


OUR LITURGY

The prophet Elijah learns that one must wait for a time of tranquility, when the storms of doubt and despair have passed, if one wants to hear the voice of God. Saint Paul recognizes Christ can only be found within the Church. In the Gospel, Jesus calms the storm and rescues Peter when his faith weakens.

ALTAR BREAD & WINE
 In Memory of
Simone Placco
 Requested by
Millie & Tom D'Agostino



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

<i>This Week</i>		<i>Next Week</i>
Fr Boyle 5:00 PM		Fr Tapel
Fr Boyle 7:00 AM		Fr Tapel
Fr Eugene 9:00 AM		Fr Boyle
Fr Maffeo 10:30 AM		Fr Thomas
Fr Eugene 12:00 Noon		Fr Maffeo
Fr Thomas 5:00 PM		Fr Eugene

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.

MASS INTENTIONS



- Sunday, August 10, Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
 7:00 Cornelius J Dunleavy requested by Loving Wife Anne
 7:00 Giovanni DiFilippo requested by Mr & Mrs Victor SanFilippo
 9:00 Frank Pipino requested by Loving S.S. & Family
 9:00 Diane Bergamino requested by Mr & Mrs Riccardelli & Family
 10:30 Joseph Wolanski requested by Loving Family
 10:30 Dominick Piscatelli requested by Teri Bagliore
 12:00 Cassara Brothers requested by Loving Family
 12:00 James DeMaio requested by Millie & Tom D'Agostino
 5:00 Margaret Oehrlein requested by Caryn & Devon Mason
 5:00 Kerri Gregory requested by Joan Darois

- Monday, August 11, St Clare**
 7:00 John Padrone requested by Jeanne Kolarik
 7:00 Margaret Indelicato (living) requested by Kristine Gentile
 9:00 Al Russo requested by Brendan Kolarik
 9:00 Harry Barton requested by Ann & Vince Festa

- Tuesday, August 12**
 7:00 Richard Armandi requested by Matthew & Laura Armandi
 7:00 Eileen Regan requested by Jerry Egan
 9:00 Karen Ann Cronin requested by Loving Mom & Dad
 9:00 Robert Colacino requested by Harold Lau & Donna Ryan

- Wednesday, August 13, St Pontian & St Hippolytus**
 7:00 Diane Bergamino requested by Alfred & Gina Berry
 7:00 John Mesiano requested by Joseph Lieb & Melvyn Goodman
 9:00 The Purga Family requested by Loving Family
 9:00 James Gay requested by Mr & Mrs G Johnston

- Thursday, August 14, St Maximilian Mary Kolbe**
 7:00 Jane Curtin requested by The Clarry Family
 7:00 Liz Santigate requested by MaryAnn Kunze
 9:00 Ann Falkman requested by The Romano Family
 9:00 Joseph J Onufrak requested by Loving Mother
 7:30 PM Vigil Mass - Feast of the Assumption

- Friday, August 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 7:00
 9:00 *All Masses for the Holy Day are offered for the Intentions of the People of the Parish*
 12:10
 5:00
 7:30

- Saturday, August 16, St Stephen of Hungary**
 8:00 Alexander Shurkin requested by Anita & Tom Cullington
 8:00 David DeMonaco requested by Peter & Barbara Wolf

- Anticipated Mass for Sunday**
 5:00 Linda Lutwis requested by Millie & Tom
 5:00 Fred Gerato requested by The Walsh Family

- Sunday, August 17, Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
 7:00 Adm. Donald Pilling requested by Judy Moore
 7:00 Stephen Seiari requested by Judy Moore
 9:00 For an End to Abortion requested by Respect Life Committee
 9:00 Catherine DeBellis requested by The Cristiano Family
 10:30 Jean Scheraldi requested by Claire & Jim
 10:30 Jacqueline Metzler requested by Mr & Mrs J. Metzler & Family
 12:00 William J Kelleher Sr requested by Loving Family
 12:00 Grace Sheehan requested by Loving Family
 5:00 Paula Morelli requested by Tim & Sue Grant
 5:00 Maria Migliozi requested by Renee Boisvert

Are You A Registered Parishioner?

