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# Roman Catholic Shrine Church of St. Jude

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“To the Greater Glory of God and the Salvation of Souls.”



## Celebration of the Eucharist

### SATURDAY EVENINGS

5:00pm Vigil Mass  
7:30pm Spanish Mass

### SUNDAY

8:00am English & Italian  
9:30am Children's Choir  
11:30am Adult Choir  
5:00pm Youth Mass

### MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

### WEDNESDAY

9:00am Mass  
Noon Mass

### SATURDAY

8:30am Mass

HOLY DAYS  
AS ANNOUNCED.

## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time- August 23rd 2015

Pastor  
Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn  
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 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 most 1st and  
3rd 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  
and then to arrange for  
a Baptism date.

## Devotions

### Miraculous Medal Novena

Mondays after the  
9:00am Mass

### St. Jude Novena

Thursdays after the  
9:00am Mass

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday

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; Saturday at  
8:00am

### Parish Office

### Hours

MONDAY, TUESDAY,  
THURSDAY

9:00am-5:00pm

WEDNESDAY

9:00am-6:00pm

FRIDAY

CLOSED

SATURDAY

CLOSED

SUNDAY

9:00am-12:00pm

CLOSED HOLIDAYS

## Masses for the Week

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2015**

5:00pm Michael & Kathleen Kwiecinski †

7:30pm Mirna Hernandez †

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2015**

8:00am Agnes & Jerry McCarthy †

9:30am Jennie Paruolo †

11:30am Parishioners of St. Jude

5:00pm Catherine Mineo †

**MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015**

9:00am Robert Foster Colvin †

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2015**

9:00am Joseph Pesinkowski

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 2015**

9:00am Intentions of Laura Vecchio  
(Happy Birthday)

12 Noon (Guild) Ana Rosa Garcia †

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2015**

9:00am Frank Sticco †

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2015**

9:00am Barbara Carey †

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015**

8:30am John Monteserrato †

5:00pm Paul Gillio †

7:30pm Parishioners of St. Jude

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2015**

8:00am In honoe of Feast of  
Madonna Della Guardia

9:30am Werner Zacher †

11:30am Maureen Fahey †

5:00pm James Kokindo †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

**For the Sick:** Paula Arbaiza, Benjamin Archer, Joe Augustine, Joseph & Cindy Balzer, Doris Barone, Ray Junior Philip Berthold, Christina Bobas, Janet Brandimarte, Francis X. Butler, Yvette Clay, Vicki DeVere, Valerie Thomas DiGiovanni, Joann Dillman, Raymond Dhyne, Alexandra Ditman, Robert & Robby DiFrancesco, Michael Drury, Eric Duchnowski, Elaine Fino, Richard Formisano, Joseph & Stephanie Frigano, Edward Fusco, Anne Giordano, Marybeth Hoffman, Jonathan Imbo, Lawrence Katz, Richard King, Leonie Koller, John Kurz, Lewery Family, Marilyn Lyden, Carmela MacDonald, Tina Marie, Andrew Masino, Ronald Nappe, Kathleen Papile, Jessica & Joan Passaro, Mary & Robert Pickering Sr., Anna Pisano, Virginia Purchia, Rose Marie Quilfo, Linda Rodecker, Justina Rodriguez, Elizabeth, Eugene, Grace, Salvatore and Vincent Russo, John Saggio, Bill Strauss, Angelina Tangredi, Theresa Taylor, Thomas R. Taylor Sr., Richard Thomas, Baby Brando

**For the Deceased:** Lucille Rivera, George Herrmann III, James Alfred Pallace

**For the Military:** John Abel, Nicholas Aciermo, Don Bull, Yvette Clay 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, William E. Slack, Arlise A. & Michael Smith, Bobby Sosa, Catherine Timlin, Anthony Thompson, Timothy Weisner, Robert Weyer

## Mass Book for 2016

The 2016 Mass book will open for Mass intentions per individual on Tuesday, September 8th. **The book will open for the first half of the calendar year January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.** Mass offerings are \$20 for an individual intention and \$15 for Guild Masses (multiple intentions) on Wednesday.

