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 Moulé, Faith Formation Director
Mrs. Marion Peckholdt, Nursery School Director
Mrs. Kathryn Raniere, Parish Outreach Director
Mrs. Jane Zollo, Parish Operations Manager
Stewardship Services Director

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 x131
Thrift Shop ....................... 669.5574
Youth Ministry .................... 669-0068 x 108
Fax .................................. 669.9175

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

We celebrate the Eucharist
Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Church
Sunday Church 7:00am, 8:45am, 10:15am, 11:45am, 5:00pm
Nolan Hall 9:30am
Nolan Hall 11:30 am Misa Dominical Español

Weekday Mass Schedule
Mon to Fri 7:45, 9:00am Church
Saturday 9:00am Church
Holydays See Special Schedule the Sunday before each Holyday

We celebrate the sacraments
Baptism
Parents are requested to call the Parish Office at least two months before child’s birth to make arrangements. New Parents’ Instruction Class will be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 7:30pm to 8:30pm in Room 257. Baptism is celebrated every Sunday of the month at 1:30pm except during the Lenten Season.

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.

Marriage
Couples are requested to call at least six months before the wedding for an appointment with a Priest or Deacon to set the date and make arrangements. No arrangements can be made by phone.

Anointing of the Sick
Fourth Saturday of the month at the 9:00am Mass or call the Parish Office.

Welcome to all new parishioners. We invite you to register at the Parish Office.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time + January 24, 2016
At this Mass, we remember:

Monday, January 25
Acts 22:3–16 or 9:1–22, Ps 117:1bc, 2, Mk 16:15–18
7:45 Robert Christie
9:00 Rev. Edward Halligan & Mary Bridget Halligan

Tuesday, January 26
2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5, Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10, Mk 4:1–20
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Austin Moran

Wednesday, January 27
2 Sm 7:4–17, Ps 89:4–5, 27–30, Mk 4:1–20
7:45 Nettie Rifici
9:00 Roy Sullo, Jr.

Thursday, January 28
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Michael McLoughlin

Friday, January 29
2 Sm 11:1–4a, 5–10a, 13–17, Ps 51:5–7, 10–11, Mk 4:26–34
7:45 People of St. Joseph
9:00 Rosemary Montana

Saturday, January 30
2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17, Ps 51:12–17, Mk 4:35–41
9:00 Margaret & Louis O’Connor

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today
5:00 Nora & Florian Gravel
Jim & Judy Kaczanowski

Sunday, January 31 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 Intentions of Shanell, Kellsea, Brendann, Riley, Idly & Ricardo
8:45 Theresa Hess
9:30 Patrick King
10:15 Rosemary Maynard
11:45 People of St. Joseph
5:00 Mario D. Sciubba

The Sacraments of Life
Newly Baptized
Emily Rose Bennett, Henry Thomas Byar, Emilia Rose Kircheim, Sam Paul King, Olivia Jane Peattie, Ryann Marie Poland & John Richard Russell

Preparing for Marriage
Banns Posted
First Time ~
No Banns
Second Time ~
No Banns
Third Time ~
No Banns

For Our Sick

Altar Rose
In memory of Rosemary Maynard

For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Lidia Hildalgo, Marie Pepe, Andrea L. Peterson, Joanne Inzerra & John McEachen.

REFLECTION FOR TODAY
The US Bishops’ pastoral on stewardship reinforces today’s reading from 1 Corinthians: “Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body’s health and well-being are the responsibility of the members - the personal responsibility of each of us. We all are stewards of the 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.

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.

Sacrificial Giving

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

1/17/16
Actual Collection $22,252.00
Budgeted Collection $23,895.00
(-1,643.00)
God bless you!

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
- Lt. John T. Izzo
- Lt. Caroline Mayer
- PO2 Kristen Tice
- PO1 Rasheen Tice

U.S. M.C.:
- Sgt. Lauren Colontropo
- 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:
- STP 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 Pititto
- 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

Faith Direct

Why not make a change in the way you support St. Joseph? Sign up with eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering. Making either one-time or automatic contributions through Faith Direct will also save valuable time. To enroll, please visit Faith Direct’s website www.faithdirect.net And use our Parish code NY84. You can also fill out and mail a Faith Direct enrollment form, available in the Parish Office. Thank You!
Some Impressions from reviewing surveys:

This week, we begin to report on the survey conducted last month about the newly-reformatted 11:15am Mass. Here are some comments that individuals wrote as they responded to this Survey. We thank the 181 persons who submitted a survey. Next week: more statistics!

