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

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

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

RCIA (RitE of christian initiation of adults)
Anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church should call the Parish Office.

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm in the Church or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

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

Anointing of the sick
Fourth Saturday of the month at the 9:00am Mass or call the Parish Office.
The Sacraments of Life

Newly Baptized
Valentina Sky Barbera, Amelia Emory Cipriano, Siena Marie Greve, Gianna Marie Grillo, Luciano Michael Paul Marsiglia & Logan Joseph

At this Mass, we remember:
Monday, April 11
7:45 Terry Hess
9:00 Santo & Minnie LaValle
Tuesday, April 12
Acts 7:51—8:1a, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab, Jn 6:35–40
7:45 Frank Nicoll
9:00 John McLoughlin
Wednesday, April 13
Acts 8:1b–8, Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a, Jn 6:35
7:45 Ravi Maharaj & Brandon Lochan
9:00 Peter LoCascio
Thursday, April 14
Acts 8:26–40, Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20, Jn 6:44–51
7:45 Yvlise Gilbert
9:00 Paul J. Dean
Friday, April 15
7:45 Ida Catania
9:00 Michael Kelly
Saturday, April 16
Acts 9:31–42, Ps 116:12-17, Jn 6:60–69
9:00 John & Joanne Confalone
Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Chris
5:00 Rosa Carrillo Fr. Francis
Dolores Murphy

Hospitality Sunday
On April 17 is Hospitality Sunday, please join us for Hospitality after the 8:45am Mass through the 11:45am Mass in the Hospitality Center.

Our thanks to the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this month’s Hospitality Sunday

Reflection for Today
In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, “If you love Me, feed my sheep.” He says the same to each of us, “If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters.”
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.

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

Nocturnal Adoration
A Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament is offered on the First Friday of each month, from 9:00pm to 10:00pm in the Church.

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

Prayers for Our Service Men & Women

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

U.S. 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
J.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 Pititto
Lt. Stephen Scuderi
PVT. Mark Osipin
Lt. Joseph A. Vanderveldt, III

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

Sacrificial Giving

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

Month: February 2016

Actual Collection: $93,294
Budgeted Collection: $92,314

God Bless You!

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!
My New Pastoral Assignment

As I mentioned to you at the end of 2015, because I am finishing twelve years with you this June, I will be leaving you for a new pastoral assignment. Bishop William Murphy, our Diocesan Bishop, is assigning me to the Church of St. Louis de Montfort in Sound Beach.

Geographically, Sound Beach is on the north shore, located between the Village of Port Jefferson and Rocky Point. St. Louis de Montfort has fewer parishioners than St. Joseph does, and many fewer buildings: a church building on a hill with meeting rooms and a nursery school and outreach department in the basement, and a rectory/church office at the far end of the property. There is also a shrine area for meditation. I will become only the third pastor, following the current pastor, Father Charles Papa who is retiring, and the founding pastor, Monsignor John McGuire.

Meet Your New Pastor

The new pastor of our beloved St. Joseph Parish will be Father Charles Mangano, who is currently the Pastor of Curé of Ars (St. John Vianney) Parish in Merrick, right along the same Babylon branch train line. Father Charles comes with a wealth of experience, a love for prayer and spiritual growth, and he and his sister Laurie have been to our parish several times in the past to provide evenings of spiritual renewal. You may have also seen them on Telecare, our Diocesan Catholic television. I know you will welcome Father Charles with the same warmth and joy with which you welcomed me nearly twelve years ago.

Love to one and all,

Father Chris
EASTER!

Extraordinary event: A timeless one in time Saving us from darkness Through the Cross’ Power. Eternal life Christ Proclaims: Risen, just as He promised.

Happy Fifty Days of Easter to one and all, and a special Thank you to all who ministered so faithfully and well during Lent and Holy Week and Easter.

Father Chris
STEVEN KAUFMAN

"Let’s talk about Final Expenses”

Join us in the Parish Center for a Free Seminar on Tuesday, April 19th 9:45am - 11am
No registration needed.

