Parish Office
Mon to Thurs: 9:00am to 4:00pm, 7:00 to 9:00pm
Fridays Closed
Sat 9:00am to 1:00pm

Cemetery Office
Monday to Friday 9:00am to 12:30pm
Please call in advance to make an appointment during these hours.

Faith Formation Office
Mon to Thurs: 9:00am to 4:00pm
Fri Closed

Hispanic Office
Fri 7:00 to 9:00pm

Outreach Office
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Other times by appointment (669-4544)

Food Pantry
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Other times by appointment (669-0068 x 128)

Thrift Shop
Mon, Wed, Fri 10:00am to 3:00pm

Parish Phone Numbers (Area Code 631)
Parish Office .................. 669.0068
Cemetery Office .......... 699-0068 Ext. 107
Faith Formation ............. 587.4717
Nursery School ............... 661.4559
Outreach ...................... 669.4544
Hispanic Community .......... 669.0068 x 131
Thrift Shop .................. 669.5574
Youth Ministry ............. 669-0068 x 108
Fax .......................... 669.9175

E-mail: parishoffice@stjosephsbabylon.org
WebSite: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

We Celebrate the Eucharist
Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Church
Sunday Church 7:00am, 8:45am, 10:15am, 11:45am, 5:00pm
Nolan Hall 9:30am
Nolan Hall 11:30am Missa Dominical Español

Weekday Mass Schedule
Mon to Fri 7:45, 9:00am Church
Saturday 9:00am Church
Holydays See Special Schedule the Sunday before each Holyday

We Celebrate the Sacraments
Baptism
Parents are requested to call the Parish Office at least two months before child’s birth to make arrangements. New Parents’ Instruction Class will be held on the second Thursday of each month from 7:30pm to 8:30pm in Room 257. Baptism is celebrated every Sunday of the month at 1:30pm except during the Lenten Season.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church should call the Parish Office.

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm in the Church or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

Matrimony
Couples are requested to call at least six months before the wedding for an appointment with a Priest or Deacon to set the date and make arrangements. No arrangements can be made by phone.

Anointing of the Sick
Fourth Saturday of the month at the 9:00am Mass or call the Parish Office.

Welcome to all new parishioners. We invite you to register at the Parish Office.

Fifth Sunday of Easter + May 3, 2015


**The Sacraments of Life**

**Newly Baptized**
Shannyn Marie Baerlein, Jaxon Thomas Baldassarre, Michael James Bores, Brayden Tyler Frame, Robert Thomas McNally, Michelle Madison Sabella, Lucas Timothy Snyder & Madelyn Joy Snyder

**Prepared for Marriage**

**Banns Posted**

First Time ~ Russell Hurst & Meredith Moffett, James Buckes & Sallyanne Arsenicos and Salvatore Bonsignore & Nicole Spinelli

Second Time ~ Nicholas Harnette & Erin Joyce

**For Our Sick**


**Altar Rose**

In memory of Patricia Scott

**For Our Deceased**

Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Joseph M. Sweeney, James Montgomery, Lydia A. Berger & Joseph Louis D’Amico.

**REFLECTION FOR TODAY ~**

**Palm/Passion Sunday Cycle “B”**

In today’s Gospel, Jesus says that God is glorified when a disciple, grafted in Christ, produces abundantly and bears much fruit. The disciple must then be a good steward of that abundance.

**Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week**

**At this Mass, we remember:**

**Monday, May 4**


7:45 Ramon Zaldivar

9:00 Paul Milcetic

**Tuesday, May 5**

Acts 14:19–28, Ps 145: 10-13b, 21, Jn 14:27–31a

7:45 Donald Sobers

9:00 Katherine Driscoll

**Wednesday, May 6**

Acts 15:1–6, Ps 122: 1-5, Jn 15:1–8

7:45 Vera Hoffmann

9:00 James McVeigh

**Thursday, May 7**

Acts 15:7–21, Ps 96: 1-3, 10, Jn 15:9–11

7:45 People of St. Joseph

9:00 Dorothy Tempera

**Friday, May 8**

Acts 15:22–31, Ps 57: 8-10, 12, Jn 15:12–17

7:45 Intentions of Sr. Rosalinda, SSPS

9:00 Doris Latini

**Saturday, May 9**

Acts 16:1–10, Ps 100: 1b-2, 3, 5, Jn 15:18–21

9:00 Jean Aurecchione

**Weekend Celebrations** (barring last minute changes)

4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Francis

5:00 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Seth

**Mother’s Day Weekend**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, May 10**


Jn 15:9–17

7:00 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Seth

8:45 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Chris

9:30 People of St. Joseph Fr. Francis

10:35 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Chris

11:45 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Francis

5:00 Mother’s Day Novena Fr. Seth
POPE FRANCIS DECLARES A YEAR OF MERCY

On Friday, March 13, Pope Francis presided over a penance service in St. Peter’s Basilica. During his homily, he announced an extraordinary Jubilee dedicated to Divine Mercy. English translation provided by Vatican Radio.

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“...We are united with so many Christians, who, in every part of the world, have accepted the invitation to live this moment as a sign of the goodness of the Lord. The Sacrament of Reconciliation, in fact, allows us with confidence to draw near to the Father, in order to be certain of His pardon. He really is “rich in mercy” and extends His mercy with abundance over those who turn to Him with a sincere heart.

