pastoral team
Rev. Charles N. Mangano, 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
Deacon Julio Murillo
Dr. Marie Drohan, Music Director
Rev. Charles N. Mangano, Pastor
Mrs. Barbara McNulty, Youth Ministry Director
Mrs. Patricia Taggart, Nursery School Director
Mrs. Sigrid Villalobos A., Parish Outreach Director
Mrs. Jane Zollo, Parish Operations Manager/
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Mrs. Claire Moulé, Faith Formation Director
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Office - (631) 669-0068
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office hours
Monday to Thursday 9:30am to 9:00pm
Fridays 9:30am to 7:30pm
Saturdays 9:30am to 6:30pm
Sundays 9:30am to 1:30pm

cemetery office
(631) 669-0068 Ext. 107
Monday to Thursday 9:30am to 12:30pm
Please call in advance to make an appointment during these hours.

faith formation office
(631) 587-4717
Monday to Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm

hispanic office
(631) 669-0068 Ext. 131
Friday 7:00 to 9:00pm

outreach office
(631) 669-4544
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30am to 1:30pm
Other times by appointment (631-669-4544)

food pantry
Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30am to 1:30pm
Other times by appointment (631-669-0068 Ext. 128)

thrift shop
(631) 669-5574
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00am to 3:00pm

nursery school
(631) 661-4559

youth ministry
(631) 669-0068 Ext. 108

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time + October 23, 2016
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Please mark your calendar: On Sunday, November 20th at 7pm we will have our Interfaith Prayer Service here at St. Josephs. This has been a beautiful tradition for over 20 years. Rabbis and Pastors of the local area along with their congregations join St. Josephs in prayer. It is my joy and honor to have been asked to preach this year. Several of the church choirs will also be singing. Jesus prayed that we would all be one. Join me in this event celebrating our unity as God’s people. What a great time of year to gather together as we celebrate Thanksgiving.

Voting: As you know, we have election day coming up on Tuesday, November 8th. Please join me as we gather in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from 3pm to 4pm in the Church. I will be leading us in a Holy Hour, asking God’s blessings upon our election. We have the precious right to vote, the power to change direction is in our hands!!! Here is what Pope Francis has to say about politics and voting: “None of us can say, “I have nothing to do with this, they govern. No, no, I am responsible for their governance, and I have to do the best so that they govern well, and I have to do my best by participating in politics according to my ability. Politics, according to Social Doctrine of the Church, is one of the highest forms of charity, because it serves the common good. I cannot wash my hands. We all have to give something!” A good Catholic meddles in politics, offering the best of himself so that those who govern can govern.” Edmund Burke said, “The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing.”

Therefore, I am urging all of you to exercise your civil, moral and spiritual responsibility by voting on Tuesday, November 8th. Please cast your vote by the issues, by the common good of all and not by personalities or partisan politics. Some people vote by rote for a party or candidate, but please examine the candidates carefully on the basis of the universal principles that we firmly believe lead to the common good. These elections are extremely important for our Catholic Church’s ability to continue to profess our faith freely in a secular society, and our capacity to continue to fulfill our apostolic mission, especially in the areas of protecting life at all its stages, health care, education and ministry to the poor and immigrants.

Blessing of Food: At the 10am Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, you will have the opportunity to have some of your own dinner food blessed. How? Feel free to bring some of your food in a bag and place it in front of the altar when you arrive to the church. During the Mass your food will be blessed. After the Mass you can pick up your bag as you exit the church. The English Mass will be in the Church and the Spanish Mass will be in Msgr. Nolan Hall at 10am as well. As this was the decision of the pastoral team, further dialogue will be taking place to discuss other events that will be bilingual.

Tabernacle: As you look at the tabernacle you can see a candelabrum on either side of it. We found them tucked in the back of a closet in the work sacristy, and because they were discolored we had them refinished. I was so happy we found them because from old photographs of the church they used to be next to the tabernacle.

