

# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

## Parish Office Hours

**Monday Through Friday (effective January 2, 2009)**

9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM; 6:00 to 8:00 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 (Monday to Friday)  
and 7:40 AM on Saturday

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

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, 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., and Fri.** after the 7:00 AM & the 9:00 AM Mass.

**Saturday** after the 8:00 AM Mass and 4:00 to 4:45 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**

In the Gospel Jesus teaches that God sent him as a sacrifice to save us. He compares his being lifted up on the Cross to the bronze serpent lifted by Moses to heal the Israelites. In Ephesians we hear of God's rich mercy. In the first reading, the Chosen People are free to return to Israel after their exile.

Altar Bread & Wine

*In memory of  
Mary Branciforte  
Requested by  
Bea DeLisio.*



**OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS**

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

<i>This Week</i>		<i>Next Week</i>
<b>Fr Boyle</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr Thomas</b>
<b>Fr Boyle</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr Thomas</b>
<b>Fr Thomas</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr Boyle</b>
<b>Fr Rene</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Fr Maffeo</b>
<b>Fr Maffeo</b>	<b>12:00 Noon</b>	<b>Fr Rene</b>
<b>Fr Rene</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr Maffeo</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, March 22**

- 7:00 Omar Hernandez req. by The Console Family
- 7:00 People of the Parish
- 9:00 Joseph Onufrak req. by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Dec'd Mbrs. of the St. Regis Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes
- 10:30 Georgiana Lopez req. by Anne & Guy Florio
- 10:30 Dorothy Heinis req. by Mike & Diane Noles
- 12:00 Peter Barbieri req. by The Antonucci Family
- 12:00 Charles Bozzello req. by Joseph Feleppa
- 5:00 Jerome Brennan req. by Dr. Tala & Family
- 5:00 Dorothy Shore req. by The Dinger Family

**Monday, March 23**

- 7:00 Patricia & Julius Knierim req. by The Massi Family
- 7:00 William Fehringer req. by The Massi Family
- 9:00 Maureen Flynn req. by Eileen Kelleher
- 9:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 12:10 Marie & Joe Keck (LIVING) req. by Geri & Mike Devenney

**Tuesday, March 24**

- 7:00 Hugh V. Courtney req. by The Massi Family
- 7:00 Bernard (Joe) Boyle req. by The Massi Family
- 8:45 Joan Hilliard-Gonzalez req. by The Sabourin Family
- 8:45 Helen DiBiase req. by The Sabourin Family
- 12:10 John Kelleher req. by Eileen Kelleher

**Wednesday, March 25**

- 7:00 Virginia & Stanley Haas req. by The Massi Family
- 7:00 Kathleen Muhs req. by The Massi Family
- 9:00 Jennie & Leo Heiman req. by Loving Daughter
- 9:00 Mark Kurnatowski Jr. req. by Loving Mom, Dad & Sister
- 12:10 Helen Erdman req. by Loving Family

**Thursday, March 26**

- 7:00 Consuelo Ortiz req. by Loving Family
- 7:00 Nick Massi req. by The Massi Family
- 9:00 Barbara Jean Richards-Neumeister req. by The Massi Family
- 9:00 People of the Parish
- 12:10 William Mangan req. by Loretta Dodge

**Friday, March 27**

- 7:00 Louisa DeStephano req. by The Massi Family
- 7:00 Daniel Duran req. by The Massi Family
- 9:00 Cecelia Ricci req. by The Forley Family
- 9:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 12:10 Mary Napolitano req. by Loving Daughter & Family

**Saturday, March 28**

- 8:00 Hermann Kromer req. by Loving Family
  - 8:00 Glen Ciano req. by Bonnie & Jim Brady
- Anticipated Mass for Sunday, March 28**
- 5:00 William Mangan req. by Anne Hannigan
  - 5:00 Libera Zeolta req. by Martin & Roseann Paris

**Sunday, March 29**

- 7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy req. by Loving Wife Anne
- 7:00 Cynthia Caesar req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Margret Klefecka req. by Maryann & Phil Caron & Family
- 9:00 Lucille Graziano req. by Marilyn & Dominick Pizzurro
- 10:30 Chris Benevengo req. by The Weingartner Family
- 10:30 Henry Cucciniello req. by Nancy Castellanos
- 12:00 Kay Hart req. by The DiNero Family
- 12:00 Libera Zeolla req. by Kenneth & Gina MacVicar
- 5:00 Barbara Delaney req. by Cliff Frankenberger -Albania
- 5:00 Ryan Barresi req. by The DiNero Family

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

*REJOICE JERUSALEM! Be glad for her, you who love her; Rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment.*

These words from the entrance antiphon for today's Mass signals for us that we have reached our half way mark in our **Lenten Journey**. It is time to rejoice a little for what we are awaiting, the great day of Easter will soon be here. Our Gospel reading also tells us what we have to rejoice about (why Jesus came into the world in the first place and what Easter is all about). *"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."* God does not want us to be trapped in sin and darkness, but to accept the light and not to prefer the darkness. God does this out of pure love for us. As Paul tells us in today's letter; *"God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ -- by grace you have been saved -- and this is not from you; it is the gift of God..."* Truly something to rejoice about, that God does this for us, not because we merit it or worked for it, but because He wanted us to be totally saved and join Him in the Kingdom of Heaven.

