

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

Parish Office Hours

Thurs, & Friday (effective August 1, 2011)

9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM; 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM

Saturday - 9:00 AM to Noon; 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Sunday - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Pray with the Parish

Rosary - Prayed daily after the 9 AM Mass

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.

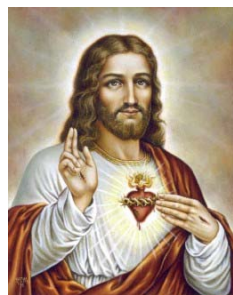
Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. Please join us in this devotion.

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 today's first reading, Isaiah announces a new light coming to shine on the people. The second reading teaches that through Christ the Gentiles are given the promise of eternal life. The Gospel recounts the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. They were wise men from the East, paying homage to the newborn King of the Jews.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 8

- 7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy req. by Loving Wife
- 7:00 Mary Ellen Nelson req. by The Kunze Family
- 9:00 Living & Dec'd. Mbrs. of the Onufrak Family req. by Helen M. Onufrak
- 9:00 Luz Belen Malpica req. by Mr. & Mrs. Kelly
- 9:00 Jack Q. Gibson req. by Pat Brozinsky
- 10:30 John J. Scattoreggio req. by Ed Mitchell & Jen Fasano
- 10:30 Theodore Rowland req. by Joseph & Cathleen Terrano
- 12:00 Marie Cicack req. by The Graziano & Kochman Families
- 12:00 Theodore Arnold req. by Millie & Tom D'Agostino
- 5:00 Michael T. Ferrara req. by The Normandeau Family
- 5:00 Mary Giuliani req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Buccellato

Monday, January 9

- 7:00 Holly Ranker req. by The Candela Family
- 7:00 Eleanor Sandilands req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Francisco Rosa req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Marie Lipari req. by Frank Larocco

Tuesday, January 10

- 7:00 Elena Bonet req. by Nelson & Evelyn Bonet
- 8:45 For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 11

- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Edward & Karen Ann Cronin req. by Loving Wife & Mother
- 9:00 Phil Hoelle req. by Mary & Lou Scotti

Thursday, January 12

- 7:00 Vincenzo Cuccia req. by Gerald Rosaria Michels
- 9:00 Grace Neetz req. by The Walsh Family
- 9:00 Jack Miceli req. by Margaret Viggiano

Friday, January 13

- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Diane Bergamino req. by Loving Family

Saturday, January 14

- 8:00 Helen Moore

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

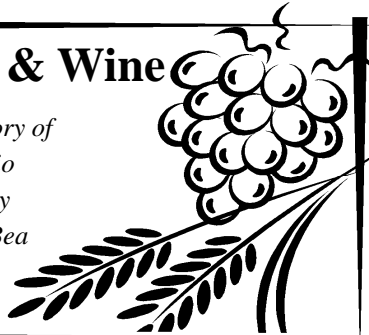
- 5:00 Frances Kaminski req. by Sal & Debbie Maddaluno
- 5:00 Marilyn Burdge req. by Sal & Debbie Maddaluno

Sunday, Jan. 15

- 7:00 Ann McLoughlin (LIVING) req. by Loving Family
- 7:00 James J. Heiman req. by Helen Onufrak
- 9:00 Joseph J. Onufrak req. by Loving Mother & Family
- 9:00 Joseph Onufrak req. by Loving Wife & Family
- 10:30 Vera Bolebruch req. by The Gibbons Family
- 10:30 Michael T. Ferrara req. by The Perlman Family
- 12:00 Robert Bottari req. by Katherine Yamaguchi & Family
- 12:00 Brian Curtis req. by Loving Family
- 5:00 Carmela Castelluzzo req. by Diane & John Buccellato
- 5:00 Mary Morici req. by Felice Heraghty

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Louis DeLisio
Requested by
Loving Wife Bea*



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

This Week

Fr. Maffeo 5:00 PM
Fr. Maffeo 7:00 AM
Fr. Leuthardt 9:00 AM
Fr. Boyle 10:30 AM
Fr. Maffeo 12:00 PM
Fr. Boyle 5:00 PM

Next Week

Fr. Leuthardt
Fr. Leuthardt
Fr. Boyle
Fr. Maffeo
Fr. Boyle
Fr. Maffeo

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 Pastor's Desk

"...behold magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem. Saying, 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'" "They were amazed at seeing the star, and entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother...and did him homage."

