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Shrine Church of
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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.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 18th 2011

Pastor
Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn

In Residence
Msgr. John Heinlein

Senior Priest
Rev. James Leone

Parish Office Hours

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

WEDNESDAYS
9:00am-6:00pm

SATURDAYS
CLOSED

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.-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
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 17, 2011

5:00pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

7:30pm Richard Smith †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

8:00am Filippa Leanza †

9:30am Josephine Scala †

11:30am Deceased Members of
JV Kavanaugh Council †

5:00pm Danielle Cohen †

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

9:00am James Bruce †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

9:00am Patrick Spagnoletti †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

9:00am Kenneth Riker †

12 Noon Saint Jude Guild:
Mildred Cicerelli †,
Antoinette Collaro †,
Ana Miriam Arcos †,
Virginia Simeone †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

9:00am Gilda Marie Arnold †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011

9:00am Mary Norton †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2011

8:30am Michael Kelly †

5:00pm Emily & Frank Cerar †

7:30pm Parishioners of Saint Jude

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

8:00am Maria Ingrasciotta †

9:30am Leone, Rella & Mendolia
Families †

11:30am Timothy Traskos †

5:00pm James Green †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

FOR THE SICK: Paul Bidegain, Janet Brandimarte, Francis X. Butler, Cecelia Cottone, Anthony DeLuco, Isabella Grace Dobbeck, Nicholas Ferrara, Anthony Fino, Christian Gallucci, Frank Gaeta, Nora Getchell, Deacon Thomas Gillen, Ann Giordano, Michelle Gonzalez, Jon Hanson, Steve Herrbrandt, Jo, Richard & Matthew Kaminsky, Father Walter Kedjerski, Cookie Landau, Christine Leone, Katherine Lindsey, Carmine Linsalata, Julius Manchise, 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, Anna Saccomagno, Joseph Stozzetto, Joseph Stozzetto Sr., Angelo Tafuro, Al Vanderbilt, Mary Vazzana

FOR THE DECEASED: Robert Reed

FOR THE MILITARY: John Abel, 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, Anthony Ochoa Jr., Matthew Parenti, Rich Pinckney, Tory Pinckney, Gerard Posillico, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Vinnie Riveria, Randy Sanchez, Don Skelton, Bobby Sosa, Derek Trabocchi, Timothy Weisner

Faith Formation

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON: Classes will be beginning on Monday, October, 3rd. Anyone who has not yet registered their children, please download the proper form off St. Jude website, www.stjudemb.org, for re-registration you may mail the form with the tuition fee. If you are registering a new child to the program, **YOU MUST COME INTO THE OFFICE** with the child's original Baptismal Certificate, a completed registration form and registration fee.

CONFIRMATION PREP 1 & 2 , RCIC 1 & 2 & HIGH SCHOOL FAMILIES: We will be having our 'WELCOME EVENING OF PRAYER' ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH FROM 7-8:30PM IN OUR CHURCH. ALL STUDENTS & PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND. Please mark this date on your calendar. If you did not receive a letter, please contact the office.

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. For more information please call 728-8900. '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."

Lighthouse Catholic Media CD of the Week

AMAZING ANGELS AND SUPER SAINTS – EPISODES 1 & 2 – CAT. CHAT: Cat. Chat is a Catholic Audio Show for kids ages 3-11 narrated by Moses the cat and his friends Hannah and Josh. Using stories, prayers, and catchy songs, these CDs teach about **guardian angels, St. Michael the Archangel, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Therese of Lisieux and other saints**. What a wonderful way to help your children learn and love their Catholic Faith, and possibly learn something new yourselves! Don't forget to look at the other titles and choose one for your own spiritual enrichment.

St. Vincent de Paul News

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us a parable that teaches us how great God is and how generous, and then he calls us to this same greatness and generosity. *As you put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's poor box, know that you are showing the generosity of God to those who are suffering and poor.*

