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

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.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time + September 27, 2015
The Sacraments of Life

Newly Baptized
Carmine Michael Bianco, William Lance Brunelle, Stella Josephine Cammarota, Patrick Emanuel Desilva, Dylan Alexander Dumont, Julianna Josephine Esposito, Charlie Jane Flannelly, Julianna Marie Piotrowski & Emmalynn Mary Suriano

Preparing for Marriage Banns Posted
First Time ~
Matthew Furino & Kerri Lynn Brush
Second Time ~
Christopher Reilly & Tara O'Shea
John Klein & Laura Ciara Vino
Robert Waters & Barbara Ginexi
Third Time ~
Pavelid Castaneda & Rachel Mann
Johnnie D'Aquet & Lauren Battista

For Our Sick

Altar Rose
In memory of Marcella Maynard

For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members
Including Madeline Pritchard, Dennis Joseph Cahill & Helen Ruth Necroto.

Reflection for Today
St. James warns in today’s second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week

At this Mass, we remember:
Monday, September 28
Zec 8:1–8, Ps 102: 2, 16-23, Lk 9:46–50
7:45 Agnes & Giuseppina Bosco
9:00 John & Felicia Schieda
Tuesday, September 29
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14, or Rv 12:7–12a, Ps 138: 1-5, Jn 1:47–51
7:45 Intentions of Andy & Cathy Brennan
9:00 Megan Anderson
Wednesday, September 30
Neh 2:1–8, Ps 137:1-6, Lk 9:57–62
7:45 Gelsomina Cosentino
9:00 John Yonder
Thursday, October 1
Neh 8:1–4a, 5-6, 7b-12, Ps 19: 8-11, Lk 10:1-12
7:45 Taylor Renee Dattoli
9:00 James & Anna Shannon
Friday, October 2
Bar 1: 15-22, Ps 79: 1b-5, 8-9, 650: Mt 18: 1-5, 10
7:45 Intentions of Carol & Henry Jacobi
9:00 Marie Clancy
Saturday, October 3
Bar 4: 5-12, 27-29, Ps 69: 33-37, Lk 10: 17-24
9:00 Brian Cannetti
Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Francis
5:00 James Parker Fr. Joe
Gerald Cox

Sunday, October 4 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 2: 18-24, Ps 128: 1-6, Heb 2: 9-11, Mk 10: 2-16 or 10: 2-12
7:00 John J. Campbell Fr. Francis
8:45 Hunter Thomas Bradley Fr. Chris
9:30 People of St. Joseph Fr. Ethel
10:15 Richard Little Fr. Chris
11:45 Joseph L. Cleary Fr. Chris
5:00 Mario Cerutti & Carlos Marriott

Nocturnal Adoration
On Friday, October 2nd, “Please Join Us for One Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9pm to 10pm in Church”.
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 $24,402.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
+ $507.00

God bless you!

Liturgy

We Assemble for Prayer

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

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

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

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.M.C.:
Sgt. Lauren Colantropo
Sgt. Colin M. Leitch
Malik Rodriguez
Nelson Sanchez, Jr.
PFC Joshua J. Coughlin

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

U.S. Army:
SPC Elliot Chodkowski
SSG Josuah Insull
LTC John Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PVT2 Danny Bornschein
Pvt. Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pittito
Lt. Stephen Scuderi
Pvt Mark Ospina

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

Bereavement Support group

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS

Support Group 50 and over 8 Week Program
Friday’s, September 25th - November 13th 7:30pm, in the Parish Center, for information please call– Valerie Stone 631-617-9246
The New Evangelization and our 11:45am Mass, 
Starting 4 October 2015 at St. Joseph

For over a year, our Parish Pastoral Staff have been reflecting on the impact of our Sunday Eucharistic celebrations, and we have been assisted in this reflection by a book called *Rebuilt*, by Fr. Michael White & Tom Corcoran. The book chronicles the journey of one Maryland Roman Catholic parish, as seen through the eyes of their parish priest and a lay minister. As a result of our discussions, we suspended the Liturgy of the Word with Children Ministry at the 9:30am Mass during this last academic year. We also had the priest or deacon speak first to the children, and then offer an appropriate adult application at that Mass. In this way, we kept the children with us for the entire Family Mass. The evaluation and assessment of that pilot is ongoing at present.

