



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
MALVERNE, NEW YORK

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2025

Can the blind lead the blind ?

LUKE 6:39-45



Rev. James T. Stachacz, Pastor

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THE GUIDING LIGHT FROM THE GROTTO
8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
LUKE 6:39-45



The Beginning of Lent, Ash Wednesday, March 5, is only three days away from Sunday. Are you ready? Don't worry if you are not—we have forty days, and it is best to start now.

When I hear the word “Lent,” I have often thought of it as hardship and drudgery because it means I must work at something. Maybe you feel the same way. However, Lent can be a time of hope and joy if we give it our all. In the Church’s liturgy, the first preface of Lent says, *“For by your gracious gift each year, your faithful await the sacred Paschal feasts with the joy of minds made pure... that they are led to a fullness of grace.”*

The word *Lent* means *Spring*. During spring, we often engage in spring cleaning—clearing out the old and dusty in our homes, basements, and attics to bring in the new. After all the work, we realize that our homes are made anew, and the effort was worth it. How appropriate, then, to “spring clean” the inner home of our lives during Lent. St. Paul tells us that we are *“living temples of the Holy Spirit.”* As temples, we need renewal so that the Lord can reside more fruitfully in us. In this Jubilee Year of Hope, we are called to become beacons of hope. This means trusting that God will always see us through life’s difficulties and doubts, leading us toward His goodness.

Jesus shares with us three ways to make Lent truly effective in our lives as people of hope: **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.**

Pray with Hope | Take time to deepen your prayer life with God. St. Pio (Padre Pio) wrote, *“Pray and don't worry,”* reminding us that prayer brings comfort when we place our hope in God. Try listening to God using the scriptural passage, *“Speak, Lord, your servant (name) is listening.”* (1 Samuel 3:9-10)

Fast with Hope | Catholics are called to fast from food and abstain from meat on designated days to help refocus on discipleship. The goal of fasting is to strengthen our relationship with Christ as we unite our sacrifice with His sacrifice for us.

When considering what to give up for Lent, ask yourself: *How will my fast help me open my heart more to Christ and to others?* Perhaps this is the time to fast from worry, negativity, dwelling on the past, gossip, bad habits, or even a favorite show, movie, or sports program. Use that time to focus on prayer and relationships—such as going for walks with family and friends or sharing meals together.

Give with Hope | Hope means *“relying on God’s love, which calls us to truly love others”* (*Our Sunday Visitor*). When we give, may we remember that it is not how much we give, but as Mother Teresa said, *“It is in how much love we put into the giving”* that counts. St. Francis of Assisi reminds us in his prayer: *“It is in giving that we receive.”*

Lent calls us to give our love not just through financial gifts but also through acts of service. Perhaps this is the time to join a ministry, volunteer to have your foot washed on Holy Thursday, help decorate the church during Holy Week, participate in the Scavenger Hunt to help others, donate to St. Vincent de Paul, or visit someone who is homebound.

Lent is not so difficult when we realize God’s great love for us through His Son, Jesus. All we need to do is look at the cross, and there is little we can say except to love Him in return. May we use this Lent as a time to show our love for God, trusting in His providence and becoming a people of hope.

May God bless you and your families always.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Fr. Jim

Why Does Lent Begin So Late This Year?

This year, Lent begins later than usual due to Easter and the cycle of the moon. Easter is a movable feast and does not occur on the same date every year, unlike Christmas.

According to the Gregorian Calendar, Easter can fall between March 22 and April 25. In the Western tradition of the Church, Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday following the first full moon on or after the Spring Equinox. This is also called the *Paschal Full Moon*. This dating was established by the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. The Orthodox Churches follow a different dating system based on the Julian Calendar. However, this year, both Catholic and Orthodox Churches will celebrate Easter on April 20.

SAVE THE DATE
JESUS INVITES YOU TO JOIN HIM AT THE
LENTEN MISSION - MARCH 17-19 7:30 PM AND AT THE
PASCHAL TRIDUUM - APRIL 18-20

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
LENTEN MISSION 2025

PRESENTED BY FR. GREGORY RANNAZZISI

GOD’S MISSION OF MERCY & REDEMPTION:
SEEING OURSELVES THROUGH
THE EYES OF CHRIST



Fr. Gregory Rannazzisi is a priest of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and is the Pastor of St. Gerard Majella Parish in Port Jefferson Station and Infant Jesus Parish in Port Jefferson. Previously, he was Associate Pastor at St. Rose of Lima Parish in Massapequa. He has served also as Vice Rector of the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington and Director of Diaconate Formation for the Diocese, as Catholic Chaplain at Hofstra University, and as Associate Pastor at St. Brigid Parish in Westbury. Born and raised on Long Island, Fr. Greg received his Bachelor’s degree in Philosophy and Theology from Fordham University. After seminary formation at the Pontifical North American College in Rome, Bishop William Murphy ordained Fr. Greg in 2009. He holds a Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome.