The long hot summer proved to be a busy one for 'St. Vincent de Paul'. We had over 20 home visits which provided the following items to our clients: 3 beds; 4 home delivered food items; 1 supermarket gift card; assisted 1 client with SCWA; assisted 1 client with an oil delivery; and delivered the following items to 14 clients: microwave, coffee pot, kitchen tables, dressers, lamps with shades, batteries, recliner chair, TV's, and VCR. This may seem like no big feat; however, considering we have no place for storage and have to coordinate pick-ups & drop-offs, we get tired after a day of "furniture." Do you know of someone who has a truck and would like to volunteer for his/her community? Please call 'St. Vincent de Paul' at 631-219-3542. We currently have 3 clients with absolutely NO furniture or furnishings and we can use any items. A sofa, clean-gently-used sheets, bath towels, kitchen items; we will accept any kind of furniture, and gently used items. We also accept Gift Cards to food stores and of course, monetary donations. Please consider helping the poor and needy of our community by donating to 'Conference of St. Vincent de Paul' here at St. Jude. Thank you and God bless you in your giving! Remember, we will be at all the Masses the weekend of September 18th asking for your support for our 'Annual Walk for the Poor'. Any money raised STAYS IN OUR COMMUNITY!! Thank you and God bless you in your giving.

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 rehearsals on Friday's at 5:30PM in the church. If you have any questions, please speak to the organist, Michael LaSalle, after Mass on Sunday.



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Catechetical Sunday
September 18, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In union with the Church throughout the country, we gather today with gratitude to celebrate Catechetical Sunday. Our theme this year is *Do This in Memory of Me*. The general focus will be on faith formation and the sacramental life that flows from the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. This focus will build on the vision I shared with you in *Belong More Deeply*, the exciting movement of renewal across our Diocese that coincides with the implementation of the new English translation of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal this Fall.

The renewal we all seek and for which we pray and work together must flow from a personal encounter with the Person of Jesus Who is the human face of God in our world. It is in the communal celebration of the sacraments, especially of the Holy Eucharist, where we experience this encounter and receive the grace and support to deepen our relationship with Jesus, the Bread and Word of divine life.

Today we pause in our busy lives to recognize and thank in a special way all those who toil faithfully and selflessly day in and day out to catechize our children and young people, the future and hope of our Church here on Long Island. We are grateful to the members of our catechumen teams, those who serve in Baptism preparation, and the many dedicated couples who share their wisdom and witness in our marriage preparation programs.

As our theme reminds us, faith formation and the sacramental life are acts of communion. The words of Christ: "Do this in memory of Me" also come with a promise: "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them". At the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass we hear God's Word, we offer the gifts of bread and wine, and we are one in mind and heart with the priest as he proclaims the Eucharistic prayer that brings Jesus to us in His Body and in His Blood. This is the way to *Belong More Deeply*", this is the sacrament that forms us in faith, this is the power of the Spirit that unites us with Him and with one another, renewing each of us even as it unites us as the one Body of Christ.

As we prepare to welcome the New Roman Missal with humble openness and gratitude this Fall, let us dedicate ourselves once more in word and in deed to the source and summit of our faith, the Holy Eucharist. May the Holy Spirit inspire and empower us to lead others to experience with us the transforming presence of Jesus, the Word of God made flesh.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Bishop of Rockville Centre

Catholic Charities Turns Cars Into Care

Donate your old car, truck, boat or motorcycle and help us help our Long Island neighbors. It's quick and easy to do. We'll schedule a convenient pickup and provide confirmation of your donation. Call (877) 507-GIVE (4483) Your old car will help provide food for seniors, a home for newborns, and bring Christ's love in countless other ways to Long Island's most vulnerable.

Special Collection: St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility Fund

The second annual 'Priests' Retirement Collection' will take place next weekend, September 24th & 25th. The retired priests who reside at 'St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility' in Amityville, each averaging more than 40 years of priestly ministry, can still be found praying daily for the people of our Diocese. St. Pius X enables these dedicated men to live at a facility that gives them the extra care and attention they need, while still allowing them to serve as active, fully engaged members of the community. The 'Catholic Church of Long Island' is blessed and privileged to be able to care for it's senior priests, men who have dedicated their lives to serving God and our community. A brochure highlighting the 'St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility' and donation envelopes may be found in the church lobby. You may use the envelope to place this donation in the mail or drop in the collection basket next weekend. For more information or to donate online go to www.drvc.org or call 516-379-5210 ext.229.

Bishop McGann-Mercy Diocesan High School Fall Open House

On Saturday, September 24th from 9AM to 12PM. McGann-Mercy will open its doors to families of prospective students, grades 7-12, giving them the opportunity to tour the school and learn more about its academic, athletic and service programs. With small average class sizes, 41 athletic teams, and over 50 clubs and service programs, 'Bishop McGann-Mercy Diocesan High School' provides a robust learning experience intermingled with catholic values. For more information about the Open House or registration, please call the Registration office at 631-727-5900 ext 35.

