

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday - Friday

9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 pm; 6:30 to 9:00 pm

Tuesday - Thursday

9am to 12 Noon; 1:15 to 5:30 pm; 6:30 to 9:00 pm

Saturday - 9:00 am to Noon; 1:00 to 5:00 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Pray with the Parish

Rosary - Prayed daily after the 9 am Mass.

Liturgy of the Hours - Prayed at 8:40 am (Mon to Fri) and 7:40 am on Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration - Mondays (except holidays), 2:00 to 6:45pm

Nocturnal Adoration & Devotion to the Sacred Heart 7:30 to 8:30 pm on First Fridays.

Eucharist

The Lord's Day: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12 Noon & 5:00 pm

Weekdays 7:00 am & 9:00 am,
(8:00 am Saturday)

Holy Days As announced in bulletin

Exposition Monday 2:00 to 6:45 pm

First Friday 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Penance/Reconciliation

Mon., Wed., & Fri.

after the 7:00 am & 9:00 am Mass.

Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass and 4:00 to 4:45 pm and also upon request.



Our Lady of Fatima Devotion

The 1st Saturday of each month will be 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.

Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. Please join us in this devotion.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Monday (except holidays) from 2-6:45 PM

And on each First Friday from 7:30- 8:30PM

Please come and spend some quiet time with the Blessed Sacrament



St Joseph's Parish Monthly Recollection

On the First Friday of every month, at 7:30 PM, we hold our Monthly Parish Recollection. This is an hour of prayer, of recollection before our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament - whose Sacred Heart is the source of immense charity and generous love. The foundation of this prayer is God's presence in our souls as Creator, Preserver, and Author of Graces ("in Him we live, and move, and are" Acts 17:28). God is our Father, and our Friend and is our sweet Guest. We must acknowledge the realization of this great truth: God is in each of us, our soul is His Temple.

This prayer of recollection includes the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, Praying of the Psalms, Silence, Gospel Reading and a Talk /Reflection on the following topics: The Cardinal Virtues of prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude. The Theological Virtues of faith, hope and love. The gifts of the Holy Spirit; wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.

Every soul, hungry & thirsty for God, is invited to this holy hour every First Friday of the month to adore, venerate & contemplate the Sacred Heart of Jesus, & to have a quiet dialogue with God.

Baptism

Celebrated most Sundays at 1:30pm. Please contact Parish Office when child is born to schedule Baptism Preparation requirements and date of Baptism.

Confirmation

A parish program building on foundation laid by the School and Religious Education Program. There is a separate program for any adult or teenager who has not yet been confirmed. Those interested should contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

Couples should contact the Parish Office to see one of the priests or deacons at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date, and before making any other arrangements. Both parties must complete marriage preparation programs before the marriage date. At least one of the parties must be registered in the parish.

Anointing of the Sick

This is a Sacrament for the living. A Catholic should receive this Sacrament if they are chronically ill, or are about to undergo surgery and hospitalization, or are suffering the effects of advanced age. We celebrate it during a Special Mass each Spring and Fall. Reception of the Sacrament at other times can be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.

Holy Orders

Anyone feeling called to the priesthood or religious life should feel free to contact one of the parish priests or deacons for guidance and direction.

Interested in becoming a Catholic?

Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic can contact the Parish Office for information about becoming part of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

OUR LITURGY

The reading from Philippians describes poetically how the Son of God humbled himself in becoming human and obediently accepted death on a cross for the sake of our salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus tells Nicodemus that God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son so that whoever believes in Him might have eternal life.

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

In Memory of
John Kelleher
Requested by
His Loving Family



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

This Week

Next Week

Fr Rene	5:00 PM	Fr Maffeo
Fr Rene	7:00 AM	Fr Maffeo
Fr Eugene	9:00 AM	Fr Boyle
Fr Thomas	10:30 AM	Fr Thomas
Fr Maffeo	12:00 Noon	Fr Eugene
Fr Boyle	5:00 PM	Fr Tapel

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.

