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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
Mrs. Barbara McNulty, Youth Ministry Director
Ms. Claire Moule, Faith Formation Director
Mrs. Patricia Taggart, Nursery School Director
Mrs. Sigrid Villalobos A., Parish Outreach Director
Mrs. Jane Zollo, Parish Operations Manager/
Stewardship Services Director

parish center
Office - (631) 669-0068
Office Fax - (631) 669-9175
E-mail: secretary@stjosephsbabylon.org
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 appt. 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
9:30am to 1:30pm
Other times by appt. (631-669-4544)

food pantry
Monday, Wednesday
9:30am to 1:30pm
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thrift shop
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Monday, Wednesday
10:00am to 3:00pm

nursery school
(631) 661-4559

youth ministry
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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 christain initiation of adults)
Anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church should call the Parish Office.

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

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

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

welcome to all new parishioners, we invite you to register at the parish office.
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King + November 20, 2016
The Sacraments of Life

Newly Baptized
Lia Victoria Defeo, James Patrick Dolan, Hawkins Christopher Flynn, Shane Thomas McQuillen & Gianna Lynne Stissi

Preparing for Marriage
Banns Posted
First Time ~
Robert Farrell & Andrea Mancuso
Second Time ~
Joseph Gervasio & Jenna Curley
Joseph Kastaner & Samantha DeBrunner
William Bloodnick & Kiera O’Leary
Third Time ~
Kris Angelo B. Natividad & Angela Chan

For Our Sick

Altar Rose
In memory of Maryann Arcese

For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including Edith DeCosta & Patrick G. O’Hagan.

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week:

At this Mass, we remember:
Monday, November 21
Rv 14:1–3, 4b–5, Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6, Lk 21:1–4
7:45 Mary Meyer
9:00 Daniel, Thaddeus & Cassandra Walter

Tuesday, November 22
Rv 14:14–19, Ps 96:10-13, Lk 21:5–11
7:45 Craig Marr & Lili Everhart
9:00 Roseann Brancato

Wednesday, November 23
Rv 15:1–4, Ps 98:1-3b, 7-9, Lk 21:12–19
7:45 Dorothy Altieri
9:00 Margaret Lang

Thursday, November 24
Rv 18:1–2, 21–23; 19:1–3, 9a, Ps 100:1b-5, Lk 21:20–28
7:45 No Mass - Holiday
9:00 Mary & Sal Paolantonio & Thomas DeRosa

Friday, November 25
Rv 20:1–4, 11–21:2, Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, Lk 21:29–33
7:45 Frank Morea
9:00 Rita Passaro & Denis O’Donnell

Saturday, November 26
9:00 Ronald Bannister

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Charles
5:00 Wendy A. Schnepp Fr. Charles
Raymond Nettuno
Colombia De Lara & Dr. Hugo Lara

Sunday, November 27 ~ First Advent of Sunday
7:00 Joseph DiPalma Fr. Francis
8:45 Laurie King Fr. Ethel
9:30 People of St. Joseph Fr. Joe
10:15 Patricia Jacobson Fr. Francis
12:00 Neil Tully Fr. Ethel
Matthew Evan Annett
5:00 Frank Geiger Fr. Charles

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY COFFEE & DONUTS

Today, Sunday, November 20th
is Hospitality

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

REFLECTION FOR TODAY
Today’s readings paint a somewhat frightening picture of the end of time. But the Gospel ends with the assurance to faithful stewards that those who persevere will be saved.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Please join me today, November 20th at 7pm for our Interfaith Prayer Service here at St. Joseph’s. This has been a beautiful tradition for over 20 years. Rabbis and Pastors of the local area along with their congregations join St. Joseph’s 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.

Happy Thanksgiving!! The following is a beautiful Thanksgiving prayer I came across the other day: Oh, God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; when I have work, help me to remember the jobless; when I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless; when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer; and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency and bestir my compassion. Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted. By Samuel F. Pugh.