Within the next few weeks the company who moved the tabernacle to the center of our sanctuary is also going to install a shelf in front of the tabernacle for convenience purposes. The marble column that the tabernacle used to sit on has been brought over to Msgr. Nolan Hall. A tabernacle has been placed on top of it and placed in the center of the sanctuary. At the end of the 9:30 and 11:30am Masses any left over Eucharist is now placed into the tabernacle and brought over to the church after the 11:30am Mass. The mosaic that was behind the tabernacle in the church will also be brought over to the Hall so we can keep all the pieces together. It will be placed in the center of that sanctuary. In the Hall we not only have weekend Masses, but very important liturgies like Confirmation, Christmas and Easter. Parishioners have shared with me that the tabernacle and mosaic in the Hall will help to emphasize that it is a real worship space. The presider’s chair has been moved to the side so we were able to center the tabernacle. The tabernacle in the middle of the sanctuary reminds us that Jesus is to be the center of all our lives and that the Eucharist is the summit and source of the Christian life. The Eucharist is truly God’s mercy among us.
Open parish meetings: at one of the meetings it was suggested that:

1. We need more handicap parking spots by the church. Therefore, we are adding four more handicap parking spots next to the church.

2. It was suggested that I consider giving all of our Catechists a 20% reduction for their children in our program. After discussion with Claire, our Director of Faith Formation and her staff, I would like to share that we were in total agreement to offer this to all of our catechists starting September 2017. Thank you to all our Catechists in sharing your faith and helping our children come to know Jesus Christ.

When I took Living Your Strengths, I discovered that God has given me the gift of Restorative one of my top 5 strengths. Through reading, prayer and reflection, I have come to understand what it means in my life. I have a passion for restoring people and things to their original purpose and beauty and so give glory to God. My passion is bringing people to Christ, helping them to enter more deeply into Christ’s love for them, helping people see themselves as God sees them, made in His image and likeness.

In addition to restoring people’s identity in Christ, I also have a passion for restoring God’s house where it needs to be restored. We must give God our best on every level and His house, Church and property should be maintained to the best of our ability. May the beauty and cleanliness of our buildings give God the glory today and forever.

As many of you know, we have many buildings on the property and our maintenance staff can only do so much, so we have needed help from the outside to assist them in the repairing, upgrading, cleaning and maintaining of our facility. Thank God, due to a parishioner giving the parish some money years ago, we are able to do these repairs and upgrades. Here are a few things that will happening over the next few weeks:

1. In the south entrance of the church we have real votive candles. If you look at the vestibule you can see the build up of soot on the brick walls, wooden and glass doors and ceiling. It is extremely hot in the vestibule and as a result you can see the cracks that have formed in the wooden beams on the ceiling. Also the sacristy door is being so dried out from the extreme heat that it is shrinking the wood and you can see a space between the slots on the door panel therefore being able to see into the sacristy even with the door closed. It’s not a good situation. After presenting this to our Pastoral Team we all felt that something needs to be done. Yet, we love the real candles. The good news is that there is a way to keep real candles and do away with the smoke, heat and soot. Therefore, we have ordered smokeless candles. They are the same candles that St. Patrick’s Cathedral installed since their new renovation. These candles are the typical votive candles that will burn for several hours and not three days like the present candles. They won’t generate the same amount of heat either because burning time is less. It’s a great solution to the problems we are facing with the present candles. Once the new candles arrive we will remove the old candles after they have finished burning. We will power wash all the brick and get the vestibule ready for the new candles. We will keep you posted as to the timing of all of this.

2. Presently we have 2 large candle sticks next to the altar and 2 candlesticks next to the ambo (where the Word of God is proclaimed). Neither of these candle sticks can be used as processional candles. Usually the tops of altar candles can be removed and also used as processional candles. They are usually carried by the altar servers in the entrance procession of the Mass. After the procession, the altar servers would then place the candles in the holder on either side of the altar. Then at the Alleluia the altar servers would go to the sides of the altar and slide the candles out of the holder and process with the presider or Deacon to the ambo, standing on either side of the ambo, during the proclamation of the gospel. This shows the sacredness of the Gospel reading along with everyone in the congregation standing during its reading. Why? Because it is the Words of Jesus proclaimed. After the Gospel is read, the altar servers would return the candles to the altar. Because our present altar and ambo candles are not processional candles, we have ordered ones that are. Our present altar and ambo candles, which are so beautiful, will be refinished and still used in the sanctuary area.

Have a great week walking with God. Remember, with God in you, you can do the unthinkable, unimaginable and even forgive what you think is unforgivable.

