

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

Parish Office Hours

Monday Through Friday (effective January 2, 2009)

9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM; 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Saturday - 9:00 AM to Noon; 1:00 to 5:00 PM

Sunday - 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Pray with the Parish

Rosary - Prayed daily after the 9 AM Mass

Liturgy of the Hours - Prayed at 8:40 AM (Monday to Friday)
and 7:40 AM on Saturday

Eucharistic Adoration - Mondays (except holidays),
2:00 to 6:45 PM

Nocturnal Adoration & Devotion to the Sacred Heart -
7:30 to 8:30 PM on First Fridays.

Eucharist

The Lord's Day: Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 10:30, 12 Noon & 5:00 PM

Weekdays 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM,
8:00 AM Saturday

Holy Days As announced in Bulletin

Exposition Monday 2:00 to 6:45 PM
First Friday 7:30 to 8:30 PM

Penance/Reconciliation

Mon., Wed., and Fri. after the 7:00 AM & the 9:00 AM Mass.

Saturday after the 8:00 AM Mass and 4:00 to 4:45 and also upon request



Our Lady of Fatima Devotion

The 1st Saturday of each month will be devoted to Our Lady of Fatima. The devotion will include 8am Mass, Novena to Fatima / the Rosary, Confessions after Mass and fellowship in Carew Hall at 9am.

Our Lady came to Fatima with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. Please join us in this devotion.

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



St Joseph's Parish Monthly Recollection

On the First Friday of every month, at 7:30 PM, we hold 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.

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

Baptism

Celebrated most Sundays at 1:30pm. Please contact Parish Office when child is born to schedule Baptism Preparation requirements and date of Baptism.

Confirmation

A parish program building on foundation laid by the School and Religious Education Program. There is a separate program for any adult or teenager who has not yet been confirmed. Those interested should contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

Couples should contact the Parish Office to see one of the priests or deacons at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date, and before making any other arrangements. Both parties must complete marriage preparation programs before the marriage date. At least one of the parties must be registered in the parish.

Anointing of the Sick

This is a Sacrament for the living. A Catholic should receive this Sacrament if they are chronically ill, or are about to undergo surgery and hospitalization, or are suffering the effects of advanced age. We celebrate it during a Special Mass each Spring and Fall. Reception of the Sacrament at other times can be arranged by contacting the Parish Office.

Holy Orders

Anyone feeling called to the priesthood or religious life should feel free to contact one of the parish priests or deacons for guidance and direction.

Interested in becoming a Catholic?

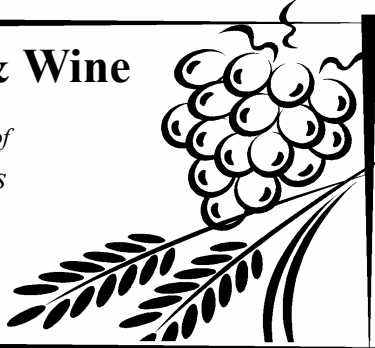
Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic can contact the Parish Office for information about becoming part of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

OUR LITURGY

In today's reading from Acts, many people come to the Apostles for healing, and belief in Jesus grows. In Revelation, John tells how he was called to write an account that would bear witness to the Risen Christ. In the Gospel, the faith of Thomas is tested when the others claim to have seen the Lord. Jesus gently invites Thomas to see and believe.

Altar Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory of
Dorothy & Nicholas
Stiefel
requested by
Loving Daughters*



OUR PRIEST-CELEBRANTS

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

This Week Next Week

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| Fr. Boyle | 5:00 PM | Fr. Maffeo |
| Fr. Boyle | 7:00 AM | Fr. Maffeo |
| Fr. Maffeo | 9:00 AM | Fr. Rene |
| Fr. Thomas | 10:30 AM | Fr. Boyle |
| Fr. Rene | 12:00 PM | Fr. Thomas |
| Fr. Thomas | 5:00 PM | Fr. Boyle |

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: _____

MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, April 11

- 7:00 Consuelo Ortiz req. by Loving Family
- 7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy req. by Loving Wife Anne
- 7:00 John F. Donnelly req. by Joyce Vitiello
- 9:00 Joseph J. Onufrak req. by Loving Mom & Family
- 9:00 Peggy McComb req. by St. Regis Columbiettes
- 10:30 Mary & Edward Tempesta req. by Claire & Jim
- 10:30 Jack DeMauro req. by Loving Family
- 12:00 John Longo req. by Loving Mother & Family
- 12:00 Claire Caputo req. by Margaret Taylor & Family
- 5:00 Angelo Lombardo req. by Anthony & Dorothy Linzi
- 5:00 Pray to End Abortion req. by St. Regis K of C

Monday, April 12

- 7:00 Denise Rivera req. by The O'Malley & Daley-Young Families
- 9:00 John W. Biglin Jr. req. by Loving Wife & Family
- 9:00 Anthony Cairo req. by The Moeller Family

Tuesday, April 13

- 7:00 Rose Neumann req. by Sonny & Dottie Avisata
- 8:45 Edith Colon req. by Olga Butkiewicz
- 8:45 For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 14