FR. GREG WILL PREACH AT ALL THE MASSES MARCH 15TH & 16TH. THEN HE WILL OFFER A TALK ON MARCH 17TH, 18TH, & 19TH AT 7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH

BE REFRESHED. BE RENEWED. DRAW CLOSER TO GOD.

Lenten and Holy Week Schedule 2025

Confessions

Mondays during Lent in Church

March 10, 17, 24 & 31 ~ April 7

The Light is on For You

6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Saturdays ~ 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Wednesday of Holy Week April 16 ~ 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Reconciliation Monday, April 14

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

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, April 4 at 8:00 pm

Daily Mass during Holy Week

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday ~ 9:00 am

Holy Thursday, April 17

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer

7:30 pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

9:00 pm to 12 Midnight ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday, April 18

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer

12:00 pm ~ Living Stations

3:00 pm ~ Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord & Communion Service

7:30 pm ~ Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 19

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer

9:45 am ~ Easter Food Blessing

Confessions ~ 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Easter Vigil ~ 8:00 pm

(NO 5:00 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Church: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm

Overflow Mass: 10:45 am

(NO 5:00 pm Mass)



Ash Wednesday Services

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

MARCH 5, 2025

6:30AM - MALVERNE TRAIN STATION

6:45AM MASS

9AM MASS

4PM WORD SERVICE

7:30PM MASS

ASH WEDNESDAY

LENT BEGINS

WHAT IS LENT?

The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by prayer, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.

PRAYING ----- FASTING ----- ABSTINENCE



WHAT IS FASTING?



One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal.

DAYS OF FAST?

Ash Wednesday

Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Catholics from age
< 18 to 59 >



The sick and expectant mothers are excused from fasting.

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?



Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE?

Ash Wednesday

All Fridays of Lent

Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Mandatory for everyone



older than 14 years old

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It is a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

The following fasting and abstinence regulations are observed:

FASTING is to be observed on Ash Wednesday (March 5, 2025) and Good Friday (April 18, 2025) by all Catholics over 18 years of age to the beginning of their 60th year. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal, unless dispensed or excused.

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age or older. Ash Wednesday, all of the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence.

During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ. Lent is a penitential season. It is a time to seek forgiveness, to look inward, and to admit our shortcomings and failures.

All faithful of the Diocese of Rockville Centre are reminded that "The season of Lent is penitential in nature and during Lent penance should be not only internal and individual, but also external and social (Sacrosanctum Concilium, No. 5, 109).

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

Parish Center: Jennifer Prizzi, Business Manager
jenniferprizzi@ollchurchmalverne.org
Laura Larsen, 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 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

No evening hours on Friday

Parish Trustees: Michael Hannan and Lorraine Korth Smith

Music Ministry Team:

Tess Austin, Stephen Harth, and
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
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 1st ~ Weekday

5:00 pm Joseph & Joe Lusardi (d)

Sunday, March 2nd ~ Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Thomas Joseph Chirillo (d)
9:00 am Phyllis Mallalieu (d)
10:30 am Patrick James Herrity (d)
12:00 pm For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Rosa Grillo (d)
Helen Tuccillo (d)
Henry J. Hinton (d)
For the Living intentions of Sister Helen Byrnes
5:00 pm Antoinette Diaz (d)

Monday, March 3rd ~ St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

9:00 am Walter Stachacz (d)

Tuesday, March 4th ~ St. Casimir

9:00 am Victor Brotons (d)

Wednesday, March 5th ~ Ash Wednesday

6:30 am Train Station
6:45 am For the Living Intentions of Carolyn Biondo
9:00 am Paul Mc Gregor (d)
4:00 pm Word Service with Ashes
7:30 pm Barbara Tishuk (d)

Thursday, March 6th ~ Thursday after Ash Wednesday

9:00 am Helen Tuccillo (d)