So rejoice today and please use the rest of this holy season to stay in the light of Christ and avoid the darkness of sin and death.

Speaking at all of the Masses this weekend is *Father John Collins, a Paulist Priest* who will be conducting this year's Parish Mission/Retreat. **The Mission will take place Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday following the 9 AM Mass and again at 7:30 PM. Please read on in this bulletin for more information.** Also mark your calendar for all of the services of Holy Week. Please remember that on the Monday of Holy Week we will be hearing Confessions from 4-5 PM and from 7-8:30 PM (apart from the usual times).

*Let us pray: Father of peace, we are joyful in your Word, your Son Jesus Christ, who reconciles us to you. Let us hasten toward Easter with the eagerness of faith and love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen*

**Happy Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**Fr. Mike**

**Celebrating 100 Years of Service**



**The Mother Church of the Ronkonkomas**



## Remember Our Sick

Vincent Ahrem	Pasquale Lucivero
Abigail Alvarado	Agnes Ludwigson
Michael Ambrosio	Marie Mangan
Baby Luke James Infanzon	Frederick Martinek
Anne Bannon	Elaine Mattera
Oliver Bouchard	Anne Murtha
Mary Brennan	Joseph O'Connell
Virginia Buccellato	Joanora O'Donnell
Danny Caggiano	Alyssa Ohlenschlager
Denio Castagna	Vito Orlando
Marie Cintron	Anthony Palladino
Edith Colon	Joan Parenti
Diane Cunningham	Grace C Peshkur
Kathy Cunningham	Jennifer Pizzurro
Debbie Daley	Lucy Polis
Grace DeBennette	Nicole Ramaglia
Michael DePinto	Joseph Randazzo
Anthony DeVito	Joan Reilly
John Errico	John Reynolds
Paul Feltman	William Rotteck
Robert Filce	Francis Rubenbauer
Adam Franciosa	Brandon Saporito
Joann Friederich	Dawn Saporito
Raymond Harold	Vicki Sara
Deborah Heckman	Patrick Schilt
Kyle Heffron	Anna Schramm
Gregory Heraghty	Joseph Senia
Rosemary Hughes	Darryll Smith
Jasper & Margaret InDelicato	Reno J. Staffa
Clinton Inniss	Jessica Story
Connie Kalish	Stacie Tizzard
Cecelia Keller	Robert Torres
Christian Koehler	Lloyd Turnier
Joann Lach	Joseph Vereline
Kevin Latini	Claire & Jim Watson
Patricia Lavarge	Barbara Wengler
Cathy Lordi	Bruce Wojno

## PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

SGT Deborah Alfieri	SPC Matthew Altonji
CPL Justin Aragonas	TSGT Louis Barletta
LT 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
CPL Joseph Espinoza	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	SPC 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
LT 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	CPL Samantha Sickles
SPC James Stanek	PVT Erica Sweeney
EO3 Taylor Taranto	MM3 Gregory Taranto
PFC Greg Terrish	CPL Jason Tulowitzki
SSGT Nick Vitale	SGT John Thomas Vogt
LCPL Brandon Waldon	SGT Randolph Weaver
MSTR Robert Casey	MAJ Jennifer Kochman-Gotkin
ILT Richard Lutz II	NC Frederick James Borsello

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 #: \_\_\_\_\_

(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

**Terence Eiermann, Gustave Bach, Mildred Hoar, Vincenza Pascarelli**

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)

981-1805

### Office Hours are:

Monday through Thursday  
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM



**Confirmation** - Our initial meeting for parents and guardians will be held on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in Fr. Carew Hall and again on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. for those who are unable to be at the meeting on Thursday.

Level 2 and Sacrament Readiness 2 students will be seeing a video about First Eucharist. This will take place during their class time. Parents please come.

Registration forms for 2009/2010 are ready. They can be picked up in the classroom of the youngest child in the program.

March 28th Level 1 Prayer Recital will take place in Carew Hall from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, for those children who were scheduled for this date. Your child's Level 1 book is to be returned at this time.

Our **level 3** students have been invited to be a part of St Joseph's Procession of the Palms on Palm Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. They were given notices last week concerning this.



