

OUR LITURGY

Moses tells the Israelites that they will be richly rewarded for following God's precepts and living according to the Lord's commandments as they are written. The second reading reinforces God's goodness to those who adhere to the Lord's message. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of moral purification as more important than washing of cups and jugs.



MASS INTENTIONS

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

Donated in Memory of
William Sylvester
Requested by
The Kelleher Family



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

This Week End	Mass	Next Week
Fr Maffeo	5:00 pm	Fr Thomas
Fr Maffeo	7:00 am	Fr Thomas
Fr Boyle	9:00 am	Fr Maffeo
Fr Tapel	10:30 am	Fr Boyle
Fr Thomas	12:00 pm	Fr Tapel
Fr Tapel	5:00 pm	Fr Boyle

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS AT THE MASSES ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE USHERS WHEN YOU ARRIVE FOR MASS.



Apostolate for Family Consolation
Invites you to bring your family and friends for an opportunity to pray with your parish family. We meet on Mondays at 7:30 PM in the church for a holy hour which includes: Listening to some of our leading theologians, Praying the Rosary using meditative music video images of the life of Christ and Fellowship (coffee & cake). All are welcome.

Baptisms

- Matthew Stanton Brosnan
- Maximillian John Buttereit
- Robert William Candela
- Adrianna Marie Diaz
- Timothy Ryan Fair
- Delaney Summer Hart
- Abigail Mackenzie Mahony
- Marie Catherine Saracino
- Aidan Feliks Szober

Sunday, September 3, Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 Helen McMurray requested by Mr & Mrs McMurray
- 7:00 Lillian Nostitz requested by Erma Danielsson
- 9:00 Daniel Holland requested by Miriam DiNatale
- 9:00 Jane Favale requested by 9AM Choir
- 10:30 Geraldine Mark requested by The LoBrutto Family
- 10:30 Margaret Tedeschi requested by Mitchell
- 12:00 Claudia Platia requested by Claudia, Frank & Children
- 12:00 Mercedes Chipe requested by Loving Family
- 5:00 Mathilde Rodriguez requested by Cathy & Jim Foy
- 5:00 Francis Garguilo requested by The Ferrar Family

Monday, September 4, Mass for Blessing of Human Labor

- 7:00 Anna Reynolds requested by Gerri & Mike Devenney
- 7:00 Joan Scanlon requested by Extraordinary Ministers
- 9:00 Nicholas C Romano Jr requested by Loving Mom & Dad
- 9:00 Augusto Lucas requested by Loving Family

Tuesday, September 5

- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 7:00 Senora Lydia Colon requested by Nick Vazquez
- 9:00 Minnetta Kelly requested by Loving Daughter
- 9:00 Deanna Greenwald requested by Mr & Mrs Algeri

Wednesday, September 6

- 7:00 For the Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Manuela Pardo requested by Arthur & Julie Ysordia
- 9:00 Timothy Curran requested by Tara Tully

Thursday, September 7

- 7:00 John F Hannon requested by George & Jennifer Siebert
- 7:00 Anthony Alfieri requested by Mr & Mrs Louis DeMaio
- 9:00 Nicholas C Romano Jr requested by Loving Mom & Dad
- 9:00 Albert Guevara requested by The DuJat Family

Friday, September 8, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00 Maryanne Hayes requested by Martha Sconfienza
- 7:00 Billy & Corinne Addiss (living) requested by the Recca family
- 9:00 Carino DeRubeis requested by Loving Wife
- 9:00 Richard O'Leary requested by The Brown Family

Saturday, September 9

- 8:00 Elizabeth Sheridan requested by Sharon & Bruce Edwards & Family
- 8:00 Frank Krist requested by The Barr Family

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Mary & Tom Hackett requested by The Hughes Family
- 5:00 Jane M Favale requested by Mike & Geri Devenney

Sunday, September 10, Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 William Romano requested by Grace Kwiker
- 7:00 Antoinetta Partenope requested by Mr & Mrs P Riccardelli
- 9:00 Jane M Favale requested by Mr & Mrs V Cristiano & Family
- 9:00 Rose Russo requested by The Binger Family
- 10:30 Pray for an End to Abortion
- 10:30 Donata Morelli requested by The LoBrutto Family
- 12:00 Claudia Platia requested by The Flynn Family
- 12:00 James Harrington requested by Ann Harrington
- 5:00 Eileen Downy requested by Bruno & Irene Ciorra
- 5:00 John DelGaudio requested by Anthony & Lisa Lupo

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

This weekend marks the worst day of the calendar for most young people, and the best day for most parents-THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL ! Summer has come to an end and now comes the time to hit the books, do homework, study and wake up early. While most students will outwardly complain, in reality most can't wait to get back to school because they were getting bored at the end of the summer. For some this school year is the start of a new school and challenge-as they start elementary school or middle school, high school, university or training school. There is one thing that all of these schools will have in common and that is rules and regulations. There are procedures for faculty, students and parents to follow for the period from September to June. Rules which if broken can result in detention, suspension, or even expulsion.