Friday, March 7th ~ St. Perpetua & St. Felicity, Martyrs

9:00 am Gerard Denk (d)
8:00 pm Prayer Hour for Life
9:00 pm Adoration

Saturday, March 8th ~ St. John of God, Religious

9:00 am Rose Ciasulli (d)
Frank Cavalluzzi (d)
Thomas Manifase (d)
Doris Lastella (d)
John Martincich (d)
5:00 pm John Poggioli (d)

Sunday, March 9th ~ First Sunday of Lent

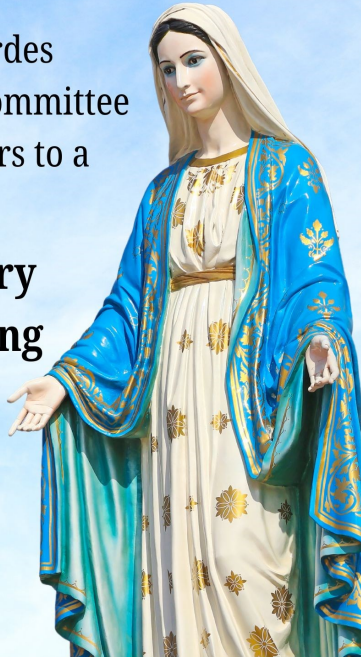
7:30 am Katherine Klein (d)
9:00 am For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
10:30 am Kurt H. Weber (d)
12:00 pm Gisselle Aguirre (d)
Michael O'Dea (d)
Nunzia Andriano & Simone Peragine (d)
All Saints
Michael Keller (d)
5:00 pm John Kearney (d)



The Our Lady of Lourdes
100th Anniversary Committee
Invites all Parishioners to a

100th Anniversary Town Hall Meeting

Thursday, March 27
7 PM in the Church Hall



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.



Join Us in Making History!

The 100th Anniversary Fundraising Committee needs your help. We're looking for a few more parishioners to help plan and support this special milestone.

Be part of the celebration!

If interested,
please contact Angela Carbone at
angelacarbone@ollchurchmalverne.org

Scan to Signup



First Friday Evening Devotions

March 7, 2025 ~ 8:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer Hour for Life

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

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

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

Nocturnal Adoration

Lent begins this coming Wednesday, "Ash Wednesday". Are you looking for something to do for Lent? The Nocturnal Adoration Society meets in the Church to pray to Jesus exposed on the altar. We pray for our Church, our Country and our Families.

We Invite all parishioners to join us. Come spend one hour with Jesus.

Jesus asked his apostles to spend one hour with him.
Can you do that for him?

**The next hour of Adoration will be this coming
Friday, March 7th from 9 pm to 10 pm.**

Jesus will be there, will you?



UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Date

Annual Communion Brunch
Sunday, April 6, 2025
12:00pm Hempstead Country Club

RAS Famous Afternoon Tea Party

Thursday, May 15-1pm Church Hall

Hosted by our very own Doris Laxton
and her Tea Party Helpers

Bring your favorite Teacup
and wear your favorite hat

Thrift Shop

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 12:00 pm

Please note they will not be open when it is 20
degrees or below or when there is 2 or more inches
of snow.

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.

Lost and Found

If you think you have lost anything in the
church ~ phone, keys, jewelry, etc. please check
the vestibule and then call the Parish Center at
516-599-1269.



"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 "Sacrifice" Don't miss it!



Reflection on Pro-Life

Raymond Cooney, OFS

The March for Life was recently celebrated throughout the
US and culminated with the annual gathering in our
Nation's Capital. As a Third Order Franciscan (OFS), we
have within our Rule Article 17 & 18, which emphasize the
importance of cultivating within our families a spirit of
justice, peace, fidelity, and respect for all life.
Foundationally, because all life "Bears the imprint of the
Most High."

Within today's society, the importance of the "Care for
Creation" on an environmental level is most certainly
emphasized, and for good reason. But what about the
integrity of creation at the human level—the sanctity of the
unborn? One could posit that the ultimate imprint of the
Most High is, in fact, the unborn child—from conception—
created in His own image. Accordingly, the ultimate Care
for Creation is the protection of the unborn. Let us
continue to champion the cause of the unborn, whether by
action, prayer, or both!

Our Lady of the Atonement, Pray for us.
Amen.