Final Expense Options
"Honest answers to one of the toughest questions in Life"

is the most recent installment in our series of complimentary estate and life planning talks Presented by the Romanita Agency

Please Join Us - Attendance is free and there is absolutely no obligation
An Invitation to St. Joseph Parishioners:

Come join us at the 11th Annual St. Joseph Golf Outing, honoring Richard (Dick) Maerki on Monday, May 16th at Southward Ho Country Club in Bay Shore. If you cannot join us for golf, please consider supporting the outing with sponsorship (tee sign) and attending the awards dinner later that evening – this will be one of your last opportunities to dine with Father Chris before he leaves the Parish! All proceeds from the event will benefit the Outreach Ministry. We hope to make this event a great success, but we need your participation. Please contact Laura Spencer Brennan at lbrennan@rlt-law.com for a brochure or call Keith Busch at (516) 523-3566 for more information.
**CDA 70th Annual Communion Breakfast**

**Saturday, May 21, 2016**

9:00 AM Mass at Church of St. Joseph

Breakfast Immediately following in the O’Connell Room

Guest Speaker - Fr. Seth N. Awo Doku

$25.00 per person -
Please make checks payable to **CDA #1403**

Mary Alice Markham
Chairlady

**St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Membership Drive**

**Knights of Columbus**

St. Joseph the Carpenter Council No. 14771

**Membership Drive**

**April 16 & 17**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Membership Drive after all the masses next weekend.

Knights will be available at the back of the Church after each mass to give out information, and answer questions for anyone who is interested in learning more or would like to become a Knight of Columbus here at St. Joseph Parish.

The Knights will be sponsoring Hospitality Sunday that weekend and a table with informational brochures and applications for membership will also be set up in the Hospitality Center. Knights will be available at the table to answer questions and for those that have already made up their mind to become a Knight they can begin their journey to Knighthood by filling out an application that day.

We hope to meet you and have a chance to explain what participation in the Knights of Columbus can mean to you, your family and your parish community.

Thank you.
Thank You

Our 40 Cans for Lent Food Drive has ended and together we collected just over 7,700 pounds of food for the Parish Food Pantry.

We would like to thank the following:

All those who contributed food during the drive.
The Knights of Columbus for organizing the drive and their cash donation.
The Catholic Daughters of America for their assistance with the food drive.
Those that gave cash donations.

Adult Ministry

Join us for a Pilgrimage to

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2016
Arrival time at Shrine is 10am Closing is 4pm
No bus service available - there is ample parking at the Shrine.
Carpooling will be arranged upon request
Cost: $10/person donation to Shrine
Day of Prayer includes: Rosary walk, Mass which includes passing through the Holy Door, Stations of The Cross, Adoration, Confession

Picnic lunch as a group (bring your own) (cafeteria on premises)
Contact: Joan Graham, 516 526-6132 or Email - babylonjj@aol.com
Brought to you by: St. Joseph's Adult Enrichment Ministry
Parking on Grove Place for Weekend Masses

You may have noticed the No Stopping sign on the south side of Grove Place. In addition to no stopping, that also means no parking. **We respectfully ask you to please not park on the south side of the street where the Church and rectory are located.** We want to keep the traffic moving, as well as preserve the safety of all pedestrians. In addition, parking on both sides of the street makes it impossible for any emergency vehicles to pass through should an emergency arise.

Also, please note that there is a sign at one end of Grove Place noting that, on Sundays traffic is one way (east to west) from 9am to 1pm.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep everyone safe and in following the signage posted by the Village as we come to worship at St. Joseph Parish!

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CDA Caribbean Night

**A NIGHT IN THE CARIBBEAN**

**LIVE MUSIC PERFORMED BY**

“NEXT LEVEL”

DINNER BUFFET, BEER, WINE, SODA, COFFEE & DESSERT WILL BE SERVED
RAFFLES AND 50/50

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16th, 2016**

7PM – 11PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH ~ MSGR. NOLAN HALL

39 NORTH CARLL AVE., BABYLON, NY

$35.00 PER PERSON/ ADULTS ONLY
(21 AND OVER)

CONTACT: MARY ANN AT 631-587-1243

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
COURT BISHOP MCDONNELL
#1403

HELP US TO
SUPPORT OUR
PARISH AND
LOCAL CHARITIES.
THANK YOU!

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CDA #1403
We welcome all our Catholic sisters to add their names to the roster of the largest Catholic women’s organization in the world through Court Bishop McDonnell #1403.

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

“Knights of Columbus St. Josephs”

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

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“Knights of Columbus St. Josephs”

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.

“Pillowcase dresses” will be on display at the MOTHER DAUGHTER BREAKFAST Saturday, May 7th ~ 8am in the O’Connell Room.
All girls are welcome to treat their moms - Please make reservations now by calling 631-279-0614.
Thank you!

