


**OUR LITURGY**

Solomon makes a selfless choice for his kingdom and is granted the wisdom for which he asks. In our second reading, Paul assures us that all things work for good for those who dedicate themselves to God's Kingdom. In the Gospel, Jesus uses several parables to give us an idea of the value of sacrificing all for the Kingdom of heaven.

**ALTAR BREAD & WINE**  
 In Memory of  
*The Mulligan Family*  
 Requested by  
*Karen & John*



**OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS**

*This Week*

*Next Week*

<b>Fr Thomas</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr Eugene</b>
<b>Fr Thomas</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr Eugene</b>
<b>Fr Maffeo</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr Boyle</b>
<b>Fr Eugene</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Fr Tapel</b>
<b>Fr Boyle</b>	<b>12:00 Noon</b>	<b>Fr Thomas</b>
<b>Fr Eugene</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr Tapel</b>

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.

**MASS INTENTIONS**



**Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

- 7:00 Marie Minto requested by The McKenna Family
- 7:00 Marie Bernaudo requested by Mr & Mrs DeMauro
- 9:00 Joseph Onufrak requested by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Deceased Members St Regis Knights Columbus & Columbiettes
- 10:30 Kim Pohlman requested by Loving Family
- 10:30 Joseph Wolanski requested by Amy Prego
- 12:00 Catherine DeBellis requested by Cathy & Norm West
- 12:00 Louis Frisenda requested by Millie & Tom D'Agostino
- 5:00 Eugene P McGill requested by Loving Family
- 5:00 Jose Martins requested by  
 Maria Luisa Ricardo & Sao Ricardo-Berkowitz

**Monday, July 28**

- 7:00 Mary McCormack (living) requested by Julia P Mikos & Family
- 7:00 People of the Parish
- 9:00 Jack Sweeney requested by Loving Family
- 9:00 Michelle Altonji requested by Loving Family

**Tuesday, July 29, St Martha**

- 7:00 Christopher Esposito requested by Loving Dad
- 7:00 Martha Doyle requested by Martha Sconfienza
- 9:00 Mary Ellen Bergin (living) requested by Snowflake
- 9:00 Brigid Quinn requested by The Joyce Family

**Wednesday, July 30, St Peter Chrysologus**

- 7:00 Roseanne Chirillo requested by Christina SanFilippo
- 7:00 Marie S Shaw requested by The Laneve Family
- 9:00 Charles F Doyle requested by Gillen, Mitchell & Tromblee
- 9:00 Grace Scunziano requested by William Morales & Diane Kapovic

**Thursday, July 31, St Ignatius Loyola**

- 7:00 Carlos "Tato" Valentin requested by MaryEllen Nicoletti
- 7:00 Mary McCormick (living) requested by Rose Marie Balance
- 9:00 John H Burnett requested by Loving Family
- 9:00 Mrs Anna Russo requested by Mr & Mrs Nicholas Vicale

**Friday, August 1, St Alphonsus Liguori**

- 7:00 Rose Marshall requested by Loving Daughter
- 9:00 Bridie & John McWeeney requested by Gill & Dunleavy Families
- 9:00 Marie Monahan requested by  
 Steve, Bronna, Rachel & Alyson Silverman

**Saturday, August 2, Sts Eusebius of Vercelli & Peter Julian Eymard**

- 8:00 Theresa & Angelo DeFilippo requested by Loving Family
- 8:00 Marie Capodiceci requested by Mr & Mrs Sal Fazzolari

**Anticipated Mass for Sunday**

- 5:00 Louis Masino requested by Jim & Cathy Foy
- 5:00 Margaret Gregorek requested by Theresa Ryan & family

**Sunday, August 3, Eighteenth Sunday Ordinary Time**

- 7:00 Louise Schaaf requested by Ann Muller & Family
- 7:00 Jane Keaveny requested by Cheryl & Bill Lichte
- 9:00 Palma Puliafito requested by Brian, Andrea & Hannah
- 9:00 John W Biglin Sr requested by Loving Wife & Family
- 10:30 Joseph Walenski requested by June Bosch
- 10:30 Warren Kottl requested by Jim & Claire McQuillan
- 12:00 Ronald Hutton requested by Millie & Tom D'Agostino
- 12:00 James Pinelli requested by Rainole Family
- 5:00 Harry Woods requested by John & Paula Martire
- 5:00 Albert Saponieri requested by June & Artie Mayrose

**Are You A Registered Parishioner?**

Many parishioners support St Joseph's in the weekly collection and we do not have them listed in our census. We would like to make sure you are given proper credit for your donations.

If you do not receive mail from us then you are not on our census.

Please fill in the bottom of this page and we will send you a registration form.

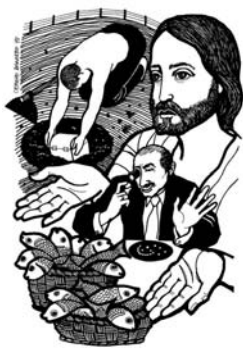
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Town: \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE



*'Jesus said to his disciples; 'The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls...''* Last week and this week Jesus speaks about what the Kingdom of Heaven (God) could be compared to: *a Mustard Seed; Yeast in Flour; a Buried Treasure; a*

*Pearl of Great Price; or a Net Thrown into the Sea.*

Yet, Jesus never tells us actually what it is, even though its establishment is a key part of the Gospel Message.

