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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.”

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - December 28th 2014

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In Residence  
Msgr. John Heinlein  
Senior Priest  
Rev. James Leone

Deacons  
Thomas Gillen  
Kenneth Geoghan  
Mark Herrmann  
Joseph Simeone  
John Gagliardi

Useful Numbers

RECTORY

1-631-281-5743

PARISH OUTREACH

1-631-281-5634

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1-631-281-2835

PRE-K

1-631-395-3959

QUEEN OF APOSTLES

SCHOOL

1-631-878-1033

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

1-631-219-3542

Parish Office

Hours

MONDAY, TUESDAY,  
THURSDAY

9:00am–5:00pm

WEDNESDAYS

9:00am–6:00pm

FRIDAY

CLOSED

SATURDAY

CLOSED

SUNDAY

9:00am–12:00pm

CLOSED HOLIDAYS

Sacrament: 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  
4-4:45 pm

WEDNESDAYS  
2:00–2:45pm

Also by appointment

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 most 1st and  
3rd Sundays throughout  
the year. Please contact the  
rectory to set up an appoint-  
ment with a member of the  
staff to arrange for the  
Baptismal preparation and  
then to arrange for a  
Baptism date.

Parish Outreach  
MON.–THURS.  
9:00AM–1:00PM  
CLOSED FRI., SAT., SUN.,  
AND HOLIDAYS

### Important News

The rectory & faith formation office will be closing at 1p.m. on New Year's Eve and closed New Year's Day. The offices will re-open on Monday, January 5, 2015. We wish you a Blessed and Happy New Year.

### Mass Schedules

NEW YEAR'S EVE - Wednesday 5PM Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY- A Holy Day of Obligation: 9:00AM & 11:30AM, NO Evening Mass New Year's Day

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD- Sunday, January 4th Children's pageant at 9:30AM Mass.

### New Year's Eve Party-Attendees

A reminder to all attendees you may bring your own preference of spirits if you wish.

The party starts at 7p.m. doors will open at 6:45p.m. no earlier, to allow for last minute set-ups.

### New Year's Eve Raffle

Ticket donation is 3 for \$10 and can be purchased at the rectory until December 30th.

1st Prize: \$750 CASH, 2nd Prize: 39' Sharp LED HD Television, 3rd Prize: Basket of Cheer and 2-1/2 hour massages from Three Peak's Physical Therapy, 4th Prize: 17 piece Ceramic Snack & Casserole set & Wine & Tote Set, 5th Prize: Snowman Casserole dish, 2 tier dessert stand & Wine Picnic Set, 6th Prize: Mr. Coffee Espresso & Cappuccino maker

Thank you to our generous donors: 1st prize: Roma Funeral Home, 2nd prize: The Vecchio Family, 3rd-6th prize: Three Peak's, Virginia Purchia, and anonymous donors.

Winner need not be present at time of drawing. All drawings will be held on December 31, 2014. Must be 21 or over to claim any liquor or wine baskets.

### First Friday

First Friday is January 2nd. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8PM, and concludes with Benediction at 9PM. We encourage all of our parishioners to participate in the Hour of Adoration.

### First Saturday

The First Saturday of each month is especially dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. Please join in the praying of the Rosary and the First Saturday Devotion prayers, January 3rd at 8am, preceding the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:30am.

### Thank You From Your Priests

In case we are not able to thank everyone personally for their Christmas cards, gifts, delicious cookies, "holy water", and other goodies, please know we are grateful for all we received and thank God for your kindness and generosity to us!!!

