



OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
MALVERNE, NEW YORK

*The Resurrection of the Lord*  
April 5, 2026



*He is Risen*

John 20:1-9

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 GROTTTO**  
**THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**  
**JOHN 20:1-9**

**HAPPY EASTER! CHRIST IS RISEN!**  
**ALLELUIA!**

We have reached the pinnacle of our faith as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, from the dead. Easter is at the heart of the Christian year. Christ's resurrection is what we live for every day; everything in our faith flows toward and from the moment of Easter. Without Easter, our faith would be empty.

In his First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul writes: "But if Christ is preached as raised from the dead, how can some among you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then neither has Christ been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, your faith" (1 Cor 15:12-14).

On that first Easter, the disciples heard the words, "He is not here; He has been raised." This changed history for all time. In an instant, fear gave way to faith, grief to joy, and death to life. The Resurrection reveals the fullness of God's love—a love stronger than hatred, deeper than sorrow, and more powerful than death itself.

We celebrate Easter not as a past event, but as a living reality within us each day. We share in Christ's risen life from the moment of our baptism. The same Spirit who raised Christ from the dead now dwells within us, transforming our weakness into hope and healing our wounds with grace. That same Spirit continues to renew our hearts and raise us to new life.

This Easter is especially meaningful as we celebrate 100 years of our parish, founded on April 21, 1926. For a century, we have gathered to celebrate the joy of the Resurrection together. What a profound and beautiful milestone in our parish's history.

What a powerful sign of the Resurrection—that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been celebrated and proclaimed even from our humble beginnings. As we mark this centennial Easter, we give thanks to Almighty God for the priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful who came before us and sacrificed so much to build our parish.

May we continue to share what Christ's resurrection means to us—as individuals, as families, and as a parish community. We are called to be witnesses of the Resurrection, like the women at the tomb, and like Peter and John. May we be lights in the darkness, agents of mercy where there is division, and bearers of new life where there is despair. Every act of forgiveness, kindness, and courageous faith makes the power of the Resurrection known.



Easter teaches us that with God, all things are possible. God is always triumphant, no matter what lies ahead in our lives or in the life of the Church. Remember: we no longer belong to sin and death. Jesus Christ is risen, and Alleluia is our song!

On behalf of Fr. Eugene, Fr. O'Brien, Deacon Rich, and our parish staff—Jen, Kelly, Stephen, Mary, Linda, Rocco, Kevin, Lisa, Marybeth, Angela, Josephine, Joyce and Marian. I wish you and your family a happy and blessed Easter. May the Risen Christ dwell in your hearts forever.

Alleluia! Resurrexit sicut dixit—Alleluia! Christ is risen, as He said!

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

*Fr. Jim*

**REST IN PEACE BISHOP MURPHY**

On Thursday, March 26, we received the sad news that Bishop William F. Murphy had passed away. Bishop Murphy served as Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre from September 2001 until January 2017. We join the Diocese and the entire Long Island community in mourning his loss.

I would like to personally thank Bishop Murphy for the confidence he showed in appointing me as a first-time Pastor. His leadership and trust were a great blessing in my ministry.

Bishop Murphy accomplished much for our local Church. He helped establish the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation, which continues to assist families in affording Catholic education. He was a steadfast supporter of Catholic schools and their mission.

During challenging financial times, he created the Mission Assistance Corporation to support parishes in need, strengthening our diocesan community. He recognized parishioners for their faithful ministries by establishing the St. Agnes Medal which was celebrated annually. He also guided us with faith and resolve through the tragedies of September 11 attacks.

May this faithful servant now receive his eternal reward in the joy of Heaven, where Easter is forever!





Easter 2026

DIocese of Rockville Centre  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Happy Easter to you and your families!

This Easter Sunday, Easter Octave, Divine Mercy Sunday and Easter Season we continue to pray and contemplate our Lord's Resurrection appearances, and we give thanks for Pope Leo XIV and his worldwide spirit of Catholic mission.