Many parishioners support St Joseph's in the weekly collection and we do not have them listed in our census. We would like to make sure you are given proper credit for your donations.

If you do not receive mail from us then you are not on our census.

Please fill in the bottom of this page and we will send you a registration form.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Town: _____
 City & Zip: _____

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE

“Looking for love in all the wrong places. Looking for love in too many faces. Searching their eyes, looking for traces of what I’m dreaming of”

I am sure you are familiar with this popular song and its refrain and maybe have even sung it once or twice. In a way it applies to our readings for today’s Mass. In the first reading, we see that the *Prophet Elijah* goes up to the mountain of God, *Horeb* in search of God. In the Old Testament as well as in the New, mountain tops were believed to be the place to communicate with God. We see *Moses go to Mt. Sinai* to first talk to God and then receive the *10 Commandments*. The *Temple in Jerusalem was built on Mt Zion*, and Jesus was *Transfigured on Mt. Tabor*. So when Elijah was looking to communicate with God, he was told by God to leave the cave, because He would be passing by. The reading tells us all about the various experiences Elijah had on the mountain: the heavy wind, the earthquake, and the fire. Many would think that surely God could be found in these great manifestations of power, yet He was not. God to Elijah’s surprise (and probably to most of us the 1st time we read this account), was found in the tiny whispering sound which completely awes Elijah and leaves him totally speechless as he takes in the true Glory of God.

St. Paul tells us in his Letter to the Romans that the Israelites tried to find God through the Law, and refused to see beyond it, as the patriarchs called them to do. Paul even tells us in other letters that he too was looking for God through a strict following of the Law. It is not until his encounter with *the Risen Lord* that Paul truly finds God. Paul now goes beyond just the Law and sees God in Christ; *“who is over all, God be blessed forever.”*

Now we come to the Gospel Narrative of where **Jesus Walks on the Water!** This miracle account always follows *the miracle of the Loaves and Fish* and it reads the same way, in the fact that Jesus goes away from the Apostles and tells them to go across the Sea to meet Him on the other side. Jesus in all of the accounts walks on the sea to the Apostles. They are terrified by the sight and think that Jesus is a ghost until He tells them **“It is I.”** However, only in Matthew’s telling of the story, does Peter say to Jesus, *“Lord if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.”* So of course Jesus says come and to Peter’s surprise, and I am sure to the other Apostles, Peter leaves the boat and walks on the water toward Jesus. Peter in short, is so caught up in the presence of God in Jesus that he wants to do what Jesus does. And because Peter is so caught up with Jesus working in his life, he indeed starts doing what Jesus does and walks on the water. That

is until Peter looks down and realizes what he is doing. He then falters and begins to drown until Jesus rescues him. Jesus then comments on Peter’s little faith. Notice it’s not a lack of faith, but being of little faith. As a result of this Jesus might say, **“How can you expect to do the things I do unless you have faith; a stronger faith than you have now!”**

How could Peter increase his faith, and how can we? The answer is quite easy, never stop looking for God in your life. He may not be in the places or in the events that you might expect or want, so you have to learn to look or see God where He truly is and wants to reveal Himself: just as we see with Elijah and St. Paul. And we can increase our faith by avoiding Peter’s **mistake of taking his eyes off of Jesus**. For as long as Peter kept his eyes on Jesus he did not fall into the water, and he was able to do what Jesus did.

So stop looking for God in all the wrong places and always keep your eyes on Jesus. As long as we do that we will never fail, and never drown in the things of the world that could distract us from **God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit**.

Remember **Rosary on the Rectory Lawn** tomorrow night and all of the Monday Evenings of August. So bring a lawn chair or blanket and a dessert for fellowship afterwards and enjoy an evening of prayer, scripture, song and fellowship with your parish family. In the event of rain, we just move into the Church and have fellowship in the lobby.