There are possibly two reasons for Jesus' lack of a total description of the Kingdom. The first is that the Kingdom of Heaven is a part of the ancient tradition of Israel, and that the Messiah would usher it in. The Jewish tradition was that the Kingdom of Heaven is the consummation of history itself and not just a reward for good deeds done throughout history. God completes salvation history by completing history itself (this is where the belief or understanding the world would come to an END). Israel understood that the Kingship of God was seen in history, (for the Jews consider God the God of History) but went beyond history. The Kingdom of God was not just for the Jews but for the Gentiles as well; for God intended that all things would come together in Himself.

This universal kingdom will bear fruit in a whole new moral order where the will of God is operative in this world and all people will be working in God's peace given to us through *the Messiah who is the Prince of Peace* as God will be revealed again as a Shepherd and King. The Lord comes **not** to punish or judge, **but to bring peace, goodness, and salvation to all.** This is how our Lord announced the Kingdom's arrival and we see this throughout *the Four Gospels and the Epistles.*

The second reason why Jesus would not clearly speak about the Kingdom of Heaven, except in parables, was for the same reasons why He never outwardly said that He was the Messiah. The Kingdom of God at Jesus's time took on more nationalistic overtones. Some saw it as the restoration of the rule to Israel (the Kingdom like it was under *Solomon*) and others saw it as a great Apocalypse caused by God's sovereign action and final intervention without any cooperation at all on the part of the Church. Jesus tells us that this is not the case, when He tells us that the Kingdom of God is at hand and will be invited into it

because God is a God of mercy and forgiveness. One's entrance will depend more on our response to and ability to show mercy, to forgive; and help our neighbors in need. Jesus did not foresee a political kingdom nor did he foresee an elitist kingdom where only the cream of the crop is offered salvation.

The invitation to come into the Kingdom is given to both saints and sinners, to those who society accepts and to those who are considered outcasts or who society despises. What is needed to enter is **CONVERSION**; to desire to do the Will of God, Love God with all your heart, soul, and being and to love your neighbor as yourself. From all of this true salvation flows and the kingdom comes as we accept the love of God the Father shown to us through the Son and communicated always by the grace of the Holy Spirit. **All we need to do is say yes!**

Remember starting next Monday **August 4<sup>th</sup> and all of the Mondays of August we will pray the Rosary on the Rectory Lawn**, listen to the Word of God and share time with your parish family with fellowship following. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on and a dessert too. Remember this happens rain or shine, because if it rains we will move into the Church have fellowship in the Church lobby.

A very special thank you, to all who volunteered at last week's **Summer Family Festival**, we could not have done it without you. Thanks also to all of our dedicated staff and department heads for all that they did to make the Festival a great success. I won't mention names because there are just so many that made it all happen and I do not want to hurt anybody by forgetting their names. So **THANK YOU ALL, AND GOD BLESS YOU!** The same is also true for all of those who volunteered and worked for the **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing for the School and the Parish.** There are so many to thank so we won't mention names, but they all know who they are and I am so very grateful for all they did and continue to do. Again, **THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!**

*Let us now pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words Jesus taught us:*

*Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

*God bless you always.*

*Fr. Mike*

## REMEMBER OUR SICK

Rosemarie Aiello	Annie Arrigo
John Arrigo	Al Barone
Matthew Brennan	Josephine Burton
Louis Campbell	Kathy Cunningham
Michael DePinto	Brian Devereux
John Dwyer	Louis Esteves
Louis Fava	Paul Feltman
Robert Filce	Adam Franciosa
Frances Gaeta	Frank Gaeta
Deborah Heckman	Kyle Heffron
Rosemary Hughes	Clinton Inniss
Paige Kalish	Kelly Kateridge-Santos
Linda Kempel	Christian Koehler
Helen Kraft	Krystyna Kuras
Kevin Latini	Geraldine Ligouri
Georgiana Lopez	Howard Meeks
Jean Morin	Sam Montleone
Ginger Nardoza	Joseph O'Connell
Joanora O'Donnell	Marion Pedroli
Sylvia Persico	Grace C Peshkur
Nicole Ramaglia	John Reynolds
William Rotteck	Jason Ryan
Marguerite Ryan	Theresa Ryan
Dawn Saporito	Annette Seka
Darryll Smith	Ken Stokes
Stacie Tizzard	Lloyd Turnier
Jeanette Wallace	

## PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS



SGT Deborah Alfieri	SPC Matthew Altonji
LCPL Justin Aragones	TSGT Louis Barletta
ILT Stephen Bartoszak	LT Michael-Jon Bonacorsa
LCPL John Brown	PFC Justin Browne
LTCOL James Cersosimo	CPL Glenn Clacher
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran	SPC Jason Crawford
CPT Edward Cuevas	PFC John B Cuneo
CPT Ryan Delaney	TSGT Timothy Dermody
LTCOL Kurt Diehl	SGT Stephen Gene DiGirolamo
SSGT Tony Elliott	LCPL Joseph Esposito
LT Kelly Fletcher	SPC Adam Franciosa
CPT Mark Gillman	CPT Evan Gotkin
PFC RJ Hartmann	AB J.R. Kay
SGT John W Keohane	SSGT Steven Knight
CPL Andrew Kochman	LCPL William Langdon
SPC Christopher Leone	PFC Thomas J Lupo
SGT Wade Lynch	LCPL Marshall
MAJ Kevin McCue	PVT Thomas B McGinn
SGT Patrick McNally	PFC William Meyer
CPL Brian G Meyer	CPO Gregory Migliore
SGT Glenn Miller	1LT Heather Miras
SPC4 George Monica	SPC4 John Monica
SGT Daniel Montville	SSGT Brian Moran
MAJ Gregory Mueller	LCPL Thomas Napolitano
LCPL Michael Napolitano	PVT Todd Nelson
LCPL James Neubauer	LCPL Anthony Notaroberta
PVT James Notaroberta	SGT Brian Pacella
N/Seal Paul Padro	ENS3 Lucy Padro
PFC Matthew Pandolfi	CPT Michael Parisi
2LT Anthony Parisi	MAJ Paul E Pinaud
CTR2 Matthew Pistritto	LT David A Rewkowski
SGT Edwin Rivera, II	LCPL William R Rodgers
LCPL Anthony M Sbrocco	SSGT Jason Schiavo
CPL Brian Schildt	LCPL W.Mason Shehan
LCPL Samantha Skittles	SPC James Stanek
PVT Erica Sweeney	EO3 Taylor Taranto
MM3 Gregory Taranto	PFC Greg Terrish
CPL Jason Tulowitzki	SSGT Nick Vicale
SGT John Thomas Vogt	LCPL Brandon Waldon
SGT Randolph Weaver	2LT John Wolven

### 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 #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

### REMEMBERING OUR TROOPS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name, Rank and Branch of Service

Person making this request: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Soldier \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

*If you would like to include a soldier from your family who is serving, please fill out the cut out & put it in the collection basket.*

## REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Clare Erotokritos, Jenny Montemora, Gerald DeMott, Santa Kirchhoffer, our deceased soldiers and all of our deceased relatives and friends.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

**Religious Education**

[reled@stjoronk.org](mailto:reled@stjoronk.org)



**Our office will be closed the weeks of July 20th and 27th. We will re-open on Monday August 4th.**

Registration is taking place presently. Please get a registration form either from our website, [www.stjoronk.org](http://www.stjoronk.org) or call the rectory at 588-8456 for more information or to have a registration form mailed to you. *The rectory staff will be accepting registration forms while our office is closed.*

All Children entering Grade 1 in September need to be registered for our level 1 program which is the beginning of our two year preparation for First Holy Communion.

**St Joseph's School**

[school@stjoronk.org](mailto:school@stjoronk.org)

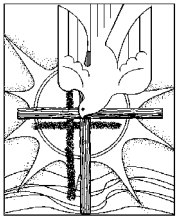


Registration is open for Fall 2008-2009. Please contact the school office for more information @ 588-4760. Please leave a message during the summer. There will be someone to check messages. Thanks.

School Summer Hours. - Wednesday mornings from 9:00AM - 12 noon. Please note the office will be open during this time. You may always leave a phone message and someone will return the call.

The School Office will reopen on Monday, August 18th from 9:00 - 2:30 to reopen for the new school year.

*Confirmation Corner*



**OUR PARISH WILL CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2008. THERE WILL BE A MEETING FOR PARENTS OF THOSE TO BE CONFIRMED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 7:30 PM IN CAREW HALL. THE MEETING WILL LAST NO LONGER THAN AN HOUR AND AT THIS MEETING YOU WILL BE ASKED TO CHOOSE THE TIME THAT YOU WOULD PREFER YOUR CHILD TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT.**

*Baptisms*

Alyssa Crawford

Anthony Eric LaMorte

Christina Marie Palazzo

Natalie Anne Rotella

**Outreach**

[sjpo@verizon.net](mailto:sjpo@verizon.net)



**EMERGENCY**



**Blood Supplies have reached critical, emergency levels!**

**Donors are needed!**

**Please call Outreach at 981-6888 to sign up for the Blood Drive on August 4th, 3:30-9PM.**

**Banns of Marriage (Third Time)**



- Melissa DeLouisa of St Joseph's and John Cox II of St Patrick's
- Kristin Ferrero of St Joseph's and Erik Horeis of Holy Martyrs, Queens
- Melissa O'Keefe of St Joseph's and Joseph Todaro of Infant Jesus
- Michelle Schlecker of St Joseph's and Charles Lundstrom of Holtsville
- Lisa Dobrowolski and Michael Yannotto both of St Joseph's
- Megan Kelly of Infant Jesus and Edward Hickey of St Joseph's

*First Saturday*

*Our Lady of Fatima Devotion*

The 1st Saturday of each month is devoted to Our Lady of Fatima. The devotion will include 8am Mass, Novena to Fatima / the Rosary, Confessions after Mass and fellowship in Carew Hall at 9am.



