pastoral staff
Rev. Msgr. Christopher J. Heller, Pastor
Rev. Joseph V. Arevalo, Associate Pastor
Rev. Ethel Amaro, Associate Pastor
Rev. Francis A. Samuel, OIC Resident/Associate
Deacon Barry P. Croce
Deacon Michael J. Leyden
Deacon John F. Sullivan
Dr. Marie Drohan, Music Director
Mrs. Barbara McNulty, Youth Ministry Director
Ms. Claire Moulé, Faith Formation Director
Mrs. Marion Peckholdt, Nursery School Director
Mrs. Kathryn Raniere, Parish Outreach Director
Mrs. Jane Zollo, Parish Operations Manager

Stewardship Services Director

office hours
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 appt. 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 appt. (669-4544)

Food Pantry
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Other times by appt. (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 x131
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 11:30 am Misa 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 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.

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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + August 9, 2015
For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Gelsomina Cosentino, Marilyn T. McKuskie, Tobias Croce & Robert J. Evans.

The Sacraments of Life

Newly Baptized

Preparing for Marriage
Banns Posted

Second Time Time ~
Evan Rafferty & Kristina Miller
James Farley & Renata Golabek

Third Time ~
Steven Baldassarre & Elizabeth Ellensohn
Steven Huff & Christine Lalicate
Joseph Ligon & Christina Ryan

For Our Sick

Altar Rose
In memory of Kathleen Bossong

For Our Deceased

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REFLECTION FOR TODAY
The gifts of God that the angel brought to Elijah - food, water, rest and encouragement - were given, not for his own good alone, but to strengthen him for service. How am I using my gifts to serve others?

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week

At this Mass, we remember:

Monday, August 10
2 Cor 9:6–10, Ps 112: 1-2, 5-9, Jn 12:24–26
7:45 Dean Cassell
9:00 Joseph Mizzi

Tuesday, August 11
Dt 31:1–8, (Ps) Dt 32:3-4b, 7-9, 12, Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12–14
7:45 Francis & Frank Mia
9:00 John McLoughlin

Wednesday, August 12
Dt 34:1–12, Ps 66: 1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17, Mt 18:15–20
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 James J. Marron

Thursday, August 13
Jos 3:7–10a, 11, 13–17, Ps 114: 1-6, Mt 18:21—19:1
7:45 Ravi Maharaj & Brandon Lochan
9:00 Arlene Sutton

Friday, August 14
7:45 Victoria Faith McLoughlin
9:00 James McGillem

Saturday, August 15
Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab, Ps 45:10-12, 16, 1 Cor 15:20–27, Lk 1:39–56
9:00 Intentions of Fescina Family
11:45 Valentino Vulaj & Eva Rachel Alter

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Philip
5:00 Henry Leszczynski Fr. Joe
Robert J. Evans

Sunday, August 16 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 9:1–6, Ps 34: 2-7, Eph 5:15–20, Jn 6:51–58
7:00 Brian Cannetti Fr. Seth
8:45 Mark Saragnese Fr. Philip
10:35 Jimmy Walter Fr. Philip
11:45 People of St. Joseph Fr. Seth
5:00 Intentions of Fr. Seth Awo-Doqu
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 $20,846.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(- $3,049.00)

God bless you!

Liturgical Prayers

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.

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

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.

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 Kallio
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PV2 Danny Bornschein
Pvt. Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pititto
Lt. Stephen Scuderi

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

Little Rock Bible Study
Women in the New Testament
Through the lives of the women who lived in the first generation of Christianity, we can learn what it means to be touched by Jesus and the meaning of discipleship.
We invite you to join us in discussion and prayer about expectant faith.

8 Sessions
Thursdays, 9/17/15 – 11/12/15
(No session 10/15/15)
7:30 – 9:00 PM
O’Connell Room

$17/person for Study Materials

Please register by 8/31/15 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
“Praise be to you, my Lord.”

“LAUDATO SI’, mi’ Signore” – “Praise be to you, my Lord.” These are the words that open Pope Francis’ encyclical on ecology and care for God’s creation. These words, quoting St. Francis of Assisi’s beautiful canticle, remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Pope Francis addresses Laudato Si’ to “every person on the planet,” for we all share a common home—the earth. He focuses on a number of important themes.

