



## St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

*Let us build the City of God!*

### Our Mission

By our loving service and works of mercy, we invite every person to know Jesus Christ, present in the Word and the breaking of the Bread, so that all may accept his gift of salvation.

### Nuestro Mission

Por nuestro servicio amoroso y las obras de misericordia, invitamos a todos a conocer a Jesucristo, presente en la Palabra y en la fracción del pan, a fin de que todos puedan aceptar su regalo de salvación.

### Priests

Rev. Michael J Rieder, Pastor  
Rev. Gil Lap  
Rev. Belevendiram Rathinam (Fr Bala)

### Deacons

Dcn. Michael DeBellis      Dcn. Frank Dell'Aglio  
Dcn. Michael Devenney      Dcn. William Dobbins  
Dcn. Joseph Dougherty (retired)  
Dcn. Joseph Califano (retired)  
Dcn. James Altonji (retired)

### Come pray with us!

#### Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 10:30, Noon, & 5:00 PM

Weekdays: 7:00 & 9:00 AM\* Saturday 8:00AM

\*During School year Tuesday mass is at 8:45AM

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

Mondays 2:00 - 7:00 PM (except holidays)

First Friday 7:30 - 8:30 PM Holy Hour

Rosary: Daily after 9:00 Mass

Reconciliation: Mon, Wed, Fri: after morning mass

Sat: after 8:00 AM mass and 4:00 - 4:45 PM

### St Joseph Rectory Office

45 Church Street Ronkonkoma NY 11779

588-8456 Fax 471-2569

### Religious Education

35 Church Street 981-1805

Director: Mrs. Maryanne Trezza

### Parish Outreach

2855 Pond Rd 981-6888

Director: Mrs. Anne Kelly

### St Joseph School

25 Church Street 588-4760

Principal: Mr. Richard Kuntzler

**September 18, 2016 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **Serving Your Sacramental Needs**

### **The Sacrament of Baptism**

The Sacrament is celebrated on Sundays at 1:30 PM. Parents, please call the parish office to arrange a meeting with one of our priests or deacons to begin to make arrangements.

### **The Sacrament of Eucharist**

See front cover for mass times. If you are sick for an extended period of time or are homebound, please contact the parish office to arrange to have someone bring Communion to you.

### **The Sacrament of Confirmation**

School aged children can prepare for this Sacrament by contacting our religious Education office. Adults or older teens who have yet to be Confirmed should contact the Parish Office

### **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

As listed on front cover or call rectory for an appointment with one of our priests.

### **The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

This Sacrament is for the living. We celebrate this Sacrament each Spring and Fall for those who are chronically ill, advanced in age, or who are about to undergo surgery or hospitalization. We can arrange the Sacrament at other times by calling the Parish Office..

**Emergencies:** call the office to arrange a visit from a priest.

**Nighttime emergencies** (631) 538-7219

### **The Sacrament of Matrimony**

Bride or Groom please call the office at least six months before your desired wedding date to begin preparations for marriage. Please make contact with the parish **before** making other wedding day plans!

### **The Sacrament of Holy Orders**

Anyone who is feeling called to service in the church as a priest deacon or in consecrated religious life should contact the parish office to speak to one of the priests or deacons for guidance.

### **Interested in possibly becoming Catholic?**

Please contact the rectory to arrange a meeting to discuss your questions. We have regular classes to help people learn about the faith and decide if becoming Catholic is what you and God want for you right now. This whole process of inquiry and potential conversion is called RCIA—The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

**We will respect your personal journey with God!**

## **Prayer and Devotion Opportunities**

### **Our Lady of Fatima Devotion**

Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman and child. She promised that the whole world would be at peace, and that many souls would go to heaven if her requests were listened to and obeyed.

In response to her requests, the First Saturday of each month is devoted to Our Lady of Fatima. This devotion includes 8:00 AM mass, a novena to Our Lady of Fatima, the Rosary, and the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

All are welcome at this devotion.

### **Spend Some Time in Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament**

Our church opens at 6:30 AM and remains open throughout the day for anyone who wants to make a prayerful visit. Please come and have some quiet time with God in the midst of our busy (and sometimes loud) world.

### **We have times set aside when Our Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar for your prayer.**

### **Monday Exposition and Benediction**

Every Monday afternoon the Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 2:00 PM until 7:00 PM. This opportunity for prayer ends with Benediction beginning at about 6:45 PM and ending at 7:00 PM

You can come at any time for any length of time to join in this quiet, reflective prayer time.

Make an appointment to spend time with Jesus!

### **First Friday Holy Hour**

Every First Friday of the month we have a Holy Hour before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. This communal prayer begins at 7:30 PM and run until 8:30 PM, closing with Benediction.