While sometimes the rules seem harsh or arbitrary, just ask any student who is good at breaking the rules, and who the principal knows on a first name basis and the home phone number is on speed dial, how necessary they are! We see this when it comes to living life in general and in a society. Where would we be without rules and laws? How safe would we feel and how would we be able to get across town or ever get anything done. Of course we know that there are good laws and bad laws, and let us thank God that we live in a country where we can change the laws either through our representatives or through the court system. Even the Church as a society (the living Body of Christ) has its rules, we call it *Canon Law* and there is also the *General Instructions to the Roman Missal* (which establishes the procedures and norms for celebrating Mass and the Sacraments).

The Canon Law and the General Instruction are necessary because we do live in a society of many people and we need something to keep things in order, so one can feel at home in the Church no matter where they go (at least this is the goal). The driving force behind the Church's Law is the *Scriptures, the Teachings of Christ, and the Ancient Traditions of the Church*. Keep in mind that the Church's laws are not static, they are dynamic and change (while be it at a slow rate, but this is done purposely) as we gain more and more insights in the Divine Revelation given to us through Christ, and inspired by The Holy Spirit. The Law of The Church is applied in general, but it is not practiced blindly, which was Jesus' complaint against the Pharisees and Scribes in today's Gospel. The Law of Moses given to the people by God, kept being added to as the centuries went on. The Law was a gift from God to guide the people and help them come closer and closer to

God (until the Law was fulfilled with the coming of The Messiah). The religious leaders of Israel, however, got so caught up with the law and its infinitesimal rules and regulations that they became more important than the spirit and reason for the Law. Jesus tells the people that no matter how hard you follow the dietary laws or the ritual cleansing laws, you will not be made totally pure. For the purity that they thought came from the law, can only come from inside, and only from a true FAITH IN GOD. What was needed was not to get rid of the Law, which Jesus says many times over, but to place the Law in its proper place-so the people can see that true purity and salvation comes from following the Word of God and putting it into action.

How well do you (we) listen to The Word of God and how well do you (we) put the Word and your (our) faith into practice by doing good works? How well do you (we) follow the ultimate Law of Jesus-To Love one another as I (Jesus) have loved you? Questions we as the followers of Christ must ask and answer honestly!

God bless you always.

Fr. Mike

P.S. I almost forgot, HAPPY FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL☺



Every Good Gift & Every Perfect Gift Is From Above...

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REMEMBER OUR SICK

Paul Ahearn	Rosemarie Aiello
Michael Ambrosio	Bill Barry
Rosemary Beck	Mary Ellen Bowers
Mr Michael Boyle Sr	Cynthia Caesar
Leo Cantelmo	Irene Costello
Csaba Csaszar	Michael DePinto
Angelina DeSimone	Brian Devereux
Nancy DiTrapani	Mary Dougherty
Geraldine DuBritz	Herbert Eberle
Maggie Errico	James Evans
Kathleen Farnell	Robert Filce
Edward Forsythe	Mary Forsythe
Vincent Fortunato	Lorraine Frankel
Flavio Gabrielli	John Gracey
Pat Gracey	Raymond Harold
Catherine Hickey	Jasper Indelicato
Margaret Indelicato	Jack Kelleher
Georgiana Lopez	Pat Lucivero
Sam Monteleone	Elizabeth Betty Mulligan
Nicholas Paduano	Peter Partenope
James Peace	Grace C Peshkur
Vincent Profita	Nicole Ramaglia
Joan Reilly	Janet Rodgers
Frank Rotolo	Dawn Saporito
Frances Schiavone	Madison Schulz
Mary Sedlock	Agnes Shields
Anne Skidmore	Darryll Smith
Pat Stapleton	Ann Sturiano
Sr Kathleen Taylor, OP	Stacie Tizzard
Lloyd Turnier	

PLEASE NOTE: To keep our prayer list current, we will keep names on the sick list for **two months**. We ask families to return the bulletin cut-out to include names of those who are ill for another two months.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Please continue to remember them in your prayers.

