

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 12Noon; 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

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



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.

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

Today's first reading recalls Ezekiel's vision of water flowing from the temple as a sign of God's overflowing blessings. The second reading teaches that our very bodies are temples. In the Gospel, Jesus cleanses the Temple of worldly influences. Jesus also speaks of the temple of his body being destroyed and in three days being raised up

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

*In Memory of
Joseph Stapleton
Requested by
Loving Family*



OUR PRESENT CELEBRANTS

<i>This Week</i>		<i>Next Week</i>
Fr Maffeo	5:00 PM	Fr Thomas
Fr Maffeo	7:00 AM	Fr Thomas
Fr Tapel	9:00 AM	Fr Boyle
Fr Boyle	10:30 AM	Fr Maffeo
Fr Thomas	12:00 Noon	Fr Tapel
	5:00 PM	

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

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, November 9

- 7:00 Mario & Theresa Orlandi requested by Loving Family
- 7:00 Barbara Mesko requested by Mary & Ken Hoever
- 9:00 John W. Biglin requested by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Angela Augugliaro requested by Mr & Mrs Cauchi
- 10:30 Mario & Theresa Orlandi requested by Loving Family
- 10:30 Steven F. Demmo requested by J. Mastro & B.B.
- 12:00 All Souls Novena
- 12:00 George Hernandez requested by Mr & Mrs Frank Duarte
- 5:00 Charles R. Contato requested by Loving Family
- 5:00 Sotero Rasco requested by Loving Family

Monday, November 10

- 7:00 Sylvia Weiss requested by The Biscotto Family
- 7:00 Raymond Filfiley requested by Mr & Mrs Recca
- 9:00 All Souls Novena
- 9:00 Joseph Bozzello requested by Joseph Feleppa

Tuesday, November 11

- 7:00 Joan Lavanco requested by Matthew & Debra Cody
- 7:00 St. Joseph, St. Theresa & Little Flower of Jesus requested by Claude Bertrand
- 8:45 Beverly Cascio requested by Charlee Miller
- 8:45 Zalica Zufferli requested by Loving Sister & Family

Wednesday, November 12

- 7:00 James Kelly Sr. requested by Loving Family
- 7:00 Ann Nicoletti (Living) requested by Loving Family
- 9:00 Ellen Moriarty requested by Maureen & John
- 9:00 Antionette Yodice requested by The Riccardelli Family

Thursday, November 13

- 7:00 People of the Parish
- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Christine Bandl requested by Sr. Anne Marie Dean
- 9:00 William Bode requested by The Sheinblum Family

Friday, November 14

- 7:00 Constance Jensen requested by Joan Damian
- 7:00 Peter Rubino requested by Loving Daughter & Grandson
- 9:00 Joseph J Onufrak requested by Loving Mother
- 9:00 Madeleine Buchta requested by The Macon Family

Saturday, November 15

- 8:00 Richard A Lewis requested by Mr & Mrs M Lewis
- 8:00 Maria Vellone requested by Loving Family

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Bertha Scherrer requested by Loving Sister
- 5:00 Gloria Cusanelli requested by Loving Family

Sunday, November 16

- 7:00 People of the Parish
- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Pray for an End of Abortion
- 9:00 Rose Tortorella requested by Linda Savage & Family
- 10:30 Ann & Thomas Dennis requested by Claire & Jim
- 10:30 Jose' Martins requested by Ricardo & Berkowitz Families
- 12:00 Margaret Gregorek requested by Cathy & Norm West

FROM THE DESH OF FR.

"God our Father, from living stones, your chosen people, you built an eternal temple to your glory. Increase the spiritual gifts you have given to your Church, so that your faithful people may continue to grow into the new and eternal Jerusalem. 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."