### **St Joseph Men's Prayer Group**

We meet every Tuesday evening at 7:30 PM in the Church where we pray the Rosary.

Afterward we move to the main vestibule for coffee, donuts and fellowship.

This is a great opportunity to be strengthened in your commitment as a Catholic man just by spending time with others like you!

**See you Tuesday!**

### Additional Parish and School Contact Information

Parish Website: stjoronk.org  
 School Website: stjjoeronkelem.org

#### E-mail addresses

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 Rel. Ed. Director: Dre@stjoronk.org  
 School: ndavidson@stjjoeronkelem.org

#### Parish Trustees

Robert Koepper                      Mark Crean

#### Business Manager

Edward Grieb

#### Music Ministry

Michael Keller, Director  
 Ann DeBellis, 9:00 Choir

#### Rectory Hours

**Monday thru Friday 9:00 - 5:00** (closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:15)

**Saturday 10:00 - 4:00** (closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:15)

**Sunday Closed**

### Celebramos la Santa Misa en Español en la parroquia de San Jose

Comenzaremos con una celebración cada mes  
**Se celebrará la Misa en domingo después del primer sábado de cada mes a las 1:30 PM en punto!**

Las fechas de la celebración de la eucaristía para este próximo año son:

3 de Enero	7 de Febrero
6 de Marzo	3 de Abril
8 de Mayo	5 de Junio
3 de Julio	7 de Agosto
4 de Septiembre	2 de Octubre
6 de Noviembre	4 de Diciembre

**Esperamos que podamos celebrar juntos!**

### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Sunday, Sept 18 (Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**7:00** For the People of the Parish  
**9:00** Joseph Onufrak (Loving Wife & Family), Rosa DiStefano (Linda Savage & Family)  
**10:30** David Nelson (The Kunze Family), Labario Testa (The Mitchell Family)  
**12:00** Anna & Gasper Crimauco (Loving Family), Betty & Tom Mullins (Loving Family)  
**5:00** Erin Spinelli (James & Patricia Sullivan), Noelle Marie Tipa (Karen Lenze)

#### Monday, Sept. 19

**7:00** Baby Jayden (The Marchany Family), Ruddy Vega (The Borrero Family)  
**9:00** Mass of Thanksgiving (Josephine), Anthony Scardino (Lorraine Barr & Family)

#### Tuesday, Sept. 20

**7:00** John Hoffman (Tom Caminiti)  
**8:45** Richard Autrino (Cheech & Gwyen), Richard Batista (Joanne Fahey)

#### Wednesday, Sept 21

**7:00** Salvatore Mendola & Anna Pulsontti (Bob & Joanne Koepper)  
**9:00** Stephen Gallagher (Loving Mother & Father), Salvatore Pellitteri (Loving Parents & Family)

#### Thursday, September 22

**7:00** Emanuele Quarantino (Loving Wife & Family)  
**9:00** Francis Mungavin (Loving Family), Francisca Rosa (Loving Family)

#### Friday, September 23

**7:00** For the People of the Parish  
**9:00** Marie Califano (Loving Husband), Georgiana Lopez (Loving Family)

#### Saturday, September 24

**8:00** John Piazza (The Mansur Family)  
**5:00** Richard Pasquarella (Loving Family), Constance & Pete Mele (Janine & Richard Hubbard), Richard Jankay (Loving Family)

#### Sunday, Sept 25 (Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**7:00** Wladyslaw Zaremba (Mariola Dolat)  
**9:00** Thomas Flanagan (St Regis Columbiettes), Dec'd. Mbrs. Of St. Regis K of C & Columbiettes  
**10:30** John Rieder (Catholic Daughters Court St. Joseph 975), Sonia Cangro (The Heilemann Family)  
**12:00** Catherine Gillooly, Peter Spalding (David & Suzanne Gilman)  
**5:00** Frank X. Meyer (Karrin Walsh), Matthew Caracappa (Stephen Ryan)

### OUR LITURGY

The first reading reminds us that in our everyday affairs, we are called to act with justice and fairness toward all. In the second reading, Saint Paul explains that we are called to pray for everyone, especially those in authority. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the dishonest steward, who could not be trusted in small or larger matters.



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Catechetical Sunday  
September 18, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As the chief catechist of the Diocese of Rockville Centre I am delighted to join you in the celebration of Catechetical Sunday 2016! How appropriate it is for us to focus on this year's theme: "Prayer: The Faith Prayed" as we continue our celebration of the Year of Mercy.

This year's theme reminds me of the adage used so frequently by liturgists for many centuries: *lex orandi lex credendi*. This Latin phrase states so succinctly the intimate relationship between the law of prayer and the law of belief. What a timely meditation for all of the baptized who are called by Pope Francis to be missionary disciples in the world today. We cannot spread the Gospel if we don't first pray. We can't know the Gospel if we do not hear the Word of God proclaimed in our Sunday assemblies.