Fr. Greg, Msgr. Heinlein, Fr. Leone

## Masses for the Week

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2014**

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Jude

7:30pm Christmas Novena

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2014**

8:00am Christmas Novena

9:30am Christmas Novena

11:30am Anthony Aiello †

5:00pm Francesco Pisano †

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2014**

9:00am Marie Busa †

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2014**

9:00am Peter P. Konieczny †

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2014**

9:00am Carl (Cheech) Azzurrini †

No noon Mass

5:00pm Muriel Breschard †

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2015**

9:00am Parishioners of St. Jude

11:30am Nick Gessner †

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 2015**

9:00am Joseph Gioia †

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 2015**

8:30am Timothy J. Brosman †

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Jude

7:30pm Jaime Arauz Pardo †

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2015**

8:00am Maria Siciliano †

9:30am Elvira King †

11:30am Kelly Christina McGuinness †

5:00pm Henry A. Maurer †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

**For the Sick:** Patricia Ambrosino, Paula Arbaiza, Benjamin Archer, Joseph & Cindy Balzer, Christina Bobas, Joseph Boyle, Gary & Jennifer Brendel, Rev. Robert Burgess, Francis X. Butler, Dana Celentano, Al Clerico, Antoinette Covias, Samantha Davis, Robert DiFrancesco, Joann Dillman, Raymond Dhyne, Tara Doring, Michael Drury, JoAnn Eppailat, Rosa Fabbro, Joe Fazio, Joseph & Stephanie Frigano, Edward Fusco Sr., Felice Gagliardi, Nora Getchell, Ann & Frank Giordano, George Gunther, Greg Haren, Steven Heerbrandt, Marybeth and Virginia Hoffman, Gary J., Matthew Kaminsky, Lawrence Katz, Jonathan Koenig, John Kurz, Philomena Leone, Lewery Family, Freddy Liguori, Mr. & Mrs. C. Linsalata, Marilyn Lyden, Carmela McDonald, James McGaughey, Christopher James Martin, Ronald Nappe, Jessica & Joan Passaro, Frank Perez, Linda Perrier, Linda Rodecker, Elvin Rodriguez, Justina Rodriguez, Eugene & Salvatore Russo, Vito Schiraldi, Gregg Schwartz, Baby Leaha Stefanov, Kelly Steffen, Helen Sundaman, Alexa Elizabeth Temple, Richard Thomas, Desmond Vella, Madeline Villardi, Jerry Volz, Bobby, Stefanie & James Walsh

**For the Deceased:** Juanita Rivera

**For the Military:** John Abel, Nicholas Acierno, Matt Corica, Michael Cuervo, Daniel Engo, Cody Farrell, Kyle Christopher Gray, Patrick Gross, Jeffrey Holmes, Chris Howell, Steven Kay, Richard Kruger, T.J. Kurlowicz, Chris Manakides, Thomas Mannix, John Maresca, Richard McLaughlin, 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

## Christmas Fair Thank You-Correction

We apologize for the incorrect spelling of one of our very generous donors, thank you Renee Spaziante.

## Heartfelt Thanks from Outreach

Once again, St. Jude parishioners have shown their generous spirits as Outreach was overwhelmed by donations of gifts, food and monetary donations to provide Christmas celebrations for 330 families in our community. Here in the office we were able to see firsthand how grateful recipients were for your assistance (there were plenty of tears and hugs!). We told them we would pass along their thanks to the people of St. Jude who made it all possible. Thank you for all you do.

## Mass Book for 2015

The 2015 Mass book will open for Mass intentions per individual on Monday, January 5th. The book will open for the second half of the calendar year July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

There will be a limit of 5 Mass intentions per individual requesting on any given day, until January 15th. Mass offerings are \$20 for an individual intention and \$15 for Guild Masses (multiple intentions) on Wednesday.

## Faith Formation

Winter Recess – Faith Formation classes will not be in session December 29 – January 3, 2015. (Happy New Year)! Classes will resume on Monday, January 5, 2015

Faith Formation Office Hours During Winter Recess

December 29, & 30 – the office will be open 9-5:30 pm.

December 31- the office will be open 9-1:00 pm

January 1-3 – the office will be CLOSED.

## Lighthouse Catholic Media

God Made Man – Fr. Shannon Collins

As a priest in the Fathers of Mercy, Fr. Collins has appeared on EWTN and served as a preacher of parish missions and retreat master. In this Christmas-themed presentation, Fr. Collins sheds new light on the biblical narratives of the birth of Jesus Christ, as well as the beautiful Christmas traditions of the Church.

## Adult ‘Catholicism’ at St. Jude

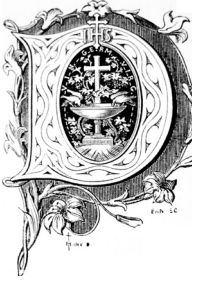
Fr. Greg is presenting Fr. Robert Barron’s popular 10-part series “Catholicism”, in the parish center, on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 pm with one hour for the video and one hour for discussion. The remaining dates are January 6th, 13th, 27th; and February 3rd. If you are not able to attend all weeks, come when you can!

