

OUR LITURGY

Today, the prophet Isaiah gives us an image of the *suffering servant* who will be the source of our justification. In the Gospel, Jesus links greatness with service. He challenges the thinking of James and John by reminding them of his *cup of suffering* that they will share. They expected a triumphant Messiah rather than a servant.



MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, October 22, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00 For Missionaries Around the World
- 7:00 Lt Ryan Delany (living) requested by Loving Mom & Dad
- 9:00 Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus & Columbiettes
- 10:30 Nadine & John Beneventi requested by Loving Family
- 10:30 Gertrude Corales requested by Virgil & Abeth Rimando
- 12:00 Mary Teofrio requested by

Robert Pfeifer, Tom ,Lorraine & Allie Treusdall

- 12:00 Anne Uettweller requested by Tom & Millie D'Agostino
- 5:00 Rosemary Gallagher requested by The Grenier Family
- 5:00 Rose Remshaw requested by Margaret Walsh & Family

**Monday, October 23, St John Capistrano**

- 7:00 Joan Pizzurro requested by Mr & Mrs Robert Panelli
- 9:00 Helen Kwiathouski requested by The Kwiathouski Family
- 9:00 Raymond Stapelton requested by Kim & Peter Trink & Family

**Tuesday, October 24, St Anthony Mary Claret**

- 7:00 Jean Figurito requested by The Sanchez Family
- 7:00 Bill Thomson requested by Loving Family
- 8:45 Maria Colon requested by Loving Children & Grandchildren
- 8:45 Ann Johnson requested by Geri & Mike Devenney

**Wednesday, October 25**

- 7:00 Sr Rose Respol requested by Phyllis Mullin
- 9:00 Frank Krist requested by James & Marie Torretta
- 9:00 Frank Krist requested by Santa Kirchhoffer

**Thursday, October 26**

- 7:00 Fred Augello requested by Dotty & Jerry Block
- 7:00 For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 Charles Jacob requested by Edward & Judith Spahn
- 9:00 Roddy Madigan requested by Joe & Marie Califano

**Friday, October 27**

- 7:00 Rose Vavosa requested by Dotty & Jerry Block
- 9:00 Frank & Lynn Lucivero requested by Lynn Lucivero
- 9:00 Joseph & Helen Santulin requested by Loving Family

**Saturday, October 28, Sts Simon & Jude**

- 8:00 Joseph Stapelton requested by Loving Family
- 8:00 Hector Cruz requested by Marta Diaz
- 11:00 For Those Who Come to Be Anointed

**Anticipated Mass for Sunday**

- 5:00 Rocco Rizzi requested by Robert & Denise Affenita
- 5:00 Donald Keane & Mary Schaefer requested by The Stack Family

**Sunday, October 29, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00 Anna Supakoff requested by Loving Family
- 7:00 Lt Ryan Delaney (living) requested by Loving Grandma
- 9:00 Anna Farina requested by Mr & Mrs Philip Caron & Family
- 9:00 Brian Leupold requested by Majeski Family
- 10:30 Marie Vesting requested by The Moulton Family
- 10:30 Joseph Mazziotti requested by Mr & Mrs Edwards & Cangro
- 12:00 Maryalice Vaughn requested by Nancy & Tom Thompson
- 12:00 Peter Grimaldi requested by The D'Amico Family
- 5:00 Charles R Contato requested by Loving Family
- 5:00 Leonard Furnari requested by Doreen Owen

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

Donated in Memory of  
Betty Mulligan  
Requested by  
Loving Family



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

**This Week End**

Fr Tapel	5:00 pm
Fr Tapel	7:00 am
Fr Maffeo	9:00 am
Fr Thomas	10:30 am
Fr Boyle	12:00 pm
Fr Thomas	5:00 pm

**Mass**

**Next Week**

Fr Maffeo
Fr Maffeo
Fr Tapel
Fr Boyle
Fr Thomas
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.

On *Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>*  
at *11AM*

we will celebrate our  
*Fall Anointing of The Sick*  
*Mass.*



This Mass is for those who are homebound, about to go into surgery or the hospital, or dealing with a long term illness, or the effects of old age-please join us.

Baptisms

Cadence Riley Brown

Alexia Linda Natarus

Sienna Nicole Perez

Anthony John Snyder

Justin Luis Velez

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

What's with the Apostles? As we have seen them in action during the past few weeks in Mark's Gospel. Several times we have seen them ask questions or argue among themselves as to who is greater, and of course Jesus has to set them straight. A few weeks ago Jesus used the example of a little child to show them how they are to be toward one another- for no one is greater than anyone else in the eyes of God. Likewise we should work at being as innocent and open as a little child-who seeks no position in this world but accepts all that is given to him or her. Today's gospel tells us that James and John stood before Jesus and asked to sit on His right and left-the places of honor and authority. Jesus of course tells them that they do not know what they are asking, and then asks them if they are willing to share with Jesus the cup that He must drink from and the Baptism of Fire He must undergo. They say yes, and Jesus tells them that indeed they shall, but He can not grant them the places of honor because the occupants of these places is reserved to and known only by God the Father. **And in all truth, they should not be asking this question.**

Now back to the opening question, what's with the Apostles, and why does Jesus have to always correct them? Why don't they get it? Well before we judge them, we should remember that what has become familiar to us over the past 2000 years was brand new to them. They were very much thinking like people of the Roman World and they were acting according to the ideas of that time and how to get ahead. Its not that they don't believe in Jesus and the coming of the Kingdom, they just did not understand that the Kingdom of God was totally different from anything they have ever known. Jesus is telling them to realize that the citizens of the Kingdom must abandon all pre-conceived societal notions and see things the way he is telling them.

