

# 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.

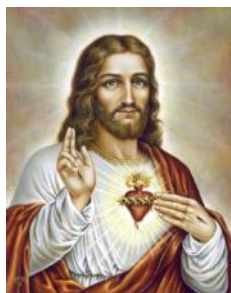
Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. Please join us in this devotion.

## 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

Ezekiel describes himself as the *watchman* entrusted with the task of looking out for God's people and preaching God's word. Saint Paul reminds the Romans that all the commandments are underpinned by the great commandment to love. Jesus challenges his disciples not to hide their disagreements but to seek reconciliation.

### Altar Bread & Wine

*In Honor of  
Carol A. Walsh  
Requested by  
Greg*



### ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

Many parishioners support St Joseph's in the weekly collection and in other ways but are not listed in our census. We would like to serve you better and make sure that you are given proper credit for your donations. *If you do not receive mail from us, you are probably not in our census.*

**Please send us the following information and we will send you a census card.**

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

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cellphone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive contribution envelopes? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to contribute weekly or monthly? \_\_\_\_\_

Can you share your time or talent with our parish? \_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to do? \_\_\_\_\_

When is the best time to contact you? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please drop in the collection basket or bring to the office or mail to  
St. Joseph R.C. Church, 45 Church St, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779**

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Sunday, Sept. 7 (Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 John & Mary Biglin req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Regina Barrowclough req. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Boglino Sr.
- 10:30 Iris & Francis McQuillan req. by Claire
- 10:30 Claire & Jim McQuillan req. by Loving Family
- 10:30 Angela Vitello req. by The Heilemann Family
- 12:00 Arthur Licata req. by The Balestrieri Family
- 12:00 Dominic Gallo req. by The Sabourin Family
- 5:00 Jerzy Karasiew req. by The Pinzone & Marton Families
- 5:00 Antionette Denish req. by Judy Noore

### Monday, Sept. 8

- 7:00 Kate Colbert req. by William & MaryAnn Connor
- 9:00 Edward Cronin req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 All Souls in Purgatory req. by Dcn. Frank Dell'Aglio

### Tuesday, Sept. 9

- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 8:45 Rose Savino req. by Frank & Linda Rapisardi
- 8:45 Sante Giulielti req. by The Grippo Family

### Wednesday, Sept. 10

- 7:00 Diane Valle req. by Family of Diane Bretz, Darlene & Doreen
- 9:00 Aurora DeSensi req. by Loving Daughter
- 9:00 Thomas L. Fraker req. by Loving Wife Ann

### Thursday, Sept. 11

- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Jeff McGunnigle (LIVING) req. by Chris O'Brien
- 9:00 Margaret Villanueva req. by Carmen Villanueva
- 7:30 For the 911 Victims

### Friday, Sept. 12

- 7:00 Edie Ryan req. by Loving Family
- 9:00 Frank Dell'Aglio IV (LIVING) req. by Dcn. Frank Dell'Aglio
- 9:00 Frank Dell'Aglio II req. by Dcn. Frank Dell'Aglio

### Saturday, Sept. 13

- 8:00 Lloyd Probst req. by Ruffina & Family
- 8:00 Adelaide Kuras req. by Antoinette & Dan Ventola

### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Theresa & Bill Foy req. by Jim & Cathy Foy
- 5:00 Marino Butiu req. by The Kelly Family

### Sunday, Sept. 14 (The Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

- 7:00 For the Dec'd. Mbrs. of the Drew Family req. by Loving Family
- 7:00 Luciano Sapienza req. by Antoinette Ventola
- 9:00 Joseph J. Onufrak req. by Loving Mother & Family
- 9:00 Aniela Huzar req. by Loving Granddaughter
- 9:00 Franklin M. Duarte req. by Loving Wife
- 10:30 Pray to End Abortion req. by St. Regis K of C
- 10:30 Claire & Jim McQuillan req. by Cathy Szynaka
- 12:00 Philip Lombardi req. by Loving Family
- 12:00 Fr. Douglas Arcoleo (LIVING) req. by The Balestrieri Family
- 12:00 For the Newly Elected Officers of the K of C
- 5:00 James Simonelli req. by Mr. & Mrs Robert Bizzarro
- 5:00 Raymond & Angelo Caceci req. by Loving Family