**St. Joseph's Parish Monthly Recollection**

On the First Friday of every month, at 7:30 PM, we hold our Monthly Parish Recollection. This hour of prayer includes the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. *Every soul, hungry & thirsty for God, is invited to this holy hour every First Friday of the month.*



## RESPECT LIFE

Under the heading "Valuing life in all its forms", an article in Newsday (7/07/08, Valerie Karr informs us that 92% of unborn children diagnosed with Down syndrome are now being aborted. With only 8% of prospective Down parents choosing to have their children, are we saying that the lives of children with Down mean less than those of so-called normal children?

The 92% abortion rate pertains only to those women having prenatal testing for disabilities. The prevalence of children born with Down syndrome (approximately 1 in 733) has not actually seen a dramatic decrease in the United States, which means that many pregnant women are not getting those tests, although prenatal testing has become safer & more common.

Today, the *National Down Syndrome Society* has been working closely with health-care professionals to make all aspects of having a child with Down syndrome, & *especially the positive aspects*, known to parents when they are presented with the diagnosis. Recently a French genetics lab identified a region on chromosome 16 that is, according to them, linked to autism. This study immediately raised questions about the availability of prenatal testing for autism. If the Down syndrome figures are any indication, this could represent the next wave in disability-related abortion.

Ironically, the world seems to have legislated away discrimination against people with disabilities, from the landmark *Americans with Disabilities Act* to the recent *UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities*. We seem to have come a long way, but maybe it's not so far at all. The Eugenics movement in the early 1900s was a precursor to Nazi Germany's genocide of persons with disabilities. Ninety-two percent is a virtual extermination, sanctioned by doctors & parents. It's a number that reflects the broader society's attitude toward persons with disabilities.

We have resolved in the courts, *for the time being*, the issue of abortion (Roe v. Wade)- it remains a woman's choice. But that choice is demeaned if communities devalue the life of its disabled. The vast majority of these children are handicapped in the womb, condemned by their disability to disposable status, despite the fact that such children can live long, happy lives – play with their peers, participate in sports programs, graduate from high school and live independent lives in the community with proper supports.

Awareness of the equality of all children – including those with disabilities – is the first step to legitimizing a woman's right to true choice & the broader acceptance in society for the rights of persons with disabilities, *the first right being life*. (Adapted from an article by Valerie Karr, a PhD candidate at Teachers College, Columbia University, who studies international perspectives on the rights of persons with disabilities.)

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS

Monthly meetings of Court St. Joseph will resume on Tuesday evening, August 5<sup>th</sup>, in Fr. Carew Hall, at 7 p.m. Joyce McGay, Regent ,588-3046 Serafina Maraviglia, Vice Regent, 467-2804

## Weekly Offering

Sunday, July 20, 2008 Offerings	\$14,261
Same collection last year	15,995
Poor Box last weekend	\$515
Fuel Collection	\$14,989
Same time last year	15,221
Weekly Budget Amount	\$18,125
Collection	<u>14,261</u>
Shortage	\$ -3,864

*Still short of our weekly goal. If you were away, we ask you to try and make up for any missed weeks offerings.*

Envelopes 498

*Thank you and God Bless You Always, Fr Mike*

## Rosary on the Lawn

Please join us each *Monday* evening in *August* at 7 PM for our 5th Annual

### *Rosary on the Rectory Lawn*



Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and a dessert for fellowship afterwards. Join us for the praying of the Rosary along with hymns and the Word of God.

In case of rain we'll move into the church.

## Mark Your Calendars



August 1	First Friday Devotion
August 2	First Saturday Devotion
August 4	Blood Drive 3:30-9 PM Carew Hall
August 4	Baptism Class 8-9PM Rectory
August 4	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7PM
August 9	Defensive Driving Class 8:30-3:00
August 11	Baptism Class 8-9 PM Rectory
August 11	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7PM
August 18	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7PM

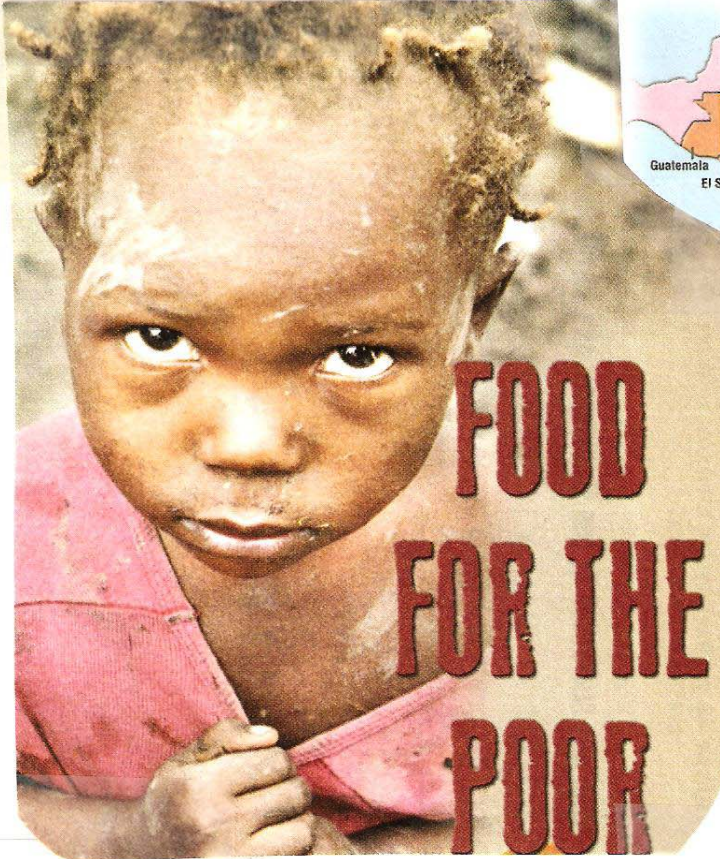
**PREGNANCY CRISIS HOTLINE** - We are here to help you. Please call 981-6888.

