

Office Hours

Parish Phone – 269-6635

Parish Website – www.saintjosephskingspark.com

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon,
1:00 to 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon,
1:00 to 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon

Saturday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon,
1:00 to 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM

Emergency calls may be made at any time.

Parish Regional School – Holy Family Regional School is located at 2 Indian Head Road, Commack, NY. It offers a Catholic Education for Nursery School through Eighth Grade. For more information contact Constance Jenkins, Principal at:

Phone – 543-0202

Website – www.holyfamilyregional.com

To schedule a tour of the School please contact parents@holyfamilyregional.com.

We Celebrate the Sacraments

The Sacrament of Baptism

Registration: Parents are asked to register at the Parish Center at least a month before the date of Baptism.

Preparation: The Pre-Baptism program is held in the school at 7:30 PM on the third Tuesday of every month.

Ceremony: Baptism is celebrated on the first, second and fourth Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.

The Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements for weddings should be made at least eight months prior to the date of marriage.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Nazareth Chapel in the Parish Center on:

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 PM

Eve of Holy Days and of First Fridays: 4:00 to 4:45 PM

The Sacrament of the Sick

Arrangements for sacraments and visitation of the sick in the home or hospital are arranged through the Parish Center.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is the current form of instruction for those who wish to join the Catholic Church. If you have never been baptized, confirmed or received First Holy Communion, or are a member of another Christian Church and wish to become a member of the Catholic Church, contact the Parish Center at 269-6635.

Mass Intentions

Week of December 10, 2012

Monday, December 10

7:00 Roseann Suspenski - Ann O'Shea

8:45 Edward McWilliams - His Family

Tuesday, December 11

7:00 Patrick Dwyer - His Family

8:45 John Lange - The Jones Family

Wednesday, December 12

7:00 Alexander P. Manly

8:45 Lucy Kohout - Her Sisters

Thursday, December 13

7:00 Louis Manna - The Manna Family

8:45 Irene Waide - Chris and Mary Moore

Friday, December 14

7:00 Helen Freitag - St. Joseph's Chamber
Choir

8:45 Roseann Suspenski - Carol and Bob
Cravotta

Saturday, December 15

8:45 PJ, Delia and Thomas Mulvihill - Jim
and Alice Doyle

5PM Joseph Krol - His Wife, Regina

6:15 Inez O'Connor - Madeline C. Jones and
Family

Sunday, December 16

7:30 Frances Lule

9:00 Paula Barczak - Maria and Sal Iraci

9:30 Purgatorial Mass

10:30 For Mass Guild Members

11:00 Inez O'Connor - John and Barbara
Hannon

12:00 For All Our Parishioners

5PM Maureen Raab - George Raab and
Family



From the Desk of Fr. Seán

In talking with people, I've discovered that a good many folks feel that we "lost time" in the immediate aftermath of the Big Storm. We were enjoying a very pleasant Fall season and then things just kind of fell apart... Halloween all but disappeared and before we knew it Thanksgiving was upon us. Here we are now at the Second Sunday of Advent and in another two weeks it's Christmas!

For some, a lot of energy went into cleaning up and getting things "back to normal"... that was followed by our ongoing effort to help those who suffered the worst... A lot of folks are just plain tired... worn out... and not feeling particularly merry just yet.

In many ways it reminds me of how people were feeling this time of year following the events of 9/11 ~ there was a sense that we had all passed through so much and it seemed an effort to try and get into the spirit of the season.

The storm alone produced a great deal of misery... but there's been a lot of other things that have been weighing heavily on folks... worries about jobs and money... constant bad news overseas and sloughing it out as we try and work towards peace and security... concern for our armed forces... family, friends and neighbors who are battling through some serious illnesses... the trials and cares of daily life... the list goes on and on.

Listening to the words of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" I couldn't help but look at the radio and ask? "How???"

I've been thinking about this during the past week... and, I keep coming back to the familiar words of an old Advent favorite: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."

As you know, Emmanuel means "God with us"... perhaps the words of this familiar hymn could really be the expressions of our heart's earnest prayer these days?

Come Lord Jesus... Come and be with us in these tough and uncertain days... Come and steady our faltering steps and hold our trembling hands... Come and calm our anxious and frightened hearts... Come and soothe our weary and tired souls... Come and be with us and whisper gently to our troubled spirits that all will be well.

How???

Because You are with us... You are Emmanuel... God is with us... All will be well.

There have been any number of you that have said to me "If it wasn't for my faith, Father..." or "Father, I don't know how people with no faith make it through..."

Faith in what??

Faith in holding fast ...to the truth ...the promise ...the hope ...that God is with us.

In all life's storms, difficulties, heartbreaks and strife... God is with us... He doesn't guide us over them... or under them... or around them... but God is there with us... as we go through them and survive them.

In my heart and soul, I believe that... I hope you do too.

