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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.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 19th 2012

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
CLOSED JULY & AUG.
SATURDAYS
CLOSED
SUNDAYS
9:00am-12:00pm
CLOSED HOLIDAYS

Deacons
Thomas Gillen
Kenneth Geohan
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
4:00-4:45pm
WEDNESDAYS
2:00-2:45pm
Also by appointment.

Parish Outreach
MON., - THURS.
9:00am-1:00pm
LAST WED. OF MONTH
5:00-7:00pm (Note:
Closed Wed. in Jul/Aug.)
CLOSED FRI., SAT., SUN.
& 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 18, 2012

5:00pm Margaret McKenna †

7:30pm William Vaughn Dubois †

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2012

8:00am Parishioners of St. Jude

9:30am William Thomas Spellman †

11:30am In honor of Madonna DelSoccorso

5:00pm Rita Cutolo †

MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2012

9:00am Anna Marie Isamone †

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012

9:00am John Weis †

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2012

9:00am Debbie Brunjes †

12:00pm Saint Jude Guild:
Joseph Palma †, Sheila Nesbitt †,
Joseph Pace †, John LaValle †,
Tanzer Family living & deceased †

7:30pm Maureen Grosso †

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2012

9:00am Andy Mercado †

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2012

9:00am Will Purdoski †

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 2012

8:30am Louise Selhanik †

5:00pm Ramon Riviera †

7:30pm Gabriela Daza †

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2012

8:00am Feast of Madonna Guardia

9:30am Parishioners of St Jude

11:30am Intentions of Laura Vecchio
"Happy Birthday"

5:00pm Eric Colon †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

FOR THE SICK: Benjamin Archer, Joseph Buccilli III, Diane Buderer, Frances X. Butler, Anna Campagna, Hannah Chodkowski, Audrey Cronin, Michael Cuervo, Mary Czak, Anna Daly, Liz Daly, Gaetano DeRicco, Gloria DeTomaso, Raymond Michael Dhyne, Angela DiBartolo, Robert A. DiFrancesco, Carol Franzone, George Gebhart, Nora Getchell, Charlie Gibilaro, Catherine Gillin, Michelle Gonzalez, Ralph Guardi, Nikki Guinta, Laura Guisto, Catherine Hannon, Steve Herrbrandt, Agnes Janssen, Ronald Jones, Donna Kilmer, Richard Kaminski, Cookie & Steve Landau, Maddi Lechner, Pat Longhitano, Joseph Marchetti, Melinda Martucci, Daniel Mascia, Robert McCloskey, Patricia Miller, Martin Minogue, Matthew Mockler, Joseph V. Mosca Jr., Chase Richard Musolino, Edward Pallan, Christopher Frank Panzarella, Fairlie Pasfield, Abdul Rattu, Eugene Russo, Mary Saggio, Sister Mary Mildred Scrivano, Bill Stokes, Mary Vazzana, Maureen Wahl, Donna Zumrol

FOR THE DECEASED: Margaret Keesler, Paul R. Bouchard Sr., Elizabeth M. Lottmann, Elsie Hadbafnick

FOR THE MILITARY: John Abel, Matt Corica, Joseph Competello, Michael Cuervo, Kenneth Drumm, Jr., Daniel Edwards, Daniel Engo, Michael Hickey, Jeffrey Holmes, Steven Kay, Richard Kruger, Chris Manakides, John Maresca, Richard McLaughlin Joe Occhineri, Anthony Ochoa Jr., Katherine M. Onorato, Ramon Ortiz, Matthew Parenti, Rich Pinckney, Tory Pinckney, Gerard Posillico, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Vinnie Riveria, Randy Sanchez, Steven Schloesser, Carl Seaman, Don Skelton, Arlise A. Smith, Bobby Sosa, Derek Trabocchi, Timothy Weisner

Important Information

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS: The rectory will be closed on Fridays during the month of August.

Faith Formation

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: CLASSES ARE STARTING EARLIER THAN IN THE PAST. Classes start on September 10th and we will end classes the week of April 22nd. REGISTER NOW! Class space is limited!

ALL CATECHIST ORIENTATION MEETING: The meeting will be on Saturday, August 25th from 1–3:30PM in the parish center. Please bring a lunch item to share.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR FAITH FORMATION: DON'T WAIT to register or re-register your child for Faith Formation Classes for the 2012-13 school year. Please go to our website (listed in front of the bulletin) follow links to Faith Formation, then to appropriate form and download the form. Then, follow the links to PARENT HANDBOOK and read the handbook online. Complete the forms AND SIGN THAT YOU READ THE HANDBOOK. You can bring or mail the re-registration forms to the office. If you are registering a new student, bring form into the office with the child's original baptismal certificate. Please note the registration fee at the top of the forms and include with form. PLEASE DO NOT WAIT. CLASS AVAILABILITY IS BECOMING LIMITED! OFFICE HOURS DURING AUGUST are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9-4:30PM

VOLUNTEER FOR OUR FAITH: Faith Formation is desperately in need of responsible adults willing to volunteer some of their time to help with teaching the faith to the youth of our community. I understand that free time is something we seldom have, but maybe, somehow, you will be touched by the Holy Spirit to come forward and help. We need:

- 3 adults to teach Confirmation Prep 1 to 7th level students (age 12/13)
- 1 adult to teach RCIC1 Upper (6th, 7th & 8th level students preparing to receive sacraments).

Above classes meet on Wednesday from 6:45-7:45PM and occasionally have additional large group meetings immediately following regular class.

- 1 adult to teach Confirmation Prep 2 to 8th level students (age 13/14). This is their final year of study before receiving Confirmation.

The above class meets on Monday from 6:45-7:45PM and has additional large group meetings immediately following the regular class.

- 2 adults to teach Level 1 (age 6/7).

You may pick your class day; Mon, Wed, Thurs. evenings or Saturday mornings.

- Adults to volunteer with assorted office.
- Adults to monitor security of students in building during class sessions.

PLEASE CALL 281-2835 TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY FROM 9-4:30PM FOR MORE DETAILS!

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.*" As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people. With love for your neighbors who have nothing, give to the 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul'.

Catholic Men's Ministry

'St. Jude Catholic Men's Ministry' meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7PM in the parish center. All men are welcome to attend.

The Legion of Mary

Meets on Thursdays at 10:30AM in the parish center 1st floor classroom. We welcome anyone who may wish to join us.

Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR

3rd ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Thursday, September 27, 2012

ROCK HILL COUNTRY CLUB

Clancy Road, Manorville, N.Y.
631-878-2250

\$150.00 per golfer
\$50 Dinner Only guests

11:30 AM - Registration
12:00 PM - Lunch and Open Driving Range
1:30 PM - Shotgun Star
5:00 PM - Cocktails
6:00 PM Buffet Dinner and Open Bar

To register or sponsor ~ call school office: 878-1033

Sponsorship: \$2,500.00 (Premier)
 \$1,000.00 (Lunch Only)
 \$ 500.00 (Cocktail)
 \$ 250.00 (Pin/Flag)
 \$ 100.00 (Tee Sign)

Golf Committee

Chairpersons: Stephanie Gatchalian and Donna Verga

Planning Committee: Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Mirro, Sr. Eileen Martin, SC, William Guiducci,
Kathy Malone, Liz Sandolo

Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School, formerly St. John the Evangelist Parish School, was founded in 1926 and staffed by the Sisters of Charity of New York. In 1992, it became a regional school serving Pre-K through 8th grade in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

At Our Lady Queen of Apostles we strive to promote a unique, family oriented community of learning built on a foundation of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ who is love and compassion. Our mission is to empower each of our students to discover and nurture their unique gifts in a safe and secure environment; to grow to meet the demands of a rapidly changing and complex world. We encourage our students to develop into intellectually and morally responsible people of vision and faith.

School Supply Drive

It is time again when 'Outreach' will begin to collect school supplies for the children in need in our community. We will be distributing supplies from August 20-September 13th. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Some suggestions on what is needed: pens, pencils, sharpeners, blunt scissors, composition notebooks, loose leaf binders and paper, dividers, pocket folders, colored pencils, washable markers, index cards, and anything you find on sale. Through your generosity, we can help the children get off to a good start. Please leave your donations in the rear of the Church, or you can drop them off at 'Outreach' Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday's from 9AM-1PM. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Outreach Thank You

We would like to thank all the generous parishioners for your food and school supply donations. You ALWAYS come through when we need it the most. We would like to thank the Pattersquash Creek Civic Association, the children of St. Jude vacation Bible school, the Columbiettes, and Cub Scout Pack#88 for your special monetary and food donations, which replenished our bare shelves in our emergency food closet. God bless you all!

Rosary Altar Society

Our Membership Drive will be underway next week, August 25th & 26th. Applications will be handed out after all Masses.

Bibles Needed

The RCIA gives instruction to adults learning or inquiring about the Catholic 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 the donor's name and given to one of the candidates. They will be asked to remember the donor in their prayers. Last year your response was overwhelming and we are extremely grateful for your generosity. If you are interested in donating a copy of *The New American Bible*, please leave a \$5 donation at the rectory to the attention of Ana Pauze', RCIA.

Maria S.S. del Soccorso

On Sunday, August 19th, following the 11:30AM Mass, there will be procession from the church to the shrine for the 'Lady Maria S.S. del Soccorso'. We will pray the rosary beginning Wednesday, August 1st through Tuesday, August 21st in the church at 1PM. All are welcome to join us.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

MEET KIDS 4 JESUS The Children are made for faith! They can reach great heights through a real relationship with Jesus and knowledge of their Catholic Faith. This CD features ten songs from the K4J programs that kids are sure to love, and which will help them build their character and teach lessons about the Faith. See how quickly your kids will learn the words and meaning of the songs!

Seeking PreCana Facilitators

Blessed with a Great Marriage of 3 or more years? How about sharing your blessing with the Church? We are looking for a few more PreCana facilitators to help share the beauty of the sacrament of matrimony with our parish's engaged couples. Perhaps you and your spouse are who we are seeking. Your time is only needed a few times a year and it gives you a chance to share God's love with younger couples. Also, there is no teaching experience required as training will be provided. Please spend some time in prayer thinking about joining this wonderful ministry, and then contact Melissa Sgroi at 631-729-8106 with any questions.

OLQA Early Childhood Day

'Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School' will be hosting an Early Childhood Day next Sunday, August 26th from 10AM-2PM. We will have educational games, interactive demonstrations, fun activities, face painting, and refreshments. Visit our classrooms, meet some of our teachers, and learn about our full day 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. ALUMNI WELCOME!

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 baptized Catholic who has not been confirmed, nor received First Holy Communion,

WHO WOULD LIKE TO COMPLETE THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

(Which are Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion).

One must be a fully initiated Catholic to be a qualified godparent or confirmation sponsor.

The group will be beginning Monday, August 27th and reception of sacraments in 2013. A \$25 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

Shrine of Our Lady –Manorville

DAY OF RECOLLECTION On Saturday, August 25th from 9AM–3PM with Fr. Matthias Wesnofske, OFM Cap. Hosted by the ‘Secular Franciscan Order, St. Lawrence of Brindisi Fraternity’. Conference, Sharing Groups, Holy Mass and Benediction. All are welcome to learn about the Secular Franciscan Way of Life!

Call for more information Bob Metz 631-475-3426.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP A newly formed ‘Women’s Prayer Group’ will be having their monthly meeting at the ‘Shrine of Our Lady of the Island’ on Thursday, August 23rd at 7:30PM. The guest speaker will be Sarah Ryan, who will address the group followed by a talk & discussion session with praise and worship afterward. All ladies are welcome!! Come join us for a great evening geared toward a refreshed and renewed spirit. For more information, please call 631-325-0661.

St. John the Evangelist and OLQA Alumni!

Did you graduate from ‘St. John the Evangelist School’, now known as ‘Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School’ (OLQA), in Center Moriches? Come reconnect with your fellow classmates next Sunday, August 26th under the Alumni Tent at the OLQA Early Childhood Day between 10AM–2PM. Come tour the school and see how we’ve grown! Can’t come, but want to be included in future events? Call 631.878.1033 for additional information.

Consecration to Jesus Through Mary

Join us for a 5 week program, ‘St Louis de Monfort’s’ 33 day consecration to Jesus through Mary. We will begin Tuesday, September 4th at 5:30PM and be meeting in the parish center. There will be no charge for the books. “A free will offering will be appreciated if anyone wishes to donate”. Guest speaker for week one will be Father Roy Tvrdik. Please call Tom B. 848-8958 or Nancy M. 395-4906 by August 26th, to register, and allow time for the books to arrive. A volunteer will be available after Masses on August 26th for anyone who would like to register as well.

Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille

HELP HEAL YOUR MARRIAGE: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, September 7th-9th at the ‘Montfort Retreat House’ in Bay Shore, please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from ‘Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille’ who can help.

East End Hospice

Hospice volunteers needed. Who is a hospice volunteer? Someone who is caring & friendly, a good listener, can have friendly conversation or just sit quietly, can drive to an appointment or help with shopping and can be a positive presence even in difficult times. Are you that someone? If you are, ‘EAST END HOSPICE’ needs you. ‘East End Hospice’ is a New York State certified hospice serving the six eastern towns of Long Island. Our team of skilled professionals and volunteers provide social, emotional and spiritual support to terminally ill patients and their loved ones in the comfort of their own home. This October, ‘East End Hospice’ will offer comprehensive training to prepare you to be a hospice volunteer. Training is mandatory for volunteers who visit with patients and their families. If you would like to find out more about volunteering, please call Faith or Susan at 288-8400 before September 15th to schedule an interview and register for the volunteer training program.

Where there is Christ Jesus, there is the Catholic Church. —Saint Ignatius of Antioch

Mass Attendance

	SATURDAY		SUNDAY			Total
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	
July 22	244	105	224	287	335	1381
July 29	270	120	210	273	370	1426
Aug 5	254	140	209	286	395	1446
Aug 12	290	155	200	261	385	1439

Weekly Collections

August 12th \$9,567.97

Catholic Ministries Appeal

2012 Goal \$56,200.00

Pledges as of 8/14/12 \$63,715.00

Number of Donors 201

Payments as of 8/14/12 \$43,390.00

We have reached our pledge goal. Thank you for your generous support of the CMA Appeal. God Bless You!!!!

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2012 *Saint Bernard,*

Abbot and Doctor of the Church

EZ 24:15-24/MT 19:16-22

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012 *Saint Pius X, Pope*

EZ 28:1-10/MT 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2012 *The Queenship*

of the Blessed Virgin Mary

EZ 34:1-11/MT 20:1-16

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2012 *Weekday*

EZ 36:23-28/MT 22:1-14

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2012 *Saint Bartholomew,*

Apostle RV 21:9B-14/JN 1:45-51

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 2012 *Weekday*

EZ 43:1-7B/MT 23:1-12

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2012 *Twenty-first Sunday*

in Ordinary Time JOS 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B/EPH

5:21-32 OR 5:2A, 25-32/JN 6:60-69

Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread and wine for the week of August 20th is donated:

In Honor of Saint Barbara

Available weeks: Sept. 10th, 17th & 24th and

Oct. 1st, 15th, 22nd & 29th.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers for the weekend of August 18th & 19th were donated:

In memory of Armakolla & Rugeris Families

Available dates: Sept. 16th, 23rd & 30th.

Wedding Banns

III. Joseph Anthony Intravia/Jayne Dutcher

II. Gerard DeMelfi III/Keri Ann DelGuadio

Baptisms

Patrick Michael Bedell Jr., Lillian Mae Goss,
Giana Grace Rubino

God Bless them and their families!

Gennesaret Retreat

FOR THOSE FACING SERIOUS ILLNESS.

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness is planned September 21, 22, & 23rd, at 'The Montfort Spirituality Center' in Bayshore. 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. The retreat is offered free of charge.

St. Mary's Church Event

We are please to announce that Dr. Scott Hahn, renowned Bible Scholar and Theologian will be speaking at 'St. Mary's' in East Islip. Dr. Hahn will be speaking about "The Bible, the Eucharist and the New Evangelization" and "The Lamb's Supper." The event is Saturday, October 13th, 10AM-4PM in 'St. Mary's School Auditorium'. Tickets are \$20 per person. No fee for Priests, Seminarians, Religious, but pre-registration is required. Seats are limited. Don't miss out. Please send your check made out to 'St. Mary's Church', 20 Harrison Ave. East Islip, N.Y. 11730. Attn: Scott Hahn. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your order. Lunch is not included. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Linda Crowley, 631-581-3304, ext. 122. Include on separate piece of paper: Your name and address; telephone; (number of tickets at \$20 Each); Total. Remember-Please include a self addressed, stamped envelope so we can mail your tickets to you! Thank you!

San Gennaro Feast

At the 'Sacred Heart Church' located at 282 Long Beach Road in Island Park. For more information call 516-432-8585 or 516-432-0655. On Thursday September 6th: 6PM Mass and Procession, 7-10PM Friday: September 7th 5-11PM, Saturday, September 8th 3PM-Midnight, Sunday, September 9th 1:30-9PM.

For just as a body without a spirit is dead,
so also faith without works is dead.

—Saint James the Lesser the Apostle

Matthew Kelly Coming to Long Island in October

A "Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose" Event will be held at 'St. James Catholic Church' in Setauket on Saturday, October 20th from 9AM-1:30PM. Tickets are available through the 'Dynamic Catholic' website for \$39. Visit www.dynamiccatholic.com for details.

Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice of Suffolk, Inc.

The 'Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice' will be having their 'Bereavement Retreat' for families with children that have lost a loved one this year. The weekend, held out in Montauk, October 20-21st, is a unique experience for families to explore different ways to develop their own rituals of remembrance. The Montauk setting allows for memory work, physical movement and mindfulness. The \$100 fee includes meals and may be waived should it cause financial difficulty. For further information please call Andrea Fierro, 'LMSW Bereavement Coordinator' at 631-930-9316. Screening required by appointment. The retreat is not suitable for children under 4.

Golden Wedding Jubilee

This fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, September 23rd at the 'Church of Saint Rose of Lima' in Massapequa and on Sunday, October 21st at the 'Church of Christ the King' in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30PM. Couples may choose whichever liturgy is most convenient for them. Registration must be to the Office of Worship by September 6th for the September 23rd liturgy and by October 4th for the October 21st liturgy. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800 ext. 207

Beginning A New Life Inc.

'The Women's Support' for the previously incarcerated, will be meeting once a month if you need encouragement and motivation, we are here to give you that support. Call our office at 631-615-6170 for further information ask for Janice. Supported by the 'Diocese of Rockville Centre'.

Vacation Bible School

Another faith filled week of VBS fun has come to a end. Participants attended Mass Monday and Wednesday which was a special addition to our program. Thank you to the following volunteers who made the week possible; Theresa Amorese, Mary DaSilva, Pat Kellenberger, Ana Pauze, Regina Realmuto, Minnie Russo, and a very special thank you to Lynn Comiskey for her skills with the camera and iron! Our teen volunteers included Jillian Comiskey, Mike Comiskey, Mike Gervasio, Joann Russo and Massimo Saputo. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Keller, whose generosity helped to enrich our VBS program. Thank you to the rectory staff for help with registration; and of course to Monsignor John and Father Greg who both took time out of their busy schedules to visit with the children and share their faith. Mark your calendar for August 5th-9th 2013, where St. Jude VBS will walk in the footsteps of St. Paul. God Bless all our VBS families!

Tick Bites

Ticks can be dangerous. If you find yourself exposed to a tick bite you can contact the 'Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County' at 631-727-4126 in Riverhead. For a minimal fee they will identify the type of tick and cause of action will be recommended if needed. Visit www.ccesuffolk.org for more information.

Prayer for Religious Freedom

Almighty God, Father of all nations, for freedom you have set us free in Christ Jesus (Gal. 5:1) We praise and bless you for the gift of religious liberty, the foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good. Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties; by your grace may we have the courage to defend them, for ourselves and for all those who live in this blessed land. We ask this through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, our patroness, and in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, forever and ever, Amen.