- 7:00 Thanksgiving Mass in honor of St. Joseph req. by the Haitian Community
- 7:00 Intentions of the Celebrant
- 9:00 Edward Cronin req. by St. Regis Columbiettes
- 9:00 James O'Connors req. by Kathleen Eiermann

Thursday, April 15

- 7:00 Theresa Pignatelli req. by Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Falisi
- 9:00 William Cronin req. by Geri & Mike Devenney
- 9:00 Rose Frodell req. by St. Regis Columbiettes

Friday, April 16

- 7:00 Theresa Pignatelli req. by Kristin & John Falisi
- 9:00 William Riley req. by The Hammond Family
- 9:00 Corinne Ventura req. by Lawrence McNeill & Family

Saturday, April 17

- 8:00 Emma Babai req. by Joe & Jeanette Connors
- 8:00 Frank Vogelle req. by Dr. & Mrs. Lou Scotti

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

- 5:00 Lino J. Bracco req. by Pat Picaro
- 5:00 James Cooney req. by Alaina Annese

Sunday, April 18

- 7:00 Robert Ortiz req. by Loving Family
- 7:00 Rose Frodell req. by Antoinette & Dan Ventola
- 9:00 Dec'd. Mbrs. of St. Regis K of C
- 9:00 Dec'd. Mbrs. of St. Regis Columbiettes
- 10:30 Mary Johnson req. by The Catholic Daughters Ct. 975
- 10:30 Dora Viserto req. by Loving Family
- 12:00 Claire Caputo req. by Sissy Hannigan & Family
- 12:00 Franklin Sarmiento req. by Abeth & Virgil Rimando
- 5:00 Joseph Vitale req. by Pat Picaro
- 5:00 Nicholas Svercel req. by The Dinger Family

The 2011 Mass Book is Now Open

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



FROM THE DESK OF FR. MIKE



“For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.” These words taken from the ***Chaplet of the Divine Mercy***, ask God our Father to have mercy on the world, and on us, on account of the suffering and passion endured by our Lord Jesus Christ. The Church last weekend, celebrated Easter Sunday, when we remember Jesus’ triumph over sin and death, and now today we are going back to **Good Friday**. Why? Well we are not going back to Good Friday, as our Gospel reading today tells us of the events that occurred on that first Easter Sunday Night and the week that followed. But we are being reminded of the connection between Easter and Good Friday. Again if Jesus did not die for our sins we are not totally forgiven and if He did not rise from the dead we could not share with Him eternal life. But, so many still do not believe! As we see in today’s Gospel, even *Thomas* did not believe. He doubted everything, he was worse than *Mikey in the Life Cereal Commercial*, and would not believe even after the others told them what they saw. This doubt ended a week later when the Risen Lord appeared again and Thomas was there.

Thomas had to see, or he would not believe, and we know so many people who are just like him. This is where faith and trust come in. Easter is truly a time of great faith and a time to totally trust God and the promises He made to us through ***the Patriarchs, Moses, the Prophets and Our Lord Jesus Christ***. That is why Jesus, when He appeared to *St. Faustina* told her that He wanted this Feast Day to be a part of the Easter Season; for as the message on the Icon of the Divine Mercy tells us we should not fear and should believe. The message is simply. ***“Jesus I trust in you.”*** This is not a statement of maybe, but a statement of certainty, a statement given to all of us by Christ Himself.

Remember this Faith and Trust in God, is what is being spoken about by Jesus to Thomas when He says, *“Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”* It is also seen in today’s reading from the ***Acts of the Apostles***, when we are told; *“Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter come by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them.”* We may say well that’s all very well for St. Thomas and for the people who lived during the time of the Apostles, but what about us?

Sure sometimes it is hard to trust, and sometimes it feels like God is not around! Just look at the economy, look how nations deal with one another, and look at crime and corruption everywhere. With all of this and more, how can we trust and how can we believe and have faith? Well these things are not new, nor are they unique to this age, as people from the beginning of time have been dealing with these things in one way or another. Yet, faith has always continued and it happens when people like you and me keep praying, celebrating the Sacraments, and working every day to bring our faith to its fullest that we can get past these things. It’s up to us to help and support each other in our faith and trust; that is why Jesus commands us to come together every week to celebrate the Eucharist.

So many times people come to see a priest and tell the priest that something in their life is wrong. They don’t know what to do and they can not understand why God is letting this happen. Of course after the priest helps them to see that it was their own actions that brought about the situation in their life, he usually asks that person how often they do attend Mass. They usually say, well I don’t go, but I do pray! Even if they are praying everyday, which is good and we should all do so, that’s not enough! It’s not enough because as it stated above we need to help and support each other in our faith journey, we need to pray with and for each other, and most importantly we need to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament! How can we have total faith and trust in Him, if He in not within us? For when we receive Jesus we are given His strength, and we are individually and communally brought closer to the Father. I have never understood why people would deprive themselves of everything God wants to give them. After all these same people would not turn down a great offer made to them by a store or any other company; so why would they turn down the best offer they ever would receive?

We will have a Holy Hour before the Exposed Blessed Sacrament in honor of the Divine Mercy this afternoon at 3 PM all are invited. We will say the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and reflect on some readings as well.