Lucky for us, the Apostles did not always get everything right, because as Jesus corrects them, He teaches us how we should live in this world and the next. The great lesson we learn here is how Christians should exercise authority in Church and toward the world. Jesus does not put down authority and structures; after all He vested full authority with the Apostles who were called apart from the rest of the disciples. Afterward the Apostles established the Orders of Deacons to minister to the physical needs of the people and as we will see in Paul's Letter, there are indeed many different roles, gifts and ministries in the Church-just as we see today. No, Jesus does not oppose the idea that some are to be in authority over others, but He does tell us that the nature of Christian

authority is SERVICE! We are to realize that we must follow Jesus' example *"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and give his life as a ransom for the many."* When the Church leadership looses sight of this fact that they are to lead by giving their lives in service for the good of the flock, then we see trouble and misunderstandings-as we have seen the problems endured during the past few years, a period which we are just starting to recover from and hopefully learn from and make the proper changes.

The same is true for all religious leaders when they put their goals and motives above those of God and the people they are called to serve- as we see in the leaders of Radical Islam, Ultra Conservative Jews, and Fundamentalist Christians. This is also true for all Civil Leaders when they put their interest or politics in front of the people they were elected to serve (which we should keep in mind with Election Day coming upon us).

We must not make the same mistake of the Apostles in today's Gospel, but act like the Apostles who received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost- who like Jesus gave their life into total service to the Church, and the flock Jesus gave them to shepherd. All of us are to act this way toward one another, especially the people whom God has put under our authority-in the community, at work, in the parish family, and in our own family. We must not laud authority over those who God gives us to serve, and we must use any authority given to us for what is best for everyone.

It is that time of year again when we have to face the financial health of the parish and ask for your much needed help. Next weekend at all of the Masses we will be speaking about where we are and where we hope to be. I warned you! But I am not afraid because the People of St. Joseph's are the best and show their true generosity whenever needed.

Please keep those preparing for Confirmation and their families in your prayers,

*God bless you*

*Fr. Mike*





## REMEMBER OUR SICK

Paul Ahearn	Rosemarie Aiello
Michael Ambrosio	Bill Barry
Rose Bassett	Agnes Becker
Richard Berkhout	Richard Bossi
Oliver Bouchard	Mary Ellen Bowers
Hazel Boyce	Mr Michael Boyle Sr
Cynthia Caesar	Bill Cairns
Ashley Cirigliano	Dominick Costanza
Richard Delamater	Ryan Delaney
Joseph DeMaio	Michael DePinto
Angelina DeSimone	Pricilla DeStanfo
Brian Devereux	Nancy DiTrapani
Mary Dougherty	Kathy Errico
Richard Fahey	Angela Ferrante
Robert Filce	Margaret Fitzgerald
Mary Forsythe	Flavio Gabrielli
Edward Gilvey	Pat Gracey
Peter Harkins	Raymond Harold
Nicholas Liguori	Jack Kelleher
Georgiana Lopez	Betty Limov
Marie Mangan	Pat Lucivero
Howard Meeks	John McCullagh Sr
Susan Percoco	Sam Monteleone
Joseph Poirot	Grace C Peshkur
Frank Rotolo	Joan Reilly
Dawn Saporito	Joseph Sabourin
Madison Schulz	Frances Schiavone
Anne Skidmore	Richard Shadwick
Jesse Taylor	Darryll Smith
Lloyd Turnier	Pat Stapleton
	Sr Kathleen Taylor, OP
	Gerard Weber
	Frank Volpe

## 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
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
SSGT 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
PVT James Notaroberta	SGT Brian O'Leary
SGT Brian Pacella	N/Seal Paul Padro
ENS3 Lucy Padro	CPT Michael Parisi
2LT Anthony Parisi	MAJ Paul E Pinaud
CTR2 Matthew Pistrutto	SGT Edwin Rivera, II
PFC William R Rodgers	LCPL Anthony M Sbrocco
SSGT Jason Schiavo	LCPL W.Mason Shehan
SPC James Stanek	SGT John Thomas Vogt
SGT Randolph Weaver	2LT John Wolven

**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.

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

Robert Scharf, 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





## RESPECT LIFE

The Diocese of Rockville Centre is sponsoring the 2007 Respect Life Contest:

The Theme this year is – “*Created, loved, redeemed by God, Priceless!*” – and is based

upon the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops 2006-2007 Respect Life Program.

