October 6, 2019 ~ Twenty-Seventh 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 Marillo
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 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 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 3rd 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 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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Hours of Adoration: Mon (7am-9pm); Tues. (8am-9pm); Thurs. (8am) - Fri. (Midnight). We have Holy Hour every Wednesday at 5pm & Friday at 3pm in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Call Parish Office for more information.

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.
Newly Baptized

Preparing for Marriage
Banns Posted

First Time ~
Daniel Ballone & Emily Battaloro
Robert Wilkinson, Jr. & Cassidy Kammerer
Timothy Duckham & Natalie Johnson

Second Time ~
Anthony Piromalli & Kaitlin Harz

Third Time ~
Dennis Coleman & Janel La Clair

For Our Sick
Please remember the sick of our Parish in your prayers:
Aidan Peña, 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, Christian Lavoie, Patty Orzano, Maria Azicri, Monica Restrepo, Evelyn Scalise, Madison Milio, Dominick Scalise, Christine Lynn, Lisamarie Hulsen, Edward Henry, Providence Colascione, Sandra Lakotta, Lori Senate, Baby Jonathan Cerniglia, Viola, Evelyn Valentin and Bill Valentin.

Altar Rose
In Memory of Matthew Annett

For Our Deceased
Please pray for the families and souls of our deceased members including
David R. Josiah, Sabrina Milagros Pacheco & Roberta F. Cassell.

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week:

At this Mass, we remember

Monday, October 7
Jon 1:1-2; 2,11; (Ps) Jon 2:2-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
7:45 Carmen Arguedas, Marjorie Zamora & Orlando Gamboa
9:00 Robert J. Goble

Tuesday, October 8
Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
7:45 John F. X. Lannig
9:00 Elizabeth Bossong & Sr. Joan Kellenberg

Wednesday, October 9
Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
7:45 Nick & Sebastiano Coiro
9:00 Arlene & Ann Sutton

Thursday, October 10
Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
7:45 Joan Byrnes
9:00 Mary Wawrynek

Friday, October 11
Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16; Lk 11:15-26
7:45 Helen Duffy
9:00 Anita Carlin

Saturday, October 12
Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
9:00 Eileen N. Donohue

This Eucharist is the monthly bereavement liturgy where we remember those who have died at any time and especially those who have died in the previous month or whose anniversaries occur during this time. Lazarus Ministry will be present to welcome you and offer guidance.

Weekend Celebrations (barring last minute changes)
4:00 Confessions Today Fr. Dave
5:00 People of St. Joseph Fr. Ethel

Sunday, October 13~ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19
7:00 Gerard P. Trupia Fr. Dave
8:45 James Baur Fr. Jason
9:30 (NH) For the Intentions of Eileen Ballerano Fr. Francis
10:15 Elizabeth Bossong & Sr. Joan Kellenberg Fr. Ethel
11:30 (Español- NH) Fr. Dave
12:00 Gary Besemer Fr. Jason
5:00 Marie Szydlowski Fr. Francis

Eucharistic Minister Teams:
Weekend of October 5/6 - Team A
Weekend of October 12/13 - Team B
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The power of prayer is undeniable when one takes the time to look at the wondrous events that have occurred throughout history due to prayer; conversions, healings, insights, and the strength of perseverance all come to mind. Because of the power associated with prayer, it is no surprise that it has been spoken of as the sidearm of Christians (see Ephesians 6:10-20 to see St. Paul use this allusion). And of all of the prayers, the Holy Rosary has proven to be particularly strong. Well-honed, itself, the Rosary sharpens and focuses our own souls as it leads us to meditate on the most crucial aspects of the life of Christ under the direction and guidance of Our Mother, Mary. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, and I would like to suggest that we consider making this prayer part of our weekly spiritual routine, or, if we are in the habit of praying the Rosary, to make the effort to pray it more intensely, or to share it with others. Here, I will simply present some ideas that I hope will interest you in taking up this challenge: to pray the rosary each day during the month of October.

If one can judge a prayer by the graces associated with it, the rosary carries the high gift of a plenary indulgence whenever it is prayed in a church, in a family, or simply with any other gathering of the faithful. It also carries this indulgence if one joins the Pope in a live broadcast of the rosary. The rosary is made up of 20 mysteries, but here, and most times we speak of it, we mean praying five of those mysteries (or five "decades," referring to each mystery being accompanied by 10 Hail Marys), with meditation on those mysteries, making sure to announce them so all can join along. A partial indulgence is granted in accordance with however much of the rosary is recited (and for simply using a rosary that has been blessed by a priest).