**Happy Easter
Fr. Mike**



We regularly update our SICK LIST and our TROOPS LIST. Please notify the Rectory Office if you would like to renew your relative's posting in either list. Each week we remove entries older than two months on the sick and six months on the troops.

Remember Our Sick

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| Anne Bannon | Pat Lucivero |
| John Bertone | Vito Lucivero |
| Maryann Bonitz | Marie Mangan |
| Oliver Bouchard | Mark Mangiacapre |
| Bill Bulinski | Flora Martin |
| Regina Cohen | Sheila McGovern |
| Eileen Coradine | Lorraine Milano |
| Victor Crema | Toby Monti |
| Susan Cronin | Anthony Morena |
| Jolan Csaszar | Anne Murtha |
| Kathy Cunningham | 3 year old Nathan |
| Joan DeCicco | Arthur Owen |
| Rick DeGiovine | Richard Pepe |
| Michael DePinto | Nicole Ramaglia |
| Anthony DeVito | Carol Ramos |
| Cosmo DiTucci | Ralph A. Redo |
| Ann Doherty | Louis Russo |
| Sharon T. Eichler | Karen Sabella |
| Bernard Eilers | Lucille Santinello |
| Robert Filce | Dawn Saporito |
| Rose Frodell | Kayla Schilt |
| Rosa Gaudio | Krista Schramm |
| Brian Ginsberg | Nancy Schramm |
| Catherine Grace Hanson | Darlene Smith |
| Gregory Heraghty | Darryll Smith |
| David Hoffman | Dennis Sykora |
| Jasper InDelicato | Michael Tenore |
| Margaret InDelicato | Edward Trees |
| Luke James Infanzon | Lloyd Turnier |
| Clinton Inniss | Lucy Turnier |
| Carrie Kalish | Paul Waldron Sr. |
| Cecelia Keller | Debra Wangelin |
| Frances Kern | Diane Zimmerman |
| Helen Kraft | |
| George Labriola | |
| Alfred LaRocca | |
| Louise LaRocca | |
| Kevin Latini | |

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS



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| SGT Deborah Alfieri | SPC Matthew Altonji |
| CPL Justin Aragones | TSGT Louis Barletta |
| LT 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 |
| SGT Stephen DiGirolamo | SSGT Tony Elliott |
| CPL Joseph Espinoza | LT Kelly Fletcher |
| SPC Adam Franciosa | CPT Mark Gillman |
| CPT Evan Gotkin | LCPL RJ Hartmann |
| AFC J.R. Kay | SAMN Jessica Kay |
| SGT John W Keohane | MAJ Sean P Kilkenny |
| WO-1 Steven Knight | CPL Andrew Kochman |
| LCPL William Langdon | SPC Christopher Leone |
| RCT Tiffany LiCausi | SPC Thomas J Lupo |
| SGT Wade Lynch | MAJ Kevin McCue |
| PVT Thomas B McGinn | SGT Patrick McNally |
| PFC William Meyer | CPL Brian G Meyer |
| CPO Gregory Migliore | SGT Glenn Miller |
| LT 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 | SGT Jennifer Tomaneng |
| SPC James Stanek | SPC Erica Sweeney |
| EO3 Taylor Taranto | MM3 Gregory Taranto |
| PFC Greg Terrish | SGT Jason Tulowitzki |
| SSGT Nick Vicale | SGT John Thomas Vogt |
| CPL Brandon Waldon | SGT Randolph Weaver |
| MSTR Robert Casey | MAJ Jennifer Kochman-Gotkin |
| ILT Richard Lutz II | HN Frederick James Borsello |
| PV2 Darian L. Clark | SAMN Bill Ried |
| CPL Michael Casonova | SPEC4 David Cooper |
| MIDN Michael Cristiano | Sgt. Brian P. O'Leary |
| PFC Gregory Caplan | MPS Timothy Caplan |
| E6PO1 Gerard McGarrity | LT John Cox II |
| PFC Nicholas Barbieri | LCPL Jim A. Mock |
| SGT. MAJ. John A Krumholz | |

REMEMBERING THE SICK

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

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

REMEMBER OUR DEAD

Bertha Sowinski

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

e-mail: RelEd@StJoRonk.org

website: RelEd.StJoRonk.org

981-1805

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

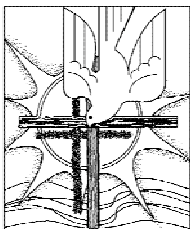
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM



The students in our Religious Education program participated in a fundraiser for the Heiffer program. The fundraiser was a huge success. We were able to purchase: a share of a Menagerie, one llama, 3 shares of a goat, 2 shares each of a sheep, a pig, seedlings, rabbits, chicks and geese. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Reminder to all **level 2** students who will be receiving First Eucharist on April 24th, please follow your schedule for rehearsal on April 21 and 22nd.

Confirmation Corner



If any parent or guardian was unable to attend our Confirmation meeting, please call 981-1805 and make an appointment to come into the office and meet with Sister Anne Marie to obtain Confirmation registration forms.