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

City & Zip: _____

MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, September 14, Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 7:00 Peter G Leftakes requested by The Rizzo Family
- 7:00 Arianna Gutierrez requested by Sara Neseitt
- 9:00 Josephine Ambrosini requested by The Coppola Family
- 9:00 Simone Placco requested by Helen & Tom Nguyen
- 10:30 Jack Kelleher requested by The Smith Family
- 10:30 Salvatore San Fillippo requested by Carmela SanFilippo & Family
- 12:00 James Harrington requested by Ann Harrington
- 12:00 Jack Kelleher requested by The Yellico Family
- 5:00 Lillian Zarrello requested by Stella Assante
- 5:00 Celeste Bacchi requested by Joanna & Gabe Divone

Monday, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows

- 7:00 Anne Finnegan requested by Ann Boyle
- 7:00 Diane Bergamino requested by Gina & Alfred Berry
- 9:00 Carol Ann Kluse requested by The Heaney Family
- 9:00 William Stevens requested by Shannon Delfino

Tuesday, September 16, St Cornelius & St Cyprian

- 7:00 Joseph Odierno requested by John Bosco
- 7:00 Edward Chlanda requested by Ginger Petito & Boys
- 8:45 Maureen Bardon requested by James Gracey
- 8:45 Sadie M Fullam requested by The McCormack Family

Wednesday, September 17, St Robert Bellarmine

- 7:00 Kevin Holzapfel requested by Loving Mother & Father
- 7:00 Carmela Adkins requested by The Hendry Family
- 9:00 Catherine Gracey requested by Loving Husband
- 9:00 Marie Minto requested by Anne Bannon

Thursday, September 18

- 7:00 People of the Parish
- 9:00 Joseph J Onufrak requested by Loving Mother
- 9:00 Christopher Pue requested by Timothy Horn & Family

Friday, September 19, St Januarius

- 7:00 Anna Supakoff requested by Loving Daughter
- 9:00 Ann Neubert requested by Claire & Jim
- 9:00 Marianna & Cataldo Fernandez requested by Loving Daughter

Saturday, September 20, Sts Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Hasang

- 8:00 Rita Fitzpatrick requested by LuAnn & George Stewart
- 8:00 John McGovern requested by LuAnn & George Stewart

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Angelica Nappi requested by Sal & Debbie Maddaluno
- 5:00 Florence Lattanzio requested by Loving Husband & Family

Sunday, September 21, 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

- 7:00 Grace Brandon requested by Pat & Ray Tuhey
- 7:00 Arianna Gutierrez requested by Kelly & Frank Haggerty & Family
- 9:00 Norma Brown USN requested by Loving Husband USN
- 9:00 Maria & Augustino Camilliti requested by The Camilliti Family
- 10:30 Pray for an End to Abortion requested by Respect Life Committee
- 10:30 Francisco Rosa requested by Loving Wife & Family
- 12:00 Mae DeCamp requested by Jill, Nick & Michael DeCamp
- 12:00 Kiernan McCarthy requested by The Lamia Family
- 5:00 Jose Martins requested by Maria Luisa Ricardo & Sao Berkowitz
- 5:00 William J Vogt Sr requested by The Ciavarella Family

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

♫ *“Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name. Come Christians follow where our Savior trod, Our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. Lift high the cross... Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of Him Who died. Lift high the cross...”*

This wonderful feast that we celebrate today commemorates the finding of the **True Cross** by the *Empress St. Helena*, mother of the *Emperor Constantine*, in the early 4th Century. St. Helen went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places that were a part of Jesus' life. She raised the *Temple of Aphrodite*, which tradition held was built over Jesus' tomb. During the excavation, workers found three crosses, and the story is told that the one that was identified as Jesus' Cross was touched by a dying woman who was instantly healed. As a result of these discoveries, Constantine built *the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher in 325 AD*, which is also remembered on this feast day. This great feast is celebrated in both the *Roman Catholic World* and in the *Eastern Orthodox World* and it reminds us that salvation was gained for us by the death of Jesus on the Cross.

Unlike **Good Friday**, which is a very solemn day, this day calls us to celebrate **joyfully** because of the great victory over sin, darkness, and spiritual death achieved by the Cross and the Empty Tomb. It is because of what we are remembering that this day, when it falls on a Sunday, takes over the Sunday Liturgy and becomes a Solemnity like Corpus Christie, Trinity Sunday, etc. So today please celebrate and in a very special way thank God for the Salvation won for us by the Cross of Christ. Of course we do this in our celebration of the Eucharist, the Bloodless Sacrifice of Christ on the Cross, but let us do something special on this day after we celebrate the Mass.

Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers as they participate in the Confirmation Prep Program and go on Retreat next month, getting them ready to receive the Sacrament in November. Pray for them, their families, their sponsors and those helping them to get ready for this beautiful sacrament. We thank *Deacon Bill Dobbins*, our *Confirmation Coordinator*, *Sr. Anne Marie Dean, CSJ.*, *Mrs. Arpino*, the *Staff of Religious Ed. and School*, all those who have taught and prepared our Confirmandi for this big step in their faith life.

During this month and next month we have already begun selling or will begin selling chances for the **Calendar Club and our Backwards Raffle**. These are wonderful ways of supporting the parish, a chance to win some extra money, and an opportunity to have a good time. Please support these Fund Raisers as they go a long way to keep the parish running. Each week as you look at the financial section of this bulletin, you can see that our weekly collections do not meet our running expenses. While we have cut our expenses to the bone, we can't seem to do more and so we need your help. Supporting these Fund Raisers to go a long way to help fill the gap, and anything you can do to support them and even sell them to others outside the parish will keep the parish going. Later on this fall I will speak to you about the financial state of the parish and again how we can all help. Meanwhile get out there and buy your Calendars and your Backwards Raffle Tickets (which you can share with others) and of course thank you and good luck.

*We close with the prayer for today's great feast:
God our Father, in obedience to you, your Son
accepted death on the cross for the salvation of all.
We acknowledge the mystery of the cross on earth.
May we receive the gift of redemption in heaven? We
ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who
lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever. Amen*

God bless you.

Fr. Mike

PS. Please read the letter in this bulletin about the training Session for the **Virtus Program** which all volunteers and staff members much attend in our effort to Protect all God's Children. The session will take place on September 29th at 7:30 PM in Carew Hall. To register for this program you can do it on line at Virtus.com or call the Rectory. You must register for the session before it takes place. Thank you.



REMEMBER OUR SICK

Michael Ambrosio	Anne Bannon
Oliver Bouchard	Paul Ciullo
Martina Cocamas	Kathy Cunningham
Stephanie D'Agostino	Michael Delaney
Michael DePinto	Nancy DeTrapani
Brian Devereux	Anthony DeVito
Paul Feltman	Robert Filce
Adam Franciosa	Joann Friederich
Deborah Heckman	Kyle Heffron
Jasper Indelicato	Margaret Indelicato
Christian Koehler	Helen Kraft
Kevin Latini	Geraldine Ligouri
Georgiana Lopez	Bill Mangan
Marie Mangan	Michelle McKeon
Thomas Montgomery	Joseph O'Connell
Gisela Ohlenschlager	Grace C Peshkur
Dina Prass	Nicole Ramaglia
Joan Reilly	John Reynolds
William Rotteck	Theresa Ryan
Dawn Saporito	Darryll Smith
Ken Stokes	Stacie Tizzard
Lloyd Turnier	Carole Walsh

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

SGT Deborah Alfieri	SPC Matthew Altonji
LCPL Justin Aragones	TSGT Louis Barletta
1LT 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
LCPL RJ Hartmann	AB J.R. Kay
SGT John W Keohane	MAJ Sean P Kilkenny
WO-1 Steven Knight	CPL Andrew Kochman
LCPL William Langdon	SPC Christopher Leone
RCT Tiffany LiCausi	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 Pistrutto	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 Sickles	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)

REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Christine Bandl, Darren Gaudio, 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
981-1805



Office Hours are:

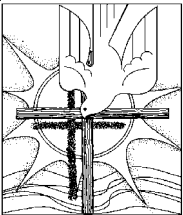
Monday thru Thursday 9:00A.M.-4 P.M.

For all families who were registered by September 8th - class day, time and room number notification was sent out this past week.

For all children who are registered for **Level 1**, there will be a Parent/child Prayer meeting on Monday, September 22nd at 7:15 pm in church. Books will be distributed at this time.

Our Catechists will receive a special blessing next weekend at all the masses. There will be a Catechist meeting on September 20th at 10:00 a.m. in Carew Hall.

Confirmation Corner



Circumstances necessitate a change in the Confirmation rehearsal dates and times.

They are:

November 12th for the 10:00 am ceremony

November 13th for the 1:30 pm ceremony

You will be receiving a letter this week confirming the change.

