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St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

Let us build the City of God!

Our Mission:

By our loving service and works of mercy, we invite every person to know Jesus Christ, present in the Word and the breaking of the Bread, so that all may accept his gift of salvation.

Nuestra Misión:

Por nuestro servicio amoroso y las obras de misericordia, invitamos a cada persona a conocer a Jesucristo, presente en la Palabra y en la fracción del Pan, para que todos puedan aceptar su don de salvación.

Come pray with us!

Masses

Saturday: 5:00 PM

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

Misa en Español 6:30 PM

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 2:00 - 7:00 PM (except holidays) First Friday 7:30 - 8:30 PM Holy Hour Rosary: After Daily Masses

Reconciliation: Mon, Wed, Fri: after morning masses Sat: after 8:00 AM mass and 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Faith Formation

Located in Rectory 631-981-1805

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stjosephronkonkoma.org

St. Joseph Outreach Resources

Emergency Resources

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

Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk - VIBS Domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, elder abuse: www.vibs.org www.inforatvibs,org 631-360-3730 or 631-360-3606 24hr for rape &domestic violence

Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence Hotline: 631-666-8833 www.sccadv.org

The Retreat (Domestic Violence) Shelter 631-329-2200 (24/7 hotline) www.theretreat.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 hour)

HIV and AIDS Teen Hotline 1-800-440-TEEN (Fri/Sat 6:30PM—midnight)

Pregnancy Care

Birthright of Nassau/Suffolk 631-785-4070

Life Center of LI Pregnancy Care 631-243-0066

Family Resources

Child Health Plus Information and Referral 1-800-522-50060(24 hour)

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

Family Services 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.tsli-hhb.org

Catholic Charities DRVC Talbot House Chemical Dependency Crisis Center 631-589-4144 www.catholiccharities.cc

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous 631-869-1124

Gamblers Anonymous 631-586-7171

Narcotics Anonymous 631-689-6262

Overeaters Anonymous 631-260-6615

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

Prayer and Devotion Opportunities

Our Lady of Fatima Devotion

Our Lady came to Fatima and promised that the whole world would be at peace, and that many souls would go to heaven if her requests were listened to and obeyed. In response to her requests, the First Saturday of each month is devoted to Our Lady of Fatima. This devotion includes 8:00 AM mass, a novena to Our Lady of Fatima, the Rosary, and the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All are welcome.

Monday Exposition and Benediction

Every Monday afternoon the Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 2:00 PM until 7:00 PM. This opportunity for prayer ends with Benediction beginning at about 6:45 PM and ending at 7:00 PM

You can come at any time for any length of time.

Make a weekly appointment to spend time with Jesus!

First Friday Holy Hour

Every First Friday of the month we have a Holy Hour before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. This prayer runs from 7:30 PM until 8:30 PM, closing with Benediction.

St Joseph Men's Prayer Group

We meet every Tuesday evening at 7:30 PM in the Church where we pray the Rosary. Afterward we move to the main vestibule for coffee, donuts and fellowship. This is a great opportunity to be strengthened in your commitment as a Catholic man just by spending time with others like you!

Come Pray Anytime During the Day

Our church opens at 6:30 AM and remains open all day for anyone who wants to make a prayerful visit. Please come and have some quiet time with God in the midst of our busy (and sometimes loud) world.

Serving Your Sacramental Needs

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament is celebrated on Sundays at 1:30 PM and on the first Saturday of each month. Parents, please call the parish office to arrange a meeting with a priest.

The Sacrament of Eucharist

See front cover for mass times. If you are sick for an extended period of time or are homebound, contact the parish office to have someone bring Communion to you.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

School aged children can prepare for this Sacrament by contacting our Faith Formation Office. Adults who have yet to be Confirmed should contact the Parish Office

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

As listed on front cover or call the office to see a priest.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is for the living. We celebrate this Sacrament each Spring and Fall for those who are chronically ill, advanced in age, or who are about to undergo surgery or hospitalization. We can arrange the Sacrament at other times by calling the Parish Office.

Emergencies: Call the office to speak to a priest.