St. Joseph Parish Outreach Center

e-mail — sjpo@verizon.net website — <http://outreach.stjoronk.org>

Through your generosity we were able to help more than 104 people throughout the month of February. Financial assistance for the month of February was \$2,483.83. In these tough economic times we are seeing people of increasing need. On their behalf, we thank you for sharing your own limited resources with your brothers and sisters.



"Whenever you did it for the least of my people, you did it for me."

St. Joseph School

e-mail: school@stjoronk.org

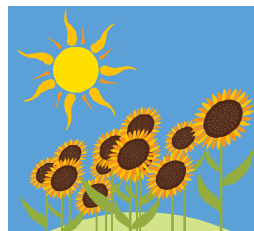
website: www.stjoeronkelem.org



St. Joseph School will be holding its annual plant flat sale. 48 plants per flat for only \$18 a flat. Contact the main office to place your orders. 588-4760

We will be welcoming a local author in our school on Tuesday, April 13th. Orders will be taken now for book signings.

Registration is filling for several grades for the 2010 - 2011 school year. Hurry, we will be going to waiting lists for several grades.



Outreach Ministry

Feinstein Matching Grant - This foundation will match all donations made to the Outreach Program during the months of March and April. *The more of a donation you send the more Feinstein money Outreach will get.*

Dear Friend: My name is Alan Shawn Feinstein. For the past 12 years, I have been giving away \$1 million each year to anti-hunger agencies throughout the country.

This year, I am doing it again...whatever you donate to OUT-REACH, I will add money to it. The more you give, the more of my \$1 MILLION they'll get - thanks to you!

Why am I doing this? Because I believe each of us was put here on earth to do what we can to help those in need. This letter is written because we feel that YOU believe that, too. This has become the greatest grass roots campaign ever to fight hunger in our country. Your donation makes you a partner in it with me! I'm only here to give you some support and to remind you of this: *That all that will matter to us someday is what we did while we were here to help those who needed us.*

Please give whatever you can- I will gladly add some of my money to yours. Thank you for sharing my heart, and the hope that-someday-no one will ever go hungry.

Sincerely Yours,
Alan Shawn Feinstein

Respect Life

Feminists Choosing Life of New York (FCLNY) filed suit in New York State Supreme Court (Albany) to block the use of taxpayer funds to pay women recruited to “donate” their eggs for embryonic stem cell research. FCLNY Executive Director, Wendy McVeigh said: “New York State has the responsibility to protect women. Instead, the state is using taxpayers’ dollars to entice young, economically vulnerable women to experiment in this medically risky procedure.”

New York State is the first governmental entity anywhere in the United States to approve taxpayer money to pay women to undergo an invasive procedure to harvest eggs for embryonic stem cell research.

The legal complaint was filed on October 9, 2009 in *Feminists Choosing Life of New York v. Empire State Stem Cell Board*. Part of the complaint reads: **“The Payment for Eggs Program provides significant monetary inducements to women to engage in this painful and risky procedure, which in part disproportionately appeals to economically vulnerable women ...it fails to satisfactorily provide for informed consent and other safeguards to ensure adequate disclosure to women of the risks of egg harvesting.”**

In 2007, the New York State Legislature enacted a new Title V-A to Article 2 of the Public Health Act, committing \$600 million for stem cell research. On June 11, 2009, The Empire State Stem Cell Board (ESSCB), having the responsibility for administering the funds, passed a resolution authorizing significant taxpayer monies of up to **\$10,000 per donation to be paid to young women who donate their eggs for research.**

FCLNY contends that egg stimulation and extraction pose many

significant health risks including damage to future reproductive ability. They also argue that research on adult stem cells, which are plentiful and do not involve the ethical and medical concerns of embryonic stem cell research, have produced positive results that make the egg donation program, funded by taxpayer monies, excessive, pointless spending.

The National Institutes of Health does not permit federal dollars to be spent on stem cell research that uses embryos derived from procedures that “require women to donate oocytes (eggs) because of the “health and ethical implications, including the health risk to the (egg) donor.” The National Academies of Science agrees: “No cash or in kind payments should be provided for donating oocytes (eggs) for research purposes.”

LifeWorks, 3/10

RESPECT LIFE MEETING: All in the parish are extended an invitation to join us on Saturday, April 17th at 9:15 am in Room A, Rectory basement. We are the Right to Life group and we meet four times a year. The welcome mat is out for you! The coffee/tea pot is on and the rolls are great – come and see!



Weekly Offering

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010, Offerings \$41,247
 Same collection last year 4-5-09 46,738

Poor Box last weekend \$968
 Fuel Collection \$9,755
 Same time last year 11,696
 YTD Fuel Cost \$14,556

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| Easter Sun. Budget Amount | \$50,000 | YTD | \$610,500 |
| Collection | <u>41,247</u> | YTD | <u>562,727</u> |
| Shortage | 8,753 | Shortfall | -47,773 |

Pay Down Debt Donations

This Month \$ 175
YTD \$ 26,196

Average weekly shortage is \$7,268 based on last year's figures.

If you missed last week, please make it up this week. Thank you.