One of the most fascinating conversion stories is that of Blessed Bartolo Longo. I will leave you to research his own life, but he abandoned occult religions for Catholicism through his fidelity to the rosary, and took up the mission of teaching the rosary at a shrine that he helped established in Pompei, Italy.

The rosary is a simple prayer: it is easy to memorize because of its repetitive nature, and it can be prayed anywhere at anytime. At the same time, it is profound: it calls us to meditation on the most important moments in the life of Christ and Mary. It is a prayer that can easily be prayed in common: the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be that make up the rosary can be divided neatly so that one person can recite the first half and a group can recite the second half. The rosary is a convenient prayer: it is not too long or too short, it does not require preparation or extra materials (though using rosary beads is helpful) - I've seen even 3 year-old's pray the rosary when gathered with their parents! The rosary unites us with so many of our beloved saints who have also prayed this same prayer. And for those who are interested in going deeper, one can find a wealth of material written by various saints on the rosary: St. John Paul II's letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae comes to mind.

I hope that some of these thoughts lead you to pray the rosary more frequently, especially to consider trying to pray it each day during October. I hope that those of you who live as a family will try setting aside time, even if it's once a week, to gather in a common room and pray the rosary together, out loud. I imagine it may be awkward at first: don't let that discourage you! I didn't start praying the rosary until I was in a Catholic group in college, and the first time I went, they were praying it in Latin! If you don't know how to pray the rosary, don't be ashamed! No one is born knowing it. There are many resources to help you, but it's basically an Our Father, ten Hail Marys and a Glory Be, and then you repeat that five times, reflecting on a different event in Christ's life as you say the prayers. You can do it! Now is a perfect time to learn, and there are plenty of videos online where you can pray along with others. May we all find grace in the recitation of the Holy Rosary this month!

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.

9/29/2019

Collection $20,730.00
Last year $20,476.00

God Bless You!

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

**U.S. Navy:**
- Lt. John T. Izzo
- Lt. Caroline Mayer
- Lt. Dylan Kelly
- MA2 William S. Murtha
- PO1 Rasheen Tice
- PO2 Kristen Tice
- PO3 Matthew Waldron
- E3 Nicholas Ruf

**U.S. M.C.:**
- Capt. Matthew Witcofsky
- 1Lt Marc Anthony Parrino
- 1Lt 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
- E3 Nicholas Ruf

**U.S.A.F.:**
- MSGT John Hatzidakis
- SSGT Brandon Ward
- AB Christopher Signoretti
- AB Eric Benzing
- AB Vincent E. Berger
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 2 Covenants are due at any Mass this weekend. Please remember to put your Mass attendance envelopes in the collection baskets.

*** DONATIONS NEEDED – we need CD players, TV’s & DVD players and universal remotes. Please bring any donations to the Faith Formation Office during office hours.

Level 5 Parent and Student Meeting – Thursday, October 10th @ either 4pm or 7pm in the O’Connell Room – Please use the doors to Nolan Hall to enter the building and DO NOT RING THE BELL TO THE PARISH CENTER. We will be giving out the Level 5 Confirmation Packets and going over the beginning stages of Confirmation preparation.

Level 8 students are to return their Confirmation Gold Sheets at any Mass on the weekend of October 19/20. The information on these sheets are used to notify the students place of Baptism on their Confirmation so that they can record the Confirmation in their Baptism Registry.

Level 1 Welcome Celebration @ 9:30am & 11:30am (Spanish Mass) – Sunday, October 20th. The Level 1 Covenants are due at Mass and the students will be receiving a special blessing. Please remember to bring your Mass attendance envelopes and place them in the collection basket. Please join us for hospitality in the O’Connell Room after Mass.

Catechists, Substitutes and Hall Monitors are needed for this year – please contact the Faith Formation Office if you are interested in volunteering: 631-587-4717. All volunteers who work with children must undergo a background check and take a Virtus Training course.

