

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.

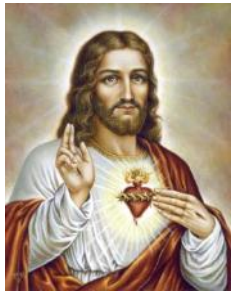
Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. Please join us in this devotion.

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

Our readings today are filled with hope. God was faithful to the promise made to Abram. In Philippians, Paul instructs the Christians that the Lord will give them a new body patterned after his own glorified one in heaven. Jesus' transfiguration on the mountain gives us a glimpse of his glory.

Altar Bread & Wine

*In loving memory of
Elena-Biagio Calamonici
Requested by
Josephine Scala*



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

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

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, Feb. 24

- 7:00 Anna Somma req. by Jim & Arlene
- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Dec'd. Mbrs. of St. Regis K of C & Columbiettes
- 9:00 Mary Sedlock req. by St. Regis Columbiettes
- 10:30 Joseph S. Maffeo req. by Mike, Sue, Kristen & Michael Keller
- 10:30 Thomas Olson req. by The Mitchell & Fasano Families
- 12:00 Raffaella Capp req. by Loving Friends
- 12:00 Grace Bodanzio req. by The Crimaudo Family
- 5:00 Michael Leonick req. by John & Joan Leonick
- 5:00 Marie Califano req. by Phil & Barbara Hoos

Monday, Feb. 25

- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Billy Cronin req. by Loving Mom
- 9:00 Stephen Bauer Jr. req. by Loving Mom, Dad & Family

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Anna & Gasper Crimaudo req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Anthony Dean req. by Harry & Carol Ellis

Wednesday, Feb. 27

- 7:00 Frank Provenzano req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 The Fischer & Donahue Families req. by Charlene Langdon
- 9:00 All Souls in Purgatory req. by Charlene Langdon

Thursday, Feb. 28

- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 William J. Kelleher Sr. req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Jim Gibson req. by Pat Brozinsky
- 9:00 Police Officer Michael Melchiona req. by Henry & Maureen Melchiona

Friday, March 1

- 7:00 Hector Cornielle req. by Jair
- 9:00 Jim Gibson req. by Pat Brozinsky
- 9:00 Aiden Quin req. by Pat Brozinsky

Saturday, March 2

- 8:00 Angelo & Theresa DeFilippo req. by Marie DeFilippo
- 8:00 Joseph Ryan req. by The Balestrieri Family

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Alice Jeney req. by Maureen & Janet
- 5:00 Marie Califano req. by Debbie & Sal Maddaluno

Sunday, March 3

- 7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy req. by Loving Wife Anne
- 7:00 Stephen Suarez req. by Salvatore & Serafina Maraviglia
- 9:00 John W. & Mary T. Biglin req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 John Mongavin req. by The Balkam Family
- 10:30 Richard Fahey req. by Loving Family
- 10:30 Joseph S. Maffeo req. by Cathy Szynaka
- 12:00 Joseph Mendola req. by Robert & Joanne Koepper
- 12:00 Gerald & Patricia Shanley req. by Susan Adamski & Jeanne Miller
- 5:00 Marie Califano req. by Linda Tokarski
- 5:00 Nicholas DeMaio req. by The Dinger Family



From the Pastor's Desk

"This is my chosen Son; listen to him." These words by the Father to the Apostles in the mysterious occasion of the Transfiguration are indeed powerful words. Granted they signal the end of this great moment, but they are words to take to heart. Why did this great epiphany come about, why did Jesus appear as bright as light, and why did Moses and Elijah appear on either side of Him? Luke tells us that this happened while Jesus was in prayer and during that period, the two appeared with Him. He also tells us that the Great Prophet and the Great Law-Giver and the Messiah were speaking about the exodus that Jesus was about to accomplish with His entry into Jerusalem. The word exodus is used, because it reminds the reader/hearer of the Exodus from slavery in Egypt. The Great Exodus led the people to the Promised Land and a life, which not only brought them physical freedom, but also to a better relationship with God. However, the use of this word does not refer to His exodus from this world by His death on the Cross. No, it refers to our exodus from sin and death, which is obtained for us by His death and resurrection. In fact, His resurrection is foreshadowed at this mysterious event, for as Jesus appeared on that mountaintop, so too did He appear on the first Easter Sunday.