Banns of Marriage (Second Time)



Suzanne Liberti of St Joseph's and
Michael McCaffery of St Theresa's
Crystal Barbaro & Christopher O'Hea both of St Joseph's
Susie Szalai of St Joseph's and
Thomas C Smith of St Bernard's
Jillian Baskiewicz & Michael Puccio both of St Joseph's
Debralyn Eichler of St Joseph's and
James Trappen of Infant Jesus
Danielle Badum of St Joseph's and
Jonathan Hofbauer of Centereach
Cheryl Diehm of St Joseph's and
Andrew Keane of Corpus Christi

St Joseph's School

school@stjoronk.org



Thank you to all our students who sang so beautifully at the Ducks Game on Wednesday evening. Our school proudly sang the Star Spangled Banner at the start of the game. Thank you to all the families who came out to the game. This was a great night for School Spirit. All families had a great time who participated. It was also a good opportunity for new families to get to know the great families who are here at our school.

We had a great opening to school. Our Early Childhood program started for ages 3 - 5. The children had a terrific transition into the program. Our school children in grades 1-8 were delightful to see after the long summer. Our community is a very positive one.

Our safety patrol students were installed on Tuesday, Sept. 9th at the 8:45 Mass. Congratulations to Elizabeth Antonucci, Anthony Cruz, Nicole Delfino, Caroline Grenier, Alissa Guerra, Patrick McCormack, Marielle Pavek and Jessica Scilingo.

St. Joseph School Community welcomes this year: Mrs. Theresa Bartoszak, Mr. Sean Drake and Mrs. Tracy Sweeney. Our students are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and professional teaching staff in our school.

Our hot lunch program begins this week. Students may order on a daily basis from a great selection of items.

Reminder: Meet the Teacher Night is scheduled this Thursday, evening Sept. 18th at 7PM. We will begin in the church

Our Early Childhood Program invites all children in grades Nursery thru Grade 1 to an Ice Cream Party on Friday evening Sept. 19th from 7 - 8PM in the school gym. Parents are invited to attend with the children. This is a great opportunity to meet the parents of your child's classmates.

Baptisms

Lawrence Michael Andres III

Alexander Charles Hershkowitz

Gabriella Rose Hershkowitz

Peter Francis Morreale, Jr



RESPECT LIFE

Stand Up For Life

October 5th * 2:00-3:30 PM*

Huntington & Manorville

This October 5th will mark the 11th annual Stand Up For Life commitment, an event which draws many to affirm their belief, **publicly**, that abortion is wrong. For years we stood on Rte. 110 in Huntington, in front of Walt Whitman Mall, most times wrapping around to the sidewalks of Jericho Turnpike. Now we have the option of “going out east” to exit 70 S of the LIE, Manorville. Same time, same signs, same purpose. Please join us, rain or shine, at either location.

Beginning on Friday, October 17 to Sunday October 19 there will be a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat at the Kellenberg Retreat House, next to Kellenberg High School in Uniondale. This is a healing after abortion experience for both men and women. Contact Donna Crean at 631-243-2373.

For those who may not know, Rachel’s Vineyard weekend retreats are a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and nonjudgmental atmosphere where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post abortion emotions, and begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Rachel’s Vineyard can help you find your inner voice. It can help you experience God’s love and compassion on a profound level. It creates a place where men and women can share, often for the first time, their deepest feelings about abortion.

Good news! On October 5th, Respect Life Sunday, the bassinet will be back in the church lobby! Our parish Right to Life group works in conjunction with Parish Outreach, and each year we ask you, our generous and loyal supporters, for whatever is most needed. This year again, it is disposable diapers, large sizes.

We will also gratefully accept any other item of baby/toddler clothing, including handmade items, but the greatest need at the present time is for disposable diapers, large sizes such as 3, 4, and 5.

Please remember that this Saturday, September 20th, the St. Joseph Right to Life group will be meeting in Room B of the Rectory basement at 9:30 AM. We will gather to share all suggestions and ideas for the growth of our effort, which is to support the reversal of Roe v. Wade. Please join us for coffee/tea and talk. All are welcome.

DID YOU KNOW that Planned Parenthood, the nation’s #1 abortion provider, received over \$336 million in taxpayer funding for the fiscal year of 2007? In the issue of 6/23/08, the Wall Street Journal described them as “flush with cash.”

Weekly Offering

New Fiscal Year Begins

Sunday, September 7, 2008 Offerings	\$20,067
Same collection last year	15,995

Poor Box last weekend	\$ 360
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<i>Fuel</i> Collection	\$250
Same time last year	190

Weekly Budget Amount	\$18,125
Collection	<u>20,067</u>
Overage	\$ 1,942

Good start to the new Fiscal Year!!