This Friday August 15th, is **the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Body and Soul into Heaven**. This is a Holy Day of Obligation and as Catholics we are to mark this very special day in our Salvation History by attending Mass. **Our Mass schedule for this wonderful day is: Thursday Night the Vigil of the day Mass at 7:30 PM; Friday, the Holy Day: 7 and 9 AM, 12:10 PM, 5 PM and 7:30 PM.**

We close with the prayer from this Holy Day: All powerful and ever-living God, your raised the sinless Virgin Mary, mother of your Son, body and soul to the glory of heaven. May we see heaven as our final goal and come to share her glory. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen!

Most Holy Mother Pray for us!

Fr. Mike

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Rosemarie Aiello	Annie Arrigo
John Arrigo	Al Barone
Matthew Brennan	Louis Campbell
Michael DePinto	Brian Devereux
John Dwyer	Louis Esteves
Louis Fava	Paul Feltman
Robert Filce	Adam Franciosa
Joann Friederich	Frances Gaeta
Frank Gaeta	Deborah Heckman
Kyle Heffron	Rosemary Hughes
Jasper Indelicato	Margaret Indelicato
Clinton Inniss	Paige Kalish
Kelly Kateridge-Santos	Linda Kempel
Christian Koehler	Helen Kraft
Gisela Ohlenschlager	Geraldine Ligouri
Georgiana Lopez	Bill Mangan
Marie Mangan	Howard Meeks
Jean Morin	Ginger Nardoza
Joseph O'Connell	Joanora O'Donnell
Marion Pedroli	Grace C Peshkur
Dina Prass	Nicole Ramaglia
John Reynolds	William Rotteck
Jason Ryan	Marguerite Ryan
Theresa Ryan	Dawn Saporito
Ken Stokes	Stacie Tizzard
Lloyd Turnier	Jeanette Wallace

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS



SGT Deborah Alfieri	SPC Matthew Altonji
LCPL Justin Aragones	TSGT Louis Barletta
ILT Stephen Bartoszak	LT Michael-Jon Bonacorsa
LCPL John Brown	PFC Justin Browne
LTCOL James Cersosimo	CPL Glenn Clacher
SPC Thomas E. Corcoran	SPC Jason Crawford
CPT Edward Cuevas	PFC John B Cuneo
CPT Ryan Delaney	TSGT Timothy Dermody
LTCOL Kurt Diehl	SGT Stephen Gene DiGirolamo
SSGT Tony Elliott	LCPL Joseph Esposito
LT Kelly Fletcher	SPC Adam Franciosa
CPT Mark Gillman	CPT Evan Gotkin
PFC RJ Hartmann	AB J.R. Kay
SGT John W Keohane	SSGT Steven Knight
CPL Andrew Kochman	LCPL William Langdon
SPC Christopher Leone	PFC Thomas J Lupo
SGT Wade Lynch	LCPL Marshall
MAJ Kevin McCue	PVT Thomas B McGinn
SGT Patrick McNally	PFC William Meyer
CPL Brian G Meyer	CPO Gregory Migliore
SGT Glenn Miller	1LT Heather Miras
SPC4 George Monica	SPC4 John Monica
SGT Daniel Montville	SSGT Brian Moran
MAJ Gregory Mueller	LCPL Thomas Napolitano
LCPL Michael Napolitano	PVT Todd Nelson
LCPL James Neubauer	LCPL Anthony Notaroberta
PVT James Notaroberta	SGT Brian Pacella
N/Seal Paul Padro	ENS3 Lucy Padro
PFC Matthew Pandolfi	CPT Michael Parisi
2LT Anthony Parisi	MAJ Paul E Pinaud
CTR2 Matthew Pistritto	LT David A Rewkowski
SGT Edwin Rivera, II	LCPL William R Rodgers
LCPL Anthony M Sbrocco	SSGT Jason Schiavo
CPL Brian Schildt	LCPL W.Mason Shehan
LCPL Samantha Sickles	SPC James Stanek
PVT Erica Sweeney	EO3 Taylor Taranto
MM3 Gregory Taranto	PFC Greg Terrish
CPL Jason Tulowitzki	SSGT Nick Vicale
SGT John Thomas Vogt	LCPL Brandon Waldon
SGT Randolph Weaver	2LT John Wolven
RCT Tiffany LiCausi	

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 #: _____
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

REMEMBERING OUR TROOPS

Name, Rank and Branch of Service

Person making this request: _____ Relationship to Soldier _____

Your Phone #: _____
(Friends can be placed on the silent prayer list only)

If you would like to include a soldier from your family who is serving, please fill out the cut out & put it in the collection basket.

REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Mildred May, Rachel Carucci, Ralph Rivellese, Charles Murray, Edward Franklin,
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



Summer Office Hours are:

Monday thru Thursday 9:45-1PM

Please call prior to visiting the office.

Registration is taking place presently. Please get a registration form either from our website, www.stjoronk.org or Call the rectory at 588-8456 for more information or to have a registration form mailed to you.

All Children entering Grade 1 in September need to be registered for our level 1 program which is the beginning of our two year preparation for First Holy Communion.

St Joseph's School

school@stjoronk.org

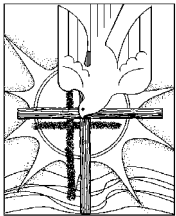


Registration is open for Fall 2008-2009. Please contact the school office for more information @ 588-4760. Please leave a message during the summer. There will be someone to check messages. Thanks.

School Summer Hours. - Wednesday mornings from 9:00AM - 12 noon. Please note the office will be open during this time. You may always leave a phone message and someone will return the call.

The School Office will reopen on Monday, August 18th from 9:00 - 2:30 to reopen for the new school year.

Confirmation Corner



Our Parish will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, November 17, 2008. There will be a meeting for parents of those to be confirmed on Monday, September 8th at 7:30 PM in Carew Hall. The meeting will last no longer than an hour and at this meeting you will be asked to choose the time that you would prefer your child to receive the sacrament.

Baptisms

Kiera Connelly

Devin Peter Daseking

Michael Benedict Fabbri

Mackenzie Alexandra Lanna

Oliviana Amira Rached

Outreach

sipo@verizon.net



For the month of July we serviced 138 clients. Financial assistance amounted to \$3,505. There were 19 new clients added and total services and referrals provided were 270. This included food, living needs, Health Care information, advocacy and housing. Your continued support of the Outreach Program makes all of this possible.

**Banns of Marriage
(Second Time)**



Nicole M Aiello of St Joseph's and
Matthew J Sabia of Assumption of BVM
Annmarie Weilminster and George Curto
both of St Joseph's
Lillian Coulton of New York City and
Joseph Ercole of St Joseph's
Dawn McGay of St Joseph's and
Scott Heptig of St John's
Vickie Anne Weidner of St Joseph's and
Michael Single of St Rosalie's
Deena Casiero of Transfiguration and
Frank Petrocelli of St Joseph's

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Monday (except holidays) from 2-6:45 PM

And on each First Friday from 7:30- 8:30PM

Please come and spend some quiet time with the Blessed Sacrament





RESPECT LIFE

Recently we mentioned that the Journal of the American Medical Association (*JAMA*) confirmed that adult stem cells are useful in treating various diseases. "Stem cells harvested from blood or marrow can, under appropriate conditions in select patients, provide disease-ameliorating effects in some autoimmune diseases & cardiovascular disorders" – so the *JAMA* report supports the long-held contention of pro-lifers that human embryos do not need to be destroyed in the quest to cure disease.

Now, we hear that Harvard University researchers have come to much the same conclusion. These researchers have made motor neurons, the brain cells that degenerate in patients with Lou Gehrig's disease, from skin cells taken from two elderly sisters with this condition. Published in the journal *Science*, it seems a technique was developed during the last two years that gives adult cells the same power as those from embryos to turn into any cell type in the body.

Stem cell experts said they were delighted – though not surprised – to see proof that the reprogramming technique worked on human cells taken from a sick patient. Previously, human versions of the so-called induced pluripotent stem cells had only been made from skin samples provided by healthy subjects.

"It is quite amazing & an important step that should allow the development of experimental and therapeutic interventions for this disease," said Kathrin Plath, a researcher at the Broad Center of regenerative Medicine & Stem Cell Research at UCLA, who was not involved in the study.

