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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 Mas

9:00am Mass Noon Mass

SATURDAY 8:30am Mass

HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED.

Fourth Sunday of Easter-April 17th 2016

Pastor Rev. Gregory Yacyshyn In Residence Msgr. John Heinlein Senior Priest Rev. James Leone

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

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

Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016

5:00pm Intentions of Pat & Emil Albanese "50th Wedding Anniversary"

7:30pm Gloria De Tomaso †

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2016 8:00am Parishioners of St. Jud

8:00am Parishioners of St. Jude 9:30am Jeannie Blevins † 11:30am Salvatore Prinzivalli †

5:00pm Philip Rubino †
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016
9:00am Joseph Mazzeo †
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016
9:00am Edward Fusco †

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016

9:00am Britney Novotny†

12 Noon (Guild) Patricia Strebel†,

Maryellen Walters †, Ana

Guittierez †, Howard G. LaBounty †,

Joseph Materson†

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016

9:00am Living & Deceased Members of

Koller & Gauggel Families

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016 9:00am William Giordano† SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016

8:30am Carolyn Zioba †

5:00pm Anthony F. & Joan M. Jeans †

"Anniversary in Heaven"

7:30pm In thanksgiving for favors received

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

8:00am Famiglia Russo †
9:30am Parishioners of St. Jude
11:30am Helen & John Mormino †
5:00pm Philip Rubino †

† Denotes Mass is for deceased

For the Sick: Paula Arbaiza, Benjamin Archer, Joseph Balzer, Christina & Lisa Bonas, Ed & Jim Burns, Francis X. Butler, Rev, Zachary Callahan, Virginia Carr, Dana Celetano, Yvete Pauze Clay Samantha Davis, Jeanette DeNicolo, Vicky DeVere, Raymond Dhyne, Joann Dillman, Frances Fontaine, Joseph & Stephanie Frigano, Josephine & Bob Gamberale, Jessuca Giglio, Ann & Frank Giordano, Madeline Giovannele, Mary Beth & Nick Hoffman, Lawrence Katz, Patricia Kenna, Lewery Family, Fred Liguori, John Lillibridge, Vincent Luciano, Andrew Masino, Alana & Michael McCarthy, Arianna Muti, Kerry Nahon, Ron Nappe, Brenda Neary, Anthony Paruolo, Jessica & Joan Passaro, Anna Pisano, Izaiah Rigg, Justina Rodriguez, Jean Rubino, Lucille Rudek, Eugene, Gina, Grace, Salvatore & Vincent Russo, Christine Guiducci Shanley, Bill & Stephanie Strauss, Theresa & Thomas R. Taylor, Marie Uss

For the Deceased: Beverly A. Canillas, Salvatore Sgroi, Madeline Wolpert

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

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN ENTERING GRADES K-3

St. Jude Parish will be offering 'The Great Bible Stories Program' the 2nd, 3rd & 4th week of August. Two days a week, Monday and Wednesday from 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. The fee is \$35 for the 3 weeks. Children must bring a lunch each day. Open registration has begun, please come into the Faith Formation office to register. Limited space is available.

Faith Formation

Registration for the 2016-17 Religious Education School Year has begun! If you want a specific day, time or teacher, get your registration in early. All tuition and sacramental fees for the prior year must be paid in full prior to registration! \$10 discount for all early registrations!

Return your book classes are ending. The last week for classes are Monday, April 18th, Wednesday, April 20th, Thursday, April 21st and Saturday, April 23rd.

Virtus training class for volunteers will be offered here at St. Jude on Monday, June 6th at 7p.m. in the parish center. Pre-registration is required. To register go to website at drvc.org, click on the bottom right of the home page under Virtus training.

"Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Teaching them all that I have commanded you". Mt: 28

Catechists Needed

Please consider becoming a Catechist for the 2016-2017 school year! It is such a vital ministry in assisting with the Faith Formation of the children in our community! (You will also receive a \$50 discount towards your child's registration fee!)

Mother's Day Remembrance

Please remember to return your Mother's Day remembrance envelopes by Thursday, May 5th. Intention offering envelopes are available in the church vestibule. All offering envelopes can be placed in the regular collection or dropped off at the rectory.

Mother's Day cards can be purchased at the rectory for \$1. Your intentions will be remembered on Sunday, May 8th (Mother's Day).