There will be a limit of 5 Mass intentions per individual requesting on any given day, until September 30th.

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

A/o August 18th we have received pledges totaling \$70,940. Donors 194. Pymts' received \$56,417.50. Thank you to all who have so generously donated. The parish has received \$11,057.50, this is the money that exceeded 70% of our full parish goal of \$62,200 as of 7/31/15.

## SAINT VINCENT de PAUL- 'CALL TO SERVE'

At the Masses the weekend of September 5th & 6th, The St. Jude Conference of SVdP will be giving a "Call to Serve" Talk. We ask you to begin prayerful consideration to respond to the call of Christ by becoming a Vincentian.

Matt 25:35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink and the righteous will answer Him and say, "Lord when did we see You hungry, or thirsty?" and the King will say, "Amen I say to you, whenever you did for the least of my brothers, that you did unto Me."

After Mass there will be Vincentians to answer questions and invite you to sign up for an informative evening on Friday, September 11th at 7PM in the parish center.

Please call us at 631-219-3542 with any questions.

## St. Vincent de Paul- Annual Walk-a-thon

Join us as we Walk 2.5K to help our neighbor's, the walk is on Saturday, September 19th @ Bethpage Community Park. Every dollar raised will go to assist our neighbors in need.

To support us through a donation or walk with us, you can see us after Masses next weekend August 29th & 30th. For more information call us at 631-219-3542. Community service hours will be given.



## Mass on Vacation

When on vacation, please remember to always attend holy Mass. If you are unsure as to where Catholic Churches are located in your vacation area, Go online to [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) to easily locate Catholic Churches and their Mass schedules anywhere in the world.

## Free-Pre-K at St. Jude

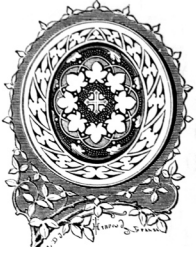
'St Jude Pre-K' offers a Free NYS program through the 'William Floyd School District'. If you or someone you know has a child that will be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2015 please contact the rectory at 281-5743 to receive an application for the upcoming school year 2015/16. The program is a five day a week, 2 1/2 hour session program that is free to anyone who resides in our community. Classes start Sept. 8th, 5 open spots remaining.

## Bibles Needed

The RCIA gives instruction to adults learning or inquiring about the Catholic faith. To do this, we need Bibles! If you are interested in donating a copy of the 'The New American Bible', please leave a \$5 donation at the rectory to the attention of Ana Pauze; RCIA.

## Bulletin Reflection

In today's reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." We, too, must be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts



From the Pastor  
August 23rd, 2015  
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Our Own Worst Enemy

On Saturday, August 1st, I had the happy task of administering Holy Baptism to the first grandchild of a dear friend at another parish in our diocese. It was a beautiful summer day, and many family and friends – perhaps 60 or so – had come to the church to witness the Sacrament. While everything went well with the baptism, a logistical glitch that could have been turned to the good made some possible evangelizing opportunities less than positive.

The logistical error was that somehow we were given an 11:30 am time for the baptism, not knowing that there were also First Saturday confessions, rosary and devotions, and Holy Mass scheduled within the same time frame! While the baptism was taking place on the side aisle where the font is located, faithful from both that church and a number of the local parishes who come for the devotions were queued up at the confessionals at the back of the church, and the rosary was being recited in the nave (main body) of the church. The Mass would begin sometime after the priest had heard all the confessions of those who wished to do so.

The “difficulties” basically began after the baptismal ritual had concluded, and the customary photos were being taken. While a number of those present for the baptism were practicing Catholics, there were also among them those who have fallen away from actively participating in Mass and the sacraments, non-Catholic Christians, and some members of the Jewish faith. As is the experience here at St. Jude and innumerable churches, when the photographs are being taken, those not intimately involved often mill about the church, many causally chatting; some others wander about to look at the stained glass, statues, and other interesting items in the building. We have all experienced and been part of such scenes.

