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

February 19, 2017 ~ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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,

Next Wednesday, March 1st, we start the holy season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. At the doors of the church and hall there will be baskets of nails. We invite everyone to take one home with them and to carry it with you throughout the season of Lent. My hope is that it will be a source of reflection for us until Good Friday at which time we will return the nail as we venerate the cross. The nail reminds us of the incredible, awesome and total love of Christ for us. Jesus embraced the cross and was nailed to it out of love in order to save us. He offered up His suffering to the Father and in turn it redeemed the whole world. As we carry this nail through Lent may we unite our suffering to the suffering of Jesus as we offer it to the Father. St. John Vianney said, “Suffering not offered up to God is wasted suffering.” Our suffering can be redemptive for others if we offer it to God. What does that concretely look like? While you are going through something difficult (however large or small) or any kind of discomfort say to Jesus, I unite my suffering to yours that you may perfect my offering as we offer it to the Father for __________ (here is where you say who or what you want to offer this suffering up for). Even our suffering and sacrifices can be prayer.

Please join us for our Mardi Gras celebration next Tuesday, February 28th at 6:30pm in the hall. Get your tickets today.

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the St. Patrick and St. Joseph dinner dance on Sat., March 4th at 7pm in the hall. I pray you can join us. As parish family it’s important that we pray together and play together.

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 20
Sir 1:1–10, Ps 93:1-2,5, Mk 9:14–29
7:45 No mass - Holiday
9:00 Henry Abrami

Tuesday, February 21
7:45 Rosario Scro
9:00 Sister Anne Marie Dean C.S.J.

Wednesday, February 22
1 Pt 5:1–4, Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6, Mt 16:13–19
7:45 For the Intentions of Our Lady
9:00 Annabelle Milano
Chester Williams
Frank DeSalvo

Thursday, February 23
Sir 5:1–8, Ps 1:1-4, 6, Mk 9:41–50
7:45 Barty Dempsey
9:00 Elizabeth Burderi

Friday, February 24
Sir 6:5–17, Ps 119:12, 18, 27, 34-35, Mk 10:1–12
7:45 Peter Capitain
9:00 Dorothy Anne Tempera

Saturday, February 25
Sir 17:1–15, Ps 103:13-18, Mk 10:13–16
9:00 Salvatore Gambino

At this Eucharist, we will have the Communal Anointing and the Blessing of the Sick, Families and Caregivers. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for those who have not already been anointed during a particular illness or burdensome condition. Those already anointed, family members, friends and caregivers are welcome to join us at the Eucharist that morning and receive the Blessing of the Sick or the Blessing of Family, Friends and Caregivers.

Weekend Celebrations  (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today  Fr. Joe
5:00 Manuel M. German MD  Fr. Ethel
Sylvester Brady
June C. Garry

Sunday, February 26 ~ Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 49:14–15, Ps 62:2-3, 6-9, 1 Cor 4:1–5, Mt 6:24–34
7:00 People of St. Joseph  Fr. Joe
8:45 People of St. Joseph  Fr. Charles
9:30 Marie Pepe  Fr. Francis
10:15 Arthur & Mary Linden  Fr. Ethel
12:00 Margaret Gazzaoed & Nina Montuori  Fr. Charles
5:00 Barbara Donovan  Fr. Francis
Our Parish Mission Statement

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

We Welcome. We Worship. We Witness.

Liturgy

We Assemble for Prayer

The Eucharist
Each day and each weekend, we celebrate the Eucharist, the Summit & Source of Catholic Christian Spirituality.

Rosary
We pray the Rosary before the 9:00am Eucharist Mondays through Saturdays.

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

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.

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 Joshua Insull
LTC John Kallo
SSG David C. Ray
Eric Stein
LTC Jon J. Uebel
PVz Danny Bornschein
Sgt Edwin Zambrano
PFC Dominick Pittito
Capt. Stephen Scuderi
PFC Mark Ospina
Lt. Joseph A. Vanderveldt, II
2LT Anthony C. DiBiasi
PVz Alexandra Diaz

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

Sacrificial Giving

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

2/12/17
Actual Collection $24,271.00
Budgeted Collection $22,750.00
+ 1,521

God Bless You!

Parish Center News

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, February 20th, 2017 for Presidents’ 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

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.

Ashes will be distributed at the following Masses on Wednesday, March 1st:
7:45am, 9am, 12:15pm & 7:30pm
All these Masses will be in English and held in the Church.
We will also have prayer services with Ashes at 3:45pm & 5:15pm in Nolan Hall.
They will be covered by a Deacon in English.
We will have a 7:30pm Mass in Nolan Hall, that Mass will be in Spanish.
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
Mardi Gras Save the Date

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017
6:00–8:30PM IN MSGR. NOLAN HALL

Fun for the whole family!!!

$10.00 each (ages 3 and under no charge)

Tickets are now available in the Parish Center until Friday, February 24th. No tickets will be sold at the door. Food, drink, entertainment plus lots more!