VIRTUS Training – Visit Virtue.org to register – create a user name and password and scroll down to the Diocese of Rockville Centre, then choose which session you would like to attend. Please note: every volunteer who works with children must complete the live training session once and then complete online monthly training bulletins.

Sign up for Faith Direct by December and you will not have to pay the registration fees for next year. Faith Direct is a program where your contribution to the church is transferred from either your checking account or credit card. You decide how much you would like to contribute each week and the contribution is made each month. The total amount is determined upon the number of Sundays in the month. Contact the Faith Formation Office for more information.

There are limited openings at St. Joseph’s Nursery School for 2½ yrs.- Pre-K.

Call our office at (631) 661-4559 to inquire.

Join our Monday child/caregiver classes:
10:15am-11:15am ~ Let’s Play (12-24 months)
12:00pm-1:30pm ~ Toddling Two’s (24-30 months)

Wednesday at 10:30am-11:15am
Bouncing Babies (4-12 months) Free

Free Parish Playgroup
Begin Wednesday, September 18th
12:00pm-1:00pm in the Nursery School

St. Joseph’s Christmas Pageant
Please join us on Mondays for rehearsal beginning October 7th in the Church from 6:30-8pm for the Children’s Christmas Pageant.
All children from 1st thru 8th grade are welcome!

Christmas Pageant will be on Sunday, December 8th at 3pm.
We need volunteers to work backstage, on costumes, music & programs.

If interested call/text: Teresa Hansen at 808-429-8806 or ethkids@yahoo.com
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Youth and Family Ministry

Teens—Please register for the Service Team if you are looking for hours.

PBJ Gang is open to Grades 6—12
10/24 @ 7pm
Please register on line.

Family Life Ministry is looking for interested people to help with specific events.
If you would like more information or would like to get involved in any way, please send an email to bmcnulty@stjosephsbabylon.org.

Tuesday 11/26 - Advent Night February 8th - Pasta Night February 25th - Mardi Gras

Friday Nights of Faith & Fun……..Each Friday, beginning in late November, we will be meeting in the gym for some fun & games, breaking into smaller groups for some Faith & Fellowship, and coming back together to end our evening with prayer.

These are intended to be nights for all ages – Right now we have 6 adults working on setting up these evenings, and we would like at least 6 more to be part of the planning process!! If you would like more details, please call Barbara McNulty at 631-669-0068 x 108
You do NOT need to commit to every Friday—even once a month is a big help—let’s talk about it!

Hospitality Ministry

**Bakers & hostesses needed once a month for craft & hospitality after the 9:30am Mass.

**Nov 16 & 17 – Looking for a hospitality crew to help after each Mass for Ministry Fair.

**Nov 30th – Bakers & hostesses needed for the lighting of Crèche & Advent Hospitality.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Our PBJ Gang has been asked to provide Wash Up Kits for the homeless in October & November.
To make this happen we need:

Gallon sized Ziplock baggies, travel sized shampoo & toothpaste, toothbrushes, chapstick, small bars of soap, packs of tissues, new wash cloths – or gently used clean towels which we will cut up into wash cloths.

There is a bucket outside of the Youth Ministry Office. Thank you!!
MASS BOOK OPENING
The 2020 Mass Book will be opened for 6 months from January-June for the 2020 year on Monday, October 21st in the O’Connell Room from 10am - 2pm.

The Altar Rose, Candles & the Bread and Wine will also be available for the entire 2020 year.

These items may be requested for the intentions of the Living or Deceased.

Saint Joseph the Carpenter #14771
Membership organization of Saint Joseph Parish
St. Joseph the Carpenter Council 14771 will host representatives from Peconic Bay Medical Center Northwell Health on October 22, 2019 in the O’Connell Room at 7:30pm.

Discussions will be on breast and prostate cancers. Refreshments will be served. All are invited.

For information contact Larry Dell’Erba at (631) 539-8565
stjosephsbabylon.org/knights-of-columbus

JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
Members of JCDA will be collecting new and gently used hats and gloves for Outreach the weekend of October 19-20.

Please look for the collection boxes in the back of the Church and in the breezeway.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 15th in the O’Connell Room.
We will be collecting and assembling our Socks for Soldiers care packages to send to our female military personnel serving overseas.

Doors open at 7:15pm and the meeting will begin at 7:30pm.
New members are always welcome!