Today's celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord (also known as Little Christmas) reminds us that even as an infant, Christ our Lord was made manifest to the whole world as signified by these gentile from several places coming to see the newborn King. Just imagine how excited they were, as their long journey to Bethlehem began with the sighting of that wonderful, strange star that moved through the night sky: a star, which indicated that something equally wonderful was happening here on Earth. Imagine their confusion when the star they were following disappeared as they approached Jerusalem; the place they believed would be their destination. Think of how taken back they were to not find him in a palace, but in a humble house; a stable as Luke tells us in the Christmas account. Here is where they found not just the newborn King of the Jews, but also the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Many would have said we have come to the wrong place; there must have been a mistake. But keep in mind these where scholars not just of the sky, but of the religious traditions of all the peoples in the area. They knew the promise of the Prophets of Israel, they knew that a Messiah was expected and hoped for, and they knew that God works in His own way. So instead of turning around, they dropped to their knees paid Him great homage and placed before gifts fitting a king. They totally understood what God had done, how God would make His Messiah manifest, not in a palace, but in a simple humble place, so that all could benefit from His mission on Earth. They may not have known that Jesus was God made one of us, but they did know that He was indeed one sent by God to make all things new.

Today also reminds us that God can be seen in so many ways in our lives, all we have to do is be open and look carefully. We must be the like the Magi who did not reject what they saw at Bethlehem, but embrace what God has shown each of us in our lives. If you are not sure what He has shown you than take time to thing, ask God to show you again, and stop looking for God to act in grand, miraculous ways. Remember He works more commonly in little ways, and in ways that you least expect it.

Today at the 12 Noon, Mass we welcome all of our children who were baptized here at St. Joseph's during the last year for a special blessing for them and their families. We are doing this today because of the way Christmas fell this year on a Sunday. Normally we would do this on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (which is on the last Sunday of the Christmas Season) but this year we will remember that on Monday.

A very special thank you to all who helped decorate the Church for Advent and Christmas and for all who helped at the many liturgies: you all did so wonderfully.

At the end of this month, we will celebrate Catholic Schools Weeks and it promises to be a great week. On the Sunday of that week, we will have school families sharing their experience of our beautiful St. Joseph's School. We will have an Open House with student-guided tours and people will be able to speak with our Principal Mrs. Arpino and other members of the school community. If you have children or grandchildren from Nursery to 8th Grade, and are looking for a great place to send them for their education then look no further; you have found it right here! Yes, going to Catholic School means paying more for your child's education, but you get back so much more than you can ever imagine. Also, keep in mind, that Tomorrow's Hope Scholarships are available to those who qualify; please call the school at (631) 588-4760 for more information.

Let us pray: O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen

God bless you always and for the last time this year.

Merry Christmas

Fr. Mike



Fr. Mike's Weekly Letters are available online in a "blog" format at PastorsDesk.StJoRonk.org or via the Parish Website (StJoRonk.org).

From the Pastor's Desk

A WEB-LOG
OF FR. MIKE'S
WEEKLY LETTERS
TO THE PARISH,
PASTORAL ADVICE
...AND MUCH MORE...



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"From the Pastor's Desk"
PastorsDesk.StJoRonk.org
to your Smartphone
or Blackberry.



