July 14, 2019~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastoral Team

Rev. Jason U. Grisafi, Pastor
Rev. Ethel Anarado, Associate Pastor
Rev. David Atanasio, In Residence
Rev. Francis A. Samuel, O.I.C. Resident/Associate
Deacon Michael J. Leyden
Deacon John F. Sullivan
Deacon Julio Murillo
Deacon Stephen Yusko
Dr. Marie Drohan, Music Director
Mrs. Barbara McNulty, Pastoral Associate
Ms. Claire Moulé, Faith Formation
Ms. Anna Rose Regan, Business Manager
Mrs. Patricia Taggart, Nursery School
Mrs. Sigrid Villalobos A., Parish Social Ministry

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.

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- Family Mass
11:30am (en Espanol)

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

We Assemble for Prayer

Rosary
Every Monday at 8:20am we pray the Patriotic Rosary.
Before the 9:00am Eucharist Tuesdays through Saturdays we pray the Rosary.

Miraculous Medal Novena
We pray this at the 7:45am & 9am Mass every Tuesday.

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 Chapel.

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

Newly Baptized
Reese Riley Florez, Tyler John Fontana, James Patrick Hickey, Matteo Vincenzo LoRusso

Prepared for Marriage
Banns Posted

First Time ~
No Banns

Second Time ~
Timothy Greco, Jr. & Kiera Haas
Alexander Kulick & Barbara Maier
Cory Rugen & Alexis Farrell

Third Time ~
Craig Blanchato & Megan Tamborrino
Patrick McKeon & Kaitlin Demonaco
Alexander Marange & Jessica Hofmann

For Our Sick
Please remember in your prayers the sick of our Parish:
Nancy Ruff, Anna Marcellus, Jeannette Levasseur, Attracta Roche, Charles Chertiza, Joseph Hovanec, Frank Peterson, Steve Peterson, Diana Peterson, Martin Kennedy, Judythe Picini, Annie Caputo, Michael Hayden, Terrence McGoldrick, Michael Marano, Michael Schauer, Stephanie Diaz, Michelle Diaz, Aidan Peña, Raymond Diaz, Christian Lavoie, Patty Orzano, Maria Azicri, Monica Restrepo, Evelyn Scalise, Madison Milio, Patrick Cantwell, Louis Scalise, Christine Lynn, Lisamarie Hulsen, Edward Henry, Raymond Watt, and Viola.

Altar Rose
In Memory of Maryann Arcese

At this Mass, we remember
Monday, July 15~
Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34-11:1
7:45 Ronald & Stella Perzanowski
9:00 Christina & Kenneth Bird

Tuesday, July 16~
Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
7:45 Julia Bravo
9:00 For the Intention of Bertha Ballerano

Wednesday, July 17~
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
7:45 For the intention of Janine Cassiere
9:00 Thomas W. De Rosa

Thursday, July 18~
Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105: 1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
7:45 People of Saint Joseph
9:00 People of Saint Joseph

Friday, July 19~
Ex 11:10-12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Mt 12:1-8
7:45 Hugh Leitch
9:00 Thomas Jordan

Saturday, July 20~
Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21
9:00 Victor & Margaret Scalfuro

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Erno
5:00 John Hargraves & Vincent & Rosemary De Martino Fr. Erno

Joseph Shenker

Sunday, July 21~ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42
7:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Erno
8:45 Henry Abrami Fr. Jason
9:30 Felicisima David-Quines Fr. Erno
10:15 Dolores J. Jederlinic Fr. Jason
11:30 (Español-NH) Visiting Priest
12:00 John F. O’Hanlon Fr. Jason
5:00 Phyllis Castornia Fr. Jason

Eucharistic Minister Teams:
Weekend of July 13/14 Team A
Weekend of July 20/21 Team B
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week we will reflect on a larger selection of text than in previous weeks. This is because I would like us to consider how various theological truths can come together to affirm a single doctrine. The lines we are considering are commenting on what we believe about Jesus Christ. It states that we believe Him to be, “the Only Begotten Son of God, born from the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God.” Each of these statements, in their own way, contributes to belief that Jesus Christ is God, but is distinct from the Father. We may think this is obvious, but that was not always so. We will consider the historical circumstances of the composition of the Nicene Creed next week, but it suffices to say that the doctrine of the Trinity, that there is one God who is three distinct Persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - was not always held universally. It is precisely at this moment in history, with the profession of the Nicene Creed, that the Church unequivocally proclaims this to be a theologically revealed truth about God.