Catholic University Collection	\$ 647
Same collection last year	588

Envelopes 562

Thank you and God Bless You Always, Fr Mike



Outreach

sjpo@verizon.net

For the month of August we serviced 113 clients. Financial assistance amounted to \$ 1,012. There were 11 new clients added and total services and referrals provided were 253. This included food, living needs, Health Care information, advocacy and housing. Your continued support of the Outreach Program makes all of this possible. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendars



- September 21* Catechetical Sunday
 - ~ 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass 3PM
 - ~ Car Wash-Venturing Crew - 9am-2pm
 - ~ Fall Plant Sale
- September 29* Virtus Training 7-9:30pm Carew Hall
- October 3* First Friday Devotion 7:30PM
- October 4* First Saturday Fatima Devotion 8AM
- October 4* Blessing of the Animals 1:30PM
- October 5* Respect Life Sunday
 - ~ Sunday School 9AM Carew Hall
- October 10* Pre Cana 7:30-9:30 Carew Hall

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

Protecting God's Children

August 2008

My Dear Parish Family,

We were all shocked and hurt by the Sexual Abuse Scandal that rocked the Church and society some seven years ago. While the scandal focused on priests who have sexually abused children and young people, it was soon realized by many that people from every profession and walk of life could also be and have been abusers and inflicted much pain.

As a priest I can tell you nothing saddens me more or makes me so angry than to know that other priests betrayed the trust given to them and have inflicted so much harm on such innocent people. I am also upset and saddened that the leadership of the Church did not quite know how to handle the situation which caused the scandal and put all of this attention onto the Church. However, we have also seen that this is not just an issue for the Roman Catholic Church, it is also one for Protestant Churches, Synagogues, and other institutions that were founded to help humanity. It was found in the Boy Scouts, in Public Schools, Sports Organizations, etc. It is a problem that has to be dealt with, and we must always be vigilant to make sure it does not happen again. To this end, the *Catholic Bishops of the United States* instituted a charter in June 2002 to insure that it wouldn't happen again. Likewise, when cases do arise and are reported to the Church, Diocesan Officials will act quickly and cooperate with the local law enforcement authorities to make sure our children and young people are protected.

The Charter to Protect Children and Young People was designed to provide a comprehensive approach to preventing and managing child sexual abuse: reporting allegations; providing care for the victims and their families; and to make sure provisions are made to provide safe environments for our children and young people. One of the ways this is done is by requiring every Church Employee and Volunteers to undergo a **Criminal Background Check**. This is true also of all the members of the clergy (Bishops, Priests, and Deacons) and religious orders (Nuns and Brothers). The other way this is done is by having all employees and **volunteers (no matter what their ministry is to participate in the VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS)**. At first this Program was geared only toward those who were involved with children or young people or Liturgical Ministry, but it has been extended to all whom work and volunteer in Church Ministry. **So if you are an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, an Usher, Lector, Minister of Consolation, CYO Coach, Outreach Volunteer or whatever ministry, you must have taken the Two and one half to three hour Training Module. As we look back upon our records, we have found that many people who should have taken the Training Program have not yet done so. Happily, many more have and we thank you.** Remember this Program was designed to help you help and protect our children and young people. It is not intended to point fingers or accuse anyone. By sharing in this worthwhile training, you will be better able to spot potential abusers and truly become part of the solution. By making you more aware of how abusers operate you may save a child from being abused.

In a few weeks we will be having our Training Sessions right here at St. Joseph's, this is possible because *Sister Anne Marie, Mike Keller, and myself* have been trained to be facilitators of the program, so we can better serve the parish and help protect our children. While this may be a temporary inconvenience, think of how important it can be to a child. We will inform you of the dates and how to register online for the sessions. If you do not have a computer or access to the Internet please call the Rectory.

Thank you for your help and cooperation as we all strive to protect God's Children.

God bless you always.

Fr. Mike



**Praise God
in song**

Do you sing? Play an instrument?
Will you share your talent?

**Saint Joseph
Parish Music Ministry**

9:00 Mass Contemporary Choir

We lead the parish's singing at the 9:00 A.M. Sunday Mass and at many other celebrations. The choir is open to youth (4th grade and up), adults, and seniors. We sing mostly contemporary and "praise" music with contemporary accompaniment. See us after Mass to find out how to join.