Fr. Seán

Stewardship Is Our Way Of Life

Second Collection

Next Sunday's second collection will be for Facility Maintenance. Thank you for your support.



Parish Stewardship

12/2/12

General Collection

\$14,426.72

Long Island Catholic

\$2,456.00

Parish Events

St. Vincent de Paul 'Adopt-A-Family' Christmas Program



The St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for your help in the coming Christmas season. There are many families, singles and individuals who, but for your generosity, would not receive any gifts for Christmas. If you would like to participate in our "Adopt-A-Family" program, please sign up at the Parish Center. A case worker will then contact you. We would like all gifts to be collected by December 15th. Thank you again for your continued support and generosity.

Christmas Novena of Masses

In order to allow everyone to have their special intentions remembered at Christmastime, we are now making our Christmas Novena the intention of all the Masses celebrated at St. Joseph's this Christmas Day.

Most of you will have received an envelope at home entitled *Christmas Novena* and there are others available in church today. While there is limited room on the front for listing your intention, please feel free to list others on the reverse side as well.

Christmas and New Year's Day Masses Sign-up in the Minister's Room

There are still a few Christmas Masses which need Ministers ~ Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. You can volunteer to minister on sign-up sheets in the Minister's Room in the rear of the Church.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Church: 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM and
12:00 Midnight

Travis Hall: 4:00 PM (*Family Mass*)



CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

Church: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:30 AM and 12:00 Noon

Travis Hall: 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Please Note
There will be no 5:00 PM Mass
on Christmas Day

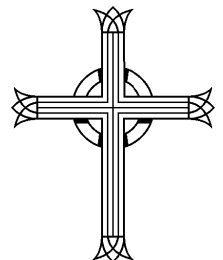
Celebrate Reconciliation

In the Church:

Monday, December 17th:
7:30 to 9:00 PM

In the Nazareth Chapel:

Saturday, December 22nd:
3:30 to 4:45 PM



Parish Events

St. Joseph's Lucky Bucks



St. Joseph's Lucky Bucks tickets are being sold in the Parish Center during normal business hours.

Tickets cost \$1.00 each. A winner will be chosen every three months and will win half the amount that is collected. The drawing will take place on:

Monday, December 17th at 11:00 AM

in the Atrium of the Parish Center. New tickets will be sold on January 3rd, April 1st, July 1st, and October 1, 2013.

**The Lucky Bucks total is now
\$882.00**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas are Going Green This Christmas



In an effort to help protect the environment, and raise funds for our many worthy charities, the CDA is asking all parishioners to donate their old, worn out, unusable Christmas lights for recycling. A collection bin is set up in the Parish Center and you can just stop by and drop them off. Your support of all our projects is greatly appreciated.

DAYTIME BINGO -

Wednesday mornings at 10:30 AM in Travis Hall. \$3,000 in prizes given away each week. Door opens at 9:00 AM.

| B | I | N | G | O |
|----|----|------|----|----|
| 14 | 19 | 32 | 51 | 74 |
| 6 | 21 | 39 | 52 | 61 |
| 11 | 29 | FREE | 55 | 68 |
| 7 | 16 | 42 | 60 | 69 |
| 9 | 27 | 37 | 48 | 72 |

For more information, please call 269-6635 ext. 248 during Bingo Hours Only.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Education Contest

**Open to all Students
in Grades 4 - 12 and CDA Members**

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Ave Maria invites all students in grades 4 to 12 to participate in the 2013 Education Contest. The themes of the contest are: (Choose One)

“Jesus Is Reflected In Me”

and

“My Life Is A Reflection Of Good”

It is a wonderful opportunity to share your talents and your faith through original work in the following categories:

- Grades 4-5: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art
- Grades 6-7-8: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography
- Grades 9-10-11-12: Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography
- CDA Members: Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Photography

You may contact Judy Mullarkey at 368-3780 or Marie Pacinello at 580-0184 for contest rules and all necessary forms. The deadline for all submissions is February 14, 2013. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place winners at local, state and national levels, along with certificates of participation and certificates of winning entries.

Andy Cooney's “Classic Irish Christmas Show”

to benefit

Hope House Ministries

**Sunday, December 15th
2:00 PM**

St. Joseph's College, Patchogue

Andy and his band will be joined by “America's Irish Colleen” Deirdre Reilly, the Darrah Carr Dance Troupe and Emcee Mike McCormack. Reserved Seat Admission Tickets are \$35.00 per person and may be purchased through Hope House Ministries (928-2377 ext. 22).