This is the opening prayer for the feast of the *Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church, Outside the Dedicated Church*, which we use today for the *Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John in the Lateran*. Why is this day so important that it takes over the Liturgy for this Sunday? This Basilica is known as *the Mother Church of all Rome and thus it becomes the Mother Church of the Whole World*. This Church represents the joys and struggles that Christians experienced from the beginning, when the faith was declared illegal by Rome and subject to waves of persecution during the first 300 years. However, when Constantine became a Christian and Christianity became the only legal faith of the Empire, a worship place was made in the wing of the home of the *Laterani Family* that was being used by the Emperor. Today this Church is the Pope's Church and the location of the *Cathedra of the Diocese of Rome*, which means it is the true location of the Papal Throne. This is what makes this Church the Mother Church of Rome and of the Christian World. This day also reminds us of the Universality of the Church that is found in every part of the world and in every part of human life.

The words of St. Paul in today's letter to the Corinthians remind us that the Church is not the buildings, the institution or the Pope, Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers or Sisters or Lay Leaders alone. Paul reminds us, that these are only a part of the Church, and that the true Church is all who are baptized. As he writes; *"Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the spirit of God dwells in you?"* The people of God are the true Church, the very stones that Jesus refers to when He tells the officials: *"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up'...But he was speaking of the temple of his Body."* Jesus not only speaks about the resurrection of His Body, but also about the life we all gain in our life in the Church: His living body of which we are a part. So this day is a celebration for all of us: in *Rome, Rockville Centre, and Ronkonkoma*.

Today five years ago I was installed as your Pastor and it has been a great gift that I thank God for every day. So, I thought I would speak at all of the Masses to show where we have come in the past five years, and to speak again about our financial status. Without a doubt we need your help in all of our Spiritual Works and Ministry, **but we are in deep need of your help in meeting our financial obligations.** Our weekly collections need to increase because we are in serious debt to the Diocese. We owe the Diocese money from a few years ago, when things were so bad that we could not pay our employee health or pension benefits, our insurance bills and other Diocesan assessments. Happily we are meeting our other bills like; *LIPA, National Grid, Phone Bills, salaries, and supplies necessary to operate the Parish*; but in doing this there are no funds available to pay what we owe to the Diocese. Please pray about this and consider what you are giving in your weekly or monthly offering. I know that times are hard, but we must all work together and do our part so that our Parish Home can stay afloat! I know that together we can continue to work wonders.

God bless you always and thank you for all you do for our beautiful parish of St. Joseph's.

Fr. Mike



The Church of St. John Lateran in Rome



Remember Our Sick

Grace C Peshkur	Frederick Martinek
Ken Stokes	Michael DePinto
Kyle Heffron	Bill Mangan
Brian Devereux	Marie Mangan
Kevin Latini	Deborah Heckman
Christian Koehler	Joanora O'Donnell
Robert Filce	Mary Brennan
Anne Bannon	Robert Torres
Nicole Ramaglia	Jennifer Pizzurro
Kathy Cunningham	Joseph O'Connell
Lloyd Turnier	Vincent Ahrem
Joan Reilly	Francis Rubenbauer
Michael Ambrosio	Joann Friederich
Cecelia Keller	Stacie Tizzard
Grace DeBennette	Gregory Heraghty
John Errico	Rosemary Hughes
Dawn Saporito	Bruce Wojno
Cathy Lordi	Oliver Bouchard
Paul Feltman	Debbie Daley
Edward Forsythe	Adam Franciosa
Clinton Inniss	Norman Kalish

Please note: To keep our prayer list current, we will keep names on the list for two months.

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 #: _____

REMEMBERING OUR TROOPS

Name, Rank and Branch of Service

Person making this request:

Relationship to Soldier

Your Phone #: _____

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
SGT Stephen DiGirolamo	SSGT Tony Elliott
LCPL Joseph Esposito	LT Kelly Fletcher
SPC Adam Franciosa	CPT Mark Gillman
CPT Evan Gotkin	LCPL RJ Hartmann
AFC J.R. Kay	SAMN Jessica 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	MAJ Kevin McCue
PVT Thomas B McGinn	SGT Patrick McNally
PFC William Meyer	CPL Brian G Meyer
CPO Gregory Migliore	SGT Glenn Miller
ILT 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 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

REMEMBER OUR DEAD

William Mangan, Barbara Gonzales, Donald Becker, Christopher Lulenski & William Swanson Jr.