Rotary Pancake Breakfast

The 'Rotary Club of the Mastics' needs your help! It is time for our annual pancake breakfast to raise money to fund scholarships in memory of Deacon Thomas Gross. Each year we host a pancake breakfast to provide scholarships to students for their college needs. The Pancake Breakfast will be this Sunday, April 17th here at St. Jude in the parish center from 8AM to 12:30PM. Tickets are sold at the door, \$5 for adults and \$4 for children and seniors. Please join us for pancakes, sausage, coffee and tea to help support your local community. Thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to seeing you on April 17th.

"Pray for Peace" Magnets

The parish is selling "Pray for Peace" Magnets as a fundraiser, with the image depicting a beautiful mosaic of the Blessed Mother. Volunteers will be at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses this weekend, April 16th & 17th. The donation is \$5 for one or 3 for \$10. This is a great gift idea for your mother, grandmother, aunt, niece, daughter or a friend.

Cheesecake & Pie Sale Fundraiser

The St. Jude Prayer Group will be taking orders once again this weekend, April 16th & 17th, selling 'Holey Moses Cheesecakes \$16 for 7", & \$29 for 10", also pies for \$16 to \$17. The sale is to raise funds for the St. Jude Shrine Chapel Capital Campaign. Orders will be satisfied by the beginning of May in time for Mothers Day. Please call Karen Bair at 345-0242 with any questions.

Eagle Scout Project

Andrew Minelli from troop #29 will be constructing a pedestal to hold a St. Ann Statue on the east entrance of the church. Andrew will be at all Masses next weekend, April 23rd & 24th to collect donations for those who wish to contribute to help fund this eagle scout project here at St. Jude.

Spare-a-Dime Sunday

Next weekend, April 23rd & 24th is Spare-a-Dime Sunday. Baskets will be available as you leave Mass. The money collected goes to help the needy of our community through our Outreach program.





ocations

The Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Easter is always one in which our Divine Savior speaks of Himself as the Good Shepherd who looks after His sheep. As such, it is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Our Blessed Lord calls young men and women to listen for His voice in their hearts and follow where He leads. Our prayers for new vocations to the priesthood and religious life are vital. The Church needs priests (shepherds) so that the faithful (sheep) can be nourished with the sacraments for the life of their souls; and therefore, for the life of the whole world. Please encourage – never push or force – yet prayerfully encourage your children, grandchildren, nephews and nieces to consider a Church vocation. If they truly have a calling from God, discouraging or purposefully derailing them from pursuing it would be an offense to Him, and I should hope that we all want to do what is pleasing to our Lord. Who knows better than He what is best for our eternal happiness, both individually and collectively?

Although today is set aside by the Church as a "World Day of Prayer for Vocations", it is very important for us to remember this essential element of our Faith. It is very pleasing to God and also a very good practice for us to pray often, even daily, for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Beg the Master of the harvest to send workers into His harvest." (Matt9:37). We must "build up the ranks" so to speak. Therefore, as often as we pray for our many petitions and in thanksgiving, we must also pray for shepherds to lead us, and especially to nourish us with the Bread of Life.

The following is a beautiful prayer for Priestly and Religious Vocations.

O Jesus, Good Shepherd, who have come to save what was lost, You have established the priesthood of the Holy Church, so that the work of Redemption might be perpetuated.

We ask you urgently: send laborers into your vineyard! Give your Holy Church worthy and holy priests. Give your Holy Church religious brothers and sisters. Grant that all those whom you have chosen from all eternity may follow your call. Do not allow anyone who is unworthy to ascend the steps of the altar.

Confirm all priests and religious in their difficult vocation and bless their efforts and labors.

Grant that they may be the salt of the earth which preserves from corruption and that they may be the light of the world which enlightens the faithful by their words and example. Grant them wisdom, patience and fortitude in order that they may promote your honor, propagate your Kingdom in the hearts of men, and guide the souls which have been entrusted to them to eternal life. Amen.

This is one suggestion of a prayer for this intention; there are many others to be found, or simply a personal request from your heart. The important thing to remember is how the priesthood and religious life is intrinsic to our Catholic Faith. Prayer, joy, encouragement and an open heart to the will of God is our part...and the rest is in the hands of The Good Shepherd!