Open to: Grades 7 to 8 – Level I

Grades 9 to 12 –Level II (both levels include home-schooled students, parochial school and public school students in CCD)

**Poetry** – Typed and limited to 21 lines

**Essay** - Typed and limited to 400 words

**Photography** – Use photography entry form

**Bookmark design** – Use bookmark entry form

**Music** – Written by student and no longer than 2 and ½ minutes. Melody may be borrowed, but lyrics should be original. Record on a regular size cassette or CD. (No micro cassettes.)

Entries will be judged on originality and expression of thought in relation to our Catholic faith and this year’s theme. Respect Life covers the issues of abortion, adoption, euthanasia, chastity, cloning, stem cell research, just war doctrine, death penalty, suicide, the responsibility of Catholic politicians, reproductive technologies, rights of the disabled, and conscience protection for Catholic healthcare workers. (Only one entry per student)

Prizes for each level: 1<sup>st</sup> \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup>, \$200, 3<sup>rd</sup>, \$100

Local winners will be sent on to the Diocesan Office by January 19, 2007. Diocesan Awards Ceremony will be held on March 15, 2007.

For registration forms and full contest packet contact: Respect Life Office, Diocese of Rockville Centre at 516-379-8292 or e-mail: [respectlife@drvc.org](mailto:respectlife@drvc.org) You may download registration forms at: [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org). Click on Respect Life Office.

“Resolve to be tender with the young, listen to the old, be sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life you have been all of these.”

Robert Bowen

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



### October 29th

Daylight Savings Time Ends!

Don't forget to turn your clocks **BACK** and catch an extra hour of sleep!

## Weekly Offering

Sunday, October 15, 2006 Offerings	\$16,036
Same collection last year	15,203
Number of envelopes	585
Poor Box last weekend	\$185
Fuel Oil Collection YTD	\$3282
Same time last year 2005	2825

*Thank you again for your generous support.*

*God Bless You Always, Fr Mike*

## knights of columbus



On behalf of our Grand Knight Charles Knight, I would like to thank Father Mike Maffeo for allowing us to hold our membership drive on the weekend of October 7th and 8th at all the Masses.

A big thank you to the parishioners who signed up to join St Regis Knights of Columbus and Columbiettes, and thanks to our parishioners who listened to our presentation.

For further information please call 648-3090.

Fraternally,

Jerry McMenamin

Membership Director



## Outreach

[sjpo@verizon.net](mailto:sjpo@verizon.net)

**SOUP KITCHEN** - open in Carew Hall every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 6-6:45 PM for those in need.

## Mark Your Calendars

Oct 22	Columbiette Cake Sale after all Masses
Oct 24	Bible Study Class 10 AM & 7:30 PM
Oct 27	Pre Cana Carew Hall 7-9:30
Oct 28	Anointing Mass 11AM
Oct 28	Pre Cana Closing Mass 5PM
Oct 31	Bible Study Class 10AM & 7:30PM
Nov 1	All Saints Day
Nov 2	All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance 7:30
Nov 4	Defensive Driving 8:30-3:00
Dec 2	Advent Decorating Begins at 9:30



# 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.

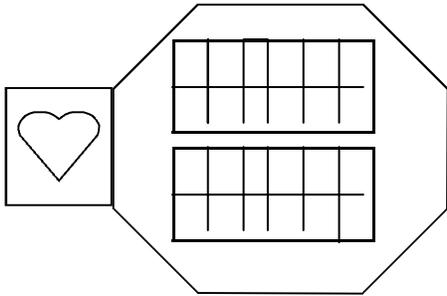
Occupying a prominent position in our Baptistry, and All Saints Shrine, the Tree of Life commemorates our support of St Joseph's Parish. Leaves and stones may be engraved to honor benefactors, highlight or memorialize people or events with special significance in life, or express the sentiments of donors.

### 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.*



## *When a Marriage Ends What 's next?*

Two weeks ago in my letter for the bulletin I wrote a little bit about the Church's teaching on Marriage, and I looked at some of the reasons why a marriage might not succeed. As was stated in the letter, we should always pray for those couples whose marriage does not last till death do us part, and while we are doing this I thought we should include some information on **Church Annulments**.

The Church does not recognize Civil Divorces (as we follow Jesus' Teaching laid out in last week's Gospel Reading), but it should be remembered that it is not a sin for a person to get a Divorce. Likewise people who get Divorced are in no way separated from the Church or the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. This separation from these two Sacraments and sin occurs when a Divorced person **remarries without** first getting a Church Annulment and/or by getting married outside of the Church- **this is true of all marriages that occur outside of the Church**.