10:30 Mass Choir

Our group helps the parish in worship at the 10:30 A.M. Sunday Mass and at many of our parish's special celebrations. The choir is open to young adults (9th grade and up), adults, and seniors. Join us at our rehearsals on Thursdays at 6:30 P.M. in the Church. [Although knowing how to read music is helpful, it is not required because all music will be carefully rehearsed.]

12:00 Mass Schola

Our schola leads the parish in song at the 12:00 P.M. Sunday Mass and at many of our parish's special celebrations. We sing all different kinds of music, but with a contemporary approach. See us after Mass to find out how to join.

Sunday 5:00 Mass - Youth in Music Ministry

Our teen-focused Music Ministry helps the parish in its joy-filled praise and worship at the 5:00 P.M. Sunday Mass and at many of our parish's special celebrations. Come to our rehearsals at 4:30 PM on Sundays to join.

(7th grade and up)

(Adult advisors are welcome!)



Fr Boyle's Bible Study Class will pick up where it left off beginning Nov. 4 thru Dec 10th on Tuesday Mornings from 10-11:30am AND Wednesday Evenings from 7:30-9pm.



**Bereavement Support
in
Diocese of Rockville Centre**

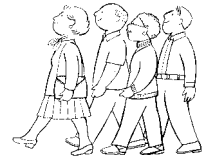
A variety of Bereavement Support Programs is available in Suffolk County for all losses, including both adults & children. Simply check the website of Catholic Cemeteries

Diocese of RVC: www.holyroodcemetery.org

Click on the word *Bereavement* on the bar in the middle of the page and then on the right, click on *Support Groups Available Now*.

You will find groups that meet 6 or 8 weeks, weekly & monthly groups, special programs, masses & retreats for the bereaved & help for the holidays.

**St. Joseph
Catholic Seniors**



Meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 11-3 at the St Regis Knights of Columbus Hall on Pond

Calling All Seniors!

Rd . For more information call 467-8275.



Outreach

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

It's time for Outreach's Annual Chinese Auction - come bid on the best prizes around!

The Auction will take place on
September 26th

Doors will open at 6:30 Auction will begin at 7:30

Come On! Come All!

Ice Cream Social

You are invited on September 28th, from 2-4PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall. You must be between the ages of 10 & 18 and be interested in learning more about our Squelettes & Squires. We do many events throughout the year & would like you to be a part of our organization.

Come down, have a sundae on us & learn what we're about. For info email Stephanie at stephs74@optonline.net

Mums!



Reserve Now!
Mums (9" size) for your personal use.

**They will be available for pick up the weekend of
September 20th & 21st**

Cost is \$5 for each pot.

**You can pick them up on Saturday September 20th
starting at 9 am behind the Rectory.**

**Complete and return the order form with your choice and
payment.**

Order Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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**BUILDING FOR THE
FUTURE**

OUR GOAL: \$200,000
We Have Raised: \$135,075

We always hope - and pray - that our life will make a difference. We pray that something we do or say will live on when we're gone. We often give generously - from whom we are and from what we have. We give so that through our generosity others will come to know Christ.

In the years to come many parents and children will come to St Joseph's seeking to learn and grow in their faith. They will be welcomed into our Religious Education Program by Sister Ann Marie Dean and the many wonderful volunteers who work with her. Many parents find themselves sharing "life stories" with the staff, reaching out for encouragement and support. Others find the words "I can help with that" coming across their lips - little do they know that once they experience the workings of the program they'll be hooked!!

Once this wonderful program was operating out of a small, moldy "office". Now they find themselves in a small classroom. They wait patiently, along with the rest of us, for the building permits to come through. We're hoping and praying the long wait will soon be over.

So, please, if you have not made a pledge or one time donation do so now. 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 are unable to help us financially please remember our Religious Education Staff and volunteers in your prayers. We thank you for all that you do for St. Joseph's.

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

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

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PLEDGE AMOUNT \$ _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

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

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September 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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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!!!!!!

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11th Annual Stand Up For Life

Sunday, October 5, 2008

2:00-3:30 PM

(rain or shine)

At two locations:

Along Route 25 and Route 110

Huntington, LI

or

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Manorville, LI

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P.O. Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

www.ProLifeLI.org

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**For More Information and to Purchase Chance Books
Please Contact Tom Fawcett at: 631-790-4474
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Cub Scout Pack 272



Why should I involve my son in Cub Scouting?