Public Announcement

SCDPW has submitted applications to dredge the Forge River and Narrow Bay tributaries. There will be an informational public meeting at 'William Paca Junior High School' on Thursday, September 22nd from 7-9PM regarding proposed spoil sites and project time-line. Elected officials will be available to answer concerns the public may have about this project.

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*.

Religious Jubilee

Join us on Tuesday, September 27th at 5PM at 'St. Agnes Cathedral,' Rockville Centre. Our celebrant will be Bishop William Murphy. The Religious Jubilee is our Diocesan celebration of religious priests, sisters and brothers who are celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th, 75th or 80th anniversary. For more information visit www.drvc.org/office-vicars-for-religious.

Dominican Village

SIT DOWN LUNCHEON Come by for a complementary sit down luncheon on September 29th 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 September 23rd 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 houses between 1PM to 3PM: Thursday, September 15th, Saturday, September 24th and Thursday, September 29th. For more information, or to schedule a tour at your convenience, contact us today at 631-842-6091 or info@dominicanvillage.org.

The Catholic Boy Scout Convocation

Through hard work and perseverance a member of our parish received the 'Pope Pius XII Religious Emblem'. From troop #433, **James Fiore**. Congratulations!

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 or call 516-361-7263.

McGann-Mercy's Annual Golf Classic

Held on September 29th, 'McGann-Mercy's Booster Club' will be holding its Annual Golf Classic at 'Rock Hill Golf & Country Club' in Manorville. As a fitting finale for the day, alumni and renowned golf professional, Tom Patri'77, will be honored at the Hall of Fame Induction Dinner that evening. Registration starts at 11:30AM; there is a 1PM Shotgun start. The Hall of Fame Induction and Lobsterfest Dinner will start at 5:30PM. All proceeds from this event go toward the 'McGann-Mercy Booster Club', which supports the fine arts and athletic programs at McGann-Mercy. For more information on sponsorship opportunities or to play golf at this exciting event, call 631.727.5900, ext. 34 or go to www.mcgann-mercy.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.

Rotary Pancake Breakfast

This year the 'Rotary Club of Shirley and the Mastics' will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 2nd from 8:30AM to 1:00PM in the beautiful newly renovated parish center hall. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children and seniors. The proceeds from this event will go to the special needs of the community through the 'Interact Club of William Floyd'.

Catholic Men's Ministry

Will be starting this month on the third Wednesday, September 21st, from 8PM-9:30PM in the first floor classroom of the parish center. Anyone who may be interested in joining our group is welcome to attend.

Tea with Spirit

The former students and staff of 'Dominican Commercial High School' are invited to attend a special celebration at the 'Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Dominic' at 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, on Sunday afternoon, October 2nd. The classes of 1951, 1961, and 1986 will be highlighted that afternoon. Please call Benincasa Family Services at 631-842- 6000 ext. 351 or email dcgrads@yahoo.com if you would like to receive an invitation.

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 Bill @288-3263 or Bob 732-0426.

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 weekend of September 24 & 25th. Please sign up at that time. If that is not possible, you can sign up online at 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.

Dominican Laity

'Our Lady of Hope' Chapter will hold an open house on Sunday, October 9th at 1PM in the St. Jude Parish Center, Room B. Men and women 18 years or older who wish to have a closer relationship with Jesus are invited to attend! Come and see what the 'Third Order of St. Dominic' is all about. For information please call Ana Pauze at 281-7763.

60 Voice Mainz, Germany, Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys Concert

Wednesday, October 12th at 7:30PM at 'St. Agnes Cathedral' in Rockville Centre. Hosted by the '100 voices of the St. Agnes Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys' and the 'Diocesan Boys Choir' of Rockville Centre.

End of Life Conference

Thursday, October 13th from 7-9PM. The 'End of Life Conference' will introduce the NYSCC document "*Now and at the Hour of Our Death*", a *Catholic Guide to End-of-Life Decision-Making*. Presenters are Kathleen Gallagher, Director of Pro-Life Activities, NYSCC and Rev. Charles Caccavale, Professor Moral Theology, 'Seminary of the Immaculate Conception.' R.S.V.P. by October 1st. Hosted by 'St. Agnes Cathedral Respect Life Committee' in the St. Agnes Cathedral, Parish Center, 29 Quealey Place, Rockville Centre. For more information contact, (516) 678-5800 Ext 626.

