pastoral staff
Rev. Msgr. Christopher J. Heller, Pastor
Rev. Joseph V. AREVALO, Associate Pastor
Rev. Ethel Anarado, 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 Moule, 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 Thursday 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 x 131
Thrift Shop 669.5574
Youth Ministry 669-0068 x 108
Fax 669.9175

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

we celebrate the eucharist
Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Church
Sunday Church 7:00am, 8:45am, 10:15am, 11:45am, 5:00pm
Nolan Hall 9:30am
Nolan Hall 11:30 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.

RCA (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.

The Baptism of the Lord + January 10, 2016
At this Mass, we remember:

**Monday, January 11**
1 Sm 1:1–8, Ps 116:12–19, Mk 1:14–20
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Ann & Arlene Sutton

**Tuesday, January 12**
1 Sm 1:9–20, (Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4–8, Mk 1:21–28
7:45 Elena Villongco
9:00 Kay Dillon

**Wednesday, January 13**
1 Sm 3:1–10, 19–20, Ps 40:2, 5, 7–10, Mk 1:29–39
7:45 Ravi Maharaj & Brandon Lochan
9:00 Fiore Latini

**Thursday, January 14**
1 Sm 4:1–11, Ps 44:10–11, 14–15, 24–25, Mk 1:40–45
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Patricia Scott

**Friday, January 15**
1 Sm 8:4–7, 10–22a, Ps 89:16–19, Mk 2:1–12
7:00 Valentino Vulaj & Eva Rachel Alter
9:00 Viola Rebecchi

**Saturday, January 16**
1 Sm 9:1–4, 17–19; 10:1a, Ps 21:2–7, Mk 2:13–17
9:00 Grace Tuccillo

**Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)**
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Ethel
5:00 Roy Sullo, JR Fr. Francis
Patrick Linden Michael Necco

**Sunday, January 17 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Is 62:1–5, Ps 96:1–3, 7–10, 1 Cor 12:1–11, Jn 2:1–11
7:00 Loretta Ostuni Fr. Ethel
8:45 Loretta Galfano Fr. Jerome
9:30 Intentions of The Families Fr. Chris
   Baptized in 2015
10:15 Mary Catherine Lynch Fr. Ethel
11:45 People of St. Joseph Fr. Francis
5:00 Patrick Enright Fr. Chris

**Hospitality Sunday**
On Sunday, January 17th, please join us for Hospitality after each Mass in the Hospitality Center.
Our Parish Mission Statement

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

Liturgy

We Assemble for Prayer

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

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

Men’s Spirituality Group: Witness and grow in Faith. Meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Church.

Liturgy

Sacrificial Giving

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

12/27/15
Actual Collection $21,264.00
Budgeted Collection $23,086.00
(- $2,822.00)

1/3/16
Actual Collection $23,080.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(- $815.00)

God bless you!

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

U.S. Navy:
PO3 Joshua D. Benoit
Lt. Michael Catalano
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
PVT Danny Bornschein
Pvt. Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Ptitto
Lt. Stephen Scuderi
Pvt. Mark Ospina
Lt. Joseph A. Vanderveldt, III

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

Parish Office News

All Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, January 18, 2016 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
The Baptism of the Lord - Cycle C

**Father Chris Wants You To Know...**

**Weekly Schedule at Jubilee Churches for the Year of Mercy**

**Tuesdays**
Cathedral of St. Agnes – 1 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570
- Mass (12:10 p.m.)
- Exposition and Adoration
- Confessions
- Chaplet of Mercy
- Benediction (4:00 p.m.)

**Thursdays**
Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary – 168 Hill Street, Southampton, NY 11968
- Beginning with Mass at Noon
- Confessions
- Exposition and Adoration
- Tours of the Basilica (as arranged)
- Devotions to Divine Mercy in Spanish (3:00 p.m.)
- Benediction (4:00 p.m.)