More recently, the Pastoral Staff and I have been struck by the strong initiative undertaken by both Pope Francis as well as his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI, concerning the New Evangelization. In particular, we hear Pope Francis’ voice clearly in his apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, when he says: *In our day Jesus’ command to “go and make disciples” echoes in the changing scenarios and ever-new challenges to the Church’s mission of evangelization, and all of us are called to take part in this new missionary “going forth”. Each Christian and every community must discern the path that the Lord points out, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the “peripheries” in need of the light of the Gospel.*

When we combine this mandate to evangelize others with one we found in *Rebuilt*, namely, that *the music we sing, pray and play in church or in the hall can be effectively focused on bringing new members to our faith community*, we decided to step out in faith and *out of our comfort zone* by initiating a new evangelization project. By Pastoral Staff consensus and with my approval, our plan is to design and pray a Eucharistic Liturgy (Mass) with an engaging and easy-to-sing music format that invites and encourages maximum congregation participation. This pilot evangelization project will occur during October, November, and December of 2015 at the 11:45am Sunday Mass, as an explicit response to our Pope’s recommendation to *go forth.*

Here are a few working principles of our proposal:

- This proposal for the 11:45am Masses starting October 4th through December 2015 is geared toward evangelizing and reaching out to those who do not attend Mass or only attend occasionally, regardless of their ages.
- This proposal for a new music format at 11:45am Mass in no way disparages or diminishes the rich diversity of our musical heritage, represented in our Parish in our Music Director, organ, adult choir, cantors, instrumentalists, singers, contemporary adult ensemble, children’s choir & teen band. In fact, it is in our continued diverse tradition that so many people find their Mass, the unique one at which they are most comfortable praying weekly.
- The new music for the 11:45am Mass is often called *Contemporary Christian*. The music will be selected from several different resources, including the repertoires of instrumentalists and singers who have used CC music at Masses and other Christian worship experiences. Copyright permissions to reproduce the music will be obtained, and a budget to support this evangelization project will be created.
- There will be publicity through print and other available social media to reach out to non-churchgoers, inviting them to worship with us through advertisements posted online, flyers distributed at local community events and business establishments, and signs posted on our property and throughout our local communities.
- This current summer season will be used for planning and preparation. A team of individuals, clergy and lay persons, will be assembled, dedicated to the success of this new venture. I have appointed Ann Marie Pillsworth our music leader/coordinator for this evangelization project; she will report to me regarding all project developments.

Calling upon the Holy Spirit for guidance and relying on God’s grace, we look forward to unfolding this new opportunity to welcome new sisters and brothers to this unique worship experience. We ask for your prayers as we step out in faith together.

Father Chris
On the Question of a Vocation to the Priesthood

On this Vocation Sunday, it’s customary for priests to be asked how they received their call to the priesthood. I’ve share some of the following with some of you, but here it is in a nutshell:

My family traces my call to priesthood to a time in October of 1957, at the Church of St. Nicholas in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. I was nearly five years old at the time, and my parents Jack and Rose and I and my sister Meg were at an early –morning Sunday Mass. While the majority of the Mass was in Latin at that time, the priest DID read the Gospel in English and then proceed to the pulpit to preach his sermon, usually on a specific topic.

But on that particular day, in the fifteen seconds of silence that it normally took the priest to walk from the altar to the pulpit, I cried out in a loud, and apparently mortifying, voice: “Hey! He’s doing all the talking. When’s it going to be MY turn to talk? Each of my parents placed a hand over my mouth, so that in the event I was again struck with some inspiring statement, it would not be broadcast to the entire church.

From then on, the thought of being a priest was never far from my mind. To be sure, I also thought about other vocations. The fact that the man who drove the sanitation track got to go to the beach each day made me yearn for such a job. Going into space also seemed like a good choice, until I found out how much detailed science data I would need to know, and that was the end of that. In elementary school, I was in charge of assigning servers to funeral Masses and wedding ceremonies during the summers. I also was reminded by one teacher that if I served a funeral Mass on a school day, I DID NEED TO COMPLETE OR MAKE UP THE WORK I had missed!