CPL Deborah Alfieri	E2 Matthew Altonji
Tech SGT Louis Barletta	2LT Stephen Bartoszak
Pvt Richard Bossi	PFC Justin Browne
SGT Michael Bruno	CPL Glenn Clacher
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran	SGT Ryan Delaney
TSGT Timothy Dermody	LTCOL Kurt Diehl
SGT Stephen DiGirolamo	SSGT Tony Elliott
LT Kelly Fletcher	PFC Adam Franciosa
CPT Evan Gotkin	PVT2 Edward Johnston
SGT John W Keohane	SGT Steven Knight
CPL Andrew Kochman	SGT Patrick McNally
PFC William Meyer	SGT Glenn Miller
2LT Heather Miras	SGT Daniel Montville
SSGT Brian Moran	CPT Gregory Mueller
LCPL Thomas Napolitano	LCPL Michael Napolitano
Pvt Todd Nelson	LCPL James Neubauer
LCPL Anthony Notaroberta	SGT Brian Pacella
N/Seal Paul Padro	ENS3 Lucy Padro
CPT Michael Parisi	2LT Anthony Parisi
MAJ Paul E Pinaud	CTR2 Matthew Pistritto
SGT Edwin Rivera, II	PFC William R Rodgers
SSGT Jason Schiavo	LCPL W.Mason Shehan
SPC James Stanek	SGT John Thomas Vogt
SGT Randolph Weaver	

If you would like to include a soldier from your family who is serving, place their name and rank and branch of service on the cut -out and put it in the collection basket.



REMEMBERING THE SICK

Please include the following in the bulletin sick list:

Name of person who is ill:

Person making this request: Relationship to ill person

Your Phone #: _____
(Please place in collection basket or return to Church Office)
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

REMEMBERING OUR TROOPS

Please include the following soldier in your prayers :

Name, Rank and Branch of Service

Person making this request: Relationship to Soldier

Your Phone #: _____
(Please place in collection basket or return to Church Office)
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Frances T Narciso, Mary Loggia, Gloria Cusanelli, for our deceased soldiers and all of our deceased relatives and friends.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Religious Education

reled@stjoronk.org

Monday & Thursday 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 10 am to 4 pm
The office is **closed** on Fridays.



The Religious Ed Office is now open.

Any child entering grade 1 in September should be registered for our program. Communion prep is a two year program beginning with grade 1. If you are new to the Parish please call our office and we will mail you the registration forms you will need. You may also go on line at StJoRonk.org. You need to be a registered parishioner with a 5 digit ID #, you may register as a Parishioner at the Rectory.

Religious Ed classes will begin the first week of October. If you have not sent in your forms for the new year, please do so **ASAP**. If you misplaced the forms you received last March, call our office and we will gladly send you out a new set.

Reminder for **Level 8 Important Parent meeting** on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the school Auditorium. See Note the **“Confirmation Corner”** for important information

Catechist Meetings will be held on Wednesday **September 13th** at 7 p.m. in Carew Hall and also on Saturday **September 16th** at 10:00 a.m. in Carew Hall. You may take your choice of days. We will have your manuals, binders and calendars ready for you.

We are welcoming new catechists! Please drop into the office or give us a call if you would like to inquire further.

WANTED!! SCRIP SELLERS



We're looking for volunteers to sell scrip after all the Masses on the weekend including the 5PM Saturday and Sunday. Anyone who is interested can contact Deacon DeBellis at the rectory office 588-8456.

St Joseph's School

school@stjoronk.org

Final registration for the Fall –2006-2007 school year is being accepted now at St Joseph School in Ronkonkoma. Limited seats are available for our Nursery-Grade 8 programs. Please call the school office @588-4760 between the hours of 8AM and 2PM. School begins Wednesday, September 6th. Do not miss the opportunity for your child to receive a quality, Catholic education.



St Joseph's School is hosting it's annual Fall Craft &



Gift Fair on Saturday, September 30 from 10am – 4pm both indoors in the school gym and outdoors in the school parking lot. There will be something for everyone, handmade and new merchandise, bake sale, moon bounce, fall plant sale and much more. For information please call Christine Florio at 736-9354.

St. Joseph School Parents' Association along with **Macy's** invites you to participate in **Macy's Shop For A Cause Fundraiser on September 16th at Macy's**

This unique one-day-only shopping event was created by Macy's to support local community and school organizations. Macy's will provide St Joseph School with shopping passes. Each pass can be purchased for \$5.00. By purchasing a shopping pass to the event, customers will support our school while enjoying a day of spectacular discounts, entertainment, special events and thousands of dollars worth of fabulous prizes.

Savings passes entitle the bearer to special savings on select merchandise throughout the store, in addition to regular and sale merchandise specials.

Please refer to all exclusions listed on the savings pass. If you would like to purchase a savings pass and help raise money for St Joseph School please contact Ann Ambrosio Parent's Association Treasurer by completing the following request.