- A Moral and Spiritual Challenge. The ecological crisis, Pope Francis writes, is a summons to profound interior conversion—to renew our relationships with God, one another, and the created world.
- Care for God’s Creation. God created the world and entrusted it to us as a gift. Now we have the responsibility to care for and protect it and all people, who are part of creation. Protecting human dignity is strongly linked to care for creation.
- We are All Connected. We are connected to the rest of the human family, to the created world, and to those who will come after us in future generations.
- Impact on the Poor. People in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. As a result of excessive use of natural resource by wealthy nations, those who are poor experience pollution, lack of access to clean water, hunger, and more.
- Called to Solidarity. We are one human family and have a shared responsibility for others and for creation. Wealthy countries have a responsibility to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and should help poorer nations develop in sustainable ways.
- Technological and economic development must serve human beings and enhance human dignity, instead of creating an economy of exclusion, so that all people have access to what is needed for authentic human development.
- Supporting Life, Protecting Creation. Concern for nature is incompatible with failure to protect vulnerable human beings, such as unborn children, people with disabilities, or victims of human trafficking.
- A Time to Act. Pope Francis calls for a change in lifestyle and consumption. We can make important changes as individuals, families, and communities, and as civil and political leaders.
- Hope and Joy. “Injustice is not invincible” (no. 74) and we act knowing that we seek to live out God’s vision of renewed relationships with God, ourselves, one another, and creation.

How You Can Respond
Each of us are called to take concrete steps – from reducing consumption to working for political change – to better care for creation. Here are some ideas.

1. Become more aware of our connectedness. Care for one another and creation includes understanding that “everything is connected” (no. 91) and that the economy, politics, community involvement, and technology all affect the future of the planet and humankind. How can we become more aware of our connectedness?

2. Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference. For example, get a re-usable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike or take public transportation instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy efficient appliances.

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3. Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace. For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.

4. Support local efforts to solve environmental problems. Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make a big difference. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.

5. Contact your members of Congress to share Pope Francis' message and urge action to address climate change. Sign up for action alerts with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops at http://cqrcengage.com/catholicbishops/jphd.

**Prayer**

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,  
teach us to contemplate you  
in the beauty of the universe,  
for all things speak of you.  
Awaken our praise and thankfulness  
for every being that you have made.  
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined  
to everything that is.  
God of love, show us our place in this world  
as channels of your love  
for all the creatures of this earth,  
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.  
Enlighten those who possess power and money  
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,  
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,  
and care for this world in which we live.  
The poor and the earth are crying out.  
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,  
help us to protect all life,  
to prepare for a better future,  
for the coming of your Kingdom  
of justice, peace, love and beauty.  
Praise be to you!  
Amen.

Excerpted from “A Christian prayer in union with creation,” in Laudato Si’, no. 246

**For More Information**

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on Environment and Environmental Justice (www.usccb.org/environment)
- Catholic Climate Covenant (www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)
- WeAreSaltAndLight.org

Father Chris
Our Parish is currently forming a small select group of Adult male and female vocalists who can make a weekly commitment as music ministers at a new Parish Liturgy Experience. It will begin at our 11:45 am Mass at St. Joseph starting on Sunday, October 4, 2015. The musical repertoire will include music from Christian artists such as Matt Maher, Chris Tomlin, and Matt “Redman.” (You can hear the musical style on KLOVE 96.7 FM Radio). There will also be standard Praise and Worship songs and Catholic hymns. If you have familiarity singing this style of music and have vocal ability, please consider attending an informal Music Jam Night at St. Joseph: 39 N. Carll Avenue, Babylon, on Wednesday, August 12, 2015, from 7:30pm -9pm. It will be held in the O’Connell Room between the Parish Center and Nolan Hall. Auditions required and welcomed: please bring a Christian song to sing. For more information, contact Ann Marie Pillsworth, Liturgical Music Minister, at 631-277-0523, or leave your name and contact information at St. Joseph Parish Office: 631-669-0068.

Be A Greeter
At the 11:45am Mass in the Fall

If you would like to be part of our new worship experience starting Sunday October 4th, then we’d love to hear from you!

Please contact Laraine Leitch: viswamp26@aol.com or call her at (631) 877-8477 for more information.
AUDITION CALL

A new ADULT Christian Music Group is forming at St. Joseph Church (39 N. Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY) for the 11:45 am Sunday Mass. ADULT male and female vocalists are invited to audition in the Church on Sunday evenings, August 9 and August 16, 2015 from 6 - 7 pm. For more information, contact Ann Marie Pillsworth (Liturgical Music Minister) at 631-277-0523 / email: amp7amp@aol.com, or leave your name and contact info at the Parish Center: 631-669-0068.