Parish Events

St. Anthony H.S. Honor Roll

The following students from our Parish made the Honor Roll during the first quarter:

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Vincent Amoroso | William Massina |
| Jonathan Bang | Anthony Massina |
| Dana Bongiorno | John McWilliams |
| Nancy Fabrizi | Nicholas Mercogliano |
| Brigitte Ferrando | Moira Murphy |
| Cassandra Ficano | Aimee Nicolich |
| Julia Galdorisi | Danielle Pitch |
| Matthew Galindo | Adrienne Pitch |
| Daniella Ganiaris | Samantha Reale |
| Elizabeth Gregori | Alexandra Reale |
| Chase Gurcan | Christina Rossner |
| Peter Henninger | Madison Russ |
| Gregory Henninger | Joanna Saporito |
| Brian Hoffarth | Joseph Simeone |
| Thomas Koch | Maria Simeone |
| Benjamin Lamantia | Annalisa Termini |
| Samantha Lamantia | Brian Twohig |
| Evan Landau | Nicole Ventura |
| Lisa Langiulli | Thomas Ventura |
| Madison Little | Taylor Winthrop |
| Brendan Mahoney | Christopher Wood |
| Grace Marino | |

St. John the Baptist H.S. Honor Roll

The following students from our Parish achieved Cum Laude Honors this past semester:

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| 9 th Grade: | Erin Endres Connor Haggerty Kyle McGarrigal Stephanie Pic Alexandra Ramos |
| 10 th Grade: | Kaitlin Cassidy Bryan Flannery William Reid |
| 11 th Grade: | Timothy Haggerty |
| 12 th Grade: | Alyssa Reid |



Scouting News

SAVE THE DATES:

Boy Scout Sunday
5:00 PM Mass (Saturday) February 2, 2013

Girl Scout Sunday
9:00 AM Mass March 10, 2013

All are invited to participate. Cubs, Webelos and Brownies may receive Catholic medals at the Masses. Older scouts will receive completed medals at ceremonies in St Agnes Cathedral at later dates.

Be sure all emblem participants are registered with parish scouting coordinators before beginning emblem work and upon completion. As per the Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting, age requirements and deadlines will apply.

St Joseph's Scouting Coordinators:

Carolyn Flynn 269-1145
carolynflynn@optonline.net

Michelle Stein 663-3009

Guild Mass Intentions

The following members will be included in the Mass Guild Intentions at the 10:30 Mass beginning December 16th, December 23rd, December 30th and January 6, 2013. (**indicates Mass is for the living*)

| <i>For:</i> | <i>From:</i> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Peter Tumminello, Jr. | Jim Fallon |
| Florence Cancellieri | James and Rene Girvan |
| Laura and Rudy Grzan* | Rudy |
| Marion B. McHugh | Thomas J. McHugh |
| Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edwards | Mike and Kathleen Lacey |
| Raymond Stone | The Norowski Family |
| Marie Keane | Stu and Staff |
| James S. Hart, Sr. | Marline |
| Albert and Eleanor Emmett | Lorraine and Mary Buckley |
| Jennie Parinello | Jean and Larry Lehan |
| Mary Ellen Trodden * | Louise Ewald |
| Mr. and Mrs. Michael Norton | The Norton Family |
| Angeline and Peter Richard | The Norton Family |
| Joseph J. Norton * | The Norton Family |

St. Joseph's Parish Outdoor Christmas Memorials

Christmas Poinsettias

As is our custom at St. Joseph's, each year poinsettia plants are available for remembering a loved one, living and deceased. These traditional Christmas flowers decorate our Altar and Sanctuary for the entire Christmas Season. The offering for each plant is \$20.00; arrangements can be made with the parish receptionist. A listing of all those remembered will be placed in our parish bulletin.



This year we are offering an additional and unique opportunity for remembering special people and intentions. Our parish buildings and grounds will be decorated with a wide array of wreaths and evergreens for the Christmas Season. If you like, you may remember your special intentions by participating in this memorial opportunity. There is no pre-set offering amount. The offering is your own personal decision ~ whatever your means will allow. As with the flowers for church, a listing of all those remembered will appear in the parish bulletin. To participate, simply fill out the tear-off form below and either return it in the collection basket with your offering or stop by the Parish Center and the receptionist will be happy to assist you.

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Address: _____

Person or Intention To Be Remembered: _____

Scripture Reflection

2nd Sunday Of Advent



The Lord has done great things leading his people out of slavery to the glorious splendor of Jerusalem. Let us make ready the way of the Lord by abounding in love and in works of justice.

Election campaigns too often degenerate into character assassinations. Past foolishness and failures are highlighted to discredit almost every candidate. The good they may have done is ignored and their errors are not only recalled but exaggerated out of context. In politics, there is little mercy for mistakes and there are few opportunities to make a fresh start.

In our relationship with God, things are very different. Though our sins may be scarlet, he is willing to make them white as snow. There is the constant invitation not only to make a fresh start but to begin a radically new way of living. No matter how selfish we may have been, he has shared our human nature to enable us to change direction and to move closer to his approach to living. Aware of how easily we postpone such radical conversion, the church offers us annual reminders of his coming to focus our hearts as well as our minds on his presence among us.

Advent is such an alerting and preparing time. Today's gospel is a timely reminder through the words of John the Baptist that Christmas is about more than food and drink, presents and pleasure, comfort and contentment. It is about preparing a way to let God have an ever-increasing say in our lives.