According to the **Canon Law of the Church**, a couple who is free to marry (without a previous marriage or other circumstances) is to marry before a Deacon, Priest, or Bishop and before two witnesses (usually the Best Man or Maid of Honor) this is called *Canonical Form*. Also in the Diocese of New York State and many other dioceses throughout the country, **two Christians are to marry inside a church building**. A marriage contracted before a Judge, Justice of The Peace, City Mayor, or any other Civil Official is not considered valid by the Church. Likewise if one gets married by a Protestant Minister or any other non-Catholic Clergy, without the permission of the Church this marriage is not considered valid by the Church. Permission can be given by the Church in the cases of mixed marriage-when a Catholic marries a non-Catholic Christian and they desire to marry in the other Christian's church. This is also the case when a Catholic marries a non-Christian and the non-Christian because of the practice of their faith cannot enter into the Church (mostly seen in a Jewish/Catholic Marriage). This permission is called a *Dispensation from Form*, and when it is granted the marriage is considered valid on behalf of the Church. If one marries without this permission or gets married in the City Hall or by **a former priest (no matter what he may say)** the marriage is not considered valid by the Church. If any of these circumstances effect you or someone you know, please contact the Rectory Office and speak to one of the priests to discuss what steps can be taken to make the marriage valid (we are all happy to help you in this very important matter). It is quite possible that we can solve the problem with a **Defect of Form Petition** which is easy to process and does not take very long. With this Petition the Chancellor's Office, on behalf of the Bishop, declares a previous Marriage null because of the lack of Canonical Form.

If a marriage took place in the Church, following Canonical Form or with the above mentioned Dispensation given, and it did not succeed, then any subsequent marriage to be recognized by the Church requires the obtaining of an *Annulment*. The Church does not use the term Annulment, rather it is called a *Declaration of Matrimonial Nullity*. An Annulment is not a Divorce and it is not as many think a "*Catholic Divorce*". When the Church declares a marriage null, it is not saying that the former spouses never really loved each other, nor does it seek to place blame on either spouse, or that one person is a better Catholic than the other. **It is a determination** that at the time of the wedding one or both of the parties lacked sufficient capacity to enter into marriage. In short what the *Diocesan Tribunal* declares is that what appeared to be a valid marriage in the eyes of the Church actually was not! While a Divorce **destroys something that was**, an Annulment **recognizes that something we thought was there actually never was**. This does not go against Jesus' teaching on no divorce, because the Church is declaring through its investigation that the essentials necessary for a sacramental marriage were not all present at the time of the wedding.

**Some of the ways that the Church determines that either one of the parties lacks the capacity to enter into a Sacramental Marriage are:**

1. **Age of the Couple**-perhaps the couple was too young or immature to fully understand that marriage is a life-time commitment or they were not ready to enter into any type of commitment.
2. **Freedom**- sometimes a couple enters into marriage because of a lack of true freedom, either they were forced to marry by outside forces or because of some other unexpected developments.
3. **Lack of informed Consent**- sometimes one party does not fully understand or care this is a life-time commitment or can not remain faithful to his/her partner for life (note this does not refer to a single act of infidelity, but a long time series of acts).
4. **Identity of the Parties**-this occurs if one of the spouses is not really what the other spouse thought he or she was (he/she said he/she was this or told me he/she felt this way and he really wasn't that or felt this way). Or one spouse keeps something away from the other or does not tell the truth about him/herself.
5. **Refuse to Have Children**-when one party decides that he/she does not want to have children especially when the other party does. It should be remembered that one of the ends/goals of marriage is to have children-when both spouses are able and no marriage should discount this end.
6. **Many Other Factors**-there are many other circumstances which could stand in the way of a Sacramental Marriage from taking place, please consult with a priest or deacon for more information.

Some people believe they can not get an Annulment if they have children, and that if they get an Annulment their children will be rendered *illegitimate*. In no way is this true, for children will not stop being your children and people, who are made in the image and likeness of God, are never illegitimate, plus remember an Annulment does not declare that nothing happened on the day of the wedding, no it declares that the Sacrament did not happen. **An Annulment takes anywhere from 6 months to a year to process**, because it must go through several levels of investigations and involves a lot of paper work which the person requesting the Annulment must fill out-don't panic because the **Diocese assigns an Advocate to help you throughout the process**. So count on it taking a year and if you are hoping to remarry in the Church (which we truly want you to do) **you cannot book a date or make plans until the Annulment is approved**. The cost of an Annulment is about **\$1,000** this cost helps to pay for the secretarial staff and Tribunal operation costs, which carry out the investigations and the paper work. This can be paid off over a period of time and if you are in true need, the Church will help pay for the cost-**money will not stand in the way of the Church helping a couple get their marriage recognized by the Church**.

For more information, please call the Rectory and speak to a priest or deacon **or you can call the Diocese directly at (516) 678-5800 and ask to speak with someone at the Tribunal Office**.