Peace and blessings, Fr. Charles, Pastor
At this Mass, we remember:

**Monday, October 24**
Eph 4:32—5:8, Ps 1:1-4, 6, Lk 13:10–17
7:45 Gerald & Michael Scudlo
9:00 Maria Lott

**Tuesday, October 25**
Eph 5:21–33 or 5:2a, 25–32, Ps 128:1–5, Lk 13:18–21
7:45 Felin Maya
9:00 Carmine Guarneri

**Wednesday, October 26**
Eph 6:1–9, Ps 145:10–14, Lk 13:22–30
7:45 Al & June Zalud
9:00 Mary & George Stone

**Thursday, October 27**
Eph 6:10–20, Ps 144:1b, 2, 9–10, Lk 13:31–35
7:45 Emily Moyer
9:00 Sam & Agnes Lisy

**Friday, October 28**
Eph 2:19–22, Ps 19:2–5, Lk 6:12–16
7:45 Intentions of Carol & Henry Jacobi
9:00 Gaspare Mannina

**Saturday, October 29**
Phil 1:18b–26, Ps 42:2–3, 5edef, Lk 14:1, 7–11
9:00 Samuel Lynch

**Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)**
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Francis
5:00 Arthur Botte Fr. Ethel
  Lorraine Botte
  Arlene Valenti

**Sunday, October 30 ~ Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Wis 11:22—12:2, Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14, 2 Thes 1:11—2, 2, Lk 19:1–10
7:00 Harold & Noreen Hager Fr. Francis
8:45 Sonya & Fred Wilson Fr. Joe
9:30 Shannon Saturno Fr. Francis
10:15 James Schellenberg & Alexander Scott Fr. Charles
11:45 Donald Powers Fr. Ethel
5:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Charles

**Mass Time Change**
Starting the first Sunday of Advent, November 27th the 11:45am Mass will become the 12noon Mass giving more time following the 10:15am Mass to set up the sound equipment for the next Mass. Baptisms will start at 1:45pm.
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.

Sacrificial Giving

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

Actual Collection $24,186.00
Budgeted Collection $25,923.00
(-1737.00)

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 Colantropo
Malik Rodriguez
Nelson Sanchez, Jr.
PFC Joshua J. Coughlin

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

U.S. Army:
SPC Elliot Chodkowski
SSG Josuah Insull
LTC John Kallio
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PVT Danny Bornschein
Sgt Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pittito
Lt. Stephen Scuderi
PFC Mark Osipina
Lt. Joseph A. Yanderveldt, III
2LT Anthony C. DiBiasi
PV2 Alexandra Diaz

U.S. A.F.:
Maj. Matthew G. Bland
AB Christopher Signoret
SSGT Brandon Ward
MSGT John Hatzidakis

Parish Center News

2017 MASS INTENTIONS
The 2017 Mass Book will be open for Mass Intentions on Thursday, October 27th at 10am in the O’Connell Room of the Parish Center. Please note that the Mass Book will be open for intentions for January through June 2017 only.

Thanksgiving Liturgies

THANKSGIVING MASS & CELEBRATION

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Thank you to all who contributed to the success of the

56th Chrysanthemum Ball
Welcome to St. Joseph Fr. Charles

Installation of Fr. Charles as Pastor of St. Joseph R. C. Church
Sunday, October 16, 2016
Knights of Columbus Dinner Dance

The Knights of Columbus
St. Joseph the Carpenter Council #14771 Presents Its

DINNER &
DANCE PARTY
All of your Favorite Dance Music
Performed by Sweetwater

Dinner Buffet, Coffee and Dessert
Beer, Wine & Soda
RAFFLES & 50/50

Saturday, November 12, 2016
7:00 PM-11:00PM

St. Joseph’s Church-Msgr. Nolan Hall
39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon

Tickets will be sold after all Masses October 22/23, October 29/30
and November 5/6

Help Us Support Local Charities
$35 Per Person
Adults Only- 21 and over (No Tickets Available At Door)

CONTACT: Dom 631-669-1092, Frank 631-587-6384
or Bill 631-539-8734
Catholic Ministries Appeal

Three weeks ago a parishioner came up to me and asked how much more money we need in order to reach our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal. He said that whatever our parishioners give financially to the appeal from now until December he would match it so we can reach our goal. This parishioner is giving a great gift for the sake of the ministries of the diocese and our own parish since we will then receive a rebate if we reach our goal. Our Appeal goal set by the diocese is $134,300.00. So far parishioners have pledged $112,059.00. We need $22,241.00 more to reach goal. I invite you to please consider making a pledge to the Catholic Ministries Appeal which helps thousands in need here on Long Island. If you send your pledge directly into the diocese, please make sure you attach a note and write in the memo of your check that it is to be applied to St. Josephs Parish in Babylon. Blessings Fr. Charles
**Vocation Events**