Pro Life Corner

*Abortion, fetal experimentation, infanticide, and
euthanasia are four walls of the same coffin,
Pray to end these evils.*

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.

Sunday	Rev. Valentine N. Ofomata
Monday	Rev. Thomas Ayepa
Tuesday	Rev. Yesudas Elias
Wednesday	Rev. Luis F. Gonzaga Troya
Thursday	Rev. Augustine Ibeh
Friday	Rev. Manu Michael
Saturday	Pope Francis

St. Vincent de Paul Society



In the Gospel today, Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: "Can a blind man act as guide to a blind man?... Why look at the speck in your brother's eye when you miss the plank in your own?...A good tree does not produce decayed fruit..."

It is true that donations come to the Society because a good person produces goodness from the good in their heart.

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

Needed in the Food Pantry

Pasta (any kind), Green Beans, Cannellini Beans, Red Beans, Chef Boyardee, Chili, Rice, Progresso Soups, Ramen Soup, Spaghetti, Tea, Campbell's Soup

Please place donations inside the box, located in Church in the Elevator Lobby.

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2025 Parish Totals

Goal: \$75,000.00 ~ Pledges: \$14,975.00

Donors: 28 ~ Payments: \$5,309.00

Bulletin Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the importance of change and seeking God's forgiveness rather than pointing out the fault in others.

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.

Altar Server Schedule

March 8th & March 9th

<u>Saturday:</u>	5:00 pm:	Joseph Rienzi Caroline Secaur
<u>Sunday:</u>	7:30 am:	Kaiden Bottiglieri Frank Morsellino
	9:00 am:	Andie Fage Christopher Miro
	10:30 am:	Marina Bilocchi Kate Fills Scarlet Heine
	12:00 pm:	Clara Lang Tiernan Schutta
	5:00 pm:	Melissa Ospina Dona Ospina

WEEKLY OFFERINGS - *Sunday February 23, 2025*

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Weekly Collection	\$18,000	\$16,376
Year to Date	\$468,000	\$474,384
<i>OLL Fiscal Year</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



This Week at OLL Parish

Monday, March 3

9:00 amLegion of Mary..... Parish Center Room #2
11:30 amOLL School Teachers..... Parish Center Dining Room
4:30 pmCub Scouts Bear Den Church Hall
5:30 pmGirl Scout Troop 2101 Church Hall
6:00 pmDaisy Troop 2568..... Church Hall
7:00 pmCub Scouts Arrow of Light..... Parish Center Room #2
7:30 pmBoy Scout Troop 24..... Church Hall
7:30 pmPre Baptismal Class Parish Center Dining Room

Tuesday, March 4

9:30 amSVDP Parish Center Room #2
11:30 amOLL School Teachers..... Parish Center Dining Room
1:30 pmPrayer Group/Scripture Study..... Parish Center Dining Room
7:00 pmCoDA Parish Center Dining Room
7:00pmBell Choir Church
7:45 pmChoir..... Church

Wednesday, March 5 ~ Ash Wednesday

6:30 amDistribution of Ashes..... Train Station
6:45 amMass..... Church
9:00 amMass..... Church
9:30 am - 2:30 pm RAS Thrift Shop
11:30 amOLL School Teachers..... Parish Center Dining Room
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Ashes available at the Parish Center
4:00 pmWord Service with Ashes..... Church
7:00 pmPrayer Group..... Parish Center Room #2
7:00 pmAA Parish Center Dining Room
7:15 pmGRASP..... Church Hall
7:30 pmMass..... Church

Thursday, March 6

11:30 amOLL School Teachers..... Parish Center Dining Room
7:00 pmRAS Board Meeting..... Parish Center Dining Room

Friday, March 7

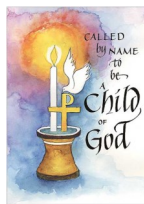
9:30 amSVDP Parish Center Room #2
11:30 amOLL School Teachers..... Parish Center Dining Room
7:00 pmAA Parish Center Dining Room
7:30 pmStations of the Cross..... Church
8:00 pmPrayer Hour for Life Church
9:00 pmAdoration Church

Saturday, March 8

9:00 am8th Grade Retreat..... Church/School Hall
9:30 am - 12:00 pm..... RAS Thrift Shop
12:00 pmOLL-PTL Family Paint Night Church Hall
4:00 pmConfessions..... Church
7:00 pmAA Parish Center Dining Room

Sunday, March 9

9:00 amFamily Mass..... Church/Church Hall
10:00 amOCIA..... Parish Center Dining Room
10:30 amGirl Scout Sunday Mass Church
6:00 pmYouth Ministry Church Hall



Welcome Newly Baptized!

