



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MALVERNE, NEW YORK

Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2026

Lord, It Is Good That We Are Here

Matthew 17:1-9



Rev. James T. Stachacz, Pastor

Deacon Richard H. Portuese

Rev. Brandon P. O'Brien, J.C.L., In Residence

Rev. Eugene C. Umeyor, CMF, In Residence

THE GUIDING LIGHT FROM THE GROTTO
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MATTHEW 17:1-9



WELCOME BISHOP ROBERT J. BRENNAN



One of the three pillars of Lent that the Church gives us to deepen our relationship with God and to become the people He calls us to be, is prayer. During this Second Week of Lent, we will have the opportunity to come together as a parish

family for a special time of prayer through our Lenten Mission (Retreat).

I am truly honored to welcome the **Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn**, who will serve as our Lenten Retreat Master. I have been blessed to know Bishop Brennan and his family, including his beloved mother, Pat (who passed away in 2024), and his father, Bob, from Our Lady of Perpetual Help. During his years serving in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, he was a great light to our local Church, leading us ever closer to Christ and to one another. His enthusiasm for Christ is contagious, and he is truly a builder of the Church.

Please join me in warmly welcoming Bishop Brennan to our parish as we continue celebrating 100 years as a church family here in Malverne.

I invite you to join us for the Mission:

Sunday, March 1 – Tuesday, March 3, 2026

at 7:00 PM

Monday, March 2 – Mass at 9:00 AM

Please invite your family members, friends, and colleagues. This is a sacred time to set aside the busyness of life and listen to Christ's call to us as a parish family, allowing Him to transform us more fully into His glorious Body. This is what the Transfiguration we hear about from this Sunday's Gospel of Matthew is all about.

May God bless you, and may Mary keep you and your families always.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Fr. Jim

About Bishop Brennan

Robert J. Brennan was born June 7, 1962, in the Bronx, New York, the oldest of five children. He was raised in the Village of Lindenhurst, New York, and earned a degree in mathematics and computer science from St. John's University. He studied for the priesthood at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Rockville Centre on May 27, 1989.

After serving in parish ministry and diocesan leadership-including as Vicar General and pastor of St. Mary of the Isle in Long Beach-he was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre in 2012. In 2019, he was appointed Bishop of Columbus Ohio, where he served until 2021. On November 30, 2021, Bishop Brennan was installed as the Eighth Bishop of Brooklyn, serving the people of Brooklyn and Queens.

Known for his strong commitment to parish life, Bishop Brennan has led major Eucharistic events, including a 2024 revival gathering at Louis Armstrong Stadium and a diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage. He communicates regularly through weekly Gospel reflections and his podcast, Big City Catholics.

Nationally, he serves as Chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Cultural Diversity in the Church and contributes to several other USCCB

Lenten Prayer

Lord God, as we begin this season of Lent, receive us in humility and repentance. Through your grace, teach us to carry our crosses, to turn away from sin, and to walk the path of conversion with love. May these 40 days strengthen our faith, deepen our prayer, and open our hearts to your mercy.

Amen.





DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Lent 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In this Lenten season 2026, we offer our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving for the Light of Christ's peace and justice to heal the many troubled parts of our nation and world.

Amid so many global and national crises, it is essential that we be guided and inspired by the Word of God. This Lent, let us rededicate ourselves to being deeply biblical Catholics on fire with the Word of God.¹

In Saint Paul's Second Letter to Timothy (2:8-10), the Apostle writes: "The Word of God is not bound," or as another translation renders it, "The Word of God cannot be chained."

The Church of Santa Maria in Via Lata in Rome, near to both the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon, is traditionally taken as the site of Saint Paul's imprisonment in the Eternal City. Beneath this holy church stands an ancient, freestanding granite column that I visited and prayed at on May 17, 2024.

Etched into that ancient column is the Latin phrase for "The Word of God is not bound." The column also has rust marks indicating that a chain – possibly the one discovered archaeologically in an adjacent well – was wrapped around it.

How powerful it was to place my hands on that granite column and to touch with my fingers the words of Saint Paul! In my ecclesial mission as the Successor of the Apostles on Long Island, that memorable day I asked Saint Paul for his intercession that each one of us in the Diocese of Rockville Centre could be as bold and as audacious in proclaiming that the Word of God cannot be chained!

The Word of God cannot be chained in our own lives and in the lives of our families!

The Word of God bursts through our sin, paralyses, and resistances to change, and ignites our own Road to Damascus conversions!

The Word of God breaks down the self-imposed prison doors of addiction, ego, pride, selfishness, and narcissism, and refocuses our lives on Christ and his call to rejoice!

The Word of God cannot be chained by sin, war, terrorism, racism, injustice, poverty,² or disrespect for the sanctity and dignity of human life!