Nighttime emergencies

(631) 538-7219

The Sacrament of Matrimony

<u>Bride or Groom</u> please call the office at least six months before your desired wedding date to begin preparations for marriage. Please make contact with the parish **before** making other wedding day plans!

The Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you feel called to serve in the church as a priest deacon or in consecrated religious life, call the office to speak to one of the priests or deacons for guidance.

Interested in possibly becoming Catholic?

Contact the rectory to arrange a meeting to discuss your questions. We have classes to help people learn about our faith and decide if becoming Catholic is best for you. This whole process of inquiry and potential conversion is called RCIA—The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

We will respect your personal journey with God!

Altar Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Margaret, Edward & Dorothy
Schaefer
Requested by
Ann Festa



REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Kate Lawrence

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 he faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, Dec. 1 First Sunday of Advent

7:00 Cornelius J. Dunleavy (Loving Wife Ann)

9:00 Steve LaBattaglia (The Kelleher Family)

10:30 Eileen Clark (The Rohan Family), Emma Rivera (Loving Parents), Rev. Celica DeJesus (Edwin & Marilyn Cordero).
 John Dias (Loving Family), Pablo Bueno (Loving Daughter),
 Antoinette Stroveglia (Loving Family)

12:00 Araceli Manalo (Loving Children)

5:00 Lola & James Yellico (The Balestrieri Family)

6:30 Spanish Mass

Monday, Dec. 2

7:00 Don Cimaglia (Linda & Kevin Waitkus)

9:00 Joseph Brendon Nguyen (LeeAnn Pham & Family)

Tuesday, Dec. 3

7:00 Joseph Lakis (Juanita Wuttke)

9:00 Godofredo Alcantara (Loving Wife, Son & Grandson)

Wednesday, Dec. 4

7:00 Rita Carlson (Paul Ryan & Staci Michel)

9:00 Joseph J. Onufrak (Loving Family)

Thursday, Dec. 5

7:00 Richard Lynch (John & Harriet Dias & Family)

9:00 Joe Grossi

Friday, Dec. 6

7:00 Thomas Albert Ross (Loving Family)

9:00 Sarah Maria Poccia (LIVING) ((Loving Family)

Saturday, Dec. 7

8:00 Angelo & Theresa DeFilippo (Marie DeFilippo)

5:00 Genevieve Donohue (Loving Family), Anthony Catalano (Nicole & Giuseppe Costa), Christopher Jimenez (Aunt Debbie & Uncle Frank), Salvatore Pistone (Mr. & Mrs. Joseph LoGiudice)

Sunday, Dec. 8 Second Sunday of Advent

7:00 John Dias (Joann Toomey)

9:00 Pietro Partenope (Robert & Valerie Kniesser)

10:30 Stanislaw Lajewski (Loving Daughter & Family)

12:00 The Torres Family (Ana Torres), Frances Falcone (John & Chris Carallo), Robert Holding (Maureen & Selina Alfonso & Family(, Chris Zupka (The Rainone Family), For the People of the Parish, In Thanksgiving for Immaculate Mary (Marie Jose Souffrant)

5:00 Ryan Blair (Loving Parents)

6:30 Spanish Mass

OUR LITURGY

In the first reading, Isaiah prophesies that the *mountain of the Lord's house* shall be established and raised, and that instruct5ion shall come out from Zion. Then God will judge between nations. Saint Paul warns the Romans that salvation is imminent, and that they should cast off sin and darkness and choose to live in the light of Jesus Christ. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks to his disciples about the people of Noah's time who were living carelessly when the flood came, and warns that as it was then, so it is for them. They must be watchful and ready, for God will come at an hour they do not expect.

To Paraphrase A Song We Hear This Time Of Year "So This Is Advent. And What Have You Done?"