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

**Feinstein Matching Grant** - This foundation will match all donations made to the Outreach Program during the months of March and April. *The more of a donation you send the more Feinstein money Outreach will get.*

Dear Friend: My name is Alan Shawn Feinstein. For the past 10 years, I have been giving away \$1 million each year to anti-hunger agencies throughout the country.

This year, I am doing it again...whatever you donate to OUTREACH, I will add money to it. The more you give, the more of my \$1 MILLION they'll get – thanks to you!

Why am I doing this? Because I believe each of us was put here on earth to do what we can to help those in need. This letter is written because we feel that YOU believe that, too. This has become the greatest grass roots campaign ever to fight hunger in our country. Your donation makes you a partner in it with me!

I'm only here to give you some support and to remind you of this: *That all that will matter to us someday is what we did while we were here to help those who needed us.*

Please give whatever you can– I will gladly add some of my money to yours. Thank you for sharing my heart, and the hope that-someday-no one will ever go hungry.

Sincerely Yours,  
Alan Shawn Feinstein

## St Joseph's School

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



Congratulations to all the winners of our Dinner/Chinese Auction. Thank you to all who supported and helped at the event to support our school.

Thank you to all who marched in the St. Patrick's Day parade. Our students and parents did a great job. Yeah! For our St. Joseph School Cheerleaders!

Congratulations to Daniel Terrano, a seventh grader at our school. Daniel completed at the 2009 New York State Junior Olympic State Championship and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> All Around Junior Olympic New York State Champion. He will be representing NYS on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at Regionals.

Congratulations to the following students who did a great job at the Diocesan Honor Band festival:

Maximilian Crean  
Dominic Gallo  
Jessica Guerra  
Alyssa Ison  
Travis McQuade  
Deana Russo  
Jessica Sabourin  
Kelsey Smith  
Michael Sterling

St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center [sjpo@verizon.net](mailto:sjpo@verizon.net)

Through your generosity we were able to help more than 150 people throughout the month of February. In these tough economic times we are seeing people of increasing need. On their behalf, we thank you for sharing your own limited resources with your brothers and sisters.



*"Whenever you did it for the least of my people,*



## RESPECT LIFE

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month we celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord, the day in history that the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would be the mother of God. Nine months from now, just as any other baby, Jesus will

be born.

**The Beginning of Life** – at conception a **genetically unique individual** begins life. All of the characteristics he or she will have as an adult are already determined – including sex, eye color, skin pigmentation and intelligence potential. This new individual's life will consist of continually overlapping, progressive stages of growth and development from that instant through childhood, adolescence, adulthood, old age and death. All that is needed from now on until birth is nourishment and time to grow.

Some say human life begins at birth. But science tells us that long before then, even before the mother feels her unborn baby's movements within, the miniature infant wakes and sleeps, squirms about, squints, swallows, breathes fluid, hiccups, digests, hears, tries to cry, can feel pain, flexes his/her fingers, punches, kicks, and even sucks his/her thumb or toes! All of this incredible activity occurs in the first half of pregnancy! (That's a lot of activity for what some say is just a blob of tissue).

Most pregnancies are not even detected until the 6<sup>th</sup> week. By then the baby's heart has been beating for three weeks, brain waves can be read, and the nervous system has been complete for about two weeks. He/she is about to begin moving, although the mother will not feel it for another 3 ½ months.

By the 8<sup>th</sup> week the baby's skeleton, head, face, arms, legs, fingers (and fingerprints), toes, circulatory and major muscle systems are complete, and all of his/her bodily organs are present in rudimentary states.

By the 12<sup>th</sup> week the baby already shows a distinct individuality in both appearance and behavior, with facial expressions resembling those of his/her parents.

By the 16<sup>th</sup> week the baby's eyelashes have grown and all 20 milk-teeth buds are in place.

By the 20<sup>th</sup> week hair appears on the baby's head, and by the 22<sup>nd</sup> week, the baby can open his/her eyes.

All that is needed from now to delivery is nourishment and time to grow.

**WHAT SCIENCE SAYS:** Scientists and medical texts agree that a new life begins at conception. A. W. Liley, M.D. (world-renowned Research Professor in Physiology) has stated that **"biologically** at no stage of development can we subscribe to the view that the unborn child is a mere appendage of the mother. **Genetically**, the mother and baby are separate individuals from conception."

Life Cycle Books, Ltd., 1993

Mr. Jim Krug will be the guest speaker on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:45 p.m. prior to the general meeting of the LI Coalition for Life. He has a very distinguished background and presently teaches Church History at Bishop Kellenberg Memorial HS.

Mr. Krug's topic will be "Secular and Media Bias and the Pro-Life Movement".

The meeting will be held at the St. Regis K of C Hall, Rosevale Avenue and Pond Road. For further information please call 631-243-1435 (between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.)

All are welcome for all or part of the evening.