Fr. Chris

◊ joy and peace
◊ thanks for taking this leap of faith
◊ husband has anxiety and doesn’t usually go to Mass, but even he is enjoying this Mass
◊ people are smiling
◊ satisfied
◊ homily family friendly
◊ more participating
◊ like singing songs
◊ like take-away thought
◊ uplifting and dynamic
◊ wants to see this experience at 9:30am Mass
◊ inspiring, comes from a different Parish to be here
◊ music is excellent
◊ inclusive, greeters add warmth
◊ music is favorite, after the homily
◊ lively spirit; few people are nodding off
◊ inspiring homilies
◊ Fr. Chris is a great speaker
◊ relaxed format is effective
◊ participation is effective
◊ soothes my soul
◊ need opportunity for fellowship
◊ holds my children’s attention better than other Masses
◊ too many repeats in hymns
◊ sometimes hard to participate in singing
◊ it’s different; hope it will bring more people to God
◊ miss some of the more well known hymns
◊ choir outstanding
◊ I love it. Thank you Fr. Chris
◊ moves me to tears but in a good way
◊ music you can join in, same music becomes familiar
◊ reaches out to people in a personal way
◊ some parishioners are not in tune with choir group
◊ appreciate new way but have to get used to it
◊ not much of a change in worship experience.
◊ please start on time
◊ new hymn books good
◊ homily is direct
◊ would like to see a strong chorus
◊ would like to feel more free to raise my hands in praise and worship
◊ like the kindness of the priests and ushers and people attending
◊ there are constant interruptions for surveys and other things
◊ enjoy Deacon Barry’s homilies, intellectually stimulating
◊ find myself singing songs for rest of day and week
◊ not working: my singing voice. It is just awful
◊ I’m not a fan
◊ I’m not looking forward to this music group at my 11:45am Mass
◊ more participation by parishioners needed
◊ glad I found it
◊ feel good when we leave
◊ love the smiles of the greeters welcoming me
◊ not working: the band. I come to church to be old-fashioned and traditional
◊ new music lifts up my spirits; not working: length of Mass (1hr)
◊ the music being used is distractive rather than additive to church experience
◊ if I wanted to go to an evangelical Mass, I would become a Baptist
◊ very welcoming, friendly environment; music excellent
◊ keep homilies short and concise
◊ promised short homily is not short
◊ no quiet time to for personal prayer
◊ Fr. Chris, Deacon Barry are well spoken and heartfelt
◊ my kids love it, so it makes it easy for me to go
◊ from Florida, loved it, will come back
◊ parking is tough
◊ Mass should start on time
◊ opens your gates. Sends right message of openness to all
◊ Mass moves me, love seeing people smile
◊ joy of seeing children swing and clap
◊ ability to praise the Lord more in song
◊ I love the homily content because it inspires
◊ God’s word provides direction, easier to teach the word better
◊ singers are not performers and should stay behind the microphones
◊ miss the traditional versions of music
◊ helps shape my day and week
◊ Keep up the good work and thank you
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=N0Dto5s9fg - 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 official website: Read more: http://www.ncregister.com/blog/kenschiffer/vatican-announces-official-hymn-for-the-year-of-mercy/#ixzz3wIOyFjbg
Adult Paint Night Fundraiser

Paint Night Fundraiser

Saturday, January 30th
Tickets sold until Tuesday, January 26th.
youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

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

Help our Youth Group raise funds for Youth Leader Training and Weekend Retreat! This is an adult-only evening. Thank you.

Panera Fundraiser

Must have Flyer for St. Joseph to receive CREDIT!

Wednesday, February 3, 2016
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

at the Panera Bread bakery-cafe at 1025 West Montauk Highway, West Babylon

Bring this flyer when you dine with us on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, and we’ll donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase to St. Joseph’s Youth Group. It’s a handcrafted, delicious meal, all for a great cause!
Register with the Parish!