And so, we first see some statements that distinguish the Father and the Son, calling Jesus the “Only Begotten,” “Son of God,” and “born of the Father.” But then we see statements that speak of their oneness, as we proclaim the Son to be “God from God,” “Light from Light,” “true God from true God.” In each of these phrases we encounter a wonderful harmony of the revelation of both the Old and the New Testaments. Let us take one as an example, “Light from Light.”

In the Old Testament, God’s presence is often made known by light, lightning or fire. We can start with the act of creation. Since every creation reflects its creator in some way, we can look to how God is first reflected in His creation. What does He create on the first day? Light (cf. Gen 1). When God makes a covenant with Abram, and wants to give a visible representation of His presence, how does He appear? As fire (cf. Gen 15). The same substance of fire is used when God reveals Himself to Moses (cf. Ex. 3). When the people Israel enter into the covenant with God, and He manifests Himself before Moses and some elders, Scripture says that “the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on top of the mountain” (Ex. 24:17). When Moses speaks with God he always returns with his face shining so brightly that he needs to wear a veil to speak with the people (cf. Ex. 34:29-35). Similar imagery can be found throughout the book of Ezekiel. Finally, we can look at how the verbs that describe God’s actions are words we associate with light: Psalm 94 asks for God to “shine forth,” and Psalm 50 says that God has “shone forth.” The prophet Habakkuk says that God’s “brightness was like the light, rays flashed from His hand” (3:4). We could keep going, but I hope these examples provide sufficient evidence that light is one of the important visual images for God in the Old Testament. And so John, reflecting in the New Testament, can say that, “God is Light” (1 Jn. 1:5).

What does this mean when we see that same John says that John the Baptist, “was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light” and that, at the incarnation of the Word, “the true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world” (cf. Jn. 1)? What does Jesus say about Himself when He proclaims, “I am the light of the world” (Jn. 8:12)? Is there a connection between that and the way Jesus heals the man born blind in the next chapter of Johns Gospel? Can we see what is revealed about Christ’s nature during the Transfiguration when “His garments became glistening, intensely white” (Mk. 9:3)? Truly we can see the Scriptural foundations of the statement that the Son of God is “Light from Light,” and that this means that, while the Son is not the Father, that they are one, one light. Such an investigation could be done with any of the other statements.

And so we can ask, if the Father and the Son are united, but distinct, how, exactly, are they related? This is hinted at in the expression “before all ages,” the one line we did not consider yet, but it will be made much more explicit in our reflection next week, when we consider the all-important word “consubstantial.”

In Christ,
fr. Jason
Sacrificial Giving
Thank you for your generosity in returning to God and God's work some of what God has given to you.

7/7/2019
Collection $ 20,438
Last year $ 22,560.00
God Bless You!

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

U.S. Navy:
Lt.Cdr. Michael Catalano
Lt. John T. Izzo
Lt. Caroline Mayer
Lt. Dylan Kelly
MA2 William S. Martha
PO1 Rasheen Tice
PO2 Kristen Tice
PO3 Matthew Waldron
E3 Nicholas Ruf

U.S.M.C.:
Capt. Matthew Witcosky
1st Lt Marc Anthony Parrino
1st Lt R.J. Parrino
Sgt. Lauren Colantropo
Cpl Alyssa E. Grimaldi
Pfc Joshua J. Coughlin
Malik Rodriguez
Nelson Sanchez, Jr.

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

U.S. Army:
LTC John Kallo
LTC Jon J. Uebel
Capt. Stephen Scuderi
1Lt Mark Barbera
2Lt Anthony C. DiBiasi
LT Joseph A. Vanderwalt, III
SSG Josuah Insull
SSG David C. Ray
Sgt Edwin Zambrano
SFC Elliot Chodkowski
PFC Dominick Pittito
PV2 Danny Bornschein
PV2 Alexandra Diaz
Eric Stein

U.S.A.F.:
MSGT John Matzidakis
SSGT Brandon Ward
AB Christopher Signoretti
AB Eric Benzing
Fr. Jas on’s Question Corner

Have a question about our faith? There’s a lot to know, and a richness to our traditions and teachings. Sometimes we find ourselves wondering about these things. I would like to start a small section in the bulletin where each week I answer one or two questions that parishioners have about the Catholic faith.

So feel free to submit your questions, and I’ll get to work researching the answers! Let’s learn together!

