Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
455 Hunter Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795

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Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass
8:30am

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm
and 6:00pm.

Reconciliation/Confession
Saturday: 4:00pm-4:45pm or by appointment

Rosary
Daily at 8:00am

Miraculous Medal Novena
Monday at 8:00am

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick
Throughout the liturgical year. If needed sooner, please call the Parish Office.

Baptism
Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Marriage
Arranged at least six months in advance, please call the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
A process to be embraced by the Catholic Church. For non-Catholics and for Catholics who have never received formal religious education. If interested, please call the Parish Office.
Welcome to our Parish Family

New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our Parish Family. Please call or visit our Parish Office.

Remember: Together, we can do something beautiful for God!
- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Pastoral Council

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Mission Statement

As stewards of all that God has given us, the Parish Family of Our Lady of Lourdes serves and ministers to all who come to this place.

Regardless of a person’s history, ethnicity, gender, orientation, age or race, we commit ourselves to open wide the doors of our Parish to provide a place of welcome and hospitality.

Readings for the Week of January 31

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/ Mk 1:21-28
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/ Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/ Heb 2:14-18/ Lk 2:22-40
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/ Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/ Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/ Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/ Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/ 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39

Financial Summary

Financial figures were unavailable at the time of printing. They will be published in a subsequent issue.

January 17 and January 24, 2021

Weekly Collection $  
Weekly Budget - $17,800.00  
+/- for the week $  

The estimated weekly collection needed to maintain and operate our parish buildings, ministries, programs and salaries is $17,800.
My Dear Parish Family,

It seems like just yesterday that I wrote to the parish about my upcoming ordination to the Diaconate, in May 2002. Now almost 19 years later, I am writing to let you know that my time at OLL will be coming to an end, as my family and I will be moving to South Carolina. So much has changed over the years for our family and the parish. In preparing for the move, which will take place by the middle of February, I have been spending time reflecting on our time at OLL which began in 1986.

I remember the warmth and welcoming we felt and that is why we decided to become parishioners. We reconnected with Anne and John DeGuardi, who were friends of my parents at St. Martin’s in Bethpage. They invited Celeste and me into ministry and their invitation literally changed the course of our lives. Fr. Joe Łukaszewski became our pastor and he invited us to become even more involved in parish life. It was Fr. Joe that asked me to consider entering formation to become a Deacon. What I realized through these invitations and so many more, was that God has a plan for each of us and that He uses the people in our lives to help us to see the path He invites us to take. The Lord calls people to serve, but to hear that call we need to be open and we need help! I became a Deacon because of the love I experienced every day through my family life with Celeste and our kids. I became a Deacon because I grew up in a home that valued our Catholic Faith, loved each other and, through good times and bad, it was our faith that held us together. I became a Deacon because I was nurtured by this parish family’s encouragement, love, and support.

It has been such a blessing for me, and my family, to serve as a Deacon at OLL. You have always been so kind towards me. We have shared so many moments with each other. We have walked together when we lost family members and helped each other. We have had so many joy filled celebrations through baptisms and weddings! You invited me into your lives and I am so very grateful because you helped me to experience God’s love through your love.

There are no coincidences in our lives. The Lord brings each of us together because of His love. He knows that together we can help each other travel the path that leads us to Him! You have indeed helped me travel that path. Through your love and acceptance, my relationship with the Lord, my family, and all people, has grown stronger. My heart is sad knowing that this time together is coming to an end. I will always cherish and give thanks for my time at OLL and all of you!

Please keep my family and me, in your prayers and your hearts, and I will do the same for you! May we, as St. Monica asked of her son, St. Augustine: “Remember each other when we come to the Altar of the Lord!”

Love and prayers always!

Deacon Jack
Altar Society
Altar linens this week will be cared for by Margaret Lehmann. If you would like to help care for our altar needs, please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224.

Members in the Military
We ask that you pray especially for those in our parish that are on active duty.

