



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MALVERNE, NEW YORK

*2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

January 14, 2024

*Come, and you will see...*

JOHN 1:35-42

Rev. James T. Stachacz, Pastor

Deacon Richard H. Portuese

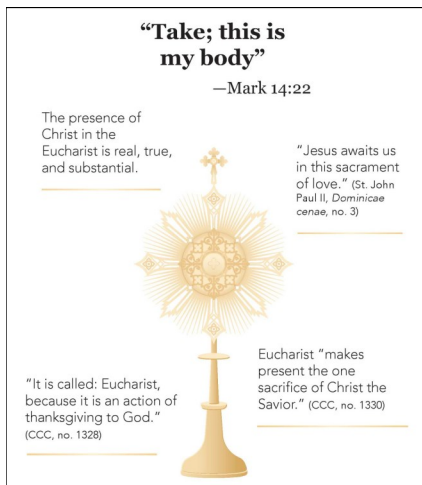
Rev. Brandon P. O'Brien, J.C.L., In Residence

Rev. Eugene C. Umeyor, CMF, In Residence

Msgr. Paul F. Rahilly, Pastor Emeritus

**COME AND SEE THE LAMB OF GOD  
JOIN US FOR A FORTY HOURS ADORATION:  
FEBRUARY 9-11, 2024**

The Parish Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes takes place this year on Sunday February 11, 2024. Considering this important day for our parish and that we are in the period of our Churches Eucharistic Revival, I am inviting you every family and your friends and each of our parish ministries and our School to join us for a FORTY HOURS OF ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (The Holy Eucharist) beginning **Friday February 9<sup>th</sup> following the 9:00AM Mass through Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup>** concluding with a Solemn Liturgy on Sunday at 12:00Noon. Bishop Andzej Zglejszewski has graciously accepted an invitation to celebrate this Mass at 12:00 Noon.



For the next few weeks my bulletin, my column from the Grotto will be on preparing us for this 40 Hours Celebration. We will also have a schedule form in the vestibule for Ministry Groups and individuals to sign up to make a Holy Hour before Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. **Please SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE VERY**

**SPECIAL DAYS.** Please read below. More to follow.

May God bless you and Mary keep you and your families always. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

*Fr. Jim*

**Monday January 15 ~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Remember to live the Dream as Dr. Martin Luther King preached about. But, we don't do it on our own. We do it with Jesus Christ at our side and in our hearts.

*The following is a Reflection From Fr. O'Brien*

**Why Should We Make A Holy Hour?**

Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen (1895-1979) was a well-known preacher, writer, and radio/television personality of the 20th Century. Anyone who is familiar

with him will know that he was a man of great faith who had a special love and devotion for the Eucharist. His words can help us to understand not only why we should make a Holy Hour, but how we can make a Holy Hour in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

1. "Because it is time spent in the Presence of Our Lord Himself. If faith is alive, no further reason is needed."
2. "Because in our busy life it takes considerable time to shake off the 'noonday devils', the worldly cares that cling to our souls like dust." At the beginning of the hour, many thoughts and distractions may flood our minds, but by the end, the cares of the day have hopefully faded into the background as we focus on being in the presence of Christ.
3. "Because Our Lord asked for it. 'Had you not strength, then, to watch with Me even for an hour?' (Matthew 26:40). The word was addressed to Peter, but he is referred to as Simon. It is our Simon-nature that needs the hour. If the hours seems hard, it is because 'the spirit is willing enough, but the flesh is weak' (Mk 14:39)."
4. "Because the Holy Hour helps us make reparation both for the sins of the world and for our own."
5. "Because it will restore our lost spiritual vitality. Our hearts will be where our joys are."
6. "Because it reduces our liability to temptation and weakness... Our sinful impulses are prevented from arising through the barrier erected each day by the Holy Hour. Our will becomes disposed to goodness with little conscious effort on our part."
7. "Because meditation keeps us from seeking an external escape from our worries and miseries."

Sometimes, stress and worry in our lives can cause us to seek relief in things that are neither spiritually physically good for us. Praying before the Blessed Sacrament is the ultimate good, giving us the grace and assistance that we need to deal with life's trials and difficulties practically.

~Rev. Brandon P. O'Brien J.C.L.

1 All quotations are taken from Sheen, Fulton J. The Priest is Not His Own. San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2004. Print. 230-255.



*Congratulations to all 6 of the newest Eagle Scouts of Malverne Boy Scout Troop 24 ~ Nicolas Prizzi, Luke Gentilella, AJ Wladyka, Matteo Somma, Raymond Cecere and Robert Castles. It was a pleasure to attend and give the opening and closing prayer as the Chartered Organization Executive. May God Bless them always.*





### 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  
Masks must be worn.

Confessions will be heard behind the screen for the protection of both the penitent and the confessor.