Name_____

Address_____

Telephone # _____

of Savings Passes_____

****Please make checks payable to St Joseph School****

Mail requests to the school at 25 Church St.

Passes will also be available in the rectory & school.



Members of our parish who wish to contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society may do so by calling the Outreach Office.



RESPECT LIFE

Did you know that....in New York State, Medicaid funds, pays for, abortion-on-demand? Federal taxpayer money, by law, provides 50% of the cost for Medicaid abortions only in cases of rape, incest, or to save the mother's life. Thirty-two states and the District of Columbia also prohibit public funding of abortion except for cases as above. However, New York is one of only four states that *voluntarily rejects 50%* reimbursement by the federal government, instead, paying for abortion-on-demand through Medicaid.

The most recent available statistics from the NYS Department of Health (2003) record 47,102 abortions, (or 41.1% of the total number of abortions in NYS) paid for by NYS taxpayers. Based on national estimates of first-trimester abortion costs alone, it can be safely assumed that *at least* \$18 million of our money paid for abortions in 2003. And that's only in the first trimester – we all know abortions are available for any reason at any time.

Efforts to remove funding for abortion-on-demand from the NYS 2006-07 budget were defeated, although a total of 42 Assembly members voted to do so. A Senate vote on Medicaid funding for abortion has not yet come up.

Since you already know that abortions are illegal in the state of South Dakota, you will enjoy this quote from Planned Parenthood: "A lot of us thought it couldn't happen, but it is happening...Eleven states besides South Dakota are considering abortion bans-we must stop the domino effect." These include Michigan, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

From the March 2006 Life News: "President Jimmy Carter Regrets - - calling himself a better ex-President than a President, he acknowledged that he made mistakes in office. Though he called abortion wrong during his 1976 presidential campaign, he opposed a constitutional amendment to undo the still-fresh Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton edicts of the U.S. Supreme Court. He regrets his vigorous support of such abortion abetting initiatives as the failed Equal Rights Amendment, which among other things would have enshrined a "right to abort" into the U.S. Constitution."

PREGNANCY CRISIS HOTLINE -We are here to help you. Please call 981-6888.

Outreach

sjpo@verizon.net

SOUP KITCHEN - open in Carew Hall every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 6-7PM for those in need.

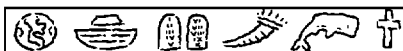
Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies for our clients. Your generous response brought smiles to many faces. God Bless You.

Weekly Offering

Sunday, August 27, 2006 Offerings	\$14,544
Same collection last year	14,314
Number of envelopes	547
Poor Box last weekend	\$299
Fuel Collection to Date	\$16,565
Fuel Expenses 9/1/05 thru 8/31/06	45,620

Thank you again for your generous support.

God Bless You Always, Fr Mike



Bible Study

Beginning Tuesday, September 5th, Fr Boyle will resume teaching the Bible. The class will be held every Tuesday in two sessions. You can choose from mornings 10-11:30 AM and evenings 7:30-9 PM. Registration is no longer necessary, neither is a fee. Classes will meet every week unless otherwise announced. Anyone wishing to learn is welcome to attend as many or as few classes as you want. Feel free to come and go as you please. In September we will begin with the law: Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. Come and join us !

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS

Ladies, please remember: Tuesday evening, 7 PM., September 5th in Father Carew Hall, the first meeting of Court St. Joseph for the coming year.

Regent, C. West, 585-

St Joseph Catholic Seniors

First meeting will be September 12th at St Joseph's Church for an 11:00 Mass. The usual meeting takes place the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at St Regis Knights of Columbus Hall. Meeting starts at 11 AM.

Mark Your Calendars

Sept 4	Labor Day - Office Closed
Sept 5	Altar Server Training 4-5 PM
Sept 6	First Day of School
Sept 11	Memorial Mass 7:30
Sept 11	Baptism Class 8PM
Sept 12	Parent Meeting Level 8 Confirmation 7:30
Sept 17	Catechetical Sunday 12 Noon Mass



St Joseph's Sunday School

*Did you know St Joseph's has a Sunday school program?
If you have a 3, 4, or 5 year old please join us!*



Sunday School

*We meet on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 Mass.
While parents are attending Mass they can be assured that their
child is also learning about God.*

*We use story telling, song, play and hands on activities as
teaching tools.*

*Your child will love continuing his/her journey to Jesus.
Come be a part of St Joseph's Sunday School!*

If you have any questions please call: Michaele Zakarya at 585-2087 or Maureen Ennis at 648-8025

There is a \$35 annual fee payable when comfortable doing so.