## Weekly Offering

Sunday, March 15, 2009 Offerings \$19,040  
Same collection last year 15,514

Poor Box last weekend \$504

Fuel Collection \$10,558  
Same time last year 10,546

Weekly Budget Amount	\$18,125	<b>YTD</b>	<b>\$507,500</b>
Collection	<u>19,040</u>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>479,403</b>
<b>Overage</b>	<b>+915</b>	<b>Shortfall</b>	<b>-28,097</b>

Education Collection 3,064  
Last Year 3,220

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

**Envelopes 625**

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

## Banns of Marriage

((Third Time))

*Kimberly Sprague of Holy Cross and Robert Henry of St. Joseph's*

*Lauren McHugh and Jorge Roberto Rocha*

*Christina Prass of St. Joseph's and Paul Nash*

*Nancy Vice of St. Joseph's and James McGrath of St. Joseph's*



## St. Regis Columbiettes Membership Drive March 22nd

Are the **Columbiettes** for You? Why not find out the benefits of the companionship of other Catholic women. Maybe they would like to have a more spiritually fulfilled life. Enrich the lives of others as well as your own. If so, we ask you to consider becoming a Columbiette.

Please call Rosemary at 648-3090



# 2009 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Pledges through 3/15/09  
\$48,317.00

COUNCIL OF STEWARDS

The Council of Stewards is an honorary society of concerned women and men that was established in 1986. The Council provides encouragement and advice to our Bishop through the submission of suggestions by direct correspondence or if inclined, by serving on an advisory committee. The Council also assists the Diocese in providing charitable, educational and pastoral care to the people of Long Island through sacrificial support at a minimum level of \$5,000.

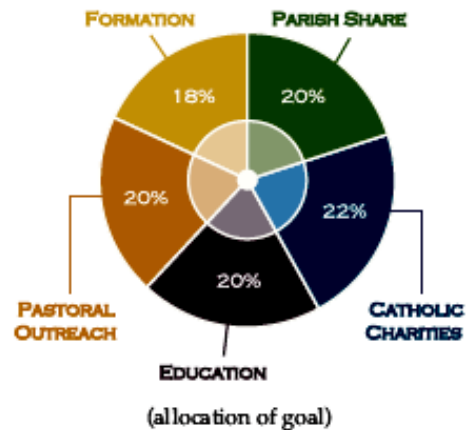
In gratitude for their gifts, members of the Council of Stewards are invited to a special dinner with the Bishop. This event is a wonderful opportunity for a community of benefactors to come together and celebrate.

LEADERSHIP AND MAJOR GIFT PLANS		
	TOTAL GIFT	TEN MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF:
Founder*	\$50,000 and above	\$5,000 and above
Herald Angel*	\$25,000 - \$49,999	\$2,500 - \$4,999.90
Guardian*	\$10,000 - \$24,999	\$1,000 - \$2,499.90
Steward*	\$ 5,000 - \$9,999	\$ 500 - \$999.90
Advocate	\$ 2,500 - \$4,999	\$ 250 - \$499.90
Witness	\$ 1,500 - \$2,499	\$ 150 - \$249.90
Evangelizer	\$ 1,000 - \$1,499	\$ 100 - \$149.90

\* Signifies Council of Steward membership

*Supporting the Community Around Us*

REACHING OUT WITH THE "HANDS OF CHRIST"



This year because of your support, the Diocese of Rockville Centre was able to serve more than 500,000 people in the Long Island community.

100% of all money raised will go to support the five critical ministries of this year's Appeal.

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*Supporting the Community Around Us*

TO PROVIDE FUNDS I/WE AGREE TO MAKE A GIFT OF:

PLEDGE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL PAYMENT \$ \_\_\_\_\_ BALANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH OF DONOR \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF DONOR \_\_\_\_\_

A GUIDE TO GIVING	
PLEDGE	10 PAYMENTS
\$5,000	\$500
2,500	250
1,500	150
1,000	100
500	50
300	30
150	15
OTHER \$ _____	
<b>EVERY GIFT COUNTS!</b>	

Please make checks payable to:  
Catholic Ministries Appeal  
**Thank you for your support**

Place in collection basket. —or— Drop off at the Rectory. —or—  
Mail to St. Joseph Church, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779-3301



# ST. JOSEPH CYO 2009 BASEBALL



TEAM:	T-B	FARM	MINORS	MAJOR	SENIORS
AGE:	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	13-16
YOU PAY UP FRONT COST:	\$50.00	\$70.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$80.00
SELL 2 CHANCE BOOKS:	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$24.00
<small>(YOU KEEP THE MONEY)</small>					
FINAL COST TO YOU:	\$26.00	\$46.00	\$51.00	\$51.00	\$56.00