Pray for the Sick

Anne Bannon	Mary McGee
Stephen Bonansinga	Sheila McGovern
John Bertone	Jim McQuillan
Sara Bertone	Tom McKinnon Sr.
Mary Biglin	Eugene Merkle
Letizia Bloecker	Elizabeth Mineo
Nicholas Bohl	Michael Mistretta
MaryAnn Bonitz	Ryan Mistretta
Anthony Burgalassi	Anne Murtha
Marie Califano	Irmgard Nostro
Florence E Castagna	Richard Pepe
Christine Ryan Coffee	Mason Plouffe (4 yr. old)
Regina Cohen	Tyler Ponzio
Shaun Cohen	Thomas Purcaro
Martin Condit	Nicole Ramaglia
John Daniele	Ralph Redo
Genevieve Delamater	Joan Reilly
Denise Delise	Pasquale Ricciardi
Michael DePinto	Baby Emma Grace Riccio
Muriel DeQuatro	Teresa Rouse
Barbara DiGirolomo	Angela Rose Russo
Ann Doherty	Louis Russo
Sharon T. Eichler	Ann Sabourin
Lois & Michael Emma	Joseph Sabourin
Lucy Erraught	Dawn Saporito
Anthony Falese	Denise Savage Harper
Philip Fava	Anna Schramm
Amelia Fava	Krista Schramm
Robert Filce	George Scotti
Joann Frederich	Janet Shapiro
Jackie Haight	Matthew Swenson
Gregory Heraghty	Conchito Talaboc
Jasper Indelicato	Michael Tenore
Margaret Indelicato	Mary Thron
Daniel Kellaher	Dan Totten
Alfred LaRocca	Richard Troiano
Alfred LaRocca Jr.	Jennie & Mike Turner
Nicole Laudadio	Lloyd Turnier
Angelina Longo	Larry Walsh
Rosalie Longo	Brandon Wangelin
Ida Lucivero	Debra Wangelin
Vito Lucivero	Christopher Wilmott
Angelina Maddaluno	Steven Wilmott
Dominick Mariano	
Msgr Ken McAteer	

Pray for Our Troops

PFC Eric Lange, USMC	CPT Michael Parisi
SGT Deborah Alfieri	2LT Anthony Parisi
SPC Matthew Altonji	MAJ Paul E Pinaud
PRVT Andrew Altonji	CTR2 Matthew Pistritto
Paul Donato	LT David A Rewkowski
TSGT Louis Barletta	SGT Edwin Rivera, II
LT Michael-Jon Bonacorsa	LCPL William R Rodgers
LCPL John Brown	SGT Anthony M Sbrocco, USMC
PFC Justin Browne	SSGT Jason Schiavo
LTCOL James Cersosimo	LCPL W. Mason Shehan
CPL Glenn Clacher	SGT Jennifer Tomaneng
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran	SSGT Timothy McGoyne
SPC Jason Crawford	SPC James Stanek
CPT Edward Cuevas	SGT Erica Sweeney
PFC John B Cuneo	EO3 Taylor Taranto
CPT Ryan Delaney	MM3 Gregory Taranto
TSGT Timothy Dermody	PFC Greg Terrish
SGT Stephen DiGirolamo	SGT Jason Tulowitzki
SSGT Tony Elliott	SSGT Nick Vitale
LT Kelly Fletcher	SGT John Thomas Vogt
SPC Adam Franciosa	CPL Brandon Waldon
CPT Mark Gillman	SGT Randolph Weaver
CPL R.J. Hartmann	MSTR Robert Casey
SRA J.R. Kay	ILT Richard Lutz
SSGT Jessica Kay	HN Frederick James Borsell
SGT John W Keohane	SPC Darian L. Clark/Army
MAJ Sean P Kilkenny	SAMN Bill Ried
CW2 Steven Knight	CPL Michael Casonova
LCPL William Langdon	SPEC4 David Cooper
SPC Christopher Leone	MIDN Michael Cristiano
SGT Wade Lynch	SGT Brian P. O'Leary
MAJ Kevin McCue	PFC Gregory Caplan
PVT Thomas B McGinn	MPS Timothy Caplan
SGT Patrick McNally	E6PO1 Gerard McGarrity
PFC William Meyer	LT John Cox II
CPL Brian G Meyer	PFC Nicholas Barbieri
CPO Gregory Migliore	LCPL Jim A. Mock
SGT Glenn Miller	SGT Maj. John A. Krumholz
LT Heather Miras	LCPL Joseph R. DeGroot, USMC
SPC4 George Monica	RCT Dustin A. Whitton, USMC
SPC4 John Monica	SPC Peter Reilly
SGT Daniel Montville	SMAN T.J. Waldhauser, US Navy
GYSGT Brian Moran, USMC	LCP Brian Kolarik, USMC
MAJ Gregory Mueller	LCPL Kevin Erb
LCPL Thomas Napolitano	PVT Chris Dorn, Army
LCPL Michael Napolitano	SSGT Ray C. Sigman II
PVT Todd Nelson	N/Seal Paul Padro
LCPL James Neubauer	PFC Sean Rainone, USMC
SGT Brian Pacell	SGT Thomas Lupo
CPT Stephen Bartoszak	SGT Mike Hengerle, USMC
ENS3 Lucy Padro	
PFC Matthew Pandolfi	