In the Risen Christ, Fr. Greg

P.S.: We are planning to have a **(free!)** Catholic Movie Night on Monday, May 16th. Through our parish FORMED subscription, we will show the 1962 film "The Reluctant Saint" (105 minutes) on the big screen in the parish center. Maximilian Schell stars as "the flying friar", St. Joseph of Cupertino, in this heartwarming and amazing true story of the humble Franciscan friar who literally rose to sainthood. In the impoverished village of 17th century Cupertino, Italy, Joseph's peasant mother convinces the reluctant Abbott (Ricardo Montalban) to accept her son into the monastery. With the support of the kindly local Bishop (AkimTamiroff) who sees in him a great deal more than others, and by a series of miraculous incidents, the simple but pious Joseph is ordained a priest. Yet some are convinced that it is the devil, not God, who is responsible for Joseph's miraculous powers — until a final miracle reveals to all his true sanctity.

More details will follow in next week's bulletin, as we will need to know how many people plan on attending, so that we have enough chairs set up... and have enough popcorn! So we will likely be asking for those who will attend to call or email the rectory to let us know.

P.P.S.: Just as I finished this column, word was received that long-time parishioner Madeline Wolpert has died at the age of 95. Madeline was most dedicated to St. Jude Parish for many, many years, tirelessly working the St. Jude Feast, Christmas and Easter Fairs, among many other ways of giving her time and talent; particularly maintaining all of the bookkeeping in perfect order. She will be waked at Commack Abbey Funeral Home on Sunday, and her Mass of Christian Burial will be at Christ the King Church, in Commack on Monday at 10:00 a.m. May God be good to her and may she see her Lord face-to-face.

Worldwide Marriage **Encounter Weekend**

Attention Married Couples! Spring into Love!

This might be just what you're looking for! It's time to renew your relationship. Rediscover your love and enhance your hopes and dreams! WWME is the original and still the best! On April 29th to May 1st at the Montfort Spiritual Center, Bayshore or June 10th to June 12th at The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington. Space is limited. For more information about the weekends or to apply call 1-877-697-9963 or visit www.wwmw.org.

Lighthouse Catholic Media CD of the Week

The Necessity of Divine Mercy -

Fr. Chris Alar, MIC



Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, reveals the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy. He explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy, and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life. Be sure to listen as Fr. Chris illuminates the meaning of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Spring Open House

Molloy College in Rockville Centre is hosting their annual Spring Open House for prospective students and their quests on Sunday, April 24th at 1pm. For more information please call 516-323-4000

St. Jude 32nd Annual Golf Outing

On Tuesday, May 3rd, 2016, St. Jude R.C. Church of Mastic Beach will be hosting their 32nd annual golf outing at Great Rock Golf Club in Wading River. Over the past 30 years, this outing has raised thousands of dollars to benefit the Parish Outreach program which provides services for the neediest in our community. This outing is the primary financial source for Outreach. It is our goal to make this year's contribution our best ever and we hope that you will consider supporting our mission. Please refer to the many sponsorship options that we have available and select the option that best suits you. ANY assistance that you can give will benefit countless families in need. If you would like to speak with someone, please feel free to contact us at your convenience. Matt Kruk (281-0800) or the rectory at 281-5743. Again, thank you for your generosity and we look forward to seeing you in May.

Registration 8am-9:30am Shotgun start 10am

Scramble format - Continental Breakfast - BBQ Lunch - Buffet Dinner and Open Bar - Free Driving Range - Closest to the Pin - Longest Drive - Raffle Prizes - Sports Memorabilia Auction

Golfers

\$175 per person* \$50 for Dinner only *Early Bird Special* If purchased before April 10, 2016 cost per golfer drops to \$165 per person

Make checks payable to: St. Jude R.C. Church Golf Committee

Mail to: St. Jude R.C. Church 89 Overlook Dr. Mastic Beach, NY 11951

Sponsorships Gold Sponsor - \$1000 (Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner Sponsor) Silver Sponsor - \$500 (Driving Range, Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin) Hole Sponsor - \$200 Tee Sponsor - \$100

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(Please provide a number in the event of cancellation)		

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Sponsorship (Please identify what you would like on your sponsorship sign) Silver _____

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St. Jude Church "Remember - Rebuild - Renew"

Total Pledged: \$1,309,788
Paid to Date: \$490,656
% of Cash received 38%, Gifts: 375, % of Goal 87%
Challenge Goal \$1,500,000
Needed to reach Goal: \$190,212

Campaign Continues – Thank you for your support!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

We have now received as of 4/12/16 \$53,147 in pledges, \$31,107 payments received from 137 donors. Our Parish Goal for 2016 is \$61,900. If we reach our goal, St. Jude will receive a parish share of 20% totaling \$12,380. For any money pledged and received over our goal the parish receives a share of 80%. Thank you to all those who have pledged so far.