Check the website to submit your questions!

In Christ,
fr. Jas on
St. Joseph Parish Pool Party

PARISH POOL PARTY
Monday, July 29, 2019
6:30 PM- 11:00 PM
Fire Island Ave., Babylon Village Pool
$5.00 per family (Includes admission to pool, entertainment, coffee & tea- Payable at the Pool)
Bring your own picnic basket & lawn chair & a sweet for the dessert table.
For further information, please contact: Barbara McNulty at (631) 669-0068 X 108
bmcnulty@stjosephsbabylon.org

Save the Date!
The 59th Chrysanthemum Ball is being held on
Friday, October 18, 2019
at the Chateau La Mer in Lindenhurst.

What is VIRTUS? The VIRTUS program empowers organizations and people to better control risk and improve the lives of all who interact with the Church. It raises our awareness to potentially dangerous situations.
It is FREE and also offers continuous on-line training with articles and videos.

Parents, Grandparents, Friends & Neighbors would benefit from this workshop.

The Next VIRTUS session will be on Tuesday, July 16th @ 9:30AM in the O’Connell Room
All volunteers and employees of any capacity within our parish—Catechists, Hall Monitors, CYO
MUST BE VIRTUS CERTIFIED.

Reserve your seat and Register at virtusonline.org
For information or inquiries call Kathy at 631-418-7424
More details on the Parish Website at www.stjosephsbabylon.org

Healthy Sundays
Catholic Health Services of Long Island

Saint Joseph R. C. Church
39 N. Carll Avenue Babylon
O’Connell Room
Sunday, September 8, 2019
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Free!
Flu vaccinations (18 years and older)
Blood pressure screenings
Health education materials
Resources for those without insurance
Refreshments

Representatives from:
· Fidelis Care
· Catholic Charities
· WIC Program
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

K-5<sup>th</sup> GRADE
August 5th-9th
9:00am- Noon

| Name of Child: ____________________________ | Date of Birth: ______________ |
| Address: __________________________________ | Telephone #: ________________ |
| Cell Phone#: ____________________________ | Parent/Guardian Names: Mother: ____________________________ |
| ________________________________________ | Father: ________________________ |
| Email: __________________________________ | Email: ________________________ |

Circle Grade Entering Sept 2019:  K   1<sup>st</sup>   2<sup>nd</sup>   3<sup>rd</sup>   4<sup>th</sup>   5<sup>th</sup>

Does Child have any allergies? : YES_____ NO_____

Does Child have food allergies? : YES_____ NO_____

Please List All Allergies: __________________________________________________________________________

Does your child have any other needs? YES_____ NO_____

If yes- How can we help? __________________________________________________________________________

Emergency #: ______________________ Person to Contact: ____________________________

Parent Signature: ___________________________________________________________

Registration Fee: $55  PER CHILD (early registration-before May 31- $50)

Family Maximum- $120 (early registration- before May 31- $110)

Fee Paid: $___________ CHECK / CASH

T-Shirt Size:  S  M  L  XL (children’s sizes)

Return to Parish Office by: August 1<sup>st</sup>

***Placement Requests May Not Be Met***

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WEEK. PLEASE VOLUNTEER.
**St. Vincent de Paul**

During the summer months the POOR among us still face problems of making ends meet. Let us pray for them and consider making food donations to Outreach and giving to the **Poor Box**. The St. Vincent de Paul Society remains active throughout the summer! Have a safe and happy summer!

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 631-669-0068 X201

*The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on Monday, July 22, 2019 at 9:45am in Room 256 in the Parish Center. All are invited to attend!*

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**St. Joseph Parish - CMA Totals**

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**Catholic Ministries Appeal - 2019**

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish: **St. Joseph Parish, Babylon, NY**

Name: ____________________________

Address: ___________________________

City, State, Zip: ___________________

Phone: _____________________________

: Signature: _______________________

Pledge: $ _______________________

Down payment: $ _________________

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**PARISH TRIP TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND**

Saturday, August 3rd - All Ages Welcome.

We will meet out there between 9:30 and 10am.

Enjoy a talk followed by celebration of the Mass. Then take time for a picnic lunch—bring your own or buy from the cafeteria. It will be a day of prayer and fellowship—appropriate for the entire family.

A great way to introduce your children & grandchildren to this wonderful Shrine and to enjoy a day with your parish family. And a wonderful opportunity for those of us who have been there before to lead our younger parishioners.