40-Year Reunion 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 for details.

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.

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. Guest speaker Bishop Libasci. For Information and tickets please call: 516-798-8746 or visit our website at: www.lifecenterli.org.

Mass Attendance

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY		5pm	Total	
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30			11:30
Aug. 21	258	125	235	319	540	149	1626
Aug. 28	218	80	11	1	3	50	363
Sept. 4	280	180	225	275	344	120	1424
Sept. 11	294	150	213	325	445	106	1533

Weekly Collections

Regular Collection Sept. 11th \$10,773.65
Catholic University \$2,228.00

Catholic Ministries Appeal

2011 Goal \$50,174.00
Total pledges a/o 9/13/11 \$59,389.08
of Donors 200
Payments a/o 9/13/11 \$49,328.58

Thank you to all who have pledged.

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011 *Weekday*

EZR 1:1-6/LK 8:16-18

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 *Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, priest and martyr, and Paul Chong Hasang, martyr, and companions, martyrs*

EZR 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20/LK 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

Saint Matthew, apostle and evangelist EPH 4:1-7, 11-13/MT 9:9-13

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2011 *Weekday*

HG 1:1-8/LK 9:7-9

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011 *Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, priest* HG 2:1-9/LK 9:18-22

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2011 *Weekday*

ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A/LK 9:43B-45

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2011 *Twenty-sixth*

Sunday in Ordinary Time EZ 18:25-28/PHIL

2:1-11 OR 2:1-5/MT 21:28-32

Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of September 19th has been donated:

In memory of Diana Fabiano

Altar Flower Offering

The altar flowers for the weekend of September 17th & 18th have been donated:

Intentions of St. Jude Catechists

Many dates are available including,

October 1st & 2nd and last 3 weekends.

Wedding Banns

III Laurence Niebuhr/Michelle Rider

I & II Paul Cuccia/Jessica Duncan

Baptisms

Madison Eileen Codey, Jackson Geschle,
Salvatore James Quattrocchi IV, Jayson Ruland
May God Bless them and their families!

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 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.

9/11 Memorial/All Souls Concert of Remembrance

Sunday Evening, October 30th, at 7:30PM at 'St. Agnes Cathedral' in Rockville Centre. Featuring John Rutter's "Requiem," performed by the 'Cathedral Chorale', 'Advanced Boys Choir', 'Cathedral Singers', 'Schola Cantorum', with Soloists and Orchestra. Michael L. Bower is the Conductor.

Golden Wedding Liturgy

'Church of Christ the King' in Commack will host a 'Golden Wedding Liturgy' for couples married 50 years of 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.

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.

Outreach

Thank you to Eleanor & Bill Smith for your very generous food donation. Thank you to all parishioners who donated school supplies & school snacks. This year we were able to give 437 children a good start in school. There will not be a 'Spare-A-Dime' in September. If you would like to donate anyway, please put it in the Poor Boxes by the door entrance in the front vestibule. It is all greatly appreciated and will be put to good use. God bless you fo your support of your Outreach program.

ST. JUDE'S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Have you experienced the death of a spouse?
For support there will be eight sessions starting

Tuesday, October 4th 7:00pm-8:30pm

To register or for more information please call the rectory at 281-5743. Registration is required prior to start of session.

Bereavement Support Groups have multiple functions. They are places of:

EMPATHY...

- To receive positive feedback that the experiences of grief are normal—"I'm not going crazy".
- To know that others—"just like me" have been there too, and have survived.

ACCEPTANCE...

- To be encouraged to share pain, fears and frustrations.
- To be enabled to tell your story—repeatedly.
- To be able to share the physical, emotional and spiritual pain of loss and to be understood by a caring group of friends.

SAFETY (CONFIDENTIALITY)...

- To ask for help and receive encouragement.
- To give to others as they give to you.
- To revive and review memories.
- To receive the strength to let go—to say goodbye.

GROWTH...

- To test the appropriateness of decisions.
- To find more effective coping strategies.
- To tolerate unanswerable questions.
- To become open to God's presence in your life.
- To experience God's love through His Church in the companionship of sisters and brothers in faith.