Michael DiMatteo- US Marines
Michael Fantauzzi- US Air Force
Christopher Florca- US Marines
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Luke Loftsgaarden- US Army
Anthony Mannino- US Marines
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Melissa Mockler- US Navy
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Brandon Ranzie- US Army
Stephen Rolston- US Army
Jack Shires- US Navy
Jack Taffner- US Marines
Michael Wilkinson- US Army
Peter Zaccaria- US Navy

… and remember those of our parish family that are in the armed services, listed in our Parish Book of Intentions.

Pastoral Care of Our Sick
Please call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224 to leave the names of parishioners who:
• Are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist.
• Are in Good Samaritan Hospital and/or a local nursing home and would like to be visited by a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry.
• Would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Pray for Our Sick
Please remember to keep in your thoughts and prayers …


Names of the sick will be listed for six weeks for short-term requests and six months for long-term.
Our priests will be celebrating Mass via live-stream on our parish website and will remember the Mass Intentions for each day. Please join us by visiting our website at: ollchurch.org.

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 1
8:30am Mark & Ines Polito

Tuesday, February 2
The Presentation of the Lord
8:30am Florence Giacomazza

Wednesday, February 3
St. Blaise and St. Ansgar
8:30am John Bradley, Jr. (Living)

Thursday, February 4
8:30am Vincent Accardi

Friday, February 5
St. Agatha
8:30am Mario D’Alessandro

Saturday, February 6
St. Paul Miki and Companions
8:30am Corazon Smith (Living)
5:00pm Sweeney & LaRocca Families
Msgr. Brian McNamara

Sunday, February 7
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00am Leonard Pastore
Fr. Sylvester Chukwunalume
9:30am Emma Cameron & Carl Schmid
Fr. Sylvester Chukwunalume
11:00am Herb Henery
Fr. Charles Mangano
12:30pm Barbara Rice
Fr. Charles Mangano
6:00pm People of the Parish, Michael Reilly, Vincente Espina, Theresa Regina
Msgr. Brian McNamara

A Prayer for Persons Suffering from the Coronavirus

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus.
May those who are infected receive the proper treatment and the comfort of your healing presence.
May their caregivers, families and neighbors be shielded from the onslaught of the virus.
Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones.
Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure, that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health.
Help us to rise above fear. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes, and in the name of your Son, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.
40 Days for Life
Looking ahead, on **Saturday, February 13th** at 9:00am at St. Ladislaus Church (18 Richardson Place, Hempstead, NY 11550) there will be a special Mass to “kick off” **40 Days for Life**.
Following the Mass, you are invited to process to Planned Parenthood in Hempstead for a silent prayerful show of support for life.

Casa Project Update
In the past, the “Casa House” in the Narthex has provided housing, bedding and ecostoves for our friends in El Salvador. We couldn't do this without your support and generosity. Next weekend (2/6 and 2/7) we are asking you to give your loose change to our Casa Project. Place your donations in the wooden house located in the north vestibule by the Father Joe Garden. Thank you for your support. We truly appreciate your generosity.

*Please note: the CASA house is now in the north vestibule by the Father Joe Garden.*

Retrouvaille Weekend - 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, May 7, 2021, 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.
Location: Marriott Melville Long Island - 1350 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, NY 11747

Meeting Cancellations
Due to prescribed social distancing and COVID protocols, **all meetings are cancelled until further notice**. Please watch the bulletin and our parish website (**ollchurch.org**) for updates.

Religion and Rock
Tune into “Religion and Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00am to 8:00am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on the East End of Long Island. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday’s theme is **Forgiveness**.
To listen online or for more information, visit: [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com).

Donations to Outreach
If you would like to make a donation to Parish Outreach in memory of a loved one, please call Trish Frodell, Director of Parish Social Ministry at 631-661-3224, option 4.