In the hustle and bustle, will we hear his voice?

Religion and Rock



Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 to 8:00 AM on WBAB 102.3 FM. Next Sunday's theme is 'The Best Presents'. Don't forget to tune in!

Music Ministry

Messiah at Midnight



An open invitation is extended to all interested singers to take part in singing portions of Handel's beloved masterpiece, "Messiah", and other favorites at the Midnight Mass on December 24th starting at 11:15 PM. Rehearsals will be held on Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 PM.

If you would like to be a part of the Choir for this event, please register by calling Deanna Muro, Director of Music at 269-6635, ext. 218.



Christ the King Church and the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting Advent Lessons and Carols and International Peace Light Ceremony

Sunday, December 9th at 7:00 PM
Christ the King Church, Commack

In the evening, as winter darkness begins, we gather in the quiet church, with candles lit from the Peace Light originating from the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, to hear the prophecies and great music of Advent. Based on the traditional service from Kings College, Cambridge, Christ the King parish adds its own touch, with readers of all ages and music led by the adult choir and junior schola, cantors, handbell ringers and instrumentalists. The assembly is as much a part of this service as the choirs and joins in singing the great hymns of Advent. Join us as we share the Peace Light, a symbol of the meaning of Christmas and the wish for peace and forgiveness among all human beings. A free will offering will be taken up.

Pastoral Care

Minister to the Sick and Homebound

If you have a family member who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the Parish Center at 269-6635 to make arrangements.



If you or a loved one are in one of our local hospitals, please call the Parish Center so that a Pastoral visit can be made.

Social Concerns

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, there are many depictions of Mary with her just born-child resting in the manger. Contrast this with a widely circulated photo of a young Chinese woman and her dead unborn child beside her in the hospital bed, both victims of a government-sanctioned, forced abortion. What a graphic photo to the reality of abortion, a desolate mother and a dead infant.

~ Pro-Life Reporter, Spring 2012

Holy Hour

Holy Hour will be Friday, December 14th, from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Nazareth Chapel.

Life Center of Long Island

OUR MISSION

To promote, encourage and foster public sentiment and respect for the dignity of human life.

(516) 798-9100 or (631) 243-2373
www.lifecenterli.org



Religious Education



Office Hours:

Tuesday: 9:00AM-4:00PM
Wednesday: 10:00AM-5:00PM
Thursday: 1:00PM-5:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM-12:00Noon
(when program is in session)

Advent Prayer

(Purple Candle)
SECOND WEEK



*O Jesus Christ,
Prince of Peace,
come and save your people.
Joy of every heart,
strength of those who are poor,
come quickly to help us.
Prince of Peace,
teach everyone who doesn't get along
to live in peace.
Amen*

Please Join Us!

for the

Gospel Drama Players

Presentation of:

St. Joseph's Annual

Nativity Play

Christmas Eve, December 24th

During the 4:00 PM Mass
In Travis Hall



Memorials

Remembering Loved Ones

Many parishioners have expressed an interest in making a monetary donation to cover the cost of flowers or the cost of bread and wine or Sanctuary Lamp for a period of one week, usually in memory of a loved one, living or deceased. If at any time you are interested in making such a donation, please call the Receptionist at the Parish Center (269-6635) or stop in to make arrangements. An acknowledgement of your offering will appear in the bulletin.

- Main Altar Flowers\$75.00 each
or two pieces for \$125.00
- Blessed Mother's Altar Flowers \$75.00
- St. Joseph's Altar Flowers \$40.00
- Bread and Wine \$25.00
- Sanctuary Lamp \$25.00
- Respect Life Rose \$10.00

Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for a Special Thank You to My Daughter, Lori Ann Marzigliano ~ Love, Mom.

Bread and Wine Memorial

The *Eucharistic Bread and Wine* for this week are for Fr. Seán ~ Happy Birthday, Fr. Seán! God Bless You!

Flower Memorial

The Flowers on St. Joseph's Altar are In Loving Memory of John Thomas Cappiello, until the day we are together once more. From your Loving Sister, Brother-In-Law, Nieces and Nephews.

The Flowers on the Blessed Mother's Altar are In Loving Memory of Gabriel C. Jaen, III ~ Love, Mom, Dad and Family.

The Flowers on the Main Altar are In Loving Memory of Marie Keane from The Rosary Group.

Wedding Banns



Please pray for the following couple who is preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony: (*St. Joseph's, K.P.)

Nicholas Pitch, Sr.* and Theresa Tapia,
St. Joseph's, Babylon

Those Who Were Baptized



This past weekend the following children were welcomed into the Church:

Gianna Kelly Adam Zeller
Ashton Kraus

Respect Life Rose



This week's Respect Life Rose is In Loving Memory of Geoffrey Boyle on His 6th Anniversary in Heaven. Love, Rosemary and Children, Infinity X Infinity.