## What does everyday mercy look like?

The following, written by Vinita Hampton Wright, is from the August 29 - September 11, 2014 edition of National Catholic Reporter

The publishing company I work for recently released the U.S. edition of *The Church of Mercy* by Pope Francis. This book conveys the pope's vision for a church that could become a healing force in the world simply by communicating and demonstrating the mercy of God.

Little wonder that the word *mercy* beat in my heart for weeks and along with it the question: What does mercy look like? How might I become a person of mercy? In the Christian vocabulary, mercy is a forgiving response to wrongdoing; it is God's countermove to our sin.\*

Having lived intentionally as a Christian for more than 40 years, I have avoided the easily labeled sins, acts that would require my arrest or resignation. Yet, I am a persistent sinner. When a reporter asked Francis, "Who are you?" and he answered, "I am a sinner," I knew that at least I'm in good company. Our pope has named, however, the grand antidote to sin, which is mercy.

As I move through this day, how will I live mercifully? What words and actions will express to others around me the mercy Francis is talking about? In a given day, I do ordinary things, and I traverse a fairly unexciting landscape. My mercy will not show up in grand gestures, and most of the time mercy reveals itself in fleeting moments.

For example, mercy gives you his seat on the bus, acting as if he was about to get up anyway rather than making you feel that he is doing you a favor. Mercy does not let out that sigh -- you know the one -- the wordless disapproval toward the person in the check-out line ahead of you whose card didn't swipe, or who can't find her coupons, or whose toddler is having a meltdown. Mercy offers quiet sympathy and does not convey with her body language that this holdup is ruining her day. Sometimes mercy chooses not to send back the food that isn't just right, simply because the waitress looks overwhelmed.

When mercy has been wronged, the offended one does not make it difficult for the offender to apologize or ask forgiveness. In fact, mercy does not wait for the other's action but forgives so quickly that the person needing forgiveness is freer to ask for it. Likewise, at work, at home or in the classroom, mercy creates an atmosphere in which a person feels safe enough to admit his mistake or ask a question. And if mercy must correct someone, it pains her to do it, and she does so gently, without vindictive relish.

Mercy makes a habit of giving others the benefit of the doubt. Mercy is not in the habit of sending deadly glares at people who are annoying. Mercy gives charitably, knowing that eventually someone will take advantage of his generosity. Mercy welcomes you, fully aware that this act may disrupt her own plans.

Mercy relinquishes control when doing so allows another person to grow and learn. Mercy makes it his business to help others succeed. Mercy clears the way for others, so that they can walk on an even path, no matter how halting their steps or injured their souls.

In all these situations, mercy treats power as a sacred trust. I can be merciful because I have some sort of power, the means to affect another's life, if only for a moment. I act mercifully when I use my power to do kindness in this world.

I was at a conference recently, and it was interesting to observe how the well-known, powerful people wore their power, how they responded to others' admiration, how they spoke to those who were not so well-known or admired. Some used their power to make room for others and invite their voices; others used their power to dominate the space and the conversation.

In my own work, I have achieved a certain level of expertise and others' respect. When I sit in a room with colleagues, they feel the weight of my opinions. With a sentence or a glance, I can crush or I can encourage. I can open up the conversation or shut it down.

Most of my sins involve failure at mercy. Whether through my unhelpful opinion of someone, my silent sentences that criticize him, my words grinding away in the privacy of a moving car, my neglect to help, or my refusal to notice when help is needed -- each failure of mercy denies the community a bit of healing that might have happened.