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

The GOLDEN AGE club meets every Wednesday 12:30PM - 2PM in the O’Connell Room, St. Joseph’s Babylon.
Seniors are invited to play cards or bingo and enjoy desserts and friendship with us.
NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED! 😊

Sponsored by the CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAS Court Bishop Mc Donnell # 1403
New Mass Experience

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

Register With Our Parish!

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
With sincere appreciation, the Parish Outreach would like to acknowledge the following donations that were made by the following people in loving memory of Dolores Browne:

- Catholic Daughters #1402
- Ministry of Consolation
- Vito & Pat Colletti
- Mary Alice Markham
- Rachel & Edward Taylor
- Bill & Linda Burke

These gifts are truly appreciated and will be used to assist families in our parish who are struggling. Thank you!

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!
Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:
Coffee, Apple Juice, Mayonnaise, Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Ketchup, Mustard, Pasta Sauce, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper & Rice. Gift Cards from supermarkets are in demand and would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your past and future donations.

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

A Special Thank You
The work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is only possible thanks to the generous donations we receive from you. While we regularly send out “Thank You” letters to our donors, we have no way of identifying roughly half of our benefactors since the donations are received in the form of cash. Please consider this a Very Special Thank You to all the anonymous “angels” that help to relieve the suffering of our neighbors in need through your donations.

We are grateful for your demonstration of awareness of the personal difficulties that can befall anyone at any time and your compassion to help. Your gifts assist us in supporting our many program efforts such as providing necessary past due bill payments, furniture, food, auto repairs and more.

Please know that you are remembered in our prayers.

The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 9:35 am in room 256 of the parish center. All are invited to attend.

Thrift Shop News
Jewelry ~ 1/2 Price
Vases ~ 1/2 Price
Frames ~ 1/2 Price

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

Like us on Facebook, We have a page!
Re-Registration forms have been mailed out. Please return your completed forms to the Faith Formation Office before May 2nd to enter into a drawing for a free registration. Please register early and reserve your class day and time. We cannot guarantee you will get your first choice if you wait too long to register.

Catechist Evaluation Meeting & Ice Cream Social – Tuesday, April 12th from 7-9pm in the O’Connell Room. I would like to thank all of our catechists for sharing their faith with the children of the parish this year. The Faith Formation Program depends on volunteers to make this program a success. Please come to the evaluation meeting to enjoy some prayer, social interaction with other catechists and to evaluate the program so that we can make it even better next year. Your opinion matters and we use the feedback from this meeting in planning for next year.

First Holy Communion Masses & Rehearsals – the Masses will take place on April 9, 16 & 23 and the rehearsals will take place on the Wednesday prior to the weekend. If your child is at the 11:30am Mass, the rehearsal will be at 4pm and if your child is at the 1:30pm Mass, the rehearsal will be at 5pm. Please remember to bring your child’s banner to the rehearsal and your donation envelope if you are able to make a donation.

Thanks so much to all those who contributed to the Operation Rice Bowl project during Lent. We collected over $900 for Catholic Relief Services. Your generosity touches the heart.

My good deed for the week was: Jake helped a teammate with soccer, Alexandra helped her sister with homework, Claire did the dishes, Vincent helped clean the house, Anthony, Christina & Emily helped, Isabella, Carey, Jake, Dean, Chloe, Joseph, Cole & Camryn cleaned their rooms, Cole helped with the puppy, Evan & Nickole donated clothes, Rebecca & Jenna helped their parents, Tobin, Kayla, Andrew, Cassidy, Stephen, Jack, Shae & Caedon helped their moms, Kylie helped at practice, Alexa helped the poor, RJ shared pizza with the Youth Group, Connor babysat, Kathryn won a toy for her sister, Matthew played with his baby sister, Carly prayed for the sick and those in need, Steven, David & Matthew donated food, Finn & Jack cooperated with their mom and helped take care of their sick sister, Nicholas helped a friend study, Grace raised money for pennies for patients, Ben helped others, Ryan donated toys, Riley helped his dad, Gianni helped her aunts, Sofia cleaned the bathroom, Mia, Briana, Brianne, Kenny, Kristi, Dean, Mark, & Sara listened to their parents, Cameron helped with the groceries, Jack, Jason & Alexa helped a friend, Lisa celebrated Palm Sunday, Domenick helped clean the yard, Mia helped her brother that was sick, Julia & Brendan were kind, Robert was nice, Hazel listened, Virgilio gave up sweets, Ricardo & Giovanni shared, Gianna read a book to a girl in kindergarten, Paige helped her grandma, Elizabeth babysat her cousin & baby sister, Brooke & Brennan helped cook & Ryan cleaned up garbage in the town.
Youth Group is open to all in grades 6 – 12. Some activities are grade specific. Most are open to all. Check the website for more details www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Our High School Group meets most Mondays at 7pm in the Madonna Room. Newcomers always welcome! We are reading “Re-discover Jesus” If you need a copy, let me know.