On this Catechetical Sunday we give thanks to all those in our parishes who give their time and talent to bringing the Word to life in our various catechetical programs. We give thanks too for all who strive to make our Sunday liturgies opportunities for our families to gather and pray as one, holy, catholic and universal church here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre as they pray together at Sunday Mass in the parish.

As we continue to pray during this Year of Mercy let us reach out to all those who participate in our catechetical programs. Let us provide opportunities for them to come to Sunday Mass to experience the joy of being one with us as we come together each week as the Merciful Body of Christ.

With my prayers and best wishes, I am  
Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Domingo Catequético  
18 de septiembre de 2016

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo:

¡Como el catequista principal de la Diócesis de Rockville Centre estoy encantado de participar con ustedes en la celebración del Domingo Catequético 2016! Cuán apropiado es para nosotros enfocarnos en el tema de este año: "Oración: La Fe Orada" a medida que continuamos nuestra celebración del Año de la Misericordia.

El tema de este año me recuerda el adagio tan frecuentemente utilizado por los liturgistas durante muchos siglos: *lex orandi lex credendi*. Esta frase Latina afirma claramente la relación íntima entre la ley de la oración y la ley de la fe. Qué meditación tan oportuna para todos los bautizados llamados por el Papa Francisco a ser discípulos misioneros en el mundo de hoy. No podemos difundir el Evangelio, si antes no oramos. No podemos conocer el Evangelio si no se oye la Palabra de Dios proclamada en nuestras Misas Dominicales.

En este Domingo Catequético damos gracias a todos aquellos que en nuestras parroquias dan su tiempo y talento llevando la Palabra Viva a través de nuestros diversos programas de catequesis. También damos gracias por todos los que se esfuerzan por hacer que nuestras liturgias Dominicales sean oportunidades para que nuestras familias se reúnan y recen como Iglesia: una, santa, católica y universal aquí en la Diócesis de Rockville Centre al rezar juntos en la Misa Dominical en la parroquia.

A medida que continuamos orando durante este Año de la Misericordia busquemos comunicarnos con todos los que participan en nuestros programas de catequesis. Busquemos proveerles oportunidades para que vengan a la Misa Dominical y experimentar la alegría de ser uno con nosotros al reunirnos cada semana como el Cuerpo Misericordioso de Cristo.

Con mis oraciones y mejores deseos,  
Fielmente suyos en Cristo,

Obispo de Rockville Centre

## Blessing of Pets

The Feast of St Francis of Assisi is coming in the beginning of October.

Because of schedules and availability we will celebrate this feast and bless pets on **Sunday, October 9, beginning at 1:00 PM on the rectory lawn.**

Please, do not bring your pets to the noon mass. Go home and get them after mass and bring them back. We will pray together and bless all of the pets you bring.

If your pet is a little sick, gets nervous in crowds or doesn't make friends too easily, just bring his or her picture and we will bless your pet that way!

*We bless pets in honor of St Francis because he was so in tuned with all of creation - he spoke of the animals as his brothers and sisters. His loving relationship with God and creation make him also the saint of peace. Please ask our friend Francis to help us to work for peace in our troubled world!*

**"Make me an instrument of your peace..."**

## A Community Lesson From Nature

This fall, when you see geese heading south for the winter...flying along in a V formation...you might want to consider what science has discovered as to why they fly that way:

As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range, than if each bird flew on its own.

*People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going more quickly and easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.*

When a goose falls out of formation it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly gets back in formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front.

*If we have as much sense as a goose we will stay in formation with those who are headed in the same way we are.*

When the head goose gets tired, it rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point.

*It is sensible to take turns doing demanding jobs with people or with geese flying south.*

Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

*What do we say when we honk from behind?*

Finally...and this is important...when a goose gets sick, or is wounded by gunshots, and falls out of formation, two other geese fall out with that goose and follow it down to lend help and protection. They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly or until it dies. Only then do they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their group.

***If we have the sense of a goose we will stand with each other like that!***

## A Lesson for Adults as School Begins

One day a small opening appeared on a cocoon, a man sat and watched for the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole. Then it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had gotten as far as it could and it could go no further.

So the man decided to help the butterfly, he took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon. The butterfly then emerged easily. But it had a swollen body and small, shriveled wings. The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that, at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time. Neither happened!

In fact, the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shriveled wings. It never was able to fly.

What the man in his kindness and haste did not understand was that the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening were God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight once it achieved its freedom from the cocoon.

