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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.

## 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 4th 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, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

5:00pm Henry Robert Koenigsdorf †

7:30pm Ruben Rodriguez †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

8:00am Filippa Leanza †

9:30am Raffaella Iazzetta, †

11:30am Parishioners of Saint Jude

5:00pm Vincenzo Pecoraro †

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2011

9:00am Joseph DelPrincipe †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2011

9:00am Carol Galley †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

9:00am Deacon Thomas Gross †

12 Noon Saint Jude Guild:  
Patrick Hickey †,  
The Tanzer Family †,  
Philomena Fino †,  
Pasquale & Anna Fino †,  
Joseph F. Scioli †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

9:00am John Mensch †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2011

9:00am Felice & Edward Stagni †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011

8:30am Linda Frey †

5:00pm Lynett Family †

7:30pm Mr. & Mrs. Mathias Kropf †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011

8:00am Intentions of Father James Leone

9:30am Deacon Thomas Gross †

11:30am Anthony Tavoraro †

5:00pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

† 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, Ann Giordano, Jon Hanson, Steve Herrbrandt, Jo, Richard & Matthew Kaminsky, Cookie Landau, Katherine Lindsey, Carmine Linsalata, Joseph V. Mosca Jr., Joshua Mussi, Logan Murphy, Ronald Nappe, Frank Nitto, Miguel Oriana, Doris Ortiz, Joan & Jessica Passaro, Jackie Pastore, Gina Pisano, Salvatore Russo, Richard Rydzewski, June & Joseph Stozetto, Joseph Stozetto Sr., Al Vanderbilt, Mary Vazzana

FOR THE DECEASED: August DiLauro,  
Theresa Labiosa, Lester Vellia

FOR THE MILITARY: John Abel, Joseph Competello, Matt Corica, 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

## Rectory Hours

The rectory will be closed on Labor Day Monday, September 5th. Regular Friday office hours will resume from 9–5PM on September 9th. OUR PERMANENT 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. Starting September 14th we will be resuming Wednesday office hours from 9–1PM.

## Faith Formation

Faith formation classes will begin in October, have you remembered to register your child for the 2011-12 school year? If you have not yet done so, download the forms from our website and mail them to the office with the tuition fee. Registering your child for the first time? You must come into the office with child's original Baptismal Certificate, tuition fee and form completed. Any questions? Please call 281-2835.

## St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." *Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them."*

We are again participating in the Annual 'Friends of the Poor Walk' held in Bethpage on Saturday, September 24th. We are all working hard on getting sponsors for the Walk. Any money sponsored goes directly to 'St. Vincent de Paul' HERE in OUR COMMUNITY! Last year we were able to raise over \$1,000 thanks to your generosity. This year we would like to double that and we CAN with YOUR HELP! Fr. Greg has graciously allowed us to be at all the Masses the weekend of September 17th & 18th. We will be asking for your help and donations in raising these funds. If you would like to be a walker please call 631-219-3542 and we will get you registered so that you can get sponsors, too! Again, we are always most grateful for your support, both financially and spiritually.

## Lighthouse Catholic Media CD of the Week

**AN INVITATION TO CONSIDER THE CATHOLIC FAITH—FR. FRANCIS**

**PEFFLEY:** Why should a person who is not Catholic consider entering into the Church? Fr. Peffley gives five compelling reasons, followed by a simple outline of the steps one would take to begin the process of becoming Catholic. 1. The Catholic Church has all seven Sacraments; 2. The Church's relationship with Mary and the Saints; 3. Historical evidence; 4. The Church's relationship with the Bible 5. The consistent moral teachings of the Church.

## 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.

## Catholic University Collection

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church, located in Washington D.C. CUA offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere that is grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition. Next weekend September 10th & 11th the second collection is for The Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including our diocese. Please give generously.

## Rosary Altar Society

Reminder, monthly meeting will be on Monday, September 12th at 7PM in the Parish Center. NOT ON LABOR DAY.



# Sacred Vestments, Part II

reprinted due to Irene

Building on (and reiterating) some of what was described in last week's letter about the history and colors of vestments used for Holy Mass and other liturgical functions, the following material is drawn from several sources, primary among them from Father Mauro Gagliardi, a consultant of the Office for the Liturgical Celebrations of the Supreme Pontiff; also from *The New Roman Missal*, by Rev. F. X. Lasance; and from several others. These explain the centuries-old symbolism of the particular garments and the prayers the priest says while vesting for the liturgy.

These prayers—the reciting of which is an ancient custom—are brief, but very rich from a biblical, theological and spiritual point of view. “Such a liturgical practice must be retained rather than jettisoned,” Fr. Gagliardi explains. “Its beauty and utility for the priest's spiritual life needs to be rediscovered.”