PBJ GANG— New Date: This THURSDAY, April 14th.
7pm in the Madonna Room
Each person please bring at least one loaf of bread.
We are also in need of plastic Rectangular Table Cloths

EVENING OF PRAYER FOR PEACE & JUSTICE
Monday, 4/18 in the Church at 7:15pm.
Everyone is welcome.
Join our HS Teens as we pray for our Nation and for each other.

SERVICE TEAM: Check website for details. MUST BE SIGNED UP IN ADVANCE.
Help needed 4/16 at “A Night in the Caribbean”
and on May 21st at Arthritis Walk in Belmont Park.

TEEN WEEKEND
This year again we have Teens attending the Steubenville NYC Conference at St John’s University.
It will take place Friday, June 24th—Sunday, June 26th.
If you are in 8th grade—12th grade and want to join us this year, please let me know.
Our final registrations are due this week.
Cost for the weekend is approximately $300 per person.
All donations gratefully accepted — if you would like to sponsor a Teen or provide partial scholarship, please
Call Barbara McNulty at 631-669-0068 ext 108 or email youth@stjosephsbabylon.org
Holy Week

HOLY WEEK FAMILY SERVICES

Many thanks to all who participated in the Holy Week Family Services. The Church was packed each day, with almost 100 people joining us on Good Friday.

Thank you to our Catechists: Gina Horowitz, Sarah Gillen, Patti Seegers

And our Musicians: Alicia Hunt and MaryAnn Burrows

THANK YOU to our Teens who helped lead the Services, and most of all THANK YOU to the Parents who took time off from work to teach their children. Also thanks to the Grandparents who brought their grandchildren and to everyone who joined us—giving a great example of the importance of Faith in our lives.

HOLY THURSDAY—

We washed one another’s feet, just as Jesus did.

GOOD FRIDAY—

We walked through the Church in prayer at each Station.

We venerated the Cross, and left the

GOOD SATURDAY—

We decorated the Altar, learned about those entering the Faith, and prayed for one another.

More pictures on the website at: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven...whoever receives such child in my name receives me..... MATTHEW 18: 2-5

Important Notice

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People of the Diocese of Rockville Centre is committed to assist those who have been victims of abuse by Clergy, Religious, Lay Employees and Volunteers. To report an incident of abuse, regardless of when it occurred, please call the Hotline Number: 516-594-9063. Your call will be returned by licensed mental health counselor. If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911.

All calls remain confidential.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Every day throughout our Diocese I see the many ways that we are working together to show mercy in this extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. Through your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal we continue, as one faith, family and community, to serve thousands of people on Long Island with compassion, generosity and God’s love.

We can bring comfort and care to the needy in our community through programs that feed the hunger, minister to the incarcerated, shelter the disadvantaged and protect the lives of the unborn. The Appeal also supports our seminarians’ education and faith formation opportunities, along with resources to children and adults, as we help to promote strong faith-filled families. We continue to be leaders in Faith Formation and Respect Life initiatives.

Please join with me to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal which gives each of us a remarkable opportunity to show mercy to others and touch the lives of so many of our neighbors. As always, 100% of your gift will be used to sustain more than 60 essential programs and ministries.

Thank you again for all that you do. I am very grateful for your continued generosity and support of your Parish and of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please know that I keep you and your family in my prayers and thoughts.

With my gratitude and prayers, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre

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

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This is Our Parish

It is composed of people like you and me. We make it what it is. It will be friendly if we are, especially with strangers. Its seating in church will be filled, if we invite people to join us. It will be a welcoming community, if we look joyful and kind. It will look clean and orderly, if we leave the pews tidy and clean. It will be able to reach out to the young and unchurched, if we contribute to its ministry with our time, talents and treasure. It will have success, if we don’t expect the priests to do everything. It will have a future, if we help with the children and the young. It will be a true “home”, if we choose to “belong” by registering and contributing regularly to its necessities. Nobody else can do what we are doing...because... it is Our Parish!