REMEMBERING THE SICK

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)

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Name, Rank and Branch of Service

Person making this request

Relationship to Soldier

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

—REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED—

Jacqueline Sheehan, Christine Sisto, Ellen Kelleher, Barbara Mooney

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

E-mail: RelEd@StJoRonk.org

Website: RelEd.StJoRonk.org

981-1805

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

9:00 Am - 3:00 PM



Sunday school takes place in Carew Hall during the 10:30 mass. Consider bringing your 3, 4 or 5 year old. You may register with Maureen if this meets your family needs.

Level 5 will have the opportunity celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, January 9th at 7:15 in the Church.

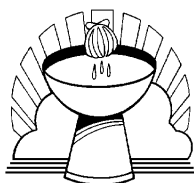
Level 2 children will be watching a video on Reconciliation this week during class time. Parents are welcome and encouraged to join their children for the viewing of this video and a short visit to the Church.

First Reconciliation will take place on Saturday, January 21st and 28th in the church. Please refer to your letters for your assigned date.

Baptismal Ministry

Join us in this joy-filled ministry that welcomes our tiniest new Catholics and their families to the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Every few weeks we need about an hour of your time to help the priest or deacon prepare for the celebration and to welcome and guide our families to and through the celebration. If you *love* babies and like to meet *happy* people and welcome them to our parish, this is for YOU!

Please call 588-8456 for more information.



St. Joseph School

e-mail: school@stjoronk.org

website: www.stjoeronkelem.org



Happy New Year to all! Here at St. Joseph School we are starting the new year with many wonderful activities.

All are welcome to attend our Open House scheduled for Sunday, January 29, 2012 from 11:30 - 1:00. See the wonderful things we offer here at St. Joseph's School. Meet parents, students and teachers, who can give tours and answer any questions about the programs we offer.

Congratulations to the following graduates of St. Joseph's who are on the honor roll at St. Anthony's High School:

Kian Avilla, Alissa Guerra, Christian Ison, Erin Kutch, Madison Murphy, Gregory Oliva, Alexandria Pray, Jessica Sabourin, and Jason Skidmore.

Spirit Week was celebrated here from Dec. 19th thru Dec. 23rd. It was a wonderful week of fun. Students wore Christmas hats, and decorated clothes as we shared milk and cookies and sang Christmas Carols through the school. Students in grades Nursery thru Grade 4 traveled the Polar Express, yes... in pajamas. We had the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation along

with celebrating the true meaning of Christmas and sharing Mass together. It was a great week and we were so blessed to be able to share our Christmas experience in



epiphany

Baptisms

Isadora Rosalie Colon
Lukas Andrew Mattisson

Respect Life

Early notice: **THE RALLY AND 39th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE** in Washington, D.C. will take place on Monday, January 23, 2012 at noon, on the National Mall.

The theme of this March For Life: "Unite on the Life Principles to Overturn Roe v. Wade and With Love Protect Mothers and Preborn Children. No Exceptions! No Compromise!!"

This theme teaches that correct fundamental human behavior by persons and society is to assure equal protection for the inalienable right to life of each born and preborn human in existence at fertilization – for each pregnant mother and each preborn child.

Today, the most powerful nation on earth condones the killing of an estimated 3,000 preborn babies each day, and turns a deaf ear to its citizens who work to overturn the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision, Roe v. Wade, which allows this to go on. Each Marcher for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 23rd gives visible witness and educates officials in our government, media and the world, about personhood, vested at fertilization. We March for Life because of preborn children and their parents.

Think about joining this 39th annual March for Life on Monday, January 23rd. On the weekend of January 14 and January 15 you will be able to sign up for this one-day bus trip to Washington, D.C. The St. Joseph Respect Life Ministry will be in the Church lobby after all the masses to assist you.

January 23, 2012 **PRAYER VIGIL** For those who cannot go to Washington. At 11:30 AM on Monday, 1/23/12 you are invited to this prayer vigil at the **Memorial to the Unborn in St. Patrick Cemetery**, Mt. Pleasant Road, (just N. of Rte. 347), Smithtown. All are invited. At 12 noon there will be a prayer service at Planned Parenthood, abortion provider, at 70 Maple Avenue, Smithtown. For further information contact Eileen at 631-584-7561.