During the photos, one woman came up to me and very properly and respectfully requested if I could ask everyone to keep it down a bit, which I fully understood and agreed with. I tried to direct the people to quiet down (with limited success, mind you!), and then also asked them to make their way to the parking lot to get to the celebration. Unfortunately, when the chatting got a little louder, some of those praying the rosary less-than-charitably barked at those talking for disturbing their prayers. Some non-Catholics who have little experience of our religion were intrigued by the green/red light above the confessional and what this all meant. Instead of seeing an opportunity to instruct and inform or ask a question of the curious, a penitent in line pointed and snapped, “If you want to go to confession, the end of the line is back there!” That is a heck of a way to say, “Welcome to the Catholic Church. Please come back soon!”

While it was only a very few of those gathered for confession and the devotions who outwardly expressed their chagrin, it was enough to give the fallen away and non-Catholics good reason not to come back anytime too soon to a Catholic church. Sadly, this was not the first time such a thing has occurred, and certainly not the last. Through the years I have witnessed such behavior from pious believers who want those “disrespectful heathens” to get out of “their” church quickly. While I do not begrudge anyone who wishes to pray without loud crowds talking over them – indeed, I sympathize with them, as I often get disturbed from my prayers by someone who has a question or wants to talk – it is important to try and look at the bigger picture. I have been on both sides of that fence, so-to-say. Guilty as charged!

While I was not pleased that whoever was responsible double-booked the church, the reality is that sometimes these things do happen, and I was resolved to “roll with the punches,” and tried on my end to not make a big deal of the inconvenience, and then keep the people as quiet as possible after the ceremony. I suppose that I failed on that account, yet it was the happy occasion of a child’s baptism, and I trust a positive experience of the Church... until “wet blankets” thrown by a few soured the moment.

In the last few weeks, I have noticed a fair number of new faces at weekend Masses. Unless people directly introduce themselves and explain, I do not know whether they have recently moved into the parish, if they are visiting with family or friends, or campers from Smith Point Park, or from... wherever. Regardless, I try to be very welcoming, because I want them to know that St. Jude is a good place to be, and we should all want to see our beautiful parish grow! But that is not my job alone. If you see someone come to Mass, and they appear to not be familiar with our church, please introduce yourself and kindly ask them if they have any questions. It could not hurt, even if they say that they have been coming here for 30 years! Perhaps it will be an opportunity to both have a chuckle and a smile. And I have heard more babies cooing and making baby noises during Mass as well. That is a happy sound! So long as they are not screeching (that’s why it is good to stay towards the back of the church with little ones who are prone, just in case...), it is WONDERFUL to know that we have young members present among us, *and that we want them and their families to keep coming back to the Lord’s House*. While we all need to be told to quiet down and behave ourselves now and again, being “holy people” who bark and scowl at “heathens” is not going to pack our church. Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, and Easter Masses always bring out the crowds. Looking at such situations as opportunities to share our blessed Lord’s loving presence might possibly have a better effect.

In Christ, Fr. Greg

P.S.: A passing of note... Rev. James Hannon, who served at St. Jude from 1979 – 1990 died Sunday, August 9th, at the age of 84. His funeral Mass was at St. Anne Church, Brentwood. May God be good to this learned, humble and gentle priest who served our Lord and His people with great love. Please say a prayer for the repose of his soul. *Requiescat in Pace.*



## Sundays at 7 Concert

Broadway voices in concert @ 7pm.: Beauty & the Beast-Sunday, Aug.23rd.

Free!! Open to the public and performed outdoors at St. Rosalie Parish Center Viranda in Hampton Bays. Please bring chairs, blankets, food and friends. There will be a free-will offering to help offset expenses. All shows will be held rain or shine. For more details visit [www.saintrosalie.com](http://www.saintrosalie.com)

## Catholic Guardian Services

We are looking for several Direct Support Professionals to deliver the highest quality in-home services to developmentally disabled adults, appreciating the uniqueness of each individual and his or her particular needs. To inquire about a position at one of our many homes throughout the Hamptons, please contact Sean Furey, recruiter at 631-728-8080 or you may email at [sfurey@catholicguardian.org](mailto:sfurey@catholicguardian.org).