Envelopes 902

***Thank you and God Bless You Always,
 Fr. Mike***

Celebrating 100 Years of Service



The Mother Church of the Ronkonkomas

April 10 - Daughters of Mary Retreat
2:00 - 4:30, Upper School Rm. 15

April 11 - Divine Mercy Hour - 3:00 - 4:00 PM

April 15 - Catholic Daughters Chinese Auction 6:30 - 10:00 PM, Carew Hall

April 17 - Anointing of Sick - 11 AM -12 PM

April 19-21 - Parish Retreat - 7:30 PM

April 24 - 25 - Distribution of baby Bottles



April 19-20-21, 2010

7:30 pm, Triduum Mass & Teaching
6:40 pm, Gregorian Rosary & Confessions

ST. JOSEPH PARISH **RONKONKOMA NY**

Fr. Al Winshman, S.J.

Marian Renewal Ministry, Weston MA USA

CALLED to DISCIPLESHIP with JESUS through MARY

Monday, April 19 – **LIVING IN THE FATHER'S LOVE**, *the Way*
– Living the "Our Father": Faith Witness & Prayer of the Heart

Tuesday, April 20 – **TRANSFORMED BY THE SPIRIT**, *the Truth*
– Living in Responsible Freedom: Prayer, Fasting & Conversion

Wed'day, April 21 – **DISCIPLES WITH THE SON JESUS**, *the Life*
– Living the Mass in Thanksgiving and Healing: **HEALING MASS**

Free Will Offering will be received to support Fr. Al's Marian Ministry.
On Sale: Fr Al's "*Gregorian Rosary*" DVD & CD, Rosaries, Medals, etc.

Fr. Al Winshman, S.J., is an international apostle throughout the U.S. and English-speaking world of Mary's message of Jesus' Gospel in her many apparitions. He is spiritual leader of numerous pilgrimages to Lourdes, Fatima, Guadalupe, Medjugorje, Rome, Holy Land, and other shrines, and has been with visionaries during their apparitions.

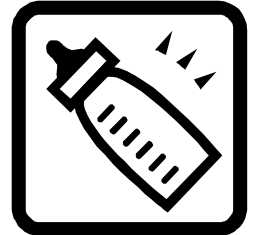
Fr. Al is available to lead Parish Missions, Triduums, Retreats, Marian and Eucharistic Healing Evenings. He writes on Mary's messages for today. Fr. Al's meditated & chanted "*Gregorian Rosary*" available: DVDs & CDs. Contact him: Marian Renewal Ministry, Campion Center, 319 Concord Rd, Weston MA 02493-1310; Tel: 781-788-6839 & winshman@juno.com





Baby Bottle Campaign Change for Life

Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!!!!



On the weekend of April 24th & 25th, Saint Joseph will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit The Life Center of Long Island located in Deer Park, Massapequa and Hempstead. The Life Center is a crisis pregnancy center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. They provide maternity housing, medical care, referrals, cribs, car seats, diapers and ALL other baby items that are needed. We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your spare change.

On Mother's Day weekend, May 8 and 9, the bottles will be collected before each Mass. If you cannot return your bottle on that day, please do not leave it anywhere but at the Rectory during office hours. Donations of handmade and other baby items will be gratefully accepted on Mother's Day weekend.

Most importantly, the Life Center asks you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life Center in the first place.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2010

DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Pledges as of 3/31/2010 \$59,799

One Faith, One Hope, Many Gifts

WAYS TO GIVE

Gifts of Cash – Checks should be made payable to the “Catholic Ministries Appeal.” Please mail your gift card in the envelope provided.

Pledge Your Gift Over Ten Months – A gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal may be fulfilled over a ten month period. If possible, please include your first month’s payment when you mail your gift card/envelope.

Matching Gifts – Many corporations endeavor to match the charitable contributions of employees. Please contact your company’s Human Resources professional to determine if your company participates in a Matching Gift Program.

Credit Card – Take full advantage of the benefits offered by your card, such as bonus/ reward points and airlines miles. You can make a one-time gift using your credit card via our Web Site www.drvc.org. We accept Amex, Discover, MasterCard and Visa. To set up monthly payments using your credit card call our office at 516-379-5210 ext. 2 or fill out your pledge card and include your credit information.

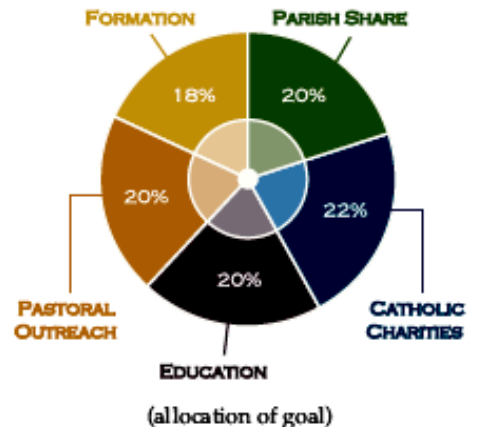
Online Giving – The Catholic Ministries Appeal offers the opportunity to make your gift online by using your credit card. Please go to www.drvc.org to make your contribution.

Gift of Securities – A gift of appreciated securities is one way to make a significant contribution at a reduced cost to you. Federal tax laws allow a charitable deduction for the full market value of securities on the date of your gift. For more information on how to make a gift of this nature, please call the CMA office at 516-379-5210 ext. 2.