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.

Attention Rosarians!

Our annual members only 'Communion Breakfast' will be held Sunday, May 1st at 9:15 am in the parish center. If you did not sign up to attend, please call Vice President Annie and leave your name. It is necessary to have an accurate head count. The Shrine of St. Jude Knights are gracious enough to host the breakfast again this year. Note: Many Rosarians will be at 8:00 a.m. Mass then proceed to the parish center for breakfast. All others should go directly to the parish center at 9:15 am.

St. Vincent de Paul News

A few weeks ago as I answered the phone for ST. Vincent de Paul, a familiar voice was on the line. We had spoken several times over the past few months and SVdP had been able to assist this woman with several of the needs she had. She is the single mother of 4 small children and has found it difficult to make ends meet on her salary as a health care worker. She turns to our parish social ministry for food assistance when her program food stamps are not enough. Recently the elderly woman she was caring for as a home health aide had passed away. In addition to grieving the woman she cared for, she was now out of work. This meant there was no income and no benefits. She quickly applied to her agency and others to find a new person to care for. Because of paper work, etc. ... it took five weeks. This was five weeks of no pay checks. At SVdP, thanks to your generosity, we were able to assist this young mother.

Our Holy Thursday collection which was most generous once again, helps provide for families such as this when the unexpected happens. Along with the Palm Cross sale which again sold out, together we are able to make life bearable to those carrying a burden that needs to be lightened. As SVdP continues to try to bring the joy of the Resurrection to our neighbors who carry a burden, may we be ever mindful of the gifts that our Lord has given us each time we receive the greatest gift of all in the sharing of his Body and Blood in the sacrifice of the Mass. As this young mother thanked all of you for helping to keep her family in their home, she said to me these words. "I may be bringing my children up poor, but they will know the love of God for what SVdP has done for us." She then wished each of us the Joy of the Easter Season.

As our conference continues to do the work of SVdP, we ask you to continue to support your neighbors through the fundraisers that we offer. Our next fundraiser is the 6th annual "Bunco" night to be held on Friday, May 20th in the parish center. Save the date. This popular game night is not to be missed. Details and tickets to follow. Also our popular Tailgate Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, June 4th. Start spring cleaning (if it ever comes) and be ready to sell your treasures. The details for both these events will be in future bulletins. Please call us at 631-219-3542 for more information

St. Jude Catholic Men's Ministry

Hey men! Come join us in the Parish Center on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month from 7 to 9 p.m.

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5pm 7:30	8am 9:30 11:30 5pm Total
Mar. 20 13 170 <u>Saturday</u>	296 447 620 254 2200 Sunday
8pm	8am 9:30 11:30 Total
Mar. 27 437 <u>Saturday</u>	428 636 740 2241 <u>Sunday</u>
5pm 7:30	8am 9:30 11:30 5pm Total
Apr. 3 296 170	199 293 370 194 1522
Apr.10 315 117	200 307 435 176 1550

Weekly Collection

April 10th

\$9,325.28

Scripture Readings
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016
Easter Weekday- Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35 Altar Bread and Wine

Available dates: May 16th, July 11, 18, & 25th

Fifth Sunday of Easter: Acts 14:21-27/Rev

Altar Flowers

Have been donated: For the intentions of Elvis Zelaya

Available dates: May 22nd (Holy Trinity), June 12 & 19th

A Retreat for Women & Men in Recovery

Lift up your Hearts in Praise. Villa Immaculata – House of Prayer located at 3560 Sound Avenue, Riverhead. For registration and directions call 631-727-5122, Monday through Friday, between 10 – 5pm.

Retreats are on the following Sunday dates: May 1st for women, May 22nd for men & women and June 5th for women. All date times is 12:30pm to 4:00pm. Coffee and cake available 12:30-1pm. There is no cost but a free will offering is appreciated. Space is limited.

Catholics For Freedom of Religion

Learn about attacks damaging our religious freedom, Understand your role in preserving religious freedom Get answers to your questions about denials of religious freedom this Wednesday, April 20th at St. John the Evangelist, Center Moriches at 7p.m.

Guest speakers will be:

Thomas Renker, Esq. General Counsel of the Diocese of Rockville Centre & Barbara Samuells, Co-Founder & President of Catholics For Freedom of Religion. Mr. Renker has long been involved in efforts in this Diocese to protect religious liberties. He will discuss the ongoing attacks on freedom of religion posed by the HHS mandate and other governmental and social initiatives.