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**Pantry Needs**
- Jelly
- Pancake Mix
- Egg Noodles
- Cookies
- Toothpaste
Return Last Year’s Palm
Now is the time to bring last year’s dried palm back to church so that it may be burned in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Traditionally, it is the ashes of the burnt palm branches that are used on Ash Wednesday as a sign of our commitment renounce sin and to follow Jesus. Please return your dried palm to the lobby of the church no later than February 7, 2021.

Scout Sunday - February 7th at 9:30am Mass
A Scout is REVERENT!
Scouts are invited to celebrate Scout Sunday at the 9:30am Mass on Sunday, February 7. Please wear full uniform and bring a few non-perishable items for donation to the Parish Food Pantry.
Contact Paul Charbonneau, Scoutmaster- Troop 179, with any questions (646-341-0783)

Irish & Catholic?
The Ancient Order of Hibernians (A.O.H.), which was founded in New York City in 1836, is the oldest Irish-Catholic Fraternal Organization in the United States. A.O.H. St. Patrick’s Division 2 is located in the heart of Babylon Village, and is the only A.O.H. Division in the Town of Babylon. If you are Roman Catholic and Irish by birth or descent, please consider becoming a member. We have Mens, Ladies, Junior Boys and Junior Girls divisions. We are a very active and charitable A.O.H. Division celebrating our Irish-Catholic religion, culture and heritage. We also offer Irish Step Dancing classes, Irish Language classes. Bagpipe and Drum Lessons and more!
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- Must be available for Christmas and Easter Masses.

Contact Mike at organist@ollchurch.org or the Parish Office for more info.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
What’s it all about?
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… you were Baptized in another faith and would like to become a baptized Catholic
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… you never received your Confirmation
IF you are an adult AND one or more of the circumstances above apply to you …
IF you feel you would like to become a baptized Catholic or become more fully initiated into your Catholic faith… Our email address is RCIA@ollchurch.org or call the Parish Office at 631-661-3224, and we would be happy to help you.
January 31, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Beginning Sunday, January 31, 2021 and continuing through February 6, 2021, the 35 Catholic elementary schools in the Diocese of Rockville Centre will participate in the annual national celebration of Catholic education: Catholic Schools Week.

The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2021 is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” Schools typically observe the week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners, and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides young people and its contributions to our church, our communities, and our nation.

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Catholic Schools Week will look a bit different. In lieu of the traditional open houses our schools have held in the past to meet with prospective families, the schools will be offering virtual open houses and one-to-one meetings with principals that will allow prospective families to ‘visit’ the Catholic school(s) of their choice from the safety and comfort of their homes.

This year, in spite of the pandemic, we have made significant progress transforming our schools through the Morning Star Initiative (MSI). Many elements of the Morning Star Initiative are already in place, like key academic improvements in mathematics, reading, and religious studies, which are helping students reach new potential. I am so grateful for the tireless dedication of the MSI team.

Working with the MSI team, Long Island’s Catholic elementary school faculty and staff continue to put the needs of the 11,626 students (nursery-8th grade) and their families first. From maintaining the continuity of instruction during remote learning when the Covid-19 pandemic hit back in March, to taking all of the necessary precautions to welcome students back into a safe school environment this fall, I am extremely grateful for the grit and determination demonstrated by our school community to address the academic, spiritual and social needs of our students.

Earlier this month, on January 4, 2021, we celebrated the 200th anniversary of the death of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (1774-1821), one of the great native-born American Evangelizers and champions of Catholic Education. Please join me in praying that Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Mary, Star of Evangelization continue to intercede for each of us, for our Morning Star and Department of Education teams, and for our principals, teachers, and staff. With prayers and gratitude for your efforts, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre
Sharing the Gospel

Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, He cleaned that evil spirit right out.

Mission for the Week

Make a new label for your family's stain pre-treatment bottle. Trace around the bottle, write Mark 1:21-28 in big letters, and decorate your label with a picture of Jesus. Tape your new label to the bottle so you and your parents remember how strong Jesus is.

Puzzle

Which picture name begins with this letter? Circle the picture that starts with that sound.

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Prayer

God, You are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for You to clean.

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