Engaged Encounter
Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?
Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings and dialog. There are no group discussions.

Our next weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 15, 16, 17 2019.

For information please call Lenny & Pat Walker at 631-563-1032 or visit www.engagedencounterli.org

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!
Our next meeting is Thursday, October 10 at 7:00 pm in the O’Connell Room.
We will be praying the “Living Rosary”.

Each year the Catholic Daughters hold a “Family Fund” Luncheon.

This year it is at noon on Thursday, Oct. 17th in the O’Connell Room. For $10, you can enjoy a ‘home cooked’ meal. Along with delicious food, raffle baskets, and the camaraderie of other parishioners/guests, you will be helping us to support two needy families in our Parish.

Please send a $10 check payable to CDA #1403 to CDA, PO Box 25, Babylon, NY 11702.

For further information, call Dot @ (631) 816-0119.
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Deacon’s Corner

The Whistling Husband
{By William J. Bausch from World of Stories}

A man tells a story of the day he was driving quietly along a country road and suddenly realized that he was lost.

I stopped at a small farmhouse to ask for directions, and I saw an elderly woman sitting on the porch. An elderly man was working around the front yard, whistling nonstop. The whistling was loud and clear, but it seemed to be aimless and purposeless. There was no recognizable tune, just whistling.

When I walked up to the man, I couldn’t resist saying, “I see you’re fond of whistling.”

“Oh,” he said, “it’s second nature to me now.”

Then pointing to the woman on the porch, he explained that she was his wife, and that they had been happily married for thirty-eight years when she became blind. Coming as it did so late in life, the blindness had been a very frightening experience for her, and she was still feeling deep-seated insecurity.

The husband said, “I figured if I just keep whistling while I’m outside the house, she’ll have the security of knowing I’m still with her.”

Deacon John

Reflections

“PAGING JOHN THE EVANGELIST. PLEASE RETURN TO CHURCH IMMEDIATELY.”

While visiting friends in their northern New York community just prior to Labor Day, we attended an evening Mass in their parish. Rural areas are famous for their low-key approach to things, and this fair city was no exception to the rule. Stores close early, smiles abound, and living is indeed easy. As is my penchant, I grabbed a bulletin before Mass began and looked for the collection of the previous week: a shade under $2,950.

Once this task was done, I noticed the murals on the church walls. Identifying St. Patrick and St. Joseph was easy, but I had difficulty with some of the others. After Mass I asked a parishioner for some help. While confused at the start, she did name those on the east and north walls. “That side,” she said pointing to the western wall, “are the evangelists.” I guessed Matthew and Luke right away, and then I noticed there was only one picture left.

“That must be Luke,” I found myself saying. “But where’s John?” “Well, that’s an interesting question,” she started. “He was by the end of the wall when we decided we needed to install a door for the quiet room right where John’s picture was hung. It was taken down during the construction and has not been seen since.”

As beautiful and as quaint as Our Lady of Lourdes in Schroon Lake is, the missing portrait slightly diminished the otherwise very positive feeling I had about the church while I was there. I was distracted by something being missing.

Weeks ago, the Gospel reminded us of the good shepherd looking for the lost sheep, the widow looking for her lost coin, and a father looking for his lost son. These examples stressed our need to find what is lost in our lives. With God’s grace, we can find whatever it is to again be complete.

Bruno Maber
Parish Social Ministry

Our hours of operation are:
Mon, Wed, & Thurs from 9:30am to 1:30pm
Thrift Shop- Mon, Wed, & Thurs 10:00am to 3:00pm

“New Phone Extensions”
Contact Parish Social Ministry (PSM) Outreach by phone (631) 669-4544 ext. 203 or 202
E-mail: svillalob@stjosephsbabylon.org Fax Number: (631) 620-3267

The following items are needed this week in our Food Pantry:
Paper Products (toilet paper), Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Coffee, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Feminine Hygiene Products

Our Food Pantry is most in need of these items:
Canned Vegetables, Apple Juice, Coffee, Cereal, Mayonnaise, Jelly, Ketchup, Mustard, Pasta Sauce, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Large Toothpaste, Large Shampoo, Large Soap/Body Wash

Remember our Brothers and Sisters:
Your financial support is very important to us. With your financial help we are able to assist our brothers & sisters in need (with rent, electricity, oil, gas). Additionally, it allows us to run the homeless program with an $8 deli voucher, so they can have a hot meal.