### 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

**Parish Center:** Jennifer Prizzi, Parish Administrative Assistant  
(516) 599-1269  
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org

### Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday to Friday:

9:00 am to 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

### Music Ministry Team:

Tess Austin, Stephen Harth, &  
Christine Solimeno  
sharth5620@ollmalverne.org

**Youth Director:** Linda Baldacchino

**Maintenance:** Kevin Dieck  
Rocco Bruzzese

### Religious Education:

Mary Lasar, Director  
marylasar@ollchurchmalverne.org  
Marybeth Malone, Secretary  
marybethmalone@ollchurchmalverne.org  
(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  
Magdalen Hamilton-Roldan, Administrative Assistant  
(516) 599-7328 ~ Fax: (516) 231-1440  
www.OLLMalverne.org

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, January 13th ~ Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor

5:00 pm Thanksgiving to the Saints

#### Sunday, January 14th ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am James Bantock (d)  
9:00 am Patricia Carey (d)  
10:30 am Jordan L. Kenna (d)  
12:00 pm John Martin Walsh (d)  
Jospeh Zafonte (d)  
Mary T. Hotetz (d)  
Salvatore Rivela (d)  
Mass of Thanksgiving  
5:00 pm Sandra Fama (d)

#### Monday, January 15th ~ Weekday

9:00 am Living Intentions of Ethan Davila

#### Tuesday, January 16th ~ Weekday

9:00 am Ann & Richard McGowan (d)

#### Wednesday, January 17th ~ Saint Anthony, Abbot

9:00 am Eileen Diaz (d)

#### Thursday, January 18th ~ Weekday

9:00 am Terry Morris (d)

#### Friday, January 19th ~ Weekday

9:00 am Peter Loehle (d)  
12 Noon Adoration for legal protection of unborn and  
all life

#### Saturday, January 20th ~ Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martry

9:00 am Dominick Mangiola (d)  
Whitney Marie Figliozzi (d)  
Gary DeWitt (d)  
Stephen Margiotta (d)  
Blessings for the New Year for Sebastien and  
Stephane Etheart  
5:00 pm Julia Biondo (d)

#### Sunday, January 21st ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Howard Cummings (d)  
9:00 am Katie Schierle (d)  
10:30 am Richard Dee Sr. (d)  
12:00 pm Jerry McLaughlin (d)  
Angelina & Richard Morese (d)  
Marian DiGiacomo (d)  
Margaret Carulli (d)  
Robert Enriquez & Sindo Enriquez (d)  
5:00 pm Deceased members of the Studdert & Don Lon  
Families (d)

### Wedding Times

Fridays ~ 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM  
Saturdays ~ 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM  
Sundays ~ Ceremonies preferred



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

Ellen Butler  
Helen Confusione  
Rev. Richard Donovan  
Marge Easner  
Deacon John Governale  
Baby Fiona Keogh  
Sue Kielson  
John Rotondi  
Lucy Sanchez  
Jerry Schreiber  
Joseph Siino  
Arthur Staudinger

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  
ICI Bryanne Heim Iddings  
LCDR Ryan Patrick Mahon  
LCDR Tara Mahoney

**United States Army**

Major Thomas Barrett  
Spec Lotachukwu Okoye  
Spec Tucker Andrew Peterson  
2nd LT Katherine L. Macaluso

**United States Air Force United States Marine Corps**

1st Lt. William F. Cosgrove L Cpl Kristofer Katzenberger  
PFC 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.**

*Grant eternal peace to those whom You called unto Yourself, O Lord.*



***Giovanni Amato  
Kathryn A. Hawkins  
James P. Dineen  
Lucy Incontro  
Deacon Angelo D'Aversa***

**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 wrap 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.



<b><i>Sunday</i></b>	Rev. Manuel Zuzarte, SAC
<b><i>Monday</i></b>	Rev. Lawrence Chadwick
<b><i>Tuesday</i></b>	Rev. Robert Hewes
<b><i>Wednesday</i></b>	Rev. Michael Varchese
<b><i>Thursday</i></b>	Rev. Gonzalo Oajaca-Lopez
<b><i>Friday</i></b>	Rev. Frank Teve Addey
<b><i>Saturday</i></b>	<b><i>Religious Sisters</i></b>

**Reflection for Next Sunday  
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 21, 2024**

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

*Jesus calls the fishermen, Simon and Andrew, James and John, to be his disciples.*

**Family Connection**

Today's Gospel describes how Jesus called his first disciples and the immediacy with which these men dropped everything to follow him. We can only begin to imagine what Jesus' presence must have been like to invoke such a response in these first disciples. While a few of us might relate to such a radical conversion, many of us would find such a sudden change in ourselves or in another person unsettling. There are few things for which we would willingly drop everything. And yet this is the immediacy with which these first disciples responded to Jesus. These first disciples were willing to drop everything in order to make Jesus and the Kingdom of God the most important things in their lives.