To be here in order to experience His love, however, is first of all the fruit of His grace. As the Apostle Paul reminds us, God never ceases to show the richness of His mercy throughout the ages. The transformation of the heart that leads us to confess our sins is “God’s gift,” it is “His work” (cf. Eph 2:8-10). To be touched with tenderness by His hand and shaped by His grace allows us, therefore, to approach the priest without fear for our sins, but with the certainty of being welcomed by him in the name of God, and understood notwithstanding our miseries. Coming out of the confessional, we will feel God’s strength, which restores life and returns the enthusiasm of faith....

Dear brothers and sisters, I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy. It is a journey that begins with a spiritual conversion. For this reason, I have decided to call an extraordinary Jubilee that is to have the mercy of God at its center. It shall be a Holy Year of Mercy. We want to live this Year in the light of the Lord’s words: “Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. (cf. Lk 6:36)”

This Holy Year will begin on this coming Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will end on November 20, 2016, the Sunday dedicated to Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – and living face of the Father’s mercy. I entrust the organization of this Jubilee to the Pontifical Council for Promotion of the New Evangelization, that [the dicastery] might animate it as a new stage in the journey of the Church on its mission to bring to every person the Gospel of mercy.

I am convinced that the whole Church will find in this Jubilee the joy needed to rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God, with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time. From this moment, we entrust this Holy Year to the Mother of Mercy, that she might turn her gaze upon us and watch over our journey.

December 8, 2015 to November 20, 2016
Our Parish Mission Statement

The Parish of St. Joseph is a Roman Catholic Community of Christ’s Disciples:
We Welcome. We Worship. We Witness.

Sacrificial Giving

Thank you for your generosity in returning to God and God’s work some of what God has given to you.

Actual Collection $20,454.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(-3,441.00)

God bless you!

Liturgy...

We Assemble for Prayer

The Eucharist
Each day and each weekend, we celebrate the Eucharist, the Summit & Source of Catholic Christian Spirituality.

Rosary
We pray the Rosary before the 9:00am Eucharist Mondays through Saturdays.

Benediction
We celebrate Benediction on the third Sunday of the month at 2:30pm in the Little Chapel.

Nocturnal Adoration
A Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament is offered on the First Friday of each month, from 9:00pm to 10:00pm in the Church.

Prayers for Our Service Men & Women

We continue to pray for the following military personnel and their families:

U.S. Navy:
PO3 Joshua D. Benoit
Lt. Michael Catalano
Romy Freeze
Lt. John T. Izzo
Lt. Caroline Mayer
PO2 Kristen Tice
PO1 Rasheen Tice

U.S.M.C.:
Sgt. Lauren Colantropo
Sgt. Colin M. Leitch
Malik Rodriguez
Nelson Sanchez, Jr.
Sgt. Christopher Dragon

U.S. Coast Guard:
PO1 Benjamin Flad
Capt. Matthew W. Sibley
F.A. Madison Mulders

U.S. Army:
SPC Elliot Chodkowski
SSG Josuah Insull
LTC John Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PVT Danny Bornschein
Pvt. Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pititto

U.S.A.F.:
Maj. Matthew G. Bland
AB Christopher Signoretti
SSGT Brandon Ward

Moving On

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH PARISH CENTER
39 North Carll Avenue
Babylon, NY 11702
631-669-0068

“Moving On” Group
An ‘After- Bereavement’ Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

“Are You Stressed? Part II – Alternative Ways of Coping”
Friday, May 15 @ 7:30 pm
For further information please call Geri Olson at 631-661-8994 or Mike Goodwin at 631-422-0957
St. Joseph Golf Outing, May 18th

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
Babylon, New York
10th Annual Golf Outing
Proceeds to Benefit Outreach Ministry

Our Honoree
Msgr. Christopher Heller

Southward Ho
Country Club
Bay Shore, New York

Monday, May 18, 2015
10:30am to 7:00pm

About Our Honoree . . .

With the role of pastor of a parish on Long Island continuing to evolve, the Church of St. Joseph has been blessed to have had Msgr. Christopher Heller in that position for the past decade. During this span the parish has expanded participation in ministries, successfully completed a capital campaign, and managed to celebrate the 100th anniversary of our Church building. Fr. Chris, as he is affectionately known, has been the impetus for all of these major activities, but has also done much behind the scenes to make our parish one of the shining examples of Catholicism on the South Shore of Long Island.

Not limited to administration, Fr. Chris has long been deeply involved in both liturgy and liturgical music, and he is also regular on Telecare with a show on which he introduces a priest or deacon reading the coming Sunday’s Gospel, and a homily based on it. A dedicated and engaging family member, Fr. Chris also shares his passion for cooking with the lucky bidders who gain his services for a gourmet dinner for ten which is auctioned at different parish social activities. Not only do guests enjoy his culinary expertise, but they learn the warmth and commitment of their pastor.

