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

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph- December 27th 2015

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Msgr. John Heinlein
Senior Priest
Rev. James Leone

Deacons
Thomas Gillen
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Useful Numbers

RECTORY

1-631-281-5743

PARISH OUTREACH

1-631-281-5634

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1-631-281-2835

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1-631-395-3959

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SCHOOL

1-631-878-1033

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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 Parish Information

All parish offices will be closed on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. The rectory will be open on Sunday, December 27th from 9 to noon. We wish you a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Attention: New Year's Eve Party Attendees

The New Year's Eve party starts at 7p.m. Doors WILL NOT open until 6:45p.m. This allows for last minute preparations, thank you for your cooperation.

Attendees you are welcome to bring your own preferred spirits if you wish. There will be beer, wine, soda and water supplied.

New Year's Eve Party Raffle

Ticket Donation 3 for \$10.00 Drawing: December 31st
Tickets can be purchased at the rectory

1st Prize - \$750.00 Cash,

2nd Prize - Basket of Cheer,

3rd Prize - Ladies Irish Sweater and serving tray,

4th Prize - Italian Basket and Pampered Chef Medium Bar Pan,

5th Prize - ½ hour massage from Three Peaks Physical Therapy and Hand Crochet Blanket,

6th Prize - ½ hour massage from Three Peaks Physical Therapy and Hand Crochet Blanket

Winner need not be present at time of drawing. Must be 21 or over to claim "basket of cheer".

Mass Book for 2016

The 2016 Mass Book will open for Mass intentions per individual on Monday, January 4th. The book will open for the second half of the calendar year July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

There will be a limit of 5 Mass intentions per individual requesting on any given day, until Monday, January 18th. Mass offerings are \$20 for an individual intention and \$15 for Guild Masses (multiple intentions) on Wednesday.

Christmas Schedule

NEW YEARS EVE MASSES

Thursday: 5PM Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Friday: 9AM & 11:30AM

NO evening Mass New Years Day

Sunday, January 3rd — EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Children's Pageant at the 9:30AM Mass

Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2015

5:00pm Christmas Novena

7:30pm Christmas Novena

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2015

8:00am Timothy Clifford †

9:30am Christmas Novena

11:30am Christmas Novena

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Jude

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2015

9:00am Gerard Volz †

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2015

9:00am Intentions of Agnes

& Jerry McCarthy

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2015

9:00am Jennifer Bilodeau †

12 Noon (Guild) Deceased & Living priest
of the parish †

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2015

9:00am John & Mary Gerbino †

5:00pm Muriel Breschard †

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2016

9:00am Parishioners of St. Jude

11:30am Intentions of the Lewery Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2016

8:30am Joseph Gioia †

"Birthday"

5:00pm Parishioners of St. Jude

7:30pm Living & Deceased Members of

Koller & Gauggel Families

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016

8:00am Michael Cunningham †

9:30am Salvatore Prinzivalli †

11:30am Michael Dillon †

5:00pm Salvatore Prinzivalli †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

For the Sick: Paula Arbaiza, Benjamin Archer, Joe Augustine, Joseph Balzer, Christina & Lisa Bonas, Thomas Breasett, Janet Brandimarte, Ed Burns, Francis X. Butler, Rev, Zachary Callahan, Dana Celestano, Yvete Pauze Clay, Samantha Davis, Jeanette DeNicolò, Raymond Dhyne, Valerie Thomas DiGiovanni, Joann Dillman, Maryann Ennesser, Frances Fontaine, Joseph & Stephanie Frigano, Josephine & Bob Gamberale, Ann & Frank Giordano, Madeline Giovannele, Mary Beth & Nick Hoffman, Lawrence Katz, Patricia Kenna, Lewery Family, Andrew Masino, Alana & Michael McCarthy, Arianna Muti, Kerry Nahon, Ron Nappe, Joann Nasta, Anthony Paruolo, Jessica & Joan Passaro, Anna Pisano, Justina Rodriguez, Jean Rubino, Lucille Rudek, Eugene, Grace, Salvatore & Vincent Russo, Bill & Stephanie Straus, Theresa & Thomas R. Taylor

For the Military: John Abel, Nicholas Acierno, 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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The search is underway for Longest Married Couple in the U.S.