## Historical Background

The vestments used by the sacred ministers in liturgical celebrations derive from ancient Greek and Roman secular clothing. In the first centuries the raiment of persons of a certain social level (the “honestiores,” persons of rank with property) was adopted for the Christian liturgy and this practice was maintained in the Church, even after the peace of Constantine (4th century AD). As we see in some Christian writers, the sacred ministers wore the best clothing, which was most probably reserved for liturgical use.

While in Christian antiquity the liturgical vestments were distinguished from secular clothing, not by their particular form but by the quality of the material and their special decorum, in the course of the barbarian invasions the customs and, with them, the vesture of new peoples were introduced into the West and brought about changes in profane clothing. But the Church kept, without essential alteration, the vestments used by the clergy in public worship; in this way the secular use of clothing was distinguished from the liturgical use.

Finally, in the Carolingian epoch (which began in roughly the 8th century), the vestments proper to the various degrees of the sacrament of orders, with a few exceptions, took on their definitive form, which they retain to this day.

## Function and Significance

Beyond the historical circumstances, the sacred vestments had an important function in the liturgical celebrations: In the first place, the fact that they are not worn in ordinary life, and thus possess a “liturgical” character, helps one to be detached from the everyday and its concerns in the celebration of divine worship. Furthermore, the ample form of the vestments, the alb, for example, the dalmatic and the chasuble, put the individuality of the one who wears them in second place in order to emphasize his liturgical role. One might say that the “camouflaging” of the minister's body by the vestments depersonalizes him in a way; it is that healthy depersonalization that de-centers the celebrating minister and recognizes the true protagonist of the liturgical action: Christ. The form of the vestments, therefore, says that the liturgy is celebrated “in persona Christi” and not in the priest's own name. He who performs a liturgical function does not do so as a private person, but as a minister of the Church and an instrument in the hands of Jesus Christ. The sacred character of the vestments also has to do with their being donned according to what is prescribed in the Roman Ritual.

In the extraordinary form of the Roman Rite (the so-called Mass of Pius V), the putting on of the liturgical vestments is accompanied by prayers for each garment, prayers whose text one still finds in many sacristies. Even if these prayers are no longer obligatory (but neither are they prohibited) by the Missal of the ordinary form promulgated by Paul VI, their use is recommended since they help in the priest's preparation and recollection before the celebration of the Eucharistic sacrifice. As a confirmation of the utility of these prayers it must be noted that they are included in the “Compendium Eucharisticum,” recently published by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. Moreover it is useful to recall that Pius XII, with the decree of Jan. 14, 1940, assigned an indulgence of 100 days for the individual prayers.

(Next week: The Mass Vestments and Prayers)

In Christ,  
Fr. Greg

## 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 of: 'Ana Pauze'.

## Loving Memorials in The Long Island Catholic Honoring Those Lost on 9/11/2001

In our issue for the week of September 11th, we will publish "Loving Memorial" messages honoring those whose lives were taken in the September 11, 2001 attacks. We invite you to place a "Loving Memorial" message for your loved one in this special issue. A "Loving Memorial" can accommodate 215 characters, (letters, spaces, and punctuation), and should be emailed to [ferguson@licatholic.org](mailto:ferguson@licatholic.org) by this Tuesday, September 6th. For help in submitting your "Loving Memorial" message, please call 516-594-1212. We will also post all "Loving Memorials" on our website [www.licatholic.org](http://www.licatholic.org). The fee to cover the cost of printing a memorial is \$100. We will be asking our readers to pray for those who perished and for their families and friends. May God bless and comfort you and your family.

## 42nd Annual San Gennaro

Come to the 'Sacred Heart Church', located at 282 Long Beach Road, in Island Park next Thursday, September 8th at 6PM. Mass & Procession from 7-10PM. On Friday, Sept. 9th 5-11PM, Saturday 3PM-Midnight, Sunday Sept. 11th 1:30-9PM. Homemade Italian Specialities, Rides for the young and the young at heart, Games of Chance and skill, Entertainment, Admission is FREE. For information call 516-432-8585 or 516-432-0655.

## 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 next 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.

## 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)

## Smith Point Bridge 5K Run

Next Saturday, September 10th at 9AM join in the 5K Run & Family Fun Walk, to benefit the 'Community Family Literacy Project' at Smith Point Park. The Literacy Project awards an annual college scholarship to a 'William Floyd High School' senior and the remainder proceeds go to the community-based literacy program. For more information call 399-1511 ext 215 or [5kbridgetrun.communitylibrary.org](http://5kbridgetrun.communitylibrary.org).

## Our Lady of Consolation Nursing 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.

## ESL at the Library

Classes are available at the 'Mastics Moriches Shirley Community Library,' beginning September 12th, classes offered to district residents include 'English as a Second Language'; 'Citizenship Tutoring'; 'Family Literacy' and 'Computer Instruction in Spanish'. For more information, call 399-1511, ext. 215 or 220 or stop by the literacy office on the lower level of the library to register. Pre-registration is required.

