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 11:30 am  Misa Dominical Español

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 2nd 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.

Marriage
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.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ + June 7, 2015
**For Our Deceased**
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Dorothy T. Hayes & Lawrence Peter Ward.

**Preparation for Marriage**
**Banns Posted**

First Time - Daniel Owens & Melissa Delia and Marco Lally & Jackie Barrera

Second Time ~ Eric Steiniger & Heather Hammond

Third Time ~ James Bocchieri & Lisa Lafferty

**For Our Sick**

**Bread & Wine for the Eucharist**
In Thanksgiving

**Reflection for Today**
The Bishops’ Stewardship Pastoral asks, “And what do Christians bring to the Eucharistic celebration and join there with Jesus’ offering?” The answer: “Their lives as Christian disciples; their personal vocations and the stewardship they have exercised regarding them…”.

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

**At this Mass, we remember:**

**Monday, June 8**
2 Cor 1:1–7, Ps 34: 2-9, Mt 5:1–12
7:45 Thomas Cafone
9:00 Geraldine Fahmy

**Tuesday, June 9**
2 Cor 1:8–22, Ps 119: 129-133, 135, Mt 5:13–16
7:45 Peter Stefanidis
9:00 In Thanksgiving

**Wednesday, June 10**
2 Cor 3:4–11, Ps 99: 5-9, Mt 5:17–19
7:45 Geraldine Doyle
9:00 Robert Sokolowski

**Thursday, June 11**
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Walter Lempbert

**Friday, June 12**
Hos 11: 3–4, 8c–9, (Ps) Is 12: 2-6, Eph 3:8–12, 14–19, Jn 19:31–37
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Deacon Geoffrey Anisangel

**Saturday, June 13**
2 Cor 5:14–21, Ps 103: 1-4, 9-12, Mt 5:33–37 or Is 61:9–11, Lk 2:41–51
9:00 David G. Browne
This Eucharist is the monthly bereavement Liturgy where we remember those who have died at any time and especially those who have died in the previous month or whose anniversaries occur during this time. Lazarus Ministry will be present to welcome you and offer guidance.

**Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)**
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Seth
5:00 Pauline Botte Fr. Chris

**Sunday, June 14 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Ez 17:22–24, Ps 92: 2-3, 13-16, 2 Cor 5:6–10, Mk 4:26–34
7:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Seth
8:45 People of St. Joseph Fr. Francis
9:30 Harry Marcellus Fr. Chris
10:35 Jane Krumholz Fr. Francis
11:45 Patrick Reilly Fr. Seth
5:00 Jack Mico Fr. Chris
THIS IS A TRIBUTE PAGE TO OUR OWN FATHER SETH

We want to present Fr. Seth with as many Tribute Pages as we can. So think of words you would use to describe Fr. Seth that start with the four letters of his name: S.E.T.H.

For example, in your Tribute you could say “Fr. Seth is….
Spiritual, Enthusiastic, Thoughtful and Happy!

Now, write your personal Tribute to Fr. Seth, cut out this coupon, and get it back to Anne in the Parish Office as soon as you can!

FR. SETH’S TRIBUTE PAGE

Dear Fr. Seth,
You are:

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Love,
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 $20,471.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(-3424.00)

God bless you!

Liturg...y

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.

Men's Spirituality Group: Witness and grow in Faith. Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm 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. Army:
SPC Elliot Chodkowski
SSG Josuah Insull
LTC John Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PV2 Danny Bornschein
Pvt. Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pititto

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

U.S. Coast Guard:
PO1 Benjamin Flad
Capt. Matthew W. Sibley

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

LAZARUS MINISTRY

On Saturday, June 13th, 2015 at the 9:00 AM Eucharist, we will have our monthly Liturgy for the Commemoration of the Dead. All those who have lost a loved one, at any time in the past, are invited to join us. We especially welcome the family and friends of those who have died in the previous month or whose anniversaries occur during this time.

A table will be placed in the Baptistry for family members to place pictures of those who have died. A lectern will be set up for family or friends to write the names of those to be remembered at the General Intercessions. There will also be an opportunity to remember each loved one by name in the Book of the Dead.

