Music Ministry and Altar Servers for all they did for our wonderful 3 days of Lenten Mission.*

God Bless you always  
 Fr. Mike



## PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Please continue to remember them in your prayers.

CPL Deborah Alfieri	E2 Matthew Altonji
Tech SGT Louis Barletta	SGT Dennis D Bailey
Pvt Richard Bossi	PFC Justin Browne
PC Michael Dean Cantley	CPL Glenn Clacher
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran	SGT Ryan Delaney
LTCOL Kurt Diehl	SGT Stephen Gene DiGirolamo
SSGT Tony Elliott	LT Kelly Fletcher
CPL Keith Flick	PFC Adam Franciosa
RCT Michael Gabriellini	PVT2 Edward Johnston
SGT John W Keohane	SGT Steven Knight
CPL Andrew Kochman	1SGT John Krumholz
SSG Stephen LeGrady	PFC Edward McGinn
SGT Patrick McNally	PFC William Meyer
SGT Glenn Miller	SGT Daniel Montville
SSGT Brian Moran	CPT Gregory Mueller
LCPL Thomas Napolitano	LCPL Michael Napolitano
LCPL James Neubauer	LCPL Anthony Notaroberta
SGT Brian Pacella	N/Seal Paul Padro
ENS3 Lucy Padro	CPT Michael Parisi
2LT Anthony Parisi	MAJ Paul E Pinaud
SGT Edwin Rivera, II	RCT William R Rodgers
SSGT Jason Schiavo	RCT Brian Schildt
LCPL W.Mason Shehan	SPC James Stanek
SSGT Nick Vicale	SGT John Thomas Vogt
SGT Randolph Weaver	



*(If you would like to include a soldier from your family who is serving, place*

## Religious Education

Monday and Thursday 9 AM to 4 PM  
Tuesday and Wednesday 10AM to 3:30  
The office is **closed** on Fridays.



Registration Forms for the **2006/07** were given out this past week in class. If you did not receive your packet, please pick it up from your child's teacher in the classroom. You must sign for it. This is the **last week** of classes.

Reminder for **Level 2** and Sacrament Readiness 2 – There will be a Parent Meeting this week during your child's class time. Please bring your child to class and come to the Auditorium.



## Joshua & Judges

Fr Boyle will conduct a six week study on these two books of the Old Testament. Classes will be held on Tuesdays from May 2nd to June 6th. We will meet in Carew Hall at 10AM (morning session) or 7:30 PM (evening session). For anyone just joining the class, an introductory class on how to approach reading the Bible on Tuesday, April 26th at the same place and times. A \$10 fee is requested. Please contact the rectory at 588-8456 if you are interested in attending. Thank you.

## St Joseph's School

Congratulations to Casey McCormack, Ashley DiGregorio and Matthew Lanotte. All three students have placed as finalists in the Diocesan "Respect Life" contest. Each of these students will be receiving awards at St Agnes Cathedral on Thursday evening March 30. Great job!



Thank you to all who helped with our Fashion Show and who also supported us in any way. It was a great success!

Registration is now open for students in Grades Nursery thru Grade 8 for the September 2006-2007 school year. Please contact the school office for a tour and registration information.

## Baptisms

Justin Tyler Alves	Anthony James Amsterdam
Vincent Michael Miracolo Carabba	Sean Matthew Curry
Anthony Joseph D'Angelo, Jr	Erick Matthew Duignan
Scott Daniel Duignan	Jamie Lynn Greenman
Alyssa Jennie Gonzalez	Thomas Joseph Klvana
Gary William Kroll, Jr	Richard Daniel Patanjo

## EVANGELIZATION GROUP



We are in the process of forming an "Evangelization Group". This group will reflect on our baptismal commitment in the light of the Gospel. Our baptismal commitment should inspire us to share our faith & enkindle in others the need for living the faith. The group will act as a catalyst to put the Spirit back into the life of the parish. Though everyone in the parish will be involved in this task at a later stage, we need a core group to initiate the process. If you are willing to share your time for the benefit of the parish, we invite you to join the Evangelization group. Kindly call Fr Thomas at the rectory to leave your name and number.