Thus, mercy has become my new sin detector, a personal barometer. "Am I showing mercy?" makes for self-assessment that is simple, direct, and difficult to misinterpret.

*\* My experience at McGann-Mercy High School taught me that mercy is a little bit more than a forgiving response to wrongdoing. Mercy is unconditional love. God forgives because of unconditional love for us. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy (cf. Matt 25) are works of love that go beyond forgiveness. It is interesting that this writer begins by equating mercy with forgiveness and then the rest of the article connects it with unconditional love! I wear a rubber bracelet that says LIVE MERCY! It basically is a call to live in love whenever I can. The bracelet is in camouflage because We believe that Jesus comes to us in disguise (again, Mt 25).*

*St. Augustine's entire morality is based on a simple phrase, "Love, and do what you will!" I would say, "Live Mercy and do what you will! Imagine a world where we all did that! I'd call it "The City of God!"* -Fr. Mike

## Pray for the Sick

Lynn Abe-Zaid	Joanora O'Donnell
Frank Ambrosio	Joseph Olivieri
Philip Ambrosio	Helen Onufrak
Jeffrey Bratisax	Anna Pepe
Janet Belz	Barbara Petersen
MaryAnn Bonitz	Dorothy Pistritto
Louise Cipolla	Donna Marie Priolo
Martin Condit	Kathy Purcaro
Cathy Conolly	Nicole Ramaglia
Eileen Cross	Evelyn Rosario
Michael D'Orio	Victoria Rosenblum
Michael DePinto	Angela Russo
Gina DiCanio	Mary Ann Russo
Joanne DiGiorgio	Ann Sabourin
Barbara DiGirolomo	Dawn Saporito
Rita Diubaldo	Linda Savage
Baptist Eichelsdorfer	Denise Savage Harper
Sharon T. Eichler	Joan Scanlon
Lois & Michael Emma	Ben Scannella
Philip & Sally Enright	Maryann Schaudel
Philip Fava	Janrt Shapiro
Amelia Fava	Jamie Smith
Mary & Frank Ferrigno	Michele Smith
Robert Filce	Reno Staffa
Stu Fishkin	Dennis Staufenberg
Roseanne Gabriel	Abe Stegman
Patricia Geiser	Angela Stoner
Loretta Gerstner	Arlene Strong
Kim Hanson	Matthew Swenson
David Hoffman Sr.	Robert Torres
Jasper Indelicato	Richard Troiano
Margaret Indelicato	LLoyd Turnier
Richard Jankay	Regina Turnier
Thomas Jankay	Peter Wrins
Emily Jensen	Joseph Yasso
Kevin Krivacsy	
MaryJo L'Ambrose	
Alfred LaRocca	
Kevin Latini	
Ida Lucivero	
Vito Lucivero	
Agnes Ludwigson	
Carolyn Martins	
Andrea Maloney	
Philip Masi	
Maureen Melchiona	
Eugene Merkle	
Dana Monteanu	
Olsin O'Donnell	

## Pray for Our Troops

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



### PRAY FOR THE SICK

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person who is ill

\_\_\_\_\_  
Person making this request:                      Relationship to ill person  
*(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)*

### PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name, Rank and Branch of Service

\_\_\_\_\_  
Person making this request                      Relationship to Soldier  
*(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)*

**—REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED—**

**Margaret Guthrie, Florence Carella, John Haas**

**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

On July 14, 2014, a letter opposing S.2578 was sent to the U.S. Senators. The letter is signed by: Most Rev. William E. Lori, Chrm., USCCB Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty and Seán Cardinal O'Malley, Chrm, USCCB Comm. on Pro-Life Activities

Dear Senator United State Senators:

We are writing to state our strong opposition to the misnamed "Protect Women's Health From Corporate Interference Act of 2014" (S. 2578). Though cast as a response to the Supreme Court's narrow decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*, the bill ranges far beyond that decision, potentially attacking all existing federal protections of conscience and religious freedom regarding health coverage mandates.