## The Diocesan Choir and Music Ensemble

Under the direction of Michael Wustrow will present a Twelfth Night concert for Epiphany at 4:00 PM on Sunday, January 4, 2015 in the beautiful Sacred Heart Chapel on the grounds of the Sisters of St. Joseph, 1725 Brentwood Road, Brentwood 11717. All are invited! If you need more information or have any questions, please contact Sr. Jeanne McGorry, CSJ; phone: 631-273-1187 ext. 140 or: mcgorry@csjbrentwood.org

## You Can 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, February 6th, 2015 at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. 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.



From the Pastor  
December 28th, 2014  
The Holy Family

## Development of Doctrine in the Church

On the Solemnity of our Blessed Mother's Immaculate Conception, I made mention about the development of doctrine in the Church, and that it is to be understood that whenever the Church more deeply or solemnly defines an article of faith (or morals), it is *never* that She is declaring some "new" truth. Rather, it is that the Church's knowledge and understanding, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and through human research and scholarship, builds upon the **Deposit of Faith** (*Depositum Fidei*), that has been handed down through the ages from apostolic times, for the Church is a living, developing organism. It is in much the same way that scientific knowledge and understanding builds upon what has been discovered before, utilizing current technology. For one example, deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) was only discovered in the last century. Does that mean it only came into existence at the moment of discovery in the 20th Century? Absolutely not! It has *always* existed since God began creation; yet human scientists were only able to discover it – and continue to learn more deeply about it – through the efforts and experimentation of previous generations.

Very little is known about the details of the life of Saint Vincent or Vincentius of Lerins. This humble saint of the late 4th to mid-5th century AD was a *Gaul* (territory of modern France) who was a member of the famous monastery of Lerins on the island off the coast of southern France known both as the Isle of Lerins and the Isle St. Honorat. The following excerpts are from "On the Development of Doctrine in the Church" which denies the charge that the Catholic Church has added to or distorted the revelation of Jesus Christ to His Apostles:

*"But someone will say perhaps, 'Shall there, then, be no progress in Christ's Church?' Certainly; all possible progress. For what being is there, so envious of men, so full of hatred to God, who would seek to forbid it? Yet on condition that it be real progress, **not alteration of the faith**. For progress requires that the subject be enlarged in itself, whereas alteration would be that it is transformed into something else. The intelligence, then, the knowledge, the wisdom, as well of individuals as of all, as well of one man as of the whole Church, ought, in the course of ages and centuries, to increase and make much and vigorous progress; but yet only in its own kind; that is to say, in the same doctrine, in the same sense, and in the same meaning.*

*"The growth of religion in the soul must be analogous to the growth of the body, which, though in process of years it is developed and attains its full size, yet remains still the same. There is a wide difference between the flower of youth and the maturity of age; yet they who were once young are still the same now that they have become old, inasmuch that though the stature and outward form of the individual are changed, yet his nature is one and the same, his person is one and the same. An infant's limbs are small, a young man's large, yet the infant and the young man are the same. Men when full grown have the same number of joints that they had when children; and if there be any to which mature age has given birth, these were already present in the embryo, so that nothing new is produced in them when old which was not already latent in them when children. This, then, is undoubtedly a true and legitimate rule of progress, this the established and most beautiful order of growth, that mature age ever develops in the man those parts and forms which the wisdom of the Creator had already framed beforehand in the infant...*

*"In like manner, it behooves Christian doctrine to follow the same laws of progress, so as to be consolidated by years, enlarged by time, refined by age, and yet, withal, to continue uncorrupt and unadulterated, complete and perfect in all the measurement of its parts, and so to speak, in all its proper members and senses, admitting no change, no waste of its distinctive property, no variation in its limits.*