In his Cycle of Catechesis on the Resurrection of Christ, Pope Leo writes: "The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is an event that one never finishes contemplating and meditating on, and the more one explores it, the more one is filled with wonder, drawn in as if by an overwhelming yet fascinating light. It was an explosion of life and joy that changed the meaning of reality itself, from negative to positive; yet it did not happen in a striking way, much less a violent one, but gently, hidden, one might say humbly." (October 22, 2025 Audience)

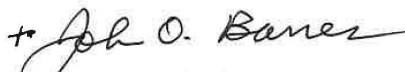
Pope Leo recognizes that there is much sadness in the world – "a feeling of precariousness, at times profound desperation." We think especially of the daily crosses and trials of those from war-torn and violence-ridden areas of the world.

The Holy Father then reflects on the despair of the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus. Their hearts burn and their joy is restored as the Risen Lord explains the Scriptures to them and they recognize Him in the breaking of the bread. In this way, the Paschal Mystery gives us hope and strength in every trial and circumstance.

Pope Leo concludes: "May the unexpected joy of the disciples of Emmaus be a gentle reminder to us when the going gets tough. It is the Risen One who radically changes our perspective, instilling the hope that fills the void of sadness. On the paths of the heart, the Risen One walks with us and for us. He bears witness to the defeat of death and affirms the victory of life, despite the darkness of Calvary... He alone makes the impossible possible!"

May the Light of the Risen Christ illumine our path to holiness on earth and our path to eternal life and happiness with God in Heaven.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,

  
Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

### 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, April 4th ~ Holy Saturday

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

#### Sunday, April 5th ~ Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 am For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish  
9:00 am For the Living Intentions of Veronica Loehle  
10:30 am Msgr. Stanley Wolf (d)  
10:45 am Linda S. Lackner (d)  
12:00 pm Wilford Maples (d)  
Michael J. LoCascio (d)  
Jean Phillippe Magno (d)  
Marko Roguly (d)  
For the Living and Deceased Members of the  
Maranzano Family

#### Monday, April 6th ~ Monday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Evelyn Rein (d)

#### Tuesday, April 7th ~ Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am John Cozzolino (d)

#### Wednesday, April 8th ~ Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Ellen McGowan (d)

#### Thursday, April 9th ~ Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Marian Wolterstorff (d)  
12:00 pm Adoration

#### Friday, April 10th ~ Friday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Bentz Philemy (d)

#### Saturday, April 11th ~ Saturday within the Octave of Easter

9:00 am Sean D. Ledwith (d)  
Peggy Hannan (d)  
Lorraine Keller (d)  
Richard Keller (d)  
Onofrio Avvinti (d)  
5:00 pm Rose and Joe Ciasulli (d)

#### Sunday, April 12th ~ Sunday of Divine Mercy

7:30 am John Dolan (d)  
9:00 am Sean D. Ledwith (d)  
10:30 am William Gorman for his 25th Anniversary in  
Heaven  
12:00 pm Luciano Cirelli (d)  
Peter Lawless Jr. (d)  
Michelle Summers (d)  
Blago Grbesic (d)  
Claudia Melle (d)  
5:00 pm For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



## St. Vincent de Paul Society



Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice. It is then that we are truly Easter people!

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 Easter hope and joy.

### Pantry Hours

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

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

### Needed in the Food Pantry

Rice-A-Roni, Cannellini Beans, Baked Beans,  
Chili, Cereal, & Oatmeal

**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: \$20,571.00  
Donors: 51 ~ Payments: \$11,272.00

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - as of Sunday, March 15, 2026

Pledge Goal           **\$2,000,000**  
Pledge Amount:   **\$2,150,776**  
Redemption  
Collected           **\$706,349**

*Our first three projects will be installing two new boilers in the rectory and parish center, repairing the front steps of the parish center, and adding security cameras around the church.*

**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.

## 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

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



**Most Reverend William F. Murphy**

**Patricia Dougan**

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS - Sunday, March 29, 2026

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Weekly Collection	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>\$20,191</b>
Year to Date <i>OLL Fiscal Year</i>	<b>\$540,000</b>	<i>will report next week</i>

*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](http://www.ollchurchmalverne.org/donate)





**2026 Events**

**Sunday, April 19th—1:00 pm**  
Annual Communion Breakfast  
St. Mary's Knights of Columbus  
78 Hempstead Avenue  
Lynbrook, NY

*Please see flyer on page 14 of the bulletin*

**Thursday, May 28th—1:00 pm**  
Church Hall  
RAS Annual Tea Party  
Hosted by Our Very Own Doris Laxton

**Thursday, June 18th—7:00 pm**  
Church Hall  
End of Year Luau Celebration

**Christmas in July**  
Sing-A-Long  
Wear Your Favorites Christmas Sweater  
Sunday, July 19th—1:00 pm  
Church Hall

**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.

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!**

**REMINDER**

We need your assistance in maintaining an accurate Parish Census. When you change your address, telephone number or move out of the parish, please notify us. Just drop us a note or call us at 516-599-1269. Thank you.