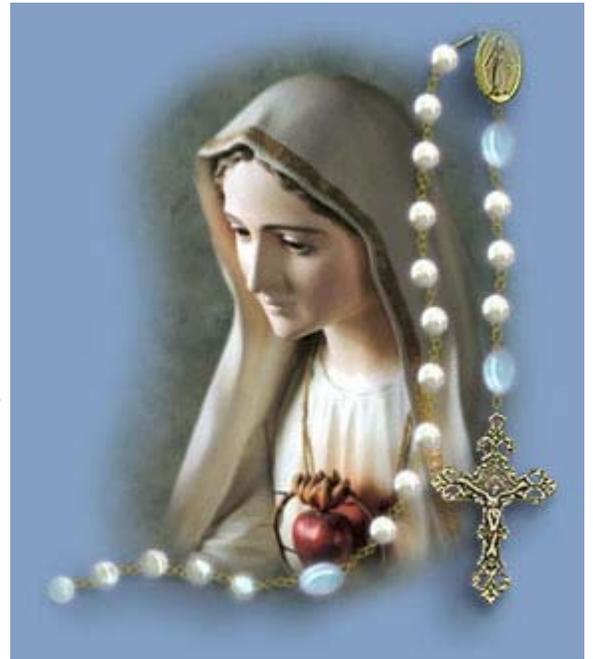
I hope this has been of help to you or someone you know and do know that we are always here to help you in this and other spiritual matters. God bless you always

*Fr. Mike*

## Evangelization Group

### *We Honor Our Mother by Praying the Rosary in Our Homes*

The Evangelization Group intends to Pray the Rosary daily in the month of October (dedicated for the Rosary) and November in your homes to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, and seek Her guidance and protection. Those who invite the group to pray the rosary may invite their families and neighbors. We will pray the Rosary in front of the statue of Blessed Virgin Mary and the Rosary will conclude with blessing of the house. If you are interested in hosting the Rosary in the month of October, you may call the Rectory and set up the date. The Rosary will start at 7:30 PM and last about 30 minutes. We need volunteers to join the team to pray the Rosary.



### *Join the Evangelization Team*

As you may be aware, we have started an Evangelization Group to reach out to inactive members of our parish. The Church takes its origin from the work of Evangelization by Christ and the twelve Apostles. Accordingly the church begins the work of evangelization by evangelizing herself.

In view of this, we have started the group. As Jesus says “the harvest is plenty but the laborers are few.” Given the size of our parish we need many more volunteers to join the Evangelization Group. We have 6000 families in our parish and of these only 1200 families are active. 4800 families are not worshipping as a community at St Joseph’s.



The Evangelization Group gathers regularly to pray, study and plan out programs to invite inactive Catholics back into our community. It is not a prayer group; nor is it a discussion group. It is an action oriented prayer group. First of all, the group intends to invite active and inactive parishioners of an area for prayer, Mass and fellowship and thus to establish small communities for prayer. We invite them to the Church for further prayer and reac-

quaint with various ministries and ministers who serve the people of St Joseph.

We invite you to join the Evangelization Group to offer your time and talent for the good of the parish by renewing your faith and commitment and sharing it within our community.

# St. Joseph's Parish Monthly Recollection



On November 3rd, the First Friday of November, at 7:30 PM, we will begin our Monthly Parish Recollection. This is an hour of prayer, of recollection before our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament - whose Sacred Heart is the source of immense charity and generous love. The foundation of this prayer is God's presence in our souls as Creator, Preserver, and Author of Graces ("in Him we live, and move, and are" Acts 17:28). God is our Father, and our Friend and is our sweet Guest. We must acknowledge the realization of this great truth: God is in each of us, our soul is His Temple.

*Wisdom Understanding Knowledge Piety  
Counsel Fortitude Fear of the Lord*

This prayer of recollection includes the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, Praying of the Psalms, Silence, Gospel Reading and a Talk /Reflection on the following topics:

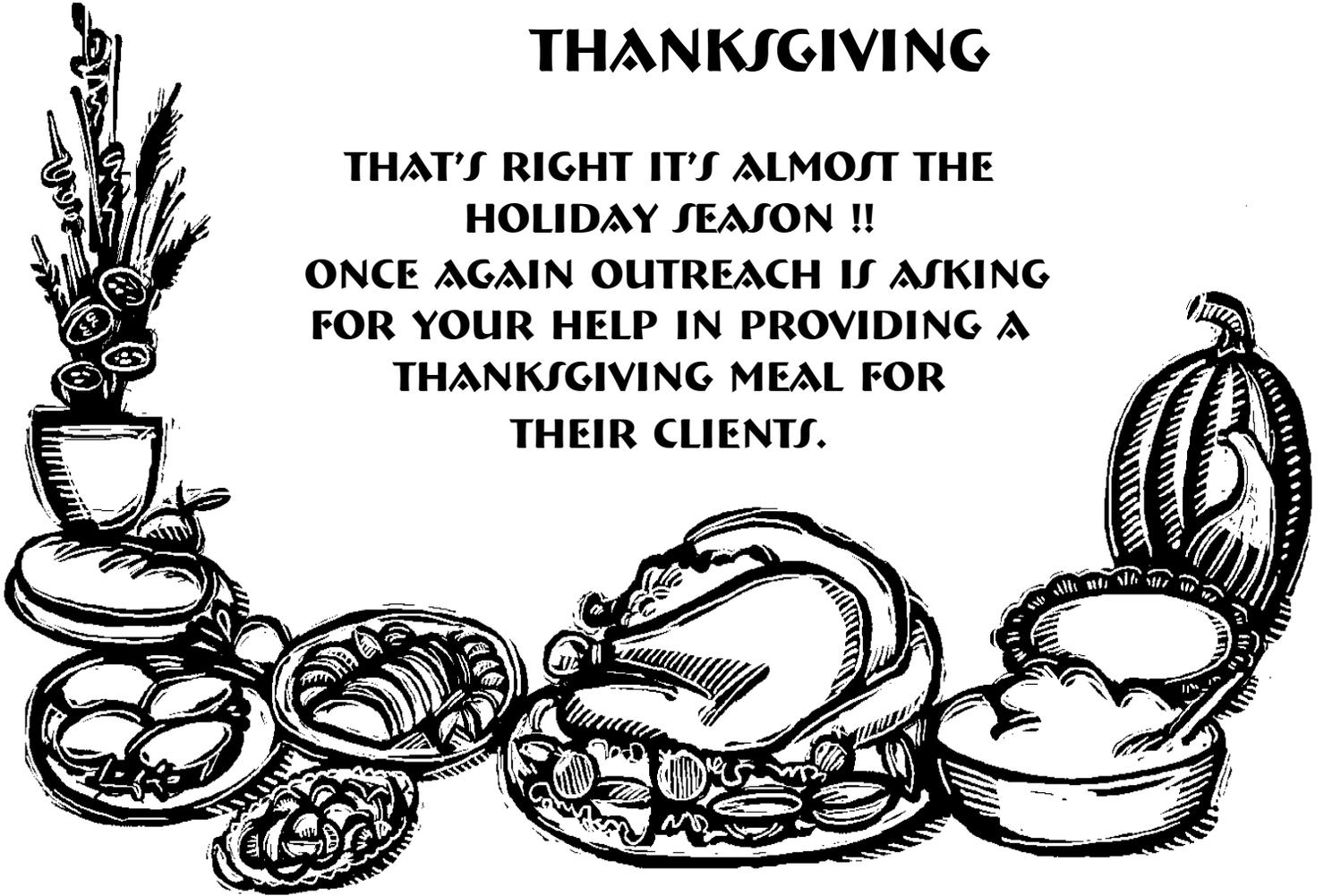
The Cardinal Virtues of prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude. The Theological Virtues of faith, hope and love. The gifts of the Holy Spirit; wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.



*Every soul, hungry and thirsty for God,  
is invited to this monthly holy hour  
every First Friday of the month  
to adore, to venerate and contemplate  
the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and to have  
a quiet dialogue with God.*

# THANKSGIVING

THAT'S RIGHT IT'S ALMOST THE  
HOLIDAY SEASON !!  
ONCE AGAIN OUTREACH IS ASKING  
FOR YOUR HELP IN PROVIDING A  
THANKSGIVING MEAL FOR  
THEIR CLIENTS.



OUTREACH WOULD APPRECIATE ANY DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING:

\*\*\*\*\* GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR TURKEYS \*\*\*\*\*

STUFFING MIX

INSTANT POTATOES

CAN VEGETABLES

CRANBERRIES



ANY NON-PERISHABLE "FIXINGS" YOU MIGHT LIKE TO DONATE.

Donations can be left at Church in the basket in the lobby, at the Outreach office or the Rectory.

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**Did you know there are only 365 days in a year to shop ??**  
**And did do you know that St. Joseph's has a scrip program that can not only make shopping easier but can also help your parish ??**

**Here's how it works...**...Before you go shopping you can buy gift cards at face value through St. Joseph's scrip program. Each time you purchase a gift card the retailer gives St. Joseph's a small percentage of the sale as a discount.

- ◇ St Joseph's scrip program stocks all the **local grocery stores** - King Kullen, Stop & Shop, Waldbaums, Pathmark & Shoprite as well as Produce Warehouse and Meat Farms.
- ◇ Hate to cook but love to make reservations - stop by and pick up gift cards to an assortment of **restaurants** - Olive Garden, Charlie Brown's Steakhouse, Chili's, Applebee's, Outback and TGI Fridays.
- ◇ Maybe you find yourself going to the **Drive Thru** window in between soccer practice and dance lessons - we have certificates for Wendy's, Burger King, Boston Market, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Starbuck's.
- ◇ Children receive invitations to so many **Birthday parties** throughout the year - Toys-R-Us, Borders, Blockbuster and Sports Authority are always in stock to help with that task.
- ◇ When you're invited to an **Anniversary, House Warming or Engagement Party** and don't know what to give - stop by the rectory and choose from an assortment of gift cards that will always be the right size and color - try Kohl's, JC Penny, Sears or Macy's.
- ◇ Are you a **do-it-yourself** type of person ? Then we have the scrip for you ! Home Depot, Lowes, JoAnne Fabrics and Staples are kept in stock.