## EWTVN-Global Catholic TV Network

EWTVN News covers the most important issues that concern you and your family. Also, receive the latest news from the Vatican and the Holy Father. News nightly at 6pm Monday-Friday, the World Over Live at 8-9pm Thursday, the World Over Encore 7pm Sunday, 10pm Monday.

Cablevision- Ch 135, Direct T.V.- Ch 370, Dish Network- Ch 261, Verizon- Ch 285.

"In today's world we have all kinds of misinformation... and we need... authentic news about what is going on in the Church... Our faith gives the world the Good News of Jesus Christ". EWTVN's - Father Mitch Pacwa

## Day of Recollection

St. Lawrence of Brindisi Fraternity Secular Franciscan Order will be hosting on Saturday, August 29th from 9:30am. – 3:30pm. at Our Lady of the Island Shrine in Eastport. There will be conferences, Mass Adoration and Benediction. Spiritual Director: Fr. Matthias Wesnofske, OFM Cap. For more information call Mark Crean at 631-637-0910.

## Lighthouse Catholic Media CD of the Week

Our Beautiful End: Exploring the Timeless Mystery of Heaven – Matthew Leonard



The son of a Protestant minister, Matthew Leonard is now an internationally known Catholic speaker, author, and the Executive Director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. In this presentation, Matthew discusses the nature and role of beauty in life, particularly how it sheds light on the nature of God and assists us in achieving our glorious end, which is heaven itself.

## The Catholic Tour

Pilgrimage to ETERNAL ROME

Special Jan. 31 - Feb. 6, 2016

The price is \$1599 pp, includes mandatory airfare taxes and fees, & depart JFK Airport

Day 1 Sun: Depart USA, Day 2 Mon: Rome, Day 3 Tue: Rome (Optional: St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel - Approx. Cost \$90.pp Min. 15 participants)

Day 4 Wed: Rome (Papal Audience & Christian Rome Tour)

Day 5 Thu: Rome, Day 6 Fri: Rome, Day 7 Sat: Rome After breakfast depart Rome Airport for U.S.A.

Included Highlights: Airfare: Roundtrip from New York JFK Airport

Accommodations: 7 days / 5 nights Superior Tourist Class Hotels with private bath(three star hotels) or Religious House, Meals: 5 breakfasts & 2 dinners.

Also included: daily Mass, airport-hotel group transfers, hotel tips & taxes, baggage handling at the hotels (1pc per person), & touring by private air conditioned motor coach. Price is per person based on double occupancy.

Travel Insurance is not included with this tour. There are a limited number of single rooms available. Single Supplement: \$240. Price is based on a minimum of 30 passengers.

For further information call toll free 1-877-627-4268 or email: [jimadair@thecatholictour.com](mailto:jimadair@thecatholictour.com)

## Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who choose God and service to our neighbor over every other responsibility, want or ambition as an act of good stewardship.

## Attention All High School Grads, Parents and Grandparents

Our Teens are becoming Young Adults—starting college with a lifetime of opportunities in front of them. There will be many choices that they will make during the next 4 years, let's help them to stay connected to their faith while they are making those choices!

Let's help our young people keep a faith connection while they are in college. Many will be away from home and out on their own, what better way to help them stay grounded and give them a safe place to meet new friends than through their University's Newman Center.

Newman Centers are Catholic ministry centers at non-Catholic universities throughout the country. These Centers provide pastoral services and ministries to their Catholic student population. Through the Newman Connection, students are connected to their Campus Minister and invited to join Catholic Campus Ministry—this becomes their faith community away from home!

It's simple to make that connection—the only information that is required is the student's first and last name and the name of the college or university they will be attending in September.

Then send this information to Marianne Sheridan, Director for Youth Ministry at [msheridan@drvc.org](mailto:msheridan@drvc.org). This information will be forwarded to the proper Newman Center and your teen will be welcomed in the fall when they arrive at their school. Let's keep our Young Church connected and committed to their faith!