Do you get the Christmas and Easter schedule mailed to your home, along with letters from Fr. Chris about Parish events like the Chrysanthemum Ball?

Do you get weekly collection envelopes sent to your home?

If you answered NO to these questions, then you may not be registered at St. Joseph Parish as a Parishioner!

Let’s make it Official!

We invite you to join the Parish by coming to the Parish Center during regular business hours to fill out a registration form.

Our Office Hours are:

Mon-Thurs.          9am to 4pm
Mon-Thurs. eve.     7pm-9pm
Saturdays           9am-1pm

“How wonderful it is when sisters and brothers live in unity”.

Psalm 133:1

Calling All Scouts

Scout Sunday Mass

Sunday, February 7th, 2016
9:30am in Msgr. Nolan Hall

All Parish Boy and Girl Scouts and their families are invited to attend this Mass. A special blessing will be given to all as they continue on their journey to make the world a better place through scouting!

We’d like to hear from any Girl and Boy Scout Leaders so that we can plan for the Mass. If you’re a Scout Leader and would like your troop to participate, please let us know by calling Anne at (631) 669-0068 x105 and leave your number of people attending & contact information.
Cemetery News...

The Christmas flowers, trees, sprays, wreaths, blankets, etc. will be removed from the graves starting the week of February 8, 2015.

If there is something that you would like to personally remove and keep, please remove said item before the week of February 8th.

If you have any questions regarding the Cemetery, please call: 631-669-0068 ext. 107 and I will be happy to assist you.

Thank you,
Theresa O’Donovan

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.
Next week at Masses, Fr. Chris will offer a presentation on practicing the Works of Mercy by supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal. You may even recognize some of the people in the video that will be shown.

Bible Study

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.

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

Brought to you by the Adult Enrichment Ministry

The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph Sociable Single Seniors

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17th, 2016 at 7pm in the O’Connell Room.
Stay tuned for more information.
Next Eucharistic Ministers Meeting is Saturday, February 6th in room 256 after the 9am Mass. There will be sign ups for Ash Wednesday and The Instructional Mass set for Monday, February 29, 2016. Please attend EM Meeting. Thank You!

Our student parishioners have earned Honor Roll status during the first trimester of the 2015-2016 school year at Kellenberg Memorial High School. Congratulations, we are very proud of these students.

Father Chris

Brooke Baldassare
Zachary Baldassare
Anthony Barbara
Alec Gang

Hollis Hansen
Kali Maroney
Joseph Young

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2015: Loving Others as Christ Would

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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**Membership Organizations**

**Knights of Columbus**

*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”

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**Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

We invite teen girls to join in the fun at our meeting Tuesday, February 2nd 7:30pm in the O'Connell Room as we plan the baking of treats for Super Bowl Sunday.

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**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
If you’ve been coming to the new Mass experience at the 11:45am Mass on Sundays, then this message is for you!

Do you enjoy attending this Mass? Do you find the atmosphere positive and uplifting? Do you want to be part of that experience?

If so, then we invite you to become a greeter! It’s easy!

Here’s what a greeter does:

- Arrives 10 minutes early to Mass
- Greets guests with a welcoming hello and a friendly smile
- Hands out songbooks
- Collects the songbooks after Mass
- Did we mention a welcoming hello and a friendly smile?

Call or email Laraine now if you’re interested or if you want more information:
(631) 587-8477
Email: viswamp26@aol.com

“Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.” Romans 15:7
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 happy to report the donation of 3 FREEZERS from the Mercy Inn to Outreach! These will allow us to receive freezable donations, as well as to offer our clients frozen food items in addition to non-perishable food.

Many thanks to the Mercy Inn and to the volunteers who transported these freezers to our location.

The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, January 25, 2016 at 9:35am in room 256 of the parish center. All are invited to attend.

Outreach

Whenever the temperature drops, the volunteers here at Outreach can’t help but wonder and worry about our homeless population. We continue to offer support through referrals for services, advocacy, listening and offering direct help. Along with socks, hats, and local vouchers, we supply “emergency food bags” containing food that can be consumed without the benefit of heating or refrigeration. Please help us by donating the following items:

Individual cans or pouches of tuna or chicken
Granola or cereal bars
Liquid instant breakfast
Water bottles
Snack size fruit, pudding, and jello
Small size snacks – chips, pretzels, cheese and crackers, cookies
Individual canned soda or juice.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Social Ministries

St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:
Rice, Coffee, Apple Juice, Mayonnaise, Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Ketchup, Mustard, Pasta Sauce, 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

Bag Sale $4.00
Includes Clothes, Shoes, Handbags Only
We are in need of Jewelry Please!

