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

We Celebrate the Eucharist

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm Church
Sunday Church - 7:00am, 8:45am,
10:15am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm
Nolan Hall - 9:30am
Nolan Hall - 11:30am -
Misa Dominical Español

Weekday Mass Schedule
Mon. to Fri. - 7:45am, 9:00am Church
Saturday - 9:00am Church

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 1:45pm.

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.

Welcome to all New Parishioners. We invite you to register at the Parish Office.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our Thrift Shop is coming along nicely. It’s all painted, the new laminate waterproof floor is down and new electrical LED lights have been installed. Everything has been paid for by those doing the work. May God richly bless them for their generosity to the parish. This coming week volunteers will be setting up the thrift shop so we can reopen soon.

In our church sacristy you will see that the corner cabinet next to the sink has been removed. This is because we are widening the countertop so there is space to place the sacred vessels before washing them. Sacred vessels have fallen off the edge of the sink onto the floor and into the sink itself in the past. To avoid this from happening we are widening the countertop and adding a cabinet above and below the sink for storage. We hope to have the work finished in another week or so. Also, the carpet was removed and the same floor that was installed in the work sacristy is now in the sacristy.

As you know, our church is presently closed and locked by 3 or 3:30pm everyday, Monday through Friday. We are now leaving the church open until 6pm Monday through Friday so people can stop and pray on their way home from work or school. This came as a request from several parishioners. I remember when Cardinal Schoenborn from Austria, who was preaching a priest’s retreat that I attended, said to please leave your churches open so people can come and pray before the Lord. Therefore, feel free to stop by and if it is only paying a 5 minute visit, it could be the most blessed 5 minutes of your day.

Unity Wednesday

I invite all our parishioners to join me in offering additional prayers and sacrifices to God each Wednesday of the week.

For whom shall we do this? For all our brothers and sisters in the parish family but especially for the conversion of our WHOLE parish (for those who do not worship every Sunday with us, for those who have distanced themselves from God, for those who do not know or love him) that all souls experience the saving love that God has for them.

Why should we do this? Because God desires that every soul know, love and serve Him in this life and live forever with Him in heaven. Our sacrifices and prayers constitute a spiritual love that can bring about real change in our hearts and in the hearts of all men and women. Therefore, God desires our prayers and sacrifices, however large or small, which helps souls come to know Him.

How can we do this? Through our prayers and sacrifices (however large or small they may be) offered up to God every Wednesday. This is done throughout our day, wherever we are. No meetings are necessary.

Every weekend we gather as parish family in worship of our God and that is wonderful, necessary and asked for by our Lord. Instituting each Wednesday as Unity Wednesday is another day of the week that we can be Spiritually United as parish family.

Please join us in Spiritual Unity each Wednesday.

Feel free to write me the sacrifices you are doing for our parish family so I can share them in the bulletin with everyone. Why? It inspires us as we see your love for the parish. It inspires others to join us in Unity.

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, February 13**  
Gn 4:1–15, 25, Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21, Mk 8:11–13  
7:45 People of St. Joseph  
9:00 John Ferrara

**Tuesday, February 14**  
Gn 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10, Ps 129:1a, 2, 3ac-4, Mk 8:14–21  
7:45 Raquel Houser  
9:00 Valentino Vulaj & Eva Alter

**Wednesday, February 15**  
Gn 8:6–13, 20–22, Ps 166:12-15, 18-19, Mk 8:22–26  
7:45 For the Intentions of Our Lady  
9:00 People of St. Joseph

**Thursday, February 16**  
Gn 9:1–13, Ps 102:16-18, 19-23, 29, Mk 8:27–33  
7:45 Albert Pagano  
9:00 People of St. Joseph

**Friday, February 17**  
Gn 11:1–9, Ps 33:10-15, Mk 8:34—9:1  
7:45 People of St. Joseph  
9:00 Sam Lisy

**Saturday, February 18**  
Heb 11:1–7, Ps 145:2-5, 10-11, Mk 9:2–13  
9:00 People of St. Joseph

**Weekend Celebrations** (barring last minute changes)  
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Ethel  
5:00 Edward Jackala Fr. Francis  
Fred K. VanBourgondien  
Gloria Mendez  
Stephen Mowry