**Wednesdays**
Seminary of the Immaculate Conception – 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743
- Optional lunch (12 Noon)
- Tours of the Seminary (1:00 p.m.)
- Rosary (1:45 p.m.)
- Exposition and Adoration (2:00 p.m.)
- Confessions (2:00 p.m. ï 4:00 p.m.)
- Vespers and Benediction (4:00 p.m.)

**Saturdays**
Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, 258 Eastport Manor Road, Manorville, NY 11949
- Beginning with Mass at 11:30 a.m.
- Exposition and Adoration
- Confessions
- Chaplet of Mercy
- Benediction (4:00 p.m.)

Check out the Parish website for great details and videos about the Jubilee Year of Mercy

**A Prayer from Pope Francis for the Jubilee Year of Mercy**

In this prayer, the Holy Father entreats the Lord to make the Jubilee of Mercy a year of grace so that the Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

**Here is the text of Pope Francis’ prayer:**

**Lord Jesus Christ,**
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.
Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"
You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.
Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.
Universal Church Song for the Holy Year of Mercy

The antiphon for the universal song for the Holy Year of Mercy is in Latin: Misericordes sicut Pater; misericordes sicut Pater.
In English: “Be merciful, just as Your Father is merciful.” It appears in Luke 6: 36.

The composer of the song is Paul Inwood, known for decades on both sides of the ocean as a man who is in touch with the heart of God’s People, and of their shepherd, Jesus Christ.

Paul Inwood writes: “It is a great honor for me that my setting was selected for the Holy Year of Mercy.

The text we were given has a Latin antiphon and Italian verses interspersed with refrains in Latin, like a kind of litany. My music is also a mixture, with elements in the style of a Taizé response and a Gelineau tone.

The verses work in any language — I provided French and English translations — and I deliberately kept the music very simple so that even the smallest parishes can hopefully make use of it. There is also some more elaborate music: a brass prelude and interludes, and a choral coda which is included in the recording.”

You can listen and follow along via these 2 websites:
http://www.iubilaeummisericordiae.va/content/gdm/it/giubileo/inno.html - Pontifical Council’s Holy Year of Mercy website (Italian) or youtube.com/watch?v=-N0Dto5s9fq Via Youtube

1. We give thanks to the Father, for he is good [from Psalm 135:6]
in aeternum mercy eius – His mercy is forever
He created the world with wisdom
in aeternum mercy eius
He leads his people in history
in aeternum mercy eius
He forgives and welcomes His children [from Luke 15]
in aeternum mercy eius
2. Let us give thanks to the Son, Light of the nations
in aeternum mercy eius
He loved us with a heart of flesh [from John 15:12]
in aeternum mercy eius
we receive from Him, to Him we give ourselves
in aeternum mercy eius
the heart to open to those who hunger and thirst [from Matthew 25,31ss]
in aeternum mercy eius
Misericordes sicut Pater! - : “Be merciful, just as Your Father is merciful.”
Misericordes sicut Pater!

3. We ask the Spirit the seven holy gifts
in aeternum mercy eius
source of all good, sweet relief
in aeternum mercy eius
comforted by Him, offer comfort
[from John 15: 26-27]
in aeternum mercy eius
I love hopes and endures all things [from 1 Cor 13.7]
in aeternum mercy eius
4. We call for peace to the God of all peace
in aeternum mercy eius
the earth awaits the gospel of the Kingdom
[from Matthew 24,14]
in aeternum mercy eius
grace and joy to those who love and forgive
in aeternum mercy eius
will be the new heavens and the earth
[from Revelation 21.1]
in aeternum mercy eius
Misericordes sicut Pater!

And here’s the English-language version of the hymn’s verses as it appears on the website: Read more: http://www.ncregister.com/blog/kischiffer/vatican-announces-official-hymn-for-the-year-of-mercy/#ixzz3wIOyFjbg
A Parish Public Meeting: All Are Welcome to Attend

I confess to you that I don’t know where the time goes when it does, but the time has come. For those who have not yet heard from me directly on the subject of my assignment as your pastor back in June of 2004, I must tell you now, clearly and sincerely, that my time with you is coming to a close this coming June.