Later on, I attended St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary in Uniondale, Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston, Queens, and the Seminary in Huntington. But I also took aptitude tests through college and graduate school, and they pointed me in these diverse directions: writer, proofreader, English teacher, piano player in a club, and farmer. Yes: I had a strawberry patch near the A. Holly Patterson Home in Uniondale for awhile, and had great fun tending the plants and seeing the fruit grow, though I wouldn’t have known what to do with a tractor even while sitting in one.

I have been blessed with many wonderful assignments. After being ordained a transitional (on the way toward priesthood) deacon at St. Agnes Cathedral in January of 1978. I then served at St. Sylvester in Medford for fifteen months, and was ordained a priest on March 10, 1979 in Medford. Why not ordained at St. Agnes? They were doing renovations then, and Bishop McGann (God bless his soul) decided that he and the auxiliary bishops of the Diocese would each take a few ordinations (there were 12 my year), and do them in local parishes. After celebrating my first Mass, I served as a priest at St. Sylvester until June of 1979, and was sent to St. Lawrence in Sayville for five years.

I then was sent to the University of Notre Dame to be trained as a liturgist, to serve our Diocese as an advisor to the Bishop. I enjoyed that position from 1984-1990, and lived in residences in Franklin Square and Carle Place. In 1990, I was assigned, along with Fr. Bill Hanson, as a co-pastor of St. Gerard Majella in Port Jefferson Station. When I use the term “co-pastor,” it meant that both of us were in charge of everything: we divided the work and multiplied our presence around the parish. At the end of 13 years together, Bill and I were told that because of the lack of sufficient priests in our Diocese, one of us would have to move in June of 2004. We decided among ourselves that I was ready for a new challenge, and that Bill was happy to stay on and continue to serve as the pastor of St. Gerard, which he did until this past June.

In 2004, while I was expecting to go to a single-priest parish, since more and more parishes are being staffed that way, Bishop Murphy asked me to come to St. Joseph as pastor. I’m so grateful that I said YES to this call, and to the priesthood. It gives me great joy to celebrate the Eucharist, as well as our parish’s “all-week-long” and “all-year-long” community life, with all of you. It’s also such a joy for me to be able to baptize infants and see them grow into their First Eucharist preparation sessions, as well as being able to be present at the First Eucharists and Confirmation celebrations of so many parish families. God is SO good and all the time: it’s important for me to say thanks to all my teachers, professors, confessor, mentors, guides and friends, whose love for Jesus was so contagious that I received quite a bit of theirs! Now I hope, for the rest of my years as a priest, to be able to offer Jesus’ love, inspiration and mercy to you and others who hunger and thirst for Jesus’ love.

Please include a prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in your personal reflections, and also while at Mass. It was only because I had unconditional love and support from my family that I was able to say YES, at the beginning and continually, to this calling. Thank you for reading along today, and for being a blessing in my life. May I ask you to please pray for me that, as a priest and a pastor, I will serve with joy and love as long as the Lord allows it.

Father Chris
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle B

Father Chris Wants You To Know...

You are invited to join Catholic families from across Long Island for a day of faith and fun for the whole family.

A free Catholic family festival to promote a culture of vocations across Long Island. Inspiring talks for all ages, Eucharistic Adoration, games and crafts and Mass.

SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
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OCT. 10 | 1 P.M.-5 P.M.
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2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The Catholic Ministry Appeal gives us many opportunities to reach out, touch, comfort and aid God’s people. Whether we are supporting our Seminarian’s educations, providing faith formation opportunities and resources to our children and adults, or assisting the neediest amongst us, the ministries supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal bring God’s love to everyone they touch.

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You’re Invited!
Everyone’s Welcome!
Sunday, October 4
after all Masses
Front Lawn under the Tent

Representatives from various
ministries, organizations and events will be
on hand to tell you about
what makes being part of
St. Joseph Parish life so special.