**November 11-13:** PRO Young Men’s Retreat at the Seminary in Huntington

**November 18:** Vocations Holy Hour at St. Aidan’s, Williston Park at 7pm

**December 21:** College \\ Young Adult Encounter at the Seminary at Huntington

**January 20:** Vocations Holy Hour at St. Patrick’s, Bay Shore at 7pm

For more details call (516) 678-5800 Ext. 214 or log onto www.longislandpriest.com

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**National Night of Prayer for Life**

On Thursday, December 8th, which is the feast of the Immaculate Conception, join our Pastor, Fr. Charles, as we join parishes throughout the Nation in prayer during our prayer vigil for life. It will take place in the church here at St. Joseph. This National Night of Prayer will begin with the 7:30pm Feast day Mass. The prayer service will continue after Mass from 8:30p.m. to 11:30p.m. The prayer vigil will consist of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the rosary, scripture readings, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a spiritual slide presentation, music, other prayers, Benediction and much more. Please join us as we pray for those whose lives are being mistreated or abused in any way, such as: the elderly, the poor, and especially the unborn. Let us together bow down before the Blessed Sacrament and ask our Lord and Lady's help for these, our brothers and sisters. Let us spend these four hours with our Lord and promote the value of all life by praying for all those in need. If you can NOT join us for all four hours, please join us when you can. All are welcome.

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**New York Botanical Gardens Trip**

**Holiday Train Show Bar Car Night & Arthur Avenue**

seasonal fun including live music, ice sculpting and fire performances.

**Friday □ December 2, 2016 ~ Cost per person - $125**

Make Check Payable to: St. Joseph RC Church

Mail Check to: Lorraine DeCanditis, 132 Foster Blvd, Babylon, NY 11702

Itinerary & Menu Subject to Change. All Trips Are Rain or Shine. Travel Insurance Is Recommended.

Call Lorraine DeCanditis @ 631-553-0160 for more information.
Please: Make a Difference in Someone’s Life by donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal
Parish ____________________________ Pledge: __________________
Name ______________________________ Down payment: $_______
Address ______________________________
City, State, Zip: ______________________
Phone: ________________________________
Signature: __________________________ Date: __________

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**Catholic Ministries Appeal Update**

Sunday, October 23, 2016

**Calling all Boys & Girls Looking to Become an Altar Server**

**Boys and Girls:**

**Is Jesus Calling You To Serve?**

Have you ever thought you might like to serve at Holy Mass by assisting the priest? Have you ever thought you might want to participate in a special way in the Mass? If you are in fourth grade or above and are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Deacon Barry Croce at bcroce@stjosephsbabylon.com

**St. John Berchmans**

Patron of Altar Servers

Feast Day: November 26

TO AN ALTAR SERVER

To assist Christ at the altar,
To serve Him freely there,
Where even the angels fall
Stole low in reverent prayer.
May God bless you forever,
And keep you in His care,
And guard you, that you never
Believe the robes you wear.
Throughout life, then, endeavor
God's graces to employ,
For your most deserving reward
Will be eternal joy.

God Bless You For Your Service

Glasses No. 23

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**Please Help Fill Our Freezers**

Outreach now has freezers. Please consider donating frozen prepackaged meals/foods. Since the items must be frozen, we ask you to please come to the Outreach office, located directly behind the Church, between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm on Mon-Wed-Friday. If you cannot drop off your donations between those hours, then come to the Parish Office when it's open during the day, Mon. through Thurs. 9am to 4pm or Saturdays 9am to 1pm and we'll hold it until Outreach opens.

*We are sorry, but we cannot accept home-cooked foods, we can only accept store bought pre-packaged items.*

- Frozen Pizza Bread
- Hamburgers and hot dogs
- Ground beef, turkey
- Frozen fish Chicken - any kind
- Chicken nuggets, tenders and fries
- Prepared frozen foods like lasagna and chicken & vegetable stir fry
- Pork chops Ham steaks
- Frozen vegetables Frozen mac n cheese
- Frozen waffles Frozen fruit

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**SAVE THE DATE...**

**SUNDAY, 11/20 AT 7:00 PM THANKSGIVING**

**INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE HOSTED BY CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH.**

Clergy, choirs and congregants from fifteen local churches come together yearly to lend their voices to community prayer, song and thanksgiving. Our pastor will be the homilist and a good-will offering is accepted for the Clergy Cluster Food Pantry. After the one-hour service, all are invited for refreshments in the gymnasium.
Please Help the Homeless

Please remember the homeless clients who stop in for help at our Outreach Center. We are happy to provide them with small "emergency kits" of ready-to-eat food, that is, food that doesn’t need to be heated or refrigerated.