In addition to myself, there are several priests in our Diocese who have reached the twelve-year maximum (two six-year terms of service) as pastors of various parishes. I will join them in seeking a new assignment, presumably as a pastor in a different location here on Long Island. The names of the parishes seeking new pastors for next June will be available at the beginning of February, 2016. Then, I will be given an opportunity to express my preference for serving at one or another of these open parishes.

However, before that February date and the start of the selection process, the Diocese has begun a practice to consult with the people of a parish whose pastor is being transferred. The format is simple: I will welcome and thank everyone who has come to the public meeting and open with a prayer. I will then introduce the Episcopal Vicar, the Vicar for Clergy Personnel, and the local priest-dean: they will facilitate the meeting. This Parish Public Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 7:30pm in the O’Connell Room.

The data-gathering at that Parish Public Meeting will focus on three areas of response:

1. What do you love about St. Joseph Parish? What do you think is going well here?
2. What do you think needs work or attention at St. Joseph Parish? What do you think is not going well here?
3. Name some specific traits you would like to see in the next pastor assigned to St. Joseph Parish.

I invite you to put January 14 on your calendar, and to once again invest some time and thought in the immediate future of the Parish we love. Thank you for your prayerful love and support, as we prepare the Parish to welcome a new pastor.

With love,

Fr. Chris

PS. People have already asked if there is any point in writing letters or making phone calls requesting me to stay here at St. Joseph. The simple answer: THERE IS NO POINT! In fact, it can make things even more difficult regarding my own transitioning, so I thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness and care-filled restraint.
The Messiah Concert Benefit

THE MESSIAH CONCERT
Benefits
THE MERCY INN SOUP KITCHEN
Generous Hearts Coming Together Can Accomplish Extraordinary Results.....
Thanks to the continuing support of Msgr. Chris Heller, our pastor, Dr. Marie Drohan, our music director, St. Joseph Parish Choir, soloists, trumpeters, harpsichord and the Sophisticated Strings.....and through the generosity of our parishioners and friends, more than $9,171.00 was raised to help feed the hungry at The Mercy Inn Soup Kitchen.

Thank You...Thank You...Thank You...

Wishing Everyone A Very Merry Christmas &
Happy & Healthy New Year.

Baptism Reunion News

Attention Families of Children Baptized in 2015!

Annual Baptism Reunion Mass on Sunday,
January 17th, 2016 at 9:30am Mass in Msg. Nolan Hall. Followed by refreshments in the Hospitality Center next to the Church.

In the past year, if your child was welcomed into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism, we at St. Joseph would like to invite you and your family to a special celebration to commemorate that sacred Baptismal Day.

Please bring your baptismal Candle for a candle lighting ceremony. If you have misplaced it, we’ll have extras on hand.
The Baptism of the Lord - Cycle C

Catholics Ministries Appeal

Thanks and Congratulations to our 327 Catholic Ministry Appeal Donors for 2015. Because of a generous matching grant from one of our parishioners, we have met our appeal cash goal of $136,000. Our Parish will be receiving a rebate, which will be well used in the New Year.

Thanks Very Much!
Fr. Chris

Music Ministry

St. Joseph’s 10:15 Choir would like to take this opportunity to welcome Catholic singers to join a community of likeminded Catholic voices. If you are age fourteen or older and can easily carry a tune you are invited to be part of the renowned St. Joseph’s Choir. Male voices are particularly needed a this time however, all voices are invited! They are currently preparing for the glorious music of the highest Holy Days of the liturgical year and the winter is a wonderful time to join them! The choir has the privilege of enhancing the sung worship each Sunday at the 10:15 mass, Holy Week, First Eucharist celebrations, Confirmation, Christmas Eve, and perform a renowned yearly December Benefit Concert for the benefit of the Mercy INN Soup Kitchen. (Concert generated donations of $9200 in December) You may call Dr. Drohan at 631-539-0957 or send an e-mail to musicdirector@stjosephsbabylon.org. You may also see her after the 10:15 Sunday mass or attend the next rehearsal on Thursday in room 254 of the Parish Center. You are promised a most enjoyable evening.