Louis Samuel Hutchinson
Christine Mairead Cappell

**Reflection for Next Sunday
First Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2025**

First Reading: *Deuteronomy 26:4-10*

Second Reading: *Romans 10:8-13*

Gospel Reading: *Luke 4:1-13*

In the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

Family Connection

In Luke's Gospel, the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert appears just after Jesus' baptism and before Jesus begins his public ministry. We can imagine this as a time of transition, a turning point in Jesus' life. Perhaps we can liken it to one of the important turning points in our own lives: the decision to marry, the birth of a child, the acceptance of a new job, or the decision to move to a new home. After the moment of decision, having reached the point of no return, we sometimes begin to wonder if we are prepared and ready for the task before us. Turning points can be times of doubt and insecurity. Jesus' response to the temptations of the devil offers an example for responding in faith when our doubts and insecurities tempt us to distrust God's sufficiency. Jesus rebukes the devil by quoting Scripture. Each citation is an affirmation of trust in God. We learn to trust in big things by practicing trust in little things. Our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving invite us to trust God in these small ways. They remind us that God will suffice for us. They prepare us to trust in God in all things, especially in moments of doubt and uncertainty.

As a family, talk about ways in which trust has been built among members of the family. Observe how being trustworthy in small matters enables us to trust one another in more important matters. Offer specific examples if possible (e.g., children who establish their responsibility in household tasks can be granted greater independence and freedom to choose how they perform these tasks). Today's Gospel shows us how Jesus trusted God in all things. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 4:1-13. Discuss how Jesus showed his trust in God when he resisted the devil's temptations. Invite family members to name times when they have trusted God in matters small or large. Write a family prayer together. You might write the prayer so that each line begins with a letter in the word "trust." Pray this prayer together.

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

John Barry	Peter Hellers
Carolyn Biondo	Sue Kielson
John Bivona	Grace Landisi
Richard Clarkson	Baby Leonardo
Jack Craven	Michael Malone
Bill Cullen	Joseph Manno
Grayson Danielski	Nancy Mattone
Joe Dean	Agnes Murtha
Marie Dineen	Emily Parini
Rev. Richard Donovan	Antonio Picciano
Richard Early	John Rotondi
Alix Etheart	Joseph Siino
Nancy Fiala	Bill Vogric
Raymond Foley	Linda M. Young
Deacon John Governale	Yvonne Jones Williams

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



**Our Parishioners
Serving in the Military**

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

United States Navy

LT Geoff Hendrick
LCDR Ryan Patrick Mahon
LCDR Tara Mahoney

United States Army

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

United States Air Force United States Marine Corps

1st Lt. William F. Cosgrove L Cpl Kristofer Katzenberger
LCpl 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.

*The Sanctuary Lamp has been
donated in Memory of
Thomas Joseph Chirillo*

*Requested by
The Meincke Family*



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 only.

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

Sunday.
March 9
is



GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY!

All Girl Scouts are invited in uniform
to 10:30am Mass!



It's Cookie Time!



Cookies will be available for sale after all masses!

😊 \$7 a box 😊

Contact Troop 2101 leader, Janine Illiano, at (516) 313-5495 with any questions.

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.



This Lent, Give the Gift of Hope

Instead of giving something up this Lenten season, why not give something that truly makes a difference? By donating to **Tomorrow's Hope Foundation**, you can bring opportunity and the promise of a brighter future to families who wish to send their child to a Catholic elementary school on Long Island.



To make a tax deductible donation, please mail your check to Tomorrow's Hope Foundation II, Inc. at the address below with "Church Bulletin" in the memo OR scan the QR code to donate online:



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

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) organization overseen by a Board of Directors with a passion for providing access to Catholic education on Long Island to all families that seek it.

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

Religious Education News

March Events

March 8th, Saturday-Confirmandi/Sponsor Retreat
9:00 am to 11:30 am in the Church & School Hall

March 10th, Monday-Confirmation Practice at 5pm
for the 1pm ceremony on March 26th

March 11, Tuesday-Confirmation Practice at 5pm
for the 3:30pm ceremony on March 26th

March 22nd-Confessions for 3rd and 4th grades.