Members of the Lazarus Ministry will be present to welcome you and to offer guidance; please let them know when you arrive. For questions or further information, please call Barbara Schade, 968-8793.
Outreach

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. THANK YOU!

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:
“Where Are We Going? Let’s Discuss…”
Friday, June 19 @ 7:30 pm
For further information please call Geri Olson at 631-661-8994
Parish News...

PLEASE JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION
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.

Handymen and Carpenters Wanted

We’re looking for a few good people to help us build radiator covers for the Faith Formation Classrooms at the Parish Center to make the rooms safer for our students.

Work will be done on:
The week of July 13 & The week of July 20
9am to 2pm

If you can offer a few hours of your time one or both of those weeks,
Please call Jane for more information: (631) 669-0068
Or email her at stewardship@stjosephsbabylon.org
Many thanks!

(631) 669-0068
Today, America’s rights of conscience are routinely vilified and denied. In schools- children are told they can’t bring their religious beliefs into their writing and speech. A 5th grade girl on Long Island was told she could not pray her rosary at lunchtime or she would be sent to the principal’s office. A 4th grader wrote about Jesus so his teacher called him in, tore up his essay and said, “We don’t write about Jesus in this school. You have to write another essay.”

In the military - Walter Reed Military Medical Center issued guidelines in 2011 stating, "No religious items, Bibles, etc. are allowed to be given away or used during a visit." In Texas, officials at Houston's national cemetery barred any religious services at graveside and ignored denunciations by Congress and families.

In business- Florists, bakers and photographers are fined, prosecuted and driven out of business for following their consciences in declining to celebrate same sex unions.

In religious organizations- The Little Sisters of the Poor are told they are “not religious enough” to be exempt from the Health and Human Services Mandate requiring them to provide contraception, sterilization and abortion inducing drugs to their employees or face bankrupting fines. Catholic hospitals, charities and universities face the same heavy hand of regulation denying deeply held religious beliefs.

The United States Constitution and Bill of Rights have protected freedom of conscience and religion for over two hundred years. Tragically, Americans became complacent about their religious freedom. Pope Francis reminds us, “Freedom is a gift and a personal responsibility. It is a challenge held out to each generation and it must constantly be won over for the sake of good.”

*Catholic Ministries Appeal Update 2015: Loving Others as Christ Would*

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Vacation Bible School

St. Joseph’s Parish
39 North Carll Ave, Babylon, NY, 11702

Christine Jansson- 422-7022
Jeanmarie Florio- 321-1089

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION
K-5th GRADE
August 10th-14th
9:00am- Noon

Name of Child: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ____________
Address: _______________________________ Telephone #: ________________

Parent/Guardian Names: Mother: ____________________________________________
Father: ________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________

Circle Grade Entering Sept 2015: K 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th

Does Child have any allergies?: YES____ NO____
Does Child have food allergies?: YES____ NO____

Please List All Allergies: ______________________________________________________

Does your child have any other needs? YES____ NO____
If yes- How can we help?

Emergency #: __________________________ Person to Contact: ______________________

Parent Signature: ____________________________________________________________

Registration Fee: $40 PER CHILD

Family Maximum- $90

Fee Paid: $ ____________ CHECK / CASH

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL (children’s sizes)

Return to Parish Office by: August 1st
***Placement Requests May Not Be Met***
All Are Welcome!

Please 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

If you are interested in volunteering for our App Night,
Please call Valerie Stone at 631-617-9246
Catholic Daughters

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 10th, 2015
Doors open at 7pm, Meeting starts at 7:30pm In the O’Connell Room

Our guest speaker will be Sister Lenore

Speaker - Sister Lenore Toscano OP
Executive Director of The Opening Word Program a literacy program which teaches the English language to immigrant women.

Saint Joseph the Carpenter Knights of Columbus Council 14771 is Proud to Announce our Annual Scholarship Fund for any Registered Parishioner of St. Joseph Church who will be a freshman attending a Catholic High School in September of 2015.