The Church of St. Joseph, Babylon would like to invite a musician who can lead our youth on instruments and in song at the Sunday 5 PM liturgy. Guitar and vocal skills are desired; music degree preferred but will consider one’s experience and musical talent. Rehearsals are held in the church prior to mass. The candidate should exude spirituality, enthusiasm, and enjoy working with teenagers. Other optional worship opportunities may arise during the year that highlights the band. Send all contact information with your résumé and letter(s) of recommendation to the Pastor: By mail to Msgr. Rev. Chris Heller at Church of St. Joseph, 39 N Carll Ave, Babylon, NY 11702; or via e-mail at CHeller@stjosephsbabylon.org with “Youth Band Leader Position” in the subject area.
Save The Date for Paint Night

**Fundraiser**

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

**Saturday, January 30th**

**Paint Night**

7—9:30pm in the O’Connell Room
Join us for an evening of fun and bring out your inner artist!
Paint n sip while supporting our Youth Group.
There will be raffles and snacks available for purchase.

Tickets $40—only limited number available so please call or email Barbara McNulty to reserve your ticket!
Sorry no tickets sold at door.
669-0068 ext 108
youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

*Help our Youth Group raise funds for Youth Leader Training and Weekend Retreat!*
*This is an adult-only evening. Thank you.*
Adopt – A – Retired – Priest

Many retired priests miss the Church, especially the parishioners and people within the community. Please let these priests who have given their lives to the Church and community know you are thinking about them!

Parishioners and people of the community are encouraged to send retired priests Christmas, Easter, birthday and anniversary cards!

Please remember the following retired priests who now reside in St. Pius X Residence:

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Please send cards to:
St Pius X Enriched Living Facility
565 Albany Avenue
Amityville, NY 11701
Membership Organizations

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

If you are giving or getting a new phone for Christmas, please save the old phones for us. We will have gift wrapped boxes in the lobbies of the Church, Nolan Hall & the office for phones to be deposited beginning next weekend. The phones will be reprogrammed for endangered women to call for emergency assistance. Thank you for your support, Many blessings to you this Christmas.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

Home Baked

Court Bishop McDonnell #1403 will have fresh baked treats available after morning Masses Sunday, February 7th, 2016. Be sure to pick up your favorite dessert and a Super Bowl snack as well.

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

Tell a friend!

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month - September thru June. Come and visit one of our meetings and 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
Pasta Dinner

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17th 2016
6PM - 9PM

PLACE - Monsignor Nolan Hall
Tickets are available in the Parish Office
Adults - $12.00
Seniors - $10.00
Children ages 5-11 - $5.00

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR AN EVENING OF FUN, MUSIC, PRIZES AND GOOD FOOD.

PASTA DINNER

IF YOU ARE STILL IN A “COOKING MOOD” or a “WRAPPING MOOD” AFTER THE HOLIDAYS CALL SHARON SARAGNESE OR PAT WEISS TO TALK ABOUT MAKING SOME PASTA OR ABOUT WRAPPING THE RAFFLE BASKETS.

PAT WEISS 631-661-0255 or SHARON SARAGNESE 631-321-8986

Thank You

THANKS FOR THE CALENDARS!
We are very grateful to our friends and funeral directors, Mr. Douglas Chapey & Mr. Charlie Spencer, who support our Parish with generous love and service. This week, we are grateful for the 2016 calendars that each of them has provided for the people of our faith community. They include reproductions of some beautiful works of art for our meditation. Doug and Charlie, many thanks for these and your many gifts.

Fr. Chris
St. Vincent de Paul

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

Happy New Year!!!
Recently, we received this thank you note from a family who received assistance from St. Vincent de Paul Society:
“...we would like to say how we appreciate all of the people who work for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. It is truly a wonderful program. Thank you so much for all of your help. Thanks for helping us with our rent payments... Thanks for all your support... we know that all this means that God is good and we are blessed...God bless all of you...”
Words like these inspire us and help us to carry on our mission of helping those in need. We would love to expand our work through increased membership. Please consider joining us in 2016.