Sometimes struggles are exactly what we need in our life. If God allowed us to go through our life without any obstacles, it would cripple us. We would not be as strong as what we could have been. **We could never fly.**

## Anuncio!

**En el año pasado, nuestra parroquia empezó a celebrar la misa mensual en Español. Yo recuerdo esta celebración en el primer Domingo de Noviembre porque después tomamos una foto de historia en nuestra parroquia!**

**Vamos a hacer historia otra vez en nuestro aniversario!**

**Empezando en el 6 de Noviembre vamos a celebrar la misa en Español**

**cada Domingo a las 6:30 de la tarde!**

**Favor de presenter esta celebracion y nuestra comunidad a Dios en sus oraciones diario.**

**Necesitamos la ayuda de otros sacerdotes a hacer esta misa cada semana!**

Last year we began to celebrate a monthly mass in Spanish. After our first celebration we took a picture of this historic event.

We are going to make history again on our anniversary! Beginning November 6 we will celebrate mass in Spanish every Sunday at 6:30 PM. Please keep this celebration and our growing Spanish Community in your prayers. We will need help from other priests to have this mass weekly!

# Respect Life



**19th ANNUAL STAND UP FOR LIFE —  
Sunday, October 2, 2016 — 2 PM to 3:30 PM**

The first Sunday in October is traditionally Respect Life Sunday; therefore, the annual Stand Up is held on that day. There are two locations – in Huntington, where Routes 25 and 110 meet, which is adjacent to the Walt Whitman Mall, and a very busy Rte. 110 it is! The other location is County Road 111, Manorville, accessed by Exit 70 S of the LIE. This is also a busy area, heading out East.

These locations are just the place for pro-life people to quietly, peacefully educate the passing population, by holding signs, such as “Love them both, mother and child.” There will be no vivid or objectionable signs permitted.

The Pro-Life ministry of St. Joseph’s invites all those who sincerely and peaceably want to change the hearts and minds of “pro-choice” advocates to join in a 90 minute silent, prayerful vigil, standing 10 feet apart, in this effort designed to spread the Culture of Life ethic. We stand 10 feet apart because the heavy traffic provides an excellent opportunity for focused attention to our signs and makes our message more visible.

Our silence highlights the seriousness of our efforts to lawfully end the destruction of innocent pre-born human life. Bring your organization, family and friends and be part of one of the other 1800 similar events taking place across the United States and Canada the weekend of October 2nd.

We encourage all church groups, families and individuals to join us to make this year’s Stand Up For Life our largest witness. Each participant makes the message a little stronger; if you cannot get to either of these locations, we ask that you join us in prayer, wherever you are.

*Here are typical signs that will be used at Stand Up:*

- Mother and Child, love them both.
- Women deserve better than abortion.
- Life is a precious gift.
- Your mother was pro-life.



# Weekly Offering



<b>Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	<b>\$17,569</b>
(Includes Electronic Giving of (\$3,246))	
<b>Last Year’s Offering</b>	<b>\$16,961</b>
Poor Box Last Week	\$289
Parish Debt:	
<b>Interest free loan (balance)</b>	<b>\$62,000</b>

We are actively working with the Diocese on plans for balancing our budget and addressing our other accumulated debt to the Diocese. Because of this, we are now only showing our actual loan balance we have with the Diocese. If you have questions on this or other financial matters, please feel free to call our business manager, Ed Grieb.

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

**IF YOU MISSED LAST WEEK, PLEASE TRY TO  
MAKE IT UP THIS WEEK. THANK YOU.**

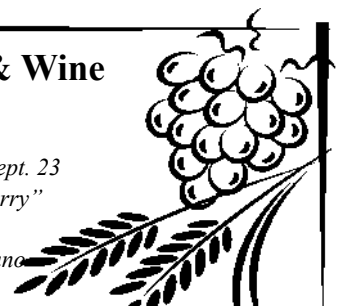
To get started, go to our website — [stjoronk.org](http://stjoronk.org)  
Click on **Parish Giving** and follow the easy sign-up directions.

## Baptisms

*Kent Michael Mrose  
Caitlin Lee Palmieri  
Anthony James Santangelo*

## Altar Bread & Wine

*In honor of  
St Padre Pio Feast Day, Sept. 23  
“Pray, Hope “Don’t Worry”  
Requested by  
Sal & Debbie Maddaluno*



## Pray for the Sick

Please note: To keep our prayer list current, we will keep name on list for 3 months.