If you would like to register please contact the Religious Education office at 981-1805 for an application.

REMEMBERING FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES



Help Us Grow
the
Tree Of Life
At
St Joseph's

Throughout the ages, trees have symbolized life. The Tree of Life at St Joseph's represents our parish's commitment to life by providing for the spiritual, educational and social needs of our parish. The beautiful sculptures, leaves and stones render a tale of support, friendship, remembrance and dedication.

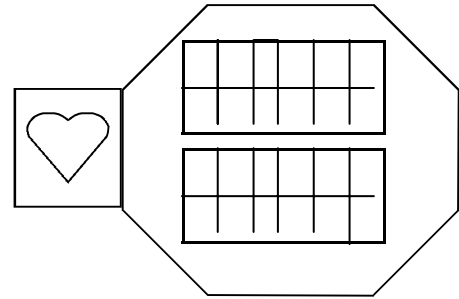
Occupying a prominent position in our Baptistry, and All Saints Shrine, the Tree of Life commemorates our support of St Joseph's Parish. Leaves and stones may be engraved to honor benefactors, highlight or memorialize people or events with special significance in life, or express the sentiments of donors.

The Leaves

Each inscribed leaf on The Tree of Life represents a gift of \$1,000 or more. Inscriptions may recognize a valued friend and supporter of St Joseph's Church, celebrate a significant event in your family, or memorialize a loved one.

The Stones

Each inscribed stone permanently recognizes a contribution of \$5,000 or more given by an individual benefactor, foundation or corporation.



Bricks For The Future

Bricks For the Future welcome our parishioners and friends alike as they enter St Joseph's Church each day. Some stop to read the inscriptions, others to say a prayer in memory. As we hear The Word proclaimed inside the Church building, outside on the step we are witnesses to that faith.

The growth of the Bricks for the Future program at St Joseph's Church through your gift, allows you to have a significant and meaningful part in developing and sharing our Community of faith and love in Jesus. Your contribution helps St Joseph sustain our parish plant and buildings to keep them from deteriorating now and in the future as major projects arise.

Your tax deductible gift gives you the opportunity to share with others those special persons and meaningful events that touch, shape and illuminate your life.

Each brick in the walk represents a gift of \$1,800. Brick inscription allows up to 4 rows of characters, symbols and spaces as shown above (approx 28). If you wish to have a special symbol (shamrock, cross, heart) on the tab of the brick, please contact the rectory.

	Single	Annual	Semi Annual	Quarterly	Monthly
Tree of Life Leaf	\$1000	\$334	\$167	\$84	\$28
Tree of Life Stone	\$5000	\$1667	\$834	\$417	\$139
Brick For the Future	\$1800	\$600	\$300	\$150	\$50

Name _____
 Address _____
 Town _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____

Upon receipt of your down payment we will send you a form for the exact wording of the inscription. For your convenience we will mail you a statement according to your payment schedule.



St Joseph Parish is planning a special Mass on Sunday, September 24th at 3:00PM To honor and bless couples who have celebrated their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary since February of 2004

Please leave your name, wedding date and phone number at the rectory if you would like to participate. Please RSVP By September 15th



Diocese of Rockville Centre Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, D.C.

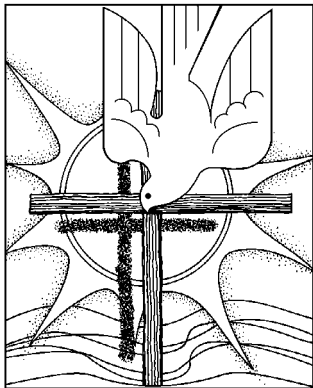
Saturday, September 23, 2006

JOURNEY OF UNITY IN CHRIST



6 AM Depart for Washington (wear comfortable shoes!) 12:00 Angelus - 12:10 Welcome and Introduction -Information on the Shrine - Tours of the Shrine 1:00 Reconciliation Service (Rite II) Followed by individual confessions in the crypt Lunch (bring your own or enjoy the cafeteria cuisine) Tours, Gift shop, Private prayer, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3:00 Rosary in word and song - 4:15 Mass - 5:30 Departure

Please contact Deacon Devenney through the rectory for more information on this wonderful event.



Confirmation Corner

Anyone who has not completed Level 8 registration for your child must do so immediately. Call the Religious Ed Office with any questions. Reminder: Parent meeting September 12th at 7:30PM in the school auditorium. Please bring your letter dated August 27th with you.

Confirmation Interview Schedule

Table with 3 columns: Day, Interview Time, and Interviewer. Rows include Tuesday, Sept 19 and Thursday, Sept 21 with various letter groupings and times.

Get your Mums!