We have faith in God that with your continued support of us financially, together we can all carry on with the mission that our Lord Jesus has entrusted us. Your generosity and compassion are heart-warming and very much appreciated.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society
The St. Vincent de Paul Society is beginning another new year this month. Our primary mission is to serve those in need in our community. Our active members choose to serve in various ways. They help families that come to us by doing Home Visits and assisting them to get what they need. They help Outreach by supplying the Food Pantry regularly. Food drives are held at local supermarkets and volunteers pick up food from local food banks. On holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter) we assist in distributing food to families.

We welcome new members who would like to assist in this mission, no matter how much of your time you can give. Our meetings are held biweekly on Monday mornings or Tuesday following a Monday holiday. All are welcome to join us!

The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 9:45am in Room 256 of the Parish Center.

It’s back to School—and return to College!
Please continue to pray for our students...and for those parents who may find themselves with an empty nest!

Also—please be mindful of the Church Parking Lot.
Parking is for Church Activities only...

It should not be used for school or village parking or as pick-up or drop-off location before or after school.

Safety First!

Gift cards and Food cards:
We could always use Grocery/Store Gift Cards (Aldi, Shoprite, Stop & Shop, Target, etc). With these cards families can buy perishable items that we do not have in our pantry, like eggs, milk, and also pay for their medications in the pharmaceutical department.

Volunteers are needed
If you are looking for a Ministry where you can put your enthusiasm and energy to work, we are in need of strong arms to help us moving donations within the Thrift Shop and Outreach.

For more information, please call Sigrid at, (631)669-0068 x 202

“Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done.”
{Proverbs 14:31}
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Our 59th Chrysanthemum Ball

October 18, 2019

Chateau La Mer in Lindenhurst

Cocktails 6:00 PM
Dinner & Dancing 7:00 PM-11:00 PM

There will be a 3-piece live band and a full sit-down dinner.

Full tables of ten (10) cost $100/pp; otherwise the cost is $110/pp.

Checks payable to St. Joseph’s Church.

For further information, call
Lorraine DeCandidtis @ (631) 553-0160
or Ada Gonzalez @ (631) 741-4373.
Our Environment Committee beautifies our Church altars, Shrine area and the large outside planters with potted flowers and plants. We are asking for $10 donations by check, made out to St. Joseph’s Church, (labeled Environment Committee in the memo section of your check.) Checks can be dropped in the Sunday Collection Baskets or brought to the Parish office during regular business hours. Thank you for helping us beautify our Church and grounds.

**Spiritual Adoption Prayer Program**

Everyone loves the beauty and innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, St. Joseph’s announces an adoption program for young and old alike. The members of our parish family will soon have the opportunity to “spiritually adopt” a child who is newly conceived this month. Not all babies make it to birth. Many parents tragically experience the loss of a child to miscarriage or premature birth. And more than 3,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. These are the babies you are being asked to “adopt” simply by praying for him or her each day. You may “adopt” a child individually or as a family by signing up during the weekend of October 6th, Respect Life Sunday. Prayer pledges will be collected during Mass. A selection of prayer cards with prayers will be available. It is suggested that you name the child for whom you will be praying, which will remind you that, although you may never meet the child in this life, you truly are praying for a specific child who needs your prayers. Watch the bulletin for monthly reports describing “your baby’s” development. In June we will celebrate the “births” of our spiritually adopted babies by collecting baby items which will be given to mothers in need of assistance. There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of your prayers. Won’t you please “spiritually adopt” one and share the love for life that God have given you?

**MONTH ONE – Developing Baby Spiritual Adoption Program**

Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active over the past month. Already your baby is 10,000 times bigger than at conception. Your baby has developed the foundations of her brain, spinal cord, and nervous system by the 20th day. Her heart began to beat on the 21st day, pumping blood through its own circulatory system and the blood type can be different from her mother’s. Your baby is most vulnerable during the next month of being aborted. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of her mother to give her the most precious gift of all - - the gift of life.

**Reflection:**

In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus explains to us how powerful faith is. How strong is your faith? How strong is it when the going gets tough?