## Pray for Our Troops

Lynn Abe-Zaid  
Chet Alongi & Michael Alongi  
Frank Ambrosio  
Greta & Philip Ambrosio  
Ginny Amita  
Alfonso Aversano  
Baby Rocco Caracciola  
Karen Balezos  
Janet Belz  
Jeff Berg  
Emma Rivera  
MaryAnn Bonitz  
Eileen Bouchard  
Steven Bratisax  
Lucy Brancaccio  
Richard Busick  
Carrie Cabral  
Laura Capuano  
Michael & Moises Carbuccia  
Priscilla Castelano  
Antoinette Cichetti  
Louise Cipolla  
Martin Condit  
Cathy Connolly  
Liam Patrick Craane  
Rick Crotta  
Joanne DeBellis  
Michael DePinto  
Jennifer Diomede  
Barbara DiGirolo  
Rita Diubaldo  
Joan Dziedzic  
Bobby Eck  
Sharon T. Eichler  
Lois & Michael Emma  
Donna Evers  
Jason Falco  
Louis & Amelia Fava  
Helen Fenyak  
Mary Ferrigno  
John Finnegan  
Roseanne Gabriel  
Louise Gagliardi  
Joseph Giommetti  
Neil Holzmann  
Thomas Jankay  
Linda Keller  
Jimmy Kimberling  
John Koopmann  
Alice Zoas-Kubiesko  
Jane Lacey  
Alfred LaRocca  
Rachel Laskowski  
Grace Loud  
Ida Lucivero  
Kathleen Lucivero  
Mike Lucivero  
Agnes Ludwigson  
Baby Dominic Madaris  
Andrea Maloney  
Sal Maraviglia  
Carolyn Martins  
John Merkle

Danielle Michels  
Helen Moser  
Ann Muller  
Joseph Nicosia  
Joanora O'Donnell  
Maria O'Halloran  
Joseph Olivieri  
Helen Onufrak  
Louise McManus  
Dean Pace  
Anna Pepe  
Barbara Petersen  
William Pfister  
Dorothy Pistritto  
Joan Plouffe  
Kathy Purcaro  
Nicole Ramaglia  
Regina Reilly  
Ruby Rivera  
Michelle Robinson  
Lucy Ronga  
Maryann Rossi  
Mary Ann Russo  
Theresa Ryan  
Ann Sabourin  
Norma Salazar  
Dawn Saporito  
Denise Savage Harper  
Ralph Sabatino  
Ben Scannella  
Krista & Nancy Schramm  
Janet Shapiro  
Jamie Smith  
Michele Smith  
Abe Stegman  
Angela Stoner  
Matthew Swenson  
Michael J. Timo Jr.  
Bob Torres  
Orazio & Theresa Troiano  
Richard Tizzard  
Richard Troiano  
Regina & Lloyd Turnier  
William Vallar  
Margaret Villano  
Catherine Wagner  
Ellen Walsh  
Richard White  
Nicholas Wittreich  
Joseph Yasso  
Christopher Zoas  
Richard Zwirblis

PFC Eric Lange, USMC  
SGT Deborah Alfieri  
SGT Matthew Altonji  
SPC Andrew Altonji  
CPL Matthew Balestrieri, USMC  
TSGT Louis Barletta  
LT Michael-Jon Bonacorsa  
LCPL John Brown  
PFC Justin Browne  
LTCOL James Cersosimo  
CPL Glenn Clacher  
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran  
SPC Jason Crawford  
CPT Edward Cuevas  
PFC John B Cuneo  
CPT Ryan Delaney  
TSGT Timothy Dermody  
SGT Stephen DiGirolo  
SSGT Tony Elliott  
LT Kelly Fletcher  
SPC Adam Franciosa  
CPT Mark Gillman  
CPL RJ Hartmann  
MAJ Sean P Kilkenny  
CW2 Steven Knight  
LCPL William Langdon  
SPC Christopher Leone  
MAJ Kevin McCue  
PVT Thomas B McGinn  
SGT Patrick McNally  
PFC William Meyer  
CPL Brian G Meyer  
CPO Gregory Migliore  
LT Heather Miras  
SPC4 George Monica  
SPC4 John Monica  
SGT Daniel Montville  
GYSGT Brian Moran, USMC  
LTCOL Gregory Mueller, USMC  
LCPL Thomas Napolitano  
LCPL Michael Napolitano  
LCPL James Neubauer  
SGT Brian Pacell  
CPT Stephen Bartoszak  
PFC Matthew Pandolfi  
SFC James Munro Army  
CPT Michael Parisi  
2LT Anthony Parisi  
MAJ Paul E Pinaud  
CTR2 Matthew Pistritto  
LT David A Rewkowski  
SGT Edwin Rivera, II  
SGT Anthony M Sbrocco, USMC  
SSGT Jason Schiavo  
LCPL W. Mason Shehan  
SSGT Timothy McGoyne  
SPC James Stanek  
EO3 Taylor Taranto  
MM3 Gregory Taranto  
PFC Greg Terrish  
SGT Jason Tulowitzki  
SGT John Thomas Vogt  
CPL Brandon Waldon