The Harvard team took the first step toward fulfilling one of the promises of the new technology by creating lines of human stem cells from the tissue of patients with a genetic disease. The benefit of this is to allow researchers to study the disease's working & enable them to hunt for cures. "We now have in the culture dish cells which have the same genetic makeup as do the patients," said Christopher Henderson, a researcher at Columbia University in New York & co-author of the study. "They are the very cells that are affected in the disease. This provides us the opportunity to study these motor neurons & see whether they behave in a manner that mimics the disease."

The neural cells were derived by the team at Harvard using a method first developed by *Shinya Yamanaka*, a researcher at *Kyoto University in Japan*. It involves inserting four different genes into the skin cells, causing them to revert to a primordial state similar to embryonic stem cells. The immediate potential of this method is that it will reveal the chemical & molecular changes that occur in motor neurons before they degenerate & rob the patient of muscular control & eventually lead to paralysis.

Pro-Lifers applaud these researchers, & hope they continue to find hope and cures in adult stem cells.

Adapted from an article in *Newsday*, 8/01/08

Weekly Offering

Sunday, August 3, 2008 Offerings	\$16,623
Same collection last year	16,733
Poor Box last weekend	\$357
Fuel Collection	\$15,389
Same time last year	15,601
Weekly Budget Amount	\$18,125
Collection	<u>16,623</u>
Shortage	\$ -1,502

Still short of our weekly goal. If you were away, we ask you to try and make up for any missed weeks offerings.

Envelopes 608

Thank you and God Bless You Always, Fr Mike

Rosary on the Lawn

Please join us each *Monday* evening in *August* at 7 PM for our 5th Annual

Rosary on the Rectory Lawn



Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and a dessert for fellowship afterwards.

Join us for the praying of the Rosary along with hymns and the Word of God.

In case of rain we'll move into the church.

Mark Your Calendars



<i>August 11</i>	Baptism Class 8-9 PM Rectory
<i>August 11</i>	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7 PM
<i>August 18</i>	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7 PM
<i>August 25</i>	Rosary on the Rectory Lawn 7 PM
<i>September 1</i>	Labor Day Parish Offices Closed
<i>September 3</i>	First Day of School - St Joseph's
<i>September 5</i>	First Friday Devotion 7:30PM
<i>September 6</i>	First Saturday Devotion

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



Anniversary Celebration

*St Joseph Parish is planning a special Mass on
Sunday, September 21st at 3:00PM
To honor and bless couples who have celebrated their
25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary
since September 2007.*

*Please leave your name, wedding date and phone
number at the rectory if you would like to participate.*

A coffee and cake reception to follow in Carew Hall.



Dear Fr Mike,

*We would like to attend the Mass on September 21st to receive a special blessing
as we celebrate our wedding anniversary.*

*Name*_____

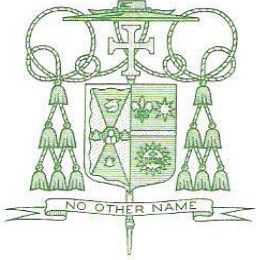
*Wedding Date*_____

Church of Wedding _____

*Phone Number*_____

2008 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The Hands of Christ-Supporting the Community Around Us



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

WE DID IT !!!!

July 27, 2008

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

Dear Father Maffeo:

Congratulations and many thanks! Your parish has reached its 2008 Catholic Ministries Appeal goal in pledges. This is a wonderful tribute to you and your parishioners and we thank you for your dedication to this important initiative.

We are deeply grateful to your parishioners for their generosity, which is directly supporting important ministries in your parish as well as throughout the Diocese. You have my deepest thanks for everything you have done to support the work of our Church on Long Island.

With my prayers and best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,


Bishop of Rockville Centre

cc: Most Reverend John Dunne
Enes J. Carnesecca

The Feast of the Assumption



August 15th

A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be
celebrated



7:30 PM

August 14th

7 & 9 AM

August 15th

12:10, 5:00 & 7:30

August 15th



**BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE
WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP**

**OUR GOAL: \$200,000
We Have Raised: \$134,975**

We always hope - and pray - that our life will make a difference. We pray that something we do or say will live on when we're gone. We often give generously - from whom we are and from what we have. We give so that through our generosity others will come to know Christ.

