

## 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, Peter makes a dramatic pronouncement about the Lord Jesus being the Cornerstone of our salvation. In the second reading, we are reminded that we are blessed by being able to claim to be children of God. In our Gospel, Jesus assures us that, as a shepherd guards his flock, He protects us.

### Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of  
Peter & Neil  
Requested by  
The Iglie Family*



### OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

*This Week*

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

*Next Week*

**Fr. Maffeo**  
**Fr. Maffeo**  
**Fr. Thomas**  
**Fr. Leuthardt**  
**Fr. Boyle**  
**Fr. Leuthardt**

### ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

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 send us the following information and we will send you a registration form.

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

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

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

State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Sunday, April 29

- 7:00 Eileen Kennedy req. by Donnamarie & Anthony Priolo
- 7:00 For the Priests of St. Joseph's Parish req. by Dcn. Frank Dell'aglio
- 9:00 Joseph Onufrak req. by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Edward Kross Jr. req. by Loving Sister
- 9:00 Martin P. Miller req. by St. Joseph 9 am Choir
- 10:30 Jim McQuillan (**LIVING**) req. by The Catholic Daughters Ct 975
- 10:30 Beatrice Cuccaro req. by The Grieb Family
- 12:00 Pat Tripputi req. by Mike & Eileen Antonucci
- 12:00 Rita Scanion req. by St. Joseph's CDA Court 975
- 5:00 Marilyn Masi req. by Jessica Smith
- 5:00 Margaret Perkowska req. by Matthew Patkowski

### Monday, April 30

- 7:00 Joseph Mendola req. by Robert & Joanne Koepper
- 7:00 Catherine Lawler req. by Tom Caminiti
- 9:00 Arthur Nelson req. by Loving Wife
- 9:00 Bill Schaeffer req. by Mary & Louis Scotti

### Tuesday, May 1

- 7:00 Angelo Cuzzo req. by The Brown Family
- 8:45 Warren Rupp req. by The Pimentel Family
- 8:45 For the People of the Parish

### Wednesday, May 2

- 7:00 Thomas Anthony Burke req. by Jillian & Jeffrey Nietupski
- 9:00 Vincent W. Palladino req. by Loving Wife
- 9:00 Dr. James Martin req. by Dcn Joe & Marie Califano

### Thursday, May 3

- 7:00 William & Mary O'Grady req. by Rich & Mary Anne Hartnett
- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Mary Rosati req. by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bizzaro

### Friday, May 4

- 7:00 Angelina Longo req. by Cheryl Cooper
- 7:00 Dolores Claus req. by Jerry & Sue Kiesel
- 9:00 Lana & Lara Pesquira req. by The Roxas Family
- 9:00 Mariano Gentile req. by The Barr Family

### Saturday, May 5

- 8:00 Angelo & Theresa DeFillippo req. by Marie DeFillippo
- 8:00 Frances DePrisco req. by The Balisteri Family

### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Anne Marie Russo req. by Felicia Heraghty
- 5:00 Bernard James Donnelly req. by Sal & Debbie Maddaluno
- 5:00 Kathleen Cunningham req. by Loving Family

### Sunday, May 6

- 7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy req. by Loving Wife
- 9:00 John W. Biglin req. by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Living & Dec'd. Mbrs. of the Onufrak Family req. by Helen Onufrak
- 9:00 Charles Rosenthal req. by Patricia Pivarnik
- 10:30 Jerry Pole req. by Margaret & Joseph Heiselmann
- 10:30 Delia Pole req. by Margaret & Joe Heiselmann
- 12:00 Doreen Sheppard req. by The Ferrara Family
- 12:00 Pat Tripputi req. by Frank & Stacy Antonucci
- 5:00 Frank Lucivero req. by Loving Sisters & Niece Rose
- 5:00 Patricia Ross req. by The Siebert Family



## From the Pastor's Desk

As I shared with you six years ago in this space, there was once a young man who had to get up before the members of his parish and recite the 23rd Psalm. He had practiced reciting it for a long time and when the day came, he knew it backwards and forwards. As he got up in the front of the Church, and all eyes were focused upon him, he began to panic. After some time passed, he began with, "The Lord is my shepherd." He suddenly stopped, and after a period of silence, he continued, "And that's all I need to know!" With that, a great deal of applause from the people. Now, were they applauding because they approved of his ability to think on his feet, or were they applauding him for his great insight? Of course, why does it have to be either or?