*"For example: Our forefathers in the old time sowed wheat in the Church's field. It would be most unmeet and iniquitous if we, their descendants, instead of the genuine truth of wheat, should reap the counterfeit error of tares. This rather should be the result, there should be no discrepancy between the first and the last. From doctrine which was sown as wheat, we should reap, in the increase, doctrine of the same kind-wheat also; so that when in process of time any of the original seed is developed, and now flourishes under cultivation, no change may ensue in the character of the plant. There may supervene shape, form, variation in outward appearance, but the nature of each kind must remain the same. God forbid that those rose-beds of Catholic interpretation should be converted into thorns and thistles. God forbid that in that spiritual paradise from plants of cinnamon and balsam darnel and wolfsbane should of a sudden shoot forth.*

*"Therefore, whatever has been sown by the fidelity of the Fathers in this husbandry of God's Church, the same ought to be cultivated and taken care of by the industry of their children, the same ought to flourish and ripen, the same ought to advance and go forth to perfection. For it is right that those ancient doctrines of heavenly philosophy should, as time goes on, be cared for, smoothed, polished; but not that they should be changed, not that they should be maimed, not that they should be mutilated. They may receive proof, illustration, definiteness; but they must retain withal their completeness, their integrity, their characteristic properties.*



*"But the Church of Christ, the careful and watchful guardian of the doctrines deposited in her charge, never changes anything in them, never diminishes, never adds, does not cut off what is necessary, does not add what is superfluous, does not lose her own, does not appropriate what is another's, but while dealing faithfully and judiciously with ancient doctrine, keeps this one object carefully in view: if there be anything which antiquity has left shapeless and rudimentary, to fashion and polish it; if anything already reduced to shape and develop, to consolidate and strengthen it; if any already ratified and defined, to keep and guard it. Finally, what other object have Councils ever aimed at in their decrees, than to provide that what was before believed in simplicity should in future be believed intelligently, that what was before preached coldly should in future be preached earnestly, that what was before practiced negligently should thenceforward be practiced with double solicitude? This, I say, is what the Catholic Church, roused by the novelties of heretics, has accomplished by the decrees of her Councils this, and nothing else, she has thenceforward consigned to posterity in writing what she had received from those of olden times only by Tradition, comprising a great amount of matter in a few words, and often, for the better understanding, designating an old article of the faith by the characteristic of a new name."*

N.B.: in this final reference to a "new name" or "characteristic" Vincent is referring to pronouncements by the universal Magisterium like those at the Council of Ephesus in 431 AD which declared the Virgin Mary to be the "Mother of God" and the councils which defined the proper divine and human nature of Jesus Christ by the new term "Homousios", meaning "consubstantial or of one substance, essence."

In Christ, Fr. Greg

## Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who fulfill God's purpose by accepting their call to freely share their God-given gifts both within our parish community as well as the wide world beyond.

## Bulletin Reflection

"Whatever you do," says St. Paul to the Colossians, "... do it in the name of the Lord Jesus. Give thanks to God the Father through Him." And so it is that we offer our gifts in the Eucharist, "through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit..."

## St. Vincent de Paul

The holiness of a family is not dependent upon perfection or an easy road. Whether we are a traditional family or a single parent, whether we have biological or adopted or foster children or no children, whether we live in an expensive home or a subsidized rental unit makes no difference for living as a holy family. What makes the difference is believing and trusting in God, responding to both hardships and God's wonderful gifts of grace in fidelity and obedience. "Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul!"

## Do you Know Someone Who is Hurting from an Abortion?

The Life Center of Long Island invites you to attend our next Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat on the weekend of February 6-8, 2015. It begins Friday evening and concludes Sunday afternoon.

For more information contact: Deacon Joe McNicholas at (516)445-3927 or e-mail: [rwr@lifecenterli.org](mailto:rwr@lifecenterli.org). Communication is strictly confidential.

To learn more about Rachel's Vineyard look online at: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) or call 1-877-HOPE-4-ME

## Mass Attendance

|        | Saturday |      | Sunday |      |                 |
|--------|----------|------|--------|------|-----------------|
|        | 5pm      | 7:30 | 8am    | 9:30 | 11:30 5pm Total |
| Nov.30 | 247      | 175  | 217    | 301  | 360 215 1515    |
| Dec. 7 | 265      | 125  | 234    | 267  | 310 146 1349    |
| Dec.14 | 262      | 110  | 205    | 302  | 355 157 1391    |

## Weekly Collection

Dec.14th \$8,851.10  
 Monthly Maintenance \$3,121.00  
 Due to early submission requirements the collection for December 21st & Christmas will be reported in the bulletin of January 11, 2015.