Do you think you know who they are? Maybe it's your parents... grandparents... That nice couple who live down the street...

Nominating a couple is easy! Just send their names, wedding date and where they live and your contact information to:

wwwmelmc2015@gmail.com

Nominations accepted until January 10, 2016.

Winners will be announced February 2016 to celebrate World Marriage Day. Nominate a couple you know today!

Lighthouse Catholic Media CD of the Week

Glory to the New Born King – Lindsey Todd

Lindsey Todd debuted her singing skills at the age of 3

when she sang "Hark the Herald" over the phone to

her grandparents. Lindsey has one of those special

voices that combine a beautiful timbre, a natural vibrato, and a radiant purity. Her first album, recorded

while she was a young teenager, contains a collection of 9 traditional Christmas carols, performed the way they were meant to be, with beauty and reverence.



St. Jude Shrine Chapel Capital Campaign

Payment Reminders Mailed!

This week we mailed out the first payment reminders for those families who made a pledge. Included in the mailing will be statement of your pledge, return envelope and instructions for using a credit or debit card. If you have any questions, please call 281-5743 and speak with Andy White who is directing the campaign.

Campaign Efforts Continue

The campaign will not end until all members of our parish family have had an opportunity to be part of the campaign's success. **We need everyone to participate if we are to make our goal.**

Please make your pledge or one-time donation by returning the all-in-one pledge envelope that was mailed to your home, or pick up an extra one at Mass. No down payment is necessary. **Please review the suggested gift plans in the brochure and continue the success of our campaign by making your gift today!**

As you make your pledge . . . Please remember

- * Pledges can be made over a period of three or four years.
- * Pledge payments are in addition to your weekly offertory.
- * Payment reminders will be mailed in accordance with the selected payment plan.
- * All contributions are tax deductible.
- * Make checks payable to: St. Jude Capital Campaign

All Pledges & One-Time Donations -- no matter what the amount are welcomed, needed and appreciated!

If you have any questions about the campaign, please call Andy White our on-site Campaign Director at 281-5743 or on his cell phone at 516-607-3635.

Christmas 2015



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Christ is born: sing glory! Christ has descended from heaven: go out to meet Him! Christ is on earth: lift yourselves up! Sing to the Lord, all the earth; for He who belongs to heaven is now on earth!

With these words, the fourth century theologian, St Gregory Nazianzen (+389) proclaimed the Christmas message that is as true today as it was from that first moment in Bethlehem when the Blessed Mother Mary brought her son Jesus into the world. Since that night we, like Gregory and all others who know Jesus, have exulted in the gift of the Son of God made man. His birth heralds the defeat of sin and death. His presence among us, like us in all things but sin, shines the bright promise of God's merciful love on our faces and into our hearts. Who does not rejoice to know that *God so loved the world that He sent His Son?* Which one of us would turn away from this blessed scene of the Virgin with Joseph in the Bethlehem stable offering the Child to us so that all humankind can be saved? How can we do anything but sing *Glory to God* with the angels and bend low in adoration with the shepherds. This night we all become free! This night we all are one. This night we see the salvation of our God.

My dear friends, this has not been an easy year for any of us, for our families, for our parishes, for our nation, for the world. The forces of darkness are strong and determined. Terrorism seems to be widening its sweep and too many of our leaders seem unsure of what must be done to protect society and care for the suffering. Too many families are struggling to make ends meet. Too many youth in our midst are led astray by the false gods of drugs, alcohol and momentary pleasures. Freedom is under attack at home and abroad. Many look in all the wrong places for answers that hurt rather than help.

We have the right answer. We all need Christmas. We all need Jesus. We all need Mary. God has given HIS answer to the world, an answer that overcomes all its tragedies and all its temptations. God's response to our cries is clear and unequivocal: His Son! Yes: Jesus Christ, His Son! He is God's answer to our cries. He is God's gift for our lives. He breaks down the barriers, for the name of peace is Jesus Christ. He is Our Peace! And He and He alone can calm our fears, renew our strength, lift up our hearts and give joy to our lives!