BE A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS! On Sunday January 15 we will again gather in front of Nassau University Medical Center, 2201 Hempstead Turnpike, (Rte. 24) in East Meadow. This gathering is the annual **FACE the TRUTH** Roe v. Wade Memorial Anniversary Event. Signs will be distributed there (graphic and non-graphic); we will be there from 1:30 to 3:00 PM, rain or shine. www.ProLifeLI.org or call 631-243-1435

Sponsored by the Long Island Coalition for Life, Inc.
All are invited to come and participate.



Weekly Offering



Fiscal Year Begins 9/1/2011

Sunday, January 1, 2012, Offerings **\$15,990**
Same collection last year 19,484

Christmas 2011 \$56,894
2010 65,092

Solemnity of Mary 2012 \$4,180
2011 4,825

Poor Box last weekend \$297

Fuel Collection YTD \$2,735

Same time last year 4,564

YTD Fuel Cost 5,012

Weekly Budget Amount	\$17,900	Budget YTD	\$362,300
Solemnity of Mary	<u>5,000</u>	Sol. of Mary	<u>5,000</u>
	22,900		367,300

Collection	15,990	Actual YTD	367,852
Christmas Addtl.	4,851		4,851
Solemnity of Mary	<u>4,180</u>		<u>4,180</u>
	25,021		372,340

Overage +\$2,121 Overage +\$5,040

***Pay Down Debt Donations**

	This Month	\$
	Total Funds	173,467
Less Payment made to RVC	<u>125,000</u>	
Fund Balance	\$48,467	

RVC Loan	604,000
Less Payment	<u>125,000</u>
Balance	\$479,000

***Includes Faith Direct Collections for Dec.
51 Participating Households**

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

Envelope users: Please enter the amount of your donation in the envelope in the space provided. This will be a big help to us when counting the collection. Also, it is not necessary to tape or staple the envelope closed. Your help is appreciated.

Thank you, Deacon Mike DeBellis

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

Outreach Resources

Emergency Resources

Response of Suffolk County

Crisis Hotline
631-751-7620 or 631-751-7500 (hotline 24 hrs./7 days)
www.responsehotline.org

Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk—VIBS

Domestic/date violence, rape, sexual assault, & elder abuse
631-360-3730 or 631-360-3606 (24 hrs. hotline for domestic violence and rape)
www.vibs.org or www.inforatvibs.org

Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence

631-666-8833 (hotline)

www.sccadv.org

The Retreat

Domestic Violence
631-329-2200 (hotline 24hrs/7 days shelter)
www.theretreatinc.org

Brighter Tomorrows

Domestic Violence
Hotline (631)395-1800

Islip Hotline

Crisis Hotline: 631-277-4700

Runaway Hotline

631-549-8700, 1-800-621-4000

American Red Cross, Suffolk County Chapter

631-924-6700
www.redcross.org/ny/suffolk

Child Abuse

1-800-342-3720 (24-Hr.)

HIV and Aids Teen Hotline

1-800-440-TEEN (fri./Sat. 6:30PM to Midnight)

Child Health Plus Information and Referral

1-800-522-5006 (24 Hr.)

Family Resources/Support Groups

Child Care Council of Suffolk

631-362-0303
www.childcaresuffolk.org

Family Service League of Suffolk County

631-427-3700
www.fsl.li.org

Hope House Ministries

631-928-2377
www.hhm.org

Islip Town Teen Parent Resource Center

631-224-9766

Suffolk County Department of Health Services

Project Hope Mothers' Group
631-853-3035 (call for locations)
www.co.suffolk.ny.us/health

Haven House/Bridges

631-231-3619
www.tsli-hhb.org

Alcoholics Anonymous

631-669-1124

Gamblers Anonymous

631-586-7171

Narcotics Anonymous

631-827-9500

Life Center of L.I. - Pregnancy Care

631-243-0066

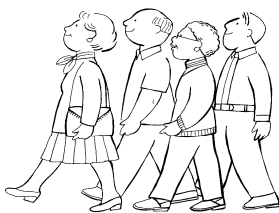
Birthright of Nassau/Suffolk

516-785-4070



Westbury Music Fair/Swan Club Celebration

St. Joseph Seniors are inviting you to join us on March 14th to celebrate St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's days with a show at Westbury Music Fair followed by dinner at the Swan Club. Transportation by Hampton Jitney leaving from St. Joseph's parking lot. The cost is \$79. Call Arlene @ 648-3582 for more information. Cut off date for making reservations is February 1st.