## Free Summer Food Service Program

Come eat breakfast and/or lunch with your friends this summer! It's free and it's fun!! The William Floyd School District partnered with U.S. Department of Agriculture to serve free breakfast and lunch to anyone age 18 years old or younger!

Date: Until Friday August 28th, Monday to Friday, breakfast is 7a.m-9:30a.m. and lunch 11am-1:30pm in the WF High School Cafeteria-south entrance. Contact Dawn Ducoing at 874-1678 for further information.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Attention All Marriage Encounter Couples!

Come Join Us for a Day of Enrichment on Saturday, August 29th at The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, Manorville.

The theme of this year's enrichment is "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage."

Video presentations feature international marriage expert Mark Gungor. His humorous style is effective and memorable. No matter how long you have been encountered, this video event promises to be enjoyable. The day begins at 8:30 AM, with continental breakfast; the first presentation starts promptly at 9AM. The day concludes with the Celebration of Mass about 4PM.

Please bring your own picnic lunch and something for the sharing table. Be sure to bring your dialogue books for the 10+10's.

We look forward to seeing you no matter how long ago you made your weekend. For further information or to RSVP please call Bob & Jean Payne 631-886-2256

## 2nd Annual Farewell to Summer Concert

Farewell to summer concert, a free evening of musical entertainment for Suffolk County residents at the Pennysaver Amphitheater at Bald Hill on Friday, September 18th at 7P.M. The 60's Invasion, Touch of Grey, and the Heart of Long Island Chorus.

While there is no fee for this special show, guests must be registered and have a ticket to attend. Free tickets can be obtained online at [www.penny-saveramp.com](http://www.penny-saveramp.com) or by calling the Office for the Aging at 631-853-8200.

## Gennesaret Retreat

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness is planned for September 18, 19 & 20th at 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 at 665-7052.

## Golden Wedding Jubilee

This fall couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, October 4th at the Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa and on Sunday, November 8th at the Church of Christ the King in Commack. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm. Couples may register for ONE liturgy. Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. Registration must be received by the Office of Worship by September 18th for the October 4th liturgy and by October 23rd for the November 8th liturgy. There will be additional celebrations in the Spring for those who may find that more convenient. Dates for the Spring celebrations will be communicated at a later time. If you have any questions you may call 516-678-5800, extension 207.

## Get Free Daily E-Mail Updates from The Long Island Catholic

Get the latest Diocesan news free delivered to your e-mail inbox. Each day you can receive The Long Island Catholic E-Newsletter. Whether it's Bishop Murphy's blog or the latest news from the Diocese, you can receive it all, free of charge. Simply visit [www.licatholic.org](http://www.licatholic.org), scroll to the bottom of the page for the E-Newsletter sign up and enter your e-mail address. That's all there is to it. Questions? Contact the Office of Communications, 516-678-5800, ext. 633.

## Mass Attendance

	Saturday		Sunday				
	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	5pm	Total
July 26	215	135	217	224	400	160	1351
Aug 2	224	87	237	213	370	80	1211
Aug 9	213	105	211	262	340	120	1251
Aug 16	239	125	191	248	430	110	1343

## Weekly Collection

Aug 16th	\$8,411,42
Assumption BVM	\$1,320.00

## Scripture Readings

### MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015

Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle- Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2015

Weekday- 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2015

Weekday- 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2015

Memorial of Saint Monica- 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2015

Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church- 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015

Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist- 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2015

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## Altar Bread and Wine

Have been donated :

In loving memory of Rev. James J. Dargan

Available dates:

September 21, & 28th

October 12 & 19th

## Altar Flowers

Have been donated:

In honor of Jeanine Signorelli  
"Happy Birthday"

Available dates:

Sept. 13, & 20th

Oct 11 & 18th

## Wedding Banns

I. Alexander T. Manuel / Jeanette Nicole Finn

## Baptisms

Ryan Christopher Brannigan, Brayden Nicholas Valentin, Isabella Sofia Amador, Catharina Mary Bopp, Giavanna Grace Greco, Lorenzo Scott Franzese, Izabelle Elyse Bartley, Ryan John Ribaldo, Gianna Marie Scalafani

May God Bless them and their families

## St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

St. John H.S. is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. We will run five 2 ½ hour sessions beginning in September. For additional information please visit [www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net](http://www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net) or call 587-8000 ext 117.