Please Remember In Your Prayers

Those Who Are Sick

Mary Ellen Trodden, John DiSalvo, Fr. Manly, Eric Kobus, Laura Woodfield, Jean DiPippo, Howie Meyer, Winn McGurty, Kathleen Casey, Anna Sexton, Donna Genna, Roseann Prizzi, George Fox, Maryanne Parisi, Michael Irenze, Paulette Ravenell, Kathleen Bryan, Patricia Foley, Susan Graham, Peggy Cullen, Pat Caputo, Francis Donnelly, Loretta Parente-Prague, John Ferreyra, Silvestri Triplets, Christine Peters, Margaret Garland, Baby Morgan West, Theresa DiFrancisco, Carol Heffron, Sr. Joanne Walters, OP, Douglas Schook, Patrick Dugan, Helen Smith, Pat Marx, Greg Litorello, Brother John Lawrence, OSF, Anthony Ferrara, Sandra Ferrara, Michael Ferrara, Theresa Ferrara, Brianna Ferrara, Bernadette Cicero, Gabriella Richter, Sylvester Cicero, Edward Blom, Sr., Joan Blom, Ramon Torres, Tony Poldino, James McCroskey, Rose Scauso, Marguerite Patti, Lorraine Hart, Frank Genna, Theresa Vlahos, Frank Daconta, James Hammargen, Margaret Heimink, Josephine Ferrara, Michele Taylor, Homer Dellysse, Lauren Lenardi, Jane Foley, Susan Bennardo, Irwin Schulman, Robert Ansbach, Millie Ingram, Joseph Norton, Jenny Bernal, Cathy Travis, Robert Sr. and Bob, Jr. Schayline, Dan Matarazzo

Those Who Have Died

Helen Seymour, Albert Pierro, Kathleen Bryon, Marie Keane, Robert Lemire, Ann Marie Dolan, John Cristiano, James Galvin

Please Remember In Your Prayers

Those In The Service

PV2 David Ahrens, Jr., *US Army*
PFC Russell Andersen, *USMC*
Specialist Michael J. Bang, *US Army*
CPO Louis Barani, *US Navy*
Lt. Timothy Barnikel, *US Navy*
Airman James Tyler Bartram, *US Airforce*
Ensign Barbara K. Beal, *US Navy*
A1C Byron S. Beal, *US Airforce*
Sgt. William Beisler, *US Army*
Cpl. Ken Boss, *USMC*
LCpl. Ronnie Brandafino, *USMC*
Airman Nicholas Buttgereit, *106th Air Rescue, Air Guard*
1st Lt. James Byler, *USMC*
LCpl. Jesse Callahan, *USMC*
PFC Ryan Canedo, *USMC*
Sgt.. Paul Canedo, *USMC*
Pvt. 1st Class Frank Capozzoli, III, *USMC*
PFC David Caulfield, *US Army*
Staff Sgt. Michael Cavezza, *82nd Airborne*
1st Lt. Adam Cecil, *82nd Airborne*
Cadet Robert Cilla, *US Airforce*
Cpl. Robert Conaghan, *US Army*
IT3, CS Michael G. DeDonato, *US Navy*
CPO Jose Delgado, *US Navy*
Specialist Jason Dennington, *US Army*
Sgt. Mark Dennington, *US Army*
Sgt. Patrick Doherty, *US Army*
PFC Chris Digangi, *USMC*
Staff Sgt. James T. Drew, *US Army*
LCpl. Peter Dudek, *USMC*
PFC Robert Elsmore, *US Army*
PFC Patrick. Fagan, *USMC*
2nd Lt. Michael Farrell, *USMC*
Medical Corp. Preston Fisher, *US Navy*
CPO Lauren O'Neill Fleming, *US Navy*
Commander Edward Galvin, *US Navy*
Captain Peter Gerboth, *US Army*
Pvt. John Giacalone, *US Army*
Spc. Anthony Giordano, Jr, *US Army*
Staff Sgt. Laura Ann Hagemeyer, *US Airforce*
Sgt. Major William C. Hagzan, Jr., *US Army*
Captain Emily Harris, *US Airforce*
Spc. Sean Harvey, *US Army*
PFC Cory Holdorf, *USMC*