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Please DO NOT leave any donations on the outside steps when the Thrift Shop is closed.
Level 7 Confirmation essays “Why Someone My Age Would Want to Follow Jesus” are due at any Mass this weekend.

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.

Level 2 – please come to any Mass the weekend of January 30-31 and bring donations of paper goods for our Outreach Office (paper towels, toilet tissue, paper plates, napkins…). Please remember to bring your Mass Attendance Envelopes.

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.

Level 1 children are required to attend the 9:30am Mass on Sunday, February 7th. Children will receive a prayer book. Please remember to place your Mass attendance envelopes in the collection basket.

Level 4 Parent & child meeting – Thursday, February 11th @ either 4pm or 7pm in Nolan Hall. We will be doing a review of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and talking about what to expect for Operation Rice Bowl.

Are you talented with technology? The Faith Formation Office is looking for a volunteer to help improve our technology use in the program. If you are interested in sharing your time and talents in this area, please contact Claire Moule @ 587-4717, ext. 113.

My good deed for the week was: My Good Deed for the week was: Aiden woke up happy to go to school, Justin, Madison, Allie, Ryan, Elizabeth & Sophia cleaned their rooms, Sean helped cook dinner, Joseph snuggled with him mom, Alyssa let her brother play in her room, Madelyn, Summer, Nicholas, Ryan & Meghan helped their friends, Bailey & Jeremy were kind, Brianna & Mark cleaned off the table, Domenick & Caitlin helped their parents, Dianna took care of the cats at Petco, Dylan, Flynn, Natalie & Kiera helped their brothers, Matthew, Connor & Kevin helped their moms, Andrew made his bed, Ryan & Giovanni took out the garbage. Dulce put away her clothes, Johnny listened to his mom, Mikaila shared her dolls with her cousins, Noah & Nate unpacked the car from vacation, Isabella & Bianca helped put away Christmas decorations, John & Isabella helped with the new puppy, John donated gifts for the giving tree, Lucy donated money to No Kid Hungry, Alexa fed the fish, Finn & Jack helped their sister, Logan, Keegan & Kyle donated food, Joe did community service, Julian & Fiona helped with the groceries, Natalia helped her cousin, Virgilio emptied the dishwasher and Frankie helped the elderly.

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.
Faith Formation

Youth Ministry

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

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

Saturday, January 30th  ADULT PAINT NIGHT FUNDRAISER!
Did you get your ticket yet?
Last day to get your ticket is this Tuesday!

Wednesday—February 3rd
PANERA BREAD FUNDRAISER ! ! ! !
We had such wonderful support last year that we are bringing us together again
Please stop by Panera between 4 – 8, present our flyer
   You can print the flyer or show it from the website using your smart phone!
   Help Youth Group raise funds for upcoming retreats.

High School group meets every Monday 7pm in the Madonna Room.
   Please join us 1/26, 2/1, 2/8. Newcomers welcome !!  No Meeting 2/15.
Our HS Teens will be working at the Soup Kitchen on February 20th—to join us please email:
youth@stjosephsbabylon.org  Thank you.

Next PBJ Gang: Thursday 2/18—yes it is during School Winter Recess.

SAVE THE DATE:

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

HELP WANTED:  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.
Monday Evening Help Needed 6 Dön 7pm. Give me a call if you are interested: 631-669-0068 ext 108

Barbara McNulty
Church Bulletin & Sign Bloopers

Just for Laughs!
Here are some Church Bulletin and Church Sign Bloopers

The Senior Choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.

03:07

BULLETIN BLOOPERS
Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 to 8:30 p.m.
Please use the back door.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

Read more:
http://www.ncregister.com/blog/matthew-archbold/hilarious-church-bulletin-bloopers#ixzz2p1KNpqFl

Signs Says:
St. Francis Pet Blessing
10am Worship
Pets/People Invited
892-9131
Kids Corner

Find your way around the maze.