## RESPECT LIFE

Save the date – the New York State Right to Life, Inc., annual Lobby for Life Day is near – specifically, April 25<sup>th</sup>. It will take place in our state capital, Albany, from 9:30 am -2 pm, in Hearing Room “A” of the Legislative Office Building. The scheduled speaker will be Dr. Andrew Fergusson, a physician who led the anti-euthanasia coalition in Great Britain. If you are there you will also have the opportunity to meet pro-life legislators, and hear updates on key pro-life legislation.

There will be bus transportation from Long Island, but you must call and reserve your seat. These are the numbers: 631-589-4751 or 631-588-0168. Adults and student groups welcome.

“Dying people sought for embryo stem cell experiments” – Dr. Ian Wilmut created Dolly, the cloned sheep who died young after rapidly aging. Now he has suggested that researchers “be allowed to use people with severe neurological disabilities as human lab rats in ‘high risk’ embryonic stem cell research.” Wilmut has said he intends to “create cloned human embryos with motor neuron disease (MND) in order to obtain their stem cells ... I’ve come across people who have neuro-degenerative disease who face a steady, slow decline and premature death, a very unpleasant situation. They would be only too keen to participate in trials,” he said.

Wilmut claimed justification for ignoring ethical research standards in the “strong desires for help in patients suffering from MND.” He also said that patients should be allowed to use treatments which have not been properly tested because in their case the benefits *may* outweigh the risk. Even more appalling is Wilmut’s willingness to use people as expendable laboratory animals. Edinburgh, 1/04/06  
LifeSiteNews.com

LifeWorks, February 2006

Did you know? An online service report shows a new record for abortions performed at Planned Parenthood clinics in 2004. They reported performing 255,015 abortions in 2004 – an increase of over 10,000 from the previous year. This makes PP Federation of America now responsible for one out of every five abortions done in the U. S. The service report is available at <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/pp2/portal/files/portal/medicalinfo/birthcontrol/fact-pp-services-2003.xml>

**PREGNANCY CRISIS HOTLINE** - We are here to help you. Please call 981-6888.



**Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead Saturday night -**

## Weekly Offering

March 26, 2006 Offerings	\$17,481
Same collection last year	16,911
Number of envelopes	695
Poor Box last weekend	\$401
Fuel Collection to Date	\$11,721

Thank you for your continued generosity.  
God Bless You Always,  
*Fr Mike*

## Outreach

**Feinstein Matching Grant** - This foundation will match all donations made to the Outreach Program during the months of March and April. *The more of a donation you send the more Feinstein money Outreach will get.* This is a great way to make your contribution dollar go farther.

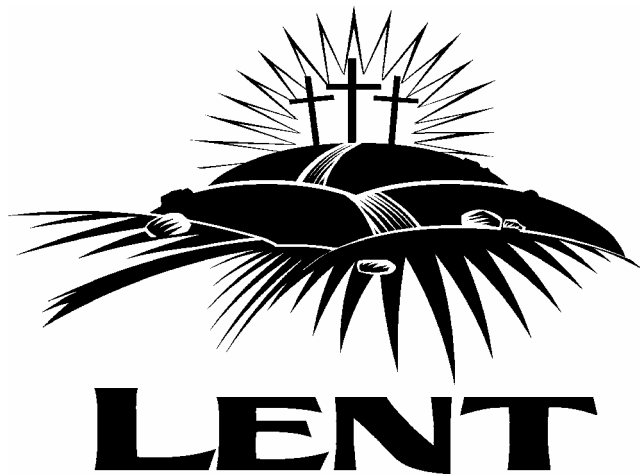
## CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Visit St. Joseph's Parish Book Rack for The Easter Story coloring books, priced at \$1.00, and picture books at \$2.00. I Believe in God, My First Prayer Book, The Mass For Children, etc. are also available as “bring to Church books” for toddlers. Older children will find My Picture Missal, Confession, The Saints, The Rosary, Angels, Promises of the Sacred Heart, My First Catechism, etc. In addition, we have an excellent selection of booklets for teens and adults. Please deposit monies in the collection basket or in the Votive Candle donation holder.