**GIRLS WELCOME**

**WE USE ONLY PAID ADULT UMPIRES**

**FAMILY DISCOUNT - 3RD CHILD FREE**

**NO FUND RAISING: ADD \$25.00 TO COST OF REGISTRATION** OR **FUND RAISING: 1 BOX OF CANDY TO BE SOLD BY EACH ATHLETE**

**\*At St. Joseph's CYO We Give You A Choice**

**INFO CALL HENRY - 467-6091 OR GENE 588-1879**

# 2009 SOCCER

**Information Call:**  
Beth...585-0748

- Participation Award for Every Player
- Qualified Referees
- Qualified Licensed Coaches
- Insurance Coverage
- On Site Bathroom
- Guarantee of 50% Play Time
- L.I. Jr. Soccer Travel Program
- All Girls Teams
- Interleague same price as Intramural
- Free Coaching School L.I. Jr. - WE PAY FOR IT
- Soccer C-B-A License - ASK FOR DATE

**DIVISIONS**  
4YR CLINIC • 5-6 MICRO  
7-8-9 MIDDLE • 10-11-12 UPPER  
**\*GIRLS SUBDIVISION**

**Specials: Allstar Game  
Child Parent Game  
\*COACHES WANTED\***

**Fundraising:**  
1 box candy or  
**\$25 extra at registration**

**\$40.00 NET**  
**YOU PAY \$52.00**  
YOU WILL RECEIVE A \$12.00 CHANCE BOOK, YOU KEEP THE \$12.00. THE FINAL COST TO YOU IS \$40.00 + uniform (\$25.00) if needed.

# 2009 TRACK: BOYS/GIRLS GRADES K-8

**FEE: \$40<sup>00</sup>\***

**Information: GINA: 676-6208**      **Information: KAREN: 588-8636**

**\*At St. Joseph's CYO We Give You A Choice**

**FUND RAISING: 1 BOX OF CANDY TO BE SOLD BY EACH ATHLETE** OR **NO FUND RAISING: ADD \$25.00 TO COST OF REGISTRATION**

- QUALIFIED COACHES
- ALL MEETS LOCAL - ON LONG ISLAND
- OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE
- EVERY ATHLETE RECEIVES A TROPHY AT YEAR END AWARDS CEREMONY
- MOST ATHLETES WILL RECEIVE 5-15 AWARDS DURING THE SEASON

**FAMILY DISCOUNT - 3RD CHILD FREE**

**Mail in your application right away.**  
*Assure your child a place on a team.*  
**Do not delay... There's no time like TODAY!**

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Coaches needed for all sports - become a team leader.

I agree as parent/guardian to provide all transportation to and from all games and practices. I hereby authorize my child's participation in St. Joseph's CYO sports program, and I know of no physical disabilities or illnesses which would interfere or prevent his/her participation. I do hereby waive, release, indemnify and agree to hold harmless or responsible, the St. Joseph's CYO, its sponsor, staff and participants, for any claim arising out of injury to my child, whether the result of negligence or for any other cause, except to the extent of St. Joseph's CYO liability for this activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Boy \_\_\_ Girl \_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Check One Sport.....  Track  Soccer  Baseball  
 I DO NOT WANT TO DO ANY FUND RAISING I ADDED \$25.00 TO REG. COST  
 I WILL DO FUND RAISING OF CANDY

St. Joseph's CYO reserves the right to change age groups based on number of Registrants.

If At All Possible, Check or Money Orders (No Cash). Make Checks Payable To:  
**ST. JOSEPH'S CYO • P.O. BOX 2755 • LAKE RONKONKOMA, NEW YORK 11779**  
No Registration Refunds - \$40.00 Bank Service Fee For Returned Checks.

THIS GROUP IS NOT SPONSORED OR INSURED BY THE CONNETQUOT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ISLIP

CYO Sports & Activities

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# **St. Regis Knights of Columbus** **Invites you to a Communion Breakfast**

Please join us on  
Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. 2009  
After 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic Family Fraternal service organization with 1.6 million members. It provides members and their families with volunteer opportunities in service to the Catholic Church, their communities, families and young people.

## **Membership Benefits:**

As a member of the Knights of Columbus you and your family, will enjoy many benefits such as Scholarships that are available to all our members' children, also members are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus top-ranked life insurance program, and many more family and personal benefits.



## **How to Join**

**If you would like to learn more of what is available come on down to our complementary Communion Breakfast and ask any questions you may have of the St. Regis Knights of Columbus.**

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to Catholic men who are at least 18 years old. Please come down stairs after the 2 masses & enjoy a complementary pancake & sausage breakfast, or contact our Membership Director Gerry McMenamin at 648-3090.