More details & Registration Form on the Parish Website [https://www.stjosephsbabylon.org/trip-to-the-shrine](https://www.stjosephsbabylon.org/trip-to-the-shrine)

Please sign up by July 29th so we know how many to expect.

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**Important!**

The Thrift Shop is no longer accepting linens, cushions, pillows, crib mattresses or luggage.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Like us on FACEBOOK.

*St. Joseph’s Roman Catholic Church*
Some of our Youth Ministry Ladies held a Clothing Swap a while back. They cleaned out their closets and traded items with one another. Clothing which was leftover has been donated to Project Closet and Pay It Forward Long Island and will be gifted to young ladies in need. Thank you girls for your support.

Contact Barbara McNulty If you can help.
- Looking for 2 more Adults to assist with painting project last week in July
- Teens needed to lead games at the Pool Party 729
-I’m putting together a Fundraising Committee—looking for both Teens & Adults

FAMILY GAME DAYS — Grandparents, Neighbors, Parents, Friends — we are all part of our Parish Family! Join us!

Wednesdays July 24th & 31st (not meeting 7/17) All ages welcome. 12:00—3:00pm come by the air conditioned O’Connell Room for board games and a movie!

***NEW: Want to play Kickball or Volleyball? Join us at 6pm in the Gym Wednesdays
Wear sneakers and bring a water bottle. Parents stay too!
We had lots of fun last week and are planning more fun for the summer.

??Free on Wednesdays, and interested in helping out with these great activities?? Please call Barbara McNulty at 631-669-0068 ext 108.
Faith Formation

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 will be closed for the summer beginning Monday, July 3rd and will reopen on Monday, August 26th @ 9am. The office will be open periodically for limited hours.

There is a cart outside the Faith Formation Office with new registration and re-registration forms for those who still need to register and for any correspondence you may need to leave. Claire will be in at least once a week to return any messages and to update registrations. You may either leave a note on the pad in the hallway or leave a message on the FF answering machine.

New Family Registration – Please bring the original baptismal certificate for each child you plan to register, even if your child was baptized here at St. Joseph. The annual registration fee is $150 for one child, $215 for two children and $270 for three or more. All families need to be registered in the parish before coming to register in the Faith Formation Program.

Children's Activity page

Help the good Samaritan find the injured man and take him to the inn at Jericho.

Draw pictures of three different people who are your neighbors.
**Deacon’s Corner**

**WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?**  
(LUKE 10:25-37)

In today’s Gospel reading the Priest and the Levite convinced themselves that the robbery victim was not their neighbor. And no one, even God, could keep them from doing that. Whose neighbor are we? Both of these men saw the victim and continued on their way. Whatever they may have been feeling, the fact of the matter is they did nothing to help. Information on the Samaritan is a bit more complete. His feelings are reported. The story tells us that he “was moved with pity at the sight”. That was commendable, but surely it was the least that could be expected. Any decent human being is touched by the suffering of another human being. But that is hardly enough. To be moved with pity does not make a person a neighbor. It simply means he or she has a heart.

This story is remembered, not for what the Samaritan felt, but for what he did. Apparently, he never stopped to wonder whether the wounded man was worthy to be his neighbor. That question was completely beside the point. The fact was that at that moment the man desperately needed a neighbor. And the Samaritan decided to fill that role. Jesus said: “He approached him and dressed his wounds. He then hoisted him on his beast and brought him to an inn, where he cared for him.” Notice the succession of action verbs: approached, dressed, hoisted, brought, and cared for him. Those are the sure signs of a true neighbor.

The message of this parable is that love is not a matter of sentiment, but of active good will. It goes beyond family circle, and social circle. It carries us beyond the boundaries of religion, class, or color, to meet human need, wherever it is found. Whose neighbor are we? All of us have to answer that question for ourselves. And that we will do. Not in words, but in deeds. Our reading ends with this ringing challenge: “Go, and do the same.”

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER**  
Deacon Mike

**Reflections**

**A HUNDREDFOLD**

A few years ago, Patrice was in a minor fender-bender which caused her to become quite upset. Visibly shaken, she was having a hard time figuring who to call, finding her insurance cards, and deciding what to do next. Fortunately, her friend Kerry showed up and calmed Patrice down. Kerry rationally explained what had to be done and reassured Patrice things would be back to normal in no time.