Gather as a family and talk about circumstances in which you have had to "drop everything." (the call to pick up a sick child from school, the cry of a hurt or angry child) How did you feel about having to change your plans in each of these situations? How do we feel when someone asks us to drop everything to help him or her? For many of us, it is not easy to drop everything to respond to the needs of another.

Read today's Gospel, Mark 1:14-20. Invite your family to imagine what Jesus' presence and invitation to these first followers must have been like that they responded by leaving their livelihood to become his disciples. How might our life change if we understood the Kingdom of God to be as important and immediate in our lives? Ask God to help you experience the Kingdom of God with such immediacy. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



## **Upcoming Events in the New Year**

**Thursday, February 8**

Chinese New Year ~ 7:00 pm Church Hall

**Sunday, March 3**

Annual Fundraiser ~ 1:00 pm

**Sunday, April 14**

Communion Brunch ~ Hempstead Country Club ~ 12 Noon

## **Thrift Shop**

The Thrift Shop is all ready for Valentine's Day.  
Come in to share the love!



The Thrift Shop is open every Wednesday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm and the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month 9:30 am to 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.



*The Flowers by The Blessed Mother Statue have been donated in loving memory of*  
**Mairead Rourke Schutta & Carol Schutta**

## **Pro Life Corner**

*Help put God back into our lives: Promote His Commandments; bring back respect for all life from the womb to the tomb; strengthen family structure that is the basic unit of our society and bring Judeo-Christian morals back into our nation.*

*The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of*  
**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

## **Bulletin Reflection**

*In today's Gospel, we hear of Jesus attracting followers, including St. Peter and St. Andrew.*

## **Diocese of Rockville Centre**

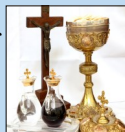
Catholic Ministries Appeal 2023 Parish Totals  
Goal: \$75,000.00 ~ Pledges: \$52,263.00  
Donors: 142 ~ Payments: \$51,948.00

## **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.*

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 today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for?" Often, we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

***As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.***

### Food Pantry

Spaghetti/Pasta, Mashed Potatoes, Rice,  
Rice A Roni, Jelly, Ready made sauce,  
~~Canned Spinach~~, Black eyed peas

## Altar Server Schedule

January 20th ~ January 21st

Saturday: 5:00 pm: Daniel Clarke  
Kayla Prizzi

Sunday: 7:30 am: Mary Kate Sussman  
AnnMarie Sussman  
Meghan Sussman

9:00 am: Gigi Barton  
Mea Barton

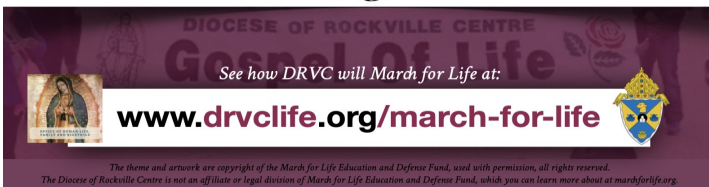
10:30 am: Luke McKeon  
Duggan McKeon

12:00 pm: Matthew Daskal  
Andrew Glassing

5:00 pm: Cate Darcy  
James Darcy



*With Every Woman,  
For Every Child.*



## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

	<u>Budget</u>	1/7/24	1/8/23
Weekly Collection	\$13,476	\$12,421	\$10,018
Second Collection		\$2,456	

***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: \$60  
Flowers by Blessed Mother Statue: \$30  
Flowers by St. Joseph Statue: \$30

### 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 only.

**Memorials** available throughout the year.

Please come to the Parish Center to make arrangements.

## 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 PayPal or Credit Card for fast &  
secure contribution, visit:  
[www.ollchurchmalverne.org](http://www.ollchurchmalverne.org)  
(Will be reflected the following month)



COME CELEBRATE AT THE  
9:00AM OR 10:30AM MASS  
COME VISIT OUR SCHOOL  
EXPERIENCE THE SPIRIT OF  
THE LOURDES COMMUNITY

WE ARE LOURDES  
HERE TO STAY!



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL, MALVERNE NY

## LOURDES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE

JANUARY 28TH 2024  
10:15-12:30PM

A GREAT PLACE FOR EDUCATION

THE MISSION OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL IS TO  
PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH CHILD TO GROW  
IN THE KNOWLEDGE, FRIENDSHIP AND LOVE OF THE  
LORD, WHILE ASPIRING TO REACH HIS OR HER FULL  
POTENTIAL SPIRITUALLY, ACADEMICALLY, AND  
SOCIALY.