If you can’t join us that day, but would like more
information, please call Jane
at (631) 669-0068 x159 or e-mail at her at
stewardship@stjosephsbabylon.org
Lazarus Ministry

LAZARUS MINISTRY
On Saturday, October 10th, 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.

Blessing of the Animals

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
God loves all creations! Furry, feathered, soft shell, hard shell, 2 or 4 legged and long or short tail. Let’s see them all!

Special Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, October 3rd at 11am in Kelly Plaza.

Rain or Shine!

Save The Date

SAVE THE DATE
The Knights of Columbus Presents
A Night of Doo Wop Music
Saturday, November 14th, 2015
7:00-11 p.m. in Msgr. Nolan Hall

Let’s Go To The Hop!
Music Ministry

Music Ministry

Invitation

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. Youth Band see page 15 for information!

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.
55th Chrysanthemum Ball
St. Joseph Parish
55th Annual Chrysanthemum Ball
Saturday, October 17, 2015
Cocktails 7:00 PM
Dinner and Dancing
8:00 pm until Midnight
Southward Ho Country Club
Bay Shore, New York

If you have not yet received your invitation or raffles in the mail, you may obtain them at the Parish Office or call us to mail them to you!

For more information, please call
Stephanie and Kevin at 631-422-0175

Please remember to mail in your raffle tickets early!
Raffles must be received by September 25th in order to be eligible for the Early Bird Drawing!
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”

St. Joseph the Carpenter Council #14771 is a Membership Organization of St. Joseph Parish. For additional information about the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

JCDA is participating in a CHARITY EVENT in partnership with Lord n Taylor. We offer 20% and 30% discount gift cards, available for $5. donations. The girls will also be at the Bay Shore location all day Saturday, October 3rd. This sale day will be a perfect time to begin Christmas shopping at a great savings as well as an opportunity to support our 2015 fundraiser.

JCDA Next meeting is on September 29th at 7:30pm in the O’Connell room.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

All women are welcome to join us for the Living Rosary Wednesday, October 14th, 2015 at 7:30pm Doors open at 7pm Come early O’Connell Room St. Joseph Church, Babylon Bring a friend

Each woman will represent a bead of the rosary in this beautiful candlelight ceremony. General meeting and refreshments follow.
Sunday, October 4 is Respect Life Sunday. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

Book Club News

Due to bad weather the night the Book club met, it has been changed to meet on October 8th, 2015 at 7:30pm in Room 255. The book discussion will be on “The Wright Brothers” All are welcome.

The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

Sociable Single Seniors

Next Meeting

Wednesday, October 21st at 7pm ~ Please check back in the bulletin for further details to come.

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)
St. Vincent de Paul

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

We are so grateful to all those parishioners who gave so generously to the poor box during the past summer months. This help continues our mission of serving our friends and neighbors in need all through the year. God bless you!

The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be on Monday, September 28th at 9:35am in room 256 of the parish center. All are invited!

Please Help Outreach

As the cool temperatures approach, please remember the homeless clients who stop in for help at our Outreach Center. We are happy to provide them with small “emergency kits” of ready-to-eat food, that is, food that doesn’t need to be heated or refrigerated. Unfortunately, our stock is running low. Please help us by donating the following items:

- Small bottled waters
- Canned soda or juice
- Granola or cereal bars
- Small cans (pop-top) or packets of tuna
- Liquid Instant Breakfast
  - Snack size fruit cups
  - Snack size puddings
  - Small bags chips, trail mix, pretzels, cookies, etc.
- Cheese and cracker packages
- Toothbrushes
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Cleansing wipes
- Razors

With sincere appreciation, Parish Outreach would like to acknowledge the following:

Mary McGreevey made a donation to Outreach
In Memory of Thomas Markham.

Kathleen and Ed Finnegan made a donation to Outreach
In Memory of John Young.

Social Ministries

St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items: Coffee, Apple Juice, Mayonnaise, Paper Towels & Toilet Paper. Gift Cards from supermarkets are in demand and would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your past support.