1st Lt. Brian Holleran, *US Army*
Major Sean Hood, *US Army*
Lt. J.G. Michael Hyne, *US Coast Guard*
LCpl. Michael Johanidesz, *USMC*
Pvt. Brendan Johnston, *US Navy*
Cadet Brian K. Johnston, *US Airforce*
Lt. Kevin W.F. Johnston, *US Army*
Pvt. 1st Class Christopher Kerstiens, *USMC*
Specialist Robert Kerstiens, *US Army*
SPC Brad Korin, *US Army*
Sgt. William Krumholz, *USMC*
Lt. Keith M. Laffman, *US Navy*
2nd Lt. Mark Lucas, *US Army*
Airman John Macaluso, *US Airforce*
Spc. Scott Michael Molloy, *US Army*
CPO Frank Marano, III, *US Navy*
T. Sgt. Michael R. Marotta, *US Airforce*
Ranger Brian McGuire, *US Army*
2nd Lt. Matthew F. Moore, *US Army*
Sgt. Donald Norton, *US Army National Guard*
Cpl. Robert A. O'Connell, *USMC*
Lt. Patrick O'Reilly, *US Navy*
Lt. Timothy O'Reilly, *US Navy*
LCpl. August R. Oetting, III, *USMC*
FM Henry J. Perez, *US Navy*
Commander Carl Petersen, *US Navy*
Airman Dylan Revere, *Airforce*
Pvt. Joey Rinaldo, *USMC*
2nd Lt. Michael Rosenberg, *USMC*
LCpl. Edward F. Salmon, IV, *USMC*
Captain Shaun Salmon, *US Army*
Lt. Col. John Schulz, *106th Air Rescue, Air Guard*
PFC Rick Silecchio, *US Army*
1st Lt. Douglas M. Sparacio, *US Airforce*
LTC Jeffrey Starke, *US Army*
Airman Michael Strombelline, *US Airforce*
Commander Edward J. Sullivan, *US Navy*
Staff Sgt. John Swales, *Special Forces*
Major John Tresler, *NYANG*
LCpl. Brian Weiyler, *USMC*
ET, SS Thomas Wiese, *US Navy*
Sr. Airman Matthew Winkeleer, *US Airforce*
Spc. Daniel Wiwczar, *National Guard*
Cpl. Charles Wojcik, *USMC*

Please Note:

We are currently updating this list. Reviewing it would be appreciated. If you know anyone who no longer needs to be on this list, please notify the Parish Center (269-6635) so that our list can remain current. Thank you.

Care Packages For Our Soldiers

Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners of St. Joseph's and VFW Post 395 in Saint James, the Catholic Daughters have shipped 114 boxes overseas to our very worthy servicemen and women. Your continued kindness and support will be greatly appreciated as we strive to ship two (2) boxes a month.

If you have a friend or a loved one that might like to receive one of these care packages we'd love to hear from you! Please drop off the name and address of the recipient at the Parish Center during office hours or you can contact Patrice at 662-8399 or Gloria at 656-8802. Let us know of any address changes.

Please send a Care Package to the following military personnel:

Name: _____
Address: _____
Referred By: _____ Phone #: _____



History of Ireland through Music

Sunday, December 9th
3:00 PM
Travis Hall

A program of Irish history and songs will be presented by noted Journalist and Broadcaster, Mike McCormack, and by St. Joseph's parishioner, John Corr.

Mike is presently the National Historian of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and he has an encyclopedic knowledge of the centuries of rebellions in Ireland leading up to Irish independence. John, who accompanies himself on guitar and banjo, sings the songs that reflect the aspirations of the Irish rebels.

The M.C. is AOH member and Irish History and Culture Lecturer at Joseph's, Tom O'Reilly.

The program is sponsored by the Kevin Barry Division (Division 3) of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. A donation of \$10.00 is requested.



Blessing of Infant Jesus

Weekend of December 15th and 16th

Each family seems to have its own traditions concerning the placing of the Infant Jesus Figurine in our Family Nativity scenes. Some will have either the oldest or youngest family member perform this time-honored task... some will do so on Christmas Eve while telling the Nativity story found in Scripture... others lovingly place Him in the Crèche when we return from Midnight Mass.

At the end of each of our parish Masses next Weekend ~ the 15th and 16th, the priest will ask all those who have brought their figure of the Infant Jesus to hold Him aloft and will pray God's special blessing on your Infant and your families.

This year, we would like to invite everyone to participate in an old, but beautiful tradition! Whether you live on your own or share your house with a lively brood, every parishioner is being asked to bring the figure of the Infant Jesus from your own Nativity Scene at home and have it blessed at Mass next weekend.



A very simple and beautiful way to remember the REAL reason for Christmas!

A poignant way to teach our youngsters the REAL meaning of Christmas!

An addition to your family tradition OR the beginning of a new one!

Tell your friends and neighbors... NEXT SUNDAY ~ ALL MASSES ~

*St. Joseph's Music Ministry
Invites You to Our*

*Advent/Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 16, 2012
7:00 PM in the Church*



*A musical celebration featuring
our parish music groups
Children's, Teen, Folk, Chamber
and Handbell Choirs*



*Outdoor Tree Lighting and Reception
following in Travis Hall*

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Dear Parishioners:

With Christmas fast approaching, I am sure you have begun to think about sending cards to your family and friends. Our parish is promoting a Religious Christmas Card Fundraiser to help us "Keep Christ in Christmas" and to help with our much needed financial support.