## GOOD STEWARDS

In December 2007, *Forbes* magazine awarded Food For The Poor a 97% fundraising efficiency rating. More than 96% of all donations received go directly to programs that help the poor. Several organizations have recognized Food For The Poor for its exemplary efficiency:

Administrative Costs:  
Less Than 4%

Program  
Services:  
96%



## WHERE WE SERVE

Food For The Poor serves the poorest of the poor in 16 nations throughout the Caribbean and Latin America. We work directly with local clergy, missionaries and other church-based social programs of various denominations. We provide them with what is needed, where it is needed, in the most efficient and cost-effective way possible.



*On August 2nd and 3rd Fr. Wilderotter from Food For The Poor will be here to speak to us on their behalf at all the Masses. He was ordained for the Diocese of Charlotte in 1974. Before preaching on behalf of Food For The Poor, he worked as a hospital chaplain. There will be a 2nd collection taken to benefit Food For The Poor.*

## WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1982, Food For The Poor works to end the suffering of the poor in the Caribbean and Latin America.

Since our inception, we have shipped more than 43,000 tractor-trailer loads of food, medicine, educational supplies and other items to our brothers and sisters in need. We have also built more than 46,000 housing units for families desperately

needing shelter and have supported orphanages and education for children. With God's grace and your help, we hope to continue serving our Lord by helping those who are struggling for survival.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."  
(John 13:34)*

Your help is desperately needed. Throughout the Caribbean and Latin America, our poorest brothers and sisters are hungry, thirsty, sick and suffering. Jesus calls on us to help the least of His brothers and sisters. Any act of kindness will be appreciated. Any act of generosity will help.

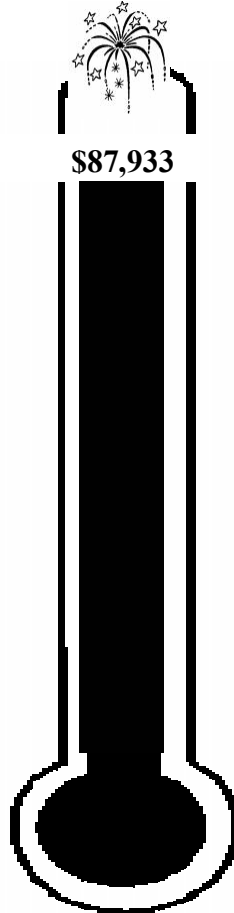
# 2008 Catholic Ministries Appeal

*The Hands of Christ-Supporting the Community Around Us*

## A LOOK AT OUR PROGRESS

**Our Goal Is \$89,616**

**Pledges as of July 13, 2008**



### 2008 TO DATE

Number of Pledges:  
462

**We've reached  
98% of Our Goal!!**

## **Ministries Appeal Update**

As parishioners at St Joseph's we are all aware that we have always been responsive to the changing and increasing needs of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our parish has always done it's share. With today's economy giving us all a challenge, we ask, that if you have not done so already to please consider making a gift to the best of your ability to the catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have responded, thank you for being a sign of Christ's light here in our parish.

The Gospel calls us to do so in Paul's reading, He tells us that "Christ will give us the light," and our Lord himself assures us that "...the man who follows me will have the light of life." Thus God calls us not just to follow the light, but to be the light unto others. To build God's Kingdom, we need to illuminate our communities through our words, and more importantly, through our actions.

*Thank you for all that you do to make our Parish the beacon of light for those looking.*

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

Please make your check payable to:  
Catholic Ministries Appeal

**Pledge:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Down Payment:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Balance:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Plan:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly       Quarterly

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Annually       Other

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Donor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Pledges of \$200 or more will be entered into a drawing. Five winners will

## "VOICE OF OUR YOUTH" CONTEST



***How do you see the Catholic Ministries Appeal at work in your community, your school, your Parish?***

### **We want to hear from you!**

- ▶ Send us your essay and our judging panel will select a winning essay from all entries.
- ▶ The winning essay will be printed in our Newsletter and posted on our Web Site.
- ▶ You and your family will also be invited to a special CMA thank you event at the end of the year, where you will be given the opportunity to read your essay aloud.
- ▶ We will also choose 2 runners-up who will have their essays printed in the newsletter and posted to our Web site.