I looked at the bulletin from the First Sunday of Advent last year and saw that we brought two new things into our lives as a parish community last year:

- ♥ We began having a brief reflection before the readings at Sunday masses that is intended to help us focus on the message of the readings for the day. Personally I have found that little reflection to be helpful for me. I hope it has been helpful of all of us to focus on what God has to say to us each week.
- ♦ We also began using the "Mercy Cards" in church. They invite us to reflect on where I met Jesus in a work of mercy this week. These cards are a valuable tool in our growth as disciples of Jesus. They encourage us to do works of mercy and to recognize Jesus' presence in them (whether we are the givers or the recipients of the works of mercy).

So as we begin a new church year, why not look back on your faith journey since last Advent and see where you may have grown. Look at where you met (and served) Jesus in works of mercy and say a prayer of thanks for the opportunities God has given you to grow.

There is another simple addition to our church this year that can help us grow in holiness...

Have you stopped at our "Saints in the Making Mirror"? It is in the main vestibule of the church. Everyone is invited to look at yourself in it and say out loud, "Man am I good looking!" This is a reminder to us that we are all made in God's image and likeness (a very good looking reality) and that we are called to let his light shine through our lives (another very good looking thing). As we do this, we continue our journey in holiness.

The mirror is intended to look a little like a stained glass window so you will see yourself as one of the people who the Son (of God) shines through just like the saints in windows who the sun shines through.

I recently heard someone say, "Wow, that is really a beautiful mirror!" I told them, "It get seven more beautiful when you stand in front of it!"

-Fr Mike

In The Year To Come, Please Continue To Grow In Holiness!

I hope you already got your Advent Letter, telling you of some of the things to come in the next couple of months. One very important thing is our Christmas gift to all of you - The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity by Matthew Kelly. The lie is that holiness is not possible. The truth is, we are all called to be holy - we are all called to reflect the goodness of God in whose image and likeness we have been made.

Sometimes the problem with holiness is how we (mis) understand it. Holiness is not a plaster statue, and it is not being flawless. Right off the top of my head I can think of three big saints who were also pretty big sinners - Peter, Paul, and Augustine. But there are plenty more.

Holiness is also not just something reserved for the biggies like Mother Theresa, or Francis of Assisi. Holiness is our universal call. In his book <u>Letter to a Suffering Church</u>, Bishop Barron points out that God has called great leaders during challenging times in the church and will do it again for our times. Maybe that great leader is sitting near you in church today!

So what is holiness? Matthew Kelly describes it simply as being the best version of yourself. We are made in God's image and likeness so we are already holy. Now we just need to work to help it grow in us.

This year, let's all let go of the lie! Let's admit that we can be holy and that we are called to be holy. Then let's all commit to walking with God and growing in holiness.

-Fr Mike

They Shall Name Him Emmanuel, Which Means, 'God Is With Us' (Mt 1:23)

I chose to quote Matthew's gospel because this year we will be hearing the good news according to Matthew for the most part.

Notice, that the phrase is written in the present tense. It does not say, 'God was with us,' or 'God will be with us.' It says, "God **is** with us." That means right now - today, in our ordinary daily lives.

This is why Jesus was able to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Mt 4:17)

Let's look at this call - REPENT! The word literally means "turn and walk with God." For many of us (remember, we are already holy and called to grow in holiness) the turn is not always a radical turn. It is just becoming more aware that we are in God's presence. I just did a workshop with our 6th grade students in Faith Formation who are preparing for their Confirmation. One of the things we covered was Noah and the great flood. In the story, as God is looking at the sinfulness of the people, it then speaks of Noah who found favor with the LORD. It says he was a righteous man. Noah walked with God. (Gen 6: 8-9).

We are all called to walk with God, to recognize that God is with us and comes to us in many ways, and in doing that we are called to grow in holiness - to have an ongoing change of heart (called metanoia).

One important way we can walk with God it to recognize his presence in all of our brothers and sisters who will join us to celebrate Christmas. Let's all be very welcoming to them as together we celebrate our Lord's presence!

-Fr Mike

Respect Life



RESPECT LIFE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Diocesan Pregnancy Support

If you or someone you know of is pregnant, and in need of support, Catholic Charities and Catholic Health Services, can provide assistance.