**Note:** Read the remainder of this letter at [USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org)

**Action:** Contact your two U. S. Senators

**Sample Message:** Please vote against the misnamed "Protect Women's Health from Corporate Interference Act of 2014" S. 2578. This legislation has the potential to attack all existing federal protection of conscience and religious freedom regarding health coverage mandates.

**Contact Information:**

Senator Charles E. Schumer  
322 Hart Office Bldg., Wash. D.C. 20510  
202-224-6542  
[www.schumer.senate.gov](http://www.schumer.senate.gov)

Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand  
478 Russell Office Bldg., Wash., D.C. 20510  
202-224-4451  
[www.gillibrand.senate.gov](http://www.gillibrand.senate.gov)

Tues., Sept. 9-Primary Day. Voting age is 18 years. New voters must be registered 25 days prior to the General Election on Nov. 4. Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot Forms at available at your Post Office. Questions: Call Suffolk Board of B.O.E. 631-852-4500.

In Memory  
of those who  
lost their  
Lives.



**911**  
Memorial Mass  
Thursday  
Sept 11th  
7:30 PM

# Weekly Offering



Fiscal Year Beginning 9/1/2013 - 8/31/14

Sunday, August 31, 2014 Offering \$17,526  
(Includes Faith Direct (\$1,962))

Last Year \$18,579

Assumption Collection	2014	\$4,412
	2013	\$4,506

Poor Box Last Week \$606

**\*Pay Down Debt Donations**

This Month	\$ 6,313
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>393,433</b>
<b>Less Payments made to RVC</b>	<b>375,000</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$18,433</b>

RVC Loan	605,000
Less Payment	375,000
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$230,000</b>

\*Includes Faith Direct Collections for August  
(68 Participating Households)

**If you missed last week , please try to  
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**

**- Attention All Volunteers -**

**Our fall VIRTUS workshop, Protecting God's Children for Adults, will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014, at 1:00 pm in Carew Hall.**

Online signup for the workshop is required. Visit **VIRTUS.org** online and click on "Registration" to sign-up. If you do not have computer access or have difficulty using the site, contact the rectory office at 588-8456 for assistance.

All volunteers and employees are required to complete VIRTUS Youth Protection Training. There is no cost to you, but it does involve giving up a couple of hours of your time. While for some an ongoing online follow-up is expected, you only need to take this workshop once. (If you have taken VIRTUS before, you need not do it again.) *VIRTUS training is an essential way for all of us to help maintain a safe-haven for our children and those who need our vigilant protection.*

## ATTENTION ALL CATHOLIC SCOUT LEADERS!



The Catholic Committee on Scouting is offering Religious Emblems Counselor Training for the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII Religious Emblems **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15**, here at St. Joseph's Church, Ronkonkoma.

Training will be held in Rectory Basement Meeting Room "B" at 7:00 p.m. There is **NO CHARGE** for the training. Bring a notebook, pen and enthusiasm. Upon completion of this training, counselors will receive a TRAINED certificate from the Diocese of Rockville Centre. There will be additional trainings throughout the year. Check our website for updates. [www.ccos-drvc.org](http://www.ccos-drvc.org) Please pre-register so that we bring enough training materials for all participants. To register for Ad Altare Dei training contact: Jim Lynch at [jblynch@juno.com](mailto:jblynch@juno.com) To register for Pope Pius XII training contact: Mary Scotti at [mbscott@yahoo.com](mailto:mbscott@yahoo.com)

## St. Joseph School

[stjoronkelem.org](http://stjoronkelem.org)

588-4760



### Important Message for Those Who Attend Daily Mass at 9:00 AM!

St Joseph School will begin this week. As you know, mass is an important part of the weekly schedule for our students.

*This year we are going back to an old tradition:*  
On Tuesdays our mass will be at 8:45. The students of St Joseph School will be there to pray with our weekday assembly!