**EUCCHARISTIC**  
*Adozation*

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**SECOND THURSDAY  
OF EACH MONTH**

**12 PM TO 5 PM**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9**

**Bulletin Reflection**

Christ is Risen! He Has Risen Indeed!

**Pro Life Corner**

“To be actively pro-life is to contribute to the renewal of society through the promotion of the common good. It’s impossible to further the common good without acknowledging and defending the right to life, upon which all the other inalienable rights of individuals are founded and from which they develop.”  
~ St. John Paul II

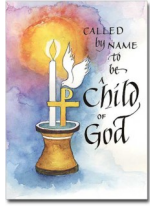
**Pray for Priests**



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. Peter Devaraj
- Monday** Rev. Manuel Zuzarte
- Tuesday** Rev. Michael Bissex
- Wednesday** Rev. Jacob Quansah Kyei
- Thursday** Rev. Stanislaw Wadowski
- Friday** Rev. Milciades Ayala
- Saturday** **Religious Brothers & Sisters**

# Welcome Newly Baptized!



Aria Joy Grow  
Alessandra Rose Rossi  
Cecilia Anne Tishuk

## Reflection for Next Sunday Divine Mercy Sunday

**April 12, 2026**

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47  
Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9  
Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

*Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.*

### Family Connection

Many of us can relate to Thomas's response to the news that the disciples had seen Jesus. We want to see for ourselves too, but we grow in faith, trusting the experience and knowledge of others.

Many of us have heard the saying "Seeing is believing." As your family gathers, take some time to consider what that saying means. What are some things we believe because we see them? Is there anything we believe without seeing? Today's Gospel reminds us that faith sometimes asks us to believe things we cannot see with our eyes. Read today's Gospel, John 20:19-31, with your family. Think about Thomas's response to the reports about the risen Lord. Is Thomas's doubt reasonable? How does Jesus respond to Thomas? Jesus grants Thomas the evidence that Thomas needs to believe, but Jesus also affirms the faith of those who will be called upon to believe without first-hand experience. We are among those whom Jesus calls blessed. Discuss with your family the basis of each member's faith in Jesus—the witness of the first disciples, the Gospels, the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit, the community of the Church.

Pray together that your faith in Jesus will be strong. Pray an act of faith together.

## Altar Server Schedule

**April 11th & April 12th**

**Saturday:** 5:00 pm: Savannah Diaz  
Brooklyn Diaz  
**Sunday:** 7:30 am: Gigi Barton  
Mea Barton  
9:00 am: Luke McKeon  
Duggan McKeon  
10:30 am: Nicolas Rivas  
Ryan Rivas  
12:00 pm: Abigail Rudden  
Tiernan Schutta  
5:00 pm: Daniel Baldacchino  
Julie Baldacchino  
Maura Baldacchino

## "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 "Spirituality" Don't miss it!



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.



*The Sanctuary Lamp has been donated  
in Loving Memory of*

**Peggy Hannan**

*Requested by*

**Marian & Rocco Bruzzese**



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The Parish Center will be  
Closed on  
Easter Sunday, April 5 and  
Easter Monday, April 6



## THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

### Monday, April 6th—Parish Center Closed for Easter Monday

9:00 am.....Legion of Mary..... Parish Center Room #2

### Tuesday, April 7th

9:30 am.....SVDP ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 1:30 pm .....Prayer Group/Scripture Study...Parish Center Dining Room  
 7:00 pm .....CoDA ..... Dining Room  
 7:00 pm .....Bell Choir ..... Church  
 7:30 pm .....Boy Scout Troop 24 ..... Church Hall  
 7:45 pm .....Choir ..... Church