This is the reason why this event is read every Second Sunday of Lent. It is to remind us what we are truly looking forward to celebrate, and what we are preparing ourselves for at the end of this season. But Lent does more than prepare us for Easter; Lent calls us to recreate ourselves, with the help of God through the one whom He sent. It calls us to listen to the Son and follow His words and examples, so we too can be transfigured. Keep in mind that Moses and Elijah also appeared as Jesus did on the mountain, as they had already been set free from sin and death with the help of God, they and all of the members of The Communion of Saints. Recall last week how Jesus resisted Satan in the desert, and how Luke wanted us to know that He defeated him not just, because Jesus is the Son of God, but because Jesus is totally dedicated to God the Father. Luke wants us to remember that if we are totally dedicated to the Father, we too can tell the Devil where to go! Again, (for this week) Luke is telling us, that with the same dedication and acceptance of the Father's greatest gift to us, we can be transfigured, but not just at the Second Coming, we can be transfigured here and now. As Jesus told Martha in John's Gospel, at the tomb of Lazarus, "I am the resurrection and the life." Jesus did not say I will be but I am! He tells us all that we can rise to new life with Him every single

day, if we follow Him. He tells us that we can change here and now, if we allow Him to help us.

That is why Luke hints to us that Peter misses the point of the whole event when he said, "Master it is good that we are here; let us make three tents..." Then Luke remarks that he did not know what he was saying. Luke is not telling us this, to imply that Peter was so excited that he said whatever came out of his mouth. No, he is pointing out that Peter was so caught up in the moment that he did not want it to end. What is so wrong with that? Well what Peter did not understand was this was not a one-time event and something that was fleeting; no it is something that we should be feeling everyday, right now! But what if I am not feeling this is there something wrong with me? Not at all, many of us, me included, are so caught up with this world and its way of life that we tend to lose touch with our spiritual life and our relationship with our loving Father. This is what Paul is telling us in today's letter, "Their minds are occupied with earthly things." So what are we to do? That is easy, talk to God, thank God, celebrate the Sacraments and remember that our citizenship is in Heaven. Also, use this Lent well, and allow it to help you transform your life, so everyday we can appear as bright as light.

Remember the Catholic Ministries Appeal and if you have not made a pledge to this appeal that helps so many people in our Diocese, especially if the destruction caused by Super Storm Sandy. Last year thanks to your generosity, St. Joseph's saw a rebate of over \$20,000 which helped us a great deal to carry out our work. I know we can do it again, because we always want to help anyone in need. That is St. Joseph's special gift and I thank God for it everyday. Please pray about your pledge and remember a pledge of \$200 or more gets you in a raffle for ten dinners for two with the Parish Priests, Deacons and Staff (wow).

Happy Lent
Fr. Mike



Pray for the Sick

Lynn Abeze	Janet LaGuarina
Nilo Alvarado	Kenny Landgrover
John Bertone	Agnes Lane
Dottie Bially	Alfred LaRocca
Jane Bickel	Alfred LaRocca Jr.
Ryan Blair	Kevin Latini
MaryAnn Bonitz	Nicole Laudadio
Charles Brechter	Marie Lemakos
Henry G. Brechter	Ida Lucivero
Anthony Bruton	Vito Lucivero
Vivian Catuogno	Agnes Ludwigson
Doreen Childs	Claire McQuillan
Mary Chilingirian	Carolyn Martins
Anthony Chindamo	Eugene Merkle
Jose Chipe	Nichole Mignone
Marie Cintron	Catherine Mucha
Martin Condit	Ray Nicchia
Cathy Connolly	Helen Onufrak
Victor Crema	Baby Olivia Faith Penta
Michael Cussen	Anna Pepe
Richard Delamater	Barbara Petersen
Michael DePinto	Susan Piercoco
Salvatore Desiderio	Gary Plouffe
Rose DePinto	Donna Marie Priolo
Martin Diomede	Mason Plouffe
Ann Doherty	Nicole Ramaglia
Batist Eichelsdorfer	Baby Aidan Reichel
Sharon T. Eichler	Joan Reilly
Lois Emma	Anna Reynolds
Michael Emma	Baby Emma Grace Riccio
Lucy Erraught	Maryann Rossi
Ellen Fava	Angela Rose Russo
Louis Fava	Ann Sabourin
S Fay	Dawn Saporito
Jim Fenyak	Denise Savage Harper
Robert Filce	Anthony Scardino
Carl Freiermuth	Donna Sibilio
Eileen Fuschi	Angela Stoner
Melissa G	Matthew Swenson
Anthony Gianfortone	Richard Troiano
Brian Ginsberg	Lloyd Turnier
Marie & Frank Guidice	Priscilla Vero
Joe Hartman	Theresa Vlahos
Jean Hofmann	Mary Yodice
Erica House	Frank Yodice
William Hughes	Carol Walsh
Margaret & Jasper Indelicato	Larry Walsh
Thomas Jankay	Briana Wilson
Nanette P. LaFranca	Alison Zerah
Mary Jo L'Ambrose	

PRAY FOR 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

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



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—

Conor Wood, Rose Mary Michels, Joseph DeCicco, Margaret Johnston, Nancy Smith
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*



Respect Life

'AS FAR AS I KNOW, A 'MASS OF CELLS' DOESN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO KICK MY STOMACH'.