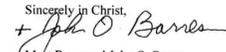
¹ See Bishop Barres' Pastoral Letter *God's Word is Living and Effective* available at www.drvc.org.
² See Pope Leo XIV's 2025 Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexisti Te (On Love of the Poor)* available at www.vatican.va.

The Word of God cannot be chained by unethical deployments of Artificial Intelligence!³

The Word of God cannot be chained in the global mission of the Catholic Church, regardless of the 21st century persecutions and martyrdoms she experiences!⁴

As the Successor of the Apostles on Long Island, and in communion and mission with our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, I thank each of you for the way you "cast fire on the earth" (Luke 12:49) through your daily reading, meditating, praying, contemplating, and living the inspired Sacred Scriptures.

Be assured of my prayers for a blessed Lent.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

³ See *Antiqua et Nova*, the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith and the Dicastery for Culture and Education's January 14, 2025, *Note on the Relationship Between Artificial Intelligence and Human Intelligence* available at www.vatican.va.
⁴ See Robert Royal, *The Martyrs of the New Millennium: The Global Persecution of Christians in the Twenty-First Century*, (New York: Sophia Institute Press, 2025).



Our Lady of Lourdes Welcomes

The Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan

Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn, who will lead us in our Lenten mission

Celebrating our 100th Anniversary as a parish

Sunday, March 1 • Monday, March 2 • Tuesday, March 3

Each Evening at 7:00 PM

Monday, March 2 includes the 9:00 AM Mass



THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM IS COMING MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Sacred Triduum remembers, represents, and celebrates the 3 days of our Lord's glorious passion, death and resurrection.

Holy Thursday April 2 ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 pm

This Mass includes the Washing of Feet, a Eucharistic Procession, Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Church Hall.

Good Friday April 3 ~ The Passion of the Lord at 3:00 pm

This is not a Mass. There are no Masses on Good Friday in honor of our Lord's death on the cross. This service includes the Liturgy of the Word, Solemn Intercessions, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday April 4 ~ The Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm

The Easter Vigil is divided into 4 parts:

The Solemn Beginning of the Vigil or Lucernarium (Service of Light), Liturgy of the Word, Baptismal Liturgy with four candidates, Liturgy of the Eucharist.

(There is no 5:00 pm Mass this day)

Easter Sunday ~ The Resurrection of the Lord

**Join us for Masses in Church: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm
Maier Hall: 10:45 am**

(There is no 5:00 pm Mass this day)

Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday
9:00 am and live-streamed

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:30 am ~ live-streamed
12:00 pm, 5:00 pm

Confession

Saturday ~ 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY

Pastor: Rev. James T. Stachacz
(516) 599-1269 ~ Fax: (516) 231-6750
fatherjim@ollchurchmalverne.org

Parish Website: OLLChurchMalverne.org

Church Hours: 8:00 am to 2:45 pm

Parish Center: Kelly Lackner, Administrative Assistant
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org

Jennifer Prizzi, Business Manager
jenniferprizzi@ollchurchmalverne.org
(516) 599-1269

Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday to Friday:

9:00 am to 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

No evening hours on Friday

Parish Trustees: Michael Hannan and Lorraine Korth Smith

Music Ministry Team:

Stephen Harth, and Christine Solimeno
sharth5620@ollmalverne.org

Youth Director: Linda Baldacchino

Maintenance: Kevin Dieck
Rocco Bruzzese

Religious Education:

Mary Lasar, Director
ollreled@gmail.com

Marybeth Malone, Secretary
(516) 599-7222

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 3:15 pm ~ Parish Center

Tuesday & Wednesday: 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm ~ School

Saturday: 9:30 am to 10:30 am ~ School

School Office

Stephen Harth, Principal ~ sharth5620@ollmalverne.org
Lisa LoGrande, Administrative Assistant
(516) 599-7328 ~ Fax: (516) 231-1440
www.OLLMalverne.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 28th ~ Lenten Weekday

5:00 pm Anna & Joseph Lusardi (d)

Sunday, March 1st ~ Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Robert Bellini (d)
9:00 am For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
10:30 am Patrick James Herrity (d)
12:00 pm John Dolan (d)
Antoinette Diaz (d)
Milena Curra (d)
Father Angelo Pezzullo (d)
In Thanksgiving
5:00 pm John Kearney (d)
7:00 pm Lenten Retreat with the Most Reverend
Robert J. Brennan

Monday, March 2nd ~ Lenten Weekday

9:00 am Thomas Chirillo (d)
7:00 pm Lenten Retreat with the Most Reverend
Robert J. Brennan

Tuesday, March 3rd ~ Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin

9:00 am For the Deceased members of the Cracchiolo
Family
7:00 pm Lenten Retreat with the Most Reverend
Robert J. Brennan