The scholarship award is $500.00

Please mail application and essay to:
Mr. Richard Maerki
14 Buoy Lane
West Islip N.Y. 11795

Before June 30th 2015

Requirements are simple:
100 word essay, describing what “Attending Catholic High school means to me.” Please fill in below application information

Student Name: ____________________________
Address: ________________________________
Telephone No: __________________________
Date of Birth: ___________________________
School and Grade attending in September 2015: __________________________

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

JCDA Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

Welcomes you to witness the induction of the newly elected officers:

President; Victoria Buonagura,
Vice President; Hope Hansen,
Treasurer; Marissa Dillon &
Recording Secretary; Helen Hansen

Please join us in the O’Connell room
Tuesday, June 16, 2015. Doors open 7pm
Prayers and ceremony begins promptly 7:30pm followed by refreshments and celebration till 9pm.

Membership Organizations

Knights of Columbus

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday - Cycle B
Job Openings at Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities – Diocese of Rockville Centre

Employment Opportunity: Executive Secretary – Finance Department (F/T); Hicksville
Assist Chief Financial Officer in organizing, preparing, presenting and accurately documenting required reports, as well as completing minutes for Agency Board Meetings and providing other departmental support. Must have High School diploma or GED with some college plus 5 years’ experience and computer skills including Microsoft Word and Excel.

To apply, transmit resume & cover letter via email or fax. Please reference “Executive Secretary – Finance” in the subject line of your email/fax.

Fax: 516.733.7038  Email: jobs@catholiccharities.cc

Catholic Charities – An Equal Opportunity Employer

Catholic Charities – Diocese of Rockville Centre

Employment Opportunity: Grants Specialist (F/T); Hicksville
Develop a portfolio of new and existing funders to support organizational growth. Write concept papers, grant proposals and reports. Must have a BA/BS in relevant discipline and at least 5+ years’ solid experience in development and grant writing. Also required: strong computer skills including Microsoft Excel and database concepts; familiarity with In-Design, Quark and Joomla desirable.

To apply, transmit resume & cover letter via email or fax. Please reference “Grants Specialist” in the subject line of your email/fax.  Fax: 516.733.7038  Email: jobs@catholiccharities.cc

Catholic Charities – An Equal Opportunity Employer

Catholic High School Entrance Exam and PSAT Prep Course

47 Cathedral Avenue
Hempstead, NY 11550
516.483.7383 - www.sacredheartacademyhempstead.org/

Attention all Sophomores
A PSAT Preparation Program will be offered at Sacred Heart Academy Summer 2015. The presenters will be members of the Sacred Heart Academy Faculty.
Dates of Classes: Monday, August 17–Friday, August 21, 2015
Time of Sessions: 8:00–10:30 a.m.
The time period will consist of 75 minutes of mathematics and 75 minutes of English.
Follow-up Review Practice Exam: Saturday, September 12 and Saturday, September 26, 2015: 8:00—10:30 a.m.
Cost: $200 (includes workbook) Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Academy.
Students will be asked to bring a calculator to each session.

Catholic High School Entrance Examination Prep Course

Attention 7th Grade Students Sacred Heart Academy is pleased to offer Summer Institute Catholic High School Entrance Examination Prep Course Over the five days, this course will thoroughly review a variety of topics and practice questions, develop strategies, and educate students on time management techniques.
Dates of Classes: Monday, August 24–Friday, August 28, 2015 Time of Sessions:
Session I: 8:30–10:30 a.m.
Session II: 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.
Follow-up Classes: Saturday, September 12, 2015 and Saturday, October 17, 2015
Cost: $200 (includes workbook) Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Academy
**Our Nursery School is Great!**

**3 and 4 year old Pre-K classes**
- NYS Certified & experienced staff
- Loving & caring child centered environment
- Developmentally appropriate curriculum
- GYM classes & Science Classes
- Toddler Parent/child classes 12-36 months
- Excellent teacher/child ratio
- 2, 3, 4 and 5 day programs

**Little Rock Bible Study**
"Special" Summer Study
**Dei Verbum - The Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation**

Did you ever wonder how the Bible became such an essential part of being a Catholic? Dei Verbum remains one of the foundational teachings of the Second Vatican Council. Join us to discover how it helped move the Bible into the heart of parish faith formation.

**5 Sessions**
- Thursdays, 7/9/15 – 8/6/15
- 7:30 – 9:00 PM
- Room 256
- $15/person for Study Materials

Please register by 6/22/15 so materials can be ordered for you.

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

Brought to you by the Adult Enrichment Ministry

**ATTENTION PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS**

It’s that time of year!

