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“To the Greater Glory of God and the Salvation of Souls.”



**Celebration of
the Eucharist**

SATURDAY EVENINGS
5:00pm Vigil Mass
7:30pm Spanish Mass

SUNDAY
8:00am English & Italian
9:30am Children's Choir
11:30am Adult Choir
5:00pm Youth Mass

MONDAY, TUESDAY,
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY
9:00am Mass
Noon Mass

SATURDAY
8:30am Mass

HOLY DAYS AS
ANNOUNCED.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 29th 2011

Pastor
Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn

In Residence
Msgr. John Heinlein

Senior Priest
Rev. James Leone

**Parish Office
Hours**

MONDAY, TUESDAY,
THURSDAY AND
FRIDAY
9:00am-5:00pm
WEDNESDAYS
9:00am-6:00pm
SATURDAYS
CLOSED
SUNDAYS
9:00am-2:00pm
CLOSED HOLIDAYS

Deacons
Thomas Gillen
Kenneth Geoghan
Mark Herrmann
Joseph Simeone

Useful Numbers

RECTORY
281-5743
PARISH OUTREACH
281-5634
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
281-2835
YOUTH MINISTRY
281-5743
NURSERY SCHOOL
395-3959
QUEEN OF APOSTLES
SCHOOL
878-1033
ST. VINCENT DEPAUL
281-5743 ext. 29

**Sacrament of
Anointing of
the Sick**
Available in danger of
death or whenever
there is a personal
need, call the rectory
for an appointment.

**Sacrament
of Penance/
Confession**
SATURDAYS
Noon during Lent,
4:00-4:45pm and by
appointment
WEDNESDAYS
2:00-2:45pm and by
appointment

Parish Outreach
MON.-THURS.
9:00am-1:00pm
CLOSED
FRI., SAT., SUN.
AND HOLIDAYS

**Sacrament of
Marriage**
Couples wishing to be
married should contact
the rectory at least one
year in advance to meet
with one of the priests
to make wedding
arrangements.
Pre-Cana is required
for all couples.

**Sacrament of
Baptism**
Celebrated on most
Sundays throughout
the year. Please contact
the rectory to set up
an appointment with
a member of the staff
to arrange for the
Baptismal preparation
session and to set a
date for Baptism.

Devotions

MIRACULOUS MEDAL
NOVENA
Mondays after the
9:00am Mass

ST. JUDE NOVENA
Thursdays after the
9:00am Mass

ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesdays after the
NOON Mass

Benediction at 3:00pm
FIRST FRIDAY
8:00pm-9:00pm

Benediction at 9:00pm
THE HOLY ROSARY
Monday through Friday
at 8:30am; Saturdays at
8:00am

Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2011

5:00pm John Kelleher †

7:30pm Rose Valenti †

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2011

8:00am William John Guiducci †

9:30am Parishioners of St. Jude

11:30am Harry & Patrick Hennessey †

5:00pm Lucy Mennella †

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2011

9:00am William John Guiducci †

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2011

9:00am Christine Mallon †

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2011

9:00am Kellie Jane Rivera †

12 Noon Saint Jude Guild –

Paulo Marko Pacificador †

Maria Genua †

Intention of Elizabeth Oltman

Danielle Lentini †

7:30pm Antoinette Angioli †

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2011

9:00am Parishioners of St. Jude

10:30am Intentions of Father Greg

12 Noon Joseph & Mary Thompson †

7:30pm Kay Mergel †

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2011

9:00am John M. Mensch †

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2011

8:30am William John Guiducci †

5:00pm Linda Wittosch †

7:30pm Sebastiano Iuvara †

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011

8:00am Franzino Family †

9:30am Parishioners of St. Jude

11:30am Laura Jean Campbell †

5:00pm Migdalia Vasquez †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

FOR THE SICK: Rich Alliegro, Benjamin Archer, Christopher Barnes, Sr., Barbara Breier, Edwin Brennin, Mary Buckley, Don Bull, Diane Bulin, Francis X. Butler, Cory Castelli, Jillian Comiskey, Rose Coppola, Anthony Cuccia, Mary Theresa Cunningham, Peggy Cunningle, Dorothy Davin, Anthony DeLuco, Alexandra Ditman, Mike Fallgren, William Farrington, Nicholas Ferrara, Theresa Ferrer, James Fiore, Santo Giunta, Steve Herrbrandt, Alfonso Inoe, Richard & Matthew Kaminsky, Lawrence Katz, Ann Kazanecki, Cookie Landau, Joseph Lutz, Dennis MacWilliams, Joe Maloney, Francesco Martone, Jean McDonald, Jack McCarthy, Joseph & Phyllis Mohn, Logan Murphy, Joshua Mussi, Anthony Naglieri, Francis Naglieri, Jennie Paruolo, Dorothy Romero, Frank Russo, Gina Pisano, Jeffrey Scaccio Jr., Albert Schacca, Lucille Scharrer, Barbara Schiebel, David Simon, Tony Sinagra, Bill Smith, Barbara Tagliamonte, Julia Tolve, Julia Vaglio, Al Vanderbilt, Mary Vazzana, Ronald Weick, Joan Weisner, Tony Zottoli

FOR THE DECEASED: Erika Vesely, Julio J. Saenz, Anna Kazanecki, Theresa Nappa, Richard Hall, Margaret Modica, Raymond E. Lombardi and Robert G. Stroh

FOR THE MILITARY: John Abel, Joseph Competello, Matt Corica, James Crown, Michael Cuervo, Kenneth Drumm, Jr., Daniel Edwards, Daniel Engo, Michael Hickey, Jeffrey Holmes, Steven Kay, Richard Kruger, Chris Manakides, John Maresca, Joe Occhineri, Matthew Parenti, Rich Pinckney, Tory Pinckney, Gerard Posillico, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Vinnie Riveria, Don Skelton, Bobby Sosa, Derek Trabocchi, Timothy Weisner

THE RECTORY AND ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 30TH IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Thursday, June 2nd is Ascension Thursday, a Holy Day of Obligation. There is a Vigil Mass on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:30PM. Masses on Thursday, June 2nd are at 9AM, 10:30AM (Latin Mass), Noon and 7:30PM.

Faith Formation

The Faith Formation Office will be closed, Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day and will reopen on May 31st, 10–5PM.

Lighthouse Catholic CD of the Month Club

Receive a new inspiring Catholic CD each month, mailed directly to your home. These CDs are the latest releases, not yet available to parishes. Your credit card is charged only \$5.00 each month, which includes shipping. St. Jude Parish receives a donation from Lighthouse Catholic Media for every subscription, every month of your membership. You can subscribe online on the secure website, however, be sure to use promo code 23358 to ensure that St. Jude Parish receives the monthly donation. Go to www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org, click on CD of the Month Club and follow the instructions. You can also subscribe yearly with a \$60 check made payable to Lighthouse Catholic Media. If you have any questions, or would like to receive a FREE CD as a gift for subscribing, contact Julia by email at jjebrandimarte@verion.net.

First Friday Devotions

First Friday is June 3rd. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8PM, and concludes with Benediction at 9PM. We encourage all of our parishioners to participate in the Hour of Adoration.

First Saturday Devotions

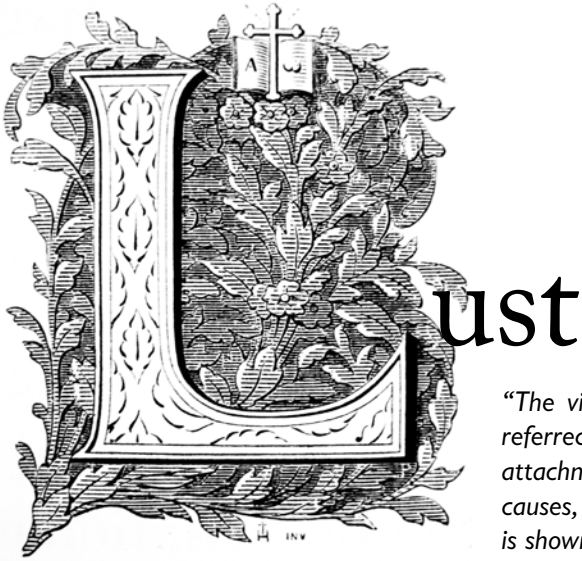
The First Saturday of each month is especially dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. Please join in the praying of the Rosary and the First Saturday Devotion prayers, June 4th at 8AM, preceding the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:30AM.

For The Sick

We will be updating our sick list. If you, or someone you love, is still sick and needs our prayers, please contact the rectory at 281-5743 or rectory@stjudemb.org before June 12th to be sure their names remain on the sick list. All others will be removed.