**Living Stewardship… Pillar of Service:**

In the Second Reading and the Gospel reading, St. Paul and Jesus tell us that as Christians we must be doers. God has given us the Faith so that we can go out to the world and tell of the Good News. This week, show the world you are a Christian by taking a stand for morality, doing good for others and wearing a smile.
A Bouquet of Gratitude

I would like to express my profound gratitude to all of you who helped and supported me in writing my latest book (To Grow and To Flourish), getting it published, and distributing it in our parish. You also have graciously welcomed it with great warmth and enthusiasm. A bouquet of gratitude to each one of you!

I am grateful to our pastor Fr. Jason Grisasi for the encouragement, support, and his presence during my presentation and book signing. Thank you Fr. Ethel for your insightful review of the book; thanks to all the priests and deacons and all of you, dear parishioners.

May I take this occasion to convey my gratitude to our wonderful staff: those who facilitated the event, put together the announcements and the bulletin, answered the enquiries and made the announcements (I am not naming names, since there are too many names to mention). In a special way, I want to express my gratitude to the Catholic Daughters of America who organized the event in a very professional and beautiful manner. There are many who helped me with the presentation, distribution of the book, refreshments, and smooth running of the event. Many departments, Associations, and volunteers helped me in this endeavor. To all of them, I express my heart-felt gratitude.

The response of our community was overwhelming. Thank you so much for your interest in my book and the donation. The money raised will be going to our mission in India. My Provincial Superior will be very happy and grateful to you and the generosity of your spirit!

Please consider this as my “Thank You Letter” to each and everyone of you.

Finally, if anybody wants a copy of my book, it is now available in the office.

Once again, I thank you from the bottom of my heart and May God Bless you all.

Fr. Francis

A Night of Dance Music

The Knights of Columbus Presents

A Night of Dance Music
Music, Dinner & More
Saturday, November 9, 2019
7:00PM-11:00PM
Msgr. Nolan Hall

Please see our website for current information on Parish activities at stjosephsbabylon.org
**Parish Ministry Fair**

**PARISH MINISTRY FAIR**

Mark your calendars for the weekend of November 16th & 17th.

Each Parish Ministry is invited to host an information table in the gym after each Mass.

Ministry Leaders need to e-mail bmcnulty@stjosephsbabylon.org by **October 16th**, if they wish to participate.

All Parishioners are invited for some light hospitality in the Gym after each Mass the weekend of 11/16 & 11/17 with the opportunity to learn more about what this Parish has to offer.

Teens looking for Community Service can sign up by **November 1st** to assist at particular Masses and to receive their jobs for the day.

Check the Parish website sign up: https://stjosephsbabylon.org/community-service

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**Golden Age**

Join us for **Golden Age**. We meet every **Wednesday** for Bingo and refreshments from **12:30pm - 4pm** in the O’Connell Room. **All are welcome!**

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**High School Open Houses**

Come and discover **Holy Trinity Diocesan High School** at our **Open House**.

**Saturday, October 19, 2019**
11:00 am - 2:00pm

General Presentations at 11:15am, 12:15pm, and 1:15pm.
Campus tours available as well as opportunities to meet administrators, teachers, coaches, alumni, students and parents!

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**St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School**

**Open House**
October 20, 2019
10:00am - 1:00pm

Open to families of 7th and 8th graders and interested transfer students.

If you have any questions, please call (631) 587-8000 x113 or online at www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net

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**Catequesis 2019/2020**

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.

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39 North Carll Avenue
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**“Moving On” Group**

An After Bereavement Group for Widows and Widowers Hosts:

**“Positive Thinking-The Key to Living Your Best Life Possible”**

Presented by Author & Motivational Speaker, Glenn Poveromo

**Friday, October 11, 2019 @ 7:30 pm**

For further information please call Geri Olson at 631-661-8994 or Linda Sparaco 631-225-9530

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**St. Joseph’s Book Club**

will meet on November 7, 2019 at 7:30pm in Room 258.