We will have them available
Saturday and Sunday, September 16-17,
At St. Josephs Church

They will be available in (6) color shades.

Cost is **\$5 for each pot.**

Pre-Order yours now by Monday, September 11,
so you can pick them up earlier. (Saturday morning onward)

Order Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number desired

White ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Red ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Bronze ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Yellow ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Orange ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Purple ___ X \$5 = \$ ___

Total Enclosed \$ _____



(Please return with payment to the Church Office)

Stewardship - A Way of Life

Please mark a box to the left of each Ministry or Gift or Talent which would indicate that you would like to

- (1) JOIN—use your gifts to serve that ministry; (2) RENEW - renew your commitment to share those gifts;
- (3) MORE INFO –request information in that particular area of ministry/gift or talent; (4) TAKE A BREAK - discontinue your service for the coming year. A Ministry leader will contact you shortly whatever you choose to do.

If you are not contacted within a month call us at 588-8456.



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Tell Us About You!

Name _____

Age (optional) _____

Address _____

Phone numbers:
Home _____
Work/Cell _____

Hobbies and Interests _____

According to Diocesan regulations all adult volunteers must fill out and sign a release for a confidential background check before volunteer hours can begin.

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Gifts & Talents

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For the Young at Heart



YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, St. Joseph's Parish offers a modern, upbeat, worship experience designed especially for youth and their families.

Everyone in grades 7-12 is invited to participate.

We're looking for: Lectors Ushers Musicians/Singers Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers (Eucharistic ministers must be over 18)

**Youth
Worship
Service**

For more information about joining *Youth in Ministry*, contact YIM@StJoRonk.org



**Cub Scout Pack 272
Boy Scout Troop 272**



St. Joseph's Cub Scout Pack 272 and Boy Scout Troop 272 have fun, exciting, educational, character building programs for boys, age 7 through 17 (*first grade and up*).

For more information or to enroll your child, contact **Dr. Louis Scotti at 656-8428** or e-mail JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org.

CAR WASH
to support the
Rosary Walk

An Eagle Scout Project
Sunday, September 10th
8:30-1:30 behind the church.

Donations are welcome! Rain date Sept 17th.



Sport for all Seasons
ST JOSEPH

Travel Soccer:

Gene ☎ 467-0541

Intramural Soccer:

Beth ☎ 737-6299

Track

Karen ☎ 588-8636

Chairman: Henry

Baseball:

Gene ☎ 588-1879

Girls Basketball:

Christine ☎ 737-3142

Boys Basketball:

Frank ☎ 585-6921

Melchiona ☎ 467-6091

St Joseph's CYO Fall Sports Program registration is in progress; please contact the individual sport coordinator listed for more information.

Tentative start dates are : Travel 9/9/06

Intramurals 9/16/06.

St Joseph's



Play Group

Calling all babies, toddlers and pre schoolers - Come meet new friends at the St Joseph's Playgroup!

Bring your Mom, Dad, Grandparents or caregiver to Father Carew Hall on

Thursday's starting in September at 9:30 AM.

There you'll meet other St Joseph's families and spend an hour of fun with other children from birth to age 5.

For more information please call Sally Miller at 737-5120. Hope to see you there!



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Touching the lives of many through
Diocesan & Parish ministries and services*

August 18, 2006

Reverend Michael T. Maffeo
St. Joseph Church
45 Church Street
Ronkonkoma, New York 11779

Dear Father Maffeo,

Based upon payments received as of August 1st, your parish has attained over 60% of your Catholic Ministries Appeal goal. Following the sharing formula established for the appeal, I am pleased to forward a Check representing 10% of the payments received on that goal.

Please encourage your parishioners to continue making their gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal so that you can continue sharing in the funds collected.

Please convey my sincere appreciation to your generous parishioners and your Appeal Committee for their support.

Sincerely,
Enes J. Carnesecca
Director of the office of Institutional Advancement

		<u>August 18, 2006</u>
Pay to the	St Joseph RCC	\$ 5,597.90
order of		
	Five Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Seven and 90/100	dollars
Diocese of Rockville Centre Catholic Ministries Appeal		

- The Catholic Ministries Appeal provides help to those in need! The funds raised from last year's Appeal provided:
- *More than \$2,000,000 for our local parishes in order to help them create new programs, support local ministries and address immediate needs.
 - *40 Seminarians and hundreds of deacons with formation, education and spiritual guidance they need to help them lead our Church into the future.
 - *More than 190,000 meals to senior citizens.
 - *Educational opportunities to 37,000 students in our Catholic elementary and high schools.
 - *Almost 1,250 units of housing for people with disabilities and senior citizens.
 - *Guidance, proper nutrition, housing and a stable environment for pregnant and/or parenting young girls and their children at Regina Residence.