Getting ready for Graduation.

Our Teens are becoming Young Adults—starting college with a lifetime of opportunities in front of them.

We would like to help our Teens keep a faith connection while they are in college. Many will be away from home and out on their own, what better way to help them stay grounded and give them a safe place to meet new friends than through the Newman Connection.

Newman Centers are Catholic ministry centers at non-Catholic universities throughout the world. They provide pastoral services and ministries to their Catholic student population.

If you would like to make that connection, all you need to do is send an email to Barbara McNulty at youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

Include your teens first & last name and the name of the college or university they will be attending in the fall. The information will be forwarded to the proper Newman Center and your teen will be welcomed in the fall when they arrive at their school. Simple. And a great way to keep our teens connected.
Congratulations!

Our Parish has done a great job of responding to the call to serve God by serving others with our support of the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal. We have reached our parish goal of (insert amount), with pledges from (insert number) households.

Thank you to all who contributed – we couldn’t have done it without you!

Now that we have reached our goal we will receive 80% of all paid pledges we raise over our goal. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to increase parish revenue while also supporting the essential ministries of the Appeal.

It’s not too late to still make a pledge. Every gift matters and makes a difference in the lives of others!

You may pick up information and pledge cards in the back of the Church, or for more information visit www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org or call 516-379-521- ext. 2 Thank You!

Please consider what you can do to make this campaign successful.

Please make your check payable to:

Pledge: $__________
Down Payment: $__________
Balance: $__________

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish: ______________________________

Name: ________________________________
__ Monthly __ Quarterly

Address: ________________________________
__ Annually __ Other

City, State, Zip: ________________________________

Phone: ________________________________

Donor Signature: __________________________ Acct# ________

Email: ________________________________
Faith Formation

The Faith Formation Office will now be closed on Friday along with the Parish Office.

New Family Registration – Please bring the original baptismal certificate for each child you plan to register, even if your child was baptized here at St. Joseph. The annual registration fee is $130 for one child, $195 for two children and $250 for three or more. We would appreciate payment or partial payment when registering. All new families must be registered with the parish before registering with Faith Formation.

Re-Registration process is ongoing - Please register early and reserve your class day and time. If you are unable to pay at this time you can either send a partial payment or visit the Outreach Office to talk about your options. We cannot guarantee you will get your first choice if you wait too long to register.

Mass Attendance Envelopes – Please continue to use the Mass Attendance Envelopes through the summer. All grade levels have a minimum requirement to meet before September. Extra envelopes are available in the back of the Church or come to the Faith Formation Office during office hours: Monday – Thursday 9am-4pm. Call the office if you would like us to mail them to you: 587-4717.

My Good Deed for the Week was: Liana helped her sisters clean up the legos, John helped his grandma, Aidan & Rohan cleaned the bathroom, Victoria & Valentina helped with the yard work, Kaitlyn listened to her parents, Cole & Camryn helped around the house, Fiona helped her school, Sarah helped clean the lunch room, Liam helped open the pool, Frank & Michael were nice to each other, Marta did her homework, Timothy helped cook, Rori helped his grandma walk to the car and Julian watered the plants.

Attention catechists: If you have not yet returned your catechist guide and binder, please bring them to the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible. Thank you for sharing your faith with the children in the program this year.

Level 7 Confirmation Petitions are to be handed in at any Mass the weekend of June 13-14, 2015. Please use the petition that was mailed out a few weeks ago and discard the one that was given out in the beginning of the year in the Confirmation packet.
Faith Formation

Youth Ministry

E-mail: youth@stjosephsbabylon.org
Phone: 669-0068 ext 108  Contact: Mrs. Barbara McNulty

2015 End of Year Dinner—
5 of our graduating Seniors
put their handprint on the
Madonna Room wall.
Check the website for more
pictures!

The Colleges of: St Joseph’s, Farmingdale, Clarkson, Molloy, and Niagara were well represented at our Youth Group Dinner! Congratulations to all of our Students—please continue to keep them in your prayers.

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

Sunday—5pm Mass: YOUTH BAND! Newcomers—summer is a great time to step in and give it a try! See Jean Cooper at the end of Mass.