Calling All Seniors!

St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center

e-mail — sjpo@verizon.net

website — <http://outreach.stjorok.org>



Through your generosity we were able to help more than **372** people throughout the month of November. Financial assistance for the month of November was **\$5,050.94** 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, you did it for me."*

St. Joseph Parish can earn a donation every time you search the Internet or shop online at your favorite stores!

GoodSearch & GoodShop



Search the web with Yahoo-powered **GoodSearch.com** and they'll donate about a penny to our parish each time you search! *There is no charge to the parish or to you for this service.*

Shop online at more than 2,400 **GoodShop.com** merchants including Best Buy, Toys-R-Us, and others, and a percentage of each purchase will go to St. Joseph's!

Our parish will benefit from purchases that you ordinarily make in the course of your everyday online gift shopping or personal shopping at no extra cost to you.

Many coupons and deals are available to you at stores you normally shop at.

F E A T U R E D I N

The New York Times



O, THE OPRAH MAGAZINE

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

Visit our Parish Website for more information. <http://stjoronk.org>





St. Regis

Knights of Columbus

BINGO

4	19	41	51	●
7	22	44	●	71
10	28	●	56	63
13	●	45	48	75
●	18	31	46	65

Bingo Night

To Support



Cub Scout Pack 272

Boy Scout Troop 272

Friday, January 27, 2012 at 7:00 PM

Bohemia Bingo Hall

1644 Locust Ave., Bohemia

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Anne Kelly
 has been selected
 Grand Marshal of Ronkonkoma's
 22nd Annual
 St. Patrick's Parade
 Sunday, March 11, 2012

Mrs. Anne Kelly, Director of St. Joseph Parish Outreach for over seventeen years came to America from Dublin, Ireland, in 1962. Anne was head nurse at the Cenacle, Lake Ronkonkoma, before beginning her work at St. Joseph's. She and husband, Peter, are a vital part of St. Joseph's Parish. All are welcome to join the parade sponsor, St. Regis Council, Knights of Columbus, Lake Ronkonkoma, in honoring her dedication to the community. Journal ads of congratulations from your family, organization or business may be ordered using the coupon below. Parade Chairman is Martin Gaughan.



JOURNAL ADS — DEADLINE FOR ADS IS FEBRUARY 28, 2012

Full Page (8 1/2 x 11) \$125, Half Page \$75, Quarter Page \$50, Gold/Cover Page \$250

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Mail to: St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, P.O. Box 318, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

For further information on the journal, marching groups, etc. call Paula 631-648-4998.

Help us take the first steps to improving our parish communications!

We are in the process of adding e-mail addresses to our parish database. Please help us by providing your e-mail address and answering some questions to help us decide the best way to use electronic media. Place in the collection basket or send/deliver to the Rectory.



Name: _____ Parishioner ID#, if known: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