## 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. Please leave the items in the rear of the church or at Outreach.

## An Invitation to Join St. Jude Children's Choir

Children in first grade and up are invited to join the St. Jude Children's Choir. We sing at the 9:30AM. Mass during the school year. It's an opportunity for your child to participate more fully in the Mass and make new friends. Please come to the first fall rehearsal on Friday, September 16th at 5:30PM in the church. If you have any questions, please speak to the organist, Michael LaSalle, after Mass on Sunday.

## 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.

## Spiritual Care Companion

Are you looking for an avenue to volunteer your time with others? Are you called to be the friend of a person with special needs? If so, come learn how to be a 'Spiritual Care Companion' at our information session. Saturday September 17th from 9:30-11:30AM at 'Catholic Health Services' 245 Old Country Road, Melville, NY: training dates: Saturdays October 1, 15 & 29 from 9:30-3:30PM. For more information, please call Carol Cella or Trish Luvin 465-6307 at 631-465-6306.

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"In the realm of evil thoughts none induces to sin as much as do thoughts that concern the pleasure of the flesh."

—St. Thomas Aquinas



## Deceased Children Mass

Saturday, September 17th 12:30PM at 'St. Agnes Cathedral' in Rockville Centre. Come early to inscribe child's name in the *Book of Families*. All are welcome. Refreshments following in the Parish Center. For more information call 516-764-0681.

## St. Jude Blood Drive

St. Jude will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday, October 7th in the parish center. Outreach volunteers will be taking pledges after Masses on the weekends of September 10 & 11th and 24 & 25th. Please sign up at that time. If that is not possible, you can sign up online at [www.nybloodcenter.org](http://www.nybloodcenter.org) or call Outreach at 281-5634 between the hours of 9AM-1PM Monday through Thursday. We will also be doing a 'Bone Marrow Drive' in honor of parishioners, James Fiore and Nora Getchell, at that time. Thank you in advance for the "Gift of Life" and your support.

## 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.

## Making Strides Against Breast Cancer

Join us October 16th at the Jones Beach Boardwalk for the 18th 'Making Strides Against Breast Cancer' walk. Or come on October 2nd for our 1st Walk at 'Dowling College, Brookhaven Campus'. To make fundraising easier we have a safe online site that can make it a snap. The online event information, registration, fundraising, and reporting tools help walkers nationwide exceed their goals. Using the online tool is easy. Simply log onto [www.acevents.org/strides/ny/longisland](http://www.acevents.org/strides/ny/longisland) and follow the step-by-step instructions to get started. Here you can organize a team and track its progress, enable supporters to donate through a secure Web site. If you would like more information call 1800-227-2345 or visit [cancer.org/stridesonline](http://cancer.org/stridesonline).

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## 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				
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	5pm	Total
Aug. 7	272	350	221	220	430	121	1614
Aug. 14	275	110	207	260	385	85	1322
Aug. 21	258	125	235	319	540	149	1626
Aug. 28	218	80	11	1	3	50	363

## Weekly Collections

Regular Collection August 28th \$2738.63

Thank God hurricane Irene did not hit us as hard as predicted. Church attendance and collection was tremendously affected by the storm. If you could possibly increase your donation this week to help offset last weekend's collection we would greatly appreciate your help.

## Catholic Ministries Appeal

2011 Goal	\$50,174.00
Total pledges a/o 8/30/11	\$59,389.08
# of Donors	200
Payments a/o 8/30/11	\$48,171.58

Thank you to all who have pledged.

## Scripture Readings

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2011 *Weekday*

COL 1:24-2:3 / LK 6:6-11

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 *Weekday*

COL 2:6-15 / LK 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 *Weekday*

COL 3:1-11 / LK 6:20-26

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011 *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary* MI 5:1-4A OR ROM 8:28-30 / MT 1:1-16, 18-23 OR 1:18-23

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2011 *Saint Peter Claver, priest* 1 TM 1:1-2, 12-14 / LK 6:39-42

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011 *Weekday*

1 TM 1:15-17 / LK 6:43-49

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011 *Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

SIR 27:30-28:9 / ROM 14:7-9 / MT 18:21-35

## Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of September 5th has been donated:

In memory of Victor J. Dalmani

## Altar Flower Offering

The altar flowers for the weekend of September 3rd & 4th have been donated:

In memory of Victor J. Dalmani

Many dates are available September 10th & 11th, 17th & 18th, 24th & 25th

## Wedding Banns

I Laurence Niebuhr/Michelle Rider

## Annual Harvest Festival

An all inclusive 'Harvest Festival' will be held on September 24th at the 'Bellport Methodist Church' 185 South Country Road, Bellport. Live music, demonstrations and a dance performance at 11:15AM followed by a live and sealed bid auction with over 200 items to bid. Rain or Shine. For more information call 631-286-0525.

