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.

RCLA (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.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time + August 16, 2015
For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Joseph G. Keenan, Jr., Richard Painchaud, Florence Cecilia Callahan, Susan Carni, Richard A. Orzano & Palma Balletta.

The Sacraments of Life

Newly Baptized
Ainsley Rae DeWhirst & Giovanni Michael Giordano

Preparing for Marriage
Banns Posted

First Time ~
Ryan Maloney & Krystal Zalak

Third Time ~
Evan Rafferty & Kristina Miller
James Farley & Renata Golabeck

For Our Sick

Altar Rose
In memory of Eva Piar

For Our Deceased
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REFLECTION FOR TODAY
In today’s second reading, St. Paul reminds us that, blessed by the Lord, the good steward should “give thanks to God the Father always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week

At this Mass, we remember:

Monday, August 17
Jgs 2:11–19, Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44, Mt 19:16–22
7:45 Gelsomina Cosentino
9:00 Mary Agnes & Gerald Spinella

Tuesday, August 18
Jgs 6:11–24a, Ps 85:9, 11-14, Mt 19:23–30
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 John Wawrynek

Wednesday, August 19
Dt 34:1–12, Ps 66: 1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17, Mt 18:15–20
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Lynn Marie Slim

Thursday, August 20
Jgs 11:29–39a, Ps 40:5, 7-10, Mt 22:1–14
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Terrance McCullagh

Friday, August 21
Ru 1:1, 3–6, 14b–16, 22, Ps 146:5-10, Mt 22:34–40
7:45 Intentions of Friends & Family of Nancy O’Keefe
9:00 Jean Reis

Saturday, August 22
Ru 2:1–3, 8–11; 4:13–17, Ps 128:1b-5, Mt 23:1–12
9:00 Annabelle Milano

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Seth
5:00 Michael & Loretta Lyons Fr. Philip
Deacon Geoff Aniansel Bartholomew Patrick Enright

Sunday, August 23 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b, Ps 34:2-3, 16-21, Eph 5:21–32
Or 5:2a, 25–32, Jn 6:60–69
7:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Philip
8:45 Albert Bartolis Fr. Seth
10:15 Joseph Barry Leone, Jr. Fr. Seth
11:45 Richard Little Fr. Philip
5:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Joe
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 $19,985.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(- 3,910.00)

God bless you!

Liturgry...

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


U.S.A.F: Maj. Matthew G. Bland AB Christopher Signoretti SGT 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

16 August 2015
On Pope Francis’ newest encyclical, Laudato Sí.

As a service to all our parishioners, here are some websites you might like to consult either before, during or after your reading of the Holy Father’s encyclical, Laudato Sí.


For these and other resources, please click: http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Environment/

Father Chris
Father Chris Wants You To Know...

World Meeting of Families Prayer

God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.

May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.

May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families, especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in your love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
pray for us!

Pope Francis has asked all Catholics worldwide to use the months ahead as a time of preparation & prayer for the World Meeting of Families to be held in Philadelphia, September, 2015

Pope Francis prayed;
“Let every family be a welcoming place of goodness and peace for children and the elderly, for the sick and the lonely, for the poor and the needy.”

Pope Francis also asks all families to enrich and energize family life by praying the “World Meeting of Families Prayer” each day for their own family’s personal intentions.

“Love Is Our Mission:
the Family Fully Alive”
The New Evangelization And Our 11:45am Mass

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.