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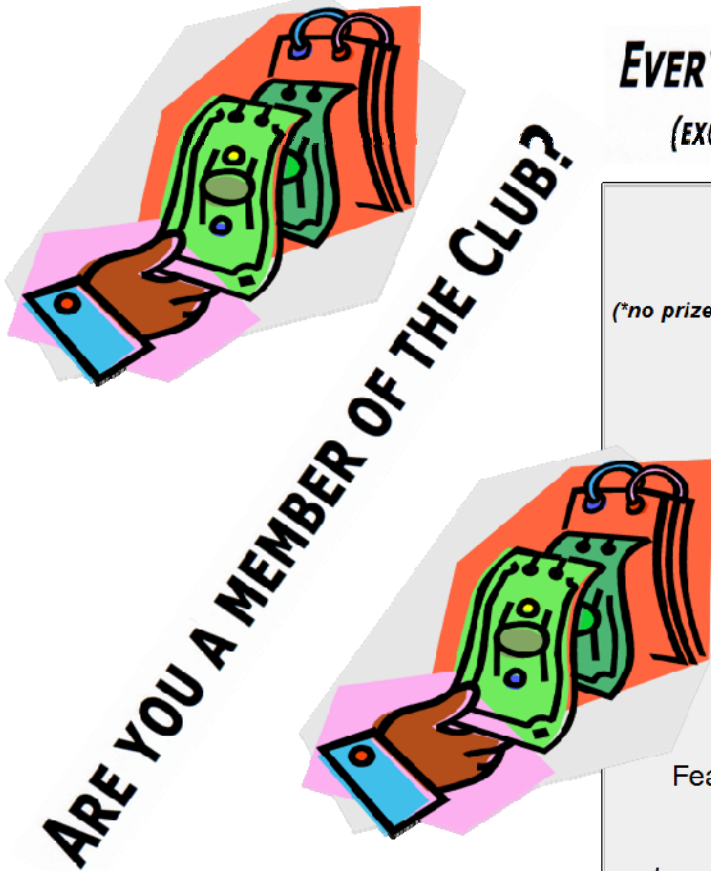
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Weekdays* and Saturdays*---\$25

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

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Independence Day---\$75

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

All Saints Day---\$75

Thanksgiving Day---\$75

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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



Calendar Club



The 2012 January Winners will be drawn on January 31st
and posted in the February 5th bulletin

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

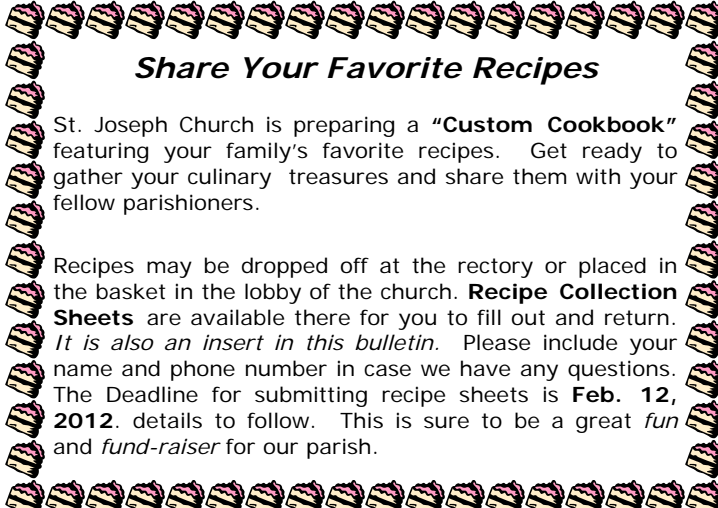
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Get your membership now before
the drawings start!

Congratulations to our Winners. Thank you for your generous support!



**USING SCRIP
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and SENSE !**

Please use parish-purchased gift cards for all your shopping needs. Not only will you take advantage of the gas-saving convenience of *one-stop shopping* here, at St. Joseph's, but our church will benefit from the profit of selling the cards. **God bless you for using your time, talent, and treasure to support the ministries of this parish.**



Share Your Favorite Recipes

St. Joseph Church is preparing a "Custom Cookbook" featuring your family's favorite recipes. Get ready to gather your culinary treasures and share them with your fellow parishioners.

Recipes may be dropped off at the rectory or placed in the basket in the lobby of the church. **Recipe Collection Sheets** are available there for you to fill out and return. *It is also an insert in this bulletin.* Please include your name and phone number in case we have any questions. The Deadline for submitting recipe sheets is **Feb. 12, 2012.** details to follow. This is sure to be a great *fun* and *fund-raiser* for our parish.

* Stewardship in Action *

Volunteers share their Time and Talent in many ways. We are blessed to have many wonderful ministries and we are grateful for all of our dedicated volunteers. We encourage others to get involved. Each month we will highlight a different ministry. If you are interested in volunteering you should contact the ministry leader or the rectory office for more information.

This month's featured ministry:

*** Baptismal Ministry ***

We are currently in need of more people to join in this joy-filled ministry which welcomes our tiniest new Catholics and their families to the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Volunteers assist the priest or deacon by setting up, welcoming and seating the families and guiding them throughout the ceremony. The time commitment is just about one hour on a Sunday afternoon four or five times a year. If you *love* babies, like meeting *happy* people and want to help welcome them to our parish, then this is the perfect ministry for you. If you are interested, please call the rectory @ 588-8456 and leave your name and phone number. The Baptism Ministry leader will get in touch with you.