As we will celebrate Thanksgiving this week I want to thank in a special way Sigrid, our Outreach Coordinator, and all those who volunteer in our Parish Outreach and Thrift Shop. You are truly the hands, feet, heart, eyes, ears and mouth of Christ to all those who come to us in need. I am so proud of the great work that all of you do. May our parish continue to be a beacon of Hope and Mercy to all of God’s people in need. Thank You. With the help of God’s grace may we always remember who we are as disciples of Jesus Christ: We Welcome. We Worship. We Witness.

This week a handicap ramp was built by the back entrance of the rectory which the priests use so the rectory can be handicap accessible. The diocesan preference is that every building be handicap accessible. Included in this project was the redoing of those back steps which were incorporated into the ramp. The steps were very steep and awkward to climb. The curbing was also redone since so much of it had chunks of concrete missing along with areas of concrete that had lifted making it a tripping hazard. Now it will be safer for people to walk over and on the curb.

Just a reminder: our English Thanksgiving liturgy is at 10am this year in the church. The Spanish mass is a 9am in the Nolan Hall. Please don’t forget to bring with you some of the food that will be on your Thanksgiving table so you can have it blessed.

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
Our Parish Mission Statement

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

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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 $26,394.00
Budgeted Collection $25,923.00
+ 471.00

God Bless You!

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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.

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

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.

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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 Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PV2 Danny Bornschein
Sgt Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pittito
Capt. Stephen Scuderi
PFC Mark Osprea
Lt. Joseph A. Vanderveld, 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

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THANKSGIVING MASS

Please mark your calendar: There will be two liturgies. The Spanish liturgy will be at 9am in the Nolan Hall, the English liturgy will be at 10am in the church. This was the decision of the pastoral team but ongoing dialogue will take place regarding future bilingual services.

Please note that the 5pm Saturday Mass on December 3rd will take place in Msgr Nolan Hall.

Mass Time Change

Starting the first Sunday of Advent, November 27th the 11:45am Mass will become the 12 noon 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.
During the season of Advent, our Blessed Mother stands as a model for us as one who stands in awe before the mystery of God and is able to surrender to that mystery. She who is full of grace teaches us how to open our hearts to that very same grace that empowers us to surrender. Our mission will offer us the opportunity to explore contemplative prayer as a means of opening our hearts to that life-giving divine encounter.

**Presenter:** Father Anthony Stanganelli

*Father Tony Stanganelli was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Rockville Centre in March of 1979. Since his ordination, Father has served as an associate pastor in Our Lady of Lourdes, Saint Edward’s, Saint Catherine of Sienna (where he first met Father Charles in 1990), and in Saint Philip Neri. Father Tony also taught in the seminaries at Cathedral College in Douglaston and in the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington after receiving a graduate degree in theology at the Gregorian University in Rome. Father has served as pastor in Holy Spirit in New Hyde Park, Saints Philip and James in Saint James and is presently the pastor of Saint Brigid’s in Westbury.

Father Tony is no stranger to the people of Saint Joseph’s in Babylon as he was invited by his classmate, Father Chris, to be part of a Lenten Mission in 2010. Father Tony gladly returns to us in Babylon to share his faith and to draw us into the mystery of contemplative love modeled so beautifully by our Blessed Mother.*

**Mission Schedule**

**Monday, December 5th:**
- 9:00am  Mass, Presider - Fr. Tony
- 9:30am  Mission Talk
- 7:30pm  Mission Talk by Fr. Tony with Confessions Following

**Tuesday, December 6th:**
- 9:00am  Mass, Presider - Fr. Tony
- 9:30am  Mission Talk
- 7:30pm  Mission Talk by Fr. Tony

~Hospitality to follow in the O’Connell Room after the close of the mission~
Ho Ho Ho....
St Joseph the Carpenter Knights of Columbus will be hosting Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 11th in the O’Connell Room from 10:00AM to 12:00PM
All are invited
Menu will include Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Cookies, Coffee & Tea.
Santa will make an appearance, so please bring a small gift for Santa to give your child, wrap and tag with child’s name. Best of all it’s FREE

Please RSVP to Dan Tergesen at dmtergesen@optonline.net or calling me at 631-422-3563. Please indicate the number of adults and number of children attending.
Grandchildren Welcome

Please join us for our Annual Christmas Pageant
December 11th, 2016 - 3pm in the Church
SAVE THE DATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

THE MESSIAH BENEFITS MERCY INN SOUP KITCHEN

Through the generosity of the Church of St. Joseph, St. Joseph’s Choir and friends from the Babylon Methodist Church will present a free concert on Sunday, December 11th at 7:00 PM. The program will feature highlights from Handel’s MESSIAH and Pergolesi’s MAGNIFICAT directed by Dr. Marie Drohan and accompanied by soloists, Sophisticated Strings, harpsichord and flute. The concert will include other beautiful choral selections and will be preceded by a moving candlelight procession so early arrival is encouraged.