76 Park Blvd  
Malverne, New York 11565  
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# Our Lady of Lourdes

CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN MALVERNE, NY

## ABOUT US

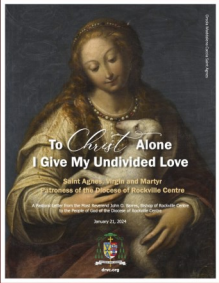
The mission of Our Lady of Lourdes School is to provide an opportunity for each child to grow in the knowledge, friendship and love of the Lord, while aspiring to reach his or her full potential spiritually, academically and socially.

## PROGRAMS

- Full Day Nursery School (3s program)
- Full Day Pre-Kindergarten
- Kindergarten through 3rd Grade (includes teacher and aide)
- 4th and 5th Grade (Mini Middle School)
- 6th through 8th Grade Middle School

**OPEN HOUSE  
SUNDAY, JAN. 28  
10:15 TO 12:30**

**CALL 516-599-7328 FOR MORE DETAILS  
OR GO TO OLLMALVERNE.ORG.**



**To Christ Alone I Give My Undivided Love**

A Pastoral Letter from  
Bishop John Barres on St. Agnes,  
Virgin and Martyr and Patroness  
of the Diocese of Rockville Centre

**Available January 18th  
at [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org).**

POWERED BY OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS, DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



**Long Island  
Coalition for Life**

Pro-lifers are invited to help restore the right to life for preborn children by joining the Long Island Coalition for Life for the Roe v. Wade Anniversary Memorial Face the Truth pro-life event on Sunday, January 21, 2024, from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. This peaceful public outreach will be held on the sidewalk in front of Nassau University Medical Center (NuHealth, 2201 Hempstead Tpke., E. Meadow). Be a positive sign for LIFE! Signs provided. Rain or shine. **Sponsored by:** LICL 631-243-1435, [info@prolifeLI.org](mailto:info@prolifeLI.org).

## **Divorced or Separated Catholics of Long Island**

*Including widows, widowers and singles*

A social organization for single persons  
New Member Orientation Meeting  
**Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 PM**

**St. Frances Club  
1869 Wantagh Avenue  
Wantagh, NY 11793**

*(Parking in the rear of building)*

Non-denominational. ALL ARE WELCOME. Bring  
proof of single status to join. Annual dues \$30.  
Refreshments following the meeting.

*For further information, please call also to verify  
there will be a meeting - Vito 516-503-5415 or  
Janet 516-286-0494*

*Holy Trinity Titan Parent Club Presents:*



Hosted by  
**DJs@Work**

**Saturday, January 20, 2024 Titan Cafe**

**Doors open at 6:00 PM**

**\$35 per person**

**Includes: Bingo, Soda, Chips, Coffee and Cake**

**Bring your own adult beverages and snacks!**

**(over 21 please)**

Test your musical knowledge of tunes from the 60's, 70's and 80's. A mix between the traditional games of Name that Tune and Bingo. Rather than playing with numbered Bingo cards, we give you cards with songs on them instead. When you hear a song, mark it off your card and if you're the first to yell "Bingo," you're a winner!

**It's an evening of entertainment, prizes, raffles and fun!**

**THIS AIN'T YOUR GRANDMA'S BINGO!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Alumni? What year? \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ tickets

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this slip with check made payable to Holy Trinity H.S.  
98 Cherry Lane Hicksville, NY 11801 Attn: Advancement  
or TEXT Radiobingo to 41444*

*If you have any questions, call Ginny at 516 433-7361 or email [ginn.ritter@holyltrinityhs.org](mailto:ginn.ritter@holyltrinityhs.org)*

## **WORD OF GOD SUNDAY**

**Sunday, January 21, 2024**

*"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Lk 24:45).*

**Come celebrate with Bishop Andrzej.**

**HOLY HOUR AND REFLECTION**

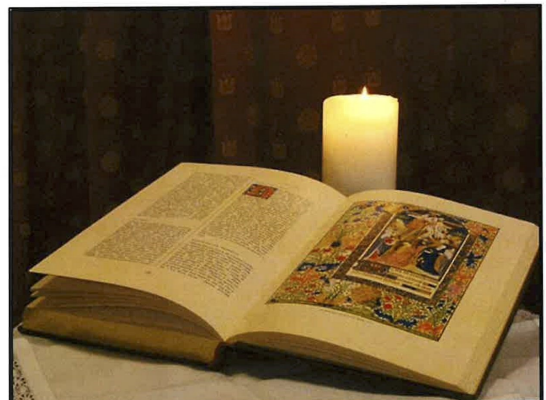
**Sunday, January 21, 2024, at 3 pm**

**Church of St. Paul the Apostle**

**2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, NY 11545**

[www.stpaulsbrookville.org](http://www.stpaulsbrookville.org)

**All are welcome!**







We welcome you to take part in our 9:00 am Mass each Sunday that will be geared toward families with young children. It is our hope that the Family Mass will allow children to enter more fully into the liturgical life of the parish and enable parents to enter more fully into the Mass knowing that your children are engaged.