**Unfortunately, our stock is running low. Please help us by donating the following items:**

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

Thank you in advance for your ongoing help! Your support is truly appreciated!

With sincere appreciation, Outreach would like to acknowledge the following: Joyce P Markham made a donation to the Outreach in loving memory of Thomas Markham.

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Social Ministries

**Thrift Shop Sale News**

**Toys, Frames & Pictures, Children Books and All Halloween - 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!

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St. Vincent de Paul

Is there a family you know who needs assistance?

Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul 631-669-4544.

A few St. Vincent de Paul members will be participating in **Babylon Ends Hunger** sponsored by the Rotary Club of Babylon. The event takes place on November 5th at the First Presbyterian Church on Main St. The purpose is to package 30,000 meals for distribution to local kitchen and food pantries, as well as those less fortunate in Haiti, through Friar Suppliers. The Rotary hopes to enlist dozens of volunteers, to spend two hours each, packaging nutritious meals. Anyone can volunteer for this great cause. You can register at [www.BabylonRotary.org](http://www.BabylonRotary.org) or contact Megan Noble at 631-661-5300 P.O.Box 788 Babylon, NY 11702.

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Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:

- Personal Hygiene Items, Coffee, Apple Juice, Mayonnaise, Jelly, 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.
The Faith Formation classes have begun. If you still need to purchase textbooks, please come during our office hours: **Monday-Friday 9am-4pm.** If you come between the hours of 9am – 9:30am, you will need to call the office to enter the building: 631-587-4717.

Level 8 Confirmation Candidates – parents and/or sponsors need to hand in their Palanca Letter’s as soon as possible. These letters will be given to the Confirmation Candidates at the retreat on November 8th.

There will be no Faith Formation classes on Monday, October 31st – Happy Halloween!

Catechist Meeting for level 1-6 catechist’s on Thursday, November 3rd - please come to room 257 at either 11am or 7pm. Matt Zinser from Loyola Press will be giving us an overview of the *Finding God* series.

Level 2 children are to attend any Mass the weekend of November 5th & 6th to receive their cross necklace and a special blessing.

Level 8 Confirmation Retreat – Tuesday, November 8th from 10am-2pm in Nolan Hall. Please arrive at least 15minutes prior to allow time to sign in. Lunch will be served.

There will be no Faith Formation classes on Tuesday, November 8th in observance of Election Day.

My Good Deed for the week was (we will print the most unique good deeds): Anthony opened the door for his mom and he donated toys for the poor. Frankie paid for his sisters toy. Holly Anne and Hyacinth went to daily Mass to pray for those in need.

Please consider volunteering! We need Hall Monitors and Catechists. If you are interested in helping to guide our children in the catholic faith, please call the Faith Formation Office. We appreciate our volunteers! Thank you!
Youth Ministry

Activities open to those in Grades 6–12

Service Opportunities:

Saturday 10/15: Help in Church at Reconciliation Service
Adults & 2 Teens 10:30–2pm
Advent Night: Tuesday, 11/22 adult & teen help needed

*** NEW DATE: PBJ Gang Thursday 10/27

Teens, here are some things to put on your calendars:

HIGH SCHOOL MONDAY MEETING 7pm in the Madonna Room.
All in grades 9–12 are welcome to join us! October 17th and October 24th.
Ring bell at Hospitality Center doors and come on up!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MEETING: New Program! Fun Faith Friends
Join us for our 1st night: Wednesday, October 19th at 7:30 in Room 260

Diocesan Youth Kick Off Friday 10/28 at St. Agnes in Rockville Centre.
We get together with about 300 other Teens.
APeX Ministry will be our guest speaker this year; check them out on YOUTUBE!
Tickets are $10. Please sign up now.

Halloween Party... Friday 10/21 in the Madonna Room.
Tickets are $5. Wear a costume, bring a spooky desert, and come have fun!!
Sign up on the Website Youth Ministry Calendar to reserve your spot!

Check out the website at: www.stjosephs Babylon.org
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

“A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history”. Mahatma Gandhi

Come join us. Together, we can make a difference! The Junior Catholic Daughters invite young women between the ages of 10 and 17 to join us for fun, friendship and service to our community. We gather in Nolan Hall every first and third Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Bishop McDonnell #1403

We welcome all our Catholic sisters to add their names to the roster of the largest Catholic women’s organization in the world through Court Bishop McDonnell #1403 here in Babylon.

