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Roman Catholic  
Shrine Church of  
**St. Jude**

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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.

## 20th Sunday In Ordinary Time - August 14th 2011

**Pastor**  
Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn

**In Residence**  
Msgr. John Heinlein

**Senior Priest**  
Rev. James Leone

**Parish Office  
Hours**

MONDAY, TUESDAY,  
& THURSDAY  
9:00am-5:00pm

WEDNESDAYS  
9:00am-6:00pm

FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS  
CLOSED FOR AUGUST

SUNDAYS  
10:00am-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  
219-3542

**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., TUES., & THURS.  
9:00am-1:00pm  
CLOSED  
WED., 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  
12:30pm-1:00pm  
Benediction at 1:00pm

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, AUGUST 13, 2011

5:00pm Charlie Stephani †

7:30pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2011

8:00am Famiglia Porcelli †

9:30am Patricia & Irma Davin †

11:30am Catherine Huber †

5:00pm Michael & Mary Banovsky †

MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2011

9:00am Joyce Ehlers †

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2011

9:00am Arthur J. Gabriel †

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2011

9:00am Frank Messina †

12 Noon Saint Jude Guild:

John Farley (Red) †

Ana Rosa Garcia †

Anna Jentz †

Italo Brandimarte †

Mary Connolly †

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2011

9:00am Margaret McKenna †

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011

9:00am Father Francis Kelly †

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2011

8:30am Sebastian Robert Belerdi †

5:00pm Frederick E. Ledermann †

7:30pm Concetta Camarda †

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2011

8:00am Parishioners of Saint Jude

9:30am Patricia & Irma Davin †

11:30am Madonna DelSoccorso †

5:00pm Agnes & Jerry McCarthy †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

FOR THE SICK: Janet Brandimarte, Francis X. Butler, Cecelia Cottone, Anthony DeLuco, Nicholas Ferrara, Anthony Fino, Christian Gallucci, Frank Gaeta, Nora Getchell, Jon Hanson, Steve Herrbrandt, Jo, Richard & Matthew Kaminsky, Cookie Landau, Katherine Lindsey, Joseph V. Mosca Jr., Joshua Mussi, Logan Murphy, Frank Nitto, Miguel Oriana, Doris Ortiz, Joan & Jessica Passaro, Gina Pisano, Salvatore Russo, June & Joseph Stozzetto, Joseph Stozzetto Sr., Al Vanderbilt, Mary Vazzana

FOR THE DECEASED: Jennie T. Frage, Stephanie Till

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

## Feast of the Assumption of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15th is the 'Feast of the Assumption'. The Feast day falls on a Monday, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Regular weekday Mass schedule applies 9:00AM.

## Rectory—August Hours

The rectory will be closed on Fridays and Saturdays for the month of August.  
**SUNDAY HOURS ARE FROM 10AM TO 2PM.**

## Outreach Summer Hours

The Outreach office will be open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9AM to 1PM. Closed Wednesday and Friday.

## Faith Formation

**THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE IS IN NEED OF CATECHISTS:** Please pray about sharing your faith with the youth of our community. If interested, please call 281-2835 and we will answer any questions you may have.

**OFFICE HOURS:** During August are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, from 9:30–4:30PM. Dates and times are subject to change.

**REGISTRATION AND RE-REGISTRATION:** Registration has been ongoing since May, and classes are filling quickly. There still is some limited class space available, but DON'T WAIT ANY LONGER. Take some time today, download the forms from our website and MAIL them into the office with your tuition payment. If you are registering a child for the first time, it is necessary for you to come into the office with the child's original baptismal certificate, tuition fee and downloaded form completed. If you need forms mailed to you, please call the office at 281-2835.

## St. Vincent de Paul

The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count—for Jesus always responds. With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use and give them to the 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul.'

## Recommended CD of the Week

**A WALK THROUGH THE NEW MASS TRANSLATION — DR. EDWARD SRI** Dr. Edward Sri, Professor of Scripture and Theology at the Augustine Institute, provides a fascinating explanation of the new English translation of the Mass which will soon be put into practice. This is truly a great opportunity for Catholics to enter more deeply into the biblical and theological richness found in the liturgy, and to better worship God with our whole heart.

## Bibles Needed

The RCIA gives instruction to adults, learning or inquiring about our faith. To do this, we need Bibles! We are looking to you, our parish family, to help us in this task. Every bible donated will be inscribed with donors name and given to one of the candidates, and they will be asked to remember that person in their prayers. If you are interested in donating a copy of the New American Bible please leave a \$5.00 donation at the rectory to the attention: Ana Pauze.

## Maria S.S. del Soccorso

On Sunday, August 21st, following the 11:30AM Mass, there will be a procession from the church to the shrine for the Lady Maria S.S. del Soccorso.

## St. Jude Christmas Fair

In past years, our parishioners have been extremely generous with our request donations for our fair raffles. This year we would like to try a change in our donation request. We are looking for donations of fully assembled baskets ready to raffle off at the Christmas Fair. If needed we have some baskets to get you started. Please let us know if you can help by calling the rectory. Fully assembled baskets, would be turned in by November 1st. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



# Holy Mass

Prior to addressing the upcoming changes in the Roman Missal, it is essential that a basic understanding and theology of **the Mass** is simply and clearly presented. The following may be a bit dense, but the subject matter will be explained in broader and greater detail in subsequent articles, as the series on the Mass progresses.

Our use of the word “**Mass**” is sometimes erroneously applied (by Catholics) to any ritual that is performed within the church and/or by a priest. For example, following baptisms; the anointing of a sick person; a penance service, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, etc... I have on occasion heard the words: “That was a nice Mass Father”, when in fact, it was not a Mass at all, but rather the celebration of a sacramental ritual or prayer service. On a similar note, I understand that at times people are trying to convey that they attended a religious service in a non-Catholic church; however, it makes me cringe when a person says, “I went to Mass at a Lutheran/Presbyterian/Methodist/etc. church.” This statement would make the founders of these Protestant churches cringe even more than me, since their theology/ecclesiology openly rejected that of the Catholic priesthood and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in exchange for non-sacrificial *Sunday Word Services*. The word *Mass* (which strangely enough, comes from the Latin dismissal “Ite, missa est,”) as it applies exclusively to the celebration of the Holy Eucharist specifically in the Roman Rite, needs to be theologically understood for the awesome Mystery that it is and conveys.

The Second Vatican Council refers to the Eucharistic Liturgy as “The summit and source” of the Christian life. The word *Eucharist* (Greek) means “thanksgiving,” and so indeed we come to the celebration to offer thanks to God for all we are and have, especially for the gift of eternal life in and through Jesus Christ. When we come to Mass, we are going to the Upper Room Passover with Jesus; we are also going with Him to the cross on Calvary. It is composed of two distinct parts: the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, which some may have learned as the Mass of the Catechumens and the Mass of the Faithful. Both terminologies are valid.

The Mass is the un-bloody sacrifice of our divine Savior. The bloody one in which he offered Himself to His Father on the cross was a one-time event. What is the difference? Though United States’ Civil War re-enactments may bring the battle of Gettysburg “to life” for spectators, no one believes they are witnessing the actual battle which took place a century and-a-half ago. Similarly, Christ is not “crucified again” at each Mass. However, **that event**, unlike others, transcends time—as God is not restricted by time and space as are we—and **it is made mystically present** for us when a validly ordained priest does what our Lord commanded: when he takes the bread and wine to be transformed (transubstantiated) into His Body and Blood, by employing the Words of Consecration (and intending to do so), so that we might both share in Christ’s offering of Himself, and the fruits of His passion and sacrifice: His Real Eucharistic Presence in Holy Communion, the Sacred Banquet. It is **not** a mere symbol, but a very real one.

*The Mass is at the very heart of Christianity, for, as Pius XII said, “the mystery of the most Holy Eucharist is the culmination and center of the Christian religion; it is the crowning act of the sacred liturgy” (Mediator Dei 66). Through the Eucharistic Sacrament the Christian touches directly and primarily the Savior’s Resurrection and through it makes contact with His death. Thus the paschal mystery, the redeeming act of Christ’s life, is made actually present. (The Catholic Encyclopedia)*

**In Christ,  
Fr. Greg**

## Second Collection: Dominican Republic Mission Appeal

Next weekend, August 20th & 21st Deacon Jim Murphy will be here to speak with us about the Dominican Republic and the need for our help, provided through the mission office of the DRVC. A second collection will be taken to help the Mission Appeal.

## Our Lady Queen of Apostles Childhood Day

'Our Lady Queen of Apostles' will be hosting an 'Early Childhood Day' on Sunday, August 21st from 10AM to 2PM. We will have educational games, interactive demonstrations, fun activities, face painting, and refreshments. Greet our new principal, visit our classrooms, meet our teachers, and learn about our new full day pre-school program. Most activities are geared for ages 3-8, but all ages are welcome! For additional information contact the school office at 878-1033.

## Join World Youth Day as a Virtual Pilgrim

Join faithful youth from around the globe for 'World Youth Day 2011' August 16-21st! Create an avatar below and then send it on a virtual journey to Madrid, Spain for the largest youth event in the world. Through this site you can gather with the thousands who will be taking this pilgrimage for a personal encounter with Christ. Available From the Diocesan Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Diocese-of-Rockville-Centre>

## Divorced, Widowed, or Separated?

'The Beginning Experience' weekend is August 19-21st at the 'Monfort Spiritual Center' in Bay Shore. The program helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning, and move into the future with renewed hope. Turn the pain and loss into an experience of positive growth. For information and reservations, call John at 516-822-0635, Jim at 718-474-3779 or Karen at 201-736-8200.

## Attention Ministry Leaders

The calendar is currently being formatted. If you would like dates for the coming Fiscal year, you must fill out a 'Building Request Form' or email Judy at [j.moran@yahoo.com](mailto:j.moran@yahoo.com) before August 31st. Please do not assume that your dates will be held from last year.

## Attention All Altar Servers

There will be a MANDATORY altar server meeting for ALL servers, "new" and "old" alike, next Saturday, August 20th at 1PM in the Church. We will be reviewing the new Altar Server Manual, going over changes in the manner of serving, introducing new servers, finding mentors for the new servers, and "tweaking" some areas that need some attention. If you absolutely cannot attend, please contact Aida or Fr. Greg. We will also be meeting on Saturday, August 27th at 1PM in the Church. ONLY experienced servers have the option to attend the second meeting (8/27) in place of the 8/20 meeting. New servers need to attend ALL meetings to complete their training. If you would like to be a mentor, you need to be present at the 8/20 meeting. Additional mandatory meetings: September 10th & 17th all must attend.

## Secular Franciscan Order

A *Day of Recollection* hosted by the 'St. Lawrence of Brindisi Fraternity' on August 27th from 9:30AM-3PM at 'Our Lady of the Island Shrine' in Eastport. "*Refresh, Relax and Renew Our Faith in the Lord*" Call for more information Bob Metz at 631-475-3426.

## Happy Birthday St. Faustina

Join us for a Day of Prayer and Recollection and share in the love she had for Our Divine Mercy! Sunday, August 28th at 'St. Thomas the Apostle' Lower Church and Parish Center from 10AM-3:30PM. Guest Speakers are Mary Jane Guilfoyle and Dr. John Palmer. Day includes: Breakfast and Lunch, 'Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament', 'Reconciliation, Mass', 'Readings from The Diary of St. Faustina', and 'The Chaplet of Divine Mercy.' Registering in advance will help us determine amount of food needed. To Register, please call 516-448-5792, email [divinemercuryministry@yahoo.com](mailto:divinemercuryministry@yahoo.com) or mail your registration form to Dawn Wyrick 112 New York Ave, West Hempstead, NY 11552.

## Our Lady of Mercy Parish

Saturday, September 3rd from 10-5:30PM featuring Scott Hahn. 500 South Oyster Bay Road, Hicksville, NY. Tickets are \$25.00 and includes a complimentary lunch. Registration/Adoration will begin at 10AM. Seating is limited. To purchase tickets call 'Our Lady of Mercy' rectory at 516-931-4351. For more information email us at [scotthahntickets@gmail.com](mailto:scotthahntickets@gmail.com)

## Our Lady of Consolation Nursing & Rehabilitative Care Center

Are offering a bereavement support group to community members mourning the loss of a loved one. Eight sessions will be held on Monday afternoons from September 12th through October 31st. The meetings will be held in the Board Room of 'Our Lady of Consolation' from 3-4:30PM. For more information or to reserve a place in this group, please call (631) 587-1600 ext. 8297.

## DRVC Deacon Class of 2014 & Elks Club Night at the Races

The New Hyde Park Elks and Deacon Class of 2014 are hosting 'A Night at the Races' To benefit 'Mission Church' in the Dominican Republic on Saturday, September 10th. Races begins at 6:30PM. Eight races are scheduled to be shown. An \$8 admission includes: 3 foot hero, salads, beer-wine-soda, cookies and coffee. The Lodge is located at 901 Lakeville Rd. New Hyde Park. For more information please call John or Lori at 281-3095. MUST BE 18 TO ENTER.

## Free NYS 4 year-old PRE-K Program

Applications are still being accepted for the Free State Funded 'Universal Pre-K' program through the 'William Floyd School District'. Any child that is or will be 4 years old by December 1st, 2011 and resides in this school district is eligible to apply. If you or someone you know may have a child that is eligible please call the rectory at 281-5743 to receive an application.

We are presently looking for a substitute teacher (MA certification required) for the upcoming 2011-2012 school session. For anyone who may be interested please send your resume or you can drop it off at the rectory, attention Pre-K.

You must never ask  
Jesus to wait.  
—Saint Ursula  
Ledóchowska

O sinner, be not discouraged,  
 but have recourse to Mary in all your necessities.  
 Call her to your assistance, for such is the divine will  
 that she should help in every kind of necessity.  
 —Saint Basil the Great

## Are You a Fully Initiated Catholic?

RCIA: The Parish of St. Jude welcomes any Adult Non-Catholic who would like to find out more about the Catholic Church or any Catholic

## Who Would Like To Complete The SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

(Baptism, Confirmation and/or Communion)

The group will be beginning Monday, September 12th and reception of sacraments in 2012. A \$20 material fee is requested at the time of registration. Special circumstances will be considered.

It is very important that you come and stay for every class.

Please fill out and return to rectory. Attn: St. Jude RCIA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sacrament(s) needed, please check all that apply:

- Baptism
- Confirmation
- Communion
- Please check if Baptized other than Roman Catholic

## Mass Attendance

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY				Total
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	5pm	
July 17	213	110	239	242	530	95	1429
July 24	246	140	239	282	495	117	1519
July 31	217	130	227	257	395	145	1371
Aug. 7	272	350	221	220	430	121	1614

## Weekly Collections

Regular Collection August 7th \$9770.47  
 Monthly Maintenance \$3022.00

## Catholic Ministries Appeal

2011 Goal \$50,174.00  
 Total pledges a/o 8/9/11 \$59,089.08  
 # of Donors 199  
 Payments a/o 8/9/11 \$46,374.08  
 Thank you to all who have pledged.

## Scripture Readings

MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2011 *Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**VIGIL:** 1 CHR 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 • 1 COR 15:54B-57 • LK 11:27-28

**DAY:** RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB • 1 COR 15:20-27 • LK 1:39-56

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2011 *Weekday*  
 JGS 6:11-24A • MT 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2011 *Weekday*  
 JGS 9:6-15 • MT 20:1-16

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2011 *Weekday*  
 JGS 11:29-39A • MT 22:1-14

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011 *Weekday*  
 RU 1:1, 3-6, 14B-16, 22 • MT 22:34-40

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2011 *Saint Bernard, abbot and doctor of the Church*

RU 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 • MT 23:1-12

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2011 *Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

IS 22:19-23 • ROM 11:33-36 • MT 16:13-20

## Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of August 15th has been donated:

In memory of Antonio & Maria Armakolla

## Altar Flower Offering

The altar flowers for the weekend of August 6th & 7th have been donated:

In memory of Antonio & Maria Armakolla  
 August 20th & 21st  
 Many dates are available September–November

## Wedding Banns

- III John Liberti/ Kathleen Marinaro
- II Brian Keith McGarrity/ Pamela Frances Start
- II Marlon Velasquez/ Mirna Salguero
- I Brett Larson/ Stephanie Falco

## Baptisms

- Kevin Jowel Aragon Yanes,
  - Ryan Kevin Dhyne, Arianna Nicole Early,
  - Gianna Nicole Polini, Sophia Catherine Sgroi,
  - Griselda Liseth Rios Reyes,
  - Leah Sophia Utter, Michael John Caserma
- May God bless them and their families!