So said a young expectant mother when urged to 'take care of the problem and have an abortion, because " it's only a mass of cells, anyhow."

That young mother was a woman named Katie Farrell. She gave birth to her son, Tyler, on January 22, 2011, coincidentally as it turned out, on the 38th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Katie intended to bring her son to the March For Life the following January; tragically she lost her life by an act of senseless violence. However, this past January, her son did attend the March For Life with relatives and friends who recognized the love and devotion Katie had for her child and for the fact that against all advice to the contrary, she did not abort him; she was completely pro-life. It drew attention from the media; Newsday has published two letters re this so far. And it's a story that deserves to be told. Go to Katie's Way.org for more information.

Come to **CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL**, Wednesday, March 20, 2013, Albany, NY. Registration is now open for Catholics at the Capitol, the annual public policy day of the NYS Catholic Conference to be held Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center at the State Capitol Complex in Albany. Join Cardinal Timothy Dolan and the Bishops of New York State and more than 1,000 Catholic New Yorkers from around the state, for a day of public policy advocacy, including meetings with your elected officials. The day will conclude with Mass with Cardinal Dolan and the Bishops at the nearby Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre will hold a workshop prior to the convocation, to brief all those who plan to attend in Albany, on the day's topics. This workshop will be held on March 6th, at Holy Trinity High School in Hicksville, at 6:45 pm to 9 pm...- Please call 516-733-7059 to register.

This workshop/convocation will address the issues of the day, as follows:

1. Oppose the radical abortion bill which expands abortion and threatens religious liberty
2. Preserve Catholic schools and provide equitable resources for all school children
3. Develop affordable housing for low-income and vulnerable populations
4. Support humane treatment for incarcerated individuals
5. Ensure that Medicaid redesign provides benefit to consumers and does not diminish quality of care

We look forward to a large group attending both workshops/convocations. If you cannot make either event, please send your prayers for our participants, that they may be effective advocates for the most vulnerable members of our society.

Weekly Offering



Fiscal Year Beginning 9/1/2012

Sunday, Feb. 17, 2013 Offerings	\$5,462	"OUCH"
Same collection last year	16,393	
Poor Box Last Week	166	

<i>Fuel</i> Collection YTD	\$ 3,975
Same time last year	3,475
YTD Fuel Cost	8,778

Wkly. Budget. Amt.	\$18,550	YTD Budget	\$513,200
Collection Sunday	5,462	Actual YTD	511,259
Weekly Shortage	-13,088	YTD Shortage	-1,941

***Pay Down Debt Donations**

This Month	\$ —
Total Funds	261,979
Less Payments made to RVC	210,000
Fund Balance	\$51,979

RVC Loan	605,000
Less Payment	210,000
Balance	\$395,000

*Includes Faith Direct Collections for February
(57 Participating Households)

If you missed last week due to the Snow Storm, 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**



**USING SCRIP
MAKES
DOLLARS
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.**

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 1 recital of prayers and book return will take place on Saturday, March 2nd and again on Saturday, March 16th from 10:30-12 noon in Carew Hall. Please come at your assigned time.

Level 2 parent meetings will take place on Wednesday, February 27th at 7:30 pm and again on Thursday, February 28th at 10am. Both will take place in Carew Hall. Please attend one of these meetings for First Communion.

Level 7 will have the opportunity celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, March 4th at 7:15 in the Church.

Parish Lenten Renewal

On the weekend of March 16/17, 2013, Al Barbarino will be a guest singer & speaker at St. Joseph. He will sing/speak at each of the Masses & offer a Lenten Mission on March 18, 19, & 20th at 7:30 PM. At the end of each Mass and Renewal his CD's will be available. Your support will also help the needy of our parish.



Please try to attend the Lenten Renewal. The focus will be on **Living the Faith as Catholics in Today's World.**

St. Joseph School

e-mail: school@stjoronk.org



Congratulations to the following students who have graduated from our school and who have attained honor role in their high school.