Yes, my friends, this Christmas go out to meet Him; lift up your hearts; Sing for joy. For all humankind has seen the salvation of our God! A blessed and Joyous Christmas to you all!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William Murphy".

Bishop of Rockville Centre

Youth Group Resumes

The youth group will resume meeting after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 17th in the parish center at 6 p.m.

Agenda: Planning for the Living Stations of the Cross. For further information please contact Maria Gervasio at 291-5636.

St. Vincent de Paul

Parenting is a great entry into the paschal mystery! Good parents spend their children's growing up years emptying themselves of their own desires for the sake of the well-being of their children, endlessly and willingly sacrificing for them. Then, when the children are adults, parents must be willing to "let go" so that the children can be about their own business. By letting go, parents can help their children know their true identity is that they really belong to God. Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul!"

Faith Formation

There are **NO** classes through Saturday, January 2nd. All classes resume on Monday, January 4th.

The Faith Formation office will be open Monday, December 28th through Wednesday, December 30th from 9 to 5:30p.m. & will be closed New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Did you forget to RSVP for the Pancake Breakfast on January 16th from 10a.m. to Noon? This is the last call. All students are to bring their completed Mass Sticker Sheet to receive a special gift!

Bishop McDonnell HS Reunion

On Saturday, April 23rd there will be a Bishop McDonnell HS Reunion for the classes of 1941,'46,'51,'56,'61,'66', and 71. Mass at OL of Solace at 11:30a.m, reception at Gargiulo's restaurant in Brooklyn. Free parking available at both places. Guests and other grads are welcome, \$90 per person. Contact Rita Maloney rmaloney@blmhs.org or 718-857-2700 ext 2253.

"Have You Suffered an Abortion?"

Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or email: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org.

Telecare - With Deacon Mark

Deacon Mark Herrmann of St. Jude will offer a homily for the Feast of the Holy Family on Telecare, cable Channel 29, this weekend. The homily will be featured in The Word program, which will air at the following times: Saturday Dec. 26th at 10:15 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday Dec. 27th at 10:45 a.m.

Youth Band Leader Wanted

The Church of St. Joseph, Babylon would like to invite a musician who can lead our youth on instruments and in song at the Sunday 5pm liturgy. Guitar and vocal skills are desired; music degree preferred but will consider one's experience and musical talent. Rehearsals are held in the church prior to Mass. The candidate should exude spirituality, enthusiasm, and enjoy working with teenagers. Other optional worship opportunities may arise during the year that highlights the band. Send all contact information with your resume and letter (s) of recommendation to the Pastor. By mail to Msgr. Rev. Chris Heller at Church of St. Joseph 39 N Carll Ave, Babylon, NY 11702; or email at CHeller@stjosephsbabylon.org with "Youth Band Leader Position" in the subject area.

Bulletin Reflection

The first reading today provides a challenging guideline for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who embrace stewardship as a way of life. Their relationships with family, friends, and co-workers are now different, influenced by a spirit of generosity and sharing, which affect all aspects of their daily life.

Mass Attendance

Saturday

Sunday

	5pm	7:30	8am	9:30	11:30	5pm	Total
Nov.29	275	152	215	314	330	256	1542
Dec. 6	280	110	214	306	240	185	1335
Dec. 13	65	145	200	329	245	204	1388

Due to early bulletin submission requirements the Mass attendance will be printed in future bulletins.

Weekly Collection

Due to early bulletin submission requirements the collection for weekend of December 20th will be reported in the January 3rd bulletin. The Christmas collection and December 27th collection will be reported in the January 10th bulletin.

Scripture Readings

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2015

Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs-1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2015

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2015

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2015

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2016

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2016

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016

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:

In loving memory of Rafael D'Onofrio & Arturo

Available dates:

January 18th, February 1st & 29th

Altar Flowers

Available date:

March 6, 2016

Navidad 2015



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Jesucristo,

¡Cristo ha nacido: cantad gloria! ¡Cristo ha descendido del cielo: salid a su encuentro! ¡Cristo está en la tierra: levantaos! ¡Cantad al Señor, toda la tierra; porque El, que pertenece al cielo, está ahora en la tierra!