Wednesday, March 4th ~ Saint Casimir

9:00 am Victor Brotons (d)

Thursday, March 5th ~ Lenten Weekday

9:00 am For the Living Intentions of Samantha &
Caitlyn Barnwell

Friday, March 6th ~ Lenten Weekday

9:00 am For the Living Intentions of Edwin & Grisleysi
Ching
7:30 pm Stations of the Cross
8:00 pm First Friday Adoration

Saturday, March 7th ~ Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

9:00 am Gerard Denk (d)
Frank & Ruth Barbella (d)
James Barbella (d)
Peggy Hannan (d)
Dolores Johnson (d)
5:00 pm Joseph & Joe Lusardi (d)

Sunday, March 8th ~ Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Katherine Klein (d)
9:00 am Bismark Tetteh Addey (d)
10:30 am John Poggioli (d)
12:00 pm John P. Dolan (d)
Vincent Sommella (d)
Theresa Sommella (d)
Jean Phillipe Magno (d)
Concetta Dalmeto (d)
5:00 pm For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes



2026 Events

Thursday, March 19th—7 pm | Church Hall
St. Joseph/St. Patrick Celebration

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, April 19th—12 Noon
Annual Communion Breakfast
Knights of Columbus

BOUTIQUE (THRIFT SHOP) NEWS!

Hours of Operation

Wednesday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Saturday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

All Rosary Altar Society Members

As a group, please try to attend 10:30 am Mass on the first Sunday of each month. The first few rows by the Blessed Mother Statue will be roped off.

Lenten Retreat

All Welcome!

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

9:30am to 2:00pm

Kellenberg Memorial High School

With Father Tom Cardone

\$50.00 includes lunch

Make checks payable to St. Brigid Church

(write Lenten Retreat in memo)

Checks can be dropped off at the Parish Center

Att: Ellen Lamoreaux

Bulletin Reflection

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the Transfiguration.

Pro Life Corner

"Any woman who has felt a baby stir inside her (and) any man who has seen the tiny heart pulsating on an ultrasound screen, knows that abortion is about ending a life."

~ Karen Kissane

REMINDER

Please be sure to include your envelope number on your check in the Sunday collection if you are not using your envelopes. If you are using a plain white envelope, please include your name, address, envelope number, and the amount of your donation on the outside of the envelope to ensure you receive proper credit.

Meal Train Ministry

Do you know someone in our parish going through a difficult time that could use some support with meals or baked goods?

Would you be willing to support a fellow parishioner by making a meal or baking for them on occasion?

Please call 516-241-1896 or email ollmealtrainministry@gmail.com



Pray for Priests



God, our Father, please send us holy priests, all for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, all for the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, in union with St. Joseph. We pray that the Blessed Mother wraps her mantle around your priests, and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you." (Jn 2:5) May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of Your love, seeking nothing but Your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Sunday	Rev. Gregory Rannazzisi
Monday	Rev. Frank Grieco
Tuesday	Rev. Sijomon Varghese
Wednesday	Rev. Vitus Ezeiruaku
Thursday	Rev. Michael Holzmann
Friday	Rev. Michael T. Maffeo
Saturday	Pope Leo XIV

Reflection for Next Sunday

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel Reading: John 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman at the well.

Family Connection

Lent is a season for repentance. It is a season during which we are called to reflect upon and to live deeply the promises of Baptism. The well and the conversation about water immediately recall for us the Sacrament of Baptism. As the Samaritan woman was converted and sent on a mission because of the conversation about water, we too are converted and sent by our Baptism to preach the good news of Jesus to others.

Take this opportunity to reflect upon the importance of Baptism with your family. If you have photos or other mementos of your family's Baptisms, bring them out and take some time to recall the day of Baptism and its importance to you and your family. Create a prayer table that includes these mementos and a bowl of holy water. After you have spent some time talking about Baptism, invite everyone to listen carefully and prayerfully to today's Gospel. Read John 4:5-42 together. Ask how Jesus' meeting with the woman at the well is like Baptism. (Jesus knows the woman's sin and forgives her. The woman comes to know Jesus as the Messiah. The woman invites others to meet Jesus.) Pray a prayer of blessing for each member of the family that God will help each one live the promises of his or her Baptism. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



OLL Prayer Shawl Ministry

Calling All Knitters & Crocheters!
Join the OLL Prayer Shawl Ministry.
Meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.



All are welcome — we happily welcome new members!

For more information, call Rosemarie Puccio at 516.662.8724 or Beth Seccia at 516.996.5399

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Parish organizations wishing to submit notices for the bulletin should send items at least 7 days prior to the bulletin's publication date (the deadline is Monday at 11:00 a.m.). Any submissions received after the deadline may be held for the following week's bulletin. Please email items to: rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org.