Religious Retirement Fund

The weekend of June 4/5th is the annual collection for the 'Religious Retirement Fund.' Religious Sisters and Brothers who have been involved in education, health care and social ministry in the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre' need our help. The stipends being earned by young members of Religious Communities are no longer enough to support the needs of the elderly members of Religious Communities. The number of elderly Religious in assisted living or nursing facilities continues to rise and health costs are rising too. For this reason, the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre,' for the past twenty-six years has committed to return to our Religious Communities a portion of our gifts of treasure, in appreciation for the many years of service to the people of our Diocese of these dedicated servants of the Lord. Please come prepared next week to assist the elderly Religious with a once a year gift, as generous as your means may allow. These gifts will be distributed among the twenty- nine communities who serve our Diocese. Your gift may be placed in the mail or dropped in the collection basket on the weekend of June 4/5th. Brochures describing this appeal are available in the church. On behalf of the Religious who serve in our parishes and hospitals, I thank you for your generosity.



“The vice opposed to the virtue of chastity. Called luxuria in Latin and commonly referred to as impurity in English, lust always indicates an excessive, that is, irrational, attachment to venereal pleasure. Because of the wide variety of vicious acts and habits it causes, Christian tradition classifies it as one of the seven capital sins. The malice of lust is shown in the vices to which it leads: blindness of the mind, rashness, thoughtlessness, inconstancy, self-love, and excessive attachment to the material world. It destroys man’s

humanity by subjecting sexual activity not to its proper ends recognized by reason, that is, the procreation of children and the promotion of the mutual love of spouses in marriage, but instead to mere bodily pleasure.” (The Catholic Encyclopedia)

Human sexuality/fertility is a good and powerful drive that God has given to human beings both for the continuation of the human race and the bonding of husband and wife. *This gift is never to be exercised in a casual or unloving way.* The gift of sexuality, as something which is good, can always be distorted and manipulated in ways clearly not intended by our Creator. Lust is the objectification of and treating/using another human being, not as an end who should be treated with love, but merely as a means for the satisfaction of one’s sexual desire. Typically lust will be ultimately expressed in acts of fornication and adultery, yet Blessed John Paul II shocked many when he said that, “Lust can happen even in marriage.” By this, he meant that even though husband and wife have a “right” to each others’ bodies in the sacrament of marriage, they still can run the risk of selfishly using the other. The following universal statement is a clear differentiation between lust and love; essential to keep in mind, whether outside marriage or within:

Lust **takes**; Love **gives**.

One of the worst social and spiritual plagues of our age; a singular exponent of the culture of death, is pornography. Though this “product” has existed in paint and sculpture for millennia, its scope was relatively small until the last half-century. In our modern age of home video and especially the internet, pornographic videos and images have become widely available. It is a **\$97 billion-a-year** industry.

Pornography is NEVER acceptable for a Christian. It dehumanizes the models/actors and those involved in its production; yet it specifically dehumanizes and desensitizes the consumers of such material. It is very intoxicating/addictive, and many studies claim that there is a strong correlation between the (legal) availability and consumption of pornographic material and the rate of rape and other sex crimes. It is a very spiritual sin in the sense that it turns a human subject made in the image and likeness of God into an object. It literally distorts the brain and will warp the whole person who truly becomes a slave of the porn; needing more and more explicit material to stimulate... It kills the soul. (If someone you know has a problem in this area, urge them to get help. This topic will be revisited in the future, and I hope to soon provide helpful literature and websites to combat this vice that can get hold of any of us.)

We all need to monitor what we view and read as best as possible (many popular network television programs and magazines are borderline soft-porn), because once it enters into us, it is very tough to get it out. It is the taking of something beautiful and intimate and perverting it. If “custody of the eyes” is not practiced, the entertaining of impure thoughts will follow, and will likely lead to increased impure desires, resulting in actions. It is a slippery slope, and we are fools if any of us believe we are exempt from its power.

The antidote to lust is **chastity**, in mind and body. It is not prudery, but an attitude of sexual uprightness—a profound respect for one’s self and the “otherness” of the other; and the refusal to objectify another, whether within or outside marriage. The goal is purity, but not restricted to that which is proper to the state of virginity. *Purity is for everyone.* It is a fruit of the Holy Spirit that will bring freedom and peace to marriages and families. It helps us to truly love.