Con estas palabras, el teólogo del siglo cuarto, San Gregorio Nacianceno (+389) proclamó el mensaje de Navidad que es tan cierto hoy como lo fue desde el primer momento en Belén cuando la Santísima Virgen María nos dió a su hijo Jesús al mundo. Desde esa noche nosotros, como Gregorio y todos los otros que conocen a Jesús, nos hemos regocijado en el don del Hijo de Dios hecho hombre. Su nacimiento anuncia la derrota del pecado y de la muerte. Su presencia entre nosotros, igual a nosotros en todo menos en el pecado, ilumina la brillante promesa del amor misericordioso de Dios en nuestros rostros y en nuestros corazones. ¿Quién no se alegra al saber que *Dios amó tanto al mundo que envió a su Hijo?* ¿Quién de nosotros daría la espalda a esta sagrada escena de la Virgen con José en el establo de Belén ofreciéndonos al Niño, para que toda la humanidad pueda ser salvada? ¿Qué otra cosa podemos hacer si no es cantar *Gloria a Dios* con los ángeles y postrarnos en adoración con los pastores? ¡Esta noche todos somos libres! Esta noche todos somos uno. Esta noche vemos la salvación de nuestro Dios.

Mis queridos amigos, este no ha sido un año fácil para ninguno de nosotros, para nuestras familias, para nuestras parroquias, para nuestra nación, para el mundo. Las fuerzas de la oscuridad son fuertes y decididas. El terrorismo parece estar ampliando su barrido y muchos de nuestros líderes parecen estar inseguros de lo que debe hacerse para proteger a la sociedad y el cuidado de los que sufren. Demasiadas familias están luchando para lograr cubrir los gastos básicos. Demasiados jóvenes en nuestro medio son desviados por los falsos dioses de drogas, alcohol y placeres momentáneos. La libertad está bajo ataque en el país y en el extranjero. Muchos miran en todos los lugares equivocados en busca de respuestas que dañan en vez de ayudar.

Nosotros tenemos la respuesta correcta. Todos necesitamos la Navidad. Todos necesitamos a Jesús. Todos necesitamos a María. Dios ha dado SU respuesta al mundo, una respuesta que supera todas las tragedias y todas las tentaciones. La respuesta de Dios a nuestras suplicas es clara e inequívoca: ¡Su Hijo! ¡Sí: Jesucristo, su Hijo! Él es la respuesta de Dios a nuestros clamores. Él es el regalo de Dios para nuestras vidas. Él rompe las barreras, pues el nombre de la paz es Jesucristo. ¡Él es Nuestra Paz! ¡Él y sólo Él puede calmar nuestros temores, renovar nuestra fuerza, levantar nuestros corazones y dar gozo a nuestras vidas!

¡Sí, mis amigos, en esta Navidad salgan a su encuentro; alcen sus corazones; Canten de alegría! ¡Pues toda la humanidad ha visto la salvación de nuestro Dios! ¡A todos una bendecida y Gozosa Navidad!


Obispo de Rockville Centre

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 was 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.

St. James Parish and Catholics for Freedom of Religion

We invite you to "Medical Monday's" in St. James parish center, 429 Route 25A, Setauket from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Join us in 2016 for a series of discussions on the moral and ethical issues confronting patients, families, healthcare workers and administrators in the 21st Century. Presented by Dr. James Spencer, SR., VP, Mission and Ministry Catholic Health Services of Long Island and Jamey Hutchinson, BSN, CFCP.

January 11th- Fertility treatments and Sterility Procedures, January 25th- "Vaccines derived from cell lines of aborted fetuses and Stem cell research", February 1st- "Sexual Assault protocols, Plan B and other emergency contraception", February 8th- Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide", February 15th- "The Ethics of Sex change procedures" and February 22nd- "Moral dilemmas in the patient-caregiver relationship and following one's conscience". For more information, please call 941-4141.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend just might be what you are looking for. Renew, Restore, Refresh and Rekindle your Sacramental Relationship. The next weekend on Long Island is scheduled for February 12-14, 2016 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore. Space is limited. For more information about the weekends or to apply, call 1-877-697-9963 or visit our web site at <http://www.wmme.org>.