## St. Jude Annual Golf Outing

St. Jude Annual Golf Outing will be held on Wednesday, September 23rd, at Rock Hill Country Club. Please join us and enjoy eighteen holes of championship golf, breakfast, lunch and dinner with an open bar. We feature six contest holes and plenty of raffle prizes. Sponsorship start at \$100 and golfers play for \$180. All proceeds to benefit our Outreach program. For more information, call Tom at 921-6793 or Ron at 255-0339.

## 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? Please note: Please arrive 15 minutes early for registration. Registration will be in the lobby of Immaculate Conception, accessible from either entrance. 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 11th, 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.

## Wanted: Host Couples for Pre-Cana

Are you married 3 or more years in a spiritually healthy marriage? Do you desire to give back to God through His Church but feel that it would take too much commitment? Then please look no further! God is calling you and your spouse to share the love of your marriage with young couples preparing for marriage. That's right; we are looking for couples who fit the above descriptions to participate in our Pre-Cana program as host couples. Once you are fully trained, then the commitment will amount to usually no more than 2 times per year during the fall and spring. If God has "touched your heart" to look into this program, then please contact Melissa Sgroi at 631-655-3779 to find out more. God bless you!

## L.I. Women's Retreat Ministry

We invite you to our Annual Retreat "The Reed of God" at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bayshore. God is looking for empty vessels to fill. He is looking for people who have died to self and desire to be filled with His Spirit. How do we become empty vessels? Come find out on this weekend retreat as Patricia Molnar presents "The Reed of God", based on a spiritual classic written in 1944 by Caryl Houselander. On this retreat we will look at Mary, the reed of God, waiting to be filled. Together we will look at how we too are called to be empty reeds so that we can share the same intimacy with Christ that Mary had.

Registration: \$225 (room & all meals included) Days of retreat- Friday evening, October 30th through Sunday afternoon, November 1st. To hold your reservation, a \$50 non-refundable deposit is due by September 7th. For more information call Yvonne at 732-3574.

## Faith Formation

Registration for the 2015-2016 School Year is currently underway. If you are a returning family, please visit our website or come to the Faith Formation Office to pick up a form and register. If you are a new family to our Program, then please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate to the Faith Formation Office to complete your child's registration. Classes are filling quickly, if you need a specific day and time please come into the office ASAP to check availability.

If you have a desire to be part of a ministry that shares the love of God with His children and their families, then becoming a Catechist or Assistant Catechist in the Family Faith Formation Program is the place for you!! We are also looking for Hall Monitors. If you have an hour or two a week to spare and would like to be part of this Ministry, then we look forward to hearing from you! Please contact Kristine at 281-2835 for more information. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me". Is Jesus calling you to be part of this very important ministry?

"Beginning of Year yellow Confession Cards" are now in the rear of the church. If your child has already received First Reconciliation, please pick up a card as the dates are fast approaching."

## Community Yard Sale-Tailgate

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will host another 'Community Yard Sale' next Saturday, August 29th from 8am-3pm (cars should be parked no later than 7:30am) in the parish center parking lot.

There's plenty of time to clean out your attic, basement and garage. Get rid of all those new and old items that you don't use! Put them all in the trunk of your car and sell them.

All Guests/Vendors to reserve a spot please call 631-875-7505 or email [Stvindepaulmb@gmail.com](mailto:Stvindepaulmb@gmail.com). A \$25 fee will reserve 1 parking spot. You keep the profit from your sales while the \$25 fee will benefit our neighbors in need. Reservations preferred but last minute drive-ups are always welcomed. Rain date is September 12th.

There is no refund for cancellations and ALL unsold merchandise MUST be taken with you at the end of the event. Applications can also be obtained at the rectory.