Jonathan Pham, Cynthia Ferriolla, Isabella Barsalona, Jessica Guerra, Alissa Guerra, Christian Ison, Ryan Kutch, Patrick McCormack, Madison Murphy, Austin Nguyen, Jessica Sabourin, Clarisse Sicut.

Congratulations to the following students who are presently in our school and who will be attending the Diocesan Honor Band Concert.

Luke Ambrosio, Raina Barbato, Allison Guerra, Joseph LaPorta, Elina McAteer, Joseph Prieter, Emily Webb, Natalie Webb.

Congratulations to Mr. Charles Kutch. Mr. Kutch is a graduate of Cathedral Prep High School and has been inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame. Mr. Kutch has 2 children who presently attend our school and 2 students who are graduates of St. Joseph's. He and his wife are faithful supporters of our school and Catholic Education. Mr. Kutch, along with his many other responsibilities is the Sports Coordinator for our Catholic Middle School Athletic Program. Both Congratulations and thanks go to Mr. Kutch and his family.

Thank you to Mrs. Rainone, Mr. & Mrs. DePersio, Mr. Keller and all parents who are supportive to our school and our efforts who made the production of "Annie" such a memorable one. We had two enjoyable performances, in spite of the snowstorm. The children had a great time and will have great memories to cherish along with great friendships.

Tours are available by contacting the Main Office daily between 8:30 and 3:00. If you are interested in enrolling your child for the 2013 - 2014 school year please call the office at 588-4760.



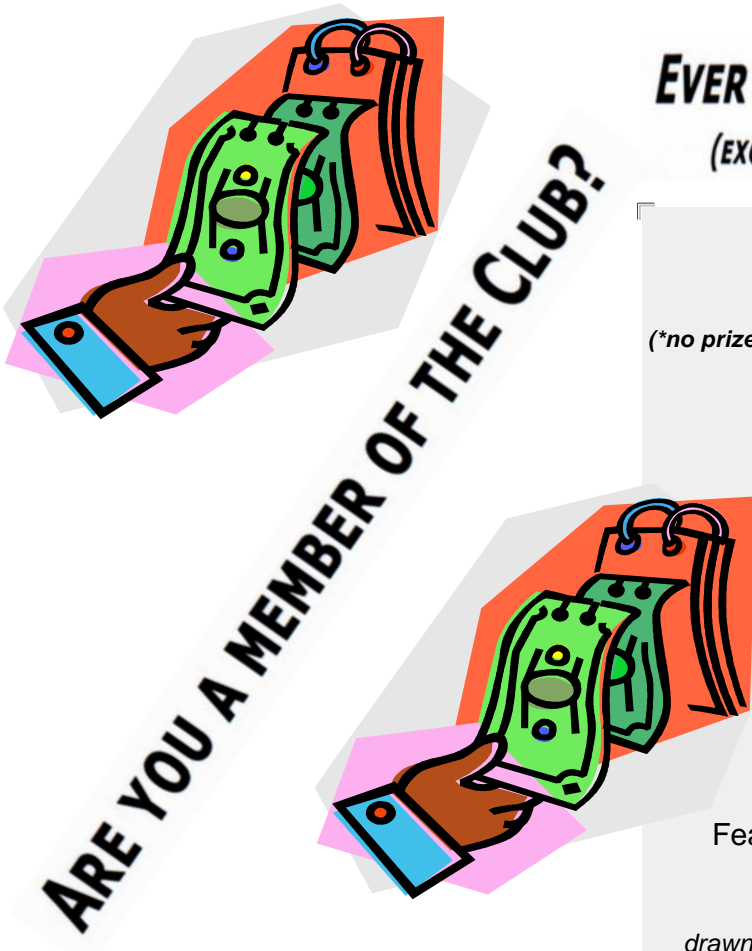
"LIVING THE EUCHARIST"

"Living the Eucharist" is a Paulist Lenten Program of reflecting on Lenten Sunday readings and deepening our experience of the Eucharistic Celebration. It is the second of the Three year Lenten Program which will be held at the Rectory Room B on Thursdays from 10-11 AM. This program will be animated by Fr. Thomas & Team. Come and reflect on the Lenten readings and Eucharistic Celebration as a Lenten preparation for Easter.

Calendar Club 2013

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

(EXCEPT HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND HOLY SATURDAY)



Calendar Club 2013 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

MEMBERSHIP DONATION IS \$25 PER "CALENDAR".

GET FIVE MEMBERSHIPS FOR A DONATION OF \$100.