Please contact: 1 (855) 301-4CHS or visit chsli.org/pregnancy-support-services

Gianna Center Fertility Awareness Classes

Free Introductory Fertility Care Class For PreCana Couples

Tuesday & Thursday Evenings at 7:00pm at Gianna Center for Women's Health & Fertility 661 Deer Park Avenue Babylon NY To Register for your class: www.chsli.org/gianna-center-long-

island or cal 631-376-3232

Gabriel's Courage - Catholic Health Services

A program for families expecting a child with a life limiting illness. Gabriel's Courage is a family-centered perinatal program, offering a multidisciplinary team approach and continuum of care for families who choose to continue a pregnancy after receiving a life-limiting prenatal diagnosis.

Project Rachel - Hope After Abortion

Do you know someone who is suffering abortion loss? Project Rachel is a ministry about finding hope and healing after abortion.

For more information, visit the Project Rachel Hope After Abortion website, call the Respect Life Office's confidential phoneline: 1-888-456-HOPE (se habla espanol) 1-516-766-2538, or email projectrachel@drvc.org to begin healing after abortion loss.

En Español: Esperanzaposaborto.org

Upcoming Opportunity for Prayer and Healing Day of Prayer and Healing for Women - Saturday, November 9, 2019

Visit http://respectlife.drvc.org/our-issues/abortion/ for more information.

An Evening of Prayer for Men Suffering Abortion Loss Fall 2019 Date to Be Announced

Visit http://respectlife.drvc.org/our-issues/abortion/ for more information.



Our Prayer in Action In Building the City of God

Sunday Nov 24th Collections: \$15,839 Same week last year \$15,408 Last Year Weekly Average Was \$17,858

Mass Attendance - Sun. Nov 24th 1,554 Last Year Avg. Mass Attendance 1,385



Please Join Us Tuesday December 3 at 7:15pm

ADVENT RETREAT AND PENANCE SERVICE

An evening of prayer as we prepare for Jesus' coming.

(Time will be set aside for individual confessions)







Breakfast with Saint Nicholas

Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 9 am to 12 noon in Carew Hall

Limited Seating Available (Breakfast Served from 9 to 11:00 am)

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Adults and Children: \$ 5.00 Seniors and children under 3 yrs.: Free Children's Crafts - Coloring - Cupcake Decorating

Breakfast with St. Nicholas			45 Church St, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 (631)588-8456	
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The Giving Tree is up in the Lobby of the church

If responding by e-mail please bring payment on the morning of Breakfast with St. Nicholas. Thank you.

Once again we are asking that you please donate gift cards rather than wrapped gifts. When we give our clients gift cards they are able to experience the same joy of selecting gifts for their family as we do in selecting gifts for ours. Many of our generous parishioners have told us how much they enjoy purchasing gifts for the Giving Tree. Gift cards will be available in the rectory.

For those of you who would still like to purchase a gift rather than give a gift card, please know that a toy for children from ages 2–8 would be truly appreciated.

Please take an angel from the tree and return you gifts by December 14th to the Outreach office or the Rectory.

your generosity allows others to share in the spirit of the season.



Nuestra Misión

Por amor a nuestro servicio y las obras de misericordia, invitamos a cada persona a conocer a Jesucristo, presente en la palabra y en la fracción del pan, para que todos puedan aceptar su don de salvación.

Celebraciones Sacramentales y otras informaciones para la Comunidad Hispana

El sacramento del bautismo Padres, por favor flame a la oficina de la parroquia para hacer una cita con el Padre Michael Rieder (en español) (631) 588-8456

El Sacramento de la Eucaristía Si estás enfermo por un prolongado tiempo en su hogar, llame a la rectoria para el servicio de Comunión en español o al correo ministeriohispano01@gmail (516) 320-4144 Sandra Chacón

El Sacramento de la Confirmación Los niños en edad escolar pueden prepararse para este Sacramento flame a la Oficina de Formación de Fe. (631) 588-8456

El sacramento de la reconciliación

Lunes, Miércoles y Viernes después de la misa de las 9:00 am ó llame a la rectoría para hacer una cita con el Padre Michael Rieder para las confesiones en español. 631-588-8456

El sacramento de la unción de los enfermos

Celebramos este Sacramento cada primavera y otoño, personas que están crónicamente enfermo, avanzado en edad o que está a punto de someterse una cirugía u hospitalización. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial. <u>Emergencias nocturnas</u>: para hablar con un sacerdote. Llame al (631) 538-7219

El sacramento del matrimonio Por favor llame a la oficina por lo menos seis meses, antes de la fecha de la boda deseada, antes de comenzar los preparativos para la boda.