Catholic High School Prep Courses

St. John the Baptist is holding a
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM
PREP COURSE

St. John the Baptist D.H.S.
1170 Montauk Highway
West Islip, NY 11795
631-587-8000 Ext 117

Saturday, Sept. 26th, Oct. 3rd,
Oct. 17th, Oct. 24th
8:00am-10:30am
AND
Wednesday, Oct. 28th
6:00pm-8:30pm

REGISTRATION FORM -- CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM PREP COURSE
Phone Registration: (631) 587-8000 x117
Mail-in Registration: Please mail this completed form and payment of $275.00 to St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School, 1170 Montauk Highway, West Islip, NY 11795

Name of Student: ____________________________________________
Home Address: ______________________________________________
Home Phone: ( ) _____________________ Work Phone/Cell Phone of Parent: ( ) _____________________
E-Mail Address of Parent: ____________________________________

___ Enclosed is my check in the amount of $275.00 payable to “St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School”

___ Credit Card Registration: Please charge the course tuition of $275.00 to my credit card

     _____ Visa    _____ MasterCard    _____ Discover    _____ Amex

    # ___________________________ # Exp. Date: __________

ONLY ONE PERSON MAY REGISTER ON THIS FORM. ADDITIONAL FORMS MAY BE MADE BY PHOTOCOPYING THIS FORM.
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 evening, August 16, 2015 from 6 - 7 pm. For more information, contact Ann Marie Pillsworth (Liturgical Music Minister) at 631-277-0523 / email: am7amp@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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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.
**Parish News**

**OUR WELCOME BACK MASS AND BREAKFAST ARE ALMOST HERE**

Yes, I know: it’s hard to believe, but it’s true: Our Welcome Back Mass and Breakfast are almost here.

On **Wednesday, September 9th, at 9:00 am**, we’ll gather in Church to celebrate God’s Ultimate Gift: Jesus present in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. After Mass, we’ll come over to the O’Connell Room, where we’ll have refreshments awaiting and welcoming us. This will be a great opportunity to connect with parishioners, to catch up on what happened over the summer, and to relax before September starts to get away from us! We look forward to seeing you there:

*All are welcome! Love,*

*Fr. Chris*

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There will be a Delayed Parish Office opening at **11:00 am**.

As you are surely aware, our religion is under serious attack right here in our very own country, and in spite of our constitutionally-protected Freedom of Religion. To address this issue, there is a newly-formed organization, which is called: "**One Catholic Voice America.**"

The idea for this organization first occurred to some Knights of Columbus in Nassau County, who wanted to do something to defend the Catholic Church in America. We have submitted a request for the blessing of His Excellency Bishop Murphy, and we are committed to obeying Catholic teaching in every respect.

All parishioners who have access to FACEBOOK can go to **One Catholic Voice America** and **like** us AND join. There are no fees. The only goal is to reach out to all Catholics who follow the Magisterium of the Catholic Church: to make them aware of the threats we face, and to suggest ways to counter the attacks and work together to foster our religion. People may also join OCVA by going to: [www.OCVAmerica.org](http://www.OCVAmerica.org). Together, we can make a difference!

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**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”

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Members seek the Message of the Lord

Join us for an Open Meeting on Tuesday, September 15th at 7:30pm in the O’Connell Room

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
CDA Annual Fundraiser

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Bishop McDonnell #1403 Present their annual fundraiser

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.

Buon Appetito

The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

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)

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.
**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 are 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
**Outreach**

### 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.

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### Social Ministries

#### 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.

**Thank you**

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/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.

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#### 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.
My Good Deed for the Week was: Katie, Britney & Emma helped their moms, Liana cleaned her clothes, 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.
Faith Formation

Youth Ministry

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

THANK YOU for your prayers and support. Our Teens have returned safely and very much faith-filled and energized! Check the website for more pictures. www.stjosephsbabylon.org

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with Thee.
Blessed are Thou, among Women, and Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us Sin-

Join us in the Fall as we start up regular group meetings always check the website for info, registration forms and more.

SEE PAGE 20 FOR DETAILS ABOUT THE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST!