Today's world is complicated. Work, school, family, religion, sports, and extracurricular activities seem to pull parents and children in several different directions. As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be a self-reliant, dependable, and caring individual.

Cub Scouting achieves these outcomes by combining fun with educational activities and lifelong values. It also helps parents strengthen character, develop good citizenship, and enhance both mental and physical fitness in young boys. Additionally, Cub Scouting provides boys with positive peer groups and tools to shape their future.

In Cub Scouting, boys learn ideals like honesty, bravery, thrift, and respect. These values help boys make constructive decisions throughout their lifetimes and give them the confidence they need to grow and develop.

In Cub Scouting, boys, families, leaders, and our parishes work together to achieve the following objectives:

Influence a boy's character development and spiritual growth.

- Develop habits and attitudes of good citizenship.
- Encourage good sportsmanship and pride in growing strong in mind and body.
- Improve understanding within the family.
- Strengthen a boy's ability to get along with others.
- Foster a sense of personal achievement by developing new interests and skills.
- Provide fun and exciting new things to do.
- Show a boy how to be helpful and do his best.
- Prepare him to be a Boy Scout.

Scouting, as a worldwide brotherhood, is unique and different. It is based on the principles of loving and serving God, human dignity and the rights of individuals, and recognizing the obligation of all members to develop and use their potential. It is a movement dedicated to bringing out the best in people; one of the few left in the world where the emphasis is not on winning as an end result, but on the far more demanding task of "doing one's best."

Educators tell us that an increasing number of young people find they cannot make friends and feel lonely, even in a crowd. They have had thousands of words spoken at them by television, and they have never learned to play, to laugh, to develop their imaginations, and to express their feelings. If we can help nurture courage and kindness, allow boys to play, to laugh, to develop imaginations, and to express their feelings, then we will have helped them grow.

We want them to become useful and stable individuals who are aware of their own worth. Helping a boy to learn the value of his own worth is the greatest gift we can give him.

We're proud of our Cub Scout Pack and what it offers to young people and their families. We believe you will feel the same way as you begin to see just what it's all about.

Pack membership is open to boys as follows:

- **Tiger Cubs** - first grade, (or age 7);
- **Cub Scouts** - second or third grade (or ages 8 or 9);
- **Webelos Scouts** - fourth or fifth grade (or age 10 and 11).

For info about enrolling your son in the Pack or the Troop
e-mail Scouting@StJoRonk.org or call 979-0060 (Dr. Louis Scotti).

Visit our website: Pack272.StJoRonk.org



Grade levels refer to
Sept. 2008



Boy Scout Troop 272



Why should I involve my son in Boy Scouting?

As a parent, you want your son to grow up to be a person of worth, a self-reliant, dependable, and caring individual. Boy Scout Troop 272 has these same goals in mind for him. Since 1910, the Boy Scouts of America has been weaving lifetime values into fun and educational activities designed to assist parents in strengthening character, developing good citizenship, and enhancing physical fitness in youth. These values help your son make good decisions throughout his lifetime and give him confidence, as he becomes an adult leader of tomorrow.

Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership divisions of the BSA, is available to boys who have earned the Arrow of Light Award in Cub Scouts or have completed the fifth grade, or who are **11 through 17 years old**. Our Troop achieves the BSA's objectives of developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness qualities by focusing on a vigorous program of outdoor activities, fun and purposeful troop meetings, and youth leadership skills development.

The Scouting program has three specific objectives, commonly referred to as the "Aims of Scouting." They are **character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness**. The methods by which the aims are achieved are listed below in random order to emphasize the equal importance of each.

Ideals. The ideals of Boy Scouting are spelled out in the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, the Scout motto, and the Scout slogan. The Boy Scout measures himself against these ideals and continually tries to improve. The goals are high, and as he reaches for them, he has some control over what and who he becomes.

Patrols. The patrol method gives Boy Scouts an experience in group living and participating citizenship. It places responsibility on young shoulders and teaches boys how to accept it. The patrol method allows Scouts to interact in small groups where members can easily relate to each other. These small groups determine troop activities through elected representatives.

Outdoor Programs. Boy Scouting is designed to take place outdoors. It is in the outdoor setting that Scouts share responsibilities and learn to live with one another. In the outdoors the skills and activities practiced at troop meetings come alive with purpose. Being close to nature helps Boy Scouts gain an appreciation for the beauty of the world around us. The outdoors is the laboratory in which Boy Scouts learn ecology and practice conservation of nature's resources.