### **Did you know?**

Every year because of the **Catholic Ministries Appeal** we are able to serve more than 500,000 people in our Long Island community.

Through **Catholic Charities** we provide services for seniors, the hungry, homeless and disadvantaged. Through our **Formation** and **Education** programs young people receive the gift of spiritual formation, sacramental preparation and quality educations; seminarians, deacons and lay leaders continue to fulfill their calling at the **Seminary of the Immaculate Conception**. Through **Pastoral Outreach** we are able to connect the Church on Long Island to thousands of people from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, welcome the stranger and care for the sick.

**For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, you can visit our Web Site at: [www.drvc.org/cma.html](http://www.drvc.org/cma.html)**

### **Contest Rules:**

- Essay entries should be no longer than 1,000 words
- Contest is open to all youth ages 12-17.
- All entries must be received by October 1, 2008.

**Essays should be mailed to: or email [bkilarjian@drvc.org](mailto:bkilarjian@drvc.org)**

Barbara Kilarjian-Essay Contest  
Director Marketing & Development  
Office of Institutional Advancement  
Diocese of Rockville Centre  
PO Box 9023  
Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023

**BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE  
WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP**

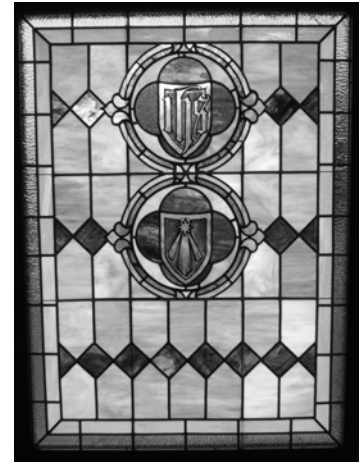
**OUR GOAL:           \$200,000  
We Have Raised:   \$134,800**

Yes they've moved! But not to their permanent home. We had to move them in order to accommodate the Festival rides. We are still awaiting the permits in order to complete the move of the Religious Education Office. Patience has become our middle name!!

One project in particular that has been completed is the restoration of the stained glass windows from the original church. The windows have been installed in the elevator lobby and they are breathtaking! Here's a taste of what they look like. In color they're even more beautiful!

If you have not yet done so, please make a pledge or one time donation. During these tough times, we are all struggling financially, yet it is important to continue to support the parish of St. Joseph as best we can. If you have not been able to do so, perhaps you will be in a better position to help us when you receive your Economic Stimulus Check. We thank you for all that you do for St. Joseph's.

Right Window



Left Window



Yes Fr. Mike, I would like to help finish the  
St. Joseph's Restoration Projects and Build for the Future!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_

PLEDGE AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly   Quarterly (circle one)

I would like to have this amount charged to my credit card till paid in full.

Credit Card Type: MC   Visa   Am Ex   Other \_\_\_\_\_

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



# AND THE WINNERS ARE....

## July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 \$50 Robert Pavinski # 165	30 \$25 Christine Kammerer # 152	1 \$25 Marjorie Cecere # 771	2 \$25 Linda Perniciaro # 590	3 \$25 Anny Liepold # 527	4 \$75 Linda Perniciaro # 127	5 \$25 Marilyn Crisham # 54
6 \$50 Margaret Meyer # 592	7 \$25 Vincent Ferro # 790	8 \$25 Joe DiNero # 167	9 \$25 Louise & Dominic Caranella # 378	10 \$25 Christine Kammerer # 820	11 \$25 Robert Lingner # 199	12 \$25 Maureen & J Kevin Delaney # 24
13 \$50 Rich & Leslie Maynard # 652	14 \$25 Pat Blinn # 893	15 \$25 Marie & George Hunt # 118	16 \$25 Walter & Marilyn Poggi # 482	17 \$25 Augie & Alice Perotti # 557	18 \$25 Barbara Mickelson # 399	19 \$25 Martin Loughlin # 239
20 \$50 Evelyn Batt # 752	21 \$25 Mr & Mrs Edward Gabriel # 407	22 \$25 Linda A Perniciaro # 529	23 \$25 Lillian & Deirdre Kirwin # 144	24 \$25 Paul Festa # 337	25 \$25 Gerry LePage # 70	26 \$25 Marie Casilli # 537
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## The Calendar Club

**Everyday for the next year we will draw one number. The owner of that number will win the prize for that day. Then the number is put back into the mix for the next day's drawing, giving you another opportunity to WIN!**

A donation of only \$25 buys you 1 number and 362 chances to win.

A donation of \$100 will buy you 1,810 chances to win!!!!!!

*Your donation must accompany this form. The calendars will be mailed to you. . Thank you and Good Luck!*

MAIL TO: St Joseph Church, 45 CHURCH STREET, RONKONKOMA, NY 11779-3301

**MEMBERS NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

July 20, 2008

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the week of July 20-July 26, 2008 parishes in dioceses throughout the country will celebrate Natural Family Planning Awareness Week.