# Calendar Club 2009



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3/1 #800 Eileen Turi <b>\$50</b>	3/2 #622 Mr & Mrs D. Caranella \$25	3/3 #66 Sydney Maddaloni \$25	3/4 #40 Mary Biglin \$25	3/5 #447 Roger & Marie Koferl \$25	3/6 #346 Geraldine LePage \$25	3/7 #398 Janet & Bill Wrobleski \$25
3/8 #829 Michael Devenney <b>\$50</b>	3/9 #499 Louis & Marie Russo \$25	3/10 #850 Kathy & Charlie Wiener \$25	3/11 #17 Deborah Bingham \$25	3/12 #208 The Kolarik Family \$25	3/13 #692 Camille & Nick Vicale \$25	3/14 #865 John Clahane \$25
3/15 #62 Roger & Marie Koferl <b>\$50</b>	3/16 #775 Michael Devenney \$25	3/17 #268 Lou & Mary Scotti \$25	3/18 #399 L & LB Kirwin \$25	3/19 #318 Barbara Maddaloni <b>\$50</b>	3/20 #426 John Donohue \$25	3/21 #113 Robert Pavinski \$25
3/22 The Lucky Winner Could Be You <b>\$50</b>	3/23 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/24 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/25 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/26 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/27 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/28 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25
3/29 The Lucky Winner Could Be You <b>\$50</b>	3/30 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	3/31 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	4/1 The Lucky Winner Could Be You <b>\$50</b>	4/2 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	4/3 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25	4/4 The Lucky Winner Could Be You \$25

### Calendar Club 2009 Prizes

Weekdays\* and Saturdays\*---\$25

(\*no prize is awarded for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday)

Sundays---\$50

larger prizes on the following special days...

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God---\$50

St. Joseph's Day---\$50

Easter Sunday---\$200

April Fools Day---\$50

Ascension Thursday---\$50

Mothers Day---\$75

Fathers Day---\$75

Independence Day---\$75

Feast of the Assumption of Mary---\$75

All Saints Day---\$75

Thanksgiving Day---\$75

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary---\$75

Christmas Day---\$200

New Years Eve---special drawing,

drawn from those who have not won throughout the year---\$250

## ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE CLUB?

THE ARE STILL SOME MEMBERSHIPS LEFT IN THE 2009 CALENDAR CLUB.

**EVERY DAY THERE'S A CHANCE YOU'LL WIN!**

(EXCEPT HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND HOLY SATURDAY)

**MEMBERSHIP DONATION IS \$25 PER "CALENDAR".**

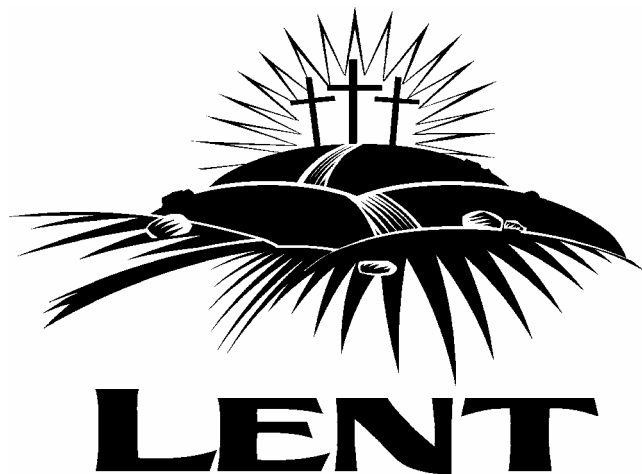
**GET FIVE MEMBERSHIPS FOR A DONATION OF \$100.**

Sign me up for Calendar Club 2009

Member Name:	#	@ \$25 each	
Address:	#	@ 5 for \$100	
City, State, Zip		Total	
Phone Number:	Place in envelope with donation and mail or bring to the Rectory or drop in the collection basket.		

Make check payable and mail to St. Joseph R.C. Church, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WINNERS! THERE ARE STILL MEMBERSHIPS LEFT! JOIN THE CLUB NOW!**



# 2009

## Ashes, Prayers & Stations

### *Ash Wednesday - A Call to Conversion*

On Tuesday, February 24th at 7 PM we will share Hot Cross Buns and fellowship followed by our very moving Prayer Service and distributing of Ashes at 7:30. The Eucharist will be celebrated on *Ash Wednesday, February 25th*, at 7 and 9 AM. Ashes will be distributed after the homily at each of these celebrations. Ashes will also be distributed at the Service of the Word at 12:10, 5 and 7:30 PM.

### *Rules of Fast and Abstinence*

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

### *Daily Mass—A Lenten Tradition*

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

Saturday at 8AM

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

### *The Sacrament of Reconciliation*

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

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

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

Monday of Holy Week - April 6th - after the 7 & 9 AM masses, 4-5PM and 7-8:30PM

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 8th - after the 7 & 9AM masses

Holy Saturday - April 11th - 10-12 Noon for those unable to attend other services.



