Parish Office Hours

Thurs, & Friday (effective August 1, 2011)
9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM; 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9am to Noon; 1:15 to 5:00 PM
Saturday - 9:00 AM to Noon; 1:00 to 5:00 PM
Sunday - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Pray with the Parish

Rosary - Prayed daily after the 9 AM Mass
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.

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 eve-
ry man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fat-
ima 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.

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

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 pray-
er, 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 pru-
derence, 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**

Peter was not afraid to give witness to the salvation that comes through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. Paul reminds the Colossians that they have died in Christ. They are to be one with Him now and on the day of resurrection. In John’s Gospel we hear the account of the first witnesses of the Resurrection and their reactions.

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**Altar Bread & Wine**

*In Loving Memory of Mickelson & Williams Families Requested by Barbara Mickelson*

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**OUR PRIEST-Celebrants**

Priest Schedule Subject to Change

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

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**Sunday, April 27 (Divine Mercy)**

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Fear is defined as an emotion induced by a threat and causes a person or creature to pull or run away. It is a basic survival mechanism and comes about from the ability to recognize danger. In some cases, fear is so great, that a person could be frozen and not respond. Fear is one of the basic emotions, and it can be a response to future events or to a present unacceptable situation. Some common fears are ghosts and demons, evil powers, insects, spiders, snakes, rodents, heights, public speaking, clowns, rejection and finally death.

Fear, no matter what the cause, tends to incapacitate us and keeps us from living our life to the fullest. Fear can disturb us and cause us to hide from everything even God. Look at Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden after they ate of the forbidden fruit. Adam hides from God when he realizes that he is naked, for Adam is afraid to face God.

What does fear have to do with today’s great celebration of Easter? The answer is nothing, and I am not kidding around. Consider the words of today’s Gospel, according to Matthew. In two places, the women who go to Jesus’ tomb are told not to be afraid. The angel who comes down from Heaven, to remove the stone closing the tomb, was the first to tell them. He tells them, “Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.” After they see where the body of Jesus was, they go to Galilee to tell the Apostles what they have seen. On the way to Galilee, they come face to face with the Risen Jesus, and they pay Him homage. Then Our Lord tells the women “Do not be afraid.” Now we may understand why the women might have been afraid, thinking perhaps they were seeing a ghost. Certainly, they were experiencing something completely new, yet they are being told not to be afraid, and it appears that once they got over the initial shock, they were not afraid. In fact, they were filled with great joy.

Why not, what was there to fear? Jesus had risen from the dead, He is not a ghost or a mere shadow of Himself, no Jesus had become something very new. Just as there was no reason to fear 2014 years ago, there is nothing to fear now or ever. For just as Jesus had and has become something very new, so has all of humanity. His Resurrection is our resurrection and we have become citizens of the Kingdom of God. What is there to fear, for Christ has conquered sin and spiritual death, and has removed all things that stood between God the Father and Humanity. So the words of the angel and Jesus are now spoken to us, “Do not be afraid.” As Jesus said in the Gospel, “Fear is useless, what is necessary is trust.” Trust in Him, and let nothing stand in your way of doing what Jesus told the women on at first Easter Sunday, Go tell my brothers [and the world] that I have risen.

On behalf of Fathers Thomas, Henry and Peter Liu; Deacons James Altonji, Joseph Dougherty, Joseph Califano, Michael DeBellis, Frank Dell’Aglio, Bill Dobbins, and Michael Devenney, Sr. Anne Marie Dean, CSJ., Mrs. Leona Arpino, Mrs. Anne Kelley, Mr. Michael Keller, Mrs. Ann DeBellis, Mr. Jerry Peters, and the entire staff of Saint Joseph’s wish you and your families a very Happy Easter.

Fr. Mike
PRAY FOR 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)

PRAY FOR 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 THOSE WHO HAVE DIED—

Rose K. Stallone, Patricia Lutz

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

Even though our Governor made the statement (1-17-14) that “extreme conservatives who are right-to-life ... have no place in the state of New York” it makes one think that perhaps ‘right-to-life ’ people are considered a ‘threat.’

After all, we are organized, we have structure, talented leadership, modern and efficient communications networks, and we have identified and continue to identify pro-life families and individuals who care. Yes, there are some who consider pro-life people a unorganized minority of radical extremists.

In fact, the anti-life or pro-choice position is the radical one. Its agenda includes allowing sex-selection abortion, permitting abortions late in pregnancy when the unborn child can experience excruciating pain, preventing parental involvement in the case of an underage child seeking an abortion. And the list goes on and on.