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- Receive giving statements
- Sign up for recurring giving
- Contribute to our capital campaign
- Supports multiple payment options

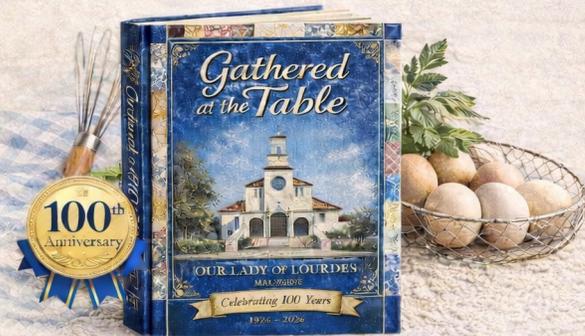


www.ollchurchmalverne.org/donate



Gathered at the Table

A Century of Faith and Flavor



Missed out on our 100th Anniversary Cookbook?
100 Recipes for 100 years!
We are placing a Re-order!
Reserve your copy today!

Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Email: _____ # of Books: _____

All parishioners are invited to volunteer to be a part of the offertory procession at the Mass which you attend. This may be especially appropriate if the Mass is being offered for a relative or friend. Please see one of the Ushers before Mass begins to make your intention known.



St. Vincent de Paul Society



In the Gospel Jesus is transfigured and a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased: Listen to him."

Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Your gift to the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

Pantry Hours

**Tuesday and Friday mornings 9:45 am - 11:45 am.
Thursday evenings 6:00 - 7:30 pm.**

If you are impacted by the partial government shutdown, please come to the Our Lady of Lourdes pantry.

Please contact us at
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org
or call (516) 599-1269

Needed in the Food Pantry

Green Peas, Rice-A-Roni, Cannellini Beans, Baked Beans, Chili, Rice, Tomato Paste, Tea, Cereal, Oatmeal & **JELLY**

Please place donations inside the box, located in the Elevator Lobby—ground level.

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026 Parish Totals
Goal: \$78,750.00 ~ Pledges: \$7,756.00
Donors: 21 ~ Payments: \$4,502.00

Altar Server Schedule March 7th & March 8th

<u>Saturday:</u>	5:00 pm:	Abigail Hassett John Hassett III
<u>Sunday:</u>	7:30 am:	Daniel Clarke Gabiella Filakovsky
	9:00 am:	Christopher Miro Mackenzie Grace Upton
	10:30 am:	Nicolas Rivas Ryan Rivas
	12:00 pm:	Hayden Kunz Tiernan Schutta
	5:00 pm:	Cate Darcy James Darcy

WEEKLY OFFERINGS - Sunday, February 22, 2026

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Weekly Collection	\$18,000	<i>will report next week</i>
Year to Date <i>OLL Fiscal Year</i>	\$450,000	\$449,424

Budget and Actual comprises envelopes, cash, online giving and second collections for Our Lady of Lourdes.

Supporting Our Parish

In these challenging times, special gratitude is expressed to those who are able to support Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

Ways to Give



In Person: At Mass during the collection or dropped off at the Parish Center.



By Mail: Mail to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY 11565



Online: Using Pushpay for fast & secure contribution, visit:
www.ollchurchmalverne.org/donate



CHURCH OPENING TIMES

ALL ARE WELCOME

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

8 AM - 2:45 PM

SATURDAY

8 AM - 6 PM

SUNDAY

7 AM - 6 PM

THIS WEEK AT
OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

Monday, March 2

9:00 am.....Legion of Mary..... Parish Center Room #2
 11:30 amSchool Teachers.....Parish Center Dining Room
 5:30 pmGirl Scout Troop 2568 Church Hall
 7:00 pmLenten Retreat with Bishop Brennan..... Church

Tuesday, March 3

9:30 am.....SVDP Parish Center Room #2
 11:30 amSchool Teachers.....Parish Center Dining Room
 1:30 pmPrayer Group/Scripture Study...Parish Center Dining Room
 7:00 pmLenten Retreat with Bishop Brennan..... Church
 7:00 pmCoDAParish Center Dining Room
 7:30 pmBoy Scout Troop 24 Church Hall

Wednesday, March 4

9:30 am - 2:30 pm Thrift Shop
 11:30 amSchool Teachers.....Parish Center Dining Room
 3:00 pmCub Scout Pack 24—Arrow of Light..... Church Hall
 5:00 pmChildren’s Choir..... Church
 7:00 pmAA.....Parish Center Dining Room
 7:00 pmPrayer Group..... Parish Center Room #2
 7:15 pmGRASP Church Hall

Thursday, March 5

11:30 amSchool Teachers.....Parish Center Dining Room
 7:30 pmRosary Altar Society Meeting..... Dining Room