Sign me up for Calendar Club 2013

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 2013



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2/17 #751 Sally Hausner \$50	2/18 #1172 Rich & Leslie Maynard \$25	2/19 #623 Mary & Louis Scotti \$25	2/20 #98 Clare & Lou Antonucci \$25	2/21 #920 C Muhlenforth & L. Sampson \$25	2/22 #651 Marie & Roger Koferl \$25	2/23 #189 Fr. Mike Maffeo \$25

Calling All Knitters and Crocheters

Do you love to knit or crochet? Share this love with your fellow parishioners and do a good work at the same time. There is a need for baby hats for premature babies, lap blankets for those in hospice care, scarves for breast cancer patients, as well as many other ongoing projects which will bring comfort to persons in these situations.



We are hoping to form a group to do this loving work. (perhaps on Monday morning at 10:30 to 12:00.) Please call Virginia Catalano at 631-724-8586 if you are interested in helping out.

St. Regis Columbiettes



Council 4651

P.O. Box 57

Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

St. Regis Columbiettes Membership Drive

Find out more about joining St. Regis Columbiettes. Only requirement is that you have to be a Catholic lady and over 17. We are the largest Ladies Catholic Organization in the United States. For the past 50 years we have dedicated much time and effort in support of St. Joseph and neighboring parishes also many charities of Suffolk County and our local Community. This is also a great way of making new friends. For more information, please call Rosemary at 648-3090

Baptisms

Dylan Richard Bernstein

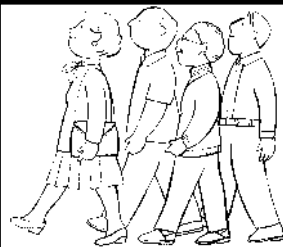
David John Carvella III

Mason Marcus Goff

Cameron Alexander Haggerty

Colin James O'Donnell

Francesco Joseph Visone



St Joseph Catholic Seniors

Psst! The word is out! St. Joseph Catholic 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.



2013

Ashes, Prayers & Stations

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.

Saturday at 8AM

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

Parish Lenten Renewal

Living as Catholic Christians in Today's World

"Inspirational Music and an Awakening and Deepening of our Faith"

Renewal Evenings will be held on March 18th, 19th and 20th at 7:30 PM. The Parish Lenten Renewal will be led by Al Barbarino, a Lay Franciscan of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. He is an internationally known inspirational recording artist for the benefit of the poor, counselor to incarcerated youth in NYC and a member of the Knights of Columbus. Al speaks about our faith on a practical, everyday level.

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 - March 25th - after the 7 & 9 AM masses, 4-5PM and 7-8:30PM

Wednesday of Holy Week - March 27th - after the 7 & 9AM masses

Holy Saturday - March 30th - 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 at 7:00 PM: Feb. 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15 and 22.

Lenten Retreat on the Mysteries of the Rosary

On Fridays, February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22 join us at 7:35 pm in creative devotion as we reflect on the Mysteries of the Rosary. Listen to a scripture reading for each mystery; consider a reflection for our spiritual growth; sing songs of praise; and, of course, pray the Rosary. (follows shortly after the Stations of the Cross)

Lenten Feast Days

Celebrate with us two of our favorite patron saints - St. Patrick and St. Joseph. There will be a St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 10th, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. **On March 16th we will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph with a dinner in Carew Hall following the 5:00 PM 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 March 23
5:00

Sunday March 24
7,9,10:30 AM
12 Noon
5:00PM

Holy Thursday

March 28th

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

March 29th

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

March 30th

9:00

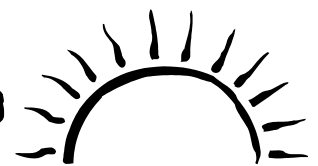
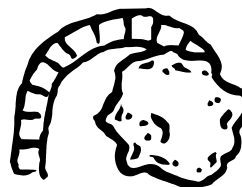
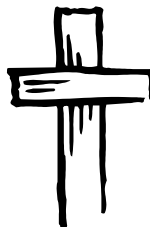
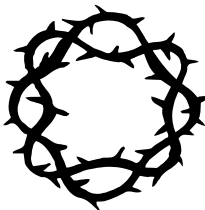
Morning Prayer and
Blessing of Easter food

10-12 Noon

Confessions for those
unable to attend other
services.