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

We would like to thank the many volunteers that that have given so generously of their time throughout the past year. We have so many volunteers in so many ministries, we cannot name them all; but we thank each and every one. They include the following ministries: altar servers, baptismal assistants & bib sewing team, beautification of the parish grounds, catechists, choir members, coaches, consolation ministry, evangelization group, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, mailing ministry, musicians, parish outreach, scouting & venturing, Sunday school, all those who step up to help decorate the church for the special Liturgical Seasons of Lent, Easter, Advent and Christmas and those who help at our special Parish events such as St. Joseph's Feast Day, the Annual Golf Outing, the Parish Summer Party, the Backward Drawing and Breakfast with St. Nicholas. We are all blessed by your spirit of giving through volunteering. It is a beautiful gift to the Parish and we thank you for sharing your time & talent in Stewardship.



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





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 or call the rectory.



CYO Sport Programs

<http://stjoecyosports.com>

Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 5-16): Gene ☎588-1879
 Travel * (Boys): Vinny ☎467-3651

Basketball:

Girls Intramural Debbie ☎467-6174
 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 Jerry 585-4048

Soccer :

Intramural Boys & Girls(ages 3-13) Joe ☎737-6299
 Travel (LIJSL): Tony B ☎737-5159

**Must register for the intramural program as well*

Interested in joining Venturing?
 Want to enroll your son in
 Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting?

Send an e-mail from your
 Smartphone or Blackberry
 while it's on your mind to
JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org

→ You can scan us! →



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.

Pack, Troop, and Crew 272 have
 a **YEAR-ROUND** scouting program.



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, Jan. 8th Tonight

Sunday, Jan. 15th

e-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org

phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468

What did *you* do this weekend?



D.O.G.
DEPEND
On
GOD

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

Psalms 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 C.S.F.P. funded by USDA NYSDOH, and administered by Catholic Charities is offering free food for 6 to 12 months post partum women, children from the age of 5 up to their sixth birthday, and seniors age 60 and over, who are income-eligible. Gross monthly income for seniors: Single Senior \$1,174 or less or Senior Couple \$1,579 or less. For further information, and income **guidelines** for women & children in Nassau or Suffolk, please call 631-491-4166 or 631-491-4156.

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.

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 or visit our website at <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.net>.

St Elizabeth Ann Seton - Lake Ronkonkoma is seeking to hire a person to direct a Children's/Young Person's Choir and Musicians. The Choir and Musicians would assist the Congregation at the 12 noon Mass each week. One rehearsal per week would be required. E-mail your resume to Fr. Dan at steas@optonline.net or Fax to 631-737-4389.

Drivers Education - offered at McGann Mercy High School will start this upcoming February. In addition to classes after school during the week, we will also offer a Sunday session ideal for those students who play sports or participate in other after school activities. This NYS approved program provides the required 48 hours of instruction - 24 hours of lecture and 24 hours of in-car training. For more information call 631-727-5900 ext. 20.

St. Patrick's Singles Fellowship - Around the Diocese social event, January 15, 2012 10AM - 12PM. St. Patrick's Parish, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown, NY 11787. Coffee, tea, cake and conversation. Come join us and perhaps meet a new friend. Check out our event calendar. For more info call the Outreach Dept. at 631-265-2668 from 9-2

St. Sylvester's Church Community Dance - Sat., Jan 14, 2012, 7-10 PM. Live 15 piece swing band. Dance & listen to the music of the 40's & 50's. Admission \$10 (food, snacks, soda, coffee, tea are available). 68 Ohio Ave., Medford, NY. For more info please call 631-730-3333 Mike Virostko or www.goodolddanceband.com.



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FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Regis Knights of Columbus Council 4651

&

St. Regis Squires Circle 2259

Saturday, January 14, 2012

St. Joseph's Gymnasium, Ronkonkoma

Registration: 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Competition begins at 9:30 AM

(You must register between 9:00 and 9:30 AM)

Contest open to all boys and girls 10 - 14 years old

Winner of each age/gender group advances to district championship

No cost to participate

For further information, contact Tom Gillan (516) 658-7722