Here are some important dates, for pro-life events you may want to take part in:

Friday, April 25th  6:30 to 8:00 PM Unmasking Planned Parenthood, Bethpage State Park – Pro-lifers stand with signs, on both sides of the access road to the Restaurant, to silently greet those attending a PP dinner. The young men valet parking cars also see us. Carpool leaves from across from St. Joseph’s Rectory at 5:30 PM. Call Charlene at 631-981-1402 to say you plan to attend.

Saturday and Sunday April 26 and 27th, the “ever-popular” baby bottles will make their appearance after all the Masses, in the lobby of the Church. This collection will go to the Life Center for its humanitarian work with mothers and babies; speakers from the Life Center will inform you after all the Masses. Fill the bottles with your spare change and return them on the Mother’s Day weekend, May 10 and 11th.

On those same two days, April 26 and 27 you will be asked to sign a petition objecting to abortion expansion in New York State. People will be in the Church lobby after all the Masses with their clipboards. Please sign this important petition; as you know, New York State is already known as the abortion capital of our country.

Saturday, May 3 and every first Saturday at 10:15 to 11:30 AM – witness at abortion site at 200 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge. Carpool leaves from parking lot across from the Rectory at 10:00 AM. Call Charlene, 631-981-1402.

May you have a Blessed and Happy Easter!

Weekly Offering

Fiscal Year Beginning 9/1/2013 - 8/31/14
Palm Sunday, April 13, 2014 Offering  $26,414
(Includes Faith Direct ($1,853)
Poor Box Last Week $268

*Pay Down Debt Donations

This Month $ ——
Total Funds 358,821
Less Payments made to RVC 337,500
Fund Balance $21,321

RVC Loan 605,000
Less Payment 337,500
Balance $267,500

*Includes Faith Direct Collections for April  
(68 Participating Households)

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

Envelope users: Please enter the amount of your donation on the envelope in the space provided. This will be a big help to us when counting the collection. Also, it is not necessary to tape or staple the envelope closed. Your help is appreciated.

Thank you, Deacon Mike DeBellis

Thank you and God Bless You Always,
Fr. Mike

EASTER
Religious Education

E-mail: RelEd@StJoRonk.org
Website: RelEd.StJoRonk.org
981-1805
Office Hours
Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you!
Happy Easter!

Registration for religious education classes, which begin in October, will start this month. To register a child for the first time, you can find all the forms online at reled@stjoronk.org or call us at 981-1805 to have them sent to you. All others please return the re-registration form your child has brought home. Please register as soon as possible to be assured of the time and day that is most convenient for you.

Rehearsal for the April 26th 10:30 Communion will take place on Wednesday, April 23rd at 4:30 PM in the Church.

Rehearsal for the April 26th 1:00 Communion will take place on Thursday, April 24th at 4:30 PM in the Church.

Level 7 – if any parent did not attend either Confirmation meeting please call Sister Anne Marie for an appointment to come into the office.

The religious education office will be closed on Monday, April 21st and Tuesday, April 22nd.

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 13 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 OUTREACH, 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,
Congratulations to our Winners.
Thank you for your generous support!

**Calendar Club 2014**

**Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday**
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3/30 #492 Lina & Tony DeLouisa $50 | 3/31 #638 Rosemary & Gerry McMenamin $25 | 4/1 #306 Catherine Anello $50 | 4/2 #635 Florence Buckley $25 | 4/3 #958 Marie & George Hunt $25 | 4/4 #16 Ruth Haines $25 | 4/5 #532 Ray & MaryAlice Griffin $25
4/6 #506 Robin Benick $50 | 4/7 #494 Jerome Magluilo $25 | 4/8 #602 Richard & Maryann Ramaglia $25 | 4/9 #528 Beth Beecher $25 | 4/10 #657 Peter Borneman $25 | 4/11 #204 Mr & Mrs Alfred LaRocca $25 | 4/12 #661 Joe Finnegan $25

**Banns of Marriage**
(Second Time)
Florence Sayers of St. Joseph and Joseph Morales of St. Joseph
Johanna Lynch of St. Joseph and Christopher Schwartz of St. Joseph
Jessica Smith of St. Joseph and Brendan Kolarik of St. Joseph
Aimee Calia of Holy Cross and Michael Pacifico of St. Joseph
Colleen Ryan of St. Joseph and Eric Jones of St. Joseph
Anne Marie Percoco of St. Anne's and Matthew Dugan of St. Anne's

**Prayer for Evening**
**Holy Hour**
**Easter Friday**
7:30 PM - This Friday, April 25, 2014

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
**Sung Evening Prayer**
**Benediction**

_In Thanksgiving for the Divine Mercy of Jesus_
Join us in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament for Solemn Sung Evening Prayer, with music led by Chris Catalano and Voices of Faith, a Homily by Fr. Mike Maffeo, Quiet Reflection, and Benediction.

“Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness.”
CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS
PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
IT’S SPRING! THANK YOU GOD!!

Lets roll up our sleeves. Put on our gloves and knee pads and go to work in our Lord’s gardens. Bring your garden tools and your love for the earth and the beauty it produces. Please join us - We need your help. We have a lot of “Ground” to cover. There are more than 20 gardens that need your TLC. Please know that you can tend your adopted garden at your convenience, morning, noon or evening. If you are interested and want more information, please leave your name and phone number at the rectory and I’ll get back to you ASAP.

Thank you,

Fran
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
OF THE AMERICAS
COURT 975

VICTORIAN "PRETTY LADY" TEA PARTY

Delectable Refreshments
Raffles
Door Prizes
Prettiest Hat Contest
Most Original Hat Contest
Please Bring a Tea cup

SUNDAY MAY 4, 2014
1:00 - 5:00pm
CAREW HALL
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
RONKONKOMA, NY

ADMISSION $10.00

INFORMATION & TICKETS PLEASE CALL:
MARY ANN ROSSI 981-1669
EMILY HARRIS 285-3249
2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal
Comparison as of 4/1/2014

2013 Goal: $105,600
2014 Goal: $107,800

2013 Pledges: #312
2014 Pledges: #308

2013 Amount Pledged: $78,999
2014 Amount Pledged: $73,081

2013 Percent of Goal: 75%
2014 Percent of Goal: 68%

Today we celebrate Jesus’ Resurrection from the dead to eternal life. In Bishop Murphy’s Easter letter, he reminds us that we need to be Christ’s light in today’s world: “Be confident that you share His mission. Be confident that you do so as a precious part of Christ’s Body, the Church. Together we are co-responsible to bring Christ to the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized. Together we are co-responsible to show the world Christ’s life by our lives, Christ’s love by our loving concern for others.” What better way to do this than to make a donation to the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal! Every dollar makes a difference! Every pledge, no matter how large or how small, brings us closer to the goal and will help St Joseph’s to receive a sizable rebate to help support the programs in our Parish Community. Please be as generous as your means will allow. As an added incentive, all who give $250 or more will be eligible to win dinner for two with the Parish Priests & staff. Ten names will be drawn; they & a guest will enjoy a special evening of food & fellowship as our “thank you”. Please use the tear off below to make your donation. Thank you, Happy Easter!

Yes, I want to give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal 2014

Name:__________________________________________
Address:________________________________________
City:____________________  State/Zip:________  Parish: St. Joseph 45 Church St. Ronk. NY 11779
Pledge:_________________ Amount Enclosed:_________ Parish ID #______________
Divine Mercy Sunday
3 PM Holy Hour — April 27, 2014

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.”

Baby Bottle Campaign
Change for Life

On the weekend of April 26th & 27th, 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 10th and 11th, 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.
St. Joseph’s Parish partners with TD Band to support our various ministries. St. Joseph’s Parish recently received a cash contribution in the amount of $976.64 from TD Bank, America’s most convenient Bank, through the bank’s Affinity Membership Program. TD Bank’s Affinity Membership Program helps non-profit organizations raise money by receiving an annual cash contribution from TD Bank based upon the participation of qualified member accounts. Our Parish has 43 members participating in the program. For more information about TDF Bank’s Affinity Membership Program or to find a store near you, call 888-751-9000.

Please contact our Lake Ronkonkoma Store
At 631-588-1564
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Catholic Daughters of the Americas
National Scholarship Application/Cover Sheet
For 8th grader entering 9th grade in a Public/Private High School

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   must be submitted with this application/cover sheet.

(Please print or type clearly)

Name of Applicant ____________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________________
Street City State Zip
Telephone number (_____) ________________________________________
High School Attending in the Fall of 2014 ______________________

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- List of Community Activities
- List of School Activities
- Letter of character reference from your Priest, Deacon, Religious, or Catechetical Leader (non-relative)
- Letter of character reference from your school or religious teacher (non-relative)
- Letter of character reference from an adult (non-relative)

I attest that this essay is my own original creation and that the information on the application is accurate.