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Thrift Shop News

Linens 1/2 Price
Kitchenware’s 1/2 price
Arts & Crafts 1/2 price

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

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

Level 2 Covenants are due at any Mass this weekend. Level 2 children are asked to bring a donation of new or gently used children’s storybook to any Mass the weekend of October 3 & 4th.

The Faith Formation classes began on Wednesday, September 23rd for the Wednesday classes, and will begin on Monday, September 28th for the Monday group and on Tuesday, September 29th for the Tuesday group. Catechists received their class lists at a meeting on September 15th and should have contacted the parents of the children in their group regarding the time and place of their child’s sessions. Please call the office if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Level 8 Parents & Confirmation Candidates – Evening of Prayer on Monday, September 28th @ either 4:30pm or 7pm in Monsignor Nolan Hall. Please remember to bring your palanca letters. An explanation of the palanca letter was given out at the September Parent Meeting. Please call Claire Moule if you have any questions.

Level 7 Parent & Child Meeting – Thursday, October 1st @ either 4pm or 7pm in Monsignor Nolan Hall. We will be giving out the Confirmation Packets and going over the requirements for Confirmation.

Level 8 Parents & Confirmation Candidate – Life After Confirmation meeting on Monday, October 5th @ either 4:30pm or 7pm in Monsignor Nolan Hall.

Level 5 Church Tours – take the place of class the week of October 5th for the level 5 groups. Tours are for parents and their level 5 children. Parents will receive a letter with your tour day and time. Please call the office if you need to change your day and/or time.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed on Monday, October 12 in observance of Columbus Day.

Visit our website @ www.stjosephsbabylon.org for information regarding upcoming meetings, events and other parish news. You may find all the information in our handbook on the website.

New Registrations – new families must first register with the Parish Office before coming to the Faith Formation Office.

All new registrants must bring:
Baptism certificate – no registration can be processed without it.
For children in levels 2 and up – we need a letter of transfer from your previous parish. Check or cash for the registration fee:
1 child - $130, 2 children - $ 195 & for 3 or more children $250

If you have any questions please call the Faith Formation Office @ 587-4717.

Catechists, Co-Catechists, hall monitors & ushers are needed for the Faith Formation Program.
HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

If you are in grades 9-12, please consider joining us Monday nights. We meet in the Madonna Room from 7-8:30 pm. We come together for Faith & Fun - discuss social issues —— look at Scripture and how it relates to today. We play board games, video games, and just have fun! And we plan ways to help others.

This year we will be organizing Soup Kitchen Work Crews, a Mission Trip, and some Youth Leader Training.

Upcoming Events:
- **Monday 9/28** — helping at Level 8 evening of Prayer 4:30-5:30 and 7:30-8:30
- **Sunday 10/4** — Representing Teens at the Ministry Fair all day
- **Monday 10/5** — Meeting with 8th graders & parents to tell them about what we do and about HS

I need representatives from each HS are you available? 4:30-5:30 and 7:30-8:30
- Also need our Youth Band Members!!
- Pizza will be served to all those who volunteer for both shifts. Call or email me to sign up!!

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**Friday 10/23** — Kick Off Youth Rally at St Agnes in Rockville Centre —— must pre-register! Cost is $10 — Which includes Ice Cream sundaes and a t-shirt!

Youth Band, can you join us? ********

PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? LIKE TO SING?? JOIN OUR YOUTH BAND. We play at the 5pm Mass Sunday.

Email: youth@stjosephsbabylon.org or just stop by on Sunday and speak to Jean Cooper or anyone in the band.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL TEENS

If you are in grades 6-8 We have different activities each month for you to join in. PBJ Gang, Open Gym Nights. And if you join our Service Team there & LOTS TO DO! See below.

GYM NIGHT: Friday 10/9

PBJ GANG: Thursday, 10/22

HALLOWEEN PARTY: Friday, 10/30 — more details to follow. SAVE THE DATE!

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

SERVICE TEAM — New contact list starting up now for the 2015/2016 school year.

Would like to be a member of the TEEN SERVICE TEAM?
It is open to all students in grades 6—12—Registration forms are on the website.

Register. Receive a Team T-shirt. Get emails and notices throughout the year for different community service activities.