If you did not receive the 2006 Catholic Ministries Appeal mailing or have lost or misplaced the pledge card and envelope that was mailed to you at home please contact our parish office at 588-8456. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Respect Life Sunday Diapers for Babies Collection



**Saturday, Sept. 30th
and Sunday, Oct. 1st**

**The Respect Life Committee of St. Joseph's Parish
will welcome your donation of diapers for babies and toddlers in need
at all Masses.**

Keeping the newborn and the toddler in diapers can put a big strain on a tight budget. St. Joseph's Parish Outreach has alerted us to the fact that diapers are the most often requested item when mothers visit Outreach.

For this October Baby Collection we are asking for disposable diapers. If you have not already purchased a gift to donate please consider disposable diapers in Sizes Newborn, 1, 2, 3 or 4. Most needed are Sizes 2 and 3. Please place all gifts in the bassinet at the main entrance to the Church.

To our parishioners who regularly crochet and knit the beautiful blankets and baby sweaters, hats, etc. please continue to do so. We ask that you bring these in October since they are included in layettes for newborns. A sincere thank you to all who help in this important effort.

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP GIFTS

Note: Diapers, baby food, and new and used clothing are always welcome at Outreach. Please call the Outreach Office at 981-6888 for office hours and before bringing furniture items. For additional information call St. Joseph's Respect Life Committee at 585-8066, 724-8586 or 588-0168.

COME! AFFIRM THE SANCTITY OF LIFE!

9th Annual

STAND UP FOR LIFE



Signs to be used will be distributed at site and will say:

ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN
and
LOVE THEM BOTH
(with picture of mother and child)

Sunday, October 1, 2006
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

(rain or shine)

ALONG ROUTE 25 and ROUTE 110
Huntington, Long Island

Rt. 110 (East sidewalk) beginning at Rt. 25 heading South for 1 mile
Rt. 25 (South sidewalk) beginning at Rt. 110 heading East for 1/2 mile

ALL WELCOME

Supporters Include:

Holy Innocents Columbiettes
Larry & Lenore DiBlasi
St. Patrick Church, Bay Shore
Deacon Jack McGowan & Family
Three Village Citizens for Life
St. James Respect Life, Setauket
Rev. John & Darlene Roy
Sunrise CL#6607 K of C Bohemia
Robert Considine
St. Philip Neri Respect Life
Catholic League of St. Anthony's H.S.
Sts. Philip & James R.C. Church
Feminists for Life of New York
St. Martin of Tours, Amityville
Cmdr. John J. Shea Assy. K of C
Our Lady of Fatima, Manorhaven, L.I.
Knights of Columbus Nassau Chapter
Knights of Columbus St. Joseph 4810
Good Shepherd #8607 K of C
Families for Life
Church of the Intercessor
Pope Pius XII #4422 K of C
Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church
Carolyn & George Dlugozima

Gregory & Beatrice Guido
Cabrini Pro Life Family
Blessed Sacrament Parish
OLL of Malverne Human Life Committee
Peconic Respect Life Association
K of C Msgr. Delaney CL#5983
K of C Pope John XXIII Assembly
St. Regis K of C Council #4651
Our Lady Snow Respect Life Ministry
Frederick T. Schrotz, Jr.
Our Lady of Victory RTL
The Patrovic Family
Chaminade Catholic League
St. Rosalie's Parish
John J. Flannery K of C, East Hampton
Els Associates
St. Lawrence the Martyr, Sayville
NCC Respect Life Group
Joseph Barry Council 2520 K of C
St. Agnes Cathedral Respect Life
Mike Moran Division 8 AOH, Glen Cove
Saint Mary's Church of Amityville
The Bertolotti Family for V.I.V.A.
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church RTL

St. Anthony of Padua, East Northport
Diocese of RVC Respect Life Office
St. Anthony's, Rocky Point
AOH Nassau County Board
OLPH K of C Council #794
St. Francis of Assisi RC Church
AOH Division 4 Huntington
Holy Name of Jesus Woodbury
Saint Martin of Tours, Bethpage
Our Lady of Grace Respect All Life
St. Margaret of Scotland, Selden
Our Lady of the Assumption
St. Joseph RC Church, Ronkonkoma
Holy Name of Mary Pro-Life Committee
Blessed Sacrament CL#11476 K of C
Holy Innocents Council #3581 K of C
Cervellino Family
Cisternino Family
St. Joseph's Church, Hewlett
St. Patrick RC Church, Smithtown
NYS Right to Life Committee, Inc.
St. Mark's, Shoreham
St. Vincent de Paul, Elmont
St. Thomas the Apostle, W. Hempstead





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION
Pastoral Ministry for Persons with Disabilities



A retreat especially designed for persons
who live with a serious illness.