March 26th-Sacrament of Confirmation
1pm and 3:30 pm in the Church

March 29th, Saturday - Take home exams for
Grades 1-4

Confirmandi/Sponsor Retreat:

Saturday, March 8th beginning promptly at 9:00am in the school hall. All Confirmandi and sponsors should arrive at least 10 minutes prior to 9:00am. Sign in at the desk as you enter the hall.

Mass will be celebrated at the end of the retreat which all attendees must attend.

Confirmation practices and times are listed above. If the sponsor is unable to make the practice the candidate must be accompanied by an adult. Confirmation gowns will be distributed after practice.

Confirmation Preparation Program

7th grade students must submit their service hours
before on March 29th

Mass Passes must be put in the collection basket until the end of the semester, which is April 27th.

If your full name is not on the pass, no credit will be given. In addition, all details must be filled out or no credit will be given.

Revised Date: First Communion Meeting

The First Communion meeting originally scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 19th, 2025 will now be held on Wednesday, April 2nd in the Church at 7pm.

**FORM A TEAM OF YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS OR NEIGHBORS...
JOIN YOUR COMMUNITY
ALL AGES WELCOME....
HELP THOSE IN NEED BY STOCKING THE OLL FOOD PANTRY....
HAVE FUN AND COMPETE FOR PRIZES.....**

It's the **Souper Scavenger hunt!**

SATURDAY MARCH 29, 2025

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

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

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

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

*Your team meet back between 12:00 – 3:00pm with all donated items to be weighed in.

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

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

SOUPER SCAVENGER HUNT REGISTRATION

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

ADULT LEADER: _____ PHONE _____

PARTICIPANT(S) NAMES

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

CIRCLE ONE: Will travel by car Will travel by foot (please bring wagon(s))
Address and car availability will determine your assigned territory.

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

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



OUR LADY OF LOURDES IS A

Cabaret

Join us for an afternoon of song (dancing permitted) with

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Our Lady of Lourdes very own

Christine Solimeno

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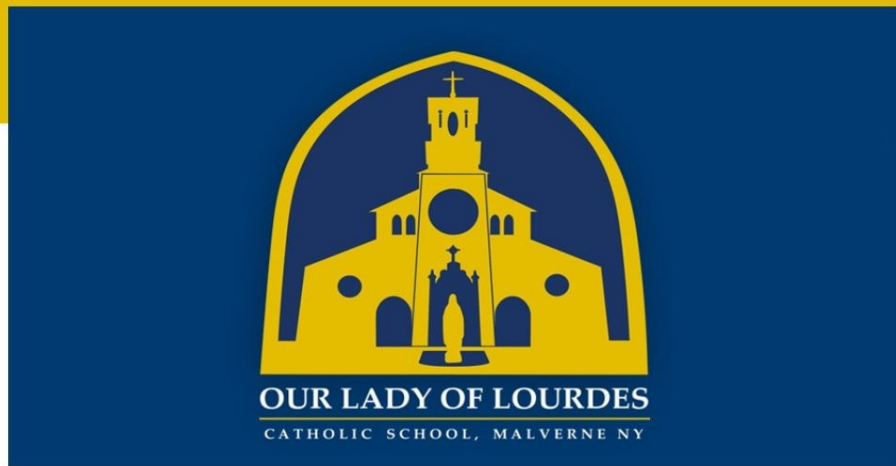
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The 2025 Catholic Schools Month of Giving



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

OLL is seeking your support to raise \$20,000 for our science programs and Early Education Program. Please consider using the link or QR code below to support OLL School.

www.olldonate.org/school-donations



**You can support anytime in the
month of February**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES MEN'S CLUB
FUNDRAISER EVENT!**

\$10,000 GIVEAWAY!!!

**Saturday, March 15, 2025
8PM-12AM**

**GRAND PRIZE OF \$10,000!
IT'S THE BEST PARTY OF THE YEAR!**



Location:
Lynbrook Fire Dept
81 Horton Ave
Lynbrook, New York, 11563

INCLUDES: Open bar, buffet dinner, DJ
Multiple chances to win cash prizes totaling \$14,000!!!

FEES: \$150 - for 2 to attend & a chance to win
\$100 - chance to win

See your favorite OLL Men's Club Member for tickets or

EMAIL: mensclub@ollchurchmalverne.org for more info!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEN'S CLUB MEMBER?