Monday 6/8 (7pm) Final Monday evening meeting until end of July! All in grades 8—12 welcome to join us!

SERVICE TEAM: Friday 6/12 and Saturday 6/13 Outreach needs help with the TAG SALE. Are you available?

COLLEGE & BEYOND: Attention our Young Adults 21+ welcome to join us at Faith on Tap—
Monday, June 15th at Lily Flanagans 7:30 to hear Deacon Barry speak about Challenges of our Faith Journey

JULY:
Tuesday 7/14—Parish Pool Party. Please sign up now to help with face painting and games.
Wednesday 7/15—Cruise to Nowhere. If I have your permission slip, I have your ticket.
Thursday 7/16—PBJ Gang—Open to all ages! More info as we get closer
Saturday 7/18—Working at the Soup Kitchen 8am—12:30. Teens & Adults. Must be signed up in advance.
**St. Vincent de Paul**

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

Today, as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ, let us pray for those who are truly hungry, malnourished and starving. Our society helps provide much needed items for the food pantry. We are currently in great need of apple Juice, coffee, and toilet paper. Please leave donations in the marked containers at the church entries or bring them to Outreach on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9:30 to 1:30pm. Thank You!

Also, a woman in our parish is in great need of a used car to get to and from work. If you can donate a car, please call OUTREACH at 631-669-4544. THANK YOU!

Our next meeting is on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 9:35 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 these items: Coffee, Apple Juice & Toilet Paper.

Gift Cards 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**

Toys ~ 1/2 Price
Frames ~ 1/2 Price
Dishes & Kitchenware ~ 1/2 Price

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**
Please DO NOT leave any donations on the outside steps when the Thrift Shop is closed.

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**The Sociable Singles**

**St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors**

Our Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17th @ 7pm. Dinner will be BBQ ribs, chicken & hamburgers. We will also be serving salads, pickles, lemonade, ice tea & beer! The cost is $17.00 per person. Make checks out to St. Joseph Church. Absolutely NO PAYMENTS AT THE DOOR! All checks due by 6/10/15. If interested call Lorraine @ 631-553-0160.

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.
ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS
You are invited!

TO: FAITH ON TAP
All Young Adults are invited to join us for a night of Fellowship & Faith

WHEN: Monday, June 15th at Lily Flanagans, in Babylon at 7:30pm
Arrive at 7pm for some food & fellowship. Come catch up with friends, and meet new ones!

WHERE: Lily Flanagans, in Babylon

Topic: Is there a God? Sharing a journey to the truth, detours & all!

Speaker: Deacon Barry Croce

Deacon Barry will share his own journey of faith, and talk to us about roadblocks, detours, and grace-filled moments – which we all experience.

During his last year of studies at the seminary, Barry suggested the class motto be “Don’t take yourself too seriously” and that is how he lives out his life and his vocation.

He considers his faith to be the greatest gift from the Lord. He would then list his wife, four children and 2 grandchildren as their own special gifts. Barry has embraced many ministries including Youth Ministry, Altar Servers and Pre-Cana, and he is always available to all, from our children to our ‘golden-agers’.
Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

I believe, actually I know our God communicates with us all the time. If we believe our Lord loves us why wouldn’t this loving God communicate with us? However, much of the time this communication occurs in natural ways that may be easy for most of us to overlook, such as when someone is inspired to speak to us. Recently my daughter shared with me she was having a tough day. In the evening her daughter, our granddaughter Gianna, who is seven years old was lying in bed listening to the radio. My daughter went into the bedroom to tell her it was time to turn off the radio and go to sleep. Gianna turned off the radio and then looked at her mom and said: “Don’t worry mommy. When things aren’t going good it just means God isn’t done working on that problem yet.” Amen! Out of the mouths of babes…

Then there are the ways our God communicates with us that are…well, supernatural. Captain Scott O’Grady was a captain in the U.S. Air force flying missions over Bosnia during the terrible sectarian violence that broke out in that country in 1995. O’Grady was one of two Air Force F-16 pilots patrolling the United Nations designated ‘no-fly zone’ when his cockpit warning alarm suddenly sounded. The onboard radar tracked three surface-to-air missiles launched from the ground. Two of them missed the fighter jets, but the third missile hit O’Grady’s plane directly behind his seat. O’Grady remembers the sound of the impact and the flash – the searing heat of the flames. He pulled his ejection lever, and to his astonishment, it worked. He was catapulted into the sky, nearly five miles above the Earth. O’Grady managed to land unscathed, and found cover in a nearby patch of woods, where he dodged capture for six days and nights.