Our next meeting is Monday, January 11, 2016 at 9:35 am in room 256 of the parish center.

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

In celebration of Christmas, a donation has been made to Outreach by the Reilly Family on behalf of the Bosch, Cannetti, De Joseph, DeMatte, Parks and Ramirez families.

An anonymous donation was made to Outreach in memory of Patrick Kevin Brosnan, Jr.

A donation to Outreach was made by Joyce Markham in memory of Thomas Markham.

Social Ministries

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!
Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items: Turkey Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Stuffing, Rice, 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 and future donations.

Thrift Shop News
Winter Coats ~ 1/2 price
Kitchenwares ~ 1/2 price
Shoes & Boots ~ 1/2 price

We have a wedding gown (size 4, beautiful)

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Please DO NOT leave any donations on the outside steps when the Thrift Shop is closed.
The Faith Formation Office will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King.

Level 2 children please come to any Mass this weekend to receive your cross necklace.

Level 7 Confirmation essays “Why Someone My Age Would Want to Follow Jesus” are due at any Mass the weekend of January 23-24th.

Level 7 Parent Meeting – Thursday, January 28th at either 10am or 7pm in Monsignor Nolan Hall. We will be going over the Confirmation Interview questions and answers and we will discuss some upcoming events for Level 8.

Catechist’s Workshop – Thursday, February 4th at either 10am or 7pm in room 257. Matthew Zinser from Loyola Press will be doing a presentation to help catechists with their lesson planning, classroom supervision, how to apply discipline and how to help children to grow in their faith and to experience the presence of God in their lives. He will be giving out a free copy of Joe Paprocki’s book The Catechist’s Toolbox to everyone who attends but you must RSVP by January 28th by calling the Faith Formation Office @ 587-4717. All current catechists and anyone interested in becoming a catechist is welcome to attend.

My good deed for the week was: Shamus & Jack helped their sisters, Gaetano made a Christmas gift for someone in need, Alexa, Lucas & Taylor helped decorate the Christmas tree, Brady, Isabella, John, Vincent, Henry & Mason donated toys for needy children, Katie, Olivia & Eamon helped their parents, Kylie & Casey took care of their cousins, Cory made the beds, Jake & Abigail donated money to charity, Frankie helped the elderly, Yasmine helped wrap gifts, Nicole helped her dad shop for her mom’s Christmas present, Benjamin, Michael, Nicolas, James, Emma, Amanda, Francesca & Mia helped their moms, Matthew helped make candy canes with Papa, Kathryn helped her mom shop and Connor watched his sister, Nicolas, Isabella & Dominic helped their brothers, Dominick helped his dad, Jack listened to his mom, Jake donated food to the animal shelter, Anthony, Natalie, James & Chris cleaned their rooms, Ryan, Olivia & Eva took out the trash, Lauren helped decorate for Christmas, Emily & Amelia cleaned the basement, Alyssa stayed calm, Ryan wrapped up the puppy in a blanket for his brother, Danielle made sure her dog was safe, Olivia, Sabrina, Bailey, Jeremy & Salvatore listened to their teachers, Kiersten & Noah worked together, Ava & Ryan were being good listeners, Adam cheered up his friend, Sienna helped decorate the cafeteria, Eliana helped fill water bottles, Ava set the table, Lucas & Noah made presents for their family, Harper & Jack gave to the church, Sinead took care of her dog, Dulce opened the door for others, Christopher, Nolan & Summer helped around the house and Nicholas helped a friend.
Faith Formation

Youth Ministry

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

Start the New Year Off right – join us!

Youth Group is open to all in grades 6–12. Some activities are grade specific. Most are open to all.

Friday, 1/15
Holy Hour at St. Ignatius are you joining us?