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**Sunday, February 19 ~ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Lv 19:1–2, 17–18, Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13, 1 Cor 3:16–23, Mt 5:38–48  
7:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Joe  
8:45 Fortunata Tesoro Fr. Francis  
9:30 Jeanne & Sherman Egan Fr. Charles  
10:15 Terri Ann Clarke Fr. Ethel  
12:00 George Rebecchi, Jr. Fr. Francis  
5:00 Joseph E. Cassidy, Sr. Fr. Charles

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**REFLECTION FOR TODAY**  
Stewardship involves more that just the gift we bring to the altar. Today’s reading say clearly that it is fidelity to God’s law that makes our offering acceptable.
Our Parish Mission Statement

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

Liturgical Activities

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.

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. Army:
SPC Elliot Chodkowski
SSG Joshua Insull
LTC John Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PV2 Danny Bornschein
Sgt Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pititto
Capt. Stephen Scuderi
PFC Mark Osprina
Lt. Joseph A. Vanderfeldt, III
2LT Anthony C. DiBiasi
PV2 Alexandra Diaz

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

Sacrificial Giving

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

1/29/17
Actual Collection $24,138.00
Budgeted Collection $22,750.00
+ 1,388

God Bless You!

Parish Center News

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20th, 2017 for President’s Day. We will resume regular office hours on Tuesday, February 21st, 2017. Thank you!

Little Black Lenten Book

Our Little Black Lenten Book is available for $1.00. Please see Ushers after each Mass. Thank you!
Welcome
Our pastor, Fr. Charles Mangano, his brother priests, Fr. Joe Arevalo, Fr. Ethel Anarado, Fr. Francis Samuel and our Pastoral Team welcome you to St. Joseph. If you are visiting us for the first time, you are our honored guests and we pray that you will consider making St. Joseph your church home. We are here to assist you in your spiritual growth and maturity as together we give glory to God through our worship, prayer and service in the name of Jesus Christ. We are committed to the fullness of Roman Catholic teaching and to the promise of salvation that the Church offers to all believers. May God accomplish a great work in you among us.

Office Hours/Parish Office
(631) 669-0068
E-mail: secretary@stjosephsbabylon.org
Mon. to Thurs. 9:30am to 9:00pm
Fridays 9:30am - 7:30pm
Sat. 9:30am to 6:30pm  Sun. 9:30am -1:30pm

Cemetery Office
(631)669-0068 Ext. 107
Monday to Thursday: 9:00am to 12:30pm
Please call in advance for an appt. during these hours.

Faith Formation Office
(631)587-4717
Mon. to Fri. 9:00am to 4:00pm

Hispanic Office
(631)669-0068 x131
Friday 7:00 to 9:00pm

Outreach Office
(631)669-4544
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:30am to 1:30pm
Other times by appt. (631-669-4544)

Food Pantry
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:30am to 1:30pm
Other times by appt. (631-669-0068 x 128)

Thrift Shop
(631)669-5574
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
10:00am to 3:00pm
Nursery School - (631)661-4559
Youth Ministry - (631)669-0068 x 108
Parish Office Fax - (631)669-9175
WebSite: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Memorials
Memorials: A special “Thank you” to all who have memorialized altar accessories and priest vestments over the past few months. Five of the six priest stoles which were ordered for Advent and Lent have been memorialized (Thank you!). There is one more priest stole and we also have four deacon stoles which will be worn by the Deacons assisting at Mass. All of the stoles are $350.00 each. If anyone would like to memorialize one of the purple stoles, please call Alice at (631)669-0068 Ext. 171.

Unbound
Unbound Advanced Workshop:
Save the dates for the Unbound Advanced Workshop. This workshop is limited to those who have attended the Unbound Conference and / or have attended the eight week basic Unbound: Freedom in Christ Conference Series which was recently completed here at St. Joseph’s. The workshop will be held in Msgr. Nolan Hall from 7:00 – 9:00pm on the following Tuesday evenings: 2/14, 2/21, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28. Please call Jody to register for this life changing workshop at 516-641-6999.