Parents — your help is necessary to keep this running! if you have some time available, please let me know!

Some of the Service Needs already on the calendar:
- October 4th ……… 6:30—8:30 am help needed 6 Teens Needed
- October 5th ……… 4 HS Teens needed 5-9 pm
- October 22nd ……… 2 Teens and 2 Adults needed 630-9 pm
- November 24th 6-10pm 6 Teens and 4 Adults needed
Parish News

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 sjendow@yahoo.com or call Sally Pokorney at 631-379-3863. ENDOW: Educating on the Nature and Dignity of Women: a not-to-be missed experience for contemporary Catholic women.

CYO News

Please note that online registration for the upcoming CYO Boys Basketball Season is now available at the following web address: http://www.stjosephscyobabylon.sportssignup.com/
Registration is being accepted for boys teams grades 4 through 8.
There will be a uniform fitting session in the parish gym on Sunday, September 20th between 3pm and 5pm.
Registration will be closing on Saturday October 3rd. No registrations accepted after that date under any conditions so please register today.
If you have any questions please contact Tom McGrane at tommmc02.tmi@gmail.com or 917-833-4593.
All info and contact info is also on our parish website under Youth Ministry/CYO with a direct link to the registration form. www.stjosephsbabylon.org
We are looking forward to a great season!

Diocese of Rockville Centre Wants You To Know

St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility

"Caring for Those who Cared for Us"

The response to last week’s Special Collection for St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility at our Parish was outstanding.

On behalf of all of the retired priests in our Church community, thank you for all of your support and for helping to care for those who have cared for us.
St. Joseph’s Annual Christmas Pageant

Please join us on Mondays in the Church from 6:30pm until 8pm starting on October 5th for rehearsals. The pageant is open to all the children from 1st grade thru high school. We are performing in the Church on Sunday, December 6th at 3 pm. We need a few volunteers to work backstage, costumes, music and programs.

If interested please call/text or email the coordinator - Teresa Hansen at 808-429-8806 Email - ethkids@yahoo.com

Honor Roll News

Congratulations to our student parishioners for receiving Honor Roll Certificates at St. Anthony’s High School for the 2014-2015 school year. We are very proud of these students from our Parish who have exhibited academic excellence for the school year!

Father Chris

Alyssa Adamo
Christopher Adamo
James Boos
Kyle Buser
Kathleen Bynon
Melissa Bynon
Diana Castello

Elizabeth Castello
Jacqueline Colon
Devan DeRubio
Joseph DeVita
Joseph Harding
Katelyn McKevitt
Kendall McMillan

Mary Mikowski
Christopher Mulford
Emilio Niland
Bridget Sands
Emma Seegers
Jenna Trentalange
Caroline Vindell

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UNITY / DISUNITY

Jesus said, “Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not go without his reward.” In the mind of Christ, simple deeds of kindness were the surest sign of Christian discipleship.

What does this mean to you and me as followers of Christ in the twentieth century? The church, in our day, is obviously and tragically fragmented into a thousand competing factions. This is not entirely a new problem, but it is a real problem. How can we expect to make much difference in the world, if we are fighting among ourselves, and doing it in the name of Christ? Realistically, there is not much that you and I can do to change all of this. We can hope and pray and work for Christian unity. However, we are not likely to see it, not in our lifetime.

So what should be our attitude toward those who are “not of our company”? We have a clear choice. We can take the attitude of John or the attitude of Jesus. We can be exclusive or inclusive. We can close them out, or we can say with our Lord, “Anyone who is not against us is with us.” We may not be able to achieve Christian unity, but, at least, we can seek to be Christian in the midst of our disunity.

Live and Love in Peace
The Best IN TENTions

Fifteen years or so ago, the College was having a problem with its enrollment, so the then acting president asked the faculty and staff to consider taking a class so the numbers would increase. Never a scholar by any stretch of the imagination, I signed up for a class in writing, however, then one in public speaking, and finally one in theater arts. I chose the latter because Barbara and I went to Broadway in those days, and we usually picked a musical so we could leave the theater feeling somewhat uplifted and with a lilt definitely in our steps. Gloomy themes were ones we avoided, but something told me I should learn more about the genre.