**Beginning: OCTOBER 1st at the 9:00am Mass**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word Format:** Children will be invited to the Church Hall for the Children's version of the Liturgy of the Word. This will include a reflection and activity or craft to go along with the Gospel message. Children will return to their parents during the offertory procession.

**The Family Mass (with Children's Liturgy of the Word) will be each Sunday at the 9:00 AM Mass, until Pentecost Sunday, May 19th (excluding certain holidays)**

If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Family Mass, please call 516-241-1896.



## St Patrick's Day Party

Join us for a night of Dinner, Irish Step-Dancing and Bagpipes!  
Saturday, March 9th, 2024 at 7:30pm

St. Mary's/Maris Stella Council

78 Hempstead Ave

Lynbrook, NY 11563

\$50 per person/\$100 per couple

(Couples who book prior to Feb 15th pay \$90!)

Dinner includes a choice of Corned Beef and Cabbage or Chicken and of course, Irish Soda Bread! Guinness on Tap! Featuring Irish Music, live Bagpipes as well as live Irish Step-Dancing!

50/50 and Raffles all night!

Contact Nick at (516) 668-2648 or via email

[nickcomando@hotmail.com](mailto:nickcomando@hotmail.com)

Checks can be made payable to 'St. Mary's/Maris Stella Council 2228' and sent to the above address. (Venmo or Zelle also accepted)

OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
CHURCH

**Adult Choir**

Thursday at 7:30PM

**Handbell Choir**

Tuesday at 7:00PM

**Youth Choir**

Day and Time TBD

**COME SHARE YOUR  
GIFT AND LOVE OF  
MUSIC!**

We welcome new members to join our adult, handbell choir, or youth choirs as they prepare for this season of music!



Give the GREATEST Valentine's Day gift - YOURSELF!!!



Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage or priesthood?

Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage!



This experience will help you listen, share and connect more deeply with your spouse

Apply at:

[www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org)

click apply and search by zip code or address

Make this Valentine's Day even more special Give the gift of a weekend away to focus on your relationship

February 9-11

Held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Huntington, Long Island

Questions?  
Kevin & Regina Hickson  
(516) 554-3835  
Long Island  
Application Couple



## This Week at OLL Parish

### Monday, January 15 ~ Parish Center Closed

9:30 am .....Legion of Mary ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 4:30 pm .....Cub Scout Troop 24 ..... Church Hall  
 7:30 pm .....Boy Scout Troop 24 ..... Church Hall

### Tuesday, January 16

9:30 am .....SVDP ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 11:30 am .....OLL School Teachers .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 1:30 pm .....Scripture Study .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 7:15 pm .....CoDA .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 7:30 pm .....SVDP Meeting .....Parish Center Dining Room

### Wednesday, January 17

9:30 am - 2:30 pm ..... RAS Thrift Shop  
 11:30 am .....OLL School Teachers .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 2:45 pm .....Cub Scout Troop 24 ~ Bear Den ..... Church Hall  
 6:00 pm .....Cub Scout Troop 24 ~ Webelos I ..... Church Hall  
 7:00 pm .....Wednesday Prayer Group ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 7:30 pm .....AA .....Parish Center Dining Room

### Thursday, January 18

11:30 am .....OLL School Teachers .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 6:00 pm .....Girl Scout Troop 2330 ..... Church Hall

### Friday, January 19

9:30 am .....SVDP ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 11:30 am .....OLL School Teachers .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 7:30 pm .....Rel. Ed. Parent Meet & Greet ..... Church Hall  
 7:30 pm .....AA .....Parish Center Dining Room

### Saturday, January 20

9:30 am - 12:30 pm ..... RAS Thrift Shop  
 9:00 am .....8th Grade Retreat ..... Church/Church Hall  
 4:00 pm .....Confessions .....Church  
 7:30 pm .....AA .....Parish Center Dining Room

### Sunday, January 21

9:00 am .....Family Mass ..... Church Hall  
 10:00 am .....OCIA .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 11:00 am .....RAS Committee Meeting ..... Church Hall

## **Religious Education News**

### January Events

#### **Saturday, January 20th 8th Grade Retreat**

Church and Church Hall: 9am to 11:30am

#### **Tuesday, January 23rd Reconciliation Practice** Church: 4:30pm

#### **Saturday, January 27th Reconciliation** Church: 11am and 1:30pm

**Saturday, January 27th No CLASS**

*Please refer to the bulletin and website for any revisions or updates made to current monthly events. For last minute changes refer to social media.*

### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAM:

Monthly Mass sheets will be reviewed to ensure that each reflection (including Christmas) has been received. If any are incomplete Confirmation may be delayed.