Today, Jesus tells us (as He does every year on this Good Shepherd Sunday) that He is the Good Shepherd who knows His sheep and they know Him. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep so that they can live. This should be a great comfort for us, especially at times when we feel tested or even abandoned. Why, well remember the relationship that a shepherd has with his sheep. In Jesus' day, they lived side by side, and the sheep will only come to the voice of their shepherd whom they feel completely safe. The shepherd does not run away when the wolf comes. No, he stays, protects, and redeems those who are lost. Our Lord is telling us we can totally trust in Him, even more than the sheep on their shepherd. For Jesus will go out of His way to find the lost sheep even to leaving the 99 behind to go out and save the lost one. That is great for the one sheep, but how about the other 99? Is the shepherd really going to leave them alone to go out and search for the one, so that they too could get lost or fall prey to the wolf? Of course, not, the Good Shepherd never leaves His flock alone, and through the power of the Holy Spirit He is always present. This same Spirit empowers others to care for the sheep in the Good Shepherd's name. Christ cares greatly for us, and He appoints shepherds over His Church to preach the Good News, teach, heal and minister in the same way He did and still does, for the Good Shepherd came to serve, not to be served.

Please pray for our shepherds: Pope Benedict XVI, Bishop Murphy, and all of the Bishops of the Church, Fathers Thomas, Boyle, Henry, Liu, and myself who has been given the great honor of serving the people of St. Joseph's. Pray for all of our Deacons: James Altonji, Joseph Dougherty, Joseph Califano, Michael DeBellis, Frank Dell'Aglio, Michael Devenney, Bill Dobbins, and our Seminarian Deacon Michael Duffy, and for Sister Anne Marie Dean, CSJ and all those in Religious Life.

Also, please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life so there will always be shepherds molded in the image and likeness of Jesus. Pray that all who shepherd will always be open to the grace, power, and love of the Holy Spirit to serve in the name and in the person of Christ!

Let us pray for Vocations with these words: Heavenly Father, bless us with the grace of many vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life. Through the intercession of the Blessed Mother grant to those, you have called the willingness and generosity of spirit to give of themselves in devoting their lives and their talents to the service of Our Lord and to His Church. Increase the faith of all, particularly the faith of those you have called and will continue to call. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Happy Easter  
Fr. Mike



Fr. Mike's Weekly Letters are available online in a "blog" format at [PastorsDesk.StJoRonk.org](http://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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# Respect Life

**America was founded on a moral base dependent upon principles of the Bible and the Christian religion.**

Virtually every significant document that defines the values of the United States of America – including the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights – leans heavily on a belief in God and the moral authority of the Bible.

George Washington said, “It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.” In his farewell address, Washington reminded the country that religion and morality are inseparable: “Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion ...Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principles.”

Noah Webster warned, “The moral principles and precepts contained in the Scriptures form the basis of all our civil constitution and laws.”

It is impossible to reject the moral framework of the Scriptures, including the sanctity of human life, and to simultaneously affirm the values of freedom and human rights that distinguish the United States of America.

**Laws related to church and state were intended to assure freedom for religion, not freedom from religion.**

Neither the words “separation of church and state” nor the concept as we now know it are found in the Constitution. The First Amendment’s establishment of religion clause was devised to protect religious liberty, not to banish religion’s influence on society.

The founders of our country did not want one church or denomination to control the state, They definitely did want religion, specifically the Christian religion, to influence the moral principles and laws of the state. America’s colonists came here to have freedom of religion, not freedom from religion. Their intention was that the moral principles founded in religious beliefs should permeate the social order.

Alcorn, Pro-Life Answers to Pro-Choice Arguments

**To quote our newest cardinal, Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan: “It is a freedom of religion battle. It is not about contraception. It is not about women’s health. We’re talking about an unwarranted, unprecedented, radical intrusion into a church’s ability to teach, serve and sanctify on its own.”**

## COMING EVENTS;

Tuesday, May 1st – New York State Right to Life Lobby Day – Bus from St. Joseph’s parking lot to Albany; no registration fee, \$15 bus/donation – call 588-0168 for details.