SAVE THE DATE: High School Teens grades 9-12: Diocesan Opening Youth Rally FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23rd at St Agnes in Rockville Centre.
Recipe: **Tomato - Beet Salad**

From the Kitchen of Mary Alice Markham

**Ingredients**

- 1 pound scrubbed small beets
- 2 pounds tomatoes, preferably heirloom
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes
- 1/2 cup crumbled feta
- 1/4 cup fresh cilantro leaves
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt
- Pepper

**Directions**

*Prepare oven to 400 degrees.*

Seal beets in a foil packet.

Roast on a rimmed baking sheet until tender, about 75 minutes.

When cool, rub beets with paper towel to remove skins.

Slice large tomatoes, halve cherry tomatoes.

Arrange on a platter

Top with feta, cilantro and olive oil.

Season with salt and pepper.

After Sunday Mass, I visited the Babylon Farmer’s Market and picked up three varieties of beets, one red, one yellow and one striped.

Very attractive presentation on the platter!

Recipe: **Parishioners Submit Your Summer Recipe for our Bulletin**

**Ingredients**

**Put Your Chef Hat ON!**

*Do you have a Summer recipe that you LOVE! Would you like to share it with other Parishioners? Well here is your chance.*

**Directions**

Please submit your original recipe (Must Include All Measurements and Cooking Directions), a photo of the recipe (optional), your name and your photo (photo optional), to be published in the weekly bulletin. We will pick 1-2 recipes a week.

You can email it to the parishoffice@stjosephs babylon.org or Stop by the office to submit it.

Mark it Attention: Bulletin Editor – Recipe.

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY!...
Practice your Prayers...

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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TASTE AND SEE

Jesus gives us his flesh to eat and his blood to drink. The acceptance of that gift presupposes that we, in turn, give ourselves completely to him. He knows everything about us, the worst as well as the best. Yet he accepts us just the way we are.

It is a profound mystery. No one can explain it, but anyone can receive it. And to those who do, he imparts eternal life. The popular misconception is that eternal life is a commodity we will be handed on the other side of death. Not so. Jesus spoke in the present tense. “Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life.” It is a quality of life that we possess here and now, as we partake of “the living bread come down from heaven.” Our part of the transaction is simply to recognize our need and receive his gift. We cannot buy it with money. We cannot earn it by living a good life. All we can do is confess our need of him and accept what he has done for us.

There is a beautiful balance in the Christian message. It presents Christ as a leader to be followed, as a master to be obeyed, as an example to be imitated. All of these require a diligent effort and a stern self-discipline. But then God moves to a deeper level, and presents Christ as “the living bread.” At this point all efforts and activity cease. Achievements are meaningless. We bring to his table nothing but our needs. The rest is up to him. He does the giving. We do the receiving. And our deepest needs are met, as we partake of him.

The goodness of the Lord

Deacon Mike
**Reflections**

**HIDDEN BLESSINGS**

John was clearly looking forward to his retirement years. A golfer with a 10 handicap (for non-sports fans that is extremely good), he played fairly regularly, knowing New England falls, winters, and springs would often limit his time on the course. He had left his state job in the finance office at mid-year and was slowly getting used to his new routine. His wife, Stephanie, was a few years away from joining him in his life of somewhat leisure, but delighted in seeing John sleep a bit later and get out for a round of golf, but still have dinner ready for her when she arrived home each night. She would soon join him in retirement, and they were making plans for what they could do together in what some call the “golden years.”

But then everything changed.

Joining some of his high school classmates at their 50th high school reunion, John displayed his skills on the fairways and on the greens as he won the class golf outing and happily accepted his trophy at the dinner later that night. He was back on the links the next day when he suddenly felt strange, toppled over, and had a stroke. A day later, he had a second one. Three operations and four months in hospitals and rehab centers later, John returned home with remarkable spirits but limited movement. Months have passed, the shock of the devastating life-changing event has subsided, and the reality of what lies before them has set in.

They still are looking forward, however, to those “golden years.”