Each box available to you for purchase contains 20 full-color Religious cards and envelopes and the theme of "Keeping Christ in Christmas" is illustrated in three series:

*The Savior is Born,
The Holy Family,
The Nativity*

The cost is \$10.00 per box and, for your convenience, just complete the *Order Form* below, place it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Office. Your order will be available for pickup at the Parish Office.

This program will offer you an opportunity to promote your faith and support our church.

Sincerely,

Fr. Seán



**Keep Christ in
Christmas**

This is an opportunity for you to promote your faith and support our Church.

Religious Christmas Card Fundraiser

THE SAVIOR IS BORN SERIES
THE HOLY FAMILY SERIES
THE NATIVITY SERIES





20 ASSORTED
4 X 6 1/4 CARDS
WITH ENVELOPES
PER BOX.

To order your Religious Christmas Cards, complete your order below
and place it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Office at least one week before Thanksgiving.

Order Blank

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

Your order will be available for pickup at the Parish Office the Monday following Thanksgiving.

Based on supply and demand, substitutions may be applied to series selections.

SAVIOR IS BORN SERIES Number of boxes

HOLY FAMILY SERIES Number of boxes

NATIVITY SERIES Number of boxes

Total Box(es) _____ @ \$10 each

= TOTAL \$ _____



Musical Moments

*Invites One & All
to Caroling in the Park!*

Sunday, December 23, 2012


Savatt Park

(next to Ralph's Ices)

4:30 PM

*Bring your flashlights and
your joyful voices!*

*Come & enjoy an "Old Fashioned"
Sing-a-long of Holiday Favorites!*



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SAT, 1/12/13 7-11PM

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The 40th March for Life will be on January 25, 2013



Katie's Way

Katie Farrell was a beloved daughter, sister, and friend, as well as a devoted mother. Her father is from Kings Park and was a parishioner of St. Joseph Church and her grandmother still resides here.

Last March, she was taken from this world at the age of 23 by an act of senseless violence, leaving her thirteen month old son an orphan.

Katie became unexpectedly pregnant amid trauma induced mental illness. Her doctors told her abortion was her best option considering her circumstances. Katie was determined to keep her son, and rather than take the easy way out, she turned her life around and became healthy. Her son Tyler was born on January 22, 2011, on the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision, and Katie loved and cared for him unconditionally.

In a hopeless situation, Katie found the courage to save her son from certain abortion. In turn, her son saved her by giving her the purpose she needed to turn her life around. Katie's legacy is the simple message that a pregnancy may be unplanned and inconvenient, but a child is not a mistake.

Tragically, the father of Katie's son, who suffered from mental illness, took her life and his own. A month before she left us, Katie wrote an essay for a college class explaining why she chose to keep her son and why she believed in the pro-life cause. You can read this essay by clicking the "Katie's Message" link @ katiesway.org. She also pledged in this essay to take her son to the March for Life in Washington DC for his second birthday, to "show everyone the beautiful outcome from not choosing abortion."

We intend to keep this promise. Katie's mother, Katie's son, her family, friends, and any others who see the unborn as innocent and beautiful children are welcome to join us at the March for Life on January 25, 2012. Together, we will bring Katie's spirit and message of love and life to this event. For details, please click the "March for Life" link.

Join us in Washington DC for the 40th annual March for Life in support of the pro-life cause.

Katie Farrell wanted to take her son to this event to "show everyone the beautiful outcome from not choosing abortion". With your help, her spirit and message will be present and vibrant.

The March will take place on January 25, 2013. Katie's family and friends are organizing a trip to the March, including transportation to and from DC. Buses will be leaving from Katie's parish church, Sts. Philip and James in St. James, New York and from St. Joseph's Church in Kings Park, New York.

To help pay for transportation, we are asking for voluntary donations of \$5.00 per person. Please contact Pat Ziegler @ 631-724-0413 for more information and to reserve your seat on the Kings Park bus. Please bring donations on the day of the trip.



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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
March 27 - March 29, 2013



Nursery - 8th grade, NYS certified teachers, academic curriculum adhering to NYS learning standards, NYS testing program, state-of-the-art computer and science labs, smart boards, iPads for in-classroom use, newly renovated library complete with research laptops and video conferencing, state-of-the-art gym, student government, Junior National Honor Society, Sacrament preparation, extracurricular activities, enrichment program, Catholic high school entrance exam prep, CMSAA participating junior high sports program, school band and honor band, in-school lunch program, before and after-care, family partnership.



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VOLUNTEER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

Our children are the most important gifts God has entrusted to us. As a volunteer, I promise to strictly follow the rules and guidelines in this Volunteer's Code of Conduct as a condition of my providing services to the children and youth of our parish.