Special Tax Advantage – If you are over age 70 and have a “well-funded” traditional IRA, you will have until January 1, 2010 to take advantage of a recent reinstatement of the tax law which allows you to donate up to \$100,000 from your Individual Retirement Account tax-free to charitable causes. For more information, we suggest you contact your financial advisor or call 516-379-5210, ext. 2. **Your gift must go directly from your IRA to the CMA. If you receive the money first, you’ll be taxed on it like any other distribution.**

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This year because of your support, the Diocese of Rockville Centre was able to serve more than 500,000 people in the Long Island community.

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| 500 | 50 |
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| 150 | 15 |
| OTHER \$ _____ | |

EVERY GIFT COUNTS!

Please make checks payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal
Thank you for your support

Place in collection basket. —or— Drop off at the Rectory. —or—
Mail to St. Joseph Church, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779-3301



Automated Contributions with Faith Direct!

I am very excited to introduce *Faith Direct*, a new and easy way for you to fulfill your very generous stewardship commitments to St. Joseph.

Through *Faith Direct*, you can make all of your contributions to our parish via automatic payment from your checking account or credit card - just as you may do now with your mortgage payment, cable bill, and other regular expenses. *Faith Direct* offers us a secure way for you to send, and our parish to receive, your contributions throughout the year.

There is no cost for you to enroll in the program!

Should you elect to participate in this program, *Faith Direct* will provide you with personalized "offertory cards" that you can choose to place in the collection basket as a visible sign of your support when attending Mass at our parish. *Faith Direct* will also provide you with an itemized statement of your gifts to St. Joseph at the end of the year for tax purposes.

With the hope that you are interested, enrollment forms are available in the pew for you to fill out and return to *Faith Direct*. Or, as an added convenience, you may elect to enroll securely online by visiting www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is **NY252**.

I pray you realize how important your gifts of treasure to St. Joseph are, and will continue to be, and how much I appreciate your generosity.

God bless you!

Calendar Club 2010

THE WINNERS ARE!!!

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 4/4 #203 The Greib Family \$200 | 4/5 #720 Christina Tenaglia \$25 | 4/6 #422 Marie & Roger Kofel \$25 | 4/7 #950 D & J Isola \$25 | 4/8 #165 Danny Murphy \$25 | 4/9 #716 Mike & Kathy Hickey \$25 | 4/10 #177 Elaine Mazziotti \$25 |
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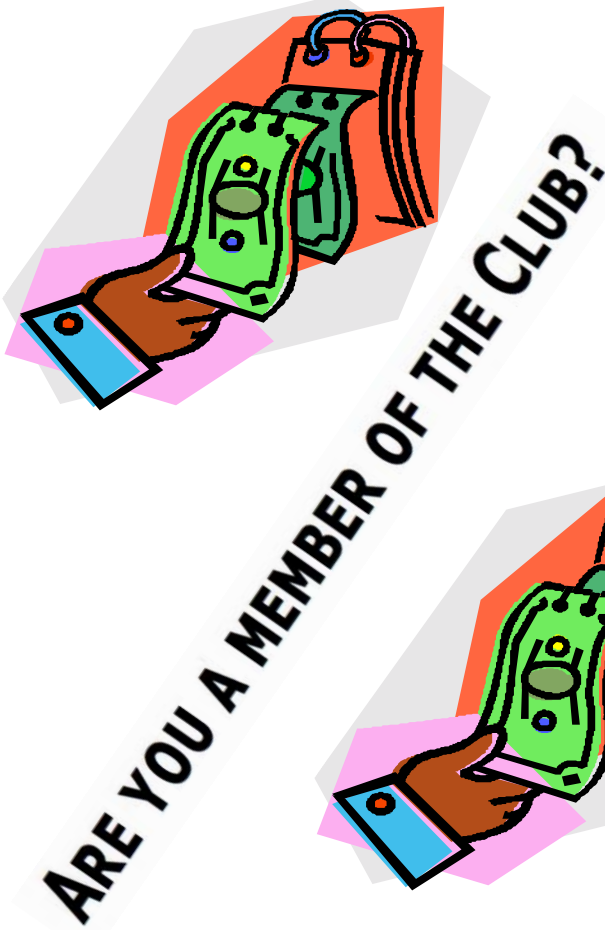
Congratulations to our Winners. Thank you for your generous support!

There are still memberships left. Use the coupon on the next page to reserve your membership before it's too late.

Calendar Club

EVERY DAY THERE'S A CHANCE YOU'LL WIN!

(EXCEPT HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND HOLY SATURDAY)



Calendar Club 2010 Prizes

Weekdays* and Saturdays*---\$25

*(*no prize is awarded for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday)*

Sundays---\$50

larger prizes on the following special days...

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God---\$50

St. Joseph's Day---\$50

Easter Sunday---\$200

April Fools Day---\$50

Ascension Thursday---\$50

Mothers Day---\$75

Fathers Day---\$75

Independence Day---\$75

Feast of the Assumption of Mary---\$75

All Saints Day---\$75

Thanksgiving Day---\$75

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary---\$75

Christmas Day---\$200

New Years Eve---special drawing,

drawn from those who have not won throughout the year---\$250

MEMBERSHIP DONATION IS \$25 PER "CALENDAR".