**In Christ,
Fr. Greg**

P.S.: If anyone is interested in attending the Diocesan Pentecost Mass with Bishop Murphy at 3:00pm on Sunday, June 12th at St. Anthony’s High School, please call the rectory for a (free!) ticket.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments...Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him." Through your gifts this month, the 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul' brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor in assisting families by providing for utility and rent. Thank You!

St. Vincent de Paul Tailgate Yard Sale

Next Saturday, June 4th from 8AM to 3PM (Rain date June 18th). Please come on down and get an eyeful, there is sure to be something for everyone! EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE! THE MORE THE BETTER!

Catholic Charities

FOOD FOR THOSE IN NEED: The C.S.F.P. (Commodity Supplemental Food Program), funded by the USDA, NYSDOH, and administered by 'Catholic Charities' is offering free food for up to 6-12 months post-partum women, children from the age of 5 up to their 6th birthday, and seniors age 60 and over who are income-eligible. The food package includes cheese, milk, starches, cereals, juices, canned fruits, vegetables, canned fish, meats and more. Income guidelines for seniors are as follows: GROSS MONTHLY INCOME FOR SENIORS Single—\$1,180 or less, Couple—\$1,594 or less. For more information and income and guidelines for women and children in Suffolk, please call 631-491-4166 or go online at www.catholiccharitiesusa.org.

TALBOT HOUSE: Are you or someone you know having family or interpersonal problems due to drinking ALCOHOL and/or using DRUGS? CATHOLIC CHARITIES/Talbot House, a voluntary 'Chemical Dependence Crisis Center' located in Bohemia (Suffolk County) provides withdrawal services for males and females over the age of 18, who are seeking to stop and/or withdraw from alcohol and/or drug use. The medical and clinical staff at 'Talbot House' will assess the kind of care the person needs, to begin his/her journey to recovery. For more information, please call: 631-589-4144. 'Talbot House' staff is available 24/7. Each call is confidential. 'Talbot House' is a NO fee for service program.

Tornado Relief Assistance

Bishop William Murphy has authorized parishes to hold a special collection to help those with tornado relief for the devastated areas affected. The 'Parish of St. Jude' will send a check for \$500.00 to help with the immediate relief effort by the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre.' If anyone wishes to make an additional contribution to the relief effort please send your check directly to the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre' P.O. Box 9078 Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023 Attn: Finance Dept- Tornado Relief.

Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadeloupe

The image can be seen on Saturday, June 4th at 'St. John the Evangelist' in Center Moriches from 7:30AM-11:30AM. Please contact Mary Alice at 631-289-4962 for more information. On Sunday, June 5th at 'Mary Immaculate Church' in Bellport after the 9AM and 11AM Masses. Contact Elizabeth at 631-868-0471 for more information.

Evening of Reflection for Life

Join us in praying the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet prior to Al Barbarino's presentation (Lay Apostolate Franciscan of the Padre Pio Shelter, NY) on Monday, June 6th at 7:30PM. 'Christ the King Church' 2 Indian Head Road, Commack. Bring your family, friends and co-workers! Refreshments will be served. For more information please call Ann at 754-9141 or Marion 486-2658. Free will offering.

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

Come One, Come All to the RE-VIV-ALL taking place here at the 'Shrine of Our Lady of the Island' starting Friday, June 10th at 7:30PM, Saturday June 11th at 9:30AM-4:30PM and ending on Sunday, June 12th with a talk on "*Living the Consecration*" at 9:30AM, followed by Mass and Consecration at 11:30AM. Deacon Cody Miller from the 'Montfort Southern Command' (smile) will lead us on this Journey in prayer and spiritual renewal. Join us and be RE-VIV-ED!!!

"Carnal lust rules where
there is no love of God."
—Saint Augustine

McGann-Mercy High School Summer Programs Now Enrolling!

Now enrolling for 'Summer Enrichment and Sports' programs for children entering 3rd through 7th grade (4th-12th for the Sports programs). Starting June 27th and continuing until August 5th, this summer's programs include: "*Whodunit?—The Science of Crime Scenes*," "*Flight (an introduction to flight and aviation)*," "*Civil War Adventure*," "*Theatre & Improvisation Class*," "*Creative Expression through Art*," "*Mercy Chefs*," "*Hogwarts Summer Session*," soccer, baseball, basketball, tennis, lacrosse and cheerleading clinics. In addition, reading/math and ELA (English Language Arts) remedial programs, and music lessons will be offered. Registration is on a first-come, first served basis and goes through June 10th. For more information on fees, schedule and registration, go to the McGann-Mercy website homepage (www.mcgann-mercy.org) and download a brochure or call 631.727.5900, ext. 21.