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



St Joseph's School

school@stjoronk.org



Thank you to all who participated in our Candle Sale. We did meet our quota!

Reminder: There is no school on Tuesday, Nov. 11th in observance of Veteran's Day..

Our 5th graders will be taking the NY State Social Studies test on Wed. Nov. 12th and Nov. 13th. Good luck to all!

A guest speaker will be here this week to discuss with our Middle School students the dangers of alcohol abuse.

Our 7th and 8th graders will be traveling to Philadelphia this week for a field trip. They will have a walking tour of the city along with stops to Constitution Center, Liberty Bell, Congress Hall, Independence Hall.

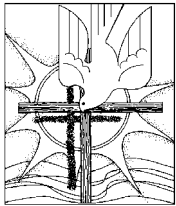


Office Hours are:

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

November 10th **Level 1 Activity** in the Auditorium at 4:30 and 6:30. Please come at your scheduled time.

November 13th **Level 2 Parent Meeting** in Carew Hall at 10AM. Communion dates will be distributed.



Confirmation Corner

The children of our parish will be receiving confirmation on Monday, November 17th at 10 AM and 1:30 PM. Bishop Paul Walsh will be presiding. Please continue to keep our confirmandi in your prayers, along with their families, sponsors and catechists.

Confirmation Rehearsal dates are as follows:

November 12th at 7 p.m. in Church for the 10:00 a.m. Ceremony

November 13th at 7 p.m. in Church for the 1:30 p.m.



*Banns of Marriage
(Second Time)*

Melissa Manos of St Joseph's and
Ron Andreola Jr. of Christ the King

Jennifer DeFilippis of St. Joseph's and
Jason Mann of St Sylvester

Tricia Arpino of St Joseph's and
John Joseph Troise of Good Shepherd





RESPECT LIFE

SOME Q and A...

What is a stem cell? A stem cell is any cell that, when it divides, can make another cell like itself or make different kinds of cells with specialized functions. Because stem cells replace themselves at every cell division, they may be medically useful for replacing tissue damaged by injury or disease.

Where do stem cells come from? Stem cells found in the human embryo during the first few days of life give rise to all the tissues of the mature body. To obtain embryonic stem cells, however, *the embryo must be destroyed.* "Adult" stem cells are obtained - with no threat to human life - from a patient's own bone marrow or other tissues, and from a variety of birth-associated tissues, including the placenta, amniotic fluid, and

umbilical cord blood (which we have all read so much about.) Recent work has shown that adult skin cells can be "reprogrammed" into stem cells *without destroying human embryos.*

Did you know that .. there have been significant problems with embryonic stem cells. When transplanted into mature tissues, they form tumors that can be fatal. They will be rejected by the patient's immune system unless a very close match is made. And, despite more than 25 years of research no one has been able to coax embryonic cells to become mature, stable cell types that are useful in the clinic.

*On the other hand ...*adult stem cells do not form tumors and are not genetically unstable. More than 1,500 clinical studies are currently underway testing the medical usefulness of adult stem cells for diverse medical conditions, such as diabetes, heart disease, MS, arthritis and many others. In contrast, not a single clinical study has been approved for embryonic stem cells, due to the serious safety concerns discussed in the previous paragraph.

What price we willing to pay for medical cures? ... On purely practical grounds, embryonic stem cell research is not the most effective use of research money, and does not offer the greatest hope to the patient. On a more fundamental level, medical stem cell research must operate within the constraints of ethical principles. With the first principle being "do no harm." Research on human embryonic stem cells involves the intentional destruction of human life at its earliest and most vulnerable stage. Regardless of any potential benefit this research may offer, we must ask ourselves: Can medical cures justify the price of destroying human life?