Having a golf outing as the a parish’s major fund raiser to support the Outreach Ministry was Fr. Chris’ brainchild, and its increasing financial success has enabled the parish to continue its much needed ministries at a time when weekly collections have not kept up with the rising costs of the parish. It seems only fitting that honoring Msgr. Christopher Heller recognizes his decade of service to the parishioners of St. Joseph and hopefully allows him to see how much he means to all of us.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
10th Annual Golf Outing
Southward Ho Country Club
Bay Shore, New York
Monday, May 18, 2015

ENTRY FORM

NAME: ____________________________
ADDRESS: ________________________
PHONE: __________________________

List names of sponsors:
1. ________________________________
2. ________________________________
3. ________________________________
4. ________________________________

Solicited By: _________________________
Ticket(s) for Dinner at $125 per person

Please send your check, payable to St. Joseph Church and this entry form to:
Theresa O’Donnell
St. Joseph Golf Outing
39 N. Caril Avenue
Babylon, NY 11702

For further information call: Tel: (631) 669-0068
or E-Mail: parishoffice@stjosephsbabylon.org

For all Golf Outing questions please call
631-669-0068 ext. 107 or email: parishoffice@stjosephsbabylon.org

GOLF PACKAGES

1. Principal Underwriter ............... $5,000
Foursome, recognition as the principal event underwriter(s), four-hole sponsorships.

2. Dinner Underwriter ................... $2,500
Foursome, recognition as the dinner underwriter, three-hole sponsorships.

3. Eagle Foursome ..................... $2,000
Foursome, sign recognition as a major partner, two-hole sponsorships.

4. Birdie Foursome ..................... $1,850
Foursome, major sponsor recognition, one-hole sponsorship.

5. Par Sponsor ......................... $1,600
Foursome, one-hole sponsorship.

SPONSORSHIPS

6. Driving Range Sponsor ............. $500
7. BBQ Sponsor ......................... $500
8. Beverage Cooler Sponsor .......... $500
9. Putting Green Sponsor .......... $250
10. Hole Sponsor ....................... $150
11. Family Sponsorship ............... $100

EVENT PACKAGES

12. Event Sponsor ....................... $1,000
Includes 4 Dinner Tickets

13. Award Sponsor ...................... $500
Includes 2 Dinner Tickets

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

14. Golf Only .................................. $400
15. Dinner Reception Only .......... $125
Dinner and Awards

Our Golf Outing Event Includes:
Golf with Cart, Driving Range, Brunch. Dinner, Awards, Goody-bag, Prizes, Sunshine!
Caddies available at extra cost.

50/50 Raffle Tickets will be sold in advance outside of the Church following each Mass on the following dates:
April 25th & 26th, May 2nd & 3rd and 16th & 17th. Cash or Checks accepted. Checks made out to St. Joseph Parish.
Parish News...

Save The Date
Sunday, June 14, 2015

Fr. Seth N. Awo Doku,
Will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. Come celebrate a joyful Mass of Thanksgiving with Fr. Seth and our Faith Community of St. Joseph on Sunday, June 14, 2015. Fr. Seth will preside at the 11:45am Mass in Church, and the Eucharist will be followed by a reception. All are welcome, and more details will follow.

Honor Roll News

Congratulations to our student parishioners attending the following schools Our Lady of Mercy Academy and Chaminade High School. We are very proud of these students who have exhibited academic excellence for the second and third marking periods! Father Chris

Chaminade High School
Freshman:
Matthew J. Donarumma & Andrew J. Pace
Sophomore:
Emmet P. Chapey
Junior:
Sean D. Barclay & Brian S. McCaffrey

Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Isabella Alonso ~ 11th Grade
Second Honors

We thank you for your donations today for the benefit of the Catholic elementary schools of our Diocese. Our schools provide a strong, quality Catholic education with high academic standards, where our faith is alive and relevant, as it is learned and lived. May God bless you for assisting deserving families with tuition assistance.
The Diocese of Rockville Centre Wants You To Know...

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2015: Loving Others as Christ Would

What do grandparents do to pass on faith in the family?
What are some of the new challenges that families face that affect grandparents?
How has being a grandparent today changed from the way you remember your grandparents?

Presenters: John & Arlene Vosilla
John and Arlene are grandparents of four children. They are active parishioners of St. Raphael’s parish in East Meadow. Arlene, now retired, served as Director of Religious Education and is currently a Trustee of the Parish. John, retired after 31 years with Grumman and Northrop Grumman working in public affairs. John is a Eucharistic Minister at St. Raphael’s Parish. Together they coordinate the RCIA program in their parish.

Date: Thursday, May 21, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Cost: $10 per person
Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
455 Hunter Ave, West Islip
Parish Center

For further information please contact Kathy Logan-316 678-5800 Ext 236
Register Online www.drvc-faith.org

Register online at www.drvc-faith.org or forward the completed registration form below along with a check payable to “Office of Faith Formation”. Mail to Debbie Coyne, Office of Faith Formation, Diocese of Rockville Centre, P.O. Box 9023, Rockville Centre, NY 11571.

Name ________________________________ Parish ________________
Address _______________________________ Town ________________________
Phone _______________________________ Email Address __________________
Fee Amount at $10 per person ________________

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2015: Loving Others as Christ Would

Please: Make a Difference in Someone’s Life by donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.
Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal
Parish ________________________________ Pledge: $________
Name ________________________________ Down payment: $________
Address ________________________________
City, State, Zip: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________ Signature: __________________
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Attention: Anyone who knows their “Top-Five” Strengths:
We have a new date for our Strengths “Reunion”!

You’re invited to a “Strengths Reunion” Night
Wednesday, May 27
7:00pm—8:30pm in the O’Connell Room
A Wine & Cheese Celebration with friends old and new

If you’ve done the Strengthsfinder and know your top-five God-Given strengths, then join us for an evening of affirmation, faith-sharing and community-building!