### Wednesday, April 8th

9:30 am - 2:30 pm ..... Thrift Shop  
 9:30 am.....Wednesday Words of Wisdom..... Church Hall  
 3:00 pm .....Cub Scouts Pack 24 Arrow of Light ..... Church Hall  
 5:00 pm .....Children's Choir..... Church  
 7:00 pm .....Prayer Group..... Parish Center Room #2  
 7:15 pm .....GRASP ..... Church Hall

### Thursday, April 9th

12:00 pm .....Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ..... Church  
 4:00 pm .....Cub Scouts Pack 24—Webelos Den ..... Church Hall  
 5:00 pm .....Cub Scouts Pack 24—Bear Den ..... Church Hall  
 7:00 pm .....Knitting Club.....Parish Center Dining Room

### Friday, April 10th

9:30 am.....SVDP ..... Parish Center Room #2  
 7:00 pm .....AA .....Parish Center Dining Room  
 7:00 pm .....CYO Swimming Awards Dinner..... School Hall

### Saturday, April 11th

9:30 am - 12:30 pm ..... Thrift Shop  
 4:00 pm .....Confessions..... Church  
 7:00 pm .....AA .....Parish Center Dining Room

### Sunday, April 12th

9:00 am.....Family Mass..... Church



*Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of*



## MOST REVEREND WILLIAM F. MURPHY

who entered into eternal life on  
Thursday, March 26, 2026.



### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

*The faithful are invited to gather in prayer at the*

### Cathedral of Saint Agnes

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

1:30 PM Reception of the Body  
 2:00-6:30 PM Public Viewing  
 7:30 PM Mass of Transferral  
*Celebrant* – Most Reverend John O. Barres  
*Homilist* – Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Public Viewing  
 2:00 PM Mass of Christian Burial  
*Celebrant* – Most Reverend John O. Barres  
*Homilist* – Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

# PICK UP YOUR COPY TODAY AT THE PARISH CENTER! 100TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

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*Gathered  
at the Table*



A Century of Faith and Flavor



**April 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 • 6:30 p.m.**  
**St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Center**  
 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Veteran Broadway Actor Ken Jennings has taken his deep faith and love for the Gospel of John and created a one man play.

Scan the QR Code to Register!



**Broadway comes to the Cathedral!** Celebrate the Easter season with a moving performance about the Gospel of John. The Gospel of John is a one-man, off-Broadway play created and performed by actor Ken Jennings. It is a verbatim, theatrical recitation of the fourth Gospel, focusing on a deeply personal, dramatic retelling of Jesus' life, miracles, and ministry from the perspective of the disciple John

**April 19 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Center**  
**\$10.00 per ticket**

# Divine Mercy Sunday



In 1931, Our Lord, Jesus Christ appeared to Polish nun Sister Faustina Kowalska. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His chest in the area of the heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. Jesus said to her: "Paint an image according to the pattern you see with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You..." I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You'." Saint Faustina was canonized on April 30, 2000 by Pope John Paul II, who declared the Sunday after Easter to be known as "Divine Mercy Sunday."

## Chaplet of Divine Mercy

### Adoration & Benediction

#### Confessions

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

**Sunday, April 12, 2026 at 3:00 PM**  
**Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

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

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

Spec Lotachukwu Okoye  
 Spec Tucker Andrew Peterson  
 1st LT Katherine L. Macaluso  
 Sgt. Christopher W. Dean, Jr.

#### 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.**

### 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.

***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.

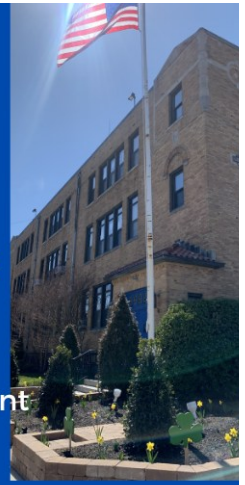
**No flowers** during the Advent and Lenten seasons.

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

# Our Lady of Lourdes



Congratulations to our 8th grade students on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation today. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you as you continue your journey in faith.



## Principal's Message



As we enter the sacred days of Holy Week, we step into a journey that is both deeply solemn and profoundly hopeful. It is a journey we do not rush. Instead, we walk it slowly, allowing each moment to speak to us and shape us.