## Mark Your Calendars

April 2	Unity Sunday
April 2	Anniversary Rosary Death of Pope John Paul II 7:30PM
April 2	Sunday School Year End
April 3	Baptism Prep Class 8PM
April 9	Palm Sunday
April 13	Holy Thursday Morning Prayer 9:00 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30PM
April 14	Seven Last Words 12:00 Good Friday Service 3PM Stations of the Cross 7:30
April 15	Holy Saturday Morning Prayer 9:00 Confessions 10-12 Noon Easter Vigil Liturgy 7:30





# 2006

## Ashes, Prayers & Stations

### *Rules of Fast and Abstinence*

During the season of Lent the Church calls us to fast and abstain. The days of fast are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fast means that those between the ages of 18 and 59 limit themselves to one full meal and eat nothing between meals. The other meals on a fast day are light meals. All the Fridays of Lent, as well as Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, are also days of abstinence, which means that those 14 years of age and older are to abstain from eating meat.

### *Daily Mass—A Lenten Tradition*

Monday through Friday 7AM, 9AM and 12:10 PM.

Saturday at 8AM

Sunday Masses remain the same at 5PM on Saturday, 7, 9 & 10:30 AM, 12 Noon and 5PM on Sunday

### *The Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Daily as we pray the "Our Father" we petition our God to "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." These simple words recall the basic need that each of us has to experience forgiveness and to share it with others. As a faith community the Sacrament of Reconciliation has long served to seek forgiveness of God and to be reconciled with one another. Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation provides us with an encounter with our Compassionate God. Lent is an especially opportune time to experience God's mercy in this sacramental way.

The parish offers weekly celebrations of the sacrament each Monday, Wednesday & Friday after the 7 & 9 AM Masses and on Saturday after the 8AM Mass and from 4-4:45 PM.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be celebrated at the following times:

Thursday- March 30 - Final night of Parish Mission 7:30

Monday of Holy Week - April 10 - after the 7 & 9 AM masses , 4-5PM and 7-8:30PM

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 12 - after the 7 & 9AM masses

Holy Saturday - April 15 - 10-12 Noon for those unable to attend other services.



### *Stations of the Cross*

Recalling the Passion of our Lord Jesus during the season of Lent has nourished Catholics from the earliest days of Christianity. One of the traditional ways in which we recall Jesus' way of the cross is the praying of the Stations of the Cross. Join us for the Stations on each of the following Fridays: April 7th at 7:30 PM.

## *Seven Last Words*

Good Friday is a time of deep recollection and prayer. For centuries Christians have prayed over the Passion of the Lord in many ways. As a parish community, On Good Friday at 12 Noon, our prayer service will be structured around "The Seven Last Words" a very powerful and moving reflection presented by members of our parish family. Come pray with us.