Moving On Group
An ‘After- Bereavement’ Group for Widows and Widowers Presents:

“Are You Stressed?”

Friday, February 17 @ 7:30 pm
For further information please call
Geri Olson  631-661-8994 or
Mike Goodwin 631-422-0957
Lent Mission

Lent 2017 English Mission

(For the Spanish Mission see the Spanish section of the bulletin)

Church of St. Joseph

Monday, March 6th & Tuesday, March 7th

**Topic:** “At the Cross her Station keeping; the Virgin Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy”.

**Presenter:**

Father Hugh Gillespie

Fr. Hugh Gillespie is a Roman Catholic Priest and Missionary belonging to the Company of Mary, the religious community founded by St. Louis de Montfort. Fr. Hugh received his formation at Weston Jesuit School of Theology and Ordained to the Presbyterate on June 10, 2006 at St. Mary Gate of Heaven Church, Ozone Park.

He is the managing editor for Montfort Publications and an itinerant mission preacher and retreat master, also presenting days of recollection, and programs of formation in the spirituality of St. Louis de Montfort – most especially involving the preparation for and living of the Total Consecration of oneself to Jesus through Mary.

In addition, Fr. Hugh is the Moderator for the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts and Spiritual Director for The Legion of Mary - Regina Cordium Praesidium as well as an Advisory Board Member of Real Men Pray the Rosary.

Fr. Gillespie, a dynamic speaker, has traveled throughout the United States and abroad, placing himself at the service of the renewal of the Catholic Church.

**Mission Schedule**

Morning and Evening Talk are the Same

**Monday, March 6th:**
- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Presider – Fr. Gillespie
- 9:30 a.m. Mission Talk
- 7:30 p.m. Mission Talk by Fr. Gillespie with Confessions following

**Tuesday, March 7th:**
- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Presider – Fr. Gillespie
- 9:30 a.m. Mission Talk
- 7:30 p.m. Mission Talk by Fr. Gillespie with hospitality to follow
Annual Adult

St. Patrick – St. Joseph Dinner Dance
Saturday March 4, 2017
7pm-11pm
Church of St. Joseph
Msgr. Nolan Hall
39 N. Carll Ave., Babylon, NY
631-669-0068

Tickets on sale after all Masses Feb. 18/19 and Feb. 25/26
Tickets are also available at the Parish Office (starting Monday, Feb. 6th).

Tickets are $25 per person
Includes: Buffet dinner, beer, wine, soda, coffee, tea,
Irish soda bread and cookies
HURRY: Only 300 tickets will be sold

Music by Tom White and the
“Spin Around Sound”
Entertainment by: “Mise Eire Step Dancers”
and
“AOH Saffron United Pipe Band”
Bring some pocket money for: Raffles and
“50/50”

For information and tickets contact:
Dom (631) 669-1092, Bill (631)539-8734 or
Larry (631)539-8565
Mardi Gras Save the Date

FEBRUARY 28, 2017

Fun for the whole family!!!

$10.00 each (ages 3 and under no charge)

Tickets are now available in the Parish Center

Food, drink, entertainment plus lots more!

6:00-8:30pm in Msgr. Nolan Hall

15-minute children’s Prayer Service
Begins at 6:30

Please bring a dessert to share and come join in the fun!

February 28, 2017
Bible Study

Little Rock Bible Study
The Passion & Resurrection Narratives of Jesus
(Recently Revised Study)

We invite you to join us in a study that is an ideal way to prepare yourself during Lent in order to fully embrace the joys of the Easter season.

The core of our faith incorporates both the pain of the cross and the hope of the resurrection into our daily living.

We will compare the particular insights in the passion and resurrection accounts of the four gospels in a study revised in November of 2016.