As a school community, we journey with Christ through these holy days. We gather at the table of the Last Supper, we stand at the foot of the cross on Good Friday, and we wait in the quiet of Holy Saturday. Together, we live this story of faith, not as something distant, but as something alive in us.

Holy Thursday invites us to gather at the table. It is a night of humility and service, where we are reminded that love is not just spoken but lived. In the washing of feet and the sharing of bread, we see a model of leadership rooted in compassion, sacrifice, and care for others. It is a gentle but powerful call for each of us to serve in our own daily lives, especially within our school community.

Good Friday brings us to the cross. It is a day of stillness, reflection, and honesty about suffering in our world and in our own lives. There is no easy message here. Yet even in the heaviness, we are reminded that love does not turn away from pain. It stays. It endures. It gives everything.

Then comes Holy Saturday, a day we often overlook. It is quiet. Waiting. Uncertain. It holds the tension between loss and hope. In many ways, this day reflects the moments in our own lives when we are in between, when answers are not clear and the path forward feels hidden. Holy Saturday teaches us that even in silence, something sacred is unfolding.

And then, Easter Sunday. Joy breaks through. Light overcomes darkness. As a community, we are alive in Christ through the Resurrection. The promise of Easter is not just something we celebrate, but something we live. It calls us to be people of hope, renewal, and love in all that we do.

As a school community, may we continue to walk this journey together, sharing in Christ's love at the Last Supper, standing together in the suffering of Good Friday, and rejoicing as people made new through the gift of Easter.

Wishing you and your families a blessed and peaceful Holy Week, and a joyful Easter filled with hope and renewal.

~Stephen Harth

Principal



## Religious Education News

### Religious Education/April Events

#### **Reminder: All Communion Fees were due by April 1st**

Tuesday, April 21st—Communion Practice—

4:00 pm in Church

Students in Mrs. Mallen's and Mrs. Solis's classes

Wednesday, April 22nd—Communion Practice—

4:00 pm in Church

Students in Mrs. Reilly's and Mrs. Ward's classes

Saturday, April 25th—First Communion Ceremony—

11:00 am Students of Mrs. Mallen and Mrs. Solis

Saturday, April 25th—First Communion Ceremony—

1:30 pm Students of Mrs. Reilly and Mrs. Ward

Saturday, May 2nd—First Communion Ceremony—

11:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes Students

### CONFIRMATION NEWS

Reminder: Service hours for all 7th grade Confirmation Preparation students were to be returned to your teacher, Catechist or to the Religious Education Office in the Parish Center no later than March 14, 2026.

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

7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Preparation Students continue to put your Mass Passes in the collection basket each Sunday until the end of the month of June.

**Happy Easter to all of our Religious Education students and their families! CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD. HE IS THE SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD. WE ARE SAVED.**

# Chasuble Memorial Opportunity

We are offering parishioners the opportunity to sponsor a beautiful new chasuble in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

Each chasuble will be worn during Sunday, weekday, and special Masses, and the donor's name may be inscribed within the vestment.

These chasubles are uniquely designed by Zara Santa of Spain, allowing our parish to select something truly special and meaningful for our liturgical celebrations.

**Suggested donation per chasuble: \$550**

If you are interested in sponsoring a chasuble, please contact the Parish Center.



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center: 516-599-1269



## SPARTAN SPIRIT DAY OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18  
10 AM - 3 PM | SACRED HEART ACADEMY

**Experience SHA. Celebrate Our Community.**  
Join us on campus to reconnect with alumnae and friends, meet new faces, and enjoy the vibrant spirit of SHA. Admission is free.

**10 a.m. | Open House**  
Discover what makes SHA a place where girls grow, learn, and lead. Begin your visit in the gym.

**11 a.m. | Varsity Lacrosse Game**  
Cheer on the Lady Spartans at Four Sisters Field. Mini lacrosse clinic immediately following the game.