So we can plan for you, let us know you can make it: either call Barbara McNulty at (631)669-0068 x108 or e-mail her at youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

By Wed. May 20!
Elder Care Workshops

Elder Care Workshops at St. Joseph Parish in May!
Save these dates!

Tuesday, May 5 at 9:45am

Frederick J. Kramer, Esq.
Elder Law Attorney
will speak about
these important issues:
- Creating a Last Will & Testament
- Steps you can take to Protect your Assets
- Powers of Attorney and other elder care matters

Tuesday, May 12, 2015
9:45am or 7:00pm

Steven Kaufman
Financial Advisor, Allstate Insurance
will speak about final expense options
“Honest answers to one of the toughest questions in life”.
Join us for a frank discussion about this sensitive subject

Parish Center in Room 257
ST. JOSEPH THE CARPENTER COUNCIL #14771
is a Membership Organization of St. Joseph Parish.
Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age and older.

Meetings are normally held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month
at 8PM in the O’Connell Room.

For membership information contact: Larry Dell’Erba at 539-8565.
For additional information about the Knights of Columbus and
St. Joseph the Carpenter Council:
Just Google “Knights of Columbus St Josephs”

ALL MEN, WOMEN AND
CHILDREN OF THE PARISH
ARE WELCOME
TO THE MAY CROWNING OF MARY

This traditional presentation of prayer and honor to Mary the Mother of God
will take some of you back to your childhood days of worship.
Others will be refreshed as we pray the rosary and offer our colorful Spring flowers in procession to Mary Our Mother.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th, 7:30PM
in the O’CONNELL ROOM
(doors open 7pm – come early – bring a friend)

Sponsored by
The Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Join us for the Mother/Daughter Breakfast
“Dress for Success” is our theme. All are welcome to bring used but in good condition business clothing placed in crisp shopping bags, to be donated to the “dress for success” training organization ~ Save the date, Saturday, May 9th ~ We gather at the 9am Mass. Then enjoy a scrumptious breakfast in the O’Connell room while we enjoy a presentation by Ms Bridget McCormack, Campus Minister for the Diocese of Rockville Centre at Hofstra University. Reservations are $15 per person. Tables of 6 or 8 may also be reserved. For reservations please call 631-279-0614
What the Bible Says About
"The Rapture"

You may have seen movies about “the Rapture.” Or, maybe you have seen the bumper sticker: "Warning! In case of Rapture this car will be abandoned!" And, you might have come across or read the Left Behind series of books.

Christians of all times have lived in faith-filled hope and expectation of Jesus’ return. Today, many Catholics have been caught up in the popular hype that all "true" Christians will soon disappear from earth in a "Rapture".

We invite you to join us in a thought provoking, open discussion on "The Rapture" as we examine the biblical interpretations behind this curious doctrine.

Thursday, May 21st, 2015
7:00 – 9:00 PM
O’Connell Room

Please register so materials can be prepared for you.

Contact Carol Pellegrino at 631-587-3511 or jcjmpell@optonline.net

Brought to you by St. Joseph Parish Adult Enrichment Ministry
Visit us at www.stjosephsbabylon.org under the Ministries menu
Comming in June!

Join us for our 2nd
Appetizer & Dessert Party
(A night of food, fun and fabulous music)

Friday June 5, 7pm-11pm
O’Connell Room
At St. Joseph Parish, Babylon NY

There’ll be a variety of appetizers, desserts, wine, and soda
plus musical entertainment by
Dave Anthony Class Act

Admission:
One donated appetizer or dessert
Per person/couple
PLUS $15 Per Person

Adults only please

Tickets on sale in the Parish Office!
Eucharistic Ministers and Spouses...

Please join us for our
End of Season Wine and Cheese Gathering
Wednesday, May 20, 2015
at 7:30pm
In the O’Connell Room

Adult Enrichment Events

Pilgrimage to Lourdes of Litchfield, CT
SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015—$35 per person
Bus leaves the Parish promptly at 7 AM
Approximate return to Parish at 8 PM

Fee includes bus ride, gratuity and a donation to the
Shrine Meals not included, café on premises or bag
lunch options Non-refundable check due by
May 11th payable to Church of St. Joseph
(brought to Parish Office)

Highlights include:
Group Mass, Way of the Cross, Grotto
& Benediction

For more information contact
Joan Graham at (631)422-9288
or babylonjji@aol.com
My Good Deed for the week was: Karlyn helped her grandparents, Julian cleaned out old toys, Brianne & Kristi listened to their moms, Kenny was good to his mom, Jason, Nicholas, Kevin, Jenna, Jessica, Sarah, Theresa & James did chores, Tim cleaned the dishes, Annalise fed her puppy, Lily made breakfast for her mom in bed, Anita, Christopher & Nolan got along with each other, Sarah packed for vacation, Nicole was nice to her friends, Timothy fed the fish, Gianna watched her siblings, Roy took out the trash, Grace collected money for the needy, Kaylee set the table, Lisa helped a friend, Raquel visited her grandpa, Liana helped her little sisters, Amanda helped her neighbor, James & Aaron dried the dishes and helped with the younger children at the theater, Kaitlynn brought her dad to church, Delaney helped her aunt and helped her mom after surgery, Keara helped her mom and Kylie helped in the garden. Julian donated toys, Aidan, Rohan & Tim washed dishes, Corey & Liz helped at the snack stand, Vincent prepared for his First Communion, James emptied the dishwasher, Frankie & Michael were nice to each other, Patrick & Ryan welcomed a new boy scout, Charlie, Katherine, Connor & Marta helped their moms, Nicole helped her friends, Sarah fed the dog, Timothy fed the fish, Madeline, Victoria & Valentina cleaned their rooms, Gianna helped clean and helped her brother find his missing tooth, Camryn was respectful, Rori set the table, Anna helped fix the play set, Alessandra & Lara did chores, Athena helped wash the clothes, Christopher & William helped their dad put up a fence, Anthony shared with his brother, James & Edward took out the garbage, Aaron helped dry the dishes, Gabriel prayed every night, Kaitlynn was good for her dad when her mom was away, Calla took care of the dog, Catherine donated hats to the NICU, Delaney collected clothes for the laundry, Alyssa & Caitlyn cleaned the house.
Faith Formation