Connect The Dots

Hidden Picture Puzzles
by Liz

How many hidden items can you find?

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

Practice your Prayers...

www.ActivityVillage.co.uk • Stepping Stones Store

www.hiddenpicturepuzzles.com
Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

One of the most important concepts I’ve studied is the teaching presented by the late Jesuit theologian, Cardinal Avery Dulles. Cardinal Dulles’ book, The Models of the Church, presents five primary models of church: (1) Institution, (2) Mystical Communion, (3) Sacrament, (4) Herald, and (5) Servant. The Cardinal showcases the strengths and weaknesses of each and concludes by integrating their contributions. What is Cardinal Dulles telling us about church and how can it help us with our worship and that of our sisters and brothers?

Part of the beauty of our world is that we are all different: we look differently, act differently, think differently, etc. Imagine how boring things would be if everyone looked the same, acted the same way, thought the same way, etc.? And yet more than a few of us feel threatened by some degree to those who are different, who have a different viewpoint than ours; those who seek change and growth. There are those in our Church, those in the clergy as well as those in the pews who seem to say they’d like everyone to believe exactly the same way and worship the same way. BORING! And, I believe it’s not keeping with the Spirit! A dear friend often quotes a biblical verse to me: “The Spirit blows where it will” (John 3:8). Our loving God has created each of us to be unique and to utilize our gifts, strengths and talents.

Please don’t misunderstand me: I’m not advocating we walk off into error. If I begin to say something like there is no God, or Jesus was a man and not divine, etc. I’m not being unique, but rather walking off into error. However, I can embrace the truths of our faith and do so utilizing the gifts God has given me. Let’s look at one example: the 11:45 am Mass we began to present to our parish this past October.

It seems many people are thoroughly enjoying this worship experience. Overwhelmingly those people who responded to the survey we distributed (we had about 200 responses) said they love this Mass: they enjoy the music, the homilies, and the entire format. Yet, this worship experience is not for everyone. There are those who prefer a more traditional experience. WONDERFUL! This is what makes our world go round; what Cardinal Dulles would call Church.

Friends, it may be human nature that most of us are not comfortable with change, that we may feel threatened by things that appear to be different from what we perceive to be the norm. Perhaps some of us would like to go back to the old ways, believing they were better. Yet Scripture cautions us on this type of reminiscing: “Do not say: How is it that former times were better than these? For it is not out of wisdom that you ask about this” (Eccl. 7:10). This past week Pope Francis admonished those who refuse new growth: “It is the sin of so many Christians who cling to what has always been done and who do not allow others to change. And they end up with half a life, [a life that is] patched, mended, meaningless.”

There is a God who is bigger than any of us, than ALL of us. One person may feel drawn toward a more progressive model of Church; another toward a more traditional bent. Some enjoy a charismatic type of spirituality, others a more contemplative form of worship. It’s all good so long as we focused on the one true God and His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Remember, when our Lord was asked what was the most important commandment, the most important thing to remember His response was/is to love: “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself” (Luke 10:27). Let’s ask our God for the grace to love God and one another, to keep us from fear and to embrace our gifts, strengths and talents so we may walk boldly as daughters and sons of God, as sisters and brothers of our Lord Jesus Christ.
THE SEARCH CONTINUES...

I think it started in the beginning of December. On my way to Babylon from our West Islip home I noticed two people...one with a camera on a tripod and another holding a camera firmly in his hand...looking through the fence on Montauk Highway that keeps people away from what I later would learn was named Lake Capri (it’s on the north side of road between Hall and Bayberry Streets). I thought little of it until I saw a few more people days later. Too late for fall foliage, I could not figure out what was so important in Lake Capri.

This continued into the New Year, and one day as I was driving by I saw someone with a camera who was apparently walking away from Lake Capri and to her car. I pulled in behind her car and asked what was the attraction that drew so many to Lake Capri. “Well”, she explained, “there was the sighting of Tufted Duck with a red tuft (editor’s note: tuft: a group of feathers that fall behind the duck’s neck). I was here for two hours with no luck. Others said it was seen toward that back of the lake, but, even with my telescopic lens, I could not find it. Neither could anyone that was here today.” “I guess there aren’t too many...what did you say it was...around these parts,” I commented.