ENDOW IS BACK!

After an incredible first year in which more than 50 women came together to study, pray, and share in an uplifting spiritual experience, we are happy to announce that ENDOW programs for Catholic women will be offered again this fall!

We will be offering three courses, beginning on Monday nights from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, September 14, 2015 and continuing through November 9, 2015 (no class on Columbus Day.)

**Letter to Women:** The best place to start the ENDOW journey, the discussion in this course centers around a letter written by St. John Paul II’s directly to contemporary Catholic women about their “feminine genius”, in imitation of Mary, which guides us in our role in the church and in the world;

**On the Dignity and Vocation of Women:** Defining a sense of purpose for today’s Catholic women, this course offering delves into the meaning of the authentic feminine presences and how they work to create a civilization of love in our society;

**St. Thomas Aquinas:** Through the fascinating life of this priest, theologian, and author, the rich history of our church is explored.

Please visit the ENDOW website (http://endowgroups.org) to read about these exciting offerings and to register for a course. Remember: there is no homework and no preparation for these sessions…..just show up and be prepared for prayerful and engaging conversation in a lively spiritual setting.

If you have any questions, kindly contact the ENDOW facilitator team at www.Sjendow@yahoo.com or call Sally Pokorney at 631-379-3863. Team members will be available to speak with you after most masses the weekend of August 8th and 9th, 2015. **ENDOW: Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women:** a not-to-be missed experience for contemporary Catholic women.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2015: Loving Others as Christ Would

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Please: Make a Difference in Someone’s Life by donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish __________________________________________ Name ______________________________________

Address __________________________________________ Down payment: $_______

City, State, Zip: ____________________________________________________ Phone: ______________________

Signature: _______________ Date: __________
SUMMERTIME FOOD FOR THOUGHT ABOUT JOINING THE MUSIC MINISTRY

Do you like to sing? Did you sing in school, once upon a time? Do you find yourself enjoying the hymns of praise that are offered during mass each Sunday? Do you sometimes wonder what it would be like to be in a choir again? St. Joseph’s Choir would like to take this opportunity to welcome all Catholic singers to join the music ministry and participating in spiritually-fulfilling sung prayer at Sunday mass. More detailed information is available on the parish website: http://stjosephsbabylon.org. Click on “ministries”.

ADULT FOLK GROUP

St. Joseph Parish’s adult folk group provides music at the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday evenings. Practice takes place just before the mass. If you would like information about joining call Alicia at 516-729-2380 or stop by to speak to us after Mass.

For Youth Ministry Band see page 15 in the bulletin.

We Welcome ~ We Worship ~ We Witness

ANGELS AND SAINTS CHOIR

Young people in Grades 2 - 7 (and beyond!) are most welcome to join the Music Ministry at the Sunday family-friendly 9:30 am Mass in Msgr. Nolan Hall as members of the Angels and Saints Choir. Our music season runs from mid-September through mid-June. Weekly music rehearsals are held at 8:45 am in the Hall before Mass begins (one trip out per week). No auditions are necessary - All are welcome!

Contact Ann Marie (Children’s Choir Director) at 277-0523 or Barbara (Angel Helper) at 422-2976 for more information.

ST. JOSEPH’S CHOIR

St. Joseph’s Choir sings each Sunday at the 10:15 mass from mid-September to Father’s Day. To become a member, one must be at least 14 years of age (high school) and easily carry a tune. Teens and young adults are most welcome. As there is a large choral repertoire, music reading is helpful but not necessary. All voice types are invited—tenors, baritones, basses, altos and first and second sopranos of all ages! Rehearsals are Thursday evenings 7:15 – 9:00 pm in room 254 of the Parish Center. If interested you are invited to attend the Choir Open House on Thursday, 9/17/15. A short rehearsal will take place followed by refreshments and socialization with other new and current choir members. Feel free to bring a friend! You may also speak to Dr. Marie Drohan after the 8:45 or 10:15 Sunday liturgy or call her at 631-539-0957.
"Adult Formation Retreat for Men and Women"

November 13-15, 2015

“What does it mean when we say: ‘I Believe’?”