### *Palm Sunday*

Distribution of Palm at all Masses

Saturday April 8th 5:00

Sunday April 9th 7,9,10:30 AM

12 Noon

5:00PM



### *Holy Thursday*

**9:00** Morning Prayer

**7:30PM** Mass of the Lord's Supper

*followed by*

Solemn Procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Repository

**11:00PM** Closing of Repository

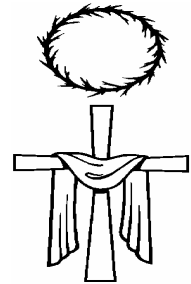
### *Good Friday*

**9:00** Morning Prayer

**12 Noon** Reflection on the Seven Last Words

**3:00** Commemoration of the Passion and Death of the Lord Jesus

**7:30PM** Stations of the Cross



### *Holy Saturday*

**9:00**

Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter food

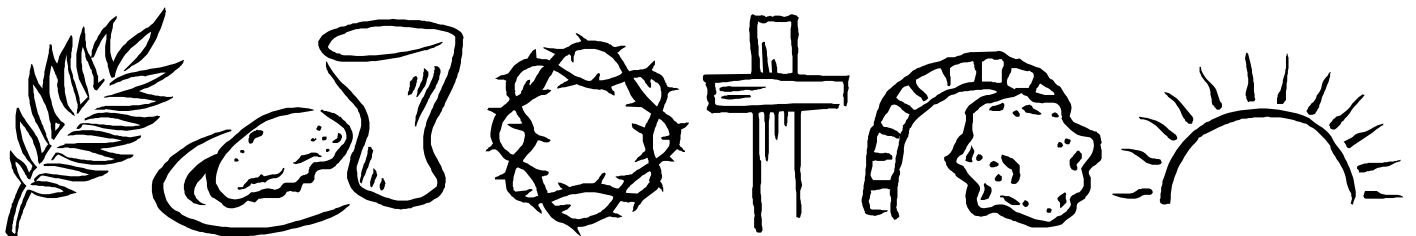
**10-12 Noon**

Confessions for those unable to attend other services.

**7:30**

Easter Vigil Liturgy

*Please Note:*  
There is **NO**  
5PM Mass today.



*Easter Sunday Schedule  
2006*

*Masses 7:00, 9:00, 10:30 AM and  
12:00 PM in the Church*

*11:00 AM & 12:30 PM  
Downstairs in Carew Hall*

*Please note:*

*There is NO 5:00 PM Mass  
on Easter Sunday*





*Inquiry Day*  
*For men interested in the*  
*Vocation of Deacon*

*“Select from among yourselves seven of good reputation filled with the Spirit and with wisdom.” Acts 6:3*

*Sunday, April 23rd from 1-5PM*

*At The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception*

*RSVP 631-424-8360*

*Come with your wife so she, too, might get a better understanding of the vocation in general and the formation process, in particular.*

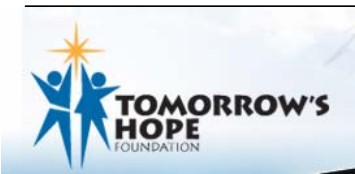
**REMEMBERING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF POPE JOHN PAUL II**

*“Let me go to the house of the Father.”*

On Sunday, **April 2** crowds will gather in St. Peter’s Square to pray the rosary in order to “re-live,” according to Cardinal Ruini, “the atmosphere of intense prayer that accompanied the passing of Pope John Paul II to his final encounter with the Lord” one year ago.

Be with us on **April 2 at 7:30** in the Church as we join those faithful gathered in Rome and faithful men and women throughout the world in prayer for our late Holy Father. Before the Blessed Sacrament we will pray the rosary and hear a reflection by Fr. Jerome Vereb, CP on John Paul’s last words, “Let me go to the house of the Father.”

Fr. Jerome, a Passionist who currently teaches at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, worked for many years in Rome as a member of the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity & had frequent contact with the Holy Father. A gifted preacher and writer, he is the editor or coeditor of four books on John Paul. His most recent work, *A Year with John Paul II: Daily Meditations from His Writings & Prayers*, was published in December of last year by HarperSanFrancisco.



Dear Fr Maffeo & the Parishioners of St Joseph,

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks & appreciation for your generous donation of \$1,502.22 to Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation . Your gift will assist us in providing financial assistance to the neediest of students.

The mission of Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarships and program funding for the needs of students and schools.

On behalf of the students we will serve in the fall of 2006, thank you for your generous donation and your continued commitment to Catholic education in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Sincerely,  
 Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation

**Thank You**

Perhaps you said a little prayer or sat with us awhile.  
 Perhaps it was a beautiful flower piece,  
 A simple bouquet, a delicious fruit basket or a home cooked meal we were able to enjoy.  
 Perhaps a donation was made to the Children’s Fund  
 To help ease their financial burden, or perhaps  
 You volunteered your time, talent, energy, materials or organizational skills in giving their home a “make-over”.  
 Perhaps it was a religious article being donated,  
 a Mass being said in Jane’s name, a visit by phone,  
 a note offering us your support or sharing a memory.  
 This being said, a most appreciative and heartfelt thank you from the Favale, Booton and Raab families  
 For your generous support during this most difficult time...  
 And especially the love for Jane you shared with us.  
 Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.  
*May God Bless each and every one of you*

# CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2006

*A quick look at where we're at.....*

## ***We're So Close***



### **We need everyone's help**

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**No pledge is too small ....**

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## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

# 2006

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## ***Every Gift Counts! We count on You!***

Pledge	10 Payments
\$5000	\$500
2500	250
1500	150
1000	100
500	50
300	30
200	20
100	10

## Around The Parish

**Spaghetti Feast** held by Boy Scout Troop 439 on Sunday, April 2 from 11:30-2:30 at the American Legion Post 155 in Ronkonkoma. Join us for food, fun and raffles. Donation \$5, kids under 5 free. For more information call Sue at 580-0499.

## Courtesy Announcements

### Parenting (Grandparenting/Godparenting) the Christian

**Family** will be meeting monthly in the parish center meeting room at St Thomas More, Hauppauge from 7-8PM. Seminar scheduled: "Improving Family Time" April 6. Activity, prayer, & discussion serve as components of each seminar facilitated by Dr Joan Dorr. Pre-registration is appreciated 234-5551.

**Professional Therapy & Counseling** provided by NYS licensed psychologists are available to you through the Catholic Counseling Center, a proprietary professional corporation, which is independent of & not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For confidential information & appointment, call Dr. Giuliani at 243-1550.

**St Patrick School in Smithtown** will be hosting a Spring car Show & Craft Fundraiser on Sunday, April 30 from 9-4 on the grounds of St Patrick on Main Street in Smithtown. Cars, trucks, motorcycles and the 1985 Dale Earnhardt car are among the attractions. All car clubs and vendors welcome. For more information & to register by April 12 contact John Forlenza at 588-2696 (cars only) and Christine Clinton at 232-1819 (craft vendors).

**Smithtown Central School District Adult Education** Program offers free classes at the Joseph M Barton District Building. The program consists of English as a second Language, High School Equivalency, Senior Citizen Basic Computer Classes and Career Counseling. For more information call 631-382-2181.

**The Journey, Cross and Crucifixion** will be presented by Creative Ministries on April 14th at 8PM at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Centereach. Join us as we experience the trial of Jesus, His journey through the streets of Jerusalem, and His final moments on the cross.

**Mass for individuals in 12 Step Recovery Programs** will be celebrated on Sunday, April 2nd at 7PM at St John Nepomucene Church in Bohemia. An 11th Step meeting on meditation and prayer will follow in the lower level of the Church. For more information call Fr Kevin Gruber at 589-0540.

As a member of the **St Therese Prayer Society for Vocations**, you commit yourself to praying in a special way for vocations in the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. There are no dues & no meetings, only the promise of prayers. For more information please call the Vocations office at 631-424-9888 or e-mail us at [Vocations@drvc.org](mailto:Vocations@drvc.org).

**Suffolk Catholic Singles Dance** Saturday April 15th, 9PM - 12:30 AM at the MacArthur Airport. Admission is \$20. Neat casual attire. For ages 30's through 60's. For more information call Jerry at 516-520-9385.

**American Sign Language Classes** are being offered by Cleary School for the Deaf. Evening

Adult Education classes in American Sign Language levels 1-5 will begin April 19 through June 14th for Adults only. The Summer Session from July 3 through August 9th is for both children & adults. Call Carolyn Kelly at 631-588-0530 for more information.

**Breaking Out In Boldness** - Holy Cross Women's Enrichment Ministry invites you to join them on Saturday April 8th from 10:30 AM - 3:45 PM at the Holy Cross Worship Center ...Let the Spirit set you free... Guest speaker Sr Pat Duffy Suggested donation : \$20 includes box lunch catered by "Elegant Eating"



The rule of the Society states:  
St. Vincent de Paul members always  
operate in pairs.

They are prepared to visit persons wherever  
the need exists, whether it be in the  
home, nursing home, etc.