El sacramento de orden sacerdotal Si sientes el llamado a servir en la

Si sientes el llamado a servir en la iglesía como un sacerdote diácono o en la vida religiosa consagrada, llame a la oficina para hablar uno de los sacerdotes o diáconos como guía.

RICA - Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos

Clases de formación religiosa para los adultos (mayores de 16 años) que necesiten algún sacramento de Iniciación (BAUTISMO, COMUNION & CONFIRMACION) en español. Necesita los siguientes documentos: * Partida de nacimiento o Partida de Rautiso.

Sandra Chacón (516) 320-4144 ministeriohispano01@gmail.com

Ministerio Hispano





Estad también vosotros preparados, porque a la hora que menos penséis viene el Hijo del hombre. Ciclo A

LECTURAS: I Domingo de Adviento-Ciclo A 1ra, Lectura: Is 2, 1-5 2nda, Lectura: Rom 13, 11-14a Evangelio: Mt 24, 37-44

1ra semana de Adviento

En Adviento es de los tiempos más bellos y significativos que tiene la liturgia, para disponernos a celebrar el misterio del amor de nuestro Dios, que: "...tanto nos amó, que nos envió a su propio HIJO..." (3n 3,16). De ahí, que estas cuatro semanas son semanas de sensibilización, de interiorización, de sinceramiento y reconocimiento de lo que Dios fue haciendo en nosotros durante este año que está concluyendo y así al colocarnos delante de Dios que tanto nos ama, ver cuál ha sido nuestra respuesta, y a partir de ahí, disponernos a celebrar la Navidad, con una nueva mística, con el corazón lleno de gratitud, alabando y bendiciendo a Dios que es nuestro Padre, por habernos dado el don de conocerlo y así experimentar su presencia viva en nosotros.

En sí el ADVIENTO, es tiempo de preparación y espera, un tiempo de mirar nuestro corazón y ser sinceros con uno mismo, para darnos cuenta dónde estamos parados, cómo hemos vivido, qué fue lo que nos ayudó a acercarnos más al Señor y qué fue lo que nos separó o alejó de Él. Por lo tanto, son cuatro semanas donde a pesar del ruido y la música de fin de año, se nos invita a parar para valorar y darnos cuenta de las gracias y favores que hemos recibido. A su vez buscar que cada vez más el Señor sea el centro y la razón de nuestra vida, Aquel por quien y para quien vivimos. Es en este sentido, donde la lectura de Mateo es una exhortación incisiva, "...a estar preparados..." (Mt 24,42), "...estar vigilantes..." (Mt 24,44), ante la certeza del que el Señor volverá y que lo hará de la manera más imprevista posible, como sucedió en el diluvio (Mt 24,38-39).

Oración

Mirando a María, la mujer del Adviento, la que llevaba al HIJO de Dios en sus entrañas, pidámosle que nos ayude a vivir estos días de Adviento, poniendo nuestro corazón en las manos de su HIJO, para que Él también nazca en nosotros.

Santísima Virgen María, Tú que le dijiste SÍ al Señor, aceptando colaborar y participar en su obra redentora, siendo la Madre Virgen del HIJO de Dios, ayúdanos en estos días de Adviento, a que como tú, dejemos que el Señor actúe y se manifieste en nosotros, llenándonos de su amor, para que estando preparados, disponiendo nuestro corazón, la Navidad del HIJO de Dios, sea también nuestra Navidad, dándole a Él nuestro corazón, nuestra vida y todo lo que somos.

Pide por nosotros, Señora, para que en estos días de Adviento, le abramos el corazón a tu HIJO y así al agradecer lo que hizo en nosotros, vivamos más plenamente su Palabra y demos testimonio de nuestra fe. Amén.

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As of: 11/19/19



Attention Parents and Kids

What is Joyful Noise Choir Club?

We Pray We Sing We Play First Grade Second Grade Third Grade

Joyful Noise is "fun with a purpose."

Joyful Noisy kids pray and sing, do fun activities and crafts, and make friends. We meet special guests who share music with us and teach us about Jesus with songs. We sing at Mass on special days several times a year.

We meet on Wednesdays in the Church at 4:30 pm.
Join us for some Joyful Noisy Fun!

If your child is in 3rd Grade Faith Formation Class on Wednesdays, we'll walk them to class for you.

Hey, Parents! Joyful Noise is a great way to introduce your children to choir, ministry, and small group communities. They'll make new friends, learn some great songs, and learn to feel comfortable about praying and discussing their faith in a social setting. In a fun environment, they grow as Jesus' youngest disciples.

Our kids are not just the Church of the future, they are the Church of NOW!

Pray for the Sick

If you have a sick family member who you would like included in this list, please contact the rectory (631) 588-8456). Otherwise, just write their name on a page in this book to have them included in our prayer. Names will remain on the list for 3 months and then you will have to renew them.

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Join us this Advent on Thursday 12/5, 12/12, 12/19 at 10 am in the Lower School or 7:30 pm in Carew Hall

John Parente

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the source and summit of the Christian life. Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members.

The Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

Following along at home? This week's questions...

1.The video asks the questions "How big is God?" and "How small is God?" How would you answer these questions? How is God both "big" and "small" in the Eucharist?

2.How have you experienced God's presence in your life?

New to Formed?

- 1. Visit formed.org
- 2. Click Sign Up
- 3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
- 4. Find your parish by name, zip, or parish code
- Enter your email and you're in!

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Please circle the session you will be attending:

10:00 AM

7:30 PM





CYO Sport Programs

http://stjoecyosports.com

Baseball:

Intramural (Coed, ages 4-16): Gene **2**588-1879 Travel * (Boys) Vinny **2**521-5544

Basketball:

Girls (nusig2002@yahoo.com) Brittney ■ 445-9099 Clinic Division (Coed Grades K-2) Nick ■ 585-7723 Boys Grades 3-12) Vinny ■ 521-5544

Travel* Vinny **≥** 521-5544

Track: (stjoesronktrack@gmail.com)

Boys & Girls Grades K-8 Tom/Jason 542-2134

Soccer:

Intramural Boys & Girls(ages 3-13) Joe **≥** 585-0748

jcaiolahome@gmail.com

Travel (LIJSL): Jason

■ 875-5209

ronkonkomarattlesnakes@gmail.com

Softball: Dennis **2**467-6174





Avery Alexandra Cruz Aria LoBianco Liam LoBianco David Luca Modafferi Adrian Alejandro Pena

Scouting as Youth Ministry



Cub Scout Pack 272 Scout Troop 272



St. Joseph's Cub Scout Pack 272 and Scout Troop 272 have fun, exciting, educational, character building programs for boys and girls, 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.

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 to our meeting and check it out.

Visit our next meeting: Dec. 1st, 2019 Tonight

e-mail: Crew272@StJoRonk.org *phone:* Advisor Mike Keller (631) 872-7675

What did you do this weekend?

Faced with a Drinking Problem?
Perhaps
Alcoholics Anonymous Can Help.
"Heart of the Lake" - AA Group
Meets here at St. Josephs R.C. Church
In the basement of the Rectory (entrance in rear)
Wednesday Evening @ 7:30 - 8:45 pm
Saturday Afternoon @ 2:00 - 3:15 pm
"The Only Requirement for Membership
Is a desire to stop drinking."

"Al-Anon"



Al-Anon is an anonymous fellowship of families and friends of alcoholics. It is a support program which meets here at St. Joseph's Church on Thursdays 10AM –12 Noon in the basement of the rectory. (Entrance is in the rear) For more information please call 631-669-2827.