NAME ___________________________ DATE ________________

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National Chairman of Youth/JCDA
16 Lincoln Avenue
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Outreach Resources

Response of Suffolk County
Crisis Hotline
631-751-7620 or 631-751-7500 (hotline 24 hrs./7 days)
Www.responsehotline.org

Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk—VIBS
Domestic/date violence, rape, sexual assault, & elder abuse
631-360-3730 or 631-360-3606 (24 hrs. hotline for domestic violence and rape)
Www.vibs.org or www.inforatvibs.org

Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence
631-666-8833 (hotline)
Www.sccadv.org

The Retreat
Domestic Violence
631-329-2200 (hotline 24hrs/7 days shelter)
Www.theretreatinc.org

Brighter Tomorrows
Domestic Violence
Hotline (631)395-1800

Islip Hotline
Crisis Hotline: 631-277-4700

Runaway Hotline
631-549-8700, 1-800-621-4000

American Red Cross, Suffolk County Chapter
631-924-6700
Www.redcross.org/ny/suffolk

Child Abuse
1-800-342-3720 (24-Hr.)

HIV and Aids Teen Hotline
1-800-440-TEEN (fri./Sat. 6:30PM to Midnight)

Child Health Plus Information and Referral
1-800-522-5006 (24 Hr.)

Child Care Council of Suffolk
631-362-0303
Www.childcaresuffolk.org

Family Service League of Suffolk County
631-427-3700
Www.fsl.li.org

Hope House Ministries
631-928-2377
Www.hhm.org

Islip Town Teen Parent Resource Center
631-224-9766

Suffolk County Department of Health Services
Project Hope Mothers' Group
631-853-3035 (call for locations)
Www.co.suffolk.ny.us/health

Haven House/Bridges
631-231-3619
Www.tsl-hhb.org

Alcoholics Anonymous
631-669-1124

Gamblers Anonymous
631-586-7171

Narcotics Anonymous
631-689-6282

Life Center of L.I. - Pregnancy Care
631-243-0066

Birthright of Nassau/Suffolk
516-785-4070

Al-Anon Suffolk County
631-669-2827
info@Al-Anon-Suffolk-NY.org

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 160 people throughout the month of March. 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."
Our Youth In Action

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 meeting:
Sunday, April 27th
Sunday, May 4th

e-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org
phone: Advisor Mike Keller (631) 467-6468

What did you do this weekend?

CYO Sport Programs
http://stjoeyporsports.com

Baseball:
Intramural (Coed, ages 5-16): Gene 588-1879
Travel* (Boys & Girls): 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 Jerry 585-4048

Soccer:
Intramural Boys & Girls (ages 3-13) Joe 737-6299
Travel (LIJSL): Rob 721-8831

*Must register for the intramural program as well

Interested in joining Venturing? Want to enroll your son in Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting?

Send an e-mail from your Smartphone or Blackberry while it's on your mind to JoinScouting@StJoRonk.org

You can scan us!

My salvation and my honor depend on God;
He is my mighty rock, my refuge.
Psalm 62:7
**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 C.S.F.P. funded by USDA NYSDOH, and administered by Catholic Charities is offering free food for 6 to 12 months post partum women, children from the age of 5 up to their sixth birthday, and seniors age 60 and over, who are income-eligible. Gross monthly income for seniors: Single Senior $1,174 or less or Senior Couple $1,579 or less. For further information, and income guidelines for women & children in Nassau or Suffolk, please call 631-491-4166 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 & 148 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

**Elder Law** - , the Law Office of Craig A. Andreoli, P.C. is an Elder Law and Estate Planning law firm located in Smithtown. We would again love to offer the parishioners of St. Joseph Parish the opportunity to attend a Complimentary Two Hour Seminar that we are presenting at our office on Thursday, April 24, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and again from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. During the Seminar, Elder Law issues, such as the rules of Medicaid and the ways to preserve your assets and still receive Medicaid benefits will be discussed. We have gotten a great response in the past regarding our Complimentary Seminars, and we would like to give the parishioners of St. Joseph Parish the opportunity to attend this upcoming Seminar.

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**Venturing Crew 777 – Chinese Auction**

Venturing Crew 777 (Sponsored by MacArthur Business Alliance) will hold their 11th Annual Chinese Auction on Saturday April 26th from 6-9pm 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. For tickets ($5), or if you would like to make a donation, or have any questions, please call 631-981-1399.

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**Golden Wedding Jubilee**

This spring, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, May 4th at the Church of Maria Regina in Seaford and on Sunday, May 18th at the Church of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm. Couples may register for ONE liturgy. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by April 16th for the May 4th liturgy and by April 30th for the May 18th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the fall for those who may find that more convenient. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 207.