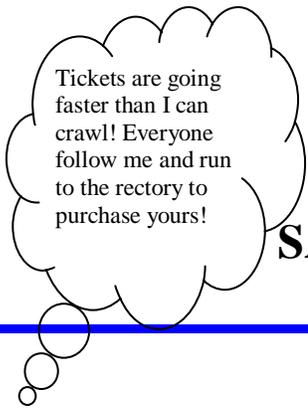
We have a list of gift cards that are not kept in stock but that can be **special** ordered through the rectory. These orders are paid in advance and are placed on Monday so that we will have them by Thursday for you.

Did you know that you can also use Kohl's and JC Penny gift cards to pay your bill ! Just pick up the scrip before going to the store to pay your monthly bill and you'll be helping out St Joseph's at the same time.

## **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO SELL SCRIP AFTER ALL THE MASSES !!!!**

Volunteering to sell scrip on the weekends is another way to help. If you are able to commit just one weekend - Saturday evening after the 5PM Mass to Sunday evening after the 5PM Mass - we would greatly appreciate it. The time goes quickly while you get to see your neighbors and friends as they stop to buy scrip.

Call the rectory and ask for Deacon DeBellis if you are interested. The number is 588-8456. Thank you.



St. Joseph's Church  
45 Church St.  
Ronkonkoma, N.Y. 11779

# Backwards Money Drawing

**SATURDAY, November 25, 2006 7:30 PM**

**Carew Hall**

## \$10,000.00 Grand Prize

(Last ticket drawn)

### PRIZES



<u>TICKET DRAWN</u>	<u>PRIZE AMOUNT</u>
1	\$200.00
50	\$200.00
100	\$200.00
150	\$200.00
200	\$200.00
250	\$250.00
300	\$200.00
350	\$200.00
400	\$200.00
450	\$200.00
495	\$300.00
496	\$400.00
497	\$500.00
498	\$750.00
499	\$1,000.00

**LAST TICKET DRAWN \$10,000.00**

### PLUS!!

**Food- Drink- Music- Prizes** (Ticket Stub Entitles 2 People Entrance to the Party)

**\$100.00 Donation Only 500 Tickets Sold** Winners need not be present.

## Backwards Money Drawing Ticket Order

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this form and return it to the Rectory.

A numbered ticket stub will be returned to you upon receipt of this form with \$100.00 donation.

Please enclose your donation with this order. Thank You.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND  
The Calendar Club

**ST. JOSEPH'S 2007 CALENDAR CLUB  
OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM**

*YOUR \$25.00 DONATION MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM. THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK!!  
YOUR 2007 CALENDAR WILL BE MAILED TO YOU WHEN ALL RETURNS ARE RECEIVED.*

MAIL ALL DONATIONS TO: St Joseph Church  
45 CHURCH STREET  
RONKONKOMA, NY 11779-3300

*IN ORDER TO KICK OFF THE DRAWING IN JANUARY OF 2007, WE ASK YOU TO RETURN  
YOUR REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT NO LATER THAN 12/31/06.*

*NOTE: If more than 1000 calendars are sold, prizes will be increased proportionately.*

**MEMBERS NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF CALENDARS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **X \$25 = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**5 FOR \$100 TOTAL ENCLOSED \$** \_\_\_\_\_

High School & College Age Men & Women

## What did you do this weekend?

Join our Venturing Program, part of our parish's  
*Youth in Ministry* initiative.

# St. Joseph's Venturing Crew 272

Meets twice a month on Sundays after the 5:00 PM Youth Mass.

Women & men who are age 14 through 20 & have completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to join.



## ATTENTION

**ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE AGE MEN AND WOMEN!**

**Sign up for Venturing **tonight** in Carew Hall after the 5:00 PM Mass.**

**(Sunday, Oct. 22, around 6:15 PM)**

Parents of those under 18 need to be present this first night to register their child and for a brief parent orientation.  
(Parents of those 18 and over are welcome as are other interested adults.)

Registration fee for one year is \$25.

TAKE A LOOK AT SOME OF OUR UPCOMING ACTIVITIES ON THE NEXT PAGE.



### What Is Venturing?

Venturing is a youth development program for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20. Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Venturing is based on a unique and dynamic relationship between youth, adult leaders, and our parish. Local community organizations establish a Venturing crew by matching their people and program resources to the interests of young people in the community. The result is a program of exciting and meaningful activities that helps youth pursue their special interests, grow, develop leadership skills, and become good citizens. Our Venturing Crew will specialize in youth development in parish ministry.

**E-mail: [Crew272@StJoRonk.org](mailto:Crew272@StJoRonk.org)**

**Phone: Advisor Mike Keller**

**(631) 467-6468**

**Visit us online: [Crew272.StJoRonk.org](http://Crew272.StJoRonk.org)**

Adults, 21 and over, are invited and welcomed to help advise and assist. Training is provided.

# 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](mailto:YIM@StJoRonk.org)

## Venturing Events

Sundays in Carew Hall following the 5:00 PM Mass

### Venturing Info and Registration

Information sessions for youth and parents, 10/23  
(If you're under 18, you need to bring a parent to sign you up.)