O’Grady, a Catholic since birth, says those six days and nights were the most intense and sustained period of prayer of his life. On his third day on the ground, halfway through the experience, O’Grady says something miraculous happened. He had been thinking about the village of Medjugorje, a Bosnian town that is a pilgrimage site for Catholics from all over the world. Many Catholics believe the Virgin Mary has been appearing to six village children – now young adults – every evening for more than a decade. O’Grady said he had never “bought into the phenomenon” of miracles and apparitions attributed to Medjugorje. But he decided to send up a prayer in honor of the village, which was less than 100 miles from O’Grady’s location.

O’Grady has difficulty articulating what happened next. “You have to understand there are no words to describe the feeling,” he said in 1996, while describing his experience just a few months earlier. “It’s not like I saw someone walking in the forest, but I saw something. It was a shimmering image. But the image was insignificant compared to the feeling that accompanied it.”

O’Grady said it was as if the warmest arms he’d ever felt came around him and through him. The feeling of love and warmth permeated his body. He said if one could “will the feeling to happen,” one would never leave it. O’Grady said he knew in an instant that it was coming from God, and that whether he lived or died, “I was God’s child, and I was going to be OK.” O’Grady says it took away his fear of death. “I realized that to die, is actually to gain.” O’Grady says the “mountain-top feeling” eventually ebbed, but left him on a “spiritual high,” that sustained him through his final days on the ground.

On the sixth day, after making radio contact with O’Grady, an elite team of Marines moved in with a chopper, dodged enemy fire and whisked O’Grady out of Bosnia to safety.

At a press conference following a triumphant reunion with his family and rescue team, O’Grady told the waiting reporters, “If it wasn’t for my love for God and God’s love for me, I wouldn’t be here right now, and I know that in my heart.” He says he still felt the “spiritual high” of what he calls his “epiphany” in the forest. But weeks later, it was replaced with a feeling of guilt. O’Grady felt guilty for not sustaining the level of prayer that had seen him through his Bosnian ordeal. He confessed it to a priest who told him, “Scott, God was there for you in the intensity you needed, when you needed it. He’s gone on to someone else in need with that intensity now. But He’s always there. He’s as close as your next prayer.”

God is as close as our next prayer. Amen.

Deacon Barry
**DON’T BUMP THE STUMP**

After Super Storm Sandy, there were three relatively small trees that had various parts come down in our yard. When the debris was finally removed, we had the cut down and all that remained were three unattractive stumps standing not so proudly along our property line. Each time I would pull in the driveway, I would see these barren, fading stumps staring at me, almost wondering why I still gave them some space on our property. (Had they not been trees all their lives, they would have known that my propensity to procrastinate is without equal and any fleeting thought I had of their removal was just that…fleeting.) In my mind they would be safe until the next owner comes around.

One of the blights on our society is how we treat our aging. We have long lived in a very disposable world where we look to replace things the moment they seem to lose some of their initial allure. We do so with electronic devices, food containers, and even spouses. We fail to treasure things that slow down, never acknowledging that they are probably more dependable in the long run; however, because something seemingly better comes along and catches our eye, we feel compelled to gain the instant satisfaction of knowing we are more than keeping up with the Joneses by treating ourselves to the newest toy. It is not that way in all cultures.

Sometimes the same thing happens to our seniors. Families, not all of them, see those aging members as people to avoid rather than cherish. As one who is newly arrived in that category, I am suggesting that there may still be a great deal of life left in all of us who may have shed a leaf or two.

Perhaps it was this past winter when we thought the snows would never melt and filled the ground with such moisture. Perhaps it was just a case of literally being a late bloomer. When I pulled in the driveway one day recently, I suddenly noticed new life in one of those (not so) barren, fading stumps.

God, the Author of Life, continually reminds us that all life is sacred and that we must do all we can to preserve the lives of everyone...especially those who seem to be fading.