**All-Day Fun**  
Food Trucks | Games | Activities  
Connect with alumnae, families, and friends throughout the day. Be part of the Spartan spirit—we look forward to welcoming you!  
Rain Date: April 19, 2026



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## OUR LADY OF LOURDES 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

Special raffle for this beautiful anniversary quilt handmade by Ann Seccia.  
Pattern: Blue Tumbler  
56" x 74"



**Tickets are 3 for \$5  
or 7 for \$10**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Drop off at the Parish Center.**

Raffle will be drawn at the Blue & White Ball on May 21.

## Alleluia! Christ is risen; truly, He is risen! That Easter greeting offers all of us hope, encouragement and perseverance.

**At this special time of year, let us witness Christ's Resurrection by bringing hope and encouragement to others.**

Let us remember those of our neighbors who are hungry and in need, and consider sharing our many gifts with them.

One way for us to do this is by donating to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**. This Appeal assists our Church in bringing hope and encouragement to those in need in our Long Island community. Last year, *because of you* we were able to serve more than 600,000 people.



Make checks payable to:  
Catholic Ministries Appeal

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For more information about the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, please visit <http://www.drvc.org/CMA> or call 516-678-5800 ext. 296.



**Rosarians and Friends**

Join us for our

***Annual Communion Buffet Brunch***

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 @ 1 p.m.**

**St. Mary's Knights of Columbus**

78 Hempstead Avenue

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For reservations, please mail a check  
For \$45 (non-members: \$50) made payable to OLLRAS, to

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Phone – 516-593-5972

Reservation deadline is Wednesday, **April 8, 2026**

Table seating arrangements can be requested  
by enclosing a note with your check.

Our speaker will be Sr. Mary Alice Piil, CSJ  
Director of Faith Formation, Diocese of Rockville Centre



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Sunday, April 26, 2026  
 Mass at 9:00 am

Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church  
 65 Wright Avenue  
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Communion Breakfast at 10:30 am

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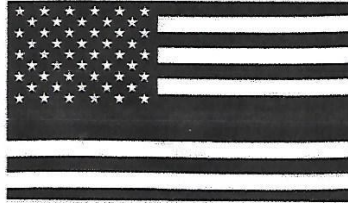
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Deadline- Friday, April 17, 2026



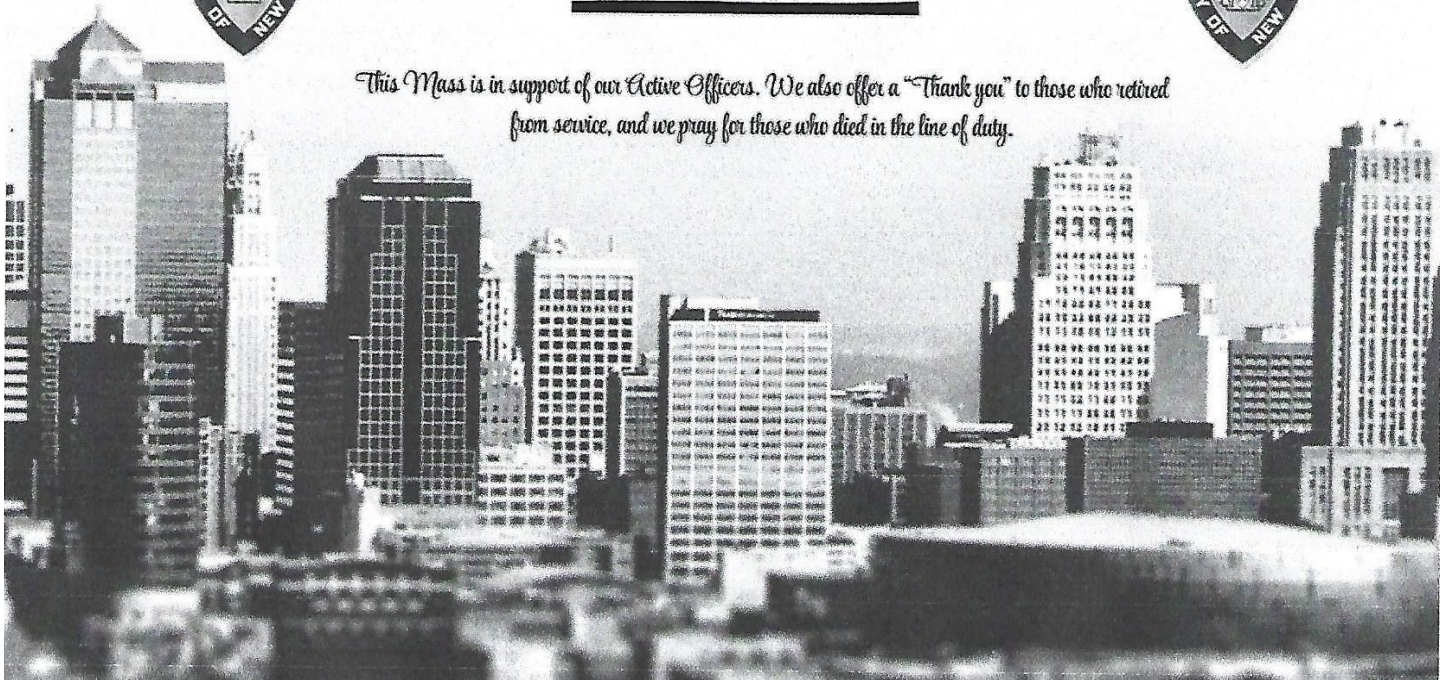
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# Our Lady of Lourdes