**This will begin on Tuesday, September 9!**

Thank you to everyone for your cooperation with this schedule change as we work together to build the City of God with our children!



### Faith On Tap

An opportunity for young Adult Catholics to get together casually and discuss their faith. All Young Adults – you are invited to join us for our next Faith on Tap ...

- When:** Monday, September 22  
**Time:** Talk begins at 7:30 .... Doors open at 7:00 come early, get something to eat or drink!  
**Speaker** Bishop Nelson J. Perez, Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre  
**Topic:** Joy of the Gospel

"The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus" – Pope Francis

**Where:** Molly Malone's – 124 Maple Avenue, Bay Shore NY

### THE OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN/ YOUNG PEOPLE:

**PLEASE REMEMBER:**

We are all responsible for the safety of children and vulnerable adults!

If you suspect mistreatment of a child or vulnerable adult by any member of the Clergy, Church Employee or Volunteer~ Phone the Hotline to make a report.

**516-594-9063**

All appropriate steps will be taken to protect the reputation and privacy of those involved: the person making the complaint, the victim and the accused.

For more information on the Charter for the Protection of Children/Young People visit the Diocesan Website and click on Protecting God's Children Tab.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...**

**Confirmation Corner...** We welcome our Confirmation Candidates as they begin the final stage of preparation for the celebration of Confirmation. Please see the recent mailing showing the schedule of upcoming events. *We pray that the Holy Spirit may always strengthen these candidates as they continue on their faith journey!*



**Catechist Orientation Meeting** (please attend one of the following)  
Saturday, September 13, 2014, 10:00-am-12:00pm, Carew Hall  
Monday, September 15, 2014, 7-8:30pm, Gym



**September 21, 2014**

*During the Sunday liturgies, St. Joseph Parish catechists will be recognized with a commissioning for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.*

### **The Unexpected Power of the Sacrament of Penance**

In a very short time, Pope Francis' humble and sincere style of proclaiming God's Word has captured the hearts and minds of Catholics and non-Catholics alike. He consistently reminds us of our true mission, the fundamental element of the Gospel and of Jesus: Love, acceptance, openness, mercy, and forgiveness.

Therefore, we might ask, ***"What has contributed to shaping Pope Francis' pastoral approach?"***

News reports of the vocational journey of Pope Francis tell us that as a young man, he studied chemistry and believed he would pursue his professional career in this field. During that period, he went to confession, and in that sacramental encounter with Christ, he discovered his call to become a priest. Obviously, we cannot know the details of his confession, but we do know how significant it was for his vocation.

We know, of course, that the Sacrament of Penance brings us the forgiveness of our sins. What we may fail to appreciate fully is that the sacrament also changes our lives, as it changed the life of Pope Francis. He reminds us that God never tires of forgiving us, as long as we do not tire of asking for forgiveness.

**Catechetical Congress 2014: Forming Communities of Missionary Disciples**  
**St. John the Baptist High School, Saturday, September 20, 2014, 8:30am-5:00pm**

This year's Catechetical Congress promises to be even more exciting, enjoyable, and rewarding than last year's. The worship, keynote address, and many workshops will touch on every aspect of catechetical parish ministry, all focused on building of "missionary disciples." *To register or for more information go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org) and browse the many workshops being offered on this day.*



### **LEVEL ONE PARENT & CHILD PRAYER SERVICE**

Monday, September 22, 2014, 7:15pm in the Church  
Please attend the "Welcome Prayer Service" for students and their parents.  
Textbooks and the Level One curriculum will be distributed.



Jesus said, "Bring the children to me."