**PRAYER**

Loving and Generous Father, life is the greatest gift You have given to each of us, yet sometimes we do not care for it as we should. As we pray, give us the Grace we need to treasure this gift, not only for ourselves but for all around us...the aging, the homeless, the hungry, the addicted. Each is made in Your image and likeness and is loved in Your eyes. Can we do any less? This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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**Stewardship...**

**Stewardship Sound Byte**

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who prioritize their gift of time to include weekly Eucharist.
News From Outside the Parish

St. Sylvester’s Social and Dance featuring the Savoy Swing Band.
LI’s best live 18 pc. swing band with vocals.
Singles and couples all welcome.

When: Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 7pm to 10pm
Where: St. Sylvester’s Parish Center, 68 Ohio Ave. Medford, NY 11763
Directions: LIE exit 64 Rte.112 south, one block to light, Robinson Ave. RT one block in.
Admission: $15.00 pp beverages and snacks included.
More Info: visit our website; www.goodolddanceband.com or call Mike @ (631) 730-3333

St. Anne’s Knights of Columbus Columbiettes will be having their annual Garage Sale/Flea Market on Saturday, June 20th. Set up begins at 8am Sale is from 9am - 4pm. If you would like a space or donate new/used items please contact Viviana Garamy at 631-231-18859. Cost for vendor space is $25.00.

WorldWide Marriage Encounter Married Couples!
Would you attend a seminar to enhance your job or to increase your salary? Why not give your marriage the same attention? Enhance your good marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

There will be an upcoming Non-residential two day Worldwide Marriage Encounter at the Immaculate Conception Center 7200 Douglaston Pkwy, Little Neck, NY 11362 on July 11 and 12, 2015. Apply before June 15, 2015 for a discount. Contact richardpinkywwme@gmail.com for details.

Weekends are scheduled throughout the Metro New York area. For more information about the weekends call 1-877-697-9963 or visit our web site at http://www.wwme.org.

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

http://www.babylonchorale.org/Concert.html

Mercy Inn Soup Kitchen in Wyandanch Needs your HELP!
Food pick up for Thursdays from Island Harvest in Central Islip.
Please contact volunteer coordinator if you are interested - Melinda Haberman at 631-243-2474

COPING WITH GRIEF ON FATHER’S DAY WORKSHOP
Father’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 Administration Office, 110 Bi-County Blvd., Suite 114, Farmingdale, NY on Wednesday, June 17, 2015 from 7PM-8:30PM. Seating is limited. Registration is required.
Please call (631) 465-6262.
**Reflexión**

El centro de la fiesta de hoy es la entrega total de Jesús. La carta pastoral de los obispos sobre la Administración de Nuestro Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro como Bienes de Dios nos recuerda que la gloria y el orgullo de los administradores cristianos de los bienes de Dios se basa en reflejar, aunque sea pobremente, la administración de los bienes de Dios y llevar a cabo la redención de los seres humanos y su mundo.

Agradecemos esta semana a todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que priorizan su regalo de tiempo para incluir Eucaristía semanal.

**Intercisiones por la Vida**

Que a través de la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión, podamos aceptar y regocijarnos en el don de la creación, y dar de nosotros mismos libremente para la defensa de la vida desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural;

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 05/31/15: $ 20,471.00
Gastos: $ 23,895.00
$ (-3,424.00)

**Curso Bíblico**

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

**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)**


**Catequesis de Niños y Adultos (RICA)**


**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.

**Unción 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 Cristina Vera @ 631-327-6141.

**Renovación Carismática**

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 María**

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.

**Comité**

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

**Rosario**

Todos los domingos a las 11:00am en la Capilla.

**Hermanas Unidas**

Todos los segundos domingo de cada mes, en el salón # 256, después de la misa.

**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.
XXII CONGRESO DE LA MUJER LATINA CATOLICA DE L.I.

MUJER:
MADRE...FAMILIA...IGLESIA...

Sábado, 13 DE JUNIO, 2015 - 9:00 AM—3:00 PM
CENTRO PASTORAL - CATEDRAL DE SANTA INES
29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, New York

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Damaris Thillet & Diego Correa
Diócesis de Camden, NJ

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Envíe cheque o money order y les enviamos sus boletos
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Diócesis de Rockville Centre
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