We will visit the Creed we say every Sunday, by reflecting on the statement “I believe” as well as the Triune image of God, and our call to Discipleship as our faith response develops through the years.

Presenters: Josephine Daspro, CSJ, D.Min. and Jean Lynch, MA

Offering: $190.00 - Make Checks payable to Sisters Renewal Center

St. Joseph Renewal Center, 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood, NY 11717

Main Office: 631-273-1187 Ext. 123

"Second Half of Life Spirituality"

"The "I" that one became in the first half of life is no longer in command. The Self that we are called to be the unique individual that each of us is slowly emerges and gradually takes over command. All the unconscious depths within us are to be discovered to transform the naming of ourselves. We have wedded our Self for better or for worse, in good times and in bad. And this commitment is the threshold to the second half of life, to our second journey. This is why this transition is rightly called the "change of life" (J. Pasquier). This is a genuine conversation, a movement of magnificent and earth shaking change. "The movement of conversion begins and ends in the acceptance of who we are." This basic self- affirmation that we are called to accept ourselves as we truly are, embracing our shadow and the dark side of ourselves, as well as embracing our good, all our possibilities and potentials and the mystery of our own being. In fact it is this genuine acceptance and love of Self that includes the good and the bad that is the key to genuine conversion because it is most Godlike. This is how God loves us with full knowledge and acceptance, yet always calling us to go beyond who we are in our present image of ourself." (Anne Brennan, CSJ and Janice Brewi, CSJ)

Third Saturday of the Month
9:30 Am to 12:00 Noon

Dates 2015—September 19, October 17, November 21 and December 19

Dates 2016—February 20, March 19, April 16 and May 21

Presenters: Georgeann Dau, Josephine Daspro, CSJ, Jim DeMar

Offering: $30.00 per session - Make Checks payable to Sisters Renewal Center

St. Joseph Renewal Center, 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood, NY 11717

Main Office: 631-273-1187 Ext. 123

“Wellness Program for Men & Women”

Wednesdays from 11am – 1pm at

St. Joseph Renewal Center, 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood, NY 11717

2015 Dates - Sept. 23, October 21, Nov. 18, December 16th

2016 Dates – Feb. 3rd and March 9th

Presenters: Mary Lou Buser, CSJ, Georgeann Dau, Josephine Daspro, CSJ, Jean Lynch and Kara McKenney

Bereavement Support group

Widow and Widowers Bereavement Support Group 50 and over

8 Week Program—September 25th—November 13th

7:30pm in the Parish Hall

For information please call—Valerie Stone 631-617-9246
Membership Organizations

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who gave blood during our summer blood drive. The drive was very successful and we were able to collect sixty pints of blood for the blood bank.

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 631-539-8565.
For additional information about the Knights of Columbus and St. Joseph the Carpenter Council: Just Google “Knights of Columbus St Josephs”

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

We welcome all our Catholic sisters to add their names to the roster of the largest Catholic women’s organization in the world through Court Bishop McDonnell #1403 here in Babylon.
Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month from September thru June.
Come and visit one of our meetings, mingle with our members, and learn how we work in UNITY and CHARITY to help others less fortunate.
For more information: Contact: Stephanie Conley @ 631-422-0175

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Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Members seek the Message of the Lord
Teens girls are invited to a Retreat
‘Exercising Your Faith’
Friday, September 25th into Saturday, September 26th
Reservations and information call 631.279.0614
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Bishop McDonnell #1403
Presents their annual fundraiser

VILLA ROMA DAY TRIP
ENJOY A GREAT DAY OF FOOD,
ENTERTAINMENT & FRIENDS
OKTOBERFEST, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2015
BUS LEAVES FROM OUR LADY OF GRACE
CHURCH PARKING LOT @APPROX. 7:30 AM
COFFEE SERVED UPON ARRIVAL
LUNCH AT NOON
SHOW BEGINS AT 2:00 PM
DEPARTURE TIME: APPROX. 3:30 PM
COST OF TRIP: $60.00/PERSON (INCLUDES LUNCH, ENTERTAINMENT & TRANSPORTATION)
IF INTERESTED IN RESERVING YOUR SPACE, CALL LORRAINE FOR PAYMENT & DETAILS (631-553-0160)

Raffle chances & dinner arrangements can be made by contacting Ginny @ 631-587-0408
“Served Dinner Party for Ten”
As our first place winner, you will be pampered with an authentic Home-cooked dinner for 10! The drawing will be on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 (Winner does not need to be present)
Dinner will consist of a 5 course meal including wine, coffee, tea and after-dinner cordials.