Friday, March 6

9:30 am.....SVDP Parish Center Room #2
 11:30 amSchool Teachers.....Parish Center Dining Room
 7:00 pmAA.....Parish Center Dining Room
 7:30 pmStations of the Cross..... Church
 8:00 pmFirst Friday Adoration..... Church

Saturday, March 7

9:30 am - 12:30 pm Thrift Shop
 9:30 am.....Human Life Committee..... Church Hall
 3:00 pmFamily Paint Night..... Church Hall
 4:00 pmConfessions Church
 7:00 pmAA.....Parish Center Dining Room

Sunday, March 8

9:00 am.....Family Mass..... Church/Church Hall
 10:30 amGirl Scout Sunday Mass..... Church

The Parish Center will be closed the evenings of March 2nd and March 3rd for the Lenten Retreat with Bishop Robert J. Brennan.

Wedding Banns

Banns III

*Kevin Finneran ~ Our Lady of Lourdes
 Malverne, NY
 and
 Carly Rubin ~ St. Raymond’s
 East Rockaway, NY*



**11th Annual Run
 for Tomorrow’s Hope**
Saturday, March 14, 2026
St. Joseph School, Garden City

The 1-mile Fun Run begins at 8:30 AM, and the 5K begins at 9:00 AM, rain or shine! This beloved community event brings together runners, families, school spirit, and a shared commitment to support Catholic education.



The mission of Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools.

Since 2005, Tomorrow’s Hope Foundation has provided **more than \$37 million** in scholarship support to **approximately 26,000 students** within our network of **35 Catholic elementary schools** on Long Island.

50 Charles Lindbergh Blvd., Suite 500
 Uniondale, NY 11553
 516-745-7611

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of each month at 8 pm by the Human Life Committee and the Nocturnal Adoration Society ending with Benediction at 10:00 pm.

Second Thursday of each month from Noon until Benediction at 4:45 pm.

Rosary: Each day beginning at 8:30 am in the Church.

In your prayers please remember the sick and hospitalized members of our parish

Mickey Ackerman	Justin Hosman
Baby Henry	Morgan Rourke Lee
John Barry	Jennifer Kenny
Carolyn Biondo	Sue Kielson
John Bivona	Baby Leonardo
Maria Capper	Speranza Marmo
Marie Croce	Michael Malone
Lucia Cimino-Gambino	Joseph Manno
Richard Clarkson	Pat Mantel
Francesca Medoro Consolazio	Paolo Miceli
Grayson Danielski	Emily Parini
Stanley Durant	Frank Pawlowski
Alix Etheart	Carol Reisenger
Barbara Fumai	Dot Rotondi
Nicholas Gibbons	John Rotondi
Deacon John Governale	Thomas Scudero
Kevin Hanson	Teresa Spyntiuk
Michael Haines	Anthony Virgadamo
Peter Hellers	Bill Vogric
	Yvonne Jones Williams

The names will remain for six consecutive weeks unless the Parish Office is notified.



**Our Parishioners
Serving in the Military**

Please keep all our Military and Support Personnel in your prayers, especially:

United States Navy

LT Geoff Hendrick
LCDR Ryan Patrick Mahon
LCDR Tara Mahoney

United States Army

Major Thomas Barrett
Spec Lotachukwu Okoye
Spec Tucker Andrew Peterson
1st LT Katherine L. Macaluso

United States Air Force United States Marine Corps

1st Lt. William F. Cosgrove L Cpl Kristofer Katzenberger
Cpl Joseph M. Macaluso LT Sam Olive

“Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.”

Please let us know if any of our Military and Support Personnel have returned home safely, so that we may update our prayer list.

A donation to our church is a beautiful way to remember, honor or give thanks for loved ones.

Church Flowers:

Altar Flowers: \$100 Tabernacle Flowers: \$120 for 2
Flowers by Blessed Mother Statue: \$60
Flowers by St. Joseph Statue: \$60

Memorials

Altar Bread: \$25 ~ Altar Wine: \$25
Sanctuary Lamp: \$25

An acknowledgement of your donation will appear in the Sunday bulletin.

No flowers during the Advent and Lenten seasons.

Memorials available throughout the year. Please come to the Parish Center to make arrangements.

Fast from...

**Anger...Bitterness...Guilt
and Self Concern...**

**Laziness...Suspicion...and
Despair...**

Feast on...

**Gratitude...Hope...Truth
Compassion...Commitment
Patience and Forgiveness
and The Mercy of God**

Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish family of Our Lady of Lourdes, are a faith-filled people who welcome all to join us as we listen to the Word of God and celebrate the Eucharist together. We encourage each other to grow in Christ as we use our God-given gifts to serve the people of our community.