SGT Randolph Weaver  
MSTR Robert Casey  
ILT Richard Lutz  
SPC Darian L. Clark/Army  
SAMN Bill Ried  
CPL Michael Casonova  
SPEC4 David Cooper  
Michael Cristiano LTJG  
SGT Brian P. O'Leary  
PFC Gregory Caplan  
MPS Timothy Caplan  
E6PO1 Gerard McGarrity  
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LCPL Jim A. Mock  
SGT Maj. John A. Krumholz  
LCPL Joseph R. DeGroot, USMC  
RCT Dustin A. Whitton, USMC  
SPC Peter Reilly  
SMAN T.J. Waldhauser, US Navy  
LCPL Brian Kolarik, USMC  
PVT Chris Dorn, Army  
SSGT Ray C. Sigman II  
SGT Sean Rainone, USMC  
SGT Thomas Lupo  
SSGT Mike Hengerle, USMC  
Kelly R. Denimarck ENS Navy  
SFC James Munro Army  
CPL Kristen M. Saporito USMC  
Captain Sean Lavigne USAF  
SGT Daniel Pfeifer USMC  
MSGT Thomas J. Valentino USAF  
CSM Lawrence Dougherty, USArmy  
PFC Thomas Conran USArmy  
SRA Matthew Maisano USAF  
SPJonathan G. Romano USANG  
PFC Daniel R. Hayes USMC  
PFC Allecia N. Ahearn USMC  
Lt. James Ciccarello US ARMY  
Sal Evangelista, US ARMY  
Nick Vicale SFC ARMY  
LCPL Michael A. Davison USMC  
CAPT. Glenn Miller  
Joseph Scotti E3  
Eli Matthew Berg US ARMY  
LT. Bryan C. Koch USCG  
Cadet Megan P. Koch  
PVT. Kyle Santos  
ARMY SPEC. James Lombardo  
CADET Chris V. Hackett US ARMY



—REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED—

*John Piazza, Nancy Sheehan, Matthew Dale*

*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*

# How we *Build the City of God* here at St. Joseph Parish

## **Our Vision (Parish Outreach)**

We are here to serve the basic needs of the poor, the troubled, the weak and the oppressed. We are here to treat all with the dignity they deserve.

## **Our Vision (Shepherd's Inn Soup Kitchen)**

The workers at Shepherd's INN soup Kitchen address the issue of the hungry on Long Island. All our guests are treated with dignity and respect. We believe everyone that comes to our kitchen is a guest and as such all guests are fed with a no questions asked policy.

## **Our Vision (Altar Servers)**

In serving at mass we add dignity and reverence to our celebrations by drawing attention to the highpoints of the mass: the proclamation of the Gospel, the offering of our gifts, and Jesus' presence in the Eucharist.

## **Our Vision (Pack 272)**

Pack 272's vision is to utilize the program of the Boy Scouts of America to minister to the youth of our parish. The Scout Oath and Law call our Cub Scouts to live in service and love to others.

## **Our Vision (Troop 272)**

We develop Leaders whose core values are loving God and loving each other .

## **Our Vision (Al Anon)**

The Al Anon Family Groups are a spiritual fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery. Al Anon has one purpose – to help families of alcoholics. Our contact phone number is in this bulletin under "Outreach Resources".

## **Our Vision (Sacristans)**

Sacristans help to maintain an atmosphere of worship by preparing the church for various services and anticipating priestly needs. Through reverent conduct, we strive to provide opportunities to others to draw closer to God and each other.

## **Our Vision (Religious Education)**

St. Joseph Religious Education works in partnership with parents and Parish to nurture, celebrate, and witness our Catholic faith as we build up the Kingdom of God. Our efforts, based on Gospel values, are directed at developing the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of students enabling them to make a positive contribution to contemporary society.

## **Our Vision (Eucharistic Ministers)**

In helping to build the city of God here at St. Joseph's, we as Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist assist the Priest and Deacon in the distribution of the Eucharist in service to the people of God.