Enter a respite, a quiet time, an oasis to
enable you to continue your journey.

The retreat focuses on
God's love, forgiveness and faithfulness.

To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call Sister Sally Ryan, R.S.M., Coordinator of Pastoral Ministry for Persons with Disabilities, Office of Faith Formation, in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, 516-678-5800 Ext. 540 or Colette Fanelli, 631-665-7052.



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POPULAR
DEMAND

The Calendar Club

*Watch this space and your mail for
enrollment forms !!*

Join the Calendar Club 2007!

Courtesy Announcements



18th Annual Mass for Deceased Children, St Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, Saturday, September 16th at 11:30 AM celebrated by Rev Anthony Stanganelli. Come early to inscribe child's name in the "Book of Families". All are welcome. Refreshments follow in the Parish Center. For information call 516-764-0681.

GLEAM - Golden Learning Experience at Mount St Alphonsus for seniors (55 and older) combining the physical & spiritual aspects of aging from September 18 to 21st in Esopus, NY. All room facing the Hudson River. The cost of the retreat is \$200. The cost of round trip bus fare is \$75. Call Doris Peterson for more information at 467-3477 or see the brochure posted in the lobby.

Monthly Mass for individuals in any 12 Step Recovery Program on Sunday, September 3 at 7:00PM at St John Nepomucene Church in Bohemia. An 11th Step meeting will follow at 8:00 in the lower Church. For more information call Fr Kevin Gruber at 589-0540.

Suffolk Catholic Singles Dance Saturday night September 16th, 9PM-12:30AM at the Holiday Inn at MacArthur Airport. Admission is \$20 at the door and includes DJ, deli buffet and free snacks. Neat casual attire. For ages 30's through 60's. For more information call Jerry at 516-520-9385.

St Patrick's Singles Fellowship - Sunday, September 17th from 10:00 - 1PM. Coffee, tea, cake & conversation \$2. Widowed, single, divorced, separated ages 30 to 60 Plus yrs. For info call Gail 366-0124 Mon-Fri.

St John's Bohemian Singles - 55 & Up meets on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of every month in the lower level of our church. Coffee & cake is served. If you are interested in a very active group that offers a full calendar of social events every month. Please call Mary Ann at 563-8982. Admission is \$4.00. (St John Nepomucene Church)

Seton Hall High School Class of 1956 - 50th Reunion Come join us the weekend of Sept 15th - 17th, 2006. For information about the reunion, please contact Marie Wood Kofler at 588-6628.

Professional Therapy & Counseling provided by NYS licensed psychologists are available to you through the Catholic Counseling Center, a proprietary professional corporation, which is independent of & not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For confidential information & appointment, call Dr. Giuliani at 243-1550.

As a member of the **St Therese Prayer Society for Vocations**, you commit yourself to praying in a special way for vocations in the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. There are no dues & no meetings, only the promise of prayers. For more information please call the Vocations office at 631-424-9888 or e-mail us at Vocations@drvc.org.

Pastoral Formation Institute - a 2 year process of Spiritual & Theological Formation with a 3rd year of specific ministry training for Laity in the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Classes available mornings, evenings or Saturdays & at St Thomas More, Hauppauge on Tuesdays from 10am to 12 noon. Formation weekends, workshops & retreats. Outstanding instructors & presenters. For information / an application call Jeanne at 516-678-5800 ext 510 / jsavage@drvc.org.

St Joseph's Class of 1982 Reunion is in the preliminary stages of planning for the 25 Year Reunion. We are looking for names and current addresses of '82 grads. If you have any information or would like to help serve on the committee, please contact Mary (Dumas) Bernhard at marypbernhard@yahoo.com or 631-821-9158.

Cenacle Retreats * September 8-10 - Effective Living Workshop, Improve Self Image & Grow in Self Esteem
For more information call 631-588-8366.

We're Looking For...

BOX TOPS - from cereals for Educational purposes are always welcomed. Please drop them in the collection.

DEPOSIT BOTTLES AND CANS - Please place them in the baskets that are located on the school side of the Church on weekends or behind the rectory during the week.

CELL PHONES - Please bring your no longer used or needed cell phones and deposit them at the Scrip table in the Church lobby.

INKJET CARTRIDGES - Drop them off (in a plastic baggie) when you come to mass. We will send them to a company who reuses them and gives the parish a bounty for each. One note, to clear confusion, if it is larger than a fist, it is not an inkjet cartridge!!!