Prof. Kelly was my instructor for the theater arts class, and I was initially ticked with some of the plays that we had to read. Clearly not works I would ever have read, I had a tough time getting started because of the depressing premises of what I were on the pages. As the class progressed, however, Prof. Kelly made an artistic point t that I decided would be useful in my daily life. He preached that conflict was needed to make a play or book a solid work of art. I needed to challenge myself by viewing something more complicated that “Ozzie and Harriet”. I know not everyone will agree with Prof. Kelly’s point, but on a personal side, I took that to mean I would be better off if I did something that was out of my comfort zone.

For example, rather than going to mass and praying for others, I decided that I had to actually do something for others. I joined a few groups whose purpose is to address the needs of those who need help and I DO things. I now try to do more than simply have good thoughts. I still have a long way to go...but I think I am better off because I am doing something that is challenging.

Next weekend our parish will be having a ministry fair, and it will be an opportunity for each of us to consider partaking in an activity that will be new to us. Representatives for each parish group will be assembled under our official Ministry Fair Tent, and they will relate their experiences of how their particular ministries have benefitted others and also themselves.

So look for the TENT and find out something about what you can do for others. You might also find out something about yourself that you never knew.

PRAYER

Bountiful Father, You have given us many gifts...some that we still do not realize we have. Give us the Grace to have an open mind as we explore the many good things that our parish is doing at our upcoming Ministry Fair. Guide our hearts and minds, encourage those who will share their stories, and, please loving Father, bless us with a sunny day to our Ministry Fair Tent will be filled to capacity!!! This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who share their time and/or resources to support our parish Food Pantry and programs like Catholic Charities' Nutrition Outreach Education Project (NOEP).
Catholic High Schools Entrance Exam and Open House Schedule

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Boys’ Day-By-Day-Agape (DDA) Retreat Fri. Oct 9-Mon. Oct. 12 for boys (15 & older). DDA’s 40 year history and the thousands of teen participants speak to the popularity and success of this program. This retreat is led BY teens FOR teens with presentations, discussions, music, drama, and prayer; Adult Team, Spiritual Directors & CYFM Community help facilitate and support. Cost $140. pp for materials, meals & lodging. Early Bird Fee $125.(must be received 9 days before retreat). All paperwork & non-refundable $70. deposit must be returned by Registration deadline, Tues. Oct. 6, 2015. For info and application contact CYFM or visit our website: www.cyfm.org and click on “events” Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D, Garrison, NY (845) 424-3609.

News From Outside the Parish

8th N. Y. District Presents A Night at the Races to Benefit the Mercy Inn Soup Kitchen
Saturday, October 3rd, 7pm Post time: 7:30pm
St. Matthews Recreation Hall, 35 North Service Road, Dix Hills, NY $12.00/Adults $6.00/Children $10.00 Adults at the Door—Includes, Frankfurters, chips, unlimited beer, wine, soda, coffee, dessert, race program & prizes.
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Let Us Pray
ROSA RALLY Hosted by OLPH on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015 Lindenhurst Village Gazebo 10 AM – 12 Noon JOIN US TO PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE USA

The Suffolk Chapter Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Men’s Day of Reflection on Saturday, October 17th, 2015 at Our Lady of Grace Church, Father Patrick Shanahan Hall from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Guest speaker will be Father Stephen Donnelly from St. Patrick’s Church in Huntington. The topic will be Gratitude. Donation is $15.00 per person and includes bagels, coffee, etc. For more information contact Bill Murphy at 631-629-4383.
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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.

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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.

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 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.

Se va EL VERANO!
LA PASTORAL DE JOVENES ADULTOS HISPANOS
PRESENTA

Octubre 23 de 7pm a 10pm: Auditorio de Santa Rosalia
en Hampton Bays

Octubre 24 de 7pm-10pm: Auditorio de San Ignacio
en Hicksville

Octubre 25 de 4pm a 7pm: Auditorio del Centro Mons.
Romero en Hempstead

Donación $15.00 (incluye refrigerio).
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