Ladies, be our guest the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm in the O’Connell Room. Doors open at 7pm. Mingle with our members, and learn how we work in UNITY and CHARITY to help others less fortunate. For more information: Contact: Dorothy Buckley @ 631-539-8522.

Happy Birthday to the Golden Age Group Ladies
FALL FOOD FOR THOUGHT . . . .

JOINING THE MUSIC MINISTRY

We are fortunate to have several music ensembles at our parish that enhance the weekly worship. No matter what your age or ability or instrument, there is a place for you! Director’s phone numbers are below. You may also consult the parish website for more information: stjosephsbabylon.org.

**Adult Folk Group**
- **Mass:** Saturday 5:00 PM in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** 4:15 PM (prior to mass in the church)
- **Director:** Alicia Hunt, 516-729-2380
Singers, guitarists and other instrumentalists are invited to come any Sunday.

**Angels and Saints Children's Choir**
- **Mass:** Sunday 9:30 AM Family Mass in the hall.
- **Rehearsal:** 8:45 AM. (prior to mass in the hall)
- **Director:** Ann Marie Pillsworth, 631-277-0523
Choir resumes in the fall on September 18th. Young people in Grades 2 through 8 and Beyond are welcome to join us singing weekly at the Family Mass. No vocal auditions are necessary. Come also talk to us about your wind and string abilities!

**St. Joseph's Choir (minimum age: 14)**
- **Mass:** Sunday 10:15 AM in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** Thursdays evenings 7 - 9:15 (in room 254 of the Parish Center)
- **Director:** Dr. Marie Drohan, 631-539-0957; musicdirector@stjosephsbabylon.org
Choir resumes in the fall. First rehearsal is September 8th. An Open House is scheduled for Thursday September 22nd in the Parish Center with a short rehearsal, refreshments and camaraderie. Fall rehearsals will include choral music for Sunday liturgies; Confirmations (11/29/16); Mercy INN Soup Kitchen Benefit Concert (12/11/16) performing Pergolesi’s Magnificat and Handel’s Messiah and more; and Christmas Eve mass and prelude program.

**Youth Band**
- **Mass:** Sunday 5:00 PM in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** 3:00 PM (prior to mass in the church-if there is a wedding meet in hospitality center)
- **Director:** Ben Myers, 631-455-0365
We invite any 7th - 12th graders interested in singing or playing an instrument with the SJYB to call Ben about joining! We are also looking for donations of music instruments.

**Contemporary Music Ensemble**
- **Mass:** Sunday 11:45 in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** Wednesdays 7 - 9 (in the church)
- **Directors:** Stephen Yusko/Stephen Martino
We are in need of additional male vocalists and a bass player. If you are interested to audition, contact Stephen Yusko via email: stesoyusko@gmail.com. Our members are committed to meet weekly for practice as we prepare new arrangements and add to our repertoire.
Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

The following article was written by Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M., CAP and it appeared on October 13th on the Archdiocese of Philadelphia website.

Deacon Barry

Back in 2008, in the weeks leading up to the Obama-McCain presidential election, two young men visited me in Denver. They were from Catholics United, a group describing itself as committed to social justice issues. They voiced great concern at the manipulative skill of Catholic agents for the Republican Party. And they hoped my brother bishops and I would resist identifying the Church with single-issue and partisan (read: abortion) politics.

It was an interesting experience. Both men were obvious flacks for the Obama campaign and the Democratic Party—creatures of a political machine, not men of the Church; less concerned with Catholic teaching than with its influence. And presumably (for them) bishops were dumb enough to be used as tools, or at least prevented from helping the other side. Yet these two young men not only equaled but surpassed their Republican cousins in the talents of servile partisan hustling. Thanks to their work, and activists like them, American Catholics helped to elect an administration that has been the most stubbornly unfriendly to religious believers, institutions, concerns and liberty in generations.

I never saw either young man again. The cultural damage done by the current White House has—apparently—made courting America’s bishops unnecessary.

But bad can always get worse. I’m thinking, of course, of the contemptuously anti-Catholic emails exchanged among members of the Clinton Democratic presidential campaign team and released this week by WikiLeaks. A sample: Sandy Newman, president of Voices for Progress, emailed John Podesta, now the head of Hillary Clinton’s campaign, to ask about whether “the bishops opposing contraceptive coverage” could be the tinder for a revolution. “There needs to be a Catholic Spring, in which Catholics themselves demand the end of a middle ages [sic] dictatorship,” Newman writes.