Advancement. Boy Scouting provides a series of surmountable obstacles and steps in overcoming them through the advancement method. The Boy Scout plans his advancement and progresses at his own pace as he meets each challenge. The Boy Scout is rewarded for each achievement, which helps him gain self-confidence. The steps in the advancement system help a Boy Scout grow in self-reliance and in the ability to help others.

Leadership Development. The Boy Scout program encourages boys to learn and practice leadership skills. Every Boy Scout has the opportunity to participate in both shared and total leadership situations. Understanding the concepts of leadership helps a boy accept the leadership role of others and guides him toward the citizenship aim of Scouting.

Cub Scout Pack 272 is also taking new members.

(7 to 10 year olds)

For info about enrolling your son in the Troop or the Pack
e-mail Scouting@StJoRonk.org or call 979-0060 (Dr. Louis Scotti).

Visit our website: Troop272.StJoRonk.org



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

Venturing Events

In Carew Hall after 5:00 PM Mass



Venturing is open to men and women age 14 through 20 who have graduated from 8th grade. This year's crew plan is jam packed with interesting and fun activities here at St. Joseph's and "off-campus" as well. Come down to our meeting to check it out.

Visit our next meeting ---

Sunday, September 21st

E-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org

Phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468



Cub Scout Pack 272

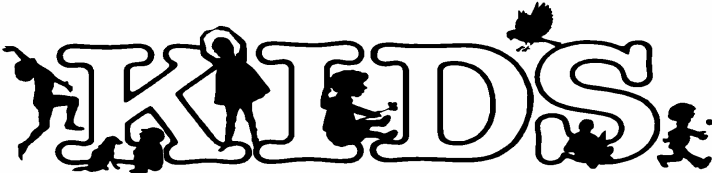
Boy Scout Troop 272



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.



St Joseph's Play Group

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

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

Courtesy Announcements

The Cenacle World Prayer Group invites you to the veneration of the Holy Relic of the Miraculous Infant Jesus of the Prague Shrine in Czech Republic! This will be held at St Matthew's Church in Dix Hills on Thursday, September 25th at 6PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Confessions & Benediction will be followed at 7PM by Holy Mass in honor of the Infant of Prague.

Intercessory Mass for Priests of Our Diocese - Monday, September 15th in the St Barnabas Holy Family Chapel in Bellmore starting at 8PM. The celebrant will be Fr Greg Cappacchino, Pastor of St Frances de Chantal in Wantagh. Everyone present will receive two envelopes with priests names on, to write to and pray for this year. Everyone is welcome. For more information call 516-785-0054.

"A Man's battle to Save His Child" - will be the topic of a pro-life talk by Rich Romano at 8PM on Monday, September 22nd at St Regis Knights of Columbus Hall, located at Rosevale Ave and Pond Rd, Ronkonkoma. Sponsored by the LI Coalition for Life. For more information call 631-243-1435. The public is invited.



St Patrick's Single Fellowship - Sunday, September 21st, 10am-12:30pm, St Patrick's Parish, Main St, Smithtown.

Coffee, tea, cake and conversation \$2.00. Widowed, single, divorced and separated ages 30-60 plus. Call 265-2668 for info.

Dominican Commercial High School—former students & staff are invited to a special celebration at Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse of the Sisters of St Dominic in Amityville, on Sunday afternoon, September 21. Please call Benincasa Family Services at 631-842-6000 ext 351 or email dcgrads@yahoo.com if you would like to receive an invitation.

American Sign Language Classes—Cleary School for the Deaf is offering evening American Sign Language classes, levels 1-5. Fall session runs September 8th through November 10th. Call Carolyn Kelly at 631-588-0530 or Email ASL4@CK.COM for more information.

Queen of the Rosary Academy - in Amityville, class of 1958 is planning their 50th Reunion on November 8th & 9th. For details contact Bernadette at 516-781-3942 or Nancy at 516-796-6846.

Genesaret Retreat— especially for persons who live with a serious illness is planned September 19th, 20th & 21st at Montfort Spirituality Center Bay Shore. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable you to continue. The retreat focuses on God's love, forgiveness, & faithfulness. To register or more information, call: Colette Fanelli 665-7052.

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 INCOME 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.