7:30

Easter Vigil Liturgy





BOY SCOUT TROOP 272
13th Annual Pancake Breakfast
& Chinese Auction Fundraiser



Sunday, March 17, 2013
8 AM – 12 PM



Saint Joseph R.C. Church
Carew Hall (below Church)
45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma

Tickets May Be Purchased At the Door *or* In Advance
From Our Scouts **March 3rd** and **10th** after all Masses
From **Audra** via email at audra631@optonline.net or phone **631-737-1187**



\$5 Adult
\$3 kids 3-12 yrs
2 and under FREE!



CHINESE AUCTION

Drawing to be Held at 12:30 PM Same Day

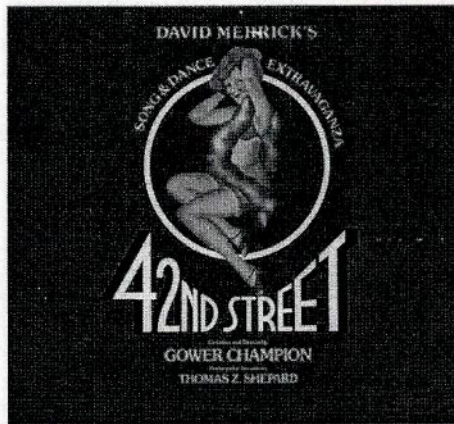
Featured Prizes: 32" Toshiba TV, iPad mini, 12 bottle wine cooler



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OF THE
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Court St. Joseph #975

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL PERFORMANCE



CM Performing Arts Center - 931 Montauk Highway, Oakdale, NY 11769

Sunday, July 28 at 2:00 PM (includes complimentary bagels)

Regular ticket price is \$25

**If you pay for your tickets before March 3, you can take advantage of our
Early Bird Pricing of just \$20!**

Use the handy tear off below and mail your check payable to **Court St. Joseph** today!

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TO: Michele Yuskiewicz, Vice Regent, Court St. Joseph 975, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

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YOUR ADDRESS _____

YOUR PHONE NUMBER _____

Tickets @ \$20 EACH (if paid before March 3) _____ X 20 = \$ _____ enclosed

Tickets @ \$25 EACH (if paid after March 3) _____ X 25 = \$ _____ enclosed

A Spiritual Journey through the New Testament for the 21st Century

Discover the means of meeting the challenges to living our faith in the 21st Century and understanding the nature of truth and suffering in our lives.

Starting Thursdays in Lent at 7:30 PM in Carew Hall Room 21

Presented by Deacon Joseph J. Califano



Parish Lenten Renewal



On the weekend of March 16/17, 2013, Al Barbarino will be a guest singer & speaker at St. Joseph. He will sing/speak at each of the Masses & offer a **Lenten Mission on March 18, 19 & 20th** at 7:30 PM. At the end of each Mass and Renewal his CD's will be available. Your support will also help the needy of our parish.

Please try to attend the Lenten Renewal. The focus will be on **Living the Faith as Catholics in Today's World.**

Paschal Candle Memorials

If you would like to memorialize the Paschal Candle for the upcoming year please fill out and return this form with your donation of \$100 to the Rectory.

<i>Paschal Candle Memorial</i>	
Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	Parishioner ID#
In Memory Of:	



St. Joseph's Seniors

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island



Visit the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island with the 18 Foot Statue of Mary sitting on a Glacier Rock. We will celebrate Mass and have time to explore the grounds including the Avenue of the Saints, Stations of the Cross and the Rosary Walk, a beautiful way to pray the Rosary outdoors. After lunch at a local waterfront restaurant we will make a stop at a Farm Stand famous for it's baked goods.

Wednesday " May 8, 2013

\$66 Per Person (Includes tips and donation)

Call Arlene @ 631-648-3582

- 8:30 AM Depart St. Joseph's parking lot for Manorville, NY.
- 9:30 AM Arrive at Shrine. Enjoy leisure time to visit Avenue of the Saints, Stations of the Cross, do the Rosary Walk and more (golf carts provided)
- 11:30 AM Mass
- 12:15 PM Lecture by Priest about Shrine.
- 1:00 PM Depart for Greenport.
- 2:00 PM Lunch at Sound View Restaurant. (Broiled Flounder, Roast Beef or Chicken Francaise)
- 4:00 PM Depart for Briermere Farms to shop for Produce and Fresh Baked Goods.
- 5:15 PM Depart for home.



BOY SCOUT PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, March 9, 2013

1:00 pm to 5:30 pm
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
440 West Neck Road
Huntington, New York



The Boy Scout Pilgrimage is an opportunity for scouts to visit a seminary, the place where men study to become a priest. Scouts working on the Ad Altare Dei Religious Emblem will find the Pilgrimage most helpful in completing Chapter 7, Holy Orders, in the Ad Altare Dei Scout Manual.