7 Sessions † Thursdays, 2/23/17– 4/6/17
7:30pm – 9:00pm † O’Connell Room

$17/person for Study Materials

Please register so materials can be ordered for you.
Contact Carol Pellegrino at 631-587-3511 or jcjmpell@optonline.net

Brought to you by the Adult Enrichment Ministry

Scout Sunday ~ February 12th

Scout Sunday Mass
Sunday Feb 12
9:30am in Msgr. Nolan Hall

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

“God writes straight with crooked lines.” Some may find this ancient proverb confusing but I think its meaning is clear: God is going to get us from point a to point b, though it may be on a route that we didn’t expect. And ultimately point b is our final home, our Father’s Kingdom. Life often does take some unexpected turns. I have found this so true in my life.

As a young man, my wife Evie and I were living in Bohemia and worshipping at the church there, St. John Nepomucene. We loved the church, the priests and pastor and the community. Then we bought a home in Lindenhurst. We began to attend the church in Lindenhurst, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. We found it very different from what we were used to in Bohemia. For some time I resisted attending OLPH, choosing to commute to Bohemia to worship. However, after time we realized our children were beginning to grow and we needed to put down roots in Lindenhurst, especially in the local faith community so we began to attend OLPH. It would turn out to be a life changing decision. I would begin to work in youth ministry in the parish, which would lead to my eventual entry into the diaconate formation program. There were though, more than a few challenges, hurdles and trials along the way. God writes straight with crooked lines.

One of the trials came just before I was to begin the diaconate formation process at the seminary. I had received the full support of the pastor in Lindenhurst to begin the process. This meant I would eventually be ordained a deacon for OLPH. However, one month before I was to start formation I received a call from the Director of Deacons asking me to come to the chancery to speak with him. I was informed the bishops decided I would not be ordained for OLPH (this is how you poor people of St. Joseph got stuck with me)! When I was told this I was devastated. I grew up in Lindenhurst; I’d received all my sacraments in this parish including getting married to my beautiful wife in this church. I envisioned myself working at the parish, serving my sisters and brothers. And now to be told I wouldn’t be there was so disheartening. I thought about dropping out of the program, but something (SOMETHING?) compelled me to continue. God is good!!

In the fifteen years I’ve been here as a deacon I’ve come to love St. Joseph Church in Babylon because of you, my sisters and brothers in faith. I’ve learned so much from you and from the good men I have ministered with, particularly over last twelve years. I have been so blessed! God writes straight with crooked lines!!

Trust our God, sisters and brothers. That doesn’t mean we shouldn’t act; we are called to be people of action. The Beatitude, “Blessed are the peacemakers” (Matt. 5:9) is so often misunderstood. It doesn’t mean we sit idly by doing nothing expecting God to do all the heavy lifting. Did Jesus sit idly by? Recall His words: “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing” (Luke 12:49). Jesus came to bring peace by setting the captives free, by living and proclaiming justice for all. We, too, must be people of action. But pray and seek God’s will and then act knowing our God is with us: “And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age” (Matt. 28:20b).

I don’t know what the future holds or where it will take me. And while I may not understand our Lord’s way, I’ve learned through grace to trust Him. If it should have me take a turn down a crooked path, a new path, I will take all of you with me in my heart and prayers for you are my family.

Friends ask our Lord Jesus Christ for the grace to trust Him, for He loves each of us beyond our understanding! Be people of action, be salt for the earth, light for the world so that your light will shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father (Matt. 5:16). God writes straight with crooked lines.

Deacon Barry
Reflections

A PERFECT MATCH

Perhaps the most comforting aspect of our Catholic faith is the knowledge and understanding that God has a plan for each of us. And in that plan we sometimes get help along the way from someone who steps into our lives for but an instant.

Kate was cruising along in life, enjoying a very fruitful accounting practice, and participating in activities to benefit her family and her community. Her kind and gentle nature made the things she did for others seem very unassuming. Her days were packed with activity, friends, and family, and Kate just could not be happier. She felt as if she were on top of the world.

Greta was a college student in her native Germany. Though a very serious student, Greta still understood that she had a responsibility to consider the needs of others. About a year ago, in fact, Greta and a few of her friends answered a notice on the bulletin board in the school cafeteria to be tested to see if any of them were a match for a bone marrow transplant needed by one of their classmates. None of them were, but they were all happy that they made the effort.