## Outreach School Supply

We have been collecting school supplies for disadvantaged children in our community and will continue to need your support until September 15th. We are so grateful for your generosity. You are helping us meet the demands of our parish children who are starting school in September. Some suggestions as to what they need are: 1 and 3 inch loose-leaf binders and paper, all colors of composition notebooks, colored folders, pens and pencils, blunt scissors, washable markers, high-lighters, index cards, backpacks, 3 and 5 subject notebooks and any other items. Through your generosity we will be able to get our children off to a good start. Please leave the items in the rear of the church or at Outreach.

## Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Fall Semester Registration

The 'Seminary of the Immaculate Conception' offers 'Master of Arts in Theology' and 'Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies' Fall semester begins September 7th and registration closes September 22nd. For further information, contact the Academic Office 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743 (631) 423-0483 ext. 147 Or visit our website [www.icseminary.edu](http://www.icseminary.edu)

## Gennesaret Retreat

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with serious illness is planned September 23rd-25th at the Monfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, NY. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, His forgiveness, and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: Colette Fanelli 631-665-7052.

A servant of the Lord  
stands bodily before men,  
but mentally he is knocking  
at the gates of heaven  
with prayer.

—Saint John Climacus

## Dominican Village Sit Down Luncheon

Come by for a complementary sit down luncheon on August 25th at 11:30AM in our beautiful dining room. Conveniently located on a sprawling 13 acre campus located at 565 Albany Avenue Amityville, NY. Reservations are required R.S.V.P by August 19th at 631-842-6618.

Dominican Village is a non-for-profit, nonsectarian, independent, assisted living residence respite care and short term stay rental retirement community. Please come by our open house between 1PM to 3PM: Thursday, August 25th. For more information, or to schedule a tour at your convenience, contact us today at 631-842-6091 or [info@dominicanvillage.org](mailto:info@dominicanvillage.org).

## Rachel's Vineyard

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. There will be several dates offered in 2011. Our 'English Healing Retreat' will be on October 7-9th. For more information contact: Deacon Frank Gariboldi at (516)523-0586 or e-mail: [fgariboldi@optonline.net](mailto:fgariboldi@optonline.net). All communication is strictly confidential. To learn more about 'Rachel's Vineyard' look online [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) or call 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

## 40-Year Reunion for Holy Family Diocesan High School Class of 1971

A 40-year reunion for 'Holy Family Diocesan High School' Class of 1971 is planned for Saturday, October 15th at 'St. Anthony High School' in South Huntington. Contact Candice Carrizzo-Searles at [searles18@optonline.net](mailto:searles18@optonline.net) for details.

## Cleary School for the Deaf

VENDORS WANTED 2nd Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, October 15th from 10AM-4:00PM. Indoor/outdoor booths are available. Please contact Susan at 631-737-1492.

## Catholic Charities 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' is a voluntary chemical dependence crisis center located in Bohemia. We provide 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.

## Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course

The 'Catholic High School Entrance Exam' will be held on October 29th. 'St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School' is offering a prep course. There are five Saturday classes on September 24th, October 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd from 8:30-10:30AM and one Wednesday class from 6-8PM on October 26th. Call 631-587-800 x126 for registration forms.

## Food Stamp Benefits

Helps families, individuals, & all ages to improve nutrition and increase food buying power. You no longer have to take time from work to apply for benefits. You may be able to apply electronically. Food stamps can be used conveniently with an Electronic Benefit Card. If your gross monthly income is within the following guidelines you may apply for food stamps: 1 person-\$1174, 2 people-\$1579, 3-\$1984, 4-\$2389, 5-\$2794, 6-\$3200, 7-\$3605, 8-4010. See our website for more information, [www.otda.state.ny.us](http://www.otda.state.ny.us) or call 1800-342-3009. For a free and confidential prescreening contact: Nutrition Outreach & Education Program Catholic Charities, Diocese of Rockville Centre 631-789-9546.