## *Stations of the Cross*

Recalling the Passion of our Lord Jesus during the season of Lent has nourished Catholics from the earliest days of Christianity. One of the traditional ways in which we recall Jesus' *Way of the Cross* is the praying of the *Stations of the Cross*. Join us for the Stations on each of the following Fridays: February 27, March 6,13,20,27, April 3,10. at 7:30 PM

## *The Lenten Retreat*

Our Lenten Retreat is a time for spiritual renewal and growth and will be conducted by Fr. John Collins. Fr. Collins will be talking at all the Masses on March 21st and March 22nd. The retreat will begin on Monday, March 23, through Wednesday, March 25. We invite you to set aside this time of prayer. May the retreat be a truly meaningful experience for you.

## *Lenten Feast Days*

Celebrate with us two of our favorite patron saints - St. Patrick & St. Joseph. There will be a St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 15th, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. March 14th we will be celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph with a dinner in Carew Hall following the 5PM Mass.

## *Seven Last Words*

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

### *Palm Sunday*

Distribution of  
Palm at all Masses

Saturday April 4th  
5:00

Sunday April 5th  
7,9,10:30 AM  
12 Noon  
5:00PM

### *Holy Thursday*

*April 9th*

9:00

Morning Prayer

7:30 PM

Mass of the Lord's  
Supper followed by  
Solemn Procession with  
the Blessed Sacrament to  
the Repository

11:00 PM

Closing of Repository

### *Good Friday*

*April 10th*

9:00

Morning Prayer

Noon

Reflection on the Seven Last  
Words

3:00

Commemoration of the Passion  
and Death of the Lord Jesus

7:30PM

Stations of the Cross

### *Holy Saturday*

*April 11th*

9:00

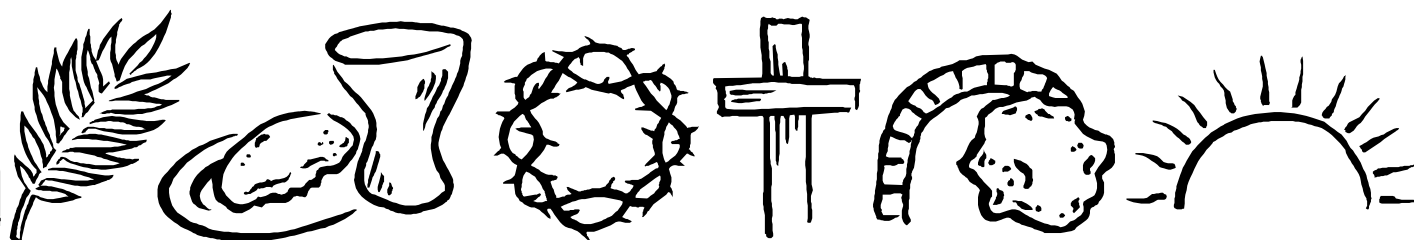
Morning Prayer and  
Blessing of Easter food

10-12 Noon

Confessions for those  
unable to attend other  
services.

7:30

Easter Vigil Liturgy



# Parish Lenten Mission 2009

## **GIVE GOD A SECOND THOUGHT**

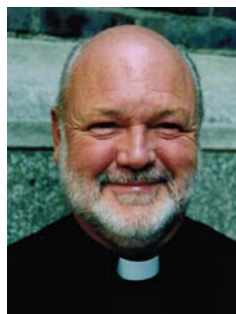
*what good is God?*  
MONDAY

*why  
prayers don't work*  
TUESDAY

*ten kinds of people  
we don't have to love*  
WEDNESDAY

Come let Paulist Father  
John Collins help you to  
discover your own personal  
faith story and learn the importance  
of taking that story beyond the walls of the church.

Morning & Evening talks will be offered (come to either).  
A time for questions and socializing will follow each talk.



***Mark these dates and times on your calendar now!***

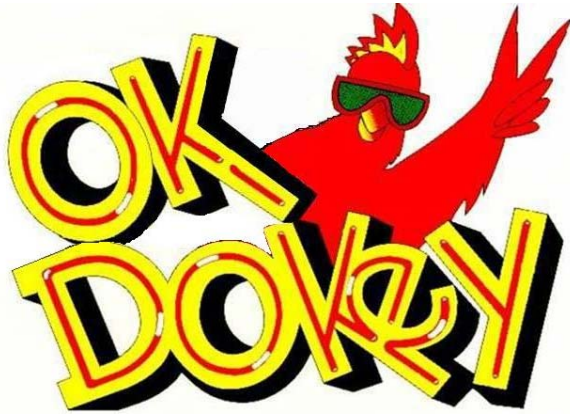
Monday, March 23 — after the 9 AM Mass or at 7:30 PM