Natural Family Planning Renews Marriages

A conference on 'HOW NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING RENEWS MARRIAGES' will be held on Saturday, June 11th from 9AM-4PM at the 'Seminary of the Immaculate Conception' in Lloyd Harbor (Huntington). All are cordially invited to attend. Presentations will focus on medical/scientific aspects; marital/relational dimensions and moral and cultural issues around Natural Family Planning. Included with the program offerings for the day are Mass and lunch. The cost is \$20.00 per person. This day is ideally suited for engaged couples and married couples. Prior registration is necessary. Further information can be obtained by calling 631 423-0483, ext 122 or by writing this email address: msgr.batule@yahoo.com.

Pentecost Celebration Mass

Please Join Bishop William Murphy, the bishops of the Diocese, our priests, deacons and religious as we celebrate 'Pentecost Sunday Mass' on Sunday, June 12th at 3PM. Mass will be held at 'Saint Anthony's High School' in the Student Center at 275 Wolf Hill Road, South Huntington. 'The Parish of St. Jude' has 30 tickets for anyone who would like to attend, please contact the rectory to register and receive your ticket to attend.

“When you have sought the company of a sensual satisfaction, what loneliness afterward!”

—St. Josemaria Escriva

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Join us for our annual sixth pilgrimage to the shrine in Washington, NJ on Monday, June 13th. We will depart from ‘Our Lady of Mercy,’ in Hicksville at 8:30AM and Lindenhurst at 8AM. Bring your own lunch—picnic grounds & snack bar on premises. This trip is open to all who love the Blessed Mother. The cost this year is \$20.00 per person and it includes transportation, driver gratuity, “*The Song of Bernadette*” movie on the bus, and group singing favorite Marian hymns. If you are interested and have any questions please call Dan Sullivan 516-681-5633.

Immigration Counseling

Certified immigrations staff from ‘Catholic Charities’ will be here on Tuesdays, June 14th & June 28th to provide general counseling, including N-400 application form assistance. Half-hour appointments available 3-7PM. Call 631-399-1511, ext. 215/220(Spanish).

Life Center of Long Island

Do you know someone who is hurting from an abortion? ‘The Life Center of Long Island’ invites you to attend a healing weekend retreat Friday evening until Sunday afternoon. Our ‘English Healing Retreat’ will be on June 17-19th. For more information contact: Deacon Frank Gariboldi at (516)523-0586 or e-mail: fgariboldi@optonline.net. All communication is strictly confidential. To learn more about ‘Rachel’s Vineyard’ call or look online www.rachelsvineyard.org 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

St. Joseph’s Prayers Center

CHARISMATIC INTERCESSORY PRAYER MEETING: On Wednesday, June 22nd (fourth Wednesday of the month) to pray for the healing Masses at ‘Our Lady of the Island Shrine’ at the ‘St. Joseph Prayer Center’ 312 Maple Avenue, Patchogue. Please contact the ‘St. Joseph Prayer Center’ at 631-730-6213 or the ‘Shrine of Our Lady of the Island’ at 631-325-0661.

Divine Intervention

Would you like to be a contestant on Telecare’s game show “*Divine Intervention?*” We are currently booking contestants for our game show. If you are interested in being on the show as a contestant we have tapings scheduled for July 26th-July 29th and August 1st-2nd in the afternoons and evenings. If you would like to see how the game is played just tune in to our website at www.telecaretv.org.

Camp Good Grief

The idea of a camp where children could gather for crafts, walks, and exchanging thoughts had long been in the minds of Hospice bereavement staff. The name “Camp Good Grief” came from children in the Hospice bereavement counseling program. The program is facilitated by certified social workers, therapists, and nurse practitioners extensively trained in grief therapy for children. Camp will be held from August 22nd-26th in East Hampton. There is no charge for the camp. For more information please call Sarah Zimmerman at ‘East End Hospice,’ 288-8400.