The book being discussed will be **Watching You** by Lisa Jewell
Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

No se puede negar el poder de la oración cuando estudia la historia del mundo y aprenda de los eventos maravillosos que sucedieron a través de orar. Hubo conversiones, sanaciones, el don de la sabiduría, y la gracia de perseverar en tiempos difíciles. Porque la oración es poderosa, a veces se hablan de oración como la arma de los Cristianos (lea Efesios 6:10-20 para ver San Pablo usando esta analogía). De todos las oraciones, el santo rosario es muy poderoso. El rosario nos enfoca y afila nuestras almas mientras meditamos sobre los momentos más importantes en la vida de Cristo. El mes de Octubre es dedicado al santo rosario, y quiero sugerir que tratamos orar el rosario cada semana, o, si lo ora ya, podemos orar un poco más intensamente o podemos enseñar el rosario a alguien. Aquí, voy a presentar unas pensamientos para interesarles en un desafío: orar el rosario cada día este Octubre.

Si se puede juzgar una oración por las gracias que imparte, el rosario es muy bueno porque carga un regalo muy precioso, una indulgencia plenaria, cuando lo se ore en una iglesia, o en la familia, o con otros feligreses. También, imparta esta indulgencia cuando lo se ore con el Papa en una emisión simultánea por radio o televisión. El rosario lleno contiene 20 misterios, pero aquí, como usual, "el rosario" significa cinco misterios, con meditación sobre los misterios, anunciándolos para que todos puedan unirse en la oración. Una indulgencia parcial está concedido si no puede orar todo el rosario al mismo tiempo.

Un relato de una conversión que es muy interesante es la conversión de Beato Bartolo Longo quien fue nacido en el 18° siglo. Él abandonó la practica de religiones ocultas para ser Católico a través de su fidelidad de orar el rosario. Pasó su vida enseñando el rosario a todos que vinieron a un santuario que fundó en Pompeii, Italia. El rosario es una oración sencilla: es fácil de memorizar porque se repite las oraciones. Se puede orar el rosario en todas las iglesias.

Al mismo tiempo, es profundo: meditamos en los momentos más importantes en la vida de Cristo y nuestra Madre, María. Es una oración que se puede orar con otros: el Padre Nuestro, Ave María, y Gloria que construyen el rosario, son fácil a compartir e interesantes. (Pablo usa esta analogía). De todos las oraciones, el santo rosario es muy poderoso. El rosario nos une con los santos amados que oraron el rosario, también. Y por los que quieren saber más del rosario, hay muchas obras y sermones de los santos sobre el rosario: estoy pensando en particular de la carta de San Juan Pablo II que se llama Rosarium Virginis Mariae.

Yo espero que estas pensamientos les guían orar el rosario más frecuentemente, especialmente este mes y les desafío orar el rosario cada día este Octubre. Espero que ustedes que viven como una familia van a tratar hacer tiempo para orar el rosario juntos una vez por semana es buena. Tal vez pensarían que sentirían torpe: ¡no lo permitan desalentarle! Yo no empecé orar el rosario hasta era un miembro del grupo de los Católicos en mi universidad, y la primera vez que fui al grupo estaban orando en Latín - un rosario cada día este Octubre. Espero que ustedes que viven como una familia van a tratar hacer tiempo para orar el rosario juntos una vez por semana es buena. Tal vez pensarían que sentirían torpe: ¡no lo permitan desalentarle! Yo no empecé orar el rosario hasta era un miembro del grupo de los Católicos en mi universidad, y la primera vez que fui al grupo estaban orando en Latín - una vez por semana es buena. Tal vez pensarían que sentirían torpe: ¡no lo permitan desalentarle! Yo no empecé orar el rosario hasta era un miembro del grupo de los Católicos en mi universidad, y la primera vez que fui al grupo estaban orando en Latín.

En Cristo,
p. Jason

### 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 Jason Grisafi @ (631) 669-0068 x 106.

### RECONCILIACIÓN:
Sábado a las 4:00pm - 4:45pm, 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 invitamos a vivir un fin de semana con Cristo. Tenemos Últreya todos los domingos a las 12:30pm. en el Salón # 256. Mas información contáctese con la Sub-Vocal de Piedad Geremías Herrera @ gherreras29@gmail.com.

### MADRES ORANDO POR SUS HIJOS:
Todos los Miércedea de 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Para información, contáctese con Ana Ramos @ (631) 617-2129.

### RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA:
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 a las 7:15 p.m. Para más información contáctese con Jamie Duque al (631) 805-2654.

### COMUNIDAD DE MARÍA:
Siguiendo los mensajes de María Reina de la Paz Comunicarse con Adriana Mascari. (631) 681-0005

### 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:
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