From:
Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Bulletin

Deacon John
SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER…

For many high school seniors, this is a rather chaotic, frustrating, stressful, and/or challenging time of the year. College acceptances, deferrals, and rejections have found their ways into either the conventional or electronic mailboxes of these students, and they are now pondering where the best place to spend their next four years (hopefully it will only be four years…especially with the cost of college tuitions) will be.

The entire college admissions process has become quite involved. I often thought that good to better students applied to far too many schools, got accepted to most, and then went through the gut-wrenching rigors of selecting the right school. Now I believe another factor has entered the equation: financial aid. Heather might be accepted to My Third Fave College and get $25,000 in scholarships, but she really wants to go to My First Fave College where she gets only $10,000. Things to now consider: What can her parents afford? How much debt will she have upon graduation? Is First Fave College that much better that Third Fave College? What should Heather do?

Another wrinkle can occur. John really wants to attend Harvard, but gets deferred. May comes along so he accepts his second choice, Georgetown. Paul wants to go to Georgetown, gets deferred, so he accepts Boston College. George wants to go to Boston College, gets deferred and accepts Fairfield. The summer rolls along, it is now August, and Ringo tells Harvard that he changed his mind…he’s out…wants to play in a band. Harvard calls John…he’s in. The dominos continue and by the first day of classes, Paul is in Georgetown, George is at BC, and someone new is at Fairfield.

We are often faced with conflicting choices as well, and we find ourselves fretting over making the “perfect” choice. We also think that we have to do it on our own; after all, it is MY life. This is the perfect time that we should hand things over to God. He has invited us to His loving care…”Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

One thing I try to remember: God puts us where we are supposed to be. Might that work for you?

PRAYER

Generous and Loving Father, our journey through this wonderful life is always filled with twists and turns in the road. Let us understand that each is a Grace-filled moment for us to grow in our love for You and to better understand that You both love us and are with us in all that we do. For that and for so much more, we thank You, Bountiful Father. Continue to bless us, especially all those seniors who are not sure what should choice they should make. Help them make a peace-filled decision. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Reflections

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who, out of love for Jesus, share their gifts of time, talent and resources to help one another, both within our parish as well as the wider community.
The April meeting will be held on April 27th @7:00 PM in the O’Connell Room. NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE: THIS WILL BE THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY IN APRIL. We will be serving Chicken Cutlet Hero w/Mozzarella and Roasted Red Peppers. The cost is $12.00/person and of course, will be served with salads and dessert.

A CHANGE IN OUR MAY DATE DUE TO ROOM AVAILABILITY. THE MAY MEETING DATE IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH at 7:00 PM. We will be serving Pizza and Salad and for this meeting only, we will collect at the door, but you must let us know in advance (at the 4/27 meeting) if you are attending. Cost will be $10.00. PLEASE CALL LORRAINE AT 631-553-0160 FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

St. Joseph’s Sociable Single Seniors Invites all parishioners that are interested to join us on the following two trips:

Ocean City, MD
Ocean City stretches along 10 miles of beautiful beach from the inlet to the Delaware state line. The 3 mile wooden boardwalk offers nearly 3 miles of food, games & shopping.

Ocean City is a popular tourist destination for families, groups & everyone looking to relax, enjoy the coastline and visit the local area!

Monday - Thursday ♦ October 3 – 6, 2016
$469 Per Person Twin / $539 Per Person Single

Travel Insurance is Available at $34 Per Person If purchased at time of deposit pre existing condition is waived.

Call Lorraine DeCanditis at 631-553-0160 for further information and details.

Ellis Island
With Lunch in Chinatown
Wednesday ♦ September 14, 2016
$105 Per Person for 40 or More Passengers

More Passengers Trip Includes:
♦ Ellis Island Immigration Museum
♦ Universal Audio Tour of Ellis Island
♦ Lunch In Chinatown
♦ Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation
♦ All Tips & Taxes (Except Bus Driver & Tour Manager)

Call Lorraine DeCanditis at 631-553-0160 for further information and details.

Walk The Path of Literacy
A walkathon to benefit the Opening Word Program sponsored by The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville
Saturday, April 23, 2016 ~ 1pm - 3pm
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PRE-CANA:
Proximo curso: 7 de mayo a las 8:00am - 4:00pm en el salón 256. Llene a Ruth y Salomón Aguil @ 631-592-9474.

RECONCILIACIÓN:
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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.

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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.

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