Thursday, January 21st
PBJ GANG
7pm in the Madonna Room
Grades 6–12 Please really could use bread please!
Sign up on the website to reserve your seat: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Sunday, January 24th
Special trip to the Shrine of our Lady of the Island in Manorville.
Noon, back here for 5pm Mass.
Grades 6–12 (Parents provide transport & welcome to join us!) Please email or call to reserve your spot: youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

Saturday, January 29th
ADULT PAINT NIGHT FUNDRAISER!
Did you get your ticket yet?

Wednesday February 3rd
PANERA BREAD FUNDRAISER
Please stop by Panera between 4–8, present our flyer
(will be ready soon and on our website!) Help Youth Group raise funds for upcoming retreats.

High School group meets every Monday 7pm in the Madonna Room.
Our HS Teens will also be working at the Soup Kitchen in February

SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday – March 13th
GIANT ROLLER SKATING PARTY
For all in grades 6 and above. At United Skates Roller Rink.
Tickets and more info will be available in February.
Check the website and bulletin for info.

WANTED: VOLUNTEER: Young Adults/Parents/Grandparents
In order to grow this program, some Help is Needed!
Looking for someone to commit to an hour once a week helping with lesson plans and craft projects.
Give me a call if you are interested: 631-669-0068 ext 108

Barbara McNulty
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Bishop McDonnell 1403

Your invited to a **Birth Rite Baby Shower**
for the benefit of **THE LIFE CENTER**

on **Wednesday, January 13th, 2016**
in the O’Connell Room at **7:30 pm**
(doors open at 7:00 pm)

Come enjoy the party and support the women and men who have made the good decision to have their babies.

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

There will be no December Meeting, look for January 20th, 2016 meeting information coming soon.
Little Rock Bible Study
Isaiah

The primary role of a prophet is to speak for God, to see and hear as God sees and hears, and then to pronounce words of correction and hope.

In Isaiah we will encounter the holiness of God, hope for a messianic king, prophecies of restoration, and challenges for exiles returning to their homeland.

We invite you to join us in study about the prophet most quoted in the New Testament.

13 Sessions
Thursdays, 2/18/16 – 5/26/16
(No sessions 3/24/16 & 4/28/16)
7:30 – 9:00 PM
O’Connell Room

$17/person for Study Materials

Please register by 2/1/16 so materials can be ordered for you. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Church. Contact Carol Pellegrino at 631-587-3511 or jcjmpell@optonline.net

Book Club

Meeting on Thursday, January 14th, 2015 at 7:30pm in Room 255.
The book discussion will be on “The Abby”
By James Martin SJ
All are welcome

Thank You!!!

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who contributed baked goods at the Christmas Tree Lighting and those who donated blood at the blood drive enabling us to collect a record high of 78 pints of blood.
GOD’S GIFTED CHILDREN

Fashions and styles come and go. Look at pictures of yourself ten or twenty years ago. Physical beauty and prowess wane and disappear. Aging movie stars become recluses, hiding from the public what they cannot hide from themselves. Aging athletes struggle to survive in a world that has valued them only for skills and achievements. The successful, having climbed to the top, discover an emptiness they never anticipated. All who have lived primarily for themselves, come to a lonely and disappointing end.

The truly beautiful people are those who have an adequacy for living that serves them as well in life’s twilight as at mid-day. They know what matters, and what does not matter. They know that the world is preoccupied with outward appearances, but that God looks into the heart. They know that life consists in the abundance of what is given rather than received. They know that joy is found less in achieving than in serving, less in triumph than in trust. They are God’s gifted children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus himself.

Let us call forth and bless one another’s gifts. Let us be who we really are, God’s gifted children. Then we shall be beautiful people indeed.

Give thanks always

Happy New Year

Deacon Mike
OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE

During my days at Farmingdale State College, I have had the opportunity to be on many search committees. New York State provides fairly strict guidelines regarding hiring of faculty and professional staff members, and one of the requirements is forming a committee of at least five individuals from various departments to sift through resumes/cover letters, establish who qualifies, and to see if those selected would be interested in being interviewed.