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

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

ST. PATRICK – ST. JOSEPH
DINNER DANCE
SATURDAY MARCH 4, 2017
7PM-11PM
CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH
MGR. 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

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
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
A Second Chance

By: Billy Graham

Georgia Tech played the University of California in the 1929 Rose Bowl. In the game a player recovered a fumble, but became confused and ran the wrong way. A teammate tackled him just before he would have scored a touchdown against his own team. At halftime all of the players went into the dressing room and sat down, wondering what the coach would say. This young man sat by himself, put a towel over his head, and cried.

When the team was ready to go back onto the field for the second half, the coach stunned the team when he announced that the same players who had started the first half would start the second. All of the players left the dressing room except this young man. He would not budge. The coach looked back as he called him again, and saw that his cheeks were wet with tears. The player said, “Coach, I can’t do it. I’ve ruined you. I’ve disgraced the University of California. I can’t face the crowd in the stadium again.”

Then the coach put his hand on the player’s shoulder and said, “Get up and go back in. The game is only half over.”

When I think of the story, deep inside I say, “What a coach!” When I read the story of Jonah [in the Bible], and the stories of thousands like him, I say, “To think that God would give me another chance!”
Reflections

PERHAPS NOT SO ORDINARY

Advent and the Christmastime have just passed, and, before we know it, the Lenten Season will be upon us. Then it will be the Triduum and Easter. All of these liturgical seasons have significant milestones and days within their particular periods that are significant in the development of our spiritual life. These seasons are also times that bring many Catholics to the sacraments, and that is clearly something that the Church intends to engender.

Now we find ourselves in what the Church calls Ordinary Time. Sounds pretty boring, doesn’t it? It is really far from that. While colors of the vestments are particular to what is occurring during each liturgical season, we see green vestments during Ordinary Time, unless there is a particular saint’s day that we observe. In the secular world the color green is often associated with growing. This is especially true in our neck of the woods where we have four seasons and (well, so far not this time) quite often the snow covers the ground and the promise of warmer weather only comes along when the trees and grass start to turn green. And so it is with the Catholic Church. The green vestments that we see in Ordinary Time signify the rebirth of our faith and the hope of salvation. The readings in Ordinary Time are focused on the public life of Jesus: his teachings, his miracles, and all of the events that led to His passion and death.

Think about this: in the other liturgical seasons it’s either feast or famine...literally. We have great meals and are in happy moods during Easter and Christmas, yet we are more reflective and far less self-indulgent (or we should be) during Advent, Lent, and the Triduum. In one way, Ordinary Time might be the best time for us as Catholics because we can really pay more attention to what our lives should be like without the trappings associated with the other liturgical seasons. In addition, the readings in Ordinary Time describe the beginnings of the God’s Church on earth. Pope Francis has called us to spread the Good News by evangelizing in ways that are comfortable (and not so comfortable) for us. Might we answer this call during this longest of the liturgical seasons?

The life of Christ is one that we have been asked to follow so that we can share the eternal happiness with Him, His Father, and the Holy Spirit. Let’s use Ordinary Time to accomplish this extraordinary opportunity.

PRAYER

Provident God, Your Son founded the Catholic Church so that we...some two millennia later...would have a blueprint to help us on our path to You for eternity. Give us the Grace we need to hear the words of Ordinary Time in the first readings and Gospels which remind us how Christ taught, healed, and loved as He walked among the saints and sinners of His day. Let us do try to do the very same. This we ask in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Stewardship Sound Byte

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to see the humanity in everyone, not by judging others, but rather by serving them.
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

Save The Date
71st Annual Communion Breakfast on Saturday, May 20th, 2017.
More details to come soon.

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
**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
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Cleansing wipes
- Razors
- Deodorant

**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.**

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**Social Ministries**

**Outreach**

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**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.

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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.

Last week members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society collected food at Stop and Shop in Babylon and brought it back to St. Joseph’s Outreach. Though the weather was terrible, we were pleasantly surprised at the amount of food collected on a very cold and rainy day. The Babylon Rotary members assisted us for 6 hours. Thank you to the Rotary for help on this less than pleasant day and also to all parishioners that donated food that day.

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The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 9:45am in room 256 of the parish center. 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.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed Monday, February 20th and Friday, February 24 for the winter recess. There are no faith formation classes the week of February 20th.

There are no faith formation classes on Tuesday, February 28th due to Mardi Gras and Wednesday, March 1st due to Ash Wednesday.

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.

Level 6 Interview Sheets are due at any Mass the weekend of March 4th & 5th.

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.

My Good Deed for the week was: Reeve helped his daddy do “man work”, Emma made bologna sandwiches for the poor, Jana helped her teacher, Matthew asked guests at his house if they wanted anything, Ava helped her brother clean his room without being asked, Connor went to confession, Julia picked up a little kid who needed help, the Hansen family participated in the March for Life and Cory was thankful for his new watch.
UPCOMING EVENTS
Always check the website: www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Feb 18-19 Overnite Lock In—Please keep us in your prayers.

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED Feb 20—26……..enjoy winter break with your family.

Saturday, March 4th 10am—3pm …PAUL J KIM is coming to Long Island!
Last chance to get your tickets—8th grade and up.
E-MAIL youth@stjosephsbabylon.org to reserve your seat.