### Pius XII Faith Discussion Groups

Share with your peers how our faith applies in your daily life.  
usually on alternate Sundays (Orientation, 10/29  
– Sessions start 11/5)

### Table Tennis Clinics

Learn to play "ping-pong" or improve your  
current skills. 10/29, 11/5, 11/19

**SCCBSA Training** for Venturing Adult  
Advisors and Committee Saturday, November  
18<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

*Plans in progress :*

### Karaoke Workshop

Karaoke is fun for everyone, even those who don't usually sing.

### Auto Painting 101

Learn by doing – We'll paint one of the parish trucks.

### CPR Course

Learn skills that could save a life.

### Café Construction Project

Build new equipment for Café De Notre Dame,  
our Crew's contribution to the Family Festival.



## Attention Catholic Boy Scouts and Venturers...

Earn the Catholic Awards for Scouting.



Our parish has a team of six  
counselors/facilitators for the  
Ad Altare Dei and Pius XII  
religious awards.



**AAD** meets every Sunday after the 5:00 PM Sunday Mass. Join  
us ASAP. Meetings have already begun. See *Venturing Events* for  
**Pius XII** schedule. (open to all troops and crews)



## Sport for all Seasons ST JOSEPH CYO

Travel Soccer:

Gene ☎467-0541

Intramural Soccer:

Beth ☎737-6299

Track

Karen ☎588-8636

Chairman: Henry

Baseball:

Gene ☎588-1879

Girls Basketball:

Christine ☎275-8321

Boys Basketball:

Frank ☎585-6921

Melchiona ☎467-6091



### 5th Grade Travel Basketball Tryouts

Thursday, October 26th

7:30 at Cherokee Elementary School

For more information contact Vinny at 467-3651 after 8PM

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 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!



## Courtesy Announcements

**Golden Wedding Anniversaries** - On Sunday, November 19, couples married 50 years or more are invited to a special mass celebrated by Bishop Walsh at Christ the King, Commack at 3 PM. Please pick up your registration card at the rectory, fill it out and return it to the rectory no later than November 1. Any questions please call 516-678-5800 extension 242.

**St Edward the Confessor School in Syosset** is hosting a Reunion & Celebration in honor of the school's 45th anniversary on Saturday, November 4th. For more information call Allison Murray Morris at 516-921-8030 or visit the alumni web page at [www.st-edwards.org](http://www.st-edwards.org).

**Monthly Mass for 12 Step Recovery Program** - Sunday, November 5th at 7PM at St John Nepomucene Church in Bohemia. Individuals their family and friends are invited. An 11th Step meeting will follow at 8PM in the lower church. For more information call Fr Gruber at 589-0540.

**Model Train Show—St Vincent de Paul Church in Elmont** - Sunday, October 29 from 10AM–3PM. \$5 admission at the door, Senior citizens \$4. For more information call 516-352-2127.

**Halloween Party - St Regis K of C** - Saturday, October 28th starting at 8PM. Costumes optional. Prizes for best costumes. Good food, Open bar and Music. Catered by 21Main. \$30 per person. Call Fran or Bob Borut for more information at 648-7901.

**Smithtown Central School District Adult Basic Education Program**—Free Classes ! All Welcome!

Learn English, Earn your GED (High School Equivalency Diploma, Prepare for Citizenship, Gain Basic Computer Skills (Seniors & ESL Students) & Receive Career Counseling! For info call 382-2181 or [www.smithtown.k12.ny.us](http://www.smithtown.k12.ny.us)

**Married Couples!** Enhance your good marriage by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The next weekend is scheduled for November 3-5 at the Melville Marriot. For information or to register call toll free 1-866-499-6354. Visit our web site at <http://www.wwmeli.org> or email Dennis & Jeanette Winkler at [DJWinklerME@optonline.net](mailto:DJWinklerME@optonline.net) for more information.

**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)

**Professional Therapy & Counseling** provided by NYS licensed psychologists are available to our parish. You may be seen at any of the other 70 participating parishes. This program, under the direction of Dr George Giuliani, has been conducted in the diocese for the past 34 years for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, a propriety professional corporation, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For confidential information and appointment, call Dr Giuliani at 243-1550.

**Cenacle Retreats \* "OWL" Older Women's Legacy** - Memoir writing series Tuesday afternoons 1-3:30PM beginning Oct 3rd to Nov 7th.

Weekend retreats begin with Friday dinner and end with Sunday lunch.

\* November 3-5 **A Weekend with the Women of Luke's Gospel**

For more information concerning these retreats please call 631-588-8366.

**"Who Kneads You"** - Holy Cross Women's Enrichment Ministry invites you to a day of reflection on Saturday, November 4th from 10:30AM to 3:45PM at the Holy Cross Atrium. Guest Speaker Sr Ann Marino, R S H M. Suggested donation is \$20 which includes lunch. For more information call 265-2200.

### **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!!!