Return all your service sheets in as you complete each assignment. Do not hold on to them until the last minute.

### EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS

With the exception of your service hours; all other paperwork should have been submitted to the Religious Education office last Friday. If any forms are outstanding, Confirmation may be delayed.

*The sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Wednesday, March 13th at 1:00 PM and 3:30 PM. Bishop Romero will be our presider. Let us welcome him to Our Lady of Lourdes for the first time.*

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## LIFE IS SACRED

If you were born after January 22, 1973, you have never lived in a country where the dignity of the unborn child in the womb was respected and protected. On that day, a decision of the Supreme Court, Roe v Wade, allowed unborn life to be destroyed by abortion. If you were born before that date, the life of the unborn child was respected and protected and the destruction of that life by abortion was unlawful.

On June 24, 2022, Roe v Wade was overturned by the Supreme Court and replaced by Dobbs v Jackson. Abortion is no longer within the jurisdiction of the federal government but is now a decision to be made within the states. The abortion industry is now exerting powerful pressure on states to incorporate abortion into their state constitutions. The struggle continues as does the annual March for Life in Washington, DC. In solidarity with the marchers, January 19 will be a special day of adoration and prayer here at our parish. Please join us.

Respect for all human life, especially the unborn, will be the intention of the 9 a.m. Mass. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 12 o'clock with the Rosary, prayers for life and silent prayer time. These same prayers will be offered at 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m. Our school children will also join in the prayers at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. If you cannot stay for the hour, please come whenever it is convenient for you. At 3:30, Father Jim will give a reflection on the "Sacredness of Life". The day will conclude with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

## ABORTION IS NOT ENDED

### JOIN THE MARCH FOR LIFE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024 IN  
WASHINGTON, DC

BUS LEAVES ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL  
AFTER THE 5 AM MASS

CALL: 516-766-0205 TO REGISTER

### "Religion and Rock"

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 am—8:00 am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 pm on *Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel* and at 11:00 pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Unity" Don't miss it!



### Called to be Stewards

1294 Makawao Ave. Makawao, HI 96768  
Parish Office: (808) 572-7652

December 18, 2023

Rev. James T. Stachacz  
Pastor  
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish  
65 Wright Avenue  
Malverne, NY 11565

Dear Rev. Stachacz

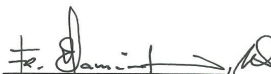
Peace be with you!

I am writing this letter on behalf of St. Joseph Catholic Church here in Makawao, Maui. We are truly grateful to your parish for keeping us in your prayers especially your Youth Ministry. The generous donation of your parish amounting to \$3, 228.00 will be put in our **Emergency Kokua** to help our struggling brothers and sisters affected by the August 9, 2023 wildfire.

With gratitude, rest assured of the prayers of our community for your community. May the Good Lord shower his blessings upon you all.

A faith-filled Christmas and a bountiful New Year to you and your Christian community.

In Christ,

  
Fr. Edison V. Pamintuan, MS  
Pastor



# OLL MEN'S CLUB

## AFC/NFC Championship Party

Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> after 2:30pm

**Maier's Brick Café**  
**157 Lakeview Ave, Lynbrook**

*Beer, Food, Boxes & Prizes*

**\$60 Admission**

**IT'S FOR THE KIDS!**

For questions, email: [mensclub@ollchurchmalverne.org](mailto:mensclub@ollchurchmalverne.org)







## St. Monica's Intercessory & Special Needs Prayer Group

*As we are made in God's image,  
so may we live in God's  
Likeness.*

***Saturday, January 27th 2024***

*Come pray for those you love to  
"Come Home to the Catholic Faith"*

***All Are Welcome***

**IN THE CHURCH HALL AFTER 9 AM MASS**

Together we will pray for the  
conversion of all God's children, by  
entrusting them to God Our Father,  
through the intercession of Our  
Blessed Mother and St. Monica.