Adapted from The LI Catholic, 10/29/08

(Article author Maureen L. Condit, Ph. D., a researcher and associate professor in the Dept. of Neurobiology and Anatomy, University of Utah School of Medicine.)

When you learn, teach. When you get, give. Maya Angelou.
RESPECT LIFE MEETING, Rectory basement room A, 9:15 a.m., Saturday, Nove.15.

All are welcome.

Weekly Offering

Sunday, November 2, 2008 Offerings \$17,859
Same collection last year 17,221

Poor Box last weekend \$ 520

Fuel Collection \$4,208
Same time last year 4,206

Weekly Budget Amount	\$18,125	YTD	\$163,125
Collection	17,859	YTD	145,022
Shortage	\$ -266		\$ - 18,103

All Saints Collection This Year \$1,988
Last Year \$4,254

If you missed last week, please make it up this week. Thank you.

Envelopes 569

Thank you and God Bless You Always, Fr Mike



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.

*Gold Award
Fundraiser*



Today, November 9th, at St. Joseph's Church. Back parking lot from 8:00 AM-2:00 PM.

Donations aid Senior Girl Scout Project for Patricia Grippio.

Mark Your Calendars



November 29 Backwards Drawing 7:00

Parish Financial Report

Fiscal Year 9-1-07 thru 8-31-08

Income

Regular Collections

Sundays, Holydays, Christmas & Easter \$997,619

Fund Raising

Festival, Golf Outing, Backwards Drawing,
Catholic Ministries Appeal Rebate, Calendar Club \$104,457

Parish Programs

Religious Education, Outreach, Pre-Cana,
Youth Programs (Altar servers & Scouts) \$197,064

Auxiliary Income

Liturgical, Candles, Poor Box, Book Rack, Parish Societies
Donations, LI Catholic Collection, Church share of income
from Weddings, Funerals & Baptisms, Bulletin Rebate,
Flowers at Easter & Christmas & all other income \$157,986

***Total Ordinary Income* \$1,457,126**

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits \$878,816

Parish Programs

Religious Education, School, Outreach, Youth Ministry \$387,687

Rectory Office Expense \$ 62,669

Auxiliary Expense

Liturgical, Book Rack, Missalette/Hymnals, Choir,
L I Catholic subscriptions, Dioc Assessments, Charity \$142,691

Rectory Household Expense \$ 23,933

Buildings Utilities & Maintenance \$183,732

***Total Ordinary Expenses* \$1,694,670**

***Less Income* -\$1,457,126**

***Shortfall* -\$ 222,402**

*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 7:00 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!)



Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, November 16, 2008 couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Libasci at Christ the King, Commack at 3:30PM. Please pick up your registration card at the rectory, fill it out and return it to the rectory in time to reach the Diocese of Rockville Centre no later than November 2, 2008. Approximately one week to ten days before the ceremony information regarding that day will be mailed to you. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, ext 242.

HOLIDAY VISIT TO CALVERTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

DATE: Tuesday, December 2, 2008

ARRIVAL AT CALVERTON: 10:00AM

DEPARTURE FROM CALVERTON: 1:45 PM

BUS PICK-UP TIMES & LOCATIONS:

(Bus will make stops at both locations on return trip)

9:00 AM THE BRANCH FUNERAL HOME

190 East Main Street
Smithtown, NY 11787

9:15 AM SMITHTOWN SENIOR CENTER

420 Middle Country Rd
Smithtown, NY 11787

You must call (631) 724-9500-The Branch Funeral Home to reserve a seat on the bus by Monday, November 18, 2008. For your convenience, you may call the above number to order Grave Wreaths. Your order will be waiting for you on the bus the day of the trip.

This is a FREE trip sponsored by The Branch Funeral Home. Coffee, cookies & cold drinks will be served, along with pizza on the way back. The bus has a lavatory.



St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving.