GET FIVE MEMBERSHIPS FOR A DONATION OF \$100.

Sign me up for calendar club 2010

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| Member Name: | # | @ \$25 each | |
| Address: | # | @ 5 for \$100 | |
| City, State, Zip | | Total | |
| Phone Number: | Place in envelope with donation and mail or bring to the Rectory or drop in the collection basket. | | |

Place in collection basket. —or— Drop off at the Rectory. —or—
Mail to St. Joseph Church, 45 Church Street, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779-3301

Court St. Joseph No. 975 Catholic Daughters of the Americas

CHINESE AUCTION

Thursday, April 15th

New location: St. Joseph's Church-Carew Hall

Enter front of church or use rear door nearest the one-level school building.

(Elevator to right inside church door.)



Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Admission \$6 includes 25 tickets, cake, coffee & tea. Hot dogs, soda & water sold.



Extra tickets \$2 per card.

No strollers or baby carriers please.

For information call 631-588-3046 or 631-467-2804.



Baptismal Bibs

We are in need of volunteers to embroider and cut out Baptismal Bibs for the infants Baptized here at St. Joseph's. If you can help us, please call the rectory at 588-8456.

THE 2010 CENSUS IS COMING YOUR WAY!

When you get your questionnaire in the mail, fill it out and mail it back in the postage-paid envelope right away!

It's easy, it's safe, and it's important!

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2010



BABY ACCESSORIES NEEDED

Life Center of Long Island

Cribs, bassinets, car seats, strollers, toiletries, crib sheets, formula, clothes for girls and boys (Sizes 0-6 and 18-24 months especially needed), hooded towels, wash cloths, diaper bags, socks and bottles.



Thank you for any help that you can provide to support these women, especially those who are in a crisis. Donations can be dropped off at 1767 Deer Park Ave, Deer Park, NY 11729. If you have any further questions please call (631) 243-2373.

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Town of Brookhaven

&

Boy Scouts of America

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Brookhaven Traffic Safety Division

SCPD 6th Precinct Bicycle Team

EXPLORERS

New York Life Identity Kits

Scout Registration fee: \$2.00, includes special patch

****** Scouts must check-in upon arrival******

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For additional information contact: Mary Bishop, applepickya@aol.com



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St Joseph RC Church (Ronkonkoma) – code: A1245

**Visit TD Bank at 474 Portion Rd Lake Ronkonkoma
or call 631-588-1564 to become a member of the program**

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Paschal Candle Memorials

If you would like to memorialize the Paschal Candle for the upcoming year please fill out and return this form with your donation of \$100 to the Rectory.

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| <i>Paschal Candle Memorial</i> | |
| Name: | |
| Address: | |
| Telephone: | Parishioner ID# |
| In Memory Of: | |



Venturing Crew 777 – Chinese Auction

Venturing Crew 777 will hold their 7th Annual Chinese Auction on **Saturday April 17th from 6 - 9 PM in Fr. Carew Hall.**

Dessert will be served and, as always, there will be plenty of **fantastic items.**

Please come out to support the scouts.

If you would like to make a donation, or have any questions, please call 631-981-1399.



Baptismal Bibs



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**USING SCRIP
MAKES
DOLLARS
and SENSE !**



Please use parish-purchased gift cards for all your shopping needs. Not only will you take advantage of the gas-saving convenience of *one-stop shopping* here, at St. Joseph's, but our church will benefit from the profit of selling the cards. **God bless you for using your time, talent, and treasure to support the ministries of this parish.**

**ST. JOSEPH'S
Parish & School
11th Annual Golf Outing
at
Long Island National Golf Club
June 7, 2010**



The Golf Outing will be held at the @ Long Island National Golf Club located at:

1793 Northville Turnpike in Riverhead, NY
(631) PAR-GOLF
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
BBQ Lunch

1:00 PM

Shotgun start (18 holes with Golf Cart)

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Open Bar, Buffet Dinner & Presentations

Golf format

Will be a Scramble/Best Ball System

- **Free Door Prize Give-Aways**
- **50/50 Raffle**
- **Sports Memorabilia Auction**
- **Special "Mystery" Raffle**

Beyond a great day of golf, we will be honoring:



Walter A. Poggi
President
Retlif Testing Laboratories
And Parish Trustee

Information (Including Registration Forms) is located at the back of the church.

Thanking you in advance. God Bless you.

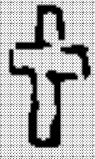
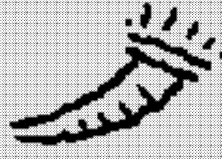
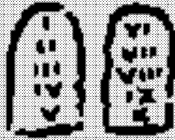


Divine Mercy Sunday

3 PM Holy Hour — April 11, 2010

During the course of Jesus' revelations to Saint Faustina, He asked that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy on the *Sunday after Easter Sunday*. The liturgical texts of that day center around the Sacrament of Penance, the Tribunal of Divine Mercy, were well suited to the request of Our Lord. This feast was granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II at the canonization of Saint Faustina. In a decree dated 23 May 2000, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments stated, "Throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine

benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come."