Two weeks ago, Kerry wished her son good luck as he took the family car out for the first time since receiving his driver’s license. It was after an early Friday dinner, and he would return home within an hour. Minutes later, Kerry got a call from her son explaining he was in an accident. Kerry hopped in her car and drove a short distance to comfort her son. When she arrived, however, her emotions got the best of her and she was a soon a wreck and no help at all. Out of the blue arrived Jane...a stranger. “I saw the whole thing,” she started, “and it was not your son’s fault. He was not even moving when the car hit him.” Jane then gave Kerry a hug which calmed her down immediately. Jane saved Kerry’s day.

Quite often the good we do goes unnoticed or unreciprocated at the time. When Jesus walked the earth, He did much good, though many of His acts went without fanfare. But He kept doing them because this is what His Father expected of Him. To do good.

I choose to believe Kerry’s original kindness to Patrice was repaid with interest by Jane. In our lives there have been times when God’s Grace comes exactly at the moment we need it most. When we answer God’s call to help others, we will be repaid a hundredfold...either here or in heaven.

Brian Maher
St Joseph’s Parish Outreach is getting ready for our summer programs. **Back to School Program**, is one of them and will be held this year on **August 20th**.

Children need constant encouragement and support to succeed, and as a community we can help make that happen. Sending a child to school with new and needed supplies instills a sense of pride along with message that school is important. New school supplies can be expensive and unaffordable to a family with limited income. St Joseph “Back to School Program” helps with their supplies that families are unable to provide.

If you are able to help a child, you can either donate supplies or buy a gift card from Target, CVS, Walmart, also you can sponsor a child in need. To sponsor a child call Sigrid to 631-669-0068 ext 202. School supplies can be dropped off at the Outreach Center, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 3:00. You may also drop off your supplies at the Parish Center office.

**Listed bellow are the school supplies that children need:**
- New Backpacks
- Binder and subject dividers for binders
- Glue Sticks & Bottle Glue
- #2 pencils - Pens red/blue/black
- Glue Sticks & Bottle Glue
- Double pocket file folders
- Loose left paper
- 3 X 5 Index Cards
- Composition books
- Washable markers/Crayons

**Parish Social Ministry News:**

**Fun Summer Program.** *Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much!* With much joy we announce that we were able to send 13 families to the **Fun Summer Program**. Thirteen families are enjoying a fun and healthy summer thanks to all of you. Our special thanks to **Alice’s Foundation** for their financial support and to Margot Denza & Kathy Smith for their unconditional work.

*We would not be able to meet the needs of our clients without your help. We are always grateful for the assistance you provide to our community.*

**Outreach is in need of:**

**Water bottles for the Homeless**

**Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:**
- Apple Juice
- Coffee
- Cereal
- 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.*
Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Esta semana, consideramos una cita más larga que otras semanas. Es porque quiero que nosotros vemos como distintas verdades teológicas pueden afirmar una sola doctrina. Estamos hablando del Señor Jesucristo y creemos que Él es, “Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero.” Cada declaración proclama que Jesucristo es Dios, pero es distinto del Padre. Quizás, pensamos que lo es obvio pero no lo fue siempre así. La próxima semana, vamos a hablar de la historia de la composición del Credo, pero aquí está suficiente para decir que la doctrina de la Trinidad, que hay un solo Dios que es tres Personas distintas – Padre, Hijo, y Espíritu Santo – no estaba creído por todos. Era precisamente cuando proclamó el Credo que la Iglesia enseñó que la doctrina de la Trinidad había revelado por Dios y todos los fieles tienen que creer en esta doctrina.


En el Antiguo Testamento, la presencia de Dios se manifestó muchas veces como la luz, o el fuego, o el relámpago. Empecemos con la creación. Cada creación refleja su creador en una manera. Pues, consideramos la primera creación de Dios y como lo refleja. ¿Qué creyó Dios el primer día? La luz (Gen. 1). Cuando Dios hizo una alianza con Abram, y quería manifestarse en una manera física, como le pareció? Como fuego (Gen. 15). También, Dios pareció como fuego cuando se reveló a Moisés (Ex. 3). Cuando el pueblo Israel entró en la alianza con Dios, y Él apareció en frente de Moisés y los ancianos de Israel, las escrituras dicen que, “el aspecto de la gloria del Señor era a los ojos de los israelitas como un fuego devorador” (Ex. 24:17). Cuando Moisés hablaba con Dios, siempre regresó con una cara radiante y tenía que poner un velo sobre su rostro para hablar con el pueblo (ex. 34:29-35). Podemos encontrar imágenes similares en el libro de Ezequiel. Finalmente, podemos considerar las palabras que describen la acción de Dios. Salmo 94 pide a Dios, “Haz que tu gloriosa justicia resplandezca!” Y Salmo 50 dice que “Dios resplandece desde Si.” El profeta Habacuc dijo que, “Su resplandor es como la luz, brotan rayos de sus manos” (3:4). Podemos continuar con más citas, pero espero que estas son suficientes para probar que la luz es un imagen por Dios muy importante en el Antiguo Testamento. Por lo tanto, Juan, en el Nuevo Testamento, dice que “Dios es Luz” (1 Jn. 1:5).