“This has really been a blessing,” Stephanie was saying recently. “The response of people to John’s situation has been humbling. I never knew we had so many real friends. True, our faith has been tested, but we know that we are not alone. God is with us every step of the way.” Added John in a clear and strong voice, “Obviously, this is something that I never wanted; yet I have been able to see it as a gift: a gift that allows others to bring the best out in themselves. I’ve heard from so many people...even a girl from my elementary school who I haven’t thought of in 50 years. Their encouragement and Stephanie’s constant support have inspired me to make the best of this.”

We all face challenges in life, some not as drastic as John and Stephanie’s, but formidable in our eyes just the same. What do we do? Pray they go way? Ignore them? Curse them? Face them? Before we decide what to do, we must realize that we are not alone in our plights. We have many friends that will rise to the occasions and, of course, God will be there as well. Say a prayer and feel His presence...and welcome the care and concern of others.

**PRAYER**

Benevolent and Generous Father, our gifts from You are many, though at times we find them difficult to recognize. Give us the Grace we need to accept these gifts and to use them in the way that You intended...a way that will bring us and others closer to You.

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 thank God by sharing the Good News through sacramental preparation ministries such as Pre-Cana, Baptismal Preparation, First Penance, Confirmation Catechesis and R.C.I.A.
Youth Ministry T-Shirt Design Contest

T-Shirt Design Contest

Our Diocesan Youth Ministry theme this year – to go along with Pope Francis’ Year of Mercy, will be:

MERCY IS FOUND.......... WHERE MERCY IS GIVEN!

We are looking for our youth to design the t-shirt which we will all wear for the Opening Kick Off Youth Rally in October.

Check our website for thoughts about Mercy to give you some ideas. [www.stjosephsbabylon.org](http://www.stjosephsbabylon.org)

Contest Rules:
Ideas & designs must be original.
Keep designs simple - and for one side of t-shirt only
You can work on the design as a group
Must be submitted in a pdf or jpeg format and emailed to Barbara McNulty at youth@stjosephsbabylon.org and received no later than September 5th!!
Be creative! The winning design will be worn by everyone who attends the Youth Rally on October 23rd ......and there will be great prizes awarded.

A jubilee year is a special year called by the church to receive blessing and pardon from God and remission of sins. This jubilee year will begin on feast of the Immaculate Conception, celebrated Dec. 8. It will close on Nov. 20, 2016, the day celebrated that year as the feast of Christ the King.
Together let’s celebrate The HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

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Last year, because of the CMA we were able to

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REFLEXION
“A los que buscan al Señor, no les falta nada,” dice el Salmo de hoy. Pero en la segunda lectura, San Pablo nos recuerda que, bendecido así por el Señor, el buen administrador de los bienes de Dios debe “dar las gracias a Dios Padre siempre y por todo, en el nombre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.”

Agradecemos esta semana a todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que gracias a Dios por compartir las Buenas Nuevas a través de los ministerios de preparación sacramental como Pre-Cana, Preparación de Bautismo, Primera Penitencia, Catequesis de Confirmación y RICA

Intercesiones por la Vida
Por todos los que están enfermos o moribundos: para que podamos aprender de ellos y que estén más cerca de la cruz de Cristo por los méritos de su sufrimiento;

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 08/09/15: $ 19,985.00
Gastos: $ 23,895.00
$ (-3,910.00)

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.


CATEQUESIS 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 # 256. 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.

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

Vigésimo domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B

CONCENTRACIÓN: Llegó el VERANO!
El programa Opening Word es un programa para mujeres quienes desean aprender o progresar en el Inglés mientras sus hijos están en la escuela. Tendremos las registraciones, en el Salón Parroquial.

**Miércoles, 2 de septiembre**

**Jueves, 3 de septiembre**

**Viernes, 4 septiembre**

Desde las 9:30am — 11:30am.

**EN EL SALON PARROQUIAL**

Por favor debe traer una identificación y $ 20.00 en efectivo.

El horario de clases es de lunes a viernes de 9:00am hasta las 2:00pm.
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