Saturday, May 19 – The Care Center, Islandia, Walk For Life, Blydenburgh Park, Hauppauge. Register at [www.carecenter.net](http://www.carecenter.net).

Friday May 25 to Sunday, May 27 – Rachel’s Vineyard Healing Retreat for women and men. [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).



# Weekly Offering



Fiscal Year Beginning 9/1/2011

Sunday, April 22, 2012 Offerings \$17,835  
Same collection last year 17,509

Easter Sunday	TYT	2012	49,740
		2011	48,057
Budget			48,000

Poor Box last weekend \$232

Fuel Collection YTD	\$5,190
Same time last year	7,207
YTD Fuel Cost	11,552

**Weekly Budget Amount \$17,900 YTD Budget \$695,900**

**Collection 18,720 Actual YTD 712,571**

**Shortage -65 Overage +\$16,671**

## \*Pay Down Debt Donations

**This Month \$ 5,719**

**Total Funds 198,658**

**Less Payments made to RVC 143,000**

**Fund Balance \$55,658**

**RVC Loan 604,000**

**Less Payment 143,000**

**Balance \$461,000**

\*Includes Faith Direct Collections for April  
(53 Participating Households)

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

Envelope users : Please enter the amount of your donation on 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**

# Religious Education

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

Website: [RelEd.StJoRonk.org](http://RelEd.StJoRonk.org)

981-1805

### Office Hours

Monday through Thursday


9:00 Am - 3:00 PM



Registration for religious education classes, which begin in October, will start this month. To register a child for the first time, you can find all the forms on line at [reled@stjoronk.org](mailto:reled@stjoronk.org) or call us at 981-1805 to have them sent to you. All others please return the re-registration form your child brought home. Please register as soon as possible to be assured of the time and day that is the most convenient for you.

Rehearsal for the May 5th 10:30 Communion will take place on Wednesday, May 2nd at 4:30PM in the Church.

Rehearsal for the May 5th 1:00 Communion will take place on Thursday, May 3rd at 4:30PM in the Church.



Fr. Boyle's Bible Study Class resumed on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 and will continue through Tuesday, May 15th. Classes are held in Father Carew Hall. Morning session is 10-11:30 am and evening session is 7:30-9 pm. The class is beginning with Second Kings: Chapter 9.

## Outreach Ministry

**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 12 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.*

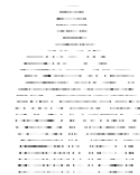
Please give whatever you can- I will gladly add some of my money to yours. Thank you for sharing my heart, and the hope that- someday-no one will ever go hungry.

Sincerely Yours,  
Alan Shawn Feinstein

# St. Joseph School

e-mail: [school@stjoronk.org](mailto:school@stjoronk.org)

website: [www.stjoeronkelem.org](http://www.stjoeronkelem.org)



Congratulations to the following graduates who have maintained an honors standing at St. John the Baptist High School: Travis McQuade, Michael Ramos, Anthony Cruz, Christian Ptak, Nicole Delfino, Caroline Grenier, Jessica Scilingo, Elizabeth Antonucci, Victoria Nicosia, Frank Gullotta, Colleen Ambrico, Emma Barbato, Richard Delfino. Thank you to the administration and faculty of St. Joseph School for establishing and providing a great foundation for our students.

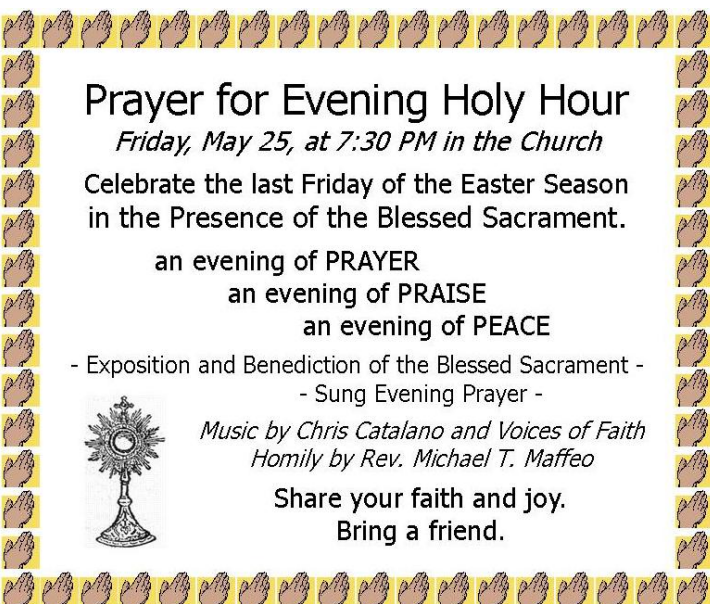
Students in Grades Nursey thru Grade 8 are participating in an Earth Day project. They are recycling all unused technology items, cell phones, computers, hand held game, cartridges etc. Good luck in this endeavor.