All will tour the seminary, meet a seminarian, learn about the daily life of a seminarian, and visit the refectory for a snack. The day will conclude with Mass at 5:00 p.m. in the Seminary Chapel. Parents, drivers, families are invited to attend this Mass.

There is a fee of \$ 5.00, which includes a snack and special Seminary Patch. Please pre-register by sending a check (payable to: Catholic Committee) for those attending. Adults wishing a patch or snack are asked to pay the fee. **PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE.**

For information or to obtain a registration form, contact Catholic Scouting Office, PO Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023 or call (516)678-5800 Extension 245 or e-mail Scouting@DRVC.org

SPRING HAS SPRUNG 50/50 CASH RAFFLE



TICKETS ARE \$10 EACH; 3 FOR \$25
DRAWING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 16th
AT THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH DINNER
(WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT)

PRIZE AMOUNT DETERMINED BY TICKET SALES
HALF GOES TO ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
HALF TO ONE LUCKY WINNER

☺ *I would like to purchase tickets.* ☺

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Number of tickets requested _____

*If you would like different names on each ticket please list the info on the back of this form. The tickets will be mailed to you, not to individuals.

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

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.)

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

Al-Anon Suffolk County

631-669-2827
info@AL-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org



St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center

e-mail — sjpo@verizon.net website — <http://outreach.stjoronk.org>

Parish Outreach



Through your generosity we were able to help more than **170** people throughout the month of January. Financial assistance for the month of January was **3,720.00**. 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."**



USING SCRIP MAKES DOLLARS 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.**



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On February 13th, the Church will enter once again into the forty days of Lent. From Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord's Supper, we will follow the ancient and more recent customs of our Church, journeying with Christ toward Easter. In this Year of Faith, this Lent has an added urgency because the faith that sets us free is often ignored, ridiculed, denied and even attacked. Our response must always be to pray to God to give us the strength "to increase our faith" and so become ever more faithful witnesses to God's love and His presence in a world that is becoming ever more indifferent to Him and His Son's message of salvation.

The Bishops of the United States this past November issued an Exhortation on the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, *God's Gift of Forgiveness*, which can be found at www.usccb.org as well as on our diocesan website, www.drvc.org. It is brief and comes from our hearts. I make that message mine to you at the beginning of this Lent.

When the Risen Christ greets the apostles in the upper room saying *Peace be with You*, He gives them the extraordinary command: *Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them*. As He did for them, He tells us bishops and priests to do for you in His name. And that is exactly what is offered to each and every one of us in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. *The Church sees confession as so important that she requires that every Catholic go to Confession at least once a year*. It is important for us to hear this again today when too many have let the practice of Confession fall out of their lives. In this Year of Faith and in this time, when Pope Benedict calls us to participate in a New Evangelization of our lives, our Church and our society, he also tells us that *The New Evangelization...begins in the confessional*.

In our Diocese we have long had the grace-filled practice of dedicating the Monday of Holy Week to making priests available in the confessionals of every parish from 3:00PM to 9:00PM. Our neighbors in Brooklyn and New York now join us in this. Some years ago I wrote a letter to all of you on the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. I urged our priests to offer the sacrament more often than Saturdays before the Vigil Mass and as frequently as the priest could so that the sacrament would be more available for us all. I repeat that now with an urgent prayer to God that all of us, the faithful of this Diocese, experience the healing and freeing merciful life of God through this supreme sacrament of forgiveness and renewal of life.

Pope Benedict reminds us that faith and the Christian life is not a theory or a lofty idea, it is an encounter with a person *Who gives life a new horizon and a decisive dimension*. This Lent I pray that, whatever our Lenten works of prayer and fasting and works of charity are, they might be purified and made ever more beautiful from hearts cleansed by the grace of God's merciful love in the sacrament of forgiveness, His saving love poured forth into the world through the death and resurrection of His Son.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre

2013 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



ALMSGIVING IN LENT

During the **Lenten Season** we are asked to *pray, fast and give alms*. Please pray for those in need; whether it is for their physical, material, emotional or spiritual needs.

While you practice fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those who are hungry on Long Island and consider sharing your gifts with them. One way to do this is by making a donation to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, which supports programs that help to feed seniors and families in need in our community. If you would like more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal please visit their website, www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org or call 516-379-5210 ext. 2. Thank you for your prayers and your generous support.