The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

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Opera at Lincoln Center
Saturday, December 5th to see La Boheme. Details to follow at a later date. If interested, contact Lorraine De Canditis @ 631-553-0160
REAR ORCHESTRA SEATS - $139/PP, (INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION); DEPOSIT OF $80/PP DUE BY 9/15.
LINCOLN CENTER WILL BE DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS.
Parish News

Capital Improvements at Babylon Jr/Sr. High School

You may notice that a number of capital improvement projects are taking place next door with our neighbors at Babylon Jr/Sr High School. One of the projects involves removing the tennis courts on North Carll Avenue. For the duration of time that this project is underway, the parking lot adjacent to the tennis courts will be unavailable for use by Parishioners attending Mass on the weekends. We have been notified that cars may park in the school parking lot through the end of the summer, and we’re grateful for this generous offer to accommodate St. Joseph Parishioners attending Mass through August.

St. Joseph Nursery School

Learning & Growing Together
Registration 2015-2016
Classes for 2 1/2, 3 and 4 year old Pre-K children

NYS Core Standards
NYS Certified & Experienced Staff
Loving & Caring Child Centered
Excellent Teacher/Child Ratio

Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum
GYM Classes & Science Classes
Toddler Parent/Child Classes 12-36 Months

Appointments available school days: please call.
631-661-4559
41 North Carll Ave., Babylon Village
www.stjosephsnurseryschool.org
St. Vincent de Paul

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

We would like to share the following thank you note with all of our benefactors and those whose prayer and support make this work possible.

To all those involved in helping us make our lives better: Thank you so much for all the prayers, the help, the refrigerator and all you continue to do to make our lives more bearable at this time of hardship. God bless all of you.

Thank you again.

P.S. A special “Thank You” goes out to the Vincentians that donated the refrigerator/to freezer to our neighbors in need to replace their broken one.

The next meeting of St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, August 17, 2015 at 9:35 in room 256 of the Parish Center. All are invited to attend.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

It’s that time again!! This year, we will again be distributing gift cards to help parents purchase their children’s school supplies. We are requesting cards from the following stores:

- Target
- K-mart
- Staples
- CVS

Please consider sponsoring a child whose family is struggling by donating a gift card for school supplies. You may drop the cards at the Parish Center or Parish Outreach Office in an envelope marked “School Supplies”

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Social Ministries

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items: Coffee, Apple Juice, Mayonnaise & Toilet Paper.

Gift Cards from supermarkets are in demand and would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your past and future donations.

Thrift Shop News

Everything in the Thrift Shop over $1.00 will be 1/2 off

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Please DO NOT leave any donations on the outside steps when the Thrift Shop is closed.
The Faith Formation Office will now be closed on Friday along with the Parish Office.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed for the summer beginning Friday, July 3rd. We will reopen on Monday, August 31st at 9am. We will leave a cart out in the hallway so that families can drop off their registration forms/payments (checks only, do not leave cash) and any other correspondence. There will be a note pad on the cart if you want to leave a message. You may also leave a message on our answering machine and someone will get back to you within the week.

Faith Formation Registrations – we will continue to collect registration forms during the summer. You can drop them off on the cart in the hallway. We are currently putting classes together for those who have already registered. We cannot guarantee that you will get the day/time/catechist you want if you wait until September to register. 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.

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.

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.

Please bring us a bulletin with your full name written on it from any Catholic Church you attend while away on vacation and we will count it towards your Mass attendance requirement. Either drop it off at the Parish Center (Attn: Faith Formation Office) or mail it to us.

My Good Deed for the Week was: Katie, Britney & Emma helped their moms, Liana cleaned her cloths, Amanda was being very patient, Ryan helped his dad, Anna taught her little sister how to use a crayon, Liam helped his injured friend in school, Joseph & Madeline cleaned their rooms, Haley made dinner, Madelyn made her bed, Nicolas cleaned the basement, Kirra helped her teacher clean the classroom, Gianna & Nathaniel took care of their baby sister and they cleaned the house, Lucy delivered papers, Anna filled out paperwork for her mom, Maggie played with her friends, Christina donated clothes, Tim, Kristen & Meghan washed the dishes, Gianni was being respectful towards others, Sofia made breakfast for her brother, Lauren helped clean the house, Zach gave his friend a towel and a sweatshirt when he was cold, Julian helped with the groceries and Meghan helped her grandma.