**Many more ministry groups are developing *their* Vision.**

**Check back often to see how they help us to build the City of God!**

***If your group's vision statement was sent but not here, please resend it to make sure we have it!***



**OUR PARISH GOAL IS \$93,185**

**2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal**

**266 DONORS HAVE MADE \$62,519 IN PLEDGES. (67% OF OUR GOAL)**

***for more info or to contribute online: [drvc.org/CMA](http://drvc.org/CMA)***

***contribute by mail: Catholic Ministries Appeal, PO Box 4000, Rockville Centre, NY 11571-4000***

***Be sure to use our parish ID #146 or enter St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma.***

***(important to indicate "Ronkonkoma" because there are several St. Joseph Parishes in our Diocese)***

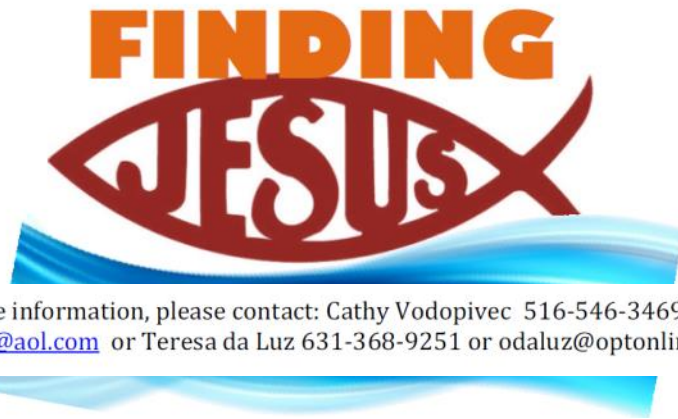


**Catholic Committee on Scouting  
Diocese of Rockville Centre**



Visit our website: [www.ccos-drvc](http://www.ccos-drvc) for all forms and updates.

**CATHOLIC SCOUT RETREAT  
October 21-23, 2016  
SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
440 West Neck Road, Huntington**



For more information, please contact: Cathy Vodopivec 516-546-3469 or [catvodo@aol.com](mailto:catvodo@aol.com) or Teresa da Luz 631-368-9251 or [odaluz@optonline.net](mailto:odaluz@optonline.net).

**ATTENTION ALL SCOUTING UNITS!**

# Religious Emblems Counselor Training

for the Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII Religious Emblems

**Monday, September 26; Thursday, October 13**

**St. Joseph Church of Ronkonkoma**

7:00 pm in Rectory Room B

Enter via staircase at rear of Rectory.

There is **NO CHARGE** for the training.

Counselor Books are available at the Scout Shop

Bring a notebook, pen and enthusiasm.

Upon completion of this training, counselors will receive a **TRAINED** certificate from the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Additional training dates will be available throughout the scouting year.

Check our website for details. [www.ccos-drvc.org](http://www.ccos-drvc.org)

Please be kind and pre-register so that we bring enough training materials for all participants.

To register for training, contact: Mary Scotti—[mbscotti@yahoo.com](mailto:mbscotti@yahoo.com)



## Join St. Joseph Cub Scout Pack 272 for Scouting Fun Night.

September 23, 2016 -- 7 pm to 9 pm

St. Joseph Church Lower Hall, Ronkonkoma

For information contact Mary Scotti -- [mbscotti@yahoo.com](mailto:mbscotti@yahoo.com) or 631.656.8428

# McDonald's Night!

McDonald's of Lake Ronkonkoma has partnered with St. Joseph School to host a restaurant night!  
**McDonald's will donate 15% of their total sales to St. Joseph School that night.**  
 We invite our parents, students, teachers, staff, and our community to join us and support our school.  
**Come to McDonald's on Tuesday, 9/20/2016, from 5 pm to 7 pm!**



**McDonald's**  
**174 Portion Road**  
**Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779**



## Did you miss getting a Journeysongs Memorial?

Please return this form in an envelope with your memorial donation to the Rectory, in the collection basket, or by mail.  
**Mark or address your envelope to: St. Joseph R.C. Church - HYMNAL, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779**  
*A label indicating your memorial request will be designed for you to place inside the front cover of a Journeysongs hymnal.*

Name of Donor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish ID#, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the names of the remembered and select a memorial phrase for each hymnal you memorialize.

Memorial 'A' — **"In Loving Memory of [name]"**

Memorial 'B' — **"Sing Praise to God with [name] and All of the Saints in Heaven."**

*Please List Names of Remembered and Memorial Phrase Selected ('A' or 'B' — one phrase per hymnal)*

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

*If you have more than 4 memorial requests, please write them on an additional sheet of paper.*

**Please, please, please print clearly.**  
**Please remit your donation with this request.**

Number of Hymnals to be memorialized \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 each = Donation Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I HAVE MORE MEMORIALS LISTED ON ADDITIONAL SHEET. \_\_\_\_\_**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...

### CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

We are pleased to announce that Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Joseph Church on October 20, 2016

Reminder of upcoming events before the celebration of Confirmation...

Monday, 9/19/16, The Fall of Adam & Eve in Paradise, 7:30pm Church with Fr. Mike

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION, Monday, September 26, 2016, 7:15pm:

St. Joseph Catholic School Mrs. Joanne DiGiacomo Mr. Joe Mursko

Mrs. Mary Nelson Mrs. Arline Scotto Mrs. Kathy Wiener -Tuesday Class

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION, Monday, October 3, 2016, 7:15pm:

Mrs. Tricia Calise Mrs. Toni Derrenbacher Mrs. Joanne Hodes

Mrs. Ruth Parkin Mrs. Kathy Wiener - Wednesday Class

### CATECHETICAL SUNDAY: "Prayer: The Faith Prayed"

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 18, 2016 and will focus on the theme "Prayer: The Faith Prayed." 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.

Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry at the 10:30am and 12:00pm Masses. Please join us for fellowship in Fr. Carew Hall after each of these Masses.

The Diocesan Office of Respect Life is pleased to announce the **2016 Respect Life Youth Contest**.

## MOVED by MERCY

All Catholic youth in grades 7 – 12 who live in the Rockville Centre Diocese and/or attend Catholic elementary schools, high schools or parish religious education programs are invited to participate in any of the following categories:

- POETRY
- BOOKMARK DESIGN
- ESSAY
- MUSIC
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VIDEO CLIP
- PHOTOMONTAGE BOARD DESIGN
- MURAL

The contest gives Catholic youth the opportunity to express their understanding of Respect for Life.

Winners will receive monetary awards in support of their future education.

**1<sup>st</sup> place winner \$400**

**2<sup>nd</sup> place winner \$250**

**3<sup>rd</sup> place winner \$150**

Students attending the awards ceremony will be eligible to participate in the

### *IPad Mini raffle*

For further information contact your parish or school office. Registration forms may be downloaded from the diocesan website [www.respectlife.drvc.org](http://www.respectlife.drvc.org)

Diocesan Respect Life Office (516) 678-5800 Exts. 626 & 381

# 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)

### Overeaters Anonymous

631-260-6615



### 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)*

### Parish Outreach



### St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center

e-mail — [sjpo0101@gmail.com](mailto:sjpo0101@gmail.com) website — <http://outreach.stjoronk.org>

Through your generosity we were able to help more than 85 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."*



## CYO Sport Programs

<http://stjoecyosports.com>

### Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 4-16): Gene ☎588-1879  
 Travel \* (Boys) Vinny ☎543-4100

### Basketball:

Girls (koolmom4d@msn.com) Debbie ☎467-6174  
 Clinic Division (Coed Grades K-2) Nick ☎585-7723  
 Boys Grades 3-12) Vinny ☎543-4100  
 Travel\* Vinny ☎543-4100

### Track:

Boys & Girls, Grades K-8 Jerry 585-4048

### Soccer :

Intramural Boys & Girls(ages 3-13) Joe ☎585-0748  
 jcaiola@fast.net

Travel (LIJSL): Rob ☎721-8831

Softball: Dennis 467-6174

# 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 to our meeting and check it out.*

**Visit our next meeting:**

**September 18th Tonight**

**September 25th**

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

*phone:* Advisor Mike Keller (631) 872-7675

***What did you do this weekend?***



## 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.**

### *Society of St. Vincent de Paul Gives Back*

St. Joseph Church shares in the profits! For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our church \$50/\$100 per vehicle. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at (718) 491-2525. Thank you!



Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
 Court St. Joseph #975

## Family Fun Bowling

Sunday, October 23 @ 2 P.M.

AMF Sayville Lanes

5660 Sunrise Highway, Sayville, NY

**Cost \$20.00**

Includes: 2 games, shoes, 2 slices pizza, soda

For tickets call: 631-285-3249



# Saint Joseph Parish Used Clothing Drive



We Need Your Used Clothing!

Come help support St. Joseph School Cheer Team

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> — 9 am to 10 am

Drop Off Location — Parking lot across from the Church



## 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.

**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>



## CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Saturday, Oct. 8  
8 am to 4 pm

details at  
[stjoronk.org](http://stjoronk.org)

on the grounds of St. Joseph Church  
food and fun — \$5 person, under 12 free, \$15 car  
**BOYZ UNDER THE HOOD AUTO CLUB**

## Woodloch Pines Resort

Trip to the best resort in the Pocono Mountains

**Monday, November 14,**

**returning Friday November 18th 2016**

All Inclusive Accommodations

For more information or reservation

**We have a few rooms left. Please call:**

**Gerry or Rosemary Mcmenamin 631-648-3090**

Woodloch is about bringing people together, and having a ton of fun doing it. With their unique activity program, abundant amenities, wonderful dining experience, outstanding nightly entertainment, championship golf course and one of the world's best destination spas, you, your friends, are guaranteed to be engaged, entertained, energized, and create lasting memories!

**Bus transportation available, to and from Resort.**

**HELP WANTED — F/T position,  
35 hours a week, Monday to Friday  
Cleaning and Maintenance of  
Church, Hall and Office  
Call Lori at 631-737-4388.**



## The Diocese of Rockville Centre Golden Wedding Liturgy

*Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More*

Couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, October 23rd at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on Sunday, November 6th at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. 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 Oct. 7th for the October 23rd liturgy and by October 21st for the November 6th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 207.