Our Horizons project was a terrific success. Students participated in robotics programs, recycling projects, book publishings etc. They will be completing one final project for the school year. Look for more information to follow

## Girls Travel Basketball Tryouts

For girls entering 6th, 7th or 8th grade in September. For more information please contact Dennis at 467-6174.





## Prayer for Evening Holy Hour

*Friday, May 25, at 7:30 PM in the Church*

Celebrate the last Friday of the Easter Season in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

an evening of PRAYER

an evening of PRAISE

an evening of PEACE

- Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament -  
- Sung Evening Prayer -

*Music by Chris Catalano and Voices of Faith*  
*Homily by Rev. Michael T. Maffeo*

**Share your faith and joy.**  
**Bring a friend.**





Please join us on

Sunday, June 3, 2012

At 1:35pm

Along with Cub Scout Pack #272

As they participate in the Ducks Color Guard Program

For the Long Island Ducks VS the York Revolution

At

Bethpage Park

3 Court House Drive, Central Islip, NY 11722

Arrive early (gates open 12:30pm)

1<sup>st</sup> 1500 Fans receive a free logo Baseball and stranger awareness info!!!!

Courtesy of The Rose Brucia Educational Foundation & St. Joseph's College

Cost - \$10.00 per person **Due by April 25th**

Please make checks payable to Pack 272

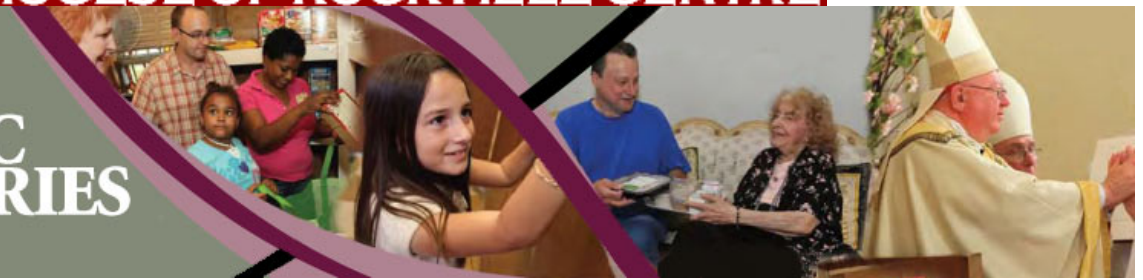
Mrs. Scotti 979-0060

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

# attending \_\_\_\_\_ X's \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**2012  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**



**ONE FAITH, ONE HOPE, MANY GIFTS**

**“WE NEED YOUR HELP”**

It's not too late to make a pledge to the **2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal**. In fact, it may be the perfect time. Are you receiving a tax refund this year? If so, could you make a donation or a pledge to support the good works of the Appeal? There are many ways to give: by check, electronic funds transfer or credit card (take advantage of the company's cash back or air mileage incentives). Your pledge can be paid monthly; you can give a gift of securities or Charitable Gift Annuities. You can even double your donation: Many companies offer their employees a Matching Gift Program. (go to [www.matchinggifts.com/drvc](http://www.matchinggifts.com/drvc) for more information) When you make a pledge, please take a moment to think about the various people you are helping with your sacrifice: men studying for the priesthood, diaconate candidates, young people preparing to receive their Sacraments, hospital patients, the hungry, the poor, those in prison, senior citizens in need and so many others all around us. A pledge of \$200 or more will enter you in a drawing in which ten people will win dinner for two with the parish priests and deacons. Thanks for your generous support of this year's Appeal.