Pray the Rosary, Honor the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Month of October is dedicated to praying the Rosary. The Evangelization Group will pray the Rosary in your home with a Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Invite your family, friends and the neighbors to pray the Rosary. Praying the Rosary will conclude with the blessing of the house. Please call the rectory at 588-8456 if you wish to have the Rosary prayed in your home

Ad Jesum Per Mariam "To Jesus through Mary"

The Green Scapular



We now have green scapulars available at the book rack in the back of the church. Here is some information about this special devotion to the Blessed Mother.

Whenever there is someone in the family or a friend who is far away from the faith & you want to do something about it, our Blessed Mother gave us one means of converting them when she appeared to Sister Justine Bisqueyburu in 1840 carrying "the cloth of conversion—the Green Scapular". She said, "This holy badge of my Immaculate Heart is to be the means of conversion of souls..." Over a six year period our Lady appeared many times to Sister Justine & answered her many questions concerning the scapular & its usage. Our Lady said the Green Scapular needs no special blessing & it doesn't need enrollment as the brown scapular. It may be blessed by any priest. If the person that we want to benefit from this scapular doesn't agree to carry it, it may be placed somewhere in his/her room.

Everyday one should say the prayer, ***'IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, PRAY FOR US NOW & AT THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH.'*** If the person for whom the scapular is intended will not say the prayer then the one who gives the scapular must say it in his/ her place, everyday. Our Lady said, "The greatest graces come from using the scapular but these graces come in direct proportion to the degree of confidence in me which the user has." St. Bridget had that confidence in the Blessed Mother. Because of it Our Lady revealed to her, "that there is no sinner in the world, however much he/she may be at enmity with God, who does not return to Him & recover His grace, if he/she has recourse to me & asks my assistance.

The Branch Funeral Home
Presents
**"Coping With the Holidays
After the Loss of a Loved One"**

A seminar designed to give practical suggestions on how to approach the holiday season while grieving the death of a loved one.

Date: November 22, 2008

Place: The Branch Funeral Home
190 East Main Street
Smithtown, New York

Time: 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

Facilitated by Patricia Jones, MS (Bereavement Specialist)



BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE	OUR GOAL: \$200,000 We Have Raised: \$135,275
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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

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

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ ID# _____

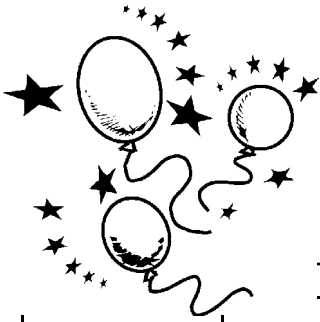
PLEDGE AMOUNT \$ _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

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 _____



And the Winners Are....

November 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 \$25 Richard Peshkur #25
2 \$50 Gail Flood #99	3 \$25 Harry & Marilyn Watson #438	4 \$25 Bob Tenaglia #602	5 \$25 Joseph Napolitano #674	6 \$25 Spike Drum #663	7 \$25 Spike Drum #836	8 \$25 Elaine Mazziotti \$736
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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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!!!!!!

St. Joseph's Church
45 Church Street
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Backwards Money Drawing

SATURDAY, November 29, 2008 7:00 PM

\$10,000.00 Grand Prize

(Last ticket drawn)

PRIZES

	<u>TICKET DRAWN</u>	<u>PRIZE AMOUNT</u>
	1	\$200.00
	50	\$200.00
	100	\$200.00
	150	\$200.00
	200	\$200.00
<u>Tickets available</u>	250	\$250.00
	300	\$200.00
	350	\$200.00
	400	\$200.00
	450	\$200.00
<u>at the Rectory.</u>	495	\$300.00
	496	\$400.00
	497	\$500.00
	498	\$750.00
	499	\$1,000.00
	<u>LAST TICKET DRAWN</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u>

PLUS!!

Food- Drink- Music- Prizes (Ticket Stub Entitles 2 People Entrance to the Party)

~~\$100.00 Donation Only 500 Tickets Sold~~ ~~Winners need not be present.~~

St. Joseph's Church

Backwards Money Drawing Ticket Order

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

Complete this form and return it to St. Joseph's Church 45 Church St. Ronkonkoma, NY 11779.

A numbered ticket stub will be returned to you upon receipt of this form with \$100.00 donation.



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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);

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



- Webelos Scouts - fourth or fifth grade (or age 10 and 11).



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).*



Troop 272 is chartered to St. Joseph R.C. Church, Ronkonkoma, NY



YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, St. Joseph's Parish offers an upbeat experience of celebrating Mass 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)

For more information about joining *Youth in Ministry*, contact YIM@StJoRonk.org



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

*Must register for the intramural program as well

Scouting as Youth Ministry



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



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.

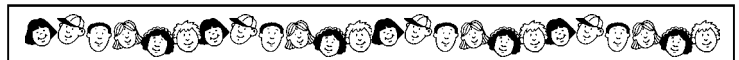
Visit our next meeting –

Sunday, November 9th
 Sunday, November 16th

Our next activity –

Friday, Saturday, Sunday,
 November 28, 29, 30
 Mattituck Youth Cabin

e-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org



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 GOD**

*My salvation and my honor depend on God;
 He is my mighty rock, my refuge.*

Psalms 62:7

Courtesy Announcements

L.I. Teen Freedom: The New Revolution- Luciana Reali, Asst. Director of Curriculum for the L.I. Teen Freedom program of the Life Center of L.I., will be the guest speaker on Mon., Nov., 24th at 7:45PM, prior to the general meeting of the L.I. Coalition for Life, to be held at the St. Regis K of C Hall, Pond Road, Ronkonkoma. For more information call 637-243-1435. All are welcome.

Help Wanted- Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse Infirmary: RNs & LPNs - All shifts, FT, PT & Per Diem. Please contact Maryanne Charles RN or Debi Pfeifer RN Directors of Health Services at 842-6000 ext 271. Mon-Fri 8 to 4.

~ Wachovia Bank is opening a branch in Ronkonkoma -there are openings for Tellers & Managers - for more information Call Carolyn Joyner at 212-214-3533.

~ Catholic Charities Regina Residence is seeking Residence Counselors (Direct Care Staff) 40 hrs/wk & Social Workers (LMSW) 35 hrs/wk. Call Human Resources 516-733-7000 / email resume to jobs@catholiccharities.cc / fax 516-223-2752.

Malloy College -Fall Open House Sunday, November 16, 2008 at 1:00 PM, Rockville Centre, NY 516-678-6230

Charismatic Prayer Meeting - at Our Lady of the Island Shrine the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7- 9PM. Praise, worship & 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.

Estate/Tag Sale at Ronkonkoma Cenacle - An Estate/Tag Sale has been scheduled to take place at the Ronkonkoma Cenacle, 310 Cenacle Rd., Ronkonkoma on 11/21,11/22 and 11/23 from 9AM to 4PM. Articles to be sold include antiques, furniture, religious articles, TV's, glassware, dishes, pictures and much more. This will be your only opportunity to participate in this sale and to purchase Cenacle memorabilia. For more information and directions call Linda (631) 588-8366.

Around The Diocese Social Events - Sunday, November 16, 2008 10AM-12PM, St Patrick's Parish, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown, NY 11787. Coffee and Conversation welcomes all, windowed, single, divorced and separated ages 30 to 60 plus years. \$2.00 For more information call Outreach Department (631) 265-2668 (Mon-Fri).

Retrouvaille- A Retrouvaille weekend is a deeply personal and private experience between a husband and wife that can help a couple to reconnect and go on to lead a happy and fulfilling life together. **YOU CAN SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE NOW!!** For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille weekend that begins on Friday, Dec. 5th, 2008 at the Montfort retreat house in Bay Shore, Long Island, please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected (confidentially) to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

Chinese Auction - The Church of Good Shepherd, 1370 Grundy Avenue, Holbrook will be having it's 11th annual Chinese Auction and