This year's theme chosen by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is "*A way of life...a way of love*". It is indeed a fitting theme to recognize and give thanks for the faithful love of married couples that serve as witnesses to the everlasting love between Christ and the Church.

July 25, 2008 will also mark the fortieth anniversary of Pope Paul VI's encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (Of Human Life) that presents the teachings of the Catholic Church on the divinely designed plan for married couples.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre continues to teach the importance of Natural Family Planning to all couples in marriage preparation and enrichment programs. Each presentation strives to impart Church teaching as a way to enhance couple communication, choose responsible parenthood and foster a deeper relationship with God.

In an effort to present the facts in a consistent manner the Office of Faith Formation has developed a DVD entitled, *Planning Your Family: An Introduction to Natural Family Planning*. An invitation is extended to all married couples to learn more about this DVD and all programs offered by the Diocese by contacting the Office of Faith Formation (678-5800).

Let me conclude with the following words from Paul VI to all married couples. "*For the Lord has entrusted to them the task of making visible to men and women the holiness and joy of the law which unites inseparably their love for one another and the cooperation they give to God's love, God who is the Author of human life.*" (*Humane Vitae* #25)

Sincerely in Christ,

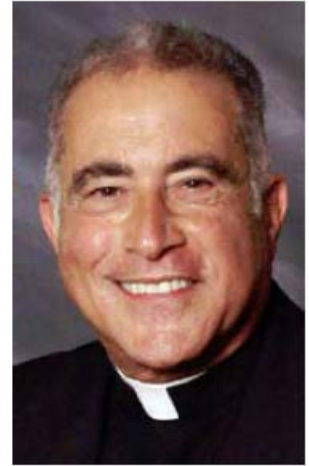
Most Reverend William Murphy  
Bishop of Rockville Centre



# Annulment Information Meeting

TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ANNULMENT PROCESS

*"The Church's annulment process offers the divorced person a vehicle for healing and closure of what is, many times, a painful period in one's life."*



Presenter Msgr. Charles Guarino of the Diocese of Rockville Centre will explain the annulment process and will begin the question and answer time of discovery by addressing the following questions:

- ♦ What is the difference between a civil divorce and a Church annulment?
- ♦ Who can petition the Tribunal for an annulment?
- ♦ How do I go about getting started?
- ♦ Who is involved in the process?
- ♦ How long does the process take?
- ♦ How much does an annulment cost?
- ♦ What if an annulment is not granted?
- ♦ What is my status in the Church?
- ♦ Are there any other services in the Church offered to divorced people?

**Thursday, August 14, 2008**

7:00 P.M.

St. Andrew Parish  
122 Division Street  
Sag Harbor, NY 11963

**Cost: \$10.00 per person**

For more information please contact Kathleen Logan, Associate Director of Family Ministry,  
(516) 678-5800 ext. 236 or email [klogan@drvc.org](mailto:klogan@drvc.org).

**Go to [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org) for Online Payment and Registration**

Or forward the completed form below along with a check payable to *The Office of Faith Formation*, attn: Corinne Lok,  
The Office of Faith Formation, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ City, Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_



# St. Margaret of Scotland Church

81 College Road, Selden, NY 11784

## CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

**HE HEALED  
THEM  
ALL**



**Wednesday**

**August 6, 2008**

*Praise & Worship: 7:00pm*

*Mass: 7:30pm*

**Celebrant**

***Fr. Anthony Ewherido***

***All are Welcome!***

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and do not be afraid.” And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. Matthew 17:5-9



For More Information, please call 732-3131



*St. Joseph R. C. Church's*

**13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**

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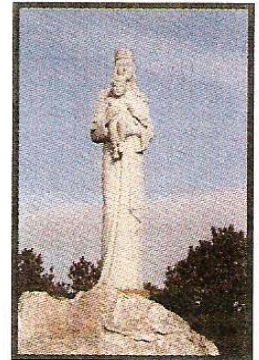
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AND PARISHIONERS

WHO CAME OUT TO SUPPORT US.

# The Office of New Evangelization of the Diocese of Rockville Centre



*Invites you to a day of  
prayer  
and celebration at*



*The Shrine of Our  
Lady of the Island in  
Eastport*

## **Family Rosary Rally and Marian Concert**

*featuring "These Three Tenors"*

**Saturday, August 23, 2008**

**9:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**

**Opportunities for  
Confession**

**Purchase Lunch or  
Pack a Picnic**

**Clown Ministry  
for Children**



**Lots of Music!**

**Multi-Lingual Rosary**

**Beautiful  
Grounds!**

**Blessing by  
Bishop  
Peter Libasci**



# For the Young at Heart



## YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, St. Joseph's Parish offers a modern, upbeat, worship experience designed especially for youth and their families.

**Everyone in grades 7-12 is invited to participate.**

We're looking for: Lectors Ushers Musicians/Singers Altar Servers  
Eucharistic Ministers (Eucharistic ministers must be over 18)

**Youth  
Worship  
Service**

For more information about joining *Youth in Ministry*, contact [YIM@StJoRonk.org](mailto:YIM@StJoRonk.org)

## Venturing Events

In Carew Hall after 5:00 PM Mass



**ATTENTION ! 8th GRADERS** - as of June you will be eligible to come and join us - have some fun this summer—join our Venturing Crew!