Serving God by Serving Others



This year our Goal is \$105,000.00. We hope that everyone will do their part to help us reach the goal so we are **'Serving God by Serving Others'**. In doing so, we will also be helping our own parish. Last year we received a rebate of approximately \$22,000 and we would love to be able to achieve that again this year. When we support the **Catholic Ministries Appeal** we are in fact, helping ourselves by helping others. What a wonderful way to live our faith through sharing our gifts with those around us and our own Parish family as well . Please give whatever you can. Thank you.

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CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PARISH OF DONOR St Joseph Church Ronkonkoma NY 11779 Parish #146

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

St. Regis' Annual Grand Marshal's Ball

Honoring
This year's Grand Marshal
**Suffolk County Legislator
John M. Kennedy, Jr.**



**Sat. March 2, 2013 ~ 8:00 p.m. to Midnight
St. Regis Hall, Pond Rd., & Rosevale Ave.**

Dinner, Open Bar, Entertainment

\$35.00 per person

Contact Jimmy Tallman for tickets 917-440-1955





YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, St. Joseph's Parish offers an up-beat 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 & 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): Rob ☎721-8831

**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, March 3rd

Sunday, April 7th

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.

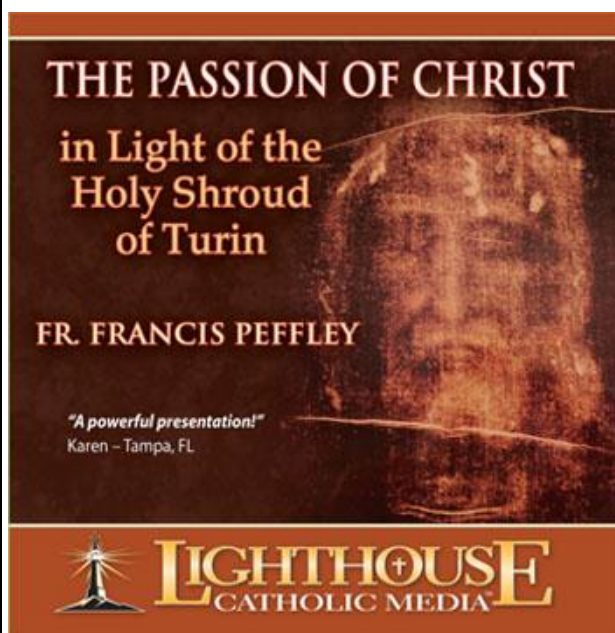
Professional Therapy - provided by NYS licensed therapists, are available to our parish & 80 other parishes. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center which is independent of & not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For information & appointment, call Dr. Giuliani at 243-2503 or visit our website at <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.net>.

The Beginning Experience - Weekend March 1-3 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore. The program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning and move into the future with renewed hope. Turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. For info and reservations, call John at 516-822-0635, Jim at 718-474-3779 or Karen at 201-736-8200. You can also e-mail us at BeginningExperienceLI@hotmail.com

Spiritual Care Companion - Catholic Health Services of LI sponsors this free three-week training, for volunteers of all faiths, with basic pastoral care skills and information to become a caring, attentive, listening presence. Our training includes communication skills, concerns of the sick and homebound and adults with special needs, spiritual companionship, grief, death & dying, ethical issues and more. Information session is Sat. , Feb. 9th from 9:30-11:30 AM. Trainings are Sat., March 9th, 23rd and April 6th fro, 9:30-3:30. at Catholic Health Services of LI. 245 Old Country Rd., Melville, NY 11747. To register, please call Carol Cella at 631-465-6307 or Trish Luvin at 631-465-6306 or Jo-Andrew at 631-465-6308.

Holy Cross - Faith and Light Meeting. Friday, March 1st at 7 PM. 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)

Week #4 - The Passion of Christ In Light of the Holy Shroud of Turin



The Holy Shroud of Turin was called the greatest relic in Christendom by Pope John Paul II. In fact, the Shroud is the most studied scientific object in the entire world. Fr. Peffley presents new and detailed scientific and medical evidence for the authenticity of the Holy Shroud. This presentation brings greater clarity as to the depth of the agony of our Lord's sorrowful Passion, which he voluntarily took on for love of us.

Parishioner Comments

This brought me face to face with the intense suffering of Jesus and inspires me to live my life much more deeply committed to Him.

Phyllis - Williston, VT

Fr. Peffley answered ALL the questions I had about the shroud. After listening to this presentation, I came away with a much deeper love for Christ's Love for us on the Cross.

Aaron - Elburn, IL