Did you know:

•The Diocese of Rockville Centre is joined in a lawsuit against the Department of Health and Human Services to preserve conscience rights within our schools, charities and hospitals

•140 Catholic and Christian dioceses, charities, schools and universities are represented in similar lawsuits by the

Becket Fund attorneys

Across America, all branches of government, agency administrators and other bureaucrats are creating precedent and regulations denying freedom of conscience

•Students from 1st grade through college are often denied religious freedom rights

For more information please call: Linda DiScala at 631-366-1941. Visit our site: www.cffor.org

7th Annual Women's Silent Retreat

The Legion of Mary is holding their 7th Annual silent retreat "Behold Thy Son" on Friday, May 6th to Saturday, May 7, 2016 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington. Come ponder "Motherhood" in your heart after the example of Mary. All women are invited to come pray with Mary for children and for priests. Come and receive strength to become the "perfect women" we are called to be. The cost is \$110 per person, includes dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, private room w/ shower. For additional information contact Corinne Addiss @ 804-7222 or keepntuch@aol.com

We are blessed with reflections from four priests throughout the retreat. Silence begins after Bishop Andrzej celebrates Mass Friday evening. There will be confessions, prayer, adoration & reflections throughout retreat. Mass Saturday morning- silence at meals optional- walk the beautiful grounds. Give your wife, sister, mom, daughter or friend a Great gift!

Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chinese Auction

On Saturday, April 23rd,

New Location: Mill Pond Country Club 300 Mill Road, Medford

Doors open at 5:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Cost: \$50.00. Advanced ticket purchase is required.

No one under 21 admitted.

For tickets please call school office 878-1033

March 4 Life New York

The Life Center of Long Island invites you to join us for the first ever March 4 Life New York on Saturday, April 30th we will meet at the Brookhaven Town Hall in Farmingville and then march to Bald Hill Amphitheatre for a Major Rally!

All those who would like to participate and are interested in walking with the Life Center of Long Island, please RSVP and call Lisa at Massapequa 516-798-8746 so we can have the appropriate number of signs available. For more information contact Pastor Joni Lupis at 681-7275 or email march4Life@gmail.com

Bereavement Conference

Grieving the loss of a loved one is amongst the most challenging moments of our lives. Perhaps you are personally dealing with a loss yourself or find yourself in a position of walking with someone on this difficult road. Either way, we can all benefit from a day of sharing and learning about how to better understand how to deal with a loss and to how to help others along the journey.

The Diocese of Rockville Center Office of Faith Formation and Catholic Cemeteries is pleased to be offering a Bereavement Conference, Finding Merciful Love in Times of Pain, on Saturday, April 23rd, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is sure to be a worthwhile day for anyone who is going through the bereavement process or is involved in helping the bereaved. The cost of the day is \$35 and includes a light breakfast and a lunch. There will be opportunity to attend two workshop sessions from a selection of workshops dealing with many types of loss. We are also very happy to have with us that day, as our keynote speaker, Monsignor J. Brian Bransfied, who is the General Secretary of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and acclaimed author. His latest book, Life Everlasting: The Mystery and the Promise, is serving so many in understanding the mystery of death and the hope of eternal life. His words are sure to benefit all who attend the conference. To register online or for more information visit www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement or call 516-678-5800 ext. 200.

Youth Ministry Event

April 17th [Sunday] 6 – 7:30 in the Parish Center Regular Youth Group Night is open to all in grades 6 to 12. Food/drink served

Faitma/Lourdes/Nevers/Paris Catholic Pilgrimage

Newly ordained priest of our diocese Father Alessandro daLuz will be spiritual director and Our Holy Redeemer Parish in Freeport are hosting a Jubilee Year of Mercy Catholic Pilgrimage to Fatima/Lourdes/Nevers & Paris in September. September 12 - 22, 2016, 2 Nights Fatima/1 Night Spain/ 2 Nights Lourdes/1 Night Nevers/ 2 Nights Paris/Daily Mass. Air from JFK / Breakfast & Dinner Daily. For a flyer or more information call Cathie or Mike Milano 631-569-2620

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

The 300th Anniversary of our Founder St. Louis de Montfort is on Thursday, April 28th. There is a Solemn Novena in honor of St. Louis de Montfort, Wednesday, April 20th through Thursday, April 28th, each day 11:00am Rosary, 11:30am Mass, 1pm Novena Prayer & Conference. All are welcome. Free will offering appreciated.