**Once you were "no people" but now you are God's people,  
Once there was "no mercy for you," but now you have found mercy.  
1Peter 2:10**



**Be Renewed! Be Healed!**

**Jesus I trust in You!**

**Proclaim to the whole world  
my unfathomable mercy,  
the greatest attribute of God!**

# **Family Healing Retreat & Youth Conference**

featuring

**Father Bill Halbing**

Pastor, St. Antoninus Church  
International Speaker & Retreat Director

**Linda Schubert**

Renowned Author of international bestseller  
*Miracle Hour, True Confessions, Precious Power*

**Father Phillip Tah**

Youth Speaker, St. Martin Tours Church

**Saturday, April 22, 2006 - 9:00am - 4:15pm**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, Ronkonkoma, New York**

**Adult Conference - Main Church**

**Youth Conference - School Auditorium**

Sponsored by:

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The Servants of the Lord Prayer Community - St. Joseph

Pater Noster Youth Music Ministry,  
led by Grace Bernardo - Youth Coordinator  
John Clancy - Spirit Life II Music Ministry

Contact Persons:

Max and Fler Gutierrez - 631-585-4828

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**Please Register Early! Seats Are Limited!**

**PARISHIONER REQUEST FORM**

I/we would like to register as members of St. Joseph Parish.

NAME (s): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ *unlisted? (Yes) (No)*

I/we would like become members of the parish. ( ) Yes

I/we would like to receive contribution envelopes. ( ) Yes ( ) No

We make our donations each Sunday ( ) Weekly

We make our donations once a Month ( ) Monthly

- ( ) I would like to become an usher
- ( ) I would like to become a lector.
- ( ) I would like to become an altar server.
- ( ) I would like to become a Eucharistic Minister.
- ( ) I would like to become a choir member
- ( ) I would like to become a Catechist
- ( ) I would like to help maintain the parish plantings
- ( ) I would like to offer my following talents to the parish

*(Please return to the Church Office or place in Collection Basket)*

**REMEMBERING THE SICK**

Please include the following in the bulletin sick list:

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of person who is ill:

Person making this request: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to ill person \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please place in collection basket or return to Church Office)*

*(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)*

**PARISH RESTORATION FUND**

I/we wish to pledge (or increase our pledge to)  
 \_\_\_ \$5,000 \_\_\_ \$4,000 \_\_\_ \$3,000 \_\_\_ \$2,000 \_\_\_ \$1,000

I/we would like to make payments  
 \_\_\_ Annually \_\_\_ Semi-Annually \_\_\_ Quarterly \_\_\_ Monthly  
 spreading the payments over  
 \_\_\_ One year \_\_\_ Two years \_\_\_ Three years \_\_\_ Four years

NAME (s): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**We're Looking For...**

**BOX TOPS** from cereals for Educational purposes are always welcomed. Please drop them in the collection.

**DEPOSIT BOTTLES AND CANS**—Please place them in the baskets that are located on the school side of the Church on weekends or behind the rectory during the week.

**CELL PHONES**—Please bring your no longer used or needed cell phones and deposit them at the Scrip table in the Church lobby.

**Even Used Inkjet Cartridges, Have Their Uses**

We have found a way to help St Joseph and keep those complicated pieces of plastic, metal and printed circuit boards out of the land fill. Drop them off (in a plastic baggie) when you come to mass. We will send them to a company who reuses them and gives the parish a bounty for each. One note, to clear confusion, if it is larger than a fist, it is not an inkjet cartridge!!!



**Cub Scout Pack 272**

**Boy Scout Troop 272**



St. Joseph's Cub Scout Pack 272 and Boy Scout Troop 272 have fun, exciting, educational, character building programs for boys, age 7 through 17 (*first grade and up*).

**For more information or to enroll your child, contact Dr. Louis Scotti at 656-8428 or e-mail [JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org](mailto:JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org).**



Sport for all Seasons

**ST JOSEPH  
CYO**



Travel Soccer:

Gene ☎ 467-0541

Intramural Soccer:

Beth ☎ 737-6299

Track

Karen ☎ 588-8636

Chairman: Henry

Baseball:

Gene ☎ 588-1879

Girls Basketball:

Christine ☎ 737-3142

Boys Basketball:

Frank ☎ 585-6921

Melchiona ☎ 467-6091

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