Matthew 19:14



# Calendar Club 2014



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8/3 #356 <b>Maureen &amp; John Gay</b> \$50	8/4 #854 Dianna Dunbar \$25	8/5 #608 Joseph Olivieri \$25	8/6 #965 Sue Keller \$25	8/7 #114 Joseph & Fran Maro \$25	8/8 #942 Gilda Johnson \$25	8/9 #931 Frank Gulotta \$25
8/10 #272 <b>Rick &amp; Pat Alvanos</b> \$50	8/11 #401 Lawrence & Vivian McCourt \$25	8/12 #860 Jerome Magluilo \$25	8/13 #852 Marie & Roger Koferl \$25	8/14 #369 Mr. & Mrs. E. Gabriel \$25	8/15 #286 Tom Fawcett \$25	8/16 #444 Geraldine Attivissimo \$25
8/17 #465 <b>Dolores Lingner</b> \$50	8/18 #989 Susan Eilers \$25	8/19 #289 Thomas Cusanelli \$25	8/20 #672 Walter & Maxine Katz \$25	8/21 #410 Thomas & Marie O'Connell \$25	8/22 #646 Mike Keller \$25	8/23 #480 Mike DeBellis \$25
8/24 #366 <b>Fr. Mike Maffeo</b> \$50	8/25 #103 The Jarymiszyn Family \$25	8/26 #608 Joseph Olivieri \$25	8/27 #978 Thomas McCann \$25	8/28 #731 Lina & Tony DeLouisa \$25	8/29 #369 Mr. & Mrs. E Gabriel \$25	8/30 #720 Mike DeBellis \$25

## Banns of Marriage

*(Third Time)*



*Stacie Kane of St. Joseph's and  
David Seiler of St. Joseph's*

*Nicolé Dias of St. Joseph's and  
Nicolas Dattilo of St. Joseph's*

*Danielle Groneman of St. Joseph's and  
Brian Osipowich of St. Elizabeth's*

## Important Message for those who attend Daily Mass at 9 am!

St Joseph School will begin this week. As you know, mass is an important part of the weekly schedule for our students.

*This year we are going back to an old tradition:*

On Tuesdays our mass will be at 8:45. The students of St Joseph School will be there to pray with our weekday assembly!

**This will begin on Tuesday, September 9!**

Thank you to everyone for your cooperation with this schedule change as we work together to build the City of God with our children!

# 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal

*Serving God by Serving Others*

## ***Helping to Provide Homes for Children in Need***

Michael was 15-years old and already had a history of serious psychiatric disturbances when he turned to Catholic Charities. He had been only ten when he lost contact with his family. The state had issued restraining orders against his mother and father for abuse and they had both willingly given up custody. Social Services felt he was not a likely candidate for adoption because of his age and history. In a nutshell, he was a kid facing the world alone, abandoned by everyone he ever knew or loved. That's when he came to a Catholic Charities' Teaching Family Home. This unique residential treatment program matches emotionally disturbed kids with teaching parents. Teaching parents are married couples who care for the children in their own homes while teaching them everyday social skills that most of us take for granted.



It was Michael's last hope. His erratic behavior had left previous social workers wondering if they could ever get through to him. Jeff and Linda, a Catholic Charities' Teaching Family Home couple, had a hunch they could help him.

They also believed he might have an undetected developmental disability. ***They were right.*** While there were some serious setbacks, caring and patience paid off.

***Today, Michael is a happy son to a loving adoptive parent and is part of a stable family. Linda and Jeff knew that what Michael so desperately needed was what every one of us desire; to be loved and accepted unconditionally.***

***When you donate to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, you provide support for children like Michael.***

***You help them to live full and happy lives!***

**THANK YOU!**

# Outreach Resources

## Emergency Resources

### Response of Suffolk County

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

## Family Resources/Support Groups

### 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

631-689-6262

### Life Center of L.I. - Pregnancy Care

631-243-0066

### Birthright of Nassau/Suffolk

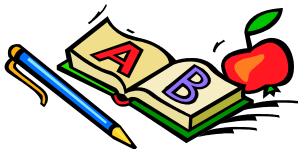
516-785-4070

### Al-Anon Suffolk County

631-669-2827  
[info@AL-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org](mailto:info@AL-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org)



## Parish Outreach



Parish Outreach is in dire need of School Supplies. Pens, Pencils, Loose leaf

Paper, Notebooks, Glue Sticks, Crayons, Backpacks, Binders, Rulers and any other types of school supplies. If you can help please drop off to our Outreach Office or the Parish Rectory.