***We also pray prayers for those with  
special needs.***

For further information contact:  
Peg Hannan 887-3390

Join us in prayer in the Church Hall every  
4th Saturday or list the names of those that  
you would like us to pray for, return to  
the Parish Center or place in the  
collection basket:

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ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL



## Triduum for the Solemnity of Saint Agnes

**January 19-21, 2024 | Patroness of our Cathedral and of  
the Diocese of Rockville Centre**

**Friday, January 19, 7:30 P.M. | Holy Hour**  
featuring The Cathedral Choirs

**Saturday, January 20, 5:00 P.M. | Solemn Mass of Saint Agnes**  
featuring The Cathedral Singers of Saint Agnes singing selections from  
*Missa O Quam Gloriosum* by Victoria and other sacred works

**Sunday, January 21, 4:00 P.M. Solemn Vespers of Saint Agnes**  
featuring The Cathedral Choirs followed by Veneration of a Relic of  
Saint Agnes  
Guest Homilist: Father Louis Cona, Associate Pastor, St. Patrick's,  
Smithtown

St. Agnes Cathedral | 29 Quealy Pl, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

TO ALL OUR LADY OF LOURDES

*Religious Education  
Parents*

**LET'S WELCOME 2024 TOGETHER  
WITH A MEET & GREET AT  
7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH HALL**





January 19 Grades 1-4  
January 26 Grades 5-8

Either day you are welcome to  
meet other parents and staff.  
Please join us!

If you are a volunteer in the Diocese of Rockville Centre you must be Virtus trained. Our Lady of Lourdes will be holding a class on **Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7:30 pm** in the Church Hall. All attendees **MUST** be registered before attending. Please see instructions below. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Center.

## **Volunteers in the Diocese of Rockville Centre**

A person wishing to volunteer in any parish or organization in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must first complete three requirements:

1. Attend Protecting God's Children (Virtus)
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct
3. Complete a background screening application.

(Background screening is conducted on all volunteers and employees every 5 years.)

### **Directions to Complete the 3 Requirements:**

1. Sign up to attend a Protecting God's Children class: [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org)

When you log on to the Virtus website, you will create a Virtus account.

- a. If you have not attended a Virtus class, you are a first time registrant.
- b. The first screen will ask the name of your organization-from the drop down list select **Rockville Centre-Safe Environment**.
- c. Follow all directions on the next screens.
- d. One screen will have the **Codes of Conduct**. Please acknowledge the Codes of Conduct.
- e. Continue with the registration process and select the class you will attend.
- f. After selecting the class, you will be instructed to complete the background screening application.

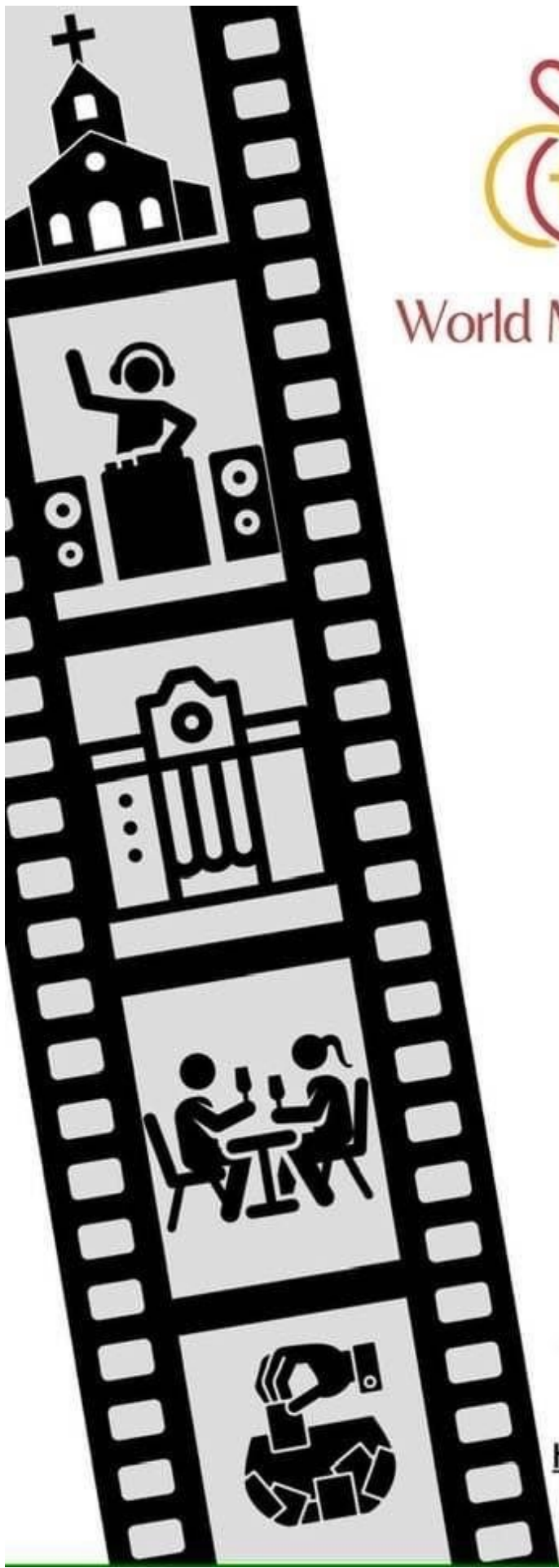
### **2. Background Screening Application:**