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is open to all in Grades 6—12.
Some activities are grade specific—most are open to all.
Newcomers always welcome.

BAKE SALE IN MAY TO BENEFIT OUR TEENS GOING TO STEUBENVILLE NYC

Bake sale weekend: May 23 & 24th Pentecost Sunday/Memorial Day
Bakers Needed! If you can help us by baking or donating, please let me know.
Thanks.

STEUBENVILLE NYC—August 7, 8, 9
We have 12 TEENS REGISTERED to attend this wonderful retreat experience this summer at St John’s University.

The cost per person for this weekend is about $275.
Perhaps you might be able to help sponsor a Teen?? Many thanks to those of you who have already donated to our sponsorship fund! Please continue to keep our teens in your prayers.

Thank you for your support of our Young Church! Barbara McNulty 669-0068 ext 108

UPCOMING EVENTS:
Please always check the website for last minute changes:  Www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Monday 5/4—YG Meeting Grades 8—12. 7pm in the Madonna Room. Enter thru Hospitality Center.
Did you collect any smooth rocks for our project? Please bring them.
Newcomers—please join us! There’s lots to do and we have fun doing it. 7:00—8:30pm.

Parents please come in to sign your child in. Bring a friend or come on your own to make new friends.
This month’s Service: Please bring a toiletry item for our wash kits—small pack of tissues, granola bars, new socks or chapstick.

Cruise to Nowhere—Wednesday, July 19th 6pm out of Freeport. Permission Slips are on the website. Tickets $30. If you are joining us $30 and Permission Slip must be in by May 4.

Service Team—several still have not picked up your t-shirts, please contact me.
Bake Sale bakers and sellers needed for all masses the weekend of 5/23 & 5/24.
Please sign up for your mass now so we know we have enough teens to cover the weekend.
Also—remember to keep checking the website for last minute opportunities for service and DO NOT Wait until the last minute to complete your service hours.

PBJ GANG is in need of copy paper boxes with lids —— would you please check with your school or office and see if they would be willing to donate a box or two? Each copy paper box holds about 75 PBJ Sandwiches.
**Outreach**

**Save The Date**

**St. Joseph Thrift Shop Tag Sale**

*June 13, 2015*

*9am ~ 3pm in The Gymnasium*

Please join us for a day of fun and community. Find great deals on household items, toys, books, jewelry, baby items and much more. All proceeds go to Parish outreach. If you or anyone you might know would like to volunteer with our Tag Sale please call the Outreach office for more information at 631-669-4544

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With sincere appreciation, Parish Outreach would like to acknowledge the following: Kathleen and Al Ruggeri made a donation to Outreach

*In memory of Joan McCaffrey*

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**St. Vincent de Paul**

*Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul 669-4544.*

Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society have recently visited some of our parishioners in need. These visits help us to assess their needs and situations. Your generous donations allow us to financially assist them, and your prayers will help us to “bring God’s love to the poor.”

*A woman in the parish is in need of a used car to get to and from her job. If you can donate a car, please call us at Outreach 631-669-4544. THANK YOU!!*

Our next meeting is Monday, May 4, 2015 at 9:35am in room 256 of the parish center.

All are invited to attend.

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**Social Ministries**

**Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!**

Our Food Pantry is most in need of the these items: Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Rice, Coffee, Apple Juice, Fruit Cups, Grape Jelly, Cereal, Paper Towels, Shelf Stable Milk, Toilet paper, Shampoo, Soap, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes and Razors (men & woman). GIFT CERTIFICATES from supermarkets are in demand and would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your past and future donations.

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**Thrift Shop News**

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***JEWELRY NEEDED***

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Please **DO NOT** leave any donations on the outside steps when the Thrift Shop is **closed.**
The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

The Next Meeting will be on Thursday, May 14, 2014 at 7pm. Please join us in the O’Connell Room. Dinner will be deli sandwiches, salad, dessert & coffee, the cost will be $10.00pp. Please call Lorraine if you plan on attending. All checks should be made out to St. Joseph Church.

Planning a day trip to the famous Greenwood Cemetery and the Brooklyn Navy Yard to view a WWII exhibit, on Thursday, September 17, 2015. The cost of the trip is $105.00/person, and includes: bus transportation, lunch at Junior’s Restaurant in Brooklyn, and all taxes and tips, Including the Bus Driver’s tip. This is an open invitation to all interested parishioners. If you would like to join us on this exciting day trip, please call Lorraine DeCanditis @ 631-553-0160 for further details and payment instructions.