### St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center

e-mail — [sjpo@verizon.net](mailto:sjpo@verizon.net) website — <http://outreach.stjoronk.org>



Through your generosity we were able to help more than **142** people throughout the month of July. 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."**



**Do you sing?  
Do you play an instrument?  
Will you share your talent?**

**Saint Joseph Parish Music Ministry**

Speak with a music minister after Mass and find out how to join.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!  
MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION**

This Ministry is made up of parishioners who volunteer their time in assisting families of the recently deceased. Members of the ministry meet with families at the rectory prior to the funeral mass. They help the families choose hymns and scriptural readings from a prepared list. Ministers also prepare a short biography of the deceased so that the priest can personalize his homily. Ministers then attend the funeral Mass, which is scheduled Monday through Saturday mornings. No experience is necessary and training will be provided. If you are interested, please call the rectory at 631-588-8456 and the Ministry Coordinator will get back to you.

**LECTORS WANTED!**

To parishioners of Confirmation age or higher:

- Do you feel reasonably comfortable addressing large groups?
- Do you speak and read clearly – with confidence, strength, passion, and certain knowledge of what you speak or say?
- Do you feel a calling – a vocation – to become God's instrument in proclaiming His Word to His people?
- Do you believe you can truly bring Scripture *alive* to the listener; and are you willing to spend a half-hour or more in practice (*before each assignment*) to assure a smooth, effective, and vibrant proclamation?

If your answer to all of the above is "Yes," then your parish needs you!

On an evening in mid-September, a two-hour Lector Training session will be held in the rectory.

*Interested? Call Greg Walsh at 585-4524.*

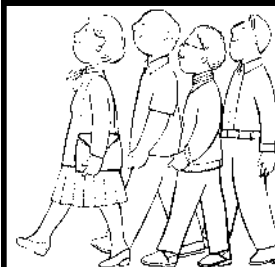
*Baptismal Ministry*

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



Please call 588-8456  
for more information.

**St Joseph  
Catholic Seniors**



Psst! The word is out! St. Joseph Catholic Seniors are seeking new members *Calling All Seniors!* 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.



## 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](mailto:YIM@StJoRonk.org) or call the rectory.



## CYO Sport Programs

<http://stjoecyosports.com>

### Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 4-16): Gene ☎588-1879  
Travel \* (Boys) Vinny ☎467-3651

### Basketball:

Girls Intramural Debbie ☎467-6174  
Clinic Division (Coed Grades K-2) Henry ☎467-6091  
Boys Intramural(Grades 3-12) Henry ☎467-6091  
Travel\* 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

### Softball:

Dennis 467-6174

\*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 meeting:**

**Sunday, August 31st Tonight**

**Sunday, Sept. 7th**

*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.*

*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 & 148 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 Diocese of Rockville Centre Golden Wedding Liturgy

*Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More*

This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, September 21st at the Church of Christ the King in Commack and on Sunday, October 5th at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm. *Couples may register for ONE liturgy.* Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by Sept. 3rd for the September 21st liturgy and by September 17th for the October 5th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 207.



## Mums

**Reserve Now!!**



They will be available for pick-up the weekend of September 20th & 21st.  
Cost is still \$5 each.

Please reserve the following colors: White \_\_\_\_\_, Red \_\_\_\_\_, Bronze \_\_\_\_\_, Yellow \_\_\_\_\_, Purple \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5.00 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please return **with payment** to the Church Office by September 16th, 2014. If you prefer, you may order by email to [preorder@stjoronk.org](mailto:preorder@stjoronk.org). If ordered by email, please provide payment on the day of pick up.

Thank You