A wonderful treat! Some of our College—and post-College Youth Group Teens have been stopping by to visit.
Please keep them in your prayers.
Some are still studying—others are searching for Employment—want to hire someone?
Support our Yong Adults! Give me a call!!

As we celebrated Valentine’s Day and remembered those we love—it’s important that we also take the time to Thank those who pray for and support this Ministry:

THANK YOU to everyone who has purchased a ticket for our Paint Night Fundraiser!
We still have some seats available—you can get your ticket in the Parish Office
Saturday 3/11  Cost: $40 check payable to St Joseph’s Youth Ministry
Paint N Sip while bringing out your inner artist—and helping our Teens at the same time.
Donations are still be accepted for our Raffle Baskets.

SPECIAL THANKS to our KofC for their continued support both prayerfully and financially of our Youth Ministry!

There are many Parishioners who continue to Support and Encourage our Teens—
—We have received Scholarship funds—enabling Teens to go on an overnight Lock-In
And a wonderful upcoming Diocesan Youth Day!

—Peanutbutter & Jelly is continually dropped in my office.
—Prayers are said for our Teens on a daily Basis by our Parish Prayer Groups.
And others like: Liz & Joe, Janet, Diana, Uris, Diane, Pat, Sarah, Patricia, Roseanne, Paula, Denise—and many more—help out behind the scenes and help to keep me personally motivated, and this Ministry moving forward.

Thank you for your ongoing support and the wonderful way you lead your own Teens by example!
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.

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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.
Music Ministry

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 and speak to me any Saturday.

Angels and Saints (Grades 2-12)
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.
Paint Night at St. Joseph

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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!
This is an adult-only evening. Thank you.

Endow

Please join us for ENDOW this spring!

Now is the time to join the exciting educational ministry that brings women together to pray study, learn, share, and laugh! Enjoy the faith and fellowship! Each course is 8 weeks long (and there is no homework!).

There will be two course offerings on Monday evenings:

Name of Class: Light of the Nations. This course offering asks the questions: What does the modern church look like? What are woman supposed to be to the world in our current culture?

Name of Class: Mother of the Redeemer. We come to know Mary, our mother, as the ultimate witness of the feminine genius.

Location: St. Joseph Parish Center
Time: Mondays from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (8 weeks with no session on Easter Monday)
Start Date: March 13, 2017

For more information call Sally Pokorney at (631) 379-3863 or visit our parish website: stjosephsbabylon.org.

Register for classes at the national ENDOW website www.EndowGroups.org

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The loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation is one of life’s most traumatic experiences, often resulting in feelings of loneliness and grief. When these feelings remain, they can become overwhelming and hard to move forward. The **Beginning Experience** is a grace-filled time to focus on you: to be understood by peers and to experience a sense of peace and renewed hope for the future. The next weekend will take place on **February 24 – 26 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore.** For more information and reservations, call Mary at 516-413-6029, Jim at 718-474-3779 or John at 516-822-0635.

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**Diocese of Rockville Centre**  
**Office of Faith Formation**

**Baptism Preparation Facilitator Training II**

**Location:** St. Elizabeth  
175 Wolf Hill Rd, Melville, NY 11747

**Instructor:** Ellen Zafonte

**Dates:** Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 29 & April 5, 2017  7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

**Cost:** $40.00 per person

**Register Online**  
[www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org)

If you have any questions contact Ellen Zafonte at 516-678-5800 ext. 506

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**Extraordinary Ministers Meeting**

**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!
LAS HORAS DE OFICINA DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO SON:
DOMINGOS DESPUÉS DE LA MISA
FONO: (631) 669-0068 Ext. 131

**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) 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.

**MATEMORNO:** 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 Últreya 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 mas 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.

**HERMANAS UNIDAS:** Todos los segundos domingo de cada mes, en el salón # 256. Para la agenda, llamar a Ana Robles al Tel. (631)617-2129.

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

**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

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

**Intercesiones por la Vida**
Por todas las madres y especialmente para los que esperan el nacimiento de su hijo: que por la intercesión de la Madre de Dios puedan crecer en el amor de su hijo todos los días;
Roguemos al Señor, Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

**LA PAZ EMPIEZA CON NOSOTROS**
Un día nuestros descendientes van a pensar que es increíble que prestemos tanta atención a cosas como la cantidad de melanina en nuestra piel o la forma de nuestros ojos o nuestro género.
En lugar de las identidades únicas de cada uno de nosotros como seres humanos complejos.

**REFLEXION**
En la primera lectura de hoy, los Israelitas son exhortados a amar a su prójimo como a sí mismos. En el Evangelio, Jesús explica como debemos hacer esto dar generosamente a quienes nos lo piden y no volver nuestras espaldas a aquellos que solicitan un préstamo.
Estamos agradecidos esta semana por todos los administradores de nuestra parroquia que se esfuerzan por ver la humanidad en todos, no por juzgar a otros, sino por servirlos.
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/
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**Tópico:** “Vigilante en la Cruz, La Virgen María, Reina y Madre de Misericordia”.

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**Horario de la Misión**

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

Jueves, 9 de marzo @ 7:30pm.  
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