Through the Holy Spirit we are inspired through our Patroness, Our Lady of Lourdes, and we strive to imitate her charity and love in making the will of God our own.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Centennial Anniversary

Journal Entry Submission Form



Name/Company:

Date:

Home/Business Address:

City, State, Zip:

Telephone:

Email:

Sponsorship Levels:

Select the level you wish to sponsor.

- Gold Page: \$750
- Silver Page: \$500
- Full Page (B&W): \$300
- Half Page (B&W): \$175
- Quarter Page (B&W): \$125
- Business Card Ad: \$100
- Patron/Family Listing (Name Only): \$75

Text to be included:

Ad Submission Deadline: March 31st, 2026

Ads may be submitted as camera-ready artwork (PDF or JPG) or simple text using the area below - we are also happy to design your ad for you!

Please send all ads and inquiries to:
angelacarbone@ollchurchmalverne.org

Checks can be made payable to:

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Memo: 100th Gala Journal

Mail or drop off to:

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Attn: 100th Gala Journal Committee
65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY 11565

All proceeds from the journal will benefit centennial projects, parish ministries and ongoing improvements to ensure that Our Lady of Lourdes remains a vibrant spiritual home for generations to come.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO CELEBRATE
THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH



If you would like to sponsor a priest or
religious sister to attend the celebration,
please contact the Parish Center.

BLUE & WHITE BALL

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026

SAND CASTLE

505 FRANKLIN AVE., FRANKLIN SQUARE, NY

COCKTAIL HOUR, DINNER & DANCING

7:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT

\$185 PER PERSON | 21 & OVER

Kindly register by March 31, 2026

Please return payment with guest count by mail or to the Parish Center,
or register online at www.ollchurchmalverne.org/blueandwhiteball



Our Lady of Lourdes



**CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS**
OF LONG ISLAND

Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light for my path.

PSALM 119:105



The Spirit League boys and girls seasons wrapped up right before winter break, with both teams earning spots in the playoffs. We're proud of our coaches for their leadership and of our players for their sportsmanship and teamwork. We're grateful for the opportunity to live out the purpose of the Spirit League together.

Principal's Message



As we begin the first week of Lent, I want to take a moment to reflect on what this season means for our school community here at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School.

Lent is a quiet invitation. It calls us to slow down, to look honestly at our hearts, and to grow closer to God. In the busyness of school life—lessons, activities, practices, meetings—it can be easy to move from one thing to the next without much pause. Lent reminds us to be intentional.

In the Gospel on Ash Wednesday, we are encouraged to pray, fast, and give alms. These are not just traditions. They are practical ways to shape who we are becoming.

Prayer helps us strengthen our relationship with God. In our classrooms this week, you may notice students taking a little more time for quiet reflection. As families, you might consider adding a simple prayer before bedtime or at the dinner table. Even a few extra minutes can make a difference.

Fasting teaches us self-discipline and gratitude. For our students, this may mean giving up a favorite treat or limiting screen time. For adults, it might mean stepping back from distractions that pull us away from what truly matters. When we give something up, we create space for something better.

Almsgiving invites us to look outward. Lent is not only about personal sacrifice; it is about love in action. Small acts of generosity, done with great love, can have a lasting impact.

Lent is also a time of hope. It leads us to Easter and the promise of the Resurrection. When we talk with our children about Lent, it is important to remind them that this season is not about sadness. It is about growth, renewal, and preparing our hearts for joy.

I am grateful for the faith-filled spirit that defines Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School. Let us walk this Lenten journey together—with humility, kindness, and a renewed commitment to live our faith each day.

May Our Lady of Lourdes guide us, and may this first week of Lent be a meaningful beginning for all of us.

~ Stephen Harth
Principal



"God is faithful, and by him you were called."

— 1 CORINTHIANS 1:9 —

Religious Education News

MARCH EVENTS

Monday, March 2nd—Confirmation Practice 5:00 pm—
Church for Our Lady of Lourdes students

Tuesday, March 3rd—Take Home Finals—Grades 1 to 4

Saturday, March 7th—Take Home Finals—Grades 1 to 4

Monday, March 9th—Confirmation Practice—5:00 pm—
Church for Religious Education and Brother Fox
Students

Tuesday, March 10th—Return Finals—Grades 1 to 4

Wednesday, March 11th—Finals taken in class—
Grades 5 to 8

Saturday, March 14th—Return Finals—Grades 1 to 4

Saturday, March 14th—Finals Taken in Class—Grades 5
to 8

Tuesday, March 17th—Mass and Report Cards

Wednesday, March 18th—Mass and Report Cards

Saturday, March 21st—Mass and Report Cards

Tuesday, March 24th— Sacrament of Confirmation

1:00 pm—Our Lady of Lourdes Students

3:30 pm—Religious Education Students and Brother
Fox Students

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on
Tuesday, March 24th. The celebrant will be the
Most Rev. Bishop Robert Coyle.**

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Reminder: 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Preparation Students put your Mass Passes in the collection basket each Sunday or give them to your Catechist during the week before the following Sunday for Credit.