As a volunteer, I will:

- Treat everyone with respect, loyalty, patience, integrity, courtesy, dignity, and consideration.
- Avoid situations where I am alone with children and/or youth at Parish activities.
- Use positive reinforcement rather than criticism, competition, or comparison when working with children and/or youth.
- Refuse to accept expensive gifts from children and/or youth or their parents without prior written approval from the pastor or administrator.
- Refrain from giving expensive gifts to children and/or youth without prior written approval from the parents or guardian and the pastor or administrator.
- Report suspected abuse to the pastor, administrator, or appropriate supervisor and the New York State Central Registry (1-800-342-3720). I understand that failure to report suspected abuse to civil authorities is, according to the law, a misdemeanor.
- Cooperate fully in any investigation of abuse of children and/or youth.


As a volunteer, I will not:

- Smoke or use tobacco products in the presence of children and/or youth.
- Use, possess, or be under the influence of alcohol at any time while volunteering.
- Use, possess, or be under the influence of illegal drugs at any time.
- Pose any health risk to children and/or youth (i.e., no fevers or other contagious situations).
- Strike, spank, shake, or slap children and/or youth.
- Humiliate, ridicule, threaten, or degrade children and/or youth.
- Touch a child and/or youth in a sexual or other inappropriate manner.
- Use any discipline that frightens or humiliates children and/or youth.
- Use profanity in the presence of children and/or youth.

I understand that as a volunteer working with children and/or youth, I am subject to a thorough background check including criminal history. I understand that any action inconsistent with this Code of Conduct or failure to take action mandated by the Code of Conduct may result in my removal as a volunteer with children and/or youth of St. Joseph's Church.

December 9 – December 22, 2012

Parish Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| December 9 | December 10 | December 11 | December 12 | December 13 | December 14 | December 15 |
| Handbell Choir Rehearsal 10AM CR Catholic Committee on Scouting 10AM Rms 101 & 104 AA 2PM Rm 107 AOH Irish History in Song 3PM TH Youth Group Mass & Combined Mtg. 5PM NC and LH | AA 10AM Rm 106 AOH Irish History & Culture 3PM Rm 108 Jr. Hibernians 6:30PM CR NA 7PM Rm 106 | Mother's Club 9AM Rms 101, 103, 108 Scripture Class for Advent 10AM CR Children's Choir 5PM CR SVDP Mtg. 7:30PM CR | AA 10AM Rm 106 Bingo 10:30AM TH St. Joseph's Ensemble 5:30PM TH Gospel Drama Nativity Rehearsal 5:30PM TH Folk Group 7PM CH LAOH Set Dancers 7PM Rm 208 Scripture Class for Advent 7:30PM CR CYO Mtg. 7:30PM Rm 104 AOH (Men's) 7:30PM TH AA 7:30PM Rm 107 NA 8PM Rm 106 Our Lady of Guadalupe | Icon Painting Class 10AM Rm 101 Gr. 2 Religious Education 5:15 PM School Building Gr. 7 Religious Education 7PM School Building Teen Choir 7PM CH Chamber Choir 8PM CH St. Lucy | AA 10AM Rm 106 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nazareth Chapel 9:30 to 10:30 AM St. John of the Cross | Religious Education Classes 8:30AM School Building Gr. 3 Mass 8:45AM CH Gospel Drama Nativity Rehearsal 11:30AM TH Handcrafting Justice 5PM CR |
| December 16 | December 17 | December 18 | December 19 | December 20 | December 21 | December 22 |
| Handbell Choir Rehearsal 10AM CR Handcrafting Justice 7:30AM to 1:00 PM CR Family Mass Hospitality after 11:00 Mass in TH AA 2PM Rm 107 Christmas Concert and Tree Lighting 7PM CH and TH  | AA 10AM Rm 106 Gospel Drama Nativity Rehearsal 5:30PM TH NA 7PM Rm 106 Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:30 PM CH | Mother's Club 9AM Rms 101, 103, 108 Children's Choir 5PM CR Pre-Baptism 7PM Rm 106 | AA 10AM Rm 106 Bingo 10:30AM TH St. Joseph's Ensemble 5:30PM TH Gospel Drama Nativity Rehearsal 5:30PM TH Folk Group 7PM CH LAOH Set Dancers 7PM Rm 208 Martha's Hands 7PM Rm 103 AA 7:30PM Rm 107 NA 8PM Rm 106 | Gr. 2 Religious Education 5:15 PM School Building Gr. 7 Religious Education 7PM School Building Teen Choir 7PM CH Chamber Choir 8PM CH | AA 10AM Rm 106 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nazareth Chapel 9:30 to 10:30 AM | Religious Education Classes 8:30AM School Building Grade 5 Mass 8:45AM CH Grade 3 Confessions 9AM TH Gospel Drama Nativity Rehearsal 11:30AM TH |

Please call the Parish Center with schedule changes.

Key for location of activities: TH = Travis Hall, CH = Church, PC = Parish Center, NC = Nazareth Chapel, LH = Lighthouse
SC = School Chapel, CR = Centennial Room and Room Numbers are for classrooms in the School of Religion Building