Tuesday, March 24 — after the 8:45 AM Mass or at 7:30 PM

Wednesday, March 25 — after the 9 AM Mass or at 7:30 PM

### **BRING A FRIEND**

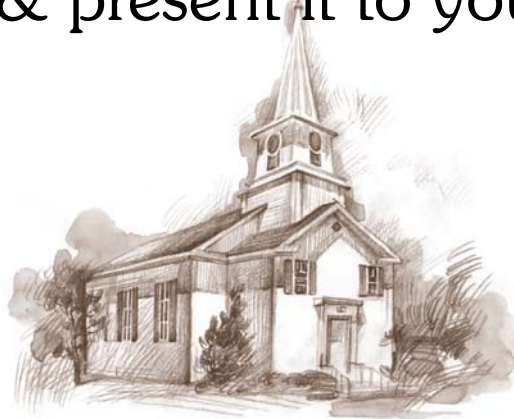




Bar & Grill  
1551 Montauk Highway  
Oakdale, NY 11769  
631-567-1965

**Come dine at OK Dokey  
March 25th between 5:30-  
9:30 pm and 10% of your  
check will go to  
St. Joseph's Church.**

You must bring in a St. Joseph's Church  
Bulletin & present it to your server.



\*\* Tax & gratuity not included

\*\*Cannot be combined with any other special



**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](mailto:YIM@StJoRonk.org)



**CYO Sport Programs**

**REGISTRATION INFO/FORM FOR 2009  
BASEBALL / SOCCER / TRACK ON PAGE 9**

**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 656-8428 or e-mail [JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org](mailto:JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org).

**WE NEVER SAUSAGE A GREAT TURNOUT!**

Troop 272's Pancake Breakfast was an overwhelming success. Our scouts are grateful to the parish for your generous support.



**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 and check it out.

Visit our next meetings —

**Sunday, March 22nd**

**Sunday, April 5th**

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

phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468



**D.O.G.  
DEPEND  
On  
GOD**

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

*Psalm 62:7*

## Courtesy Announcements




**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.

**Meals-On-Wheels** - Lake Nutrition Meals-on-Wheels provides food to elderly & home-bound 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.

**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.

**Bishop McDonnell - Class of 1959**, We are having our 50th Anniversary Celebration on June 7, 2009 at Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston. Call Helen Craig for details: 718-849-9413.



**St. Vincent de Paul**

*In today's Gospel God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins place by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.*

**50 Year Anniversary** - On Sunday, April 26th couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special mass to be celebrated by Bishop William Murphy at St. Lawrence the Martyr, Sayville, at 3:00 PM. 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 April 12th. Approximately one week to ten days before the ceremony information regarding the day will be mailed to you. If you have any questions, you may call 516-678-5800, extension 242.


**Ancient Order of Hibernians of America** - will be presenting Andy Cooney in Concert on Saturday, April 4, 2009 in the Middle Country Hibernian Hall, 80 Magnolia Dr., Selden, NY. The concert will be held from 7-11 P.M. and admission is \$25.00 pp. Admission includes snacks, coffee, tea & cake. Cash Bar. For information & reservations call Pat @ 631-846-3106 or Helen @ 631-727-4664.

**The Church of St. Sylvester** - Monthly dance, Saturday, March 28, 2009, 7-10 P.M. Admission is \$10.00. Featuring Mike Virostko and his Live 17 piece band. Listen to the 40's & 50's hit parade era. We are located at Robinson & Ohio Avenue, Medford, NY. For more info call 631-730-3333 or WWW.goodolddanceband.com.

**St. Anne's Church** - Afternoon Tea. The tea party will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2009 in the lower church of St. Anne's. The afternoon will be filled with food, fun prizes, fancy tea pots, tea cups and a guest speaker. Tickets are \$12.00 per person and tables may be reserved. If you would like further information you may contact Angie at 666-4532 or Carol at 291-9167.

**Dominican village** - Dominican Village is a not-for-profit Independent & Assisted Living Retirement Community sponsored by the sisters of St. Dominic, located in Amityville. Open house is Saturday, March 28th, April 2,18,26 and May 7,16,21 and the 31st. from 1-3 PM. For more information, or to schedule a tour contact us at 631-842-6091 or info@dominicanvillage.org

**Genesaret Retreat** - We have gathered a team of experienced professionals, priests, doctors, nurses and retreat planners. The retreat is held at Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore, NY. There is no cost to you for this retreat. Expenses are paid through the generosity of individuals, parishes and church communities who value retreat experiences. The retreat for 2009 is planned as follows: Spring—May 1,2 &3 2009. Fall—September 25, 26 & 27 2009. For more information please contact Colette Fanelli (631) 665-7052.



### Tune in

to "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 PM on Sirius Satellite Radio Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117. You can visit us anytime to listen or download a show at [www.religionandrock.com](http://www.religionandrock.com) or at "Religion & Rock" on ITUNES.

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