Good Deeds for the summer – Many families like to take vacation during the summer and visit other places. Please continue practicing good deeds and send them to me via email: cmoule@stjosephsbabylon.org if you are unable to hand them in at Mass on the weekend.
Youth Ministry is for Teens in grades 6—12. Some activities are grade specific, others are open to all. Teens, sign up now—to be part of our Service Team in September and to get regular updates about what’s going on! Get forms and information on the website: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Don’t forget if you have been travelling this summer --- we collect bulletins! And a special prize will be awarded to the person or family who has travelled the farthest distance from St. Joseph Parish.

LIMITLESS LOVE IN ACTION
STEUBENVILLE NYC—August 7, 8, 9
Please pray for our Teens! Next weekend we will be attending the Steubenville NYC Conference Weekend at St John’s University in Queens. A Special Thank you to everyone who helped with fundraising towards this retreat. Each Teen has received a partial scholarship. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. We will keep all of you in prayer throughout the weekend. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. We are signed up with our friends at Our Lady of Lourdes, St Kilian’s, and St Matthew’s—There are 40 Teens in our group.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou, Among Women. And Blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners. Now and at the hour of our death.

AMEN.

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Check the Website for pictures from our Cruise to Nowhere and PBJ Gang and Working at the Soup Kitchen! www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Sign up now—to join us in September!
Recipe: **Rainbow Jell-O**

*From the Kitchen of Laraine Leitch*

**Ingredients**

7 *flavors of Jell-O*
- Grape – (this is the bottom layer)
- Orange*
- Black Cherry
- Lemon*
- Strawberry
- Lime*
- Cherry

**Directions**

*Jell-O prepare with ½ cups of hot water, cold water and evaporated milk*

The rest of the Jell-O prepare with 3/4 cups of hot and cold water

Place in a glass pan and refrigerate each layer for one hour before adding the next layer

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Recipe: **Blueberry Gelatin Salad or Dessert**

*From the Kitchen of Mary Alice Markham*

**Ingredients**

**Pie:**
- 1 can (8oz) blueberries - no pie filling, Fresh blueberries best, 2 pint containers
- 1 can (16oz) crushed pineapple
- 1 large raspberry or blackberry sugar free jello
- 3 cups boiling water

**Topping**
- 8oz cream cheese,
- 8 oz sour cream
- 1/3 cup sugar
- Low fat, less fat, 1/3 less fat for cream cheese and sour cream works well

**Directions**

**Pie:**
- Dissolve jello with boiling water in large bowl
- Add blueberries
- Add pineapple with liquid
- Mix well
- Pour in 13 by 9 rectangle-shaped dish, dish used for lasagne is good size
- Place in refrigerator to set

**Topping:**
- Using hand mixer, mix well
- Spread on top
- Add nuts if desired
- Refrigerate until ready to serve.
Practice your Prayers…
Act of Faith, Hope and Love
Jesus, I believe in you.
Jesus, I hope in you.
Jesus, I love you.
Amen.

Find your way in the maze!

Connect The Dots
Find your way in the maze!

Cut out the letter tiles. Arrange them in the spaces below to find out the message.
Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Some of my most cherished childhood memories revolve around having a catch with my dad. For much of my childhood, my father worked two and three jobs at a time attempting to keep a roof over our heads. Consequently it didn’t leave a whole lot of time or energy for him to play with my brother and me. However, often on Sunday afternoons my dad would look at us and tell me to go get the mitts and meet him outside. My heart raced nearly as fast as I did running to find our baseball gloves and the ball. My dad would gather the necessities he needed: a transistor radio so he could hear his beloved Yankees play, a beer and his cigar. Dad would fine-tune the radio until we could clearly hear the voice of the N.Y. Yankees, Mel Allen. I can still hear Mel describe the action: “there it goes; that ball is going, going, gone! It’s a Ballantine blast for the Mick!” And since Ballantine Beer was the sponsor of the Yankees, dad, being a true blue fan drank only Ballantine Beer. And as we threw the ball back and forth he’d be smoking a cigar, a White Owl cigar: only the “best”, as he told me. Today, I’m brought back to those days whenever I smell an “expensive” cigar.