- a. Sterling Volunteers is the company providing the background screening.
- b. Follow all the directions to complete the background screening application. **DO NOT STOP ONCE YOU BEGIN THE APPLICATION!** If you stop-you are locked out of the process due to security procedures.
- c. You will need to provide your Social Security #; if you do not provide a Social Security # you will be charged a fee.
- d. After completing the application, hit the 'Submit Button'

Congratulations! You have now:

Registered to attend a Virtus class ~ signed the Codes of Conduct ~  
Completed the Background Screening.





## World Marriage Day Dance 2024



**Saturday February 3rd**

**Mass at 6pm**

**followed by Dinner & Dancing  
until 11pm**

**Price per couple: \$175**

**3 Course Sitdown Dinner**

**Open Bar**

**DJ & Photo Booth**

**Raffle Baskets and 50/50**

**Venue:**

**O'Connell Gardens**

**2985 Kenneth Pl**

**Oceanside, NY 11572**



**Scan QR code or Register at:**

**<https://wwmenyli.org/enrichment.php>**

**Need help? call**

**Maria & Chuck Reiss (631) 486-8607**



# Our Lady of Mercy Academy

*Educating young women with Faith, Compassion, and Promise*

January 9, 2024

Dear Pastors,

It is with great sadness that we announce the closing of Our Lady of Mercy Academy at the conclusion of this school year. This difficult decision was made because of changing demographics and lower enrollment which has decreased by 45 percent in the past 10 years. This announcement comes as a result of extensive deliberations by the school's leadership and governing boards: OLMA Board of Directors, Mercy Education Board of Directors, and the Institute of the Sisters of Mercy, who have tirelessly worked to sustain the school's viability in the face of many evolving educational landscapes.

Our students will remain our top priority. We will be working to transition freshmen, sophomores and juniors, as well as those potential new students who were considering Our Lady of Mercy Academy for the 2024-2025 academic year, to new schools. OLMA administration will be meeting with the area Catholic school leaders on Wednesday, January 10, to ensure a smooth application process, including forwarding final academic records at the end of the year. We also urge you to contact your schools of interest. We will be creating a special page on our website where we will post relevant information about the transition process and all matters concerning the closing. The webpage will be accessible on [www.olma.org](http://www.olma.org).

With gratitude we acknowledge all those who have supported Our Lady of Mercy Academy, including our benefactors, our alumnae, and volunteers. We wholeheartedly thank our dedicated faculty and staff, who have cherished their responsibility to share the Mercy Catholic tradition with students. We are grateful to all Sisters who have supported us throughout our history, including those who first opened the doors of our school in 1928. The bonds that have been created with the Sisters of the former Brooklyn region and the Sisters who live on this campus are beyond measure.

It has been a privilege to educate and nurture our students and to instill in them the Mercy Catholic values that we pray will be their guiding star throughout their lives. We entrust the coming months to the loving protection of Mary, Our Lady of Mercy. We pray that the God of wisdom and mercy may guide us with consolation and strength.

Respectfully,

Virginia A. Ewen '76, OLMA Board of Directors, Chairperson

Margaret Myhan '70, President

Sr. Lisa Griffith, Executive Director, Mercy Education System





### Tickets

**General Admission - \$30 in advance (\$35 @ door)**  
(children 3 and under do not need a ticket)

**Reserved Student- \$50**  
Special reserved seating close to the court and free team poster.

**Reserved Adult- \$50**  
Special reserved seating close to the court and \$5 souvenir gift certificate. (200 max seating)

**Courtside Plus Student - \$80 (limited quantity)**  
**Courtside reserved seating**, pregame meet & greet with players, souvenir lanyard, a color team photo that is perfect for autographs and a \$5 discount on Wizards replica jersey.

**Courtside Plus Adult - \$80 (limited quantity)**  
**Courtside reserved seating**, pregame meet & greet with players, souvenir lanyard, and a \$10 souvenir gift certificate for adults.

**Courtside Player (Students K-8) - \$155 (10 tickets available)**

Courtside reserved seating, pregame meet & greet with players, jersey (picked up at game) souvenir lanyard, color team photo for kids that is perfect for autographs AND the opportunity to play in a 3-minute game with the Harlem Wizards during half-time.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024**

**7:00 PM**

**ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL GYM**

**Tickets On Sale!**

<https://harlemwizards.com/schedule-tickets/>

**\*This is not a drop-off event, K-6 students must be accompanied by an adult.**

**We will be selling concessions and Wizards Souvenirs (cash or cc) to help raise money**