The Our Lady of Lourdes Men's Club is always seeking new members to continue to help support the Our Lady of Lourdes School and Parish for years to come. The OLL Men's Club conducts multiple social events and fundraisers throughout the year to benefit OLL. Please let us know if you or a fellow parishioner are interested in becoming a member. Remember - It's for the kids! - Email us at: mensclub@ollchurchmalverne.org for more info!



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.

Join us every Sunday at the 9 am 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, June 8th (excluding certain holidays)

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



**OLL FAMILY
PAINT NIGHT**

**BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS!
THE MORE THE MERRIER!**

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2025 4-6 PM

Our Lady of Lourdes Church Basement
65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY 11565

\$25 Per Participant (includes all supplies)
Tickets Available via the School Store

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Beginning the week of May 5th, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will be offering an eight-week support group for those who have experienced the death of someone close to them within the last year.

**Thursday evenings 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm from
May 8th through June 26th**

The primary goals of the group is to help the participants learn about the grief process, develop skills to manage their grief, and to help them adjust to living in a world without the deceased. The group is open to anyone who has lost a spouse/partner, parent, child, grandchild, sibling, or other loved one.

If you are interested in joining, please call the Parish Center at 516-599-1269 requesting that a registration form be mailed to you. Completed registration forms, along with a one-time registration fee of \$25 to cover the cost of materials and supplies used in the group, must be returned to the Parish Center by Thursday, April 17, 2025.

2025

Catholic Ministries Appeal
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*Renewed by the Eucharist
Sent on Mission*



Inspired by the love Jesus shows us by offering himself to us in the Eucharist, we send that love to others. Our Parish Social Ministry and Catholic Charities Programs work tirelessly to answer God's call to service.

“Working in Parish Social Ministry renews my faith when I witness the volunteers bringing God’s love to the clients, who may have lost that love in themselves. We are letting them know that there is hope in the world and that God is there for them.”

– Kerri Ostrow, Director of PSM
St. Patrick, Bay Shore



“Thank God for St. Patrick’s...they give the homeless and people a place to go, a spiritual release, a safe place to talk to people, to have good conversation, and you don’t have to worry about anyone bothering you.”

– Client, St. Patrick Outreach

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: _____ Parish: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: Home _____ Cell: _____

Signature: _____

To make a donation, you can also visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296.

THANK YOU



Saturday, April 12, 2025
St. Joseph School, Garden City, NY

Since 2005, Tomorrow's Hope has given **more than \$34 million** in scholarships to **approximately 25,000 students** within their network of 35 Catholic elementary schools.



Whether you choose to run, walk, or cheer on the participants, the Run continues to offer a special opportunity for our network of 35 schools to show their comradery in celebration of Catholic elementary education across Long Island.



SCAN TO REGISTER OR SPONSOR THE EVENT

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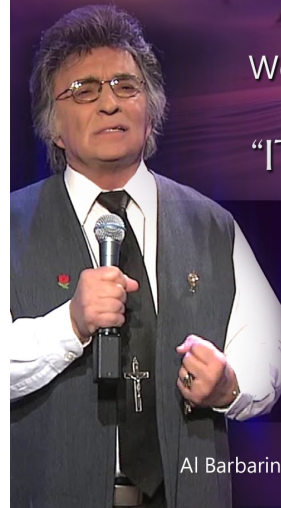
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"IT'S LENT, SO WHAT?"

MARCH 8 AND 9, 2025

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Al Barbarino Recordings will be available at all Masses.

REMINDER

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

Bulletin Deadlines

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

LENTEN DAY RETREAT

DATE: March 20, 2025 **TIME:** 9:30AM - 2 PM **COST:** \$50.00 per person

CONDUCTED BY: Fr. Thomas Cardone, S.M.

HELD AT: Emmanuel Retreat House, located in Kellenberg Memorial High School,
1400 Glenn Curtis Blvd, Uniondale

DAY WILL INCLUDE: light breakfast and lunch, Retreat Meditation, Mass, Adoration and Confession

Return the following information, along with your check, to the Holy Name of Mary Rectory:

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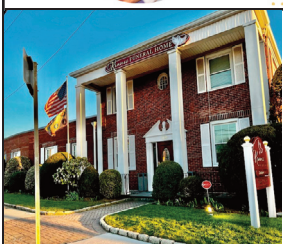
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