¿Qué significa esto, cuando el mismo Juan dice que Juan el Bautista, “no era luz, sino el testigo de la luz” y que, en la encarnación, “La Palabra era la luz verdadera que, al venir a este mundo, ilumina a todo hombre” (Jn. 1)? ¿Qué dice Jesucristo sobre sí mismo, cuando dice, “Yo soy la luz del mundo” (Jn. 8:12)? ¿Es una conexión entre sus palabras y su acción en el capítulo siguiente cuando curó el hombre ciego del nacimiento? ¿Qué Dios reveló de la naturaleza de Jesucristo cuando Cristo fue transfigurado y “sus vestiduras se volvieron resplandecientes” (Mc. 9:3)? Verdaderamente, comprendemos la base scriptural de la declaración que el Hijo de Dios es “Luz de Luz.” Y lo significa que, aunque el Hijo no sea el Padre, son unidos, una luz. Podemos investigar todos de las otras declaraciones. Por lo tanto, podemos preguntar, ¿si el Padre y el Hijo son unidos, pero son diferentes personas, cómo son relacionados? Lo vamos a contestar en la próxima semana, cuando consideramos las palabras muy importantes, “de la misma naturaleza del Padre.”

En Cristo,
p. Jason

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**Healthy Sundays**

**Catholic Heath Services of Long Island**

**Saint Joseph R.C. Church**

39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon

O’Connell Room

**Domingo, 8 de Septiembre 2019**

1:00 pm through 3:00 pm

**Gratis!**

- Vacunas contra la gripe (18 años y mayores)
- Exámenes de presión arterial
- Materiales de educación para la salud
- Recursos para los que no tienen seguro
- Refreshments

Representates de:
- Fidelis Care
- Catholic Charities WIC Program
Para la catequesis de Primera Comunión, los niños y niñas pueden inscribirse a partir del 1er grado.

Para mayor información llamar al teléfono (631) 587-4717 oficina de Faith Formation.

**CATEQUESIS**

**2019 / 2020**

**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 al (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.

**RECONCILIACIÓN:** Sábado a las 4:00pm - 4:45pm, 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 contáctese con el Sub-Vocal de Piedad Geremías Herrera @ Gherreras29@gmail.com.

**MADRES ORANDO POR SUS HIJOS:** Todos los Miércoles de 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Para información, contactesese con Ana Ramos

**RENOVACION CARISMATICA:** 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 contáctese con Jamie Duque al (631) 805-2654.

**COMUNIDAD DE MARIA:** Siguiendo los mensajes de María Reina de la Paz - Lunes de 8:00pm-9:00pm. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari. Room 259.

**COMITE:** El primer sábado de cada mes a las 10:00am en el salón # 256. Para la agenda, contáctese con Ana Ramos @ rosesformarybyana@live.com.

**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 7:00 - 9:00pm en el Salón # 256. Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari o Luz Marina López.

**INTENCIONES PARA UNA MISA:** Ver a Claudia Rodas después de la misa. Viernes de 7:00 PM.

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

**MONAGUILLOS O ACOLITOS:** Contáctese con Claudia Rodas. Los niños deben haber recibido la Primera Comunión.

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**Fiesta en La Piscina**

29 de julio 2019
6:30 PM - 11:00 PM

Lugar: al final de Fire Island Ave., Babylon, NY 11702

$5.00 por familia (Incluye admisión a la piscina, entretenimiento, café y té, a pagar en la piscina) Traiga su propia cesta de picnic y silla de jardín y un dulce para la mesa de postres.

Para más información póngase en contacto:
Barbara McNulty al (631) 669-0068 x 108
bmcnulty@stjosephsbabylon.org

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