“It’s a Tufted Duck. No, they are from Canada and rarely make it down this far.”

“Can I ask where you live?”

“Sure, I live in Queens Village. I saw a notice on a website and decided I would give it a try.”

“Coming back?”

“Of course...I don’t get too many chances to see a Tufted Duck with red feathers.”

As late as MLK Day, photographers were still at Lake Capri.

I wonder if people are as interested in finding God as they are in finding things comparable to a Tufted Duck (with red feathers, of course). Finding God does not require a telescopic lens, a tripod, or a keen eye. Finding God only requires an open heart and an open mind. And He is not limited to a distant part of Lake Capri. God is all around and can easily be found in others. We are made in God’s image and likeness, so we really do not have to look too far to find Him.

PRAYER

Omnipotent Father, we seem to be a people who always search for something. Riches, comfort, another. We also attempt to find cures for medical plights, to understand the workings of the human mind, the means to end violence on every level. While some of our searches are often unattainable, we can find You instantly. Give us the Grace we need to find You in our hearts. If we can do that, all of our other searches have a better chance of realization. With You, our skies will be our limit. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

24 January 2016

Reflections

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who invite a new family in town to supper, actively celebrating a corporal work of mercy as they provide welcome to a stranger.
A very sincere Thank You to all who donated the Memorial Poinsettias that graced our altars during the 2015 Christmas Season!

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ATTENTION RETIRED TEACHERS!

The Opening Word Program, an ESL Program for women sponsored by the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, is looking for experienced volunteer teachers to assist the students one day each week.

Place: Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Parish Wyandanch, New York
Days: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
Time: 9am - 12pm

Please call Sister Judy or Sister Lucille if you are interested.

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

 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.

Care Giver Support Group

First Wednesday of the month
6:30pm - 8:00pm
Our Lady of Consolation
111 Beach Drive
West Islip, New York 11795
Visit alz.org/longisland to learn more about caregiver programs and resources.

Pilgrimage To Ireland
June 21-29th, 2016
Travel with St. Joseph’s College faculty members:
Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ and Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM
For detailed brochure call 631-654-0199 or email - growland@sjcny.edu

The LI Coalition for Life invites you to hear guest speaker Jean Marie Prince at its meeting on January 25th. Ms Prince, abandoned as a 2-day old infant in Korea, is a songwriter and hosts of her TV show "Inspired Blessings." The LICL meeting starts at 7:45PM at St. Regis Council K of C (Rosevale Ave. & Pond Rd., Ronkonkoma). No charge.
Information: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeLI.org.
**Intercesiones por la Vida**

*Por los que viven en las filas de la muerte a lo largo de nuestro país: que a través de nuestras oraciones puedan recibir el don del arrepentimiento, y que todos puedan saber el valor de sus vidas; Oramos al Señor*

**Señor, escucha nuestra oración.**

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**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”

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**CURSO BIBLICO**

**TODOS LOS MARTES DE:**

7:30PM — 9:30PM

**SALON # 256**

Para más información llamar a Antonia (631) 422-5433

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**LAS HORAS DE OFICINA DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO SON:**

**DOMINGOS DESPUÉS DE LA MISA**

**FONO:** (631) 669-0068 Ext. 131

**PADRE JOSEPH AREVALO Ext. 104**

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**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. No en cuaresma.

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS:**


**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.

**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.

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

**COMUNIDAD DE MARIA:** 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.

**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) 681-0005 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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**EXTRA**

**REFLEXION**

*La carta pastoral de los obispos estadounidenses sobre la Administración de los Bienes de Dios respalda la lectura de hoy de la 1a de Corintios: “Puesto que sus miembros individuales constituyen colectivamente el Cuerpo de Cristo, la salud y bienestar de ese cuerpo son la responsabilidad de sus miembros -la responsabilidad personal de cada uno de nosotros. Somos Administradores de los Bienes de la Iglesia.*

Agradecemos esta semana a todos los administradores en nuestra parroquia que invitan a una nueva familia en la ciudad para cenar, celebrar activamente una obra corporal de misericordia ya que brindan la bienvenida a un desconocido.

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**Tercer domingo ordinario - 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. 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
Confirmación de adultos 2016

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 las 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 sucedió y edúcalos 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!