After March 21st, please drop the Mass Passes at the Parish Center until the end of the school year in June.

**Remember, this is a requirement in order to
continue on your journey to the reception of the
Sacrament of Confirmation.**

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7PM-11PM

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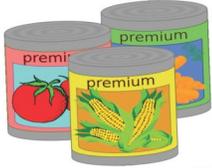
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SOUPER SCAVENGER HUNT!

SATURDAY, MARCH 21st



**For a team of family, friends, or neighbors
Join your community to help those in need
Have fun and celebrate the kindness of others
Fun competition among teams to collect the most food**

*Prior registration is needed - all teams must check-in before hunt.

*All teams will be given instructions, materials and assigned territory about one week before the hunt. All collecting will be done between 9am-3pm.

*Your team may choose to pre-flyer your territory to make residents aware of the collection.

*Your team will set out by car or by foot to collect any non-perishable food items throughout the town of Malverne.

*Your team meets back between 11:00am – 3:00pm with all donated items to be weighed in.

*Your team will receive a point for each pound of goods collected plus bonus points for highly needed items.

*If you are unable to join a team you may participate by leaving a bag of non-perishable foods on your stoop during these hours (please call if outside of Malverne).

SOUPER SCAVENGER HUNT REGISTRATION

Circle One: I have a team to register I would like to be placed on a team

ADULT LEADER: _____ PHONE _____

PARTICIPANT(S) NAMES

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1) _____ | 6) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 7) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 8) _____ |
| 4) _____ | 9) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 10) _____ |

CIRCLE ONE: Will travel by car Will travel by foot (please bring wagon(s))

Address and car availability will determine your assigned territory.

*Please send this form to the OLL Parish Center (65 Wright Ave., Malverne)
or **Call 516-241-1896 to register.**

***Territories will be given out on a first-come first serve basis. If your team would like to have designated streets ahead of time and pre-flyer those houses, let us know and we will provide an appropriate flyer. ***

Our Lady of Lourdes Easter Plant Sale 2026

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____



6 1/2" Pot, \$13 ea OR 3 for \$35



<u>Tulips:</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Red	_____	_____
Yellow	_____	_____
Purple	_____	_____
White	_____	_____
Pink	_____	_____

<u>Hyacinths:</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Blue	_____	_____
White	_____	_____
Pink	_____	_____
Mixed	_____	_____



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<u>Pansies:</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Yellow	_____	_____
Purple	_____	_____
White	_____	_____
Red	_____	_____
Light Blue	_____	_____

<u>Daffodil:</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Tet-a-tet	_____	_____



<u>Easter Lily 8"</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
1 Stem \$15ea	_____	_____
2 Stem \$25ea	_____	_____

<u>Hydrangeas, \$25ea</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Pink	_____	_____
Blue/Violet	_____	_____
White	_____	_____

\$25 ea

<u>Baskets/Gardens:</u>	<u>Qty:</u>	<u>Total \$:</u>
Flowering Basket wrapped in clear film & bow	_____	_____
Bunny Planter with plant	_____	_____
10" Bulb Garden (Tulip/Tete-a-tete/Grape Hyacinth)	_____	_____



Delivery for \$10 _____ Deliver to: _____ Total Amount Due: \$ _____

Orders due by Friday, March 20th by sending this **form with checks made to OLL PTL** in backpacks to Elisa Artusa c/o Nicky Castrovilla 6-2 grade, the parish office or order through parish store at <https://ourladylourdesschool.betterworld.org/>

Pickup or delivery Saturday, April 4th, between 8AM and 11AM at Our Lady of Lourdes near Maier Hall entrance. **Mother's Day/ Spring Plant Sale coming soon!**

Lenten and Holy Week Schedule 2026

Lenten Mission

Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan, Bishop of Brooklyn
Sunday, March 1 - Tuesday, March 3 ~ 7:00 pm

Confessions

Mondays during Lent in Church
February 23 ~ March 9, 16, 23
The Light is on For You
6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Saturdays ~ 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Reconciliation Monday, March 30

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:30 pm

Daily Mass during Holy Week

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday ~ 9:00 am

Wednesday, April 1

Tenebrae Service ~ 7:30 pm

Holy Thursday, April 2

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
7:30 pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper
9:00 pm to 12 Midnight ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday, April 3

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
12:00 pm ~ Living Stations
3:00 pm ~ Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord & Communion Service
7:30 pm ~ Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 4

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
9:45 am ~ Easter Food Blessing
Confessions ~ 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm
Easter Vigil ~ 8:00 pm
(NO 5:00 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Church: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm
Overflow Mass: 10:45 am in Maier Hall (School)
(NO 5:00 pm Mass)



First Friday Evening Devotions

March 6, 2026 ~ 8:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer Hour for Life

The Real Presence of Christ is the gift He gave us at the Last Supper, and when we come to church, we are truly in the presence of our God, our Creator and our Redeemer.