Visit our next meeting ---

**Sunday, July 13**

E-mail: [Crew272@StJoRonk.org](mailto:Crew272@StJoRonk.org)

Phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468



**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 979-0060  
or e-mail [JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org](mailto:JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org).



St Joseph's Play  
Group

Another great year has come to an end !! We had our last meeting of the year on Thursday. We are all looking forward to September when our group will start meeting again. Keep an eye on this column for more information.

Have a happy , healthy summer !



**Sport for all Seasons  
ST. JOSEPH CYO**

### Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 5-16): Gene ☎ 588-1879

Travel \* (Boys) : Vinny ☎ 467-3651 or

Tony ☎ 737-8136

### Basketball:

Girls Intramural / Lower Division: Debbie ☎ 467-6174

Girls Intramural / Upper Division: Dave ☎ 981-5513

Clinic Division (Coed Grades K-2) Henry ☎ 467-6091

Boys Intramural(Grades 3-12) : Henry ☎ 467-6091

Travel\* (Boys): Vinny ☎ 467-3651

### Track:

Boys & Girls, Grades K-8

Karen ☎ 588-8636 or Gina ☎ 676-6208

### Soccer :

Intramural Boys & Girls(ages 4-12): Joe ☎737-6299

Travel (LIJSL): Tony B ☎ 737-5159

Chairman: Henry Melchiona ☎ 467-6091

\*Must register for the intramural program as well

## Summer Baseball Camp

Week 1 July 28-August 1

Week 2 August 4- August 8

8:30 am -1:30 pm

\$95 per week or both weeks for \$195

For info call Gene 588-1879 or Henry 467-6091

## Courtesy Announcements

**Gennesaret Retreat**– A retreat especially for persons who live with a serious illness is planned September 19th, 20th & 21st at Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love., His forgiveness, and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: Colette Fanelli at 631-665-7052.

**St Joseph CYO Summer Baseball Camp**– July 28-Aug1 or Aug 4-Aug 8 from 8:30AM-1:30PM. \$95 per week or both weeks for \$175. Call Gene (588-1879) or Henry (467-6091) for more information.

**American Sign Language**– Cleary School for the Deaf is offering evening American Sign language classes, level 1-5. *Fall Session* - Sept 8 thru Nov 10th. Call Carolyn Kelly at 588-0530 or email [ASL4@CK.COM](mailto:ASL4@CK.COM).

**The Beginning Experience**– Help for the heartache of divorce, separation, and widowhood. A weekend away for a lifetime of change. The next weekend is August 22 through 24, 2008. For information and reservations, call Connie at (516) 735-1720, Mike at (516) 812-6417, or Celia at (516) 625-1073.

**Charismatic Prayer Meeting** - at Our Lady of the Island Shrine the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7- 9PM. Praise, worship and teaching. Contact the Shrine at 631-325-0661 for info.

**Free Food for NY Seniors** - the FAN is offering free food for Seniors age 60 & over who are income eligible. New eligible include a single senior whose gross monthly is \$1,127 or less, & a senior couple whose gross monthly income is \$1,517 or less. Call 631-491-4169 or 631-491-4156.

**Free Food for NYS Women & Children** -the FAN (Food and Nutrition Program) is offering FREE ENFAMIL Formula (both regular & Soy), also nutrition food for income eligible children under six years of age (not on WIC) plus pregnant & up to one year postpartum women. The IN-COME guidelines are: A family of two with a weekly gross income of \$488 is eligible. For each additional member add \$124. Call: 491-4166 or 516-623-4568.

**Meals-On-Wheels** - Lake Nutrition Meals-on-Wheels provides food to elderly & homebound Monday thru Friday, two meals a day. Hot meals & cold meals are available for a charge of \$6 for both meals. Call 467-8948 for information. **Wanted- Volunteers** - 1 hour of your time, 1 day a week to deliver meals to the homebound, Monday - Friday, 10:45-12:00 Noon. Please call Suzette at 467-8948 if you are able to help Meals on Wheels.

**Professional Therapy** provided by NYS licensed therapists, are available to our parish & 80 other parishes. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center which is independent of & not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For information & appointment, call Dr Giuliani at 243-2503.

**Pilgrimages:** Italy - October 15-23, 2008, with Fr Michael Sullivan from St Patrick's Cathedral - \$3026

Call 212-810-7567 or email [Vincent2275@hotmail.com](mailto:Vincent2275@hotmail.com)

China - October 15-27, 2008, with Fr Thomas DelValle-Reyes from Holy Cross, NYC -

Call 212-244-4778 or email [radiosigloxxi@aol.com](mailto:radiosigloxxi@aol.com)

Medjugorje - Sept 30-Oct 8. 2008, Sr Marcie Purpura & Fr Peter Kaczmarek - \$2368

Call 516-628-1113

**Franciscan Spirit Tours** - Holy Land, Italy, France, Mexico to name a few. Call 646-736-7964 or [info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com](mailto:info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com). For more information.

### ***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.

***INKJET CARTRIDGES*** - 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!!!