Bible Study

Fr. Boyle is offering a six-week course on the Book of Ruth and 1 Samuel. Morning classes begin on Tuesday, April 13th at 10:00 AM. Evening classes begin on Wednesday, April 14th at 7:30 PM. The classes will be held in Carew Hall. Call the Rectory for more details...



Anointing of the Sick Mass

April 17, 2010 — 11:00 AM

This Mass is celebrated twice a year for those who are preparing to undergo surgery, those who are homebound, and those who are suffering from long term illness or the effects of old age. If this applies to you or someone you know, please plan to join us

at this Mass. If you are unable to attend this Mass, please call the Rectory so that one of the priests can arrange to visit you at home.





YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, St. Joseph's Parish offers an upbeat experience of celebrating Mass 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)

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



CYO Sport Programs

Baseball:

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

Basketball:

Girls Intramural Debbie ☎467-6174
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

Soccer :

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

**Must register for the intramural program as well*

SPRING 2010 EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION BASEBALL, SOCCER & TRACK

Feb. 6th & 7th 12 pm - 3 pm @ St. Joseph's Gym
Feb. 10th 6:30 pm - 8 pm @ Seneca Middle School
Feb. 11th 6:30 pm - 8 pm @ Ronkonkoma Middle School

Scouting as Youth Ministry



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.

Pack, Troop, and Crew 272 have a YEAR-ROUND scouting program.



Venturing Events

In Carew Hall after 5:00 PM Mass

Venturing is open to men and women age 14 through 20 who have graduated from 8th Grade. This year's crew plan is jam packed with interesting and fun activities here at St. Joseph's and "off-campus" as well.

Come down to our meeting and check it out.

Visit our next meetings —

Sunday, April 18th

Sunday, April 25th

e-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org

phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468

What did you do this weekend?



**D.O.G.
DEPEND
On
GOD**

*My salvation and my honor depend on God;
He is my mighty rock, my refuge.*

Psalms 62:7

Courtesy Announcements



Charismatic Prayer Meeting - at Our Lady of the Island Shrine the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7- 9PM. Praise, worship & 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.

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.

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 or visit our website at <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.net>.

Golf Outing & Benefit Dinner - Friday, May 7, 2010 at Rock Hill Country Club, 105 Clancy Rd., Manorville, LI. All proceeds will go toward financing community reentry - transitional services being provided at the New Life Center. The golf outing and dinner at the conclusion of the day will honor Brother Jack Moylan, OSF, Director of Prison Ministry, Diocese of Rockville Centre. Please feel free to contact us for further information at 631-615-6170.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed - St. Charles Hospital has a great need for Eucharistic Ministers to bring Communion to the sick at our Hospital. They should have completed the second part of training for EM's. New Eucharistic Minister Training is taking place Saturday mornings May 8th and May 19th. Evening training will take place on Tuesday May 5th and 19th. Time commitment at St. Charles would be once every three weeks. Communion can be distributed between 6-9 PM Monday through Friday or 9 AM to 9 PM weekends and Holidays. Please call Sr. Josefita Rodriguez at 474-6411 if you are interested or have any questions.



In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"
During Mass we turn to each other and say "Peace be with you!" As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

Ancient Order of Hibernians - Saturday, April 10, 2010, The Middle Country Hibernians, Selden, NY will be presenting Andy Cooney in Concert. The concert will be held from 7-10 PM and the admission is \$25.00 pp.

Suffolk County Knights of Columbus - High Assistant Program. Each year four financial grants and four scholarships are awarded. The purpose is to promote and encourage dependent children of Knights, Columbiettes, and women's auxiliaries in good standing to further their Catholic education. Requirements for submission and deadlines are on the application. Contact Tom O'Brien 631-848-6211 or go to www.suffolkchapterkofc.com for the application and additional information.

Hope House Ministries - Port Jefferson is offering two new programs. Stabilizing your Marriage in the 21st century. Monday, April 12, 19 & 26. from 7-8:30 PM and The Face of Divorce & Separation in the 21st century on April 15, 21, 29 fro, 7-8:30 PM. Pre registration is required. For more information & registration, please call Sr. Jean Beagan at 631-978-0189.

Dominican Village Annual Dance – Fundraiser on Saturday, May 1, 2010 at 7-11 PM. Helen Butler, O.P. Hall, Amityville, NY. For dinner tickets, raffle tickets & sponsorship opportunities contact: Dominican Village's Development Office at 631-842-6618.

St. Patrick's - Singles Fellowship, Sunday, April 18, 2010 10 AM -12 PM. 280 E. Main St, Smithtown, NY. Widowed, single, divorced and separated ages 45 to 60 years plus. Coffee, tea, cake and conversation. For more information call the Outreach Dept at 631-265-2668.

Shrine of St. Anne - Columbiettes will be holding a Chinese Auction on May 7, 2010. Doors open at 7 PM. \$5.00 Admission for all. Includes: 25 free tickets, first cup of coffee & cake. Shrine of St. Anne, 96 Second Ave, Brentwood, NY 11717.



Happy Easter