In the years to come many parents and children will come to St Joseph's seeking to learn and grow in their faith. They will be welcomed into our Religious Education Program by Sister Ann Marie Dean and the many wonderful volunteers who work with her. Many parents find themselves sharing "life stories" with the staff, reaching out for encouragement and support. Others find the words "I can help with that" coming across their lips - little do they know that once they experience the workings of the program they'll be hooked!!

Once this wonderful program was operating out of a small, moldy "office". Now they find themselves in a small classroom. They wait patiently, along with the rest of us, for the building permits to come through. We're hoping and praying the long wait will soon be over.

So, please, if you have not made a pledge or one time donation do so now. During these tough times, we are all struggling financially, yet it is important to continue to support the parish of St. Joseph as best we can. If you are unable to help us financially please remember our Religious Education Staff and volunteers in your prayers. We thank you for all that you do for St. Joseph's.

Yes Fr. Mike, I would like to help finish the
St. Joseph's Restoration Projects and Build for the Future!

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ ID# _____

PLEDGE AMOUNT \$ _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

I would like to make payments of \$ _____ Monthly Quarterly (circle one)

I would like to have this amount charged to my credit card till paid in full.

Credit Card Type: MC Visa Am Ex Other _____

CC# _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____



AND THE WINNERS ARE....

August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 \$25 Joe Ryan # 838	2 \$25 Jacqueline Scannella # 429
3 \$50 Mary Barbuscia # 651	4 \$25 Ellie Steeneck # 173	5 \$25 Cathy Haskins # 800	6 \$25 Joe Ryan # 620	7 \$25 Graciela Pedra # 394	8 \$25 Annmarie Weilminster # 73	9 \$25 Catherine Anello # 690
10 \$50	11 \$25	12 \$25	13 \$25	14 \$25	15 \$25	16 \$25
17 \$50	18 \$25	19 \$25	20 \$25	21 \$25	22 \$25	23 \$25
24 \$50	25 \$25	26 \$25	27 \$25	28 \$25	29 \$25	30 \$25
31 \$50						

The Calendar Club

Everyday for the next year we will draw one number. The owner of that number will win the prize for that day. Then the number is put back into the mix for the next day's drawing, giving you another opportunity to WIN!

A donation of only \$25 buys you 1 number and 362 chances to win.

A donation of \$100 will buy you 1,810 chances to win!!!!!!

Your donation must accompany this form. The calendars will be mailed to you. . Thank you and Good Luck!

MAIL TO: St Joseph Church, 45 CHURCH STREET, RONKONKOMA, NY 11779-3301

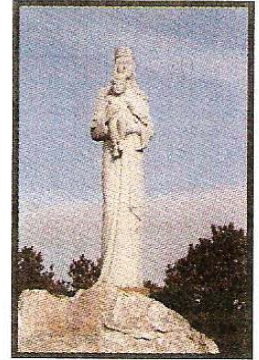
MEMBERS NAME: _____ **ADDRESS:** _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

The Office of New Evangelization of the Diocese of Rockville Centre



*Invites you to a day of
prayer
and celebration at*



*The Shrine of Our
Lady of the Island in
Eastport*

Family Rosary Rally and Marian Concert

featuring "These Three Tenors"

Saturday, August 23, 2008

9:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

**Opportunities for
Confession**

**Purchase Lunch or
Pack a Picnic**

**Clown Ministry
for Children**



Lots of Music!

Multi-Lingual Rosary

**Beautiful
Grounds!**

**Blessing by
Bishop
Peter Libasci**



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

Venturing Events

In Carew Hall after 5:00 PM Mass



ATTENTION ! 8th GRADERS - as of June you will be eligible to come and join us - have some fun this summer—join our Venturing Crew!

Visit our next meeting ---

Sunday, August 24

E-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org

Phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468



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 979-0060 or e-mail JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org.



St Joseph's Play Group

Another great year has come to an end !! We had our last meeting of the year. We are all looking forward to September when our group will start meeting again. Keep an eye on this column for more information.