Once the committee meets those selected, it recommends a few names to the person who will eventually supervise the new hires. Depending on the level of the position, the finalists appear before all interested parties and basically present their visions as to how each will carry out the responsibilities of the job. There is a simple evaluation that can be completed by those in attendance and that input is available to the person making the final decision.

The feedback from those who will be affected by the new employee is important to the person making the ultimate hiring decision. It often reveals certain practices that are not always observed on certain levels. Time has a way of reducing the substance of some items while growing tentacles on others. When people take the time to point things like this out, changes are made to improve the situation.

On Thursday, each parishioner will have the opportunity to participate in forum where her or his voice can be heard in determining what attributes we should expect from our next pastor, the things within the parish that might need attention, what is working well and what is not, and, perhaps most importantly, what is the overall impression of St. Joseph Parish. It promises to be an interesting night.

We are in a very fortunate situation because of the success that Fr. Chris has had while he has been The Steward of the Parish. This is a very appealing place for his successor. It is, therefore, very important that we all take Thursday very seriously to ensure that we get the very best successor to our beloved Msgr. Heller.

PRAYER

Loving and Generous Father, we are about to enter yet another chapter in the long and storied history of St. Joseph Parish. Be with those who are involved in making the important decision about who will next guide our flock. Give us the Grace we need to remain prayerful so that we are able to speak and let our voices be heard...both in praise of Your Glory and in sharing our insights so the right choice will be made for the next pastor of the Church of St. Joseph. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

10 January 2016

Reflections

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who answer their baptismal call to believe with joy by placing their gifts and resources, their very selves, at God’s service not only in the Church but in the world!
Please: Make a Difference in Someone’s Life by donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal
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**News From Outside the Parish**

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE PLANNED**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Bishop Murphy is happy to announce that there will be a Diocesan Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, in Washington, D.C. on **Saturday, September 24, 2016**

More information will be coming soon. Please watch your bulletin and diocesan website.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

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Married Couples!
Are you looking for the perfect Christmas gift for each other?
A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Just might be what you are looking for.
Renew, Restore, Refresh and Rekindle Your Sacramental Relationship.

The next weekend on Long Island is scheduled for February 12-14, 2016 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore, NY. Space is limited. For more information about the weekends or to apply, call 1-877-697-9963 or visit our web site at http://www.wwme.org.

**St. James Parish and Catholics for Freedom of Religion**

Invite you to:

“Medical Mondays”

Join us in 2016 on Monday evenings in the Parish Center 7:30pm-9:30pm for a series of discussions on the moral and ethical issues confronting patients, families, healthcare workers and administrators in the 21st Century

Presented by Dr. James Spencer, Sr. VP, Mission and Ministry, Catholic Health Services of Long Island and Jamey Hutchinson, BSN, CFCP

1/11-Fertility treatments and Sterility Procedures
1/25-“Vaccines derived from cell lines of aborted fetuses and Stem cell research”
2/1-“Sexual Assault protocols, Plan B and other emergency contraception”
2/8-Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide”
2/15-“The Ethics of Sex change procedures”
2/22-“Moral dilemmas in the patient-caregiver relationship and following one’s conscience”

St. James RC Church 429 Route 25A Seaford, NY (631) 941-4141

Please check website or stop in to inquire about fun classes for all ages.

**Babylon Public Library**

24 South Carl Avenue - Babylon, New York 11702

Please check website or stop in to inquire about fun classes for all ages.
Las horas de oficina del Ministerio Hispano son:
Domingos después de la Misa Fono: (631) 669-0068 Ext. 131
Padre Joseph Arevalo Ext. 104

El Bautismo del Señor - Ciclo C

Reflexión

Agradecemos esta semana a todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que responden a su llamado bautismal a creer de alegría mediante la colocación de sus dones y recursos a ellos mismos, al servicio de Dios no sólo en la Iglesia sino en el mundo!