My dad had nearly severed the middle finger on his right hand when he was younger; it left him with a permanently bent finger, perfect for throwing curve balls. I can still hear him tell me, “get ready, here it comes,” then chuckle as it got by me, and I had to chase the ball down the driveway and across the street.

I miss my dad, as I do my mom and brother. My family of origin has all gone home to the Lord. I’m consoled, though, knowing that the time will come when we’re reunited in the Kingdom of our Father. What makes Heaven Paradise? Surely, it will be wonderful to see our loved ones again. And yet, friends, what makes Heaven Paradise is enjoying what is theologically known as the Beatific Vision: seeing our Lord Jesus Christ, seeing our God face to face: again, theologically, the immediate knowledge of God.

In the book, Heaven is for Real, Pastor Todd Burpo details the story his four-year-old son, Colton, who claimed Jesus had brought him to Heaven. Colton suffered a ruptured appendix; a local doctor and a small hospital misdiagnosed it for a few days. When Pastor Burpo and his wife Sonya rushed him to a larger university hospital where it was properly diagnosed Colton was not expected to survive the surgery. And yet miraculously he did survive, much to the astonishment of the doctors and nurses at the hospital. More astonishingly over the next few months Colton would begin to make extraordinary claims about going to Heaven during his near death experience. He detailed how he met his great grandfather who had died well before he was born, as well as a sister that died in utero before he was born. What is most beautiful, perhaps, are his details of Jesus. I laughed hysterically when Colton excitedly described the angels, some of whom he claimed had swords. Knowing of his love for play swords his dad asked Colton if he had asked Jesus for a sword. Turning sad, Colton said he did ask; and Jesus told him he couldn’t have one because “he’d be too dangerous.” He also said over and over again, until his parents tired of hearing it, that “God really loves us;” and, “Jesus really loves children.”

My sisters and brothers, we can choose to believe what we wish; I choose to believe Colton’s journey was genuine. You can read the book and decide for yourselves. I know I will see our Lord: and smiling he’ll reunite me with my family again. And my hope is when I see dad he’ll be standing there, with that big smile, a cigar sticking out of the side of his mouth, holding our mitts.

Deacon Barry
OUR GRAND AND MAJESTIC GOD

A few weeks ago we saw some amazing pictures taken of the former planet Pluto. While the debate of whether the “planet” distinction should be returned to Pluto continues, what is more amazing to most is the fact that the space vehicle, New Horizons, the one that took the shots actually traveled nine and a half years to arrive close enough to Pluto to snap, snap, snap. My knowledge of science is extremely limited, but I saw the distance from Earth (3.1 billion miles) and the speed of the spaceship (31,000 mph), and it all made some sense. What was hard to fathom was reading that, because New Horizon was going so fast, if a particle as small as a grain of rice hit the spacecraft, it would have been thrown off course and likely would have never reached its final destination.

Incredible. Simply incredible.

Anytime stories like this appear, I ponder the true majesty of God. While science seems to be unlocking many mysteries that have confounded us for centuries, each new discovery almost brings more questions than answers. During my Captain Video and the Video Rangers days (seen weekday nights on Channel 5 from 7 to 7:30 p.m.), I was convinced that there was indeed other forms of human life away from the Earth. After all Flash Gordon, with the help of Dr. Hans Zarkov, constantly fought Emperor Ming The Merciless on the Planet Mongo. Life was good on Mongo, so I figured life was equally good on the other planets as well.

With apologies to conspiracy theorists, all of the satellite photos for all other planets show no forms of human life. We get craters, volcanoes, rings, moons, mountains, lakes...everything but forms of human life. Our galaxy is but one in a local group. That local group is in The Virgo Super Cluster. Astronomers estimate there are over a million super clusters that have been observed. Since God did all of this, He really is Majestic. Wouldn’t you agree?

Yet though we are humbled when we approach such a mighty and powerful God, His gentleness and comfort immediately take over, and He always has time to listen to hear what we have to say. If the person responsible for the vastness of space has time for us, clearly He can help us if we ask. But we must ask.

Prayer should be an important part of our lives. So when we look upon that star, rather than make a wish, let us say a prayer to our Loving and Powerful God. Like this...