This past September, Kate’s life took an unexpected and abrupt turn: she was diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia. She had been undergoing chemotherapy while a Boston hospital tried to find a match for a transplant. It finally did, and on January 31st a courier arrived from Germany with a satchel containing the bone marrow of Greta which had been taken from her hip bone the day before and flown immediately to Boston’s Brigham and Women’s Hospital. Kate now has Greta’s marrow, will spend the next month in the hospital, and then return home in basic isolation for ten to twelve months, where she will be allowed visits from only her parents, sister, and aunt since the risk of infection to her fragile system is great.

Fortunately Kate is a person of great faith, a gift she received from and nurtured by her very close knit family. With the prayers of many (including ours, I would ask), Kate will walk the road that God has designed for her, knowing that He is with her every step of the way and thankful that such a caring person as Greta will now be a part of her life...literally.

Will Kate and Greta ever meet? One can only wonder. What is known is that Kate’s faith and trust in God are helping her face an enormous challenge and that Greta was able to answer Jesus’ call. “…I was sick and you visited me…” (Matthew, 25:36) when she agreed to give a part of herself to someone continents away.

God places people in our lives at different times and for different durations to reveal His Love for us. Kate has always had her family; Greta is a new addition. Now all of them will be a part of her life forever.

PRAYER

Generous and Loving God, our prayer today is simple: Please take care of Kate and Greta who have shown us in dramatically different ways that Your Grace is abundant and ongoing. We need only to request it. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Becum Maker

Stewardship...

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who make the conscientious and firm decision to conduct their lives as a follower of Jesus, regardless of the cost.
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”

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

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: Dorothy Buckley 631-539-8522

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 McDonnell #1403
Social Ministries

Thank you for your Food Pantry Donations!

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:

- Apple Juice
- Coffee
- Mayonnaise
- Jelly
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Pasta Sauce
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Large Toothpaste
- Large Shampoo
- Large Soap/Body Wash

Gift Cards from supermarkets are in demand and would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your past and future donations.

The State University of New York ATTAIN (Advanced Technology Training and Information Networking) is a statewide project offering an assortment of academic, occupational, and employability courses through state of the art technology labs. These courses are geared to introduce as well as supplement student participants with educational & vocational skills through advanced technology training for a high-demanding technological world.

Open to All - No Cost to Participants ~ here are just a few courses listed:

- ESL
  - English Language Learning System (ELLIS)
  - Vocabulary
  - Reading
  - Writing

- Microsoft Digital Literacy
  - Computer Basics
  - Internet/World Wide Web
  - Productivity Programs
  - Computer Security & Privacy
  - Digital Lifestyle
  - Microsoft Certification (MOS & MTA)
  - Microsoft Office 2013 (MOS)
  - Word (Core & Expert)
  - Excel (Core & Expert)
  - PowerPoint
  - Access

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(516) 489-8705 ext. 21
www.hmp.sunyeoc.org/calendar

Thrift Shop Sale News

The Thrift shop opening date coming very soon.

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

St. Vincent de Paul

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

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in conjunction with the Babylon Rotary, will be collecting food at Stop and Shop on Montauk Highway in West Babylon this Sunday, February 12, from 9:00 to 3:00. All these donations will come to our Food Pantry at St. Joseph’s Outreach, to be given to our neighbors in need.
Visit our website @ www.stjosephsbabylon.org for information regarding upcoming meetings, events and other parish news. You may find all the information in our handbook on the website.

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.

Level 7 Community Service Pledges are due at any Mass this weekend.

Some friendly reminders for children attending Masses on the weekends:
- The weekend Masses begin on Saturday at 5pm and continue through the 5pm Sunday Mass. Please see the inside cover of the bulletin for Mass times.
- Remember to bring your Mass Attendance envelopes and print all your children’s names on one envelope (print clearly and include your last name).
- Extra envelopes can be found in the FF Office or in the back of the Church or Hall (ask an usher if you can’t find one).
- Place the envelope in the collection basket.
- If attending Mass in another parish, please print your children’s names on the bulletin cover and hand it in to the FF Office within two weeks.