The choir has sung on Fox 5 and on European national television and in the presence of many prominent figures, including Pope Benedict XVI, Pope John Paul II, Cardinal Bevilqua, Cardinal Egan, the late Cardinal O’Connor, Helen Hayes, Ossie Davis and the jazz legend, Dave Brubeck. They presented concerts and sang with the Salzburg Cathedral Choir and Orchestra during their third European concert tour to the Czech Republic, Austria and Germany.

The Soup Kitchen is experiencing cuts in state aid and is in dire need of donations, especially due to the ever increasing numbers of the poor. Although there is no admission charge, donations are encouraged. Checks may be made payable to The Mercy INN. Recommended offering: $15 per person; $30 per family; donations of any amount are greatly appreciated! If you are unable to attend, please consider dropping your contribution off at the parish office.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE MERCY INN SOUP KITCHEN.
**Music Ministry**

**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 a bass player, if you are interested, please 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.
The children are beginning to learn about Thanksgiving. We are so thankful to all of our wonderful families at St. Joseph’s Nursery School.

Save the Date:

CHRISTMAS CRECHE LIGHTING
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2016
ST. JOSEPH PARISH
FRONT LAWN

Immediately following the 5pm Mass in Msgr. Nolan Hall. This year we’re lighting the beautiful custom-made Crèche that houses the life-sized figures of The Holy Family.

All are Welcome!
Refreshments following in the O’Connell Room

Donated baked goodies wanted!
If you can donate a plate of cookies, brownies, cupcakes or other holiday treats, please call Sigrid at (631)669-0068 ext 128 as soon as possible!
Thank you!
Vocation Events

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

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

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 8:30pm to 11:30pm. 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.

Apostleship of the Cross

WHO WE ARE

COME AND SEE

Apostleship of the Cross
(Spirituality of the Cross)

First Meeting:
Church of St Joseph
39 N. Carll Avenue Babylon, NY 11702
Friday December 2nd
From 10-11:30am Room#259

Contact: Adriana P. Mascari
631-681-0005
apdelacruz_ny@yahoo.com

Memorials: A special thank you to Barbara Conti for memorializing the bells in the church which now ring during the consecration of the Mass and the Vittorio family for memorializing the bells in Msgr. Nolan Hall. Also, a parishioner called wanting to memorialize a vestment for her deceased husband. Therefore, we ordered a purple vestment for Advent. We are also in need of 4 purple stoles for the priests to wear when hearing confession collectively. They are $350.00 each. If anyone would like to memorialize one of the purple stoles please call Alice at (631) 669-0068 Ext. 171.

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Blessings 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 the 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.

The Apostleship of the Cross, in the Church, is a group of Christians who follow Christ, Priest and Victim, and who are moved by the Holy Spirit to:

† Discover in their lives the salvific meaning of suffering accepted in love.
† Offer to the Father, through the hands of Mary, Christ, Priest and Victim.
† Offer the daily sacrifices and crosses of their lives with Christ, Priest and Victim, for the salvation of souls and the benefit of priests.
Thank You!

YOUTH MINISTRY would like to send a special THANK YOU to Mrs. Carosella’s 1st grade Religion Class and Mrs. Patso’s 3rd grade Religion Class. The students learned about and prayed the Rosary together and collected donations and made Blessings Bags for the homeless. They even donated their Halloween candy and included a note in the bag to make someone smile. A great way to prepare for Thanksgiving!

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Mark Your Calendar - December 3, 2016

Our next meeting will be Saturday, December 3rd after the 9am Mass. We will gather in the O’Connell Room. We encourage all to attend. Sign Up sheets for Masses on December 8 and Christmas Eve will be available. Thank you!