Of course, Newman added, “this idea may just reveal my total lack of understanding of the Catholic church, the economic power it can bring to bear against nuns and priests who count on it for their maintenance.” Still, he wondered, how would one “plant the seeds of a revolution”? John Podesta replied that “We created Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good to organize for a moment like this … likewise Catholics United” (emphasis added).

Another Clinton-related email, from John Halpin of the Center for American Progress, mocks Catholics in the so-called conservative movement, especially converts: “They must be attracted to the systematic thought and severely backwards gender relations and must be totally unaware of Christian democracy.” In a follow-up, he adds “They can throw around ‘Thomistic’ thought and ‘subsidiarity’ and sound sophisticated because no one knows what … they’re talking about.”

On the evening these WikiLeaks emails were released, I received the following angry email myself, this one from a nationally respected (non-Catholic) attorney experienced in Church-state affairs:

I was deeply offended by the [Clinton team] emails, which are some of the worst bigotry by a political machine I have seen. [A] Church has an absolute right to protect itself when under attack as a faith and Church by civil political forces. That certainly applies here ...

Over the last eight years there has been strong evidence that the current administration, with which these people share values, has been very hostile to religious organizations. Now there is clear proof that this approach is deliberate and will accelerate if these actors have any continuing, let alone louder, say in government.

These bigots are actively strategizing how to shape Catholicism not to be Catholic or consistent with Jesus’ teachings, but to be the ‘religion’ they want. They are, at the very core, trying to turn religion to their secular view of right and wrong consistent with their politics. This is fundamentally why the Founders left England and demanded that government not have any voice in religion. Look where we are now. We have political actors trying to orchestrate a coup to destroy Catholic values, and they even analogize their takeover to a coup in the Middle East, which amplifies their bigotry and hatred of the Church. I had hoped I would never see this day—a day like so many dark days in Eastern Europe that led to the death of my [Protestant minister] great grandfather at the hands of communists who also hated and wanted to destroy religion.

Of course it would be wonderful for the Clinton campaign to repudiate the content of these ugly WikiLeaks emails. All of us backward-thinking Catholics who actually believe what Scripture and the Church teach would be so very grateful.

In the meantime, a friend describes the choice facing voters in November this way: A vulgar, boorish lout and disresponder of women, with a serious impulse control problem; or a scheming, robotic liar with a lifelong appetite for power and an entourage riddled with anti-Catholic bigots.

In a nation where “choice” is now the unofficial state religion, the menu for dinner is remarkably small.
THE RICH MAN

You might think that I will write about the rich man described in three of the Gospels who follows all of the commandments and is told by Jesus he must sell all he has and give the proceeds to the poor if he wants to get to Heaven. That parable will wait until another time.

I was thinking instead of the rich man described by Teyve in the classic Broadway play, "Fiddler of the Roof." The leader character has a chat with God, asks to be monetarily endowed, and explains all of the good things that he would do, if I were a wealthy man.

My friend, Jack McKean, was a classically trained singer, a highly decorated member of the NYFD, a somewhat stubborn Irishman, and literally a "Jack" of all trades. I first met him when he directed a play in which my son was the only child in the cast. Though the production was played to a relatively small audience, Jack was nonetheless somewhat demanding of the cast and basically placed the same standard on them that he always placed on himself. The play, "The Field," was a great success.

I would become friends with Jack years later, heard his booming bass voice masterfully singing many a tune, and learned that "If I Were a Rich Man" was the song that he sung most often. By the time I met him he was retired, but was never at a loss for things to do. If he wasn’t fishing, playing golf, or traveling, he would be at the sporting and cultural events of his grandchildren. Of course he sang in his parish choir, an Irish choir, and was even recruited by a local synagogue to be its cantor! Talk about using one’s gifts!!!

Health issues plagued Jack for the past few years, and he recently passed away a few months after his 55th wedding anniversary. The wake was mobbed, the many tributes were thoughtful, and the funeral mass was truly a celebration.

In "Fiddler on the Roof," I am not sure if Teyve really understood what a rich man he really was because he was looking at the wrong measurement. Jack McKean, on the other hand, knew he was indeed a rich man because he saw the blessings of family, friends, and his ability to share his gifts with anyone who needed his help. That’s why he had such a broad smile every time he sang that song.

How about us? Do we consider ourselves rich? It’s never too late.