Bereavement Support Group

COPING WITH GRIEF ON MOTHER’S DAY WORKSHOP

Mother’s Day can be a particularly difficult time for someone who has lost a loved one. Please join the Bereavement Specialists of Good Shepherd Hospice for a free workshop offering encouragement, education, coping strategies and support. The Workshop will be held at Good Shepherd Hospice Administrative Office, 110 Bi-County Blvd., Suite 114, Farmingdale, NY on Thursday, May 7, 2015, from 7PM-8:30PM.

Registration is required. Please call (631) 465-6262.

Thank You Note...

“...the 1st graders who made those wonderful Easter cards for us, thank you so much for the care, love & faith in Jesus you put into those Easter cards. Our Residents loved them! Continue following & trusting in Jesus all the days of your lives! Love, Roberta & our Barbados Residents XOXOXO

“...”

Psalm 145:9

“Dear Grace &...”
Of fascination to me is the origin of nicknames. These are usually given by family or friends, or foes, to describe some outstanding characteristics of a particular person. This was a common practice in the Bible. We read this morning (John, Chapter 8) about a man in the early church, who was called Barnabas. His real name was Joseph. But his friends nicknamed him Barnabas, which means “son of encouragement”. He was that kind of man. Whenever people faltered or failed, were ignored or rejected, Barnabas would seek them out and encourage them.

He did that for a new convert to the Christian cause, whom we know as Paul. It seems strange to us now, but Paul had a hard time finding acceptance within the church. They were afraid of him – and for good reason. His original name was Saul. And among all of the enemies of the Christian cause, Saul was probably the most fierce and fanatical. Eventually he was converted and became a follower of Christ. But his prior reputation was not easy to shake. When he returned to Jerusalem and tried to join himself to the Christians there, they turned their backs and walked away. They simply could not believe that this man was truly one of them. In that critical moment, it was Barnabas who came to the rescue. He took Paul by the hand and led him to the fellowship of the church.

Aren’t you glad that Saul stayed on? Whenever we read one of the many letters that he wrote to and for the church, we should credit Barnabas with an assist. He was the one who paved the way. I wonder how many Barnabases we have in our church. People who know how to encourage other people in their faith. We need some of those and we thank the good Lord for them.

Be encouraging, you never know

Deacon Mike
Reflections

UNSEEN FRIENDS

Part of the success of any process is getting people to go along with what you are trying to accomplish. Ann is a banker by day and a fine person 24/7. She arranges lending instruments (do I know my financial terms or what!) for those who need funds. Clients sit in our office, explain their needs, and Ann does her best to advise them the best ways to go about getting the loan. Working for a multinational financial institution, Ann then proceeds to contact the regional office, which decides whether the loan will be approved or not.

You can imagine how busy Ann was a few years ago when refinancing seemed to be the order of the day. Piles of applications would be on her desk each day, and Ann was determined to process each of them on as timely a basis as she could. Fortunately, Ann established a great contact on the other end of the phone in the regional office. Molly was quite professional, thorough, and most of all friendly when working on Ann’s applications. Amid the necessary questions about a particular loan, they found out things about each other; a friendship soon developed.

Molly’s sister also worked in that office, and Ann had some dealing with her as well. From her she learned that Molly’s life was not easy, though she never complained. A widowed mother of a child who needed attention, Molly never gave Ann any hint about her life outside her office. The two grew closer as time went on, as close as two can get over the telephone.

One day Ann got a call from Molly’s sister. Molly had been rushed to the hospital with a rare blood disorder and died within a day. Ann was devastated. She tried to make travel arrangements to attend the funeral, but family obligations made that impossible. So she sat down and typed an email to Molly’s supervisor, praising both her work and her character. Of course, Ann prayed for the family...especially Molly’s daughter.

Weeks later, Ann received a call from Molly’s mother thanking her for being such a good friend to her daughter. Molly often mentioned Ann to her mother, so Mom was not surprised when Ann’s email was read as a eulogy at the funeral. Ann was humbled...grateful, but humbled. She also realized the value of being such a good friend.

There are many ways we can touch people...even those we never see. Let us seize every opportunity to be a good friend; we never know how important that might be to someone.

PRAYER

Loving and Benevolent Father, Your love and mercy are gifts that help us in ways we do not always realize. Other gifts include the many people that come our way, sometimes seemingly in not so important ways. Give us the Grace we need to realize how each person is a part of Your plan for our salvation and to treat them with the dignity and compassion that they deserve. Help us to understand the power of a good friendship, though casual as we think some might be. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who share their gift of hospitality with others, especially through ministries such as greeters, ushers and/or welcoming committees.
A very sincere Thank You to all who donated the Memorial Lilies that graced our alters during the 2015 Easter Season!