On the First Friday of each month, we gather before our Eucharistic Lord to pray that the culture of life will prevail over the culture of death, that respect for all human life from conception to natural death will be restored in the hearts and minds of all God's children.

Please join us for a Holy Hour of prayer before Jesus in the Eucharist on the First Friday of each month from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm. It may be a sacrifice to set aside this time, but time spent in the presence of the Lord is its own reward.

Nocturnal Adoration

We are privileged to have Nocturnal Adoration on the first Friday of each month. This year, the first Friday is in Lent. Are you looking for something for your Lenten sacrifice? There will be the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm, followed by Adoration. Join us as we offer prayers for our family, our parish and our country.

We invite everyone to come.

Remember the Date—Stations at 7:30 followed by Adoration on Friday, March 6th from 9pm to 10pm

Jesus will be here — will you?

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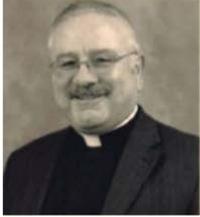
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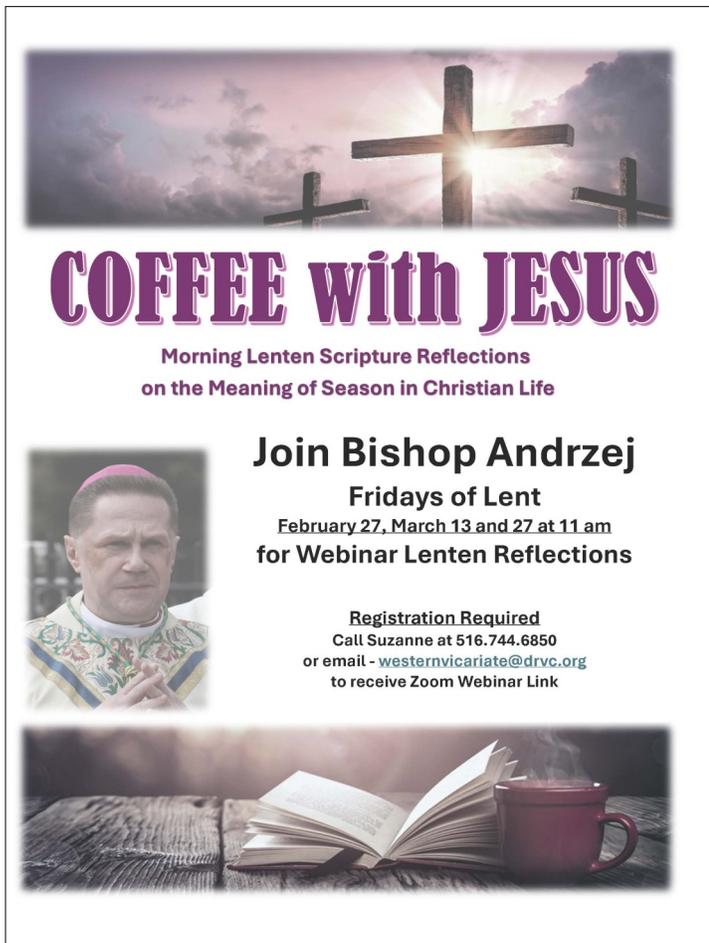
Fr. Roy Tvrdik, S.M.M., was born on Staten Island in 1957 and raised in Port Jefferson, NY. He has led numerous pilgrimages to the Holy Land and other holy sites around the world. Throughout his ministry he has given retreats, parish missions, and preparation for the Consecration to Jesus through Mary according to St. Louis de Montfort to many audiences. He also taught Theology at St. John's University from 2001 to 2005.

Father Roy will speak at all the Masses on the weekend of March 7 & 8.

His presentation will take place March 9, 10, & 11

From 7pm to 8pm in the Lower Church

Refreshments to follow.



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If you feel called to accompany others in their time of sorrow and offer the healing love of Christ, please consider becoming part of this meaningful ministry. Training and guidance will be provided.



To learn more or express interest, please contact the Parish Center at 516-599-1269.

If you require the elevator, please contact the Parish Center so we can add you to our call list in the event it is out of service. **Thank you!**

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**17 Sunday,
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**Please email Janine Illiano
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