## Women at the Well

Come together with other women as we look at the stories of the Women in the Bible, as well as other women in our church history and see how they relate to our lives today. On Tuesday, September 26th from 7:30-9PM at 'Mary Immaculate' in Bellport located in Room 7 of the Church Auditorium. We will be discussing *Compassionate Tea Drinker, Venerable Catherine McAuley*.

## Come Celebrate 25 Years of Life

Join us at the Life Center's '25th Anniversary Banquet' on Thursday, October 20th 7PM at the 'Coral House' in Baldwin. For information and tickets please call: 516-798-8746 or visit our website at: [www.lifecenterli.org](http://www.lifecenterli.org).

## Kiwanis Club of the Mastics—Craft Fair

On October 1st & 2nd at 'Mastic Fireman's Field', the fair helps to raise money to send children in our area to camp. Any donation will be appreciated in any form. For more information please call Rich Geraci 281-7261 or Sharon McClinchy 433-4141.

## 5th Annual Down Syndrome Buddy Walk

'Alexander's Angels' organizes the local 'Buddy Walk for the National Down Syndrome Society'. The Walk is being held this year on Saturday, October 1st at 'Eisenhower Park' in East Meadow. Registration and activities begin at 10:30AM. The 1 mile walk begins at 12 Noon. For further information please see our website [www.alexanderangels.org](http://www.alexanderangels.org) or call 516-361-7263.

## 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.

## Birthright

**14H ANNUAL "WALK FOR LIFE"** On Saturday, October 8th 9AM-1PM Indian Island Park, Rte. 105 Riverhead, N.Y., Please come walk with us for Life. Volunteers will be outside after Masses next weekend, September 10th & 11th for donations, to sign up walkers, and for sponsors for the '14th Annual two-mile Walkathon'. For more information please call 728-8900 or speak to a volunteer at the door. 'Birthright' is a non-political, non-profit organization completely staffed by volunteers and offers counseling, assistance, parenting classes, referrals for medical care, adoption and positive alternatives to abortion. Birthright's guiding principal is: "It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born."

**BIRTHRIGHT COLLECTION OUTSIDE MASS** A representative will be outside after Masses next weekend September 10th & 11th collecting on behalf of 'Birthright' for anyone who may wish to give.

## Crab Cake Dinner

On Friday, September 9th the 'Mastic Beach Property Owners Association', located at 31 Neighborhood Road, will be holding a 'Crab Cake Dinner,' coleslaw, french fries and crab cake for \$6. A cash bar will be available. Doors open at 6PM, dinner is from 7-9PM. At the event, they will be pulling the raffle winners for the "Nora Raffle" to benefit parishioner, Nora Getchell, a 6 year old girl fighting Severe Aplastic Anemia. For more information please call 631-399-6111.

## Stand Up For Life

On Sunday, October 2nd from 2-3:30PM at two locations: Route 110 & Jericho Turnpike in Huntington Station and the LIE, Exit 70 N/S, & County Road 111 in Manorville. Signs will be distributed. Sponsored by the 'Long Island Coalition for Life' for more information call 631-243-1435.

## St. John the Baptist H.S. Open House

On October 16th from 10AM-2PM. Open to families of 7th and 8th graders and interested transfer students. If you have any questions, please call 631-587-8000 x116 or check us out online at [www.sjbdhs.org](http://www.sjbdhs.org).

## The Life Center is in desperate need of the following items:

Clothes for girls and boys (Sizes 0-6 and 18-24 months are especially needed) Toiletries (i.e. wipes, baby soaps, shampoos, diaper rash creams, powders, etc.), Crib sheets, Bottles, Hooded towels, Wash cloths, Socks, Diaper bags, Non Drop Side Cribs/Bassinets/Pack n Plays, Car seats (both infant and toddler), Strollers. Thank you for any help that you can provide to help us support these women, especially those who are in crisis. Donations can be dropped off at our Deer Park location: 1767 Deer Park Ave Deer Park, NY 11729 (across the street from 'St. Cyril & Methodius Roman Catholic Church', and next door to 'Boyd-Carratozollo Funeral Home'). Any further questions can be answered at (631) 243-2373.

## Golden Wedding Liturgy

'Church of Christ the King' in Commack will host a 'Golden Wedding Liturgy' for couples married 50 years or more, on Sunday, November 6th at 2:30PM. Please pick up a registration card at the rectory, fill it out and return it in time to reach the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre' by October 20th. Approximately one week before the ceremony, information regarding the day will be mailed to you. For further questions please call Suzanne at 516-678-5800 ext.207.

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"The presence of God is so intimate to me that it seems impossible for me to lose it; and such presence gives my soul a joy which I can not describe."

—Saint Paulina of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus