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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.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 9th 2014

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
SATURDAYS
CLOSED
SUNDAYS
9:00am–12:00pm
CLOSED HOLIDAYS

Deacons
Thomas Gillen
Kenneth Geoghan
Mark Herrmann
Joseph Simeone
Useful Numbers
RECTORY
1-631-281-5743
PARISH OUTREACH
1-631-281-5634
**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**
1-631-281-2835
NURSERY SCHOOL
1-631-395-3959
**QUEEN OF APOSTLES
SCHOOL**
1-631-878-1033
ST. VINCENT DEPAUL
1-631-219-3542

**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
**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, FEBRUARY 08, 2014

5:00pm Intentions of Bobby Vecchio
(Happy Birthday)

7:30pm Poor Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 09, 2014

8:00am Richard C. Zolnowski †

9:30am Alexander Zanderzuk †

11:30am Parishioners of St. Jude

5:00pm Mary Kuzda †

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

9:00am Carmine Chiusano †

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

9:00am William John &
William Joseph Guiducci †

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

9:00am Louis Spitzfaden †

12 Noon (Guild) Margaret Woods †, David
Joyce †, William Murphy †, Gay Conklin †

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014

9:00am Rosemarie Kosik †

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2014

9:00am Anne & Thomas Conneely †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2014

8:30am Martin Freeda †

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Jude

7:30pm Poor Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2014

8:00am Maria Christina Logozzo †

9:30am Elizabeth DeGiovine †

11:30am John Dillon †

5:00pm Mary & Vito EuFemia †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

For the Sick: Francine Albertina, Debra Anderson, Benjamin Archer, John Blume, Francis X. Butler, Anna Campagna, Jean Capuano, Dana Celentano, Douglas Corrigan, Edward Corrigan, Jim Daly, Mary Diaz, Alexandra Ditman, Michael Drury, Heather Duryee, Raymond Michael Dhyne, John Fitzgerald, Erika Frank, Joseph Frigano, Stephanie Frigano, Gary & Debbie, Lisa Gaeth, Deacon Ken Geoghan, Nora Getchell, Frank Giordano, Jennifer Guiducci, Steve Heerbrandt, Marybeth and Nick Hoffman, Anthony Ioimo, Gussie Jackson, Matthew Kaminsky, Lawrence Katz, Margaret Kelly, Lewery Family, Carmela McDonald, Baby Matthew, Susan May, Joseph Mohn, Sue Murch, Ronald Nappe, Doris Ortiz, Jessica and Joan Passaro, Frank Perez, Robert Pickering, Leslie Pulsonetti, Eileen Riboni, Justina Rodriguez, Arianna Rose, Eugene & Salvatore Russo, Vito Schiraldi, Nina Sigismund, Elizabeth Skolnick, John Baptiste Sorgie III, Richard Thomas, Sue Transue, Stephanie Walsh, Margaret Warren, Pat Zamboli, Gynnie Zatreparek

For the Deceased: Maurizio Paolucci, Robert E. Lee, Dorothy Scopt, Anthony D'Amara Warren McDowell

For the Military: John Abel, Matt Corica, Michael Cuervo, Daniel Engo, Kyle Christopher Gray, Jeffrey Holmes, Chris Howell, Steven Kay, Richard Kruger, Chris Manakides, John Maresca, Richard McLaughlin, Joe Occhineri, Anthony Ochoa Jr., Katherine M. Onorato, Ramon Ortiz, Matthew Parenti, Rich Pinckney, Kerri-Anne Pliego, Gerard Posillico, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Vinnie Riveria, Steven Schloesser, Carl Seaman, Don Skelton, Arlise A. Smith, Bobby Sosa, Anthony Thompson, Timothy Weisner, Robert Weyer

Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2014 'Catholic Ministries Appeal' has begun in our Parish and across the Diocese. The 'Catholic Ministries Appeal' is the yearly appeal that helps our diocese fund many ministries, services and agencies in the 133 parishes across Long Island. We realize that everyone's financial situation is different, but we ask you to discuss with your family and prayerfully reflect upon the graces that God has bestowed on you and your loved ones. The decision you make is between you and God, through prayer and reflection, you will come to a meaningful response.

Our Parish Goal for 2014 is \$61,900. If we reach our parish goal, St. Jude will receive a parish share of 20% totaling \$12,380. For any money pledged and received over goal the parish receives a share of 80%. On the pledge card there is a payment option for (4 months to 10 months) which you can make a pledge, pay online, if you would like to make a credit card payment now. Please call the CMA office at 516-379-5210 ext. 2 or visit www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org for more information.

There is pamphlets and envelopes available in the church lobby for those who are interested.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

New CDs and books will be available for Lent. Look for details in upcoming bulletins. Please remember that we ask for a minimum donation of \$2/booklet, \$3/CD and \$4/book to cover the purchase of these materials. Checks can be made payable to the St. Jude RC Church. Thank you for your support and may God bless you!

Faith Formation

All Grade Levels 1-6, Conf. Prep 1 & 2, RCIC1 & 2 Upper & Lower, high school and all Home Study Students – Your Grade Level Reports are due this week to your Catechist if you are in a class, or to the office if you are on Home Study Program. Conf. Prep 1 & 2, RCIC1 & 2 Upper – Your COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS SHOULD BE COMPLETED by the time you turn in your report.

Mid-Winter Recess – There will be NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES from February 17 – 23, 2014. Classes resume February 24th. The office will be CLOSED Monday, February 17, 2014 but will be open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9-5 pm. Closed- Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

T-Shirts for First Communion Retreat have been ordered. The office is expecting delivery by February 10th. The plan is for students to receive the shirt this week when they have class so they can decorate them while off from school for mid-winter recess. Directions will be attached to the shirt. Let's all pray that they are delivered on time or sooner. Please remember, the entire class must have their Communion Fee PAID in order for students to receive their shirt. The Communion Fee is \$35.00; if writing a check, make payable to St. Jude Faith Formation. Any questions, call the office at 281-2835.

Communion & Confirmation Fees are due to the Faith Formation Office. Communion is \$35 and Confirmation is \$75.

Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who choose to use their resources to reach out to others and build God's kingdom of love, justice and peace.

Bulletin Reflection

The Gospel reminds us that our lives and our deeds must serve as examples to others, pointing the way to the Father. Not for our own benefit do we labor, but so that others may see our good works and give glory to our Father in heaven.

St. Jude Easter Fair

Hold the date: April 12th is our annual fair. Any vendors interested please contact the rectory for an application.



From the Pastor
February 9th, 2014
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

General Councils of the Church, Part VIII: Constantinople IV

The Eighth General Council, which did not deal so much with theological issues as it did with illegitimate seizing of Church offices and the fomenting of disunity, was opened 5 October, 869, in the Cathedral of Saint Sophia, under the presidency of the legates (Church ambassadors) of Pope Adrian II. During the preceding decade grave irregularities had occurred at Constantinople (present-day Istanbul, Turkey), among them the deposition of the Patriarch (archbishop) Ignatius and the intrusion of Photius, a man whose public career was to be that of a statesman, coupled with a military command. His brother Sergius married Irene, the emperor's aunt. This connexion and his undoubted merit procured Photius speedy advancement. He became chief secretary of State and captain of the Life Guard. He was unmarried. Ignatius was deposed and banished (Nov. 23, 857), and the more pliant Photius was intruded into his place. He was hurried through Holy Orders in only six days; on Christmas Day, 857, Gregory Asbestas of Syracuse, himself excommunicated for insubordination by Ignatius, ordained Photius as patriarch. By this act Photius committed three offences against canon law: 1. he was ordained bishop without having kept the required intervals of time/waiting period, 2. by an excommunicated consecrator, and 3. to an already occupied see. To receive ordination from an excommunicated person made him also excommunicate ipso facto. His violent measures against the Roman Church culminated in the attempted deposition (867) of Pope Nicholas I. The accession that year of a new emperor, Basil the Macedonian, changed the situation, political and ecclesiastical. Photius was interned in a monastery; Ignatius was recalled, and friendly relations were resumed with the Apostolic See. Both Ignatius and Basil sent representatives to Rome asking for a general council. After holding a Roman synod (June, 869) in which Photius was again condemned, the pope sent to Constantinople three legates to preside in his name over the council. Besides the Patriarch of Constantinople there were present the representatives of the Patriarchs of Antioch and Jerusalem and, towards the end, also the representatives of the Patriarch of Alexandria. The attendance of Ignatian bishops was small enough in the beginning; indeed there were never more than 102 bishops present.

The legates were asked to exhibit their commission, which they did; then they presented to the members of the council the famous formula (*libellus*) of Pope Hormisdas (514-23), binding its signatories "to follow in everything the Apostolic See of Rome and teach all its laws . . . in which communion is the whole, real, and perfect solidity of the Christian religion". The Fathers of the council were required to sign this document, which had originally been drawn up to close the Acacian schism. The earlier sessions were occupied with the reading of important documents, the reconciliation of Ignatian bishops who had fallen away to Photius, the exclusion of some Photian prelates, and the refutation of the false statements of two former envoys of Photius to Rome. In the fifth session Photius himself unwillingly appeared, but when questioned observed a deep silence or answered only in a few brief words, pretending blasphemously to imitate the attitude and speech of Christ before Caiaphas and Pilate. Through his representatives he was given another hearing in the next session; they appealed to the canons as above the pope. In the seventh session he appeared again, this time with his consecrator George Asbestas. They appealed, as before, to the ancient canons, refused to recognize the presence or authority of the Roman legates, and rejected the authority of the Roman Church, though they offered to render an account to the emperor. As Photius would not renounce his usurped claim and recognize the rightful patriarch Ignatius, the former Roman excommunications of him were renewed by the council, and he was banished to a monastery on the Bosphorus, whence he did not cease to denounce the council as a triumph of lying and impiety, and by a very active correspondence kept up the courage of his followers, until in 877 the death of Ignatius opened the way for his return to power. Iconoclasm, in its last remnants, and the interference of the civil authority in ecclesiastical affairs were denounced by the council. The tenth and last session was held in the presence of the emperor, his son Constantine, the Bulgarian king, Michael, and the ambassadors of Emperor Louis II.

The twenty-seven canons of this council deal partly with the situation created by Photius and partly with general points of discipline or abuses. The decrees of Nicholas I and Adrian II against Photius and in favour of Ignatius were read and confirmed, the Photian clerics deposed, and those ordained by Photius reduced to lay communion. The council issued an Encyclical (circular letter) to all the faithful, and wrote to the pope requesting his confirmation of its Acts. The papal legates signed its decrees, but with reservation of the papal action. Here, for the first time, Rome recognized the ancient claim of Constantinople to the second place among the five great patriarchates. Greek pride, however, was offended by the compulsory signature of the aforesaid Roman formulary of reconciliation, and in a subsequent conference of Greek ecclesiastical and civil authorities the newly-converted Bulgarians were declared subject to the Patriarchate of Constantinople and not to Rome. Though restored by the Apostolic See, Ignatius proved ungrateful, and in this important matter sided with the other Eastern patriarchs in consummating, for political reasons, a notable injustice; the territory henceforth known as Bulgaria was in reality part of the ancient Illyria that had always belonged to the Roman patriarchate until the Iconoclast Leo III (718-41) violently withdrew it and made it subject to Constantinople. Ignatius very soon consecrated an archbishop for the Bulgarians and sent thither many Greek missionaries, whereupon the Latin bishops and priests were obliged to retire. On their way home the papal legates were plundered and imprisoned; they had, however, given to the care of Anastasius, Librarian of the Roman Church (present as a member of the Frankish embassy) most of the submission-signatures of the Greek bishops. We owe to him the Latin version of these documents and a copy of the Greek Acts of the council which he also translated and to which is due most of our documentary knowledge of the proceedings. It was in vain that Adrian II and his successor threatened Ignatius with severe penalties if he did not withdraw from Bulgaria his Greek bishops and priests. The Roman Church never regained the vast regions she then lost. This was the last ecumenical council to be held in the east.

In Christ, Fr. Greg

St. Vincent de Paul-Upcoming Events & Meeting

We may seem quiet right now, but SVdP is busy planning our fundraisers for the year. Keep May 2nd free as we are having another BUNCO Game Night! June 14th is our Annual Tailgate Yard Sale so start cleaning out those closets & the basement. Finally, on October 18th we sponsor our own SVdP Walk. This was a fun day as we walked in the parking lot, met new parishioners, & gave away some great prizes! We do have some other ways in mind to help the community so watch the bulletin for more information.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 11th at 7pm in the middle classroom in the back of the Parish Center. Think about becoming a member or an associate member of this great organization where we actually get to grow in our faith while doing the work of God & St. Vincent de Paul. Anyone with questions please call 631-219-3542.

Tabor Retreat House-Oceanside

THE FRIENDSHIP OF WOMEN IN OUR LIVES

March 8, 2014, Saturday 9:30am - 4pm

Aerold of Riveaulx, a twelfth century Cistercian Monk and Abbot dedicated his life to reveal the meaning of friendship. He derived his thesis from the fact that "God is Friendship." Friendship is a necessary dimension of the Christian life and a particular dimension of one's spiritual awareness as well. Let us come together as women in friendship with mothers, daughters, sisters, other female friends to reflect on this gift in our lives as we search for its meaning and continued response. Bring photos and other memorabilia.

Presenter: Sister Carolann Masone, OP is a Dominican Sister of Amityville, NY. She has spent her 51 years in ministry as an educator, pastoral minister and Coordinator of the Spanish Apostolate. These ministries have blessed her with the opportunity to advocate for and pray with women (and their families) of many faiths and cultures. She has worked in retreat houses and parishes offering programs. Presently she teaches English as a Second Language to immigrant women at The Opening Word Program in Amityville.

Donation: \$40.00 (includes Continental breakfast and lunch)

For more information call 516 536-3004 to register

Healing Mass

St. Francis of Assisi Church on
February 27th, 2014, Thursday @ 7:30pm
Church is located at 29 Clay Pitts Road,
Greenlawn.

"Strength & Hope for the Journey" Bereavement Conference

Sponsored by Catholic Cemeteries & the Office of Faith Formation-DRVC

All are welcome on Saturday, March 22nd from 8a.m.-5:00p.m. at the Kellenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale

8:00 Registration (lobby) Continental Breakfast (cafeteria)

9:15 Welcome /Opening Prayer (auditorium), Kathleen Logan, M.A., M.S. Associate Director Family Ministry Office of Faith Formation, DRVC

9:45 Keynote Address (auditorium) Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre

11:00 Workshop - Session I (classrooms)

12:15 Lunch (cafeteria)

1:30 Large Group Presentation (auditorium) "From Distress to Stress" Marianne Esolen

2:30 Workshop - Session II (classrooms)

4:00 Eucharistic Celebration (auditorium)

Celebrant: Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez

Take advantage of discounted online registration or for more information at www.holyroodcemetery.org – choose Bereavement Conference fee \$50.00 – ONLINE ONLY

Large Group Presentation: From Distress to Stress Stress management strategies, tools and tips for both the bereaved and for those who share the journey with them.

The Keynote Address by Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, M. Div., M.A., D.D. Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre Vicar for the Eastern Vicariate

Keynote Presentation: The Human Process of Grief: A Journey of Healing, A Journey of Faith

The human process of grief is the natural and healing response to the loss of a loved one. Enlightened by the gift of our Christian faith, this journey is one of pain and hope rooted in love, but also a time of profound spirituality and growth. This presentation will explore the nature and stages of the grief process and reflect on the power of our faith as the source of healing and peace.

St. Jude Blood Drive

The St. Jude Parish Blood Drive hosted by Shrine of St. Jude Knights of Columbus is scheduled for Sunday, February 23rd - 8 AM to 2 PM - Parish Center.

Donors can sign up at tables after Mass on weekends of February 8th/9th and February 15th/16th or online at www.nybloodcenter.org. The drive will help Nora Getchell, a 7 year old Mastic Beach girl with a rare blood disease and all others in need of this gift of life. Please call Bill Doyle at 525-3336 for additional information.

Our Lady Queen of Apostles-Regional Catholic School

Our Lady Queen of Apostles (OLQA) is proud to announce that it will be honoring Rev. Msgr. Joseph Mirro, Clare Haughn and Laura Saneski, at its 2nd Annual Honoree's Dinner to be held in the Sea Star Ballroom, located at the Hyatt Place East End at 7pm in Riverhead on February 28, 2014.

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Mirro, pastor at Immaculate Conception in Westhampton, and former pastor of St. Jude in Mastic Beach, will be presented with the Fr. Kowalski Award for his dedication to Catholic education and guidance provided to OLQA over the past 24 years. Clare Haughn, OLQA board member, Center Moriches resident, and parent of two OLQA graduates, will be honored with the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award in recognition of her commitment to charity and Catholic education. Laura Saneski '66, teacher at OLQA since 1977 and resident of Manorville, is being recognized as Alumni of the Year.

Sponsorships in support of the school and in recognition of the three honorees are available. Call 631.878.1033 for sponsorship information or to purchase tickets.

Bowling for Charity Event

Columbiettes are hosting: 8th Annual Cosmic Bowling for Charity Event. On Saturday, March 29 2014, 6pm doors open, Bowling begins 7pm. SHARP \$25.00pp - Non - Bowlers \$10.00(All Entry Money goes to the Winners Charity) Gather up your Team of (8). Pre-registration is required.

Please call us & let us know what 'Charity' you are bowling for

Includes: Hero & Salads, Shoes, Ball. DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS NO LATER THEN MONDAY, MARCH 24th. Call Patti (631) 772-8081.

Volunteers Needed For Annual HEC #30 Weekend

Handicapped Encounter Christ (HEC) is in need of volunteers for its annual retreat which will be held Thursday, April 24 through Sunday, April 27, 2014 at Camp Alvernia in Centerport, NY.

HEC is a retreat weekend for persons 18 years and older with special needs. Each candidate has a team member with them throughout the weekend. It is a prayerful experience of song, talks, sharing, Eucharist and many other joyful moments. There are many roles to be filled. We are in need of team members, kitchen help, setting up and taking down the camp, as well as drivers for our candidates.

Our first planning meeting will take place on Monday February 17, 2014 at 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi in Greenlawn. Two follow-up meetings are planned for Monday, March 17, 2014 at 7 pm and April 7, 2014 at 7 pm. We request that those interested in assisting a candidate make every effort to attend at least two of the meetings. Please call Deacon Frank & Michele Barone at 516-420-1207 or e-mail at micheleritabarone@gmail.com to volunteer or participate as a candidate.

Mass Attendance

	Saturday		Sunday		Total		
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30			
Jan.12	229	100	189	344	510	207	1579
Jan.19	265	145	184	292	430	252	1568
Jan. 26	208	67	155	236	515	239	1420
Feb. 2	231	155	187	309	381	129	1392

Weekly Collection

February 2, 2014	\$9,155.45
February 3, 2013	\$9,597.87
Monthly Maintenance	\$3,019.00

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

Saint Scholastica, Virgin - 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/
Mk 6:53-56

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

Weekday - 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

Weekday- 21 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014

Weekday- 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2014

Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop -
1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2014

Weekday - 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/
Mk 8:1-10

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2014

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sir 15:15-
20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

Altar Bread and Wine

Has been donated:

In memory of Ernest Winkle

Available dates: Week of Feb. 17th,
March 10,24,& 31st, April 14th & 21st

Altar Flowers

Has been donated:

In memory of William John & William
Joseph Guiducci

Baptisms

Thomas Christopher Wolfe

May God Bless him and his family!

Senior AARP Tax Counseling

Schedule now for a one-on-one appointment with a trained AARP income tax counselor. Appointments are necessary for this service on Thursday's, February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10 from 10a.m.-2pm. This service is limited to Mastic/Moriches/Shirley library cardholders only.

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "You are the light of the world," he is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds. Be a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness by giving supporting the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, to join call 219-3542.

Outreach Needs Your Help

The shelves at our emergency pantry are looking very bare this month. Can you help by picking up some staples like soup, peanut butter and jelly and cereal while shopping? You can drop off donations in the bin in back of church or in the Outreach office, Monday-Thursday, 9-1. Thank you.

Parish Mission

Hold the dates our Parish Lenten Mission will begin Sunday, March 16th through Wednesday, March 19th. During the mission, Fr. Ben Cameron, Assistant General of the Father's of Mercy will encourage and challenge the parish community to make a stronger, deeper personal commitment to Jesus Christ and His Church. The topic he will speak on during this mission is the "Seven Capital Virtues: Overcoming the Seven Capital Sins".

The subjects for the mission conference are: Humility Meekness (Sunday), Generosity & Temperance (Monday), Chastity (Tuesday), and Brotherly Love & Diligence (Wednesday).

Encourage your family and friends to attend. Further information will be forthcoming.

MAGNIFICAT Retreat

(February 28-March 2, 2014):

You are invited to attend a Retreat sponsored by Magnificat - a ministry to Catholic women starting on Friday, February 28th through Sunday, March 2nd, which will be held at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY. Our speaker is Sister Miriam James, who is gifted and anointed to teach and to bring healing to the hearts of women. Sister Miriam James travels around the country speaking and sharing her testimony, leading women to walk as true Daughters of the King! The cost is \$230 per person and reservations are required, as space is limited. For more information, please call Angela Rizzo at (516) 763-1739.

McGann-Mercy High School

Driver's Education Spring Session starting February 23rd. Give yourself peace of mind, give your teenager the gift of life! Enroll your child in the McGann-Mercy Driver's Education Program. This NYS approved program provides the required 48 hours of instruction - 24 hours of classroom instruction and 24 hours of in-car training. After successful completion of the course, students will receive an MV-285 certificate and be eligible to test for a senior license at age 17. Don't miss out - registration is on a first come, first served basis. Call 631.727.5900, ext. 320 or go to www.mcgann-mercydhs.org for information on specific class dates, sessions, costs and registration.

Diocesan High School Students to Perform Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman". On February 27th - March 1st, the members of the award winning McGann-Mercy Theatre Company will perform their version of the Pulitzer Prize winning, Arthur Miller drama. The play will take place in the school auditorium, the show starts at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$8 per person and are sold at the door. For more information call 631.727.5900, ext. 310.

Bishop McGann-Mercy High School is located at 1225 Ostrander Avenue in Riverhead.

The Beginning Experience (Divorced/Widowed/Separated)

The Beginning Experience weekend February 28-March 2, 2014 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bayshore. 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 of loss into an experience of positive growth.

For information and reservations, call John at 516-822-0635 Jim at 718-474-3779, or Jean at 631-903-0973. You can also email BeginningExperienceLI@hotmail.com.

Women at the Well

Come together with other women as we look at the stories of Women in the Bible. Tuesday, 7:30-9p.m. Mary Immaculate Bellport, Room 7- Church Auditorium. Facilitator: Sister Grace. February 18, 2014 Speaking for My Son: Rebekah & Salome.