The Sociable Singles

Metropolitan Opera House
At Lincoln Center
Georges Bizet’s Masterpiece
Saturday, February 11, 2017

Theater Tickets Are Non Refundable. Travel Insurance is Recommended. Itinerary Subject to Change. All Trips Are Rain or Shine

Cost is $155/pp and includes admission to The Met and transportation. Lunch is on your own. $100 deposit will hold your space. Checks should be made out to St. Joseph Church and sent to Lorraine DeCanditis. Deposits due by November 30th. Call for address and/or more information: 631-553-0160.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2016: 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
Parish ___________________________ Pledge: $ _______
Name ___________________________ Down payment: $ _______
Address _______________________________________________________
City, State, Zip: _____________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________
Signature: __________________________ Date: _______________

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At Outreach, we meet many local families who are struggling financially during these challenging times. As Christmas approaches, we are looking for a few Angels willing to "Adopt a Family" both financially and through prayer. We will match you with a family and offer gift suggestions, including sizes. If you are interested in joining our Angel Brigade this Christmas, please email us at margotdenza@yahoo.com with your name, phone number, and any special requests pertaining to the size of the family, etc. If you prefer, you can call Outreach at 669-0068 x 128 or x 158 and leave your name along with your phone number and email address.

Please consider joining our Angel Brigade this season. As one of our "adopted" families from the past wrote, "We had an amazing Christmas. ...My heart is filled with the love of God and the kindness of strangers."

All requests to join our Angel Brigade must be received by November 21st.
Please Help Outreach

“Thanksgiving is a joyful celebration.” We reflect with gratitude on the blessing we’ve received and give to those who are struggling. This year, we are once again calling upon you for donations of food and/or supermarket gift cards to help the families who use our pantry. We help, on the average, 20 families a day with food from our pantry and some financial assistance. We would not be able to care so generously for our clients without the help we receive from our parishioners here at St. Joseph.

We ask that all donations arrive at Outreach by Monday, November 21st so that all families may receive food in time for the holiday.

Thank you!

Bill Aubin made a donation to Outreach in memory of his wife, Joyce.

Social Ministries

Thrift Shop Sale News

All Clothing & Shoes - 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!

St. Vincent de Paul

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul 631-669-4544.

This weekend after all the Masses, members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be holding their Annual Door Collection after all the Masses. Please be as generous as your means will allow. Checks can be made out to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you aren’t able to give this weekend, checks can be sent to, or dropped off at St. Joseph Church Outreach. Thank you in advance for helping us to help others!

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 next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, November 28, 2016 at 9:45 am in room 256. All are invited to attend!
The Faith Formation 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.

Faith Formation Re-registration is now closed for the 2016-2017 year.

Level 8 Confirmation Candidates – Important information:

Confirmation letters went out with your child’s Mass and rehearsal times, along with donation envelopes. There will be no collection at the Confirmation Masses, please bring donations to the Faith Formation Office. Flower donation envelopes - are available in the Faith Formation Office for those who wish to memorialize a loved one at the Confirmation Mass.

Confirmation Rehearsal – Monday, November 28th in Nolan Hall. For those at the 10am Mass, the rehearsal will be at 5pm and those at the 1:30pm Mass, rehearsal is at 7pm.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 29th. Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates, their catechists and sponsors and their families as they complete their final preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation retreat/Palanca Letters – our Confirmation Candidates had their retreat on Tuesday, November 8th and were given “palanca letters” prepared by their parents, sponsors and other special people in their lives. People have been asking what a palanca letter is. Palanca in Spanish means “lever” and the letters are used as a spiritual lever to support and guide the person on retreat. The letters are written to affirm and encourage a person’s faith journey. Some things included in these letters would be the unique gifts and talents of the person on retreat, some of the ways they express their goodness, ways that they have contributed to the family by being loving and supportive towards them and any other things they have done to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation such as doing good deeds and community service. Thank you to all the people who took the time to write these letters!

Our Level 8 Confirmation Candidates enjoyed pizza for lunch at the retreat on November 8th.

Thanks to all those who helped at the retreat: Barbara McNulty, Mary Linden, Jeanette Yantz, Theresa Kaliner, Madeline Sharp and the retreat director, Toni Belizzi. For more photos of that day, please see website.

Level 2 – Reconciliation Workshop – Monday, November 21st @ either 5pm or 6pm in Nolan Hall.

My unique Good Deed for the week was: Anthony wrote a thank you card to his soccer coach, Ainsley & Clare danced at a fundraising dinner, Jayden helped his friend pack up his books at school, Jimmy lent his room to his grandparent to stay in for 2 nights, Lauren drew a picture for her sick aunt, Nick stood up for a friend who was being bullied at lunch, HollyAnne & Hyacinth assisted with the Haiti mission collection at Mass, Ronan & Shannon donated hats and gloves to the poor, Joseph practiced his prayers, Aiden, Cooper and Lily prayed for the police and Jack took a schoolmate to the nurse at school.

Hall Monitors are needed – for the Faith Formation class sessions @ 5:10 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please contact the office if you are available to help. All volunteers working with children need to attend a virtue training workshop and have a background check completed.
Youth Ministry

We have been busy!
For more details & pictures, Check out the website at: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP is growing strong! (Grades 6, 7, 8)
Join us on Wednesdays from 7:30—8:30 in Room 260 for a night of Fun & Faith!
For Thanksgiving week—we will meet on Tuesday instead for Advent Night at 7pm

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS (Grades 9—12)
Thank you to all of our HS Teens who helped present Youth Ministry to our Level 8 Students!
No Meeting 11/28 due to Confirmation Rehearsals.

Have you registered for the SERVICE TEAM?
Please check the website for an up-to-date list and sign up ASAP

HELP NEEDED EVENTS:
Tuesday 11/22. Bread Bagging/Advent Night Adult & Teen help needed 6:30—8:30 pm
Must sign up in advance by email or RSVP from the website.

Please join us on Thanksgiving Day at 10am in the Church.

PBJ GANG is in need of supplies.
We are also now collecting items to assemble into “Blessings Bags” for the homeless. Items needed:


THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
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 invite girls between the ages of 10 through 17 to join us as we celebrate our faith and grow closer to God through service to others. Come join us every first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in the O’Connell room. Come be a part of something fun and rewarding!!??
For more information Contact Deb Thorman-Yusko (deb.thorman@gmail.com)

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
“Moving On” Group

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH
PARISH CENTER
39 North Carll Avenue
Babylon, NY 11702

“Moving On” Group
An After-Bereavement Group for Widows and Widowers Will Present:

A ‘Do It Yourself’
Workshop
Presented by Home Depot
Friday, November 18th @ 7:30 pm
For further information please call Geri Olson at 631-661-8994

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

Calling All Cake Bakers
The Ministry of Consolation would like to invite you to join our team of cake bakers.
The delivery of a home-made cake to a bereaved family in our local area is such an unexpected, pleasant surprise that says—

We are a welcoming community, we understand your pain and sadness. Your act of kindness is never forgotten by the family receiving your gift.
The Ministry of Consolation is such a beautiful and loving Ministry. Please join us so we may continue to lighten the burden for families at a difficult time in their life.

Bakers are on a rotating schedule. Please call Barbara Schade, 631-968-8793 or 631-669-0068, ext. 160.

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 community food pantries and soup kitchens. Checks can be written to: The Babylon Interfaith Clergy Cluster, Inc. After the one-hour service, all are invited for refreshments and fellowship.
By the President of the United States of America.
A Proclamation.
Whereas, the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognizing the Supreme Authority and just Government of Almighty God, in all the affairs of men and of nations, has, by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National prayer and humiliation. And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.

And, insomuch as we know that, by His divine law, nations like individuals are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war, which now desolates the land, may be but a punishment, inflicted upon us, for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole People? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!

It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

Now, therefore, in compliance with the request, and fully concurring in the views of the Senate, I do, by this my proclamation, designate and set apart Thursday, the 30th day of April, 1863, as a day of national humiliation, fasting and prayer. And I do hereby request all the People to abstain, on that day, from their ordinary secular pursuits, and to unite, at their several places of public worship and their respective homes, in keeping the day holy to the Lord, and devoted to the humble discharge of the religious duties proper to that solemn occasion.

All this being done, in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the Divine teachings, that the united cry of the Nation will be heard on high, and answered with blessings, no less than the pardon of our national sins, and the restoration of our now divided and suffering Country, to its former happy condition of unity and peace.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this thirtieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty seventh.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln
William H. Seward, Secretary of State.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Our nation needs an Abraham Lincoln, a William Seward, a government that again acknowledges the supremacy of the Creator, our God. We must fast and pray seeking God's mercy for our sinful pride. May God help us.

Deacon Barry
THANKSGIVING 2016

I am not a history buff by any stretch of the imagination. Probably better at remembering dates of historical events rather than their significance, I now find that I am becoming more intrigued with some noteworthy happenings in the course of human events and have even gotten a book or two from the library to learn more about what the real deal was in those days. It fascinates me when I begin to understand the research that some people have done to uncover the smallest of details which only enhances the implications of the event.

Recently we were in Boston, and I happened to pass an attraction that was the home of a replica of The Mayflower, the boat, the people from England and the Netherlands boarded on a journey to avoid the religious persecution they were subjected to in their homelands. What I immediately noticed was how small the vessel was. It must have been scaled down, I thought; but, no, this was the actual size. The historic journey was in 1620, so I knew that people were smaller in stature, but how did they cram over 100 people in that boat? When I got home, I did some googling. There was originally another boat, The Speedwell, but leaks and other repairs forced it to be unseaworthy, which resulted in some of those passengers boarding the already overcrowded Mayflower (remember, in addition to passengers and crew there were goats, dogs, sheep, and poultry on board). They eventually left England in September and headed for Virginia (in those days what was defined as “Virginia” actually extended to the base of the Hudson River in New York, the original destination of the The Mayflower). Rough seas and dwindling supplies led to the ultimate decision to land on Cape Cod, and all of the rest, as they say, is history.

Consider what those people endured for their faith. Desiring to live lives in concert with the tenets of their beliefs, they left their home and loved ones, experienced the perils of an oceanic voyage, and faced the uncertainties of living in a land that had both different climates and diverse inhabitants, but also the hope of living freely in the care of the God that they loved and Whose command they followed. And they were thankful for that.

For what might we be thankful at this stage in our lives? On many levels... both locally and universally... there have been events which have given us pause to realize how truly blessed we are. This week sets time aside for us to acknowledge our gratitude, but we should not need such a reminder to understand how truly blessed we are by God.

We should realize that each day.

PRAYER

God of Boundless Giving, we thank You for the many gifts, blessings, talents, opportunities, friends, family members, and challenges that You have given to us in the past year. Most importantly, however, we thank You for the gift of our Catholic Faith. At a time when the Church is often attacked from both within and without, give us the Grace we need to stand firm at times when Gospel values are assaulted both physically and intellectually. And we thank You for the families we have, the communities in which we live, and the parish that deepens our faith each week. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Stewardship...
Catholic Ministries Appeal

A few 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, up to $10,000.00, 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 $116,259.00. We need $18,041.00 more to reach our 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. Joseph’s Parish in Babylon.

Blessings Fr. Charles

News From Outside the Parish

Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, cordially invites you to attend our Christmas Breakfast on Saturday, December 10th, at The Hofstra Club in Uniondale at 9:45 a.m.

Our speaker will be Lisa Mladinich - a Catholic Wife and Mom who is also the host of WOMAN: Strong Faith, True Beauty, on Shalom World TV. Lisa is a published author as well as a regular contributor to Relevant Radio. She has appeared on EWTN TV’s Women of Grace. Lisa is the founder of AmazingCatechists.com and her desire is to help catechists teach the faith to children with love and enthusiasm.

The Breakfast is $35 per person. Make checks payable to Magnificat and mail to: Judy Murphy, 42 Pinchurst Street, Lido Beach, NY 11561. Pre-registration is required; checks must be received by December 5th. Payment will not be accepted at the door. For additional information contact Angela at 516-763-1739 or Judy at (917) 453-5750. Come and bring a friend for a morning of fellowship, refreshment and worship!

Sacred Heart Academy presents The Nutcracker

Friday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 20 at 2:00 p.m.