Have a happy, healthy summer !



**Sport for all Seasons
ST. JOSEPH CYO**

Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 5-16): Gene ☎ 588-1879
Travel * (Boys) : Vinny ☎ 467-3651 or
Tony ☎ 737-8136

Basketball:

Girls Intramural / Lower Division: Debbie ☎ 467-6174
Girls Intramural / Upper Division: Dave ☎ 981-5513
Clinic Division (Coed Grades K-2) Henry ☎ 467-6091
Boys Intramural(Grades 3-12) : Henry ☎ 467-6091
Travel* (Boys): Vinny ☎ 467-3651

Track:

Boys & Girls, Grades K-8
Karen ☎ 588-8636 or Gina ☎ 676-6208

Soccer :

Intramural Boys & Girls(ages 4-12): Joe ☎737-6299
Travel (LIJSL): Tony B ☎ 737-5159

Chairman: Henry Melchiona ☎ 467-6091

*Must register for the intramural program as well



Courtesy Announcements

Long Island Retrouvaille– Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the program, or to register for the upcoming weekend beginning Fri Sept 5th please call 1-800-470-2230 & you will be connected directly to a couple from long Island Retrouvaille.

One Day Spiritual Retreat– Saturday, August 16, 10am-4pm, at St Barnabas Family Chapel, Bellmore. Healing & Sealing-The main speaker & celebrant of a Healing Mass will be Fr Caleb Buchanan. \$10 Pre-registration through St Barnabas Rectory - Free lunch. \$10 registration at the door - Bring bag lunch. For info call: 516-785-0054.

Gennesaret Retreat– A retreat especially for persons who live with a serious illness is planned September 19th, 20th & 21st at Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love., His forgiveness, and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: Colette Fanelli at 631-665-7052.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting - at Our Lady of the Island Shrine the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7- 9PM. Praise, worship and teaching. Contact the Shrine at 631-325-0661 for info.

Free Food for NY Seniors - the FAN is offering free food for Seniors age 60 & over who are income eligible. New eligible include a single senior whose gross monthly is \$1,127 or less, & a senior couple whose gross monthly income is \$1,517 or less. Call 631-491-4169 or 631-491-4156.

Free Food for NYS Women & Children -the FAN (Food and Nutrition Program) is offering FREE ENFAMIL Formula (both regular & Soy), also nutrition food for income eligible children under six years of age (not on WIC) plus pregnant & up to one year postpartum women. The IN-COME guidelines are: A family of two with a weekly gross income of \$488 is eligible. For each additional member add \$124. Call: 491-4166 or 516-623-4568.

Meals-On-Wheels - Lake Nutrition Meals-on-Wheels provides food to elderly & homebound Monday thru Friday, two meals a day. Hot meals & cold meals are available for a charge of \$6 for both meals. Call 467-8948 for information. **Wanted- Volunteers** - 1 hour of your time, 1 day a week to deliver meals to the homebound, Monday - Friday, 10:45-12:00 Noon. Please call Suzette at 467-8948 if you are able to help Meals on Wheels.

Professional Therapy provided by NYS licensed therapists, are available to our parish & 80 other parishes. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center which is independent of & not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies are honored. For information & appointment, call Dr Giuliani at 243-2503.

Diocese of Rockville Centre Mission Office - are in dire need of vestments, chalices, ciboria, pyx or cruet sets. All year Missionary Bishops & Priests visit the Mission Office. At that time we like to offer them vestments, chalices & ciboria for use in their home missions. They are so grateful & all who donate are assured that their loved one is remembered every time these items are used. Items can be mailed or brought to the Mission Office at 50 No Park Ave, Rockville Centre, NY 11571. For the hours & directions call 561-678-5800 ext 201.

Help The Needy in Appalachia - Appalachia is home to some of the worst poverty you'll find anywhere in America. The needy would greatly appreciate children's Fall & Winter (good used or new) clothes, newborn to teen sizes, shoes and school supplies. Please send donations to :Christian Help Inc, Virginia & Lincoln St, Kermit, WV 25674 Att: Sr Brendan.

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!!!