Ignatian Volunteers

Please join us to learn more about volunteer service in the Jesuit tradition on Long Island with local non-profits that serve the economically poor and marginalized. We invite applications for the Fall 2011 and Winter 2012. Two upcoming information sessions on Wednesday, June 1st or Wednesday, June 8th from 11-11:45AM at the ‘St. Ignatius Retreat House,’ 251 Seasingtown Rd, Manhasset. R.S.V.P. or call Liz McMahon for more information at 201-618-6924 or emcmahon@ivcusa.org. Please take the time to check out our programs at www.ivcusa.org.

Mass Attendance

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY			Total	
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30		
May 1	284	170	278	454	470	181	1837
May 8	266	235	258	349	505	116	1729
May 15	298	250	231	289	416	258	1742
May 22nd	will appear in the bulletin of June 4th.						

Weekly Collections

Regular Collection May 22nd \$9,410.00

Catholic Ministries Appeal

2011 Goal \$50,174.00

Total pledges a/o 5/24/11 \$56,884.08

of Donors 191

Payments a/o 5/24/11 \$38,394.08

Thank you to all that have pledged to give to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2011 *Easter Weekday*

ACTS 16:11-15/JN 15:26-16:4A

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2011 *Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

ZEP 3:14-18A OR ROM 12:9-16/LK 1:39-56

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2011 *Saint Justin, martyr*

ACTS 17:15, 22-18:1/JN 16:12-15

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2011 *Ascension of the Lord*

ACTS 1:1-11/EPH 1:17-23/MT 28:16-20

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2011 *Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs*

ACTS 18:9-18/JN 16:20-23

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2011 *Easter Weekday*

ACTS 18:23-28/JN 16:23B-28

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011 *Seventh Sunday of Easter*

ACTS 1:12-14/1 PT 4:13-16/JN 17:1-11A

Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of May 30th has been donated:

In memory of William John Guiducci

Altar Flower Offering

The altar flowers for the weekend of May 28th & 29th have been donated:

In memory of William John Guiducci

Wedding Banns

II Walter Planz/Jaclyn Samuels

II Jason Miller/Tabitha DeMuria

Baptisms

Jazmyn Candelario, Thomas Peter Bremner Jr.

May God bless them and their families!

Help comes from the Lord

The saying “You’re your own worst enemy” rings true regularly for me. As a perfectionist, I wrangle with details on a project until it’s “absolutely right,” search endlessly for the “perfect” gift for a friend’s birthday, or dust remote shelves no one else would notice. Later, I can see that no one expected the perfect project or gift—it was my own doing. I am my own worst enemy.

Today in 1 Peter we hear an admonition to early Christians persecuted for their faith—“Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.” I wonder, in our challenging world, if we need to remind ourselves, more than anyone else, of the reason we hope in Christ.

Are we our own worst enemy when it comes to maintaining our faith? As we face struggles like unemployment, prolonged sickness, financial troubles, or strained relationships, perhaps we need a clear

reminder of the reason for our faith and the source of our hope.

I believe we hear that reason in John’s Gospel. Jesus tells his disciples he will soon leave the physical world but, he claims, “I live and you will live.” We persist in hope because Jesus lives. Jesus is not distant—he lives among and within us. And he promises that we will live—not just that we’ll survive or barely make it. We will live, in fullness and abundance, through his love for us.

We will live here on Earth, but also we will live with God for eternity. This especially offers us hope on Memorial Day weekend as we remember those who have gone home to God.

Fullness of life now and for eternity—this truly is our hope.

JANEL ESKER
sundaybulletins@liguori.org

“Always be ready
to give an explanation
to anyone who asks
you for a reason
for your hope.”

Vacation Bible School - Registration Time Is Here!

The camp will take place from: Monday August 8th thru Friday the 12th.

TIME: 9:00AM to 12:00PM

PLACE: Parish Center

WHO: Children age 5 to 12 years

The fee is \$30.00 per camper. (Cash or checks)

Registration forms with payments can be returned to the rectory during business hours. Deadline for registration is July 6th. Time is needed to order supplies and plan special events. Further details will be given in the near future with a date in June when a representative will be available, after Sunday Masses, to provide further information.

Vacation Bible School 2011

Camper Name: _____

Grade in September: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

Town: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Phone: _____

Special Needs or Alerts: (ex. Allergies): _____

Paid: _____

cash /check #: _____