**YEAR-TO-DATE  
COMPARISON**

<b>2011 GOAL</b>	<b>2012 GOAL</b>
<b>\$96,236</b>	<b>\$100,500</b>
<b>PLEDGES</b>	<b>PLEDGES</b>
<b>316</b>	<b>331</b>
<b>\$ PLEDGED</b>	<b>\$ PLEDGED</b>
<b>\$ 69,930</b>	<b>\$76,247</b>

As Catholics, we are called to support those in need. Last year we had a total of *only* 414 pledges. This year we want to see that number increase significantly. Please help us to make it happen so we not only reach our goal of \$100,500 but surpass it and thereby assist others and help St. Joseph's benefit through the rebate to parishes.

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**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

*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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**EVERY GIFT COUNTS!**

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

# Outreach Resources

## Emergency Resources

## Family Resources/Support Groups

### **Response of Suffolk County**

Crisis Hotline

631-751-7620 or 631-751-7500 (hotline 24 hrs./7 days)

[www.responsehotline.org](http://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](http://www.vibs.org) or [www.inforatvibs.org](http://www.inforatvibs.org)

### **Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

**631-666-8833 (hotline)**

[www.sccadv.org](http://www.sccadv.org)

### **The Retreat**

Domestic Violence

631-329-2200 (hotline 24hrs/7 days shelter)

[www.theretreatinc.org](http://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](http://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.)

### **Child Care Council of Suffolk**

631-362-0303

[www.childcaresuffolk.org](http://www.childcaresuffolk.org)

### **Family Service League of Suffolk County**

631-427-3700

[www.fsl.li.org](http://www.fsl.li.org)

### **Hope House Ministries**

631-928-2377

[www.hhm.org](http://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](http://www.co.suffolk.ny.us/health)

### **Haven House/Bridges**

631-231-3619

[www.tsli-hhb.org](http://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**

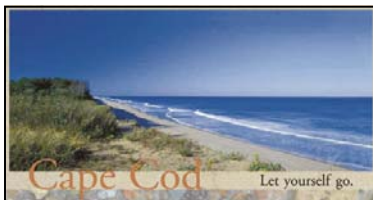
### **Al-Anon Suffolk County**

631-669-2827

[info@AL-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org](mailto:info@AL-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org)



## Cape Cod Trip



**Sept. 4th, 5th, & 6th,** including 2 - breakfasts, 2 - lunches and 2 - dinners. Join us on a trip to Cape Cod where we will be staying at the Heritage House which has an indoor pool and other

amenities. The first day we will visit the JFK museum and the JFK memorial after lunch. Our second day will include a cruise and after lunch a trip to the glass museum. Our last day means a tour of the Cape Cod potato chip factory and then a train ride that includes a complete luncheon. \$420PP/double, \$478/single. If interested and need more details please call Arlene at 631-648-3582.

### **St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center**

e-mail — [sjpo@verizon.net](mailto:sjpo@verizon.net)

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

#### **Parish Outreach**



Through your generosity we were able to help more than **163** people throughout the month of March. Financial assistance for the month of March was **\$5,870.87** 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."**




# Calendar Club



## *The Winners Are*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4/1 #734 Clare & Lou Antonucci \$50	4/2 #187 Steve & Eileen Lorenzen \$25	4/3 #890 Steve & Stefanie Vessa \$25	4/4 #130 Barbara Arabio \$25	<b>Holy Thursday No Drawing</b>	<b>Good Friday No Drawing</b>	<b>Holy Saturday No Drawing</b>
4/8 #281 Spike Drum \$200 EASTER	4/9 #32 Phyllis & Joe Declemente \$25	4/10 #1052 Margaret Walsh \$25	4/11 #1070 Carol & John Weinisch \$25	4/12 #1059 Louis E. Lopez \$25	4/13 #934 Arthur J Weingartner \$25	4/14 #145 Peter Borneman \$25
4/15 #810 Steve & Eileen Lorenzen \$50	4/16 #742 Tom & Carol Gillin \$25	4/17 #381 Florence Cangro \$25	4/18 #431 Barbara Mickelson \$25	4/19 #439 Ann Zoas \$25	4/20 #668 Ray & MaryAlice Griffin \$25	4/21 #412 Fr. Mike Boyle \$25