PRAYER

Loving and Generous Father, too often we do not recognize the value of the gifts that You have given to us; instead when look for monetary or temporal items to determine our worth. Give us the Grace that we need to be able to recognize all that is before us and to understand that each talent that we possess is to be used to help ourselves and to help others on the path to eternal happiness with You. Accept Jack’s soul into Paradise and comfort his wife Maureen, his children, grandchildren and his many friends. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Reflections...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards who support our Diocesan Missions through their generosity of prayer, financial giving, material gifts or personal service.
PROFESSIONAL THERAPY AND COUNSELING

Professional therapy, provided by New York State licensed therapists including therapists who specialize in Bereavement, Bipolar Disorders and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, is available to our parish and 147 other parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr. George Giuliani, has been conducted in the diocese for the past 41 years for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, a proprietary professional corporation, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. We are currently looking for licensed therapists in Nassau, Suffolk and Queens. For confidential information and appointments, please call Dr. Giuliani at the Catholic Counseling Center at (631) 243-2503 or go to our website at http://www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com.

Positions Available at Our Lady of Lourdes School:

Needed: Paternity leave replacement teaching position (7 weeks) open for Theatrical Arts/Computer teacher - Grades N-8 at Our Lady of Lourdes School in West Islip. The position begins October 24th. Please contact principal at lkrol@ollschool.org

Substitute teachers needed for early childhood and elementary school classes on a per diem basis. Grades N-8 at Our Lady of Lourdes School in West Islip. Please contact principal at lkrol@ollschool.org

VENDORS WANTED

for Christmas Craft Fair!
St. John the Baptist DHS ĭ West Islip
SPACES STILL AVAILABLE
SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2016
10am - 4pm
Fr more information, please contact Kathy at (516) 241-1294
**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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**Intercesiones por la Vida**
Por aquellos que se sientan en el corredor de la muerte, para que Dios nos enseñe a amar lo suficiente como para salvar su vida y trabajar por su conversión;
Roguemos al Señor:
Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

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

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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:**

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**BENDICIÓN DE LA FAMILIA**
Señor de todos, bendice a nuestras familias.
Fueron formados por la sangre o por las circunstancias, hazlos santos.
Que te encontremos en nuestras relaciones, en nuestro matrimonio, en nuestras familias, en nuestros hogares, en nuestras comunidades, en nuestra humanidad global.
Podemos mirar a través de todo lo que nos divide, y ver a la familia, y abrazarlos al igual que a la familia, y será como el amor de la familia.
Porque donde están dos o tres reunidos en tu nombre, ahí estás tú.
Amén.

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**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.

**HERMANAS UNIDAS:**
Todos los segundos domingo de cada mes, en el salón # 256, después de la misa.

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**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.

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**ROSARIO:**
Domingos a las 11:00am en la Capilla.
Por qué debe usted votar?

Los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica es la democracia continua más antigua del mundo, pero la experiencia no es igual al entusiasmo. En su más reciente elección nacional, los EE.UU tuvo la novena tasa de votación más baja entre los 35 países de la Organización para la Cooperación y el Desarrollo Económico.

La razón número 1: ¿Cuánto el próximo presidente puede hacer? Eso depende de si su partido controla el Senado o la Cámara. El tamaño de las mayorías de esas partes hace una diferencia.

La razón número 2: Mayor número de votantes hace que nuestra democracia sea más representativa. Muchos estadounidenses que apoyan las políticas importantes no se molestan en ejercer el voto.

Razón número 3: Los votantes salen de los escombros. Los funcionarios elegidos no sólo responden a las preferencias políticas de los votantes, sino que también otorgan una mayor parte de los recursos públicos para las personas que se molestan en aparecer.

Razón número 4: El margen de victoria puede ser importante. Incluso si el candidato está en contra está destinado a ganar, usted puede hacer el margen de victoria. Esto limita el tiempo de un "mandato".

Razón número 5: A pesar de que vote por un tercero puede tener un impacto. Si el candidato está casi seguro que perder, puede alterar sustancialmente el debate en el proceso.

Razón número 6: El voto es un derecho de las generaciones de todo estadounidense, lo cuales lucharon para ganar y la gente de otros países aun luchan por la democracia. Todo ciudadano tiene derecho al voto, pero no fue hasta hace algunas décadas que las mujeres no tenían derecho a ejercer el voto.

Razón número 7: El voto es su voz. El voto es una forma importante y significativa para respaldar los temas que le interesan y es una licencia para quejarse con razón acerca de sus funcionarios elegidos.