PRAYER

Loving and Powerful Father, Your immense Grandeur continues to be revealed to us. Let us use these occasions to thank You for the many blessings that You have bestowed upon us and to realize how much You love us. Give us the Grace we need to appreciate Your role in our lives and to speak to You through prayer as often as we can. 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 recognize that God has given all of us special gifts and that those gifts are to be used in service to build God’s Kingdom.
Attention All Marriage Encounter Couples!
Come Join Us for a Day of Enrichment
Saturday August 29, 2015
The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island
258 Eastport-Manor Rd., Manorville, NY 11949
The theme of this year’s enrichment is “Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage.”
The day begins at 8:30 AM, with continental breakfast; the first presentation starts promptly at 9AM. The day concludes with the Celebration of Mass about 4PM. Please bring your own picnic lunch and something for the sharing table. Be sure to bring your dialogue books for the 10+10’s. We look forward to seeing you no matter how long ago you made your weekend. For further information or to RSVP please call Bob & Jean Payne 631-886-2256.

MINISTRY POSITION FOR SOUTHERN NASSAU PARISH:
Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry Qualifications:
Desire to live the Gospel by serving those in need, understanding of Catholic Social Teaching, experience in parish social ministry, managerial, computer and interpersonal skills. Bilingual (Spanish) and Bachelor’s degree a plus.
This is a part-time position. Please send cover letter and resume by email to: Jamroz.Jan@CatholicCharities.cc

The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Patchogue is now interviewing for the position of Coordinator of Parish Outreach. The Coordinator will supervise the volunteers who serve clients seeking parish assistance through the food pantry and other support services. This is a part-time position. A degree in the social sciences is preferred, as well as experience in parish outreach or a related field. Please email cover letter and resume to: Jamroz.Jan@catholiccharities.cc

Long Island State Veterans Home
AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY
2015 Concert Under the Stars featuring the West Point Military Band!
This year’s Concert Under the Stars with the West Point Band will be Wednesday, August 26th 2015, RAIN OR SHINE, with a pre-show starting at 6:30pm and the main event starting at 7:30pm. This event is outside at the Long Island State Veterans Home, Campus of Stony Brook University Hospital, 100 Patriots Road, Stony Brook, NY 11790. Bring blankets and chairs for the whole family! This is a FREE community event!
Join us for a fun evening under the stars. Mark your calendar.

Rosary Walk for Life
Sat., August 22
5:00 PM Pro-Life Mass at St. William the Abbot 2000 Jackson Ave., Seaford, 11783
Followed by Rosary Walk (approx. 1.5 mi.) with Honor Guard & Police Escort ending with Benediction at Maria Regina RCC 3945 Jerusalem Ave., Seaford 11783 Rain or Shine! Car caravan in case of rain. Transportation available if needed. A witness to protect life from the moment of conception to natural death. All Welcome! For information call: Irene Cassillo 516-541-8056.

KATHY TROCINCOLI
Wed, September 23rd
7pm
St. Mary’s Auditorium
Six Grammy nominated / 2x Dove Award Winner
Tickets on sale NOW!!
www.itickets.com/events/341575
For info, call 631.551.4266
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DOMINGOS DESPUES DE LA MISA
FONO: (631) 669-0068 Ext. 131
PADRE JOSEPH AREVALO Ext. 104

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Por todo el mundo atormentado por los recuerdos del aborto: que Dios les puede dar la gracia de buscar su misericordia de sanación;

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 08/02/15: $ 20,846.00
Gastos: $ 23,895.00
$ (-3,049.00)

**CURSO BIBLICO**

TODOS LOS MARTES DE:
7:30PM — 9:30PM
SALON # 256
Para mas 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) 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 Cristina Vera @ 631-327-6141.

**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 mas información llame a Ana Ramos. (631)617-2129.

**COMUNIDAD DE MARIA:** Siguiendo los mensajes de Maria Reina de la Paz y sobre temas de Maria 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 # 256A. Para la agenda, llamar a Ana Ramos al Tel. (631)617-2129.

**ROSARIO:** 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.

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

**ACOLITOS:** Felipe & Claudia Rodas (516) 203-5221.
Decimo noveno domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B

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Para mayor información contactar a su Coordinador local

Agosto 15, 2015 8AM-5PM

09:00 AM Tema: María en la vida Pública de Jesús.
11:00 AM Santa Misa Bilingüe
12:15 PM Almuerzo: Traer comida para compartir.
01:45 PM Cantos
02:00 PM Tema: La familia Cristiana
               “Esperanza y Futuro del Mundo de Hoy”
03:00 PM Vía Crucis