DONATED BY
Anonymous
Adams, Ellen and Timothy
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Bartsch, Mr. and Mrs. Don
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Burrows, Bob and Mary Ann
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Chambers, Elaine
Crumlish, Nora
Culpepper, Estelle
De Angelo, Virginia
De Rosa, Nora and Tom
Eilers, Richard and Denise
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Enril, Lucy
Ferguson, Frank and Sheila
Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Jr.
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Gomez, Angela
Gruber, Julie
Henning, Fred and Patricia & Family
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Jacques, Judith

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
In Thanksgiving for our Priests
Ellen and Carl Palladino
Henry Adams
Deceased Members of the Little and Bartsch Families
Robert L. Benaroch
Kathryn Bryce
Christopher Borzuku
Frank Galonardo
Kathleen Bossong
Elizabeth Bossong
Mary and Bob Milnes
Peter Riola, Gertrude & George Burrows
Arthur and Veronica Chambers
Patricia Collins-Wolff
Fred and Encarnacion Culpepper
Robert William Morales
Minnie and Santo La Valle
Egan and Anna Eilers
Rita Dombroski
Virginia Klossener
Intentions of Nagel Family and Maria Azicri (living)
In Memory of the Ferguson and Halligan Families
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hearn, Sr.
Rae and Vincent Terracciano
Thomas Gruber
Dorothy and Walter Henning
Bernard and Anne Clarke
Francis Farrell
Helen and James Devlin
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Eileen and Terrance Dunne
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Mary Hannon
John McCarthy
Katherine and John Farrell
Helen Hager
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Kennedy, Martin and Louise
Kraemer, Arthur
Krone, Joan and Gary
Leitch, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
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Lenowicz Family
Lethin, Maria
Longo, Donald and Anna
Maher, Brian and Barbara
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Marcellus, Harry and Anna
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Mason Grell, Barbara
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McLoughlin, Francis V.
Miller, Joe and Vicky
Molloy, Eileen
Montuori, Anna Maria
Moriates Family
Muldowney, Kevin and Diane
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Noeker, Mr. and Mrs. R.
Oehrlin, Rich and Mary
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O'Neill, Katherine A.
Radesky, Jill and Crew
Rogers, Charles J.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Helen Hager
Mae Cappadora
Ray Joseph, Sr.
Thaddeus Kaczka, James Kaczka
Rich and Dolores Kluczyk
William Kaufman
Kennedy, Di Giulio and Furey Families
Georgette Kraemer
Anthony and Vincenza Saccaro
George and Viola Rebecchi
William and Susan Leitch
Francis and Catherine McCall
Deceased Members of the Lethin and Zipper Families
Thomas Iannone
Mary Sanna
Patricia Scott
Patrick Patwell
Jane Norton
Mary Du Russel
Theresa Hanrahan
Margaret Fitzgerald
John Fitzgerald
Gordon Mason
Einar Grell
McLoughlin Families
Cerone and Miller Families
Ford Family
Deceased Members of the Montuori and Guzzardo Families
Daniel Heino
Thomas and Thelma Keegan
John and Marguerite Muldowney
Sam and Dorothy Antico
John and Anne Nagengast
Deceased Members of the Oehrlin and Owens Families
David E. O'Neill
Dennis Radesky
Muriel E. Rogers
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Rotzman, Mr. and Mrs. Richard
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Schoenfelder, Larry and Ginnie
Sgueglia, Susanne
Sokolowski, Louise
Sullivan, Richard and Gail
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Talbot, Marion and Evans
Van Schaick, Carol
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Vanek, Matthew and Jean
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Walsh, Mary
Wurster, Kathleen

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Jason Rotzman
Raphael and Louise Savino
Angelo Tursi
Deceased Members of the McCrystal Family
Deceased Members of the Schellhorn Family
Scoleri Family
Davide Family
Julia and Lawrence Schoenfelder, and Muriel and Peter Rincones
Charles Joseph Walsh
Robert Sokolowski
In Honor of our Grandchildren
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Anna and Albert Rome, Eurydice and Andrew Talbot, Joanna Augello
Robert Van Schaick
McGahren and Van Schaick Families
Frank and Ann Vanek
John and Mary Jane Monson
James Walsh and Vickers Family
Wurster, Somfleth, Randazzo, and Magill Family

Thank You!

Here’s a Personal Invitation to Ponder

If you were asked to converse before Mass in quieter tones than usual so that someone could come to church before Mass and pray quietly before the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, would you accept this invitation?

Would you invite others to join you in accepting this invitation?

Just Wondering, Your Pastor, Father Chris
Father Joe's 50th Anniversary Celebration
News From Outside the Parish

FAMILY, MARRIAGE AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY
Family, marriage and individual therapy, provided by New York State licensed therapists, are available to our parishioners at 148 other parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani, has been conducted in the diocese for the past 41 years for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. For confidential information and appointments, please call Dr. Giuliani at the Catholic Counseling Center at (631) 243-2503 or go to our website at: http://www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com

Mary Model for Prayer
Join us on Tuesday afternoons in May
May 5th ~ Devotion to Mary: trinity, Christ, Church
May 12th ~ Prayer, Meditation, Imagination
May 19th ~ Virtues of Mary: Faith and Trust
May 26th ~ Mary - Our intercessor with Jesus
Register at 631-666-7500
26 South Saxon Avenue

The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island Presents:
A Day of Prayer
In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima
Wednesday, May 13, 2015
Retreat Schedule:
10am - Outdoor Walk
11:30am - Mass
12:30pm - Lunch Break
1:20pm - Conference
3pm - Holy Hour
Free to attend, Donations Appreciated
The Shrine of Our Lady of The Island
258 Eastport Manor Road, Manorville, NY 11949,
631-325-0661

St. Anne’s Columbiettes
Is holding a Chinese Auction
Friday, May 8, 2015
Doors open at 7pm
Shrine of St. Anne’s Knight of Columbus Hall, 96 Second Ave, Brentwood, NY
Admission is $10 includes 25 free tickets & first cup of coffee and cake

Would you like to spend some time studying the Theology of Grace, or examining the Gospel of Luke? Or perhaps you would like to learn more about Capital Vices, or Faith & Belief in the 21st Century or Celebrating Liturgy with Children? If you are interested in any of these topics, perhaps you would like join with our faith community as we explore the answers.