## Scripture Readings

### MONDAY, DEC. 29, 2014

Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas- 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

### TUESDAY, DEC. 30, 2014

Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas- 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31, 2014

Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas- 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

### THURSDAY, JAN. 1, 2015

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God-Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

### FRIDAY, JAN. 2, 2015

Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church- 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

### SATURDAY, JAN. 3, 2015

Christmas Weekday- 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Jn 1:29-34

### SUNDAY, JAN. 4, 2015

The Epiphany of the Lord: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

## Altar Bread and Wine

Have been donated for:  
 Intentions of Jonn Doyle  
 (Happy Birthday)

Available dates:  
 March 9,16,&23rd

## Altar Flowers

Available date:  
 Available date January 18th

## Wedding Banns

III. Michael Peter Taffner/  
 Stephanie Renee Maiello

## Christmas Presepio

Bishop McGann-Mercy High School is proud to announce the opening of its Christmas Presepio! Come visit this traditional Neapolitan Nativity and enjoy some quiet Advent moments. This year's display is located on the auditorium stage and contains \*thousands\* of figures, buildings and miniatures that have been placed to reflect not only the manger where Jesus was born, but the surrounding city and desert.

Our Chaplain, Fr. Jerry, and the entire school community invite everyone to share in this wonderful depiction of the true Gift of Christmas. It promises to be one of the largest, most detailed, elaborate and beautiful representations of the birth of Jesus Christ in the area. Give yourself a break from the hustle and bustle of the holidays and take in its beauty.

The McGann-Mercy Presepio will be open for public viewing until January 11th during the following hours: Monday – Sunday (7 days a week) 3 pm – 8 pm. It will be closed, however, on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day as well and New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Call 631.727.5900, ext. 310 for more information.



## FLOWER OFFERING In memory of or Dedicated to:

Scanapico Family  
Bob & John Dillon  
Bobbi Schurr  
Mr. & Mrs. Patsy Nappi  
Eileen Marcocew  
Anna Falco  
Vincent Maiello  
Holland Family  
Dorothy Hubert  
Josephana Olga David  
Raymond Asaro  
Evelyn Dunbar  
John & Eleanor Ferro  
Carl Conn  
Mr. & Mrs. Eladio Gonzalez  
Deshler & Brandi Families  
Guy & Eileen Roberts  
John Maresca  
Michael Lynch  
Margarette & Edgar Link  
Andrew LaPietra  
Kellenberger & Mann families  
Godfrey & Elsie Hadbafnick  
Eddie Clodgo

Rosemarie Kosik  
Mr. & Mrs. W. Coady & sons  
Zelaya family  
Donna Houston  
Robert Breasett  
Mabel & Daniel Gallo  
Mark & Vincent Vitale  
Isaacs family  
Barney Cincotta  
Helen Moamins  
Edward & Mary Feger  
Ziegler family  
Esterly, Ruggieri, Harvey, & Brown  
deceased family members  
Phyliss Scalise  
Mary Greco & Mary Wood  
Nicholas & Anna Orlando  
Romeo D'Ambrosio  
Barbara Biondo-Mattera  
Richard Filacchione  
Grace Liuzzo  
John, Jennie & Jr. Nesta  
Crow & Blume families  
Fara Schacca

Jacqueline Gusmerotti  
Adalaide & Joseph Garufi  
Thomas Bellomo  
Fitzgerald family & friends  
Zielinski family  
Castrogiovanni & Russo families  
Michael Kennedy  
Fitzgerald & Scileppi families  
Dr. Emmanuel R. Dador  
Dennis & Suzanne Fennessy  
Romano & Stien families  
Daniel F. Crawford Sr.  
Baby Joseph F. Barbieri  
Patricia D. Longhitano  
John DeLuca family  
Cavallari family  
Lolly Pecoraro  
Rosemary Gannon  
Emmanuella Mangogna  
Josephine Schiraldi  
Elizabeth & Herbert DiGiovine  
Don Mulvey Jr.  
Steve Baker

All flower envelopes received after December 18th will be printed in the bulletin of January 4th or January 11th.