Instructional Mass for Levels 3 & 4 – Monday, February 13th @ 6pm in Nolan Hall. Please remember to bring your Mass attendance envelope and place it in the basket as you enter. Extra envelopes will be available if needed.

Mardi Gras – will be held on Tuesday, February 28th in Nolan Hall – The Faith Formation is collecting monetary donations to purchase raffle baskets. Please bring any donations to the Faith Formation Office by Friday, February 17th.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed the week of February 20th for winter recess.
Youth Ministry is open to all in grades 6—12.
Some activities are grade-specific. Many are open to all.
Check the website for our Calendar of Events!
www.stjosephsbabylon.org/calendar-1

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEENS  (Grades 6, 7, 8)
We meet most every Wednesday Night from 7:30—8:30 in Room 260.
Some nights we just hang out & chat, others we work on service projects, talk about our faith,
challenge each other with Minute to Win It games or Star Wars Chess.
We also have monthly PBJ Gang and Open Gym Nights.

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS  (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)
Monday Nights  7—8:30pm in the Madonna Room.
PBJ Gang, Soup Kitchen, Gym Night, Prayer & Fun
  Box City. Helping the Homeless. Feeding the Hungry. Steubenville NYC.
  Cruise to Nowhere!

PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS
Everyone’s help is welcome in Youth Ministry!
Please call Barbara McNulty at 631-669-0068 ext 108
or email youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

GRADERS 6—12
We Welcome. We Worship. We Witness.

Need Service Hours?
Community Service is a big part of putting our Faith into Action!
Join the Service Team and find out where you can help.
Registration Form and details are on the website—
http://www.stjosephsbabylon.org/community-service
For Young Adults: Small Group (Ages 21 to 28)

What's a small group? It's an opportunity to connect with God and form great friendships with like-minded young adults. It's a chance to explore your spiritual side and learn more about the positive difference Jesus Christ can make in your life.

Jesus' way of life cannot be learned alone so Small Groups help give you the support, insight and encouragement you need to grow in your faith -- they take Church beyond Sunday. If you want to grow as a person and are intrigued by the idea of forming deeper relationships that grow from a shared love of Christ, then joining a Small Group might be just what you're looking for.

Small Groups will begin to meet on February 23, March 2, 9, 23 and 30 in the Pastoral Center, 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, at 7:30pm. If you are interested in joining this Small Group, please contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org or 516-678-5800, ext. 615. The Small Group will be limited to 10 participants, so please register no later than February 19th.

All Youth – 8th through 12th Grades are invited to our Diocesan Youth Rally on Saturday, March 4th from 10am to 3pm. Join other youth from around the diocese for a day of faith, community and fun! Our guest speaker is Paul J. Kim. Paul is a dynamic speaker and musician with a powerful message of faith, hope and love. The way he presents is a rare gift to witness and has impacted people of all ages throughout the country – moving audiences from laughter in one moment, to deep reflection and prayer in another. Paul utilizes his many talents to communicate the Gospel to young people in a way that is engaging, entertaining and inspiring. For more information or to register, contact Barbara McNulty at 631-669-0068 ext 108.

Questions? Please contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org or 516-678-5800, ext. 615
Winter Doldrums FOOD FOR THOUGHT . . . . . JOIN 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! Directors phone numbers are below. You may also consult the parish website for more information: stjosephsbabylon.org.

**Folk Group**
- **Mass:** Saturday 5:00 PM in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** 4:15 PM (prior to mass in the church)
- **Ensemble Season:** All year
- **Director:** Alicia Hunt, 516-729-2380

Singers, guitarists and other instrumentalists are invited to come any Sunday.

**Angels and Saints** (Grades 2-12)
- **Mass:** Sunday 9:30 AM Family Mass in the hall.
- **Rehearsal:** 8:45 AM (prior to mass in the hall)
- **Ensemble Season:** September to June
- **Director:** Ann Marie Pillsworth, 631-277-0523

All are welcome to join us weekly at the 9:30 am Family Mass (Music Season: mid-September to mid-June). No vocal auditions are necessary. Student wind and string instrumentalists are also welcome!

**St. Joseph Choir** (minimum age: 14)
- **Mass:** Sunday 10:15 AM in the Church
- **Rehearsal:** Thursdays, 7:15 PM, Room 254 of the Parish Center
- **Ensemble Season:** September to June
- **Director:** Dr. Marie Drohan, 631-539-0957 - Email: musicdirector@stjosephsbabylon.org

All voice types: sopranos; altos; tenors; baritones; are invited to join this 35 voice choir in the singing of 4-8 part majestic choral music in preparation of Sunday mass and Holy Week 2017.

**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)
- **Ensemble Season:** All year
- **Director:** Ben Myers, 631-455-0365

Interested teen singers and instrumentalists are invited to call the director for joining or see him after mass. We are accepting donations of musical instruments.

**Contemporary Music Ensemble**
- **Mass:** Sunday 11:45 in the church.
- **Rehearsal:** Wednesdays 7 - 9 (in the church)
- **Ensemble Season:** All year
- **Directors:** Stephen Yusko -Email - stesoyusko@gmail.com /Stephen Martino

We are in need of a bass player, if you are interested, please contact Stephen Yusko. Our members are committed to meet weekly for practice as we prepare new arrangements and add to our repertoire.
BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

**Saturday, March 11th**

**Paint Night**

7—9:30 pm in the O’Connell Room
Join us for an evening of fun,
and bring out your inner artist!

Paint n sip while supporting Youth Group.
Raffles and snacks available for purchase.

**Tickets $40—only limited number available.**
Can purchase tickets in the Parish Office.
Please make check payable to: St Joseph’s Youth Ministry.
**Sorry, no tickets sold at door.**

Call Barbara McNulty with any questions at 631-669-0068 ext 108 or email at youth@stjosephsbabylon.org

*Help our Youth Group raise funds for upcoming retreats and Leadership Training Sessions!*
The Sociable Singles

St. Joseph’s
Sociable
Single Seniors

Next meeting for Sociable Single Seniors is Wednesday, February 15, 2017. Dinner is Italian food and cost is $15.00 per person. Checks payable to St. Joseph RC Church and mailed by 2/11/17 to Lorraine DeCanditis. For further information contact Lorraine at 631-553-0160. Please see website for future events www.stjosephsbabylon.org.

Book Club News

Meeting on Thursday, March 9th, 2017 at 7:30pm in Room 255. The Winter Book discussion will be on “The Train to Crystal City” by Jan Jarboe Russell. All are Welcome!

Honor Roll News

The following student parishioners have earned Honor Roll status during the first trimester of the 2016/17 school year at Kellenberg Memorial High School.

Congratulations, we are very proud of you and pray that God will continue to bless your studies.

Peace and blessings,

Zachary Baldassare
Anthony Barbara
Alec Gany
Helen Hansen
Kali Maroney

Eucharistic Ministers Meeting

Next Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Our next meeting is Saturday, February 25th in the O’Connell Room after the 9am Mass. Please mark your calendar and try to attend. Thank You!
**REFLEXION**

La Administración de Nuestro Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro como Bienes de Dios implica más que el regalo que llevamos al altar. La lectura de hoy dice claramente que es la fidelidad a la ley de Dios la que hace aceptable nuestra ofrenda.

Estamos agradecidos esta semana por todos los mayordomos de nuestra parroquia que hacen la concienzuda y firme Decisión de llevar sus vidas como un seguidor de Jesús, independientemente del costo.

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Por aquellos para quienes la edad se ha convertido en una carga, para que podamos apreciarlos, aprender, proteger y nutrirlos todos los días,

Oramos al Señor,
Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

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**La Paz empieza con Nosotros**

No nos convertimos en un crisol pero sí en un hermoso mosaico.

Gente diferente,
diferentes creencias,
diferentes anhelos,
diferentes esperanzas,
diferentes sueños.

- Jimmy Carter,
39º Presidente de los Estados Unidos

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**CURSO BIBLICO**

TODOS LOS MARTES DE:
7:30PM — 9:30PM
SALON # 256 Por favor llamar a
Antonia Robles (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.

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS: (RICA)**

**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.

**UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS:** Llamar a la oficina principal (631)669-0068 Ext. 100.

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

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

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

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

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

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

**EL APOSTOLADO DE LA CRUZ:** Todos los jueves de 9:00 - 11:00am en el Salón # 252A. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari al Tel. (631) 681-0005 o Luz Marina López al (631)321-6861.

**INTENCIONES PARA UNA MISA:** Ver a Herminda y Ana Elia López después de la misa.

**HORA SANTA:** Cuarto domingo del mes. 12:30pm

**MONAGUILLOS O ACOLITOS:** Ver a Felipe y Claudia Rodas. Deben haber recibido la Primera Comunión. (516) 203-5221.
El Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad

Próximo Cursillo de caballeros del 23 al 26 de Febrero.

Para más información llame a Cristina Vera @ (631) 327–6141.

Noticias del V Encuentro
NACIONAL DE LA PASTORAL HISPANA/LATINA:
2017 año de los encuentros parroquiales y diocesanos

*Ya salió la guía para las cinco sesiones a llevarse a cabo en las parroquias. De enero a junio. Se han distribuido a los miembros del equipo parroquial. Si no la ha adquirido la puede descargar en el siguiente enlace.

http://vencuentro.org/v-encuentro-documents/

Horario para la Catequesis en Español
2016 - 2017
DOMINGOS
10:00AM — 11:00AM

FECHAS DE LOS EVENTOS

Miércoles de Cenizas
1 de marzo de 2017

Jueves Santo
13 de abril de 2017

Vía Crucis en el Lago “Argyle” Padres/estudiantes
14 de abril de 2017 a la 1:00pm

Reconciliación y ensayo candidatos de la Vigilia
15 de abril de 2017 a las 10:00am

Vigilia Pascual
15 de abril de 2017 a las 8:00pm

Reconciliación y Ensayo Primera Comunión
6 de mayo de 2017 a las 10:00am

Primera Comunión
7 de mayo de 2017 @ 11:30am

Confirmación 2017
4 de junio de 2017 @ 11:30am

EL MOVIMIENTO FAMILIAR CRISTIANO CATÓLICO DE U.S.A
TE INVITA AL ENCUENTRO CONYUGAL - RETIRO DE PAREJAS EN CASA DE RETIRO ENMANUEL
10 AL 12 DE FEBRERO

Para mas información llamar a:
Rudolfo y Aracely González (516) 395-1041,
Blanca y Neptali Zuna (516) 554-4503
María Teresa y David Torres (516) 965-7311,
Eddie y Arely Cantos (917)385-0236
MISION DE CUARESMA 2017

Iglesia de San José
Miércoles, 8 & jueves, 9 de marzo

Tópico: “Vigilante en la Cruz, La Virgen María, Reina y Madre de Misericordia”.

Moderador:
Padre Hugh Gillespie

El Padre Hugh Gillespie es un sacerdote y misionero católico perteneciente a la Compañía de María, comunidad religiosa fundada por San Luis de Montfort. Fr. Hugh recibió su formación en la Escuela Jesoníaca de Weston de Teología y se ordenó al Presbiterio el 10 de junio de 2006 en la Iglesia de St. Mary Gate of Heaven, en Ozone Park.

Es el editor gerente de Montfort Publications y un predicador de misión itinerante y moderador de retiros, también presenta días de recolección y programas de formación en la espiritualidad de San Luis de Montfort, especialmente en lo que respecta a la preparación y la vida de la Consagración Total de sí mismo a Jesús a través de María.

Además, el Padre Hugh es el Moderador de la Asociación de María, Reina de Todos los Corazones y Director Espiritual de la Legión de María - Regina Cordium Praesidium, así como un miembro de la Junta Consultiva de Hombres Rezamos el Rosario.

Fr. Gillespie, es un orador dinámico, ha viajado por los Estados Unidos y el extranjero, poniéndose al servicio de la renovación de la Iglesia Católica.

Horario de la Misión

Miércoles, 8 de marzo @ 7:30 p.m. Padre Gillespie
Seguido de la Confesión

Jueves, 9 de marzo @ 7:30pm. Padre Gillespie
Seguido de la Hospitalidad