Graduate level courses in Theology are open to those seeking a Master’s Degree, or those not looking to pursue a degree, but who have an undergraduate degree (or its equivalent.) Workshops are open to anyone seeking to enrich their faith. If you are interested, please visit our website or call for more information regarding our tuition and courses. Summer Semester runs May 18 – June 30. Day and evening classes available. Classes run out of the Seminary of Immaculate Conception in Huntington or St. Joseph’s Seminary in Yonkers.
For more information call:
(631) 423-0483 ext.147
Or visit our website at www.dunwoodie.edu

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela and St. Theresa of Avila
11 Days: October 30 – November 9, 2015
Hosted by: Deacon Charles & Marlene Muscarama
St. Christopher’s, Baldwin, NY
Rev. James P. Mannion, Diocese of Rockville Centre
For full details call 516-223-4521
Or email: charlesmuscarama@yahoo.com

THE LORD IS MY PROTECTOR
Celebrate the healing power of God in your life
Come before Our Lord in praise, worship and thanksgiving for His spiritual, emotional and physical healing
HEALING MASS - FR. LARRY CHADWICK
All are Welcome
Thursday, May 7, 2015
Mass Time: 7:30 PM
St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church
1140 Locust Avenue, Bohemia, NY
Sponsored by: Living Bread Community of Prayer
Contact Pat 631 589-4715
Agradecemos esta semana a todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que comparten su don de la hospitalidad con los demás, especialmente a través de los ministerios como ujieres y/o comités de bienvenida.

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Por los niños pequeños que son olvidados o abusados; que podamos atesorarlos como un regalo de Dios y trabajar para protegerlos cada día de nuestras vidas;

Roguemos al Señor:
Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

**Contribución Semanal**

Agradecemos a todos y a cada uno de ustedes por aportar su contribución para nuestra parroquia de San José.

“La unión hace la fuerza”

Colecta 04/26/15: $ 20,454.00
Gastos: $ 23,895.00
$ (-3,441.00)

**CURSO BIBLICO**

TODOS LOS MARTES DE:
7:30PM — 9:30PM
SALON # 256
Para mas información llamar @ Antonia (631) 422-5433

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**BAUTISMO:** Tercer domingo de cada mes. **Clase:** Segundo domingo de cada mes. Venir a la oficina del Ministerio Hispano con dos meses de anticipación o llame @ (631) 669-0068, Ext. 131. Traer el certificado de nacimiento original del niño.

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS:** (RICA) Les invitamos a una preparación espiritual de conversión a la fe católica. Llame a la Sra. Julietta Mieles, al (631) 669-0068, ext. 131.

**CATEQUESIAS DE NIÑOS Y ADULTOS:** _Llamar a la oficina del Ministerio Hispano. (631) 669-0068, ext. 131.

**MATRIMONIO:** Las parejas que desean casarse, deben inscribirse con seis meses de anticipación. Llamar al Padre Joe Arévalo al (631) 669-0068 ext. 104. Llame a Ruth y Salomón @ 631-592-9474.

**RECONCILIACIÓN:** Sábado a las 4:00pm o llamar para una cita, al Tel. # 669-0068 ext. 104.

**UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS:** Llamar a la oficina principal (631)669-0068 Ext. 100.

**CURSILLO DE CRISTIANDAD:** Los invita a vivir un fin de semana con Cristo. Tenemos Ultreya todos los domingos a las 12:30pm. en el Salón # 256. Mas información llame a María Giler @ 516-428-9449.

**RENOVACION CARISMATICA:** Tiempo de encuentro con Dios. Les invitamos a experimentar el amor de Dios de una manera diferente al escuchar un mensaje de buenas noticias y esperanza para su vida y la de su familia. Todos los viernes @ 7:15 p.m. Para más información llame a Ana Ramos. (631)617-2129.

**COMUNIDAD DE MARIA:** Siguiendo los mensajes de María Reina de la Paz y sobre temas de María en general) - Sábados de 7:00pm-9:00pm. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari, al (631) 587-3072 - (631)681-0005.

**COMITE:** El primer sábado de cada mes a las 10:00am en el salón # 256. Para la agenda, llamar a Ana Ramos al Tel. 631)617-2129.

**HERMANAS UNIDAS:** Domingos a las 11:00am en la Capilla.

**EL APOSTOLADO DE LA CRUZ:** Todos los jueves de 9:00 - 11:00am en el Salón # 252A. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari al Tel. (631) 587-3072 o Luz Marina López al (631)321-6861.

**INTENCIONES PARA UNA MISA:** Ver a Herminda y Ana Elia López después de la misa.

**CORO:** Ver a Mirella Flores después de la misa.

**HORA SANTA:** Cuarto domingo del mes, inmediatamente después de la misa de las 11:30am.
Felicidades

31 DE MAYO DE 1965

Felicidades

Gabriela Cruz
Victoria Hernández
J-Lene Fernández
Andy Orellana
Amber Ramírez

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Liliana Rosario
Tatyhana Sánchez
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Carina Torres

Eduardo Zambrano

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