$10 in advance or $15 at the door.
To purchase tickets call 516.483.7383.

Sweets, fairies, snowflakes and sword fights! Sacred Heart Academy’s production of The Nutcracker is as splendid as ever with new choreography and stunning costumes. Journey with Clara as she escapes the Mouse King and his henchmice and travels through the Snow Kingdom and the Land of Sweets. Witness the reunion of the Sugar Plum Fairy with her prince in this annual magical production that creates the perfect tradition for everyone in your family.
**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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**Reflexión**

Hoy celebramos a Cristo Rey y se nos recuerda que todo fue creado por medio de Él y para Él. ¿Mi administración de las bendiciones que me han sido confiadas Evidencia de que Cristo es el Señor de mi vida? ¿Que estoy haciendo por ayudar?

Estamos agradecidos esta semana por todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que se esfuerzan por conectar de manera responsable su fe en las actividades cotidianas, como participar en organizaciones comunitarias o escolares.

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**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Que podamos reconocer la humanidad de cada persona, especialmente aquellos cuya edad y condición frágil los dejan vulnerables a la eutanasia.

Oramos al Señor:  
Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

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**La Paz empeiza con Nosotros**

**Una oración de acción de gracias**

Oh Dios, cuando tengo comida, ayúdame a recordar a los hambrientos. Cuando tengo trabajo, ayúdame a recordar a los desempleados. Cuando tengo una casa, ayúdame a recordar a los que sufren. Y, recordando, ayúdame a destruir mi complacencia, vestir mi compasión, y preocuparme lo suficiente para ayudar, por palabra y por hecho, los que gritan por lo que damos por sentado. Amén.

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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:** (RICA) Les invitamos a una preparación espiritual de conversión a la fe católica. Llame a la Sra. Julietta Mieles, al (631) 669-0068, ext. 131.

**Catequesis de Niños y Adultos:** Llamar a la oficina 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 Aguilar @ 631-592-9474.

**Reconciliación:** Sábado a las 4:00pm o llamar para una cita, al Tel. # 669-0068 ext. 104.

**Unción de los Enfermos:** Llamar a la oficina principal (631) 669-0068 Ext. 100.

**Cursillo de Cristiandad:** Los invita a vivir un fin de semana con Cristo. Tenemos Ultreya todos los domingos a las 12:30pm. en el Salón # 256. Mas información llame a Cristina Vera @ 631-327-6141.

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

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

**Comité:** El primer sábado de cada mes a las 10:00am en el salón # 256. Para la agenda, llamar a Ana Ramos al Tel. (631) 617-2129.

**Rosario:** Domingos a las 11:00am en la Capilla.

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

**El Apostolado de la Cruz:** Todos los jueves de 9:00 - 11:00am en el Salón # 252A. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari al Tel. (631) 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. 12:30pm.

**Monaguillos:** Ver a Felipe y Claudia Rodas. Deben haber recibido la Primera Comunión.

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**UNA ORACIÓN DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS**

Oh Dios, cuando tengo comida, ayúdame a recordar a los hambrientos. Cuando tengo trabajo, ayúdame a recordar a los desempleados. Cuando tengo una casa, ayúdame a recordar a los que sufren. Y, recordando, ayúdame a destruir mi complacencia, vestir mi compasión, y preocuparme lo suficiente para ayudar, por palabra y por hecho, los que gritan por lo que damos por sentado. Amén.
El día de Acción de Gracias en América del Norte tiene sus orígenes en una mezcla de tradiciones europeas y americanas (nativas). En Europa, los festivales se llevaban a cabo antes y después de los ciclos de cosecha para agradecer por una buena cosecha, y para celebrar después del duro trabajo junto con el resto de la comunidad. Los americanos también celebraban el final de la cosecha, y cuando los europeos llegaron a América por primera vez, llevaron sus propias tradiciones (fiestas de la cosecha) desde su continente, celebrando el final de su viaje, la paz y la buena cosecha.

Según el historiador Jeremy Bangs, director del Leyden American Pilgrim Museum, los peregrinos pudieron haberse inspirado en los servicios anuales de Acción de Gracias por el alivio del asedio de Leiden en 1574, cuando vivían en Leiden.