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



**Banns of Marriage**  
*(First Time)*

*Christianne Danisi of St Joseph and  
Ernesto Reyes of St. Joseph*

*Heather Burke of St. Joseph and  
Christopher Chamberlin*



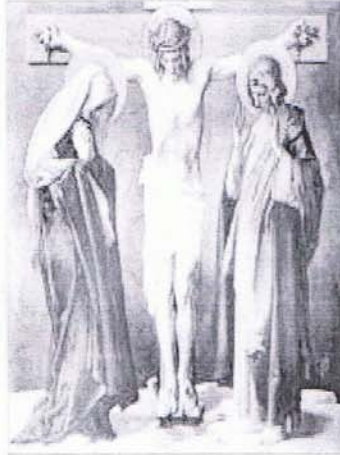
  
**Baptisms**

*Zoe Anise Booker  
Gino Raymond Cappiello  
Dane Henry Fountain  
Liam Joseph Hilbert  
William Peter Sherian*

Legion of Mary

invites you to the

# 3rd Annual Women's Silent Retreat "BEHOLD THY SON"



HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE  
MASS

REFLECTIONS

ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED  
SACRAMENT

CONFESSION  
AVAILABLE

Come ponder "Motherhood" in your heart after the example of Mary. Come pray with Mary for our children and our priests. Come and receive strength to become the "perfect women" we are called to be:

*"Thus the 'perfect woman' (Prov 31:10) becomes an irreplaceable support and source of spiritual strength for other people, who perceive the great energies of her spirit. These 'perfect women' are owed much by their families, and sometimes by whole nations. "Mulieris Dignitatem*

## Friday, 11 May 2012 - Saturday, 12 May 2012

**Seminary of the Immaculate Conception  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY**

COST: \$100 per person (add \$10 if joining us for Friday dinner)  
includes 3 meals on Saturday & private room w/shower

check in Friday between  
1 - 6 p.m.  
Ends Saturday 9 p.m.

SEND CHECK PAYABLE TO ST. PATRICK PARISH TO:

ST. PATRICK RC CHURCH, 284 E. MAIN STREET, SMITHTOWN, NY 11787 ATTN: LEGION OF MARY

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT CORINNE ADISS @ (631) 804-7222

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. arrival time Friday: \_\_\_\_\_



# USING SCRIP MAKES DOLLARS AND SENSE!

## What Is Scrip?

*Scrip gift cards are available in the Rectory Office during regular office hours and in the Church vestibule after most Sunday Masses.*

**Scrip is a term that means, "Substitute Money".**

When you purchase scrip, you're purchasing negotiable gift cards that are used just like cash. The scrip is issued by national and local retailers where you probably already shop. These merchants want to support non-profit organizations, and in return ask you to support them by shopping with scrip at their stores. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials, and with every purchase, you earn revenue for our parish.

## How scrip generates revenue for the parish

A Scrip clearance center acts on behalf of many churches, schools and other non-profit organizations to purchase large amounts of scrip from grocery stores, department stores, and other retailers. Because the scrip is purchased with cash-up-front, the participating retailers offer a substantial discount. We buy the scrip from a scrip clearance center at a discount, and re-sell the cards to you for full face value. The bulk of the discount - from two to fifteen percent or more - is retained by our parish as revenue.

## Scrip is "shopping cart fundraising".

The reason for the effectiveness of scrip is simple: families generate revenue through purchases they would make anyway. Groceries, clothing, toys, gifts; even gasoline can be purchased with scrip. It is estimated that a group of 150 families will spend between one and two million dollars per year on food, clothing and other essentials. If these families use scrip for these purchases, they can raise as much as \$40,000 to \$80,000 per year for the parish -- without spending an additional penny.

## Retailers like Scrip, too.

Families who purchase scrip cards actively support the retailers who participate in this program. The reason is simple... they know that buying from a scrip participating retailer provides a steady source of revenue for their parish community.

## Can I use the scrip cards anywhere?

Yes, the cards are accepted at all participating retailer locations.

## Does it cost a family anything to participate? Do I have to sell anything?

There are no membership fees or application fees. You simply pay face value for the cards you purchase through the parish. The beauty of the scrip concept lies in the fact that you raise money for your parish by using your existing household shopping budget. Some families may enlist relatives, friends and neighbors to buy scrip. But, unlike other fundraising programs, scrip families do not have to "sell" anything to help our parish raise money.