Intercesiones por la Vida
Por cada niño nacido hoy, para que Dios nos dé la gracia de amar y apoyarlos;
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 12/27/15: $21,264.00
Gastos: $23,895.00
$-2,630.50

Colecta 01/03/16: $23,080.00
Gastos: $23,895.00
$-815.00

Curso Bíblico
Todos los martes de:
7:30PM — 9:30PM
Salón # 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 Hispánico con dos meses de anticipación o llame @ (631) 669-0068, Ext. 131. Traer el certificado de nacimiento original del niño. No en cuareasma.

Rito de iniciación cristiana para adultos:
Llamamos a una preparación espiritual de conversión a la fe católica. Llame a la Sra. Julietta Mieles, al (631) 669-0068, ext. 131.

Catequesis de niños y adultos:
Llamar a la oficina principal (631)669-0068 Ext. 100.

Matrimonio:
Las parejas que desean casarse, deben inscribirse con seis meses de anticipación. Llamar al Padre Joe Arévalo al (631) 669-0068 ext. 104.

Pre-Cana:
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 de la parroquia de San José.

Cursillo de cristianidad:
Les invita a vivir un fin de semana con Cristo. Tenemos Ultreya todos los sábados a las 12:30pm. Mas información llame a Cristina Vera @ 631-327-6141.

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

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

Comité:
El primer sábado de cada mes a las 10:00am en el salón # 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.

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El bautismo del Señor - Ciclo C
Horario para la Catequesis en Español
2015 - 2016
DOMINGOS
10:00AM — 11:00AM

FECHAS DE LAS CLASES
Los grupos de estudiantes que asistirán al Centro de Formación se reunirán solamente cuando un voluntario del Centro esté presente. Las clases se dictarán durante 27 domingos: 10, 17, 24 y 31 de enero; 7, 14, 21 y 28 de febrero; 6, 13, y 20 de marzo.

FECHAS DE LOS EVENTOS
Miércoles de Cenizas
10 de febrero de 2016
Jueves Santo
24 de marzo de 2016
Via Crucis en el Lago “Argyle” Padres/estudiantes
25 de marzo de 2016 a la 1:00pm
Reconciliación y ensayo candidatos de la Vigilia
26 de marzo de 2016 a las 10:00am
Vigilia Pascual
26 de marzo de 2016 a las 8:00pm
Reconciliación y Ensayo Primera Comunión
23 de abril de 2016 a las 10:00am
Primera Comunión
1 de mayo de 2016 @ 11:30am

Por favor sean puntuales. El horario está sujeto a las condiciones climáticas. Si desea alguna información por favor llame a la oficina de Educación Religiosa @ (631) 669-0068 Ext. 131.

ES ESencial LA ASISTENCIA A LA SANTA Misa TODOs LOS DOMINGOS COMO COMPLEMENTO DEL PROGRAMA.

EN CASO DE REDADAS
¿Qué puedes hacer?

NO ABRAS LA PUERTA
Pregúntale a la migración si tienen una orden de arresto y que te la pasen por debajo de la puerta.

GUARDA SILENCIO
Tienes el derecho a permanecer callado/a. Si te confrontan agentes de inmigración, di:

“Uso mi derecho bajo la quinta enmienda, y tengo el derecho a mantenerme callado/a”

NO FIRMES
No firmes nada que te den los agentes de inmigración.

¡REPORTA LA REDADA!
Reporta inmediatamente al 1-844-363-1423.
Toma fotos y videos de todos los detalles que veas. Dile a tus amigos y vecinos lo que sucede y edúcales sobre sus derechos.

¡HAZ UN PLAN Y PELEA!
Si inmigración detiene a un ser querido, busca un abogado de confianza, y haz planes para que alguien cuide a tus hijos. Tu puedes pelear un caso de detención y tal vez recibir una fianza.

Que puedes hacer:

Reporte las redadas!

Contacto:
1-844-3631423

TEXTO ver las alertas de ICE: 877877

Organizaciones para los inmigrantes de Long Island están en el proceso de establecer una línea telefónica para ayuda legal. Les mantendremos informado cuando esto esté en su lugar!
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