## Centennial Anniversary

### Journal Entry Submission Form

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- Patron/Family Listing (Name Only): \$75

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### 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,  
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## BLUE & WHITE BALL

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026

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505 FRANKLIN AVE., FRANKLIN SQUARE, NY

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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](http://www.ollchurchmalverne.org/blueandwhiteball)

## Congratulations to the following Confirmandi

The Sacrament of Confirmation Conferred by Bishop Coyle on  
Tuesday, March 24th.

Annamaria Agopian  
Daniel Armstrong  
Caleb Bacchus  
Mea Barton  
Gianna Beganskas  
Anthony Cabrera  
Cayden Cardiff  
Ella Connor  
Mackenzie Corbett  
Cate Darcy  
Jack Del Pezzo  
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Franco Rosado  
Gavin Rose  
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Sophia Shaheen  
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Melody Spring  
Timothy Sullivan  
Meghan Sussman  
Molly Suttmiller  
James Turrisi  
Joseph Ventrudo  
Shelby Zwillick



### *Long Island Society of Italian Americans (LISIA)*

We are having our second LEFT/CENTER/RIGHT  
(LCR) game Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at the Elks  
Lodge on Hempstead Avenue in Lynbrook at 7pm.

Tickets are \$25.00 per person.  
Coffee and dessert will be served at intermission.

Please call Diane Langella at (516) 777-0607  
for additional information.

# Open House

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026 AT 1PM

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## Liturgical Minister Training- Spring 2026

The Diocese of Rockville Center will offer training for those who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. No walk-ins permitted, all participants must be registered in advance, with a letter from their pastor.

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:** Part A - This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This “BASIC” training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend Part B training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend Part A training prior to Part B training. A **Lector Workshop** is available for both new and experienced lectors.

### Dates and Locations for Liturgical Minister Training

- **Lector Workshop and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part A:**

**Tuesday, April 21** – St. Elizabeth/Melville – Msgr. Kane Hall; 7 pm – 10 pm

**Monday, April 27** – St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Hall/RVC – Msgr. Kelly Parish Center;  
7 pm – 10 pm

You may ask your pastor to register you for EITHER the Lector Workshop OR Extraordinary Minister training at these sessions.

- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Part A:**

**Saturday, May 30 – Immaculate Conception/Westhampton Beach** – Parish Center;  
9:00 am – 12 noon. There is NO Lector Workshop offered at his session.

You may only be registered with your Pastor’s nomination. Doors open 30 minutes before the training start time.  
End time is an estimate, session may end prior to 10 pm, please be prepared.

- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Part B** – presented in conjunction with Catholic Health.

**These sessions will run from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm.**

**Monday, May 4** - St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Hall / RVC – Msgr. Kelly Parish Center

**Tuesday, May 26** – St. Elizabeth/Melville – Msgr. Kane Hall pm

A letter from your pastor will be required to reserve your space at any of these trainings and must be received at least five days prior to the session you wish to attend. To request registration for any of these sessions, please contact your rectory. Do not call the host parishes with questions. For questions, call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850. Thank you for your interest.

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