**New!** WE NOW CARRY IN STOCK, TARGET, AÉROPOSTALE, AMERICAN EAGLE, WALGREENS, DAVE & BUSTERS (ALL \$25 DENOMINATIONS) \*\*\*\*\*WALDBAUMS GIFT CARDS CAN BE USED FOR PATHMARK



## *Saint Joseph's*

Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit  
the Life Center of Long Island

***Remember to bring in  
those baby bottles!***

Recently, Saint Joseph's 'kicked-off' its Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit The Life Center of Long Island. The weekend to bring those filled baby bottles in is:

**MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> & 13<sup>TH</sup>  
MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND**

The Life Center is a pregnancy help center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. They provide maternity housing, medical care referrals, cribs, car seats, diapers and ALL other baby items that are needed.

Remember that all it takes is your change in a baby bottle and heartfelt prayer to make a big, positive difference for all those we serve. May every drop of a coin remind you to pray with our whole heart for the lives of our pre born children!

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-U's, 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

abc NEWS

O, THE OPRAH MAGAZINE

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

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





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you're home...*

**INDEPENDENT RETIREMENT COMMUNITY  
ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE  
RESPIRE CARE & SHORT TERM STAY**



**Please join us for an  
OPEN HOUSE**

**May 2012**

Thursday	10 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	31 <sup>st</sup>	1~3pm

**June 2012**

Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm

**July 2012**

Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	1~3pm
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	1~3pm

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## 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) or call the rectory.



## CYO Sport Programs

<http://stjoecyosports.com>

### Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 5-16): Gene ☎588-1879  
 Travel \* (Boys & Girls): 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](mailto: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](mailto: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, April 29th Tonight**  
**Sunday, May 6**

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

*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 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>.

**Faith & Light Meeting** - Friday, May 4th, 7 PM at Parish of the Holy Cross. 95 Old Nichols Rd., Nesconset. Faith and Light is an international faith-sharing organization for people with developmental challenges and their families and care-givers.

**Sister Act Show** - Proceeds to benefit the Life Center of Long Island. Friday, May 4th. Doors open 7 PM, Show time 8 PM. OLPH K of C Hall. 400 S. Broadway, Lindenhurst. \$25 per person includes beer/wine/soda. Bring your own snacks. Visit our website: [www.lifecenterli.org](http://www.lifecenterli.org) or call 631-839-2854 for more information.

**Chinese Auction** - Shrine of St. Anne's Columbiettes. May 11th at 7PM. 96 Second Ave, Brentwood. \$5.00 admission for all. Includes 25 free tickets, first cup of coffee & cake. For more info call Jeanne Dorrian at 631-273-4863.

**Mother's Day Boutique & Tea** - Infant Jesus Parish in the lower church. Corner of Main St. and Myrtle Ave., Port Jeff. Saturday, May 5th 1-4. Admission is \$5.00. Shop for gifts from Mary Kay, experience satin hands and satin lips treatment and receive a free beauty profile. Prizes and special drawings will be held. For more info call Susan at 631-988-1357.

**Fashion Show** - sponsored by Court St. Gerard #1920 CDA. Come join us to see fashions by Dress Barn. Prizes, raffles and much more. Dinner catered by Café Amici's, cost \$30 per person. Date is Friday, June 1, 7 PM at Assumption Parish Center, Crown Acres Rd., Centereach. For tickets, call Louise at 631-648-8396.

**Singles Fellowship** - St. Patrick's Parish, 280 E. Main St., Smithtown, NY. Sunday, May 20, 10am to 12pm. Coffee, tea, cake and conversation & event planning. Come join us and meet a new friend. For more information call the Outreach Dept. at 631-265-2668 (10-2) weekdays.

### St. Joseph Boy Scout Troop 272 Car Wash

#### Fundraiser

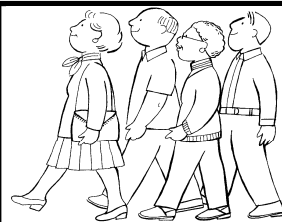
(For Summer Camp Travel & Other Expenses)

May 6th  
8AM—3PM

(Parking Lot Behind Church)



### St. Joseph Seniors



Psst! The word is out! St. Joseph Seniors are seeking new members to join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Meetings are held at the St. Regis Knights of Columbus on Pond Rd. at 11 am. Stop by and be our guest for a cup of coffee or tea or call Arlene at 648-3582 if you have any questions.