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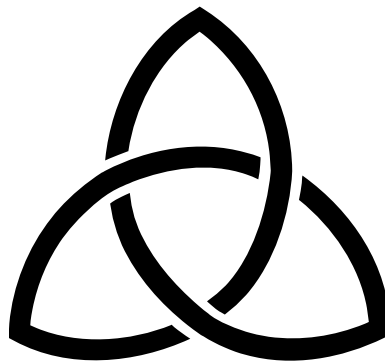
Farewell & Hello

Three Sundays ago, Father Brian Ingram shared the news that his six-year assignment here at St. Joseph's parish would soon be drawing to a close. Shortly after that bulletin announcement, Father Brian received word that his new assignment will be at **St. Lawrence the Martyr Church in Sayville**. That new opportunity to share his priestly ministry begins on Wednesday, June 24th.

In celebration of Father Brian's time with us here in Garden City, there will be a "farewell" Mass on Sunday, June 21st (Father's Day), at 10:30 A.M. Light refreshments will follow on the lawn behind the convent—or in the school gymnasium, if the weather is not cooperative!

The sadness that comes with saying good-bye to Father Brian is mingled with excitement and anticipation: **Father Gregory Breen** has been assigned as a new associate pastor to live and work with us here at St. Joseph's. Father Greg is completing his first priestly assignment at St. Patrick's Church in Bayshore. He will arrive in Garden City the same day Father Brian heads out to Sayville—June 24th.

Times of transition are often difficult, and laden with an array of emotions. It is with such deep regret that we say farewell to Father Brian as he prepares to go forward to serve the extremely fortunate people of the Parish of Saint Lawrence. Let's be sure to remember to pray for both men. May Father Brian discover the same kind of generosity, kindness, warmth and faith in the people of St. Lawrence that he has with us, here at St. Joseph's. And may Father Greg find a warm welcome and a delightful new home in the midst of our parish family—one that supports and enriches his priestly ministry in every way.



The blessing of Catholic education and the gift of Catholic educators

Dear Friends,

This coming Saturday, June 13, Saint Joseph's will celebrate the graduation of 22 eighth graders from our parish school. These students deserve our congratulations, our prayers and our best wishes for their future. In their many accomplishments and in their wonderful class spirit, this eighth grade class is a reminder of what a special blessing a Catholic school can be for the children, for our parish, and for the future of our Church. I congratulate our eighth graders also because every one of them (save one who will be moving out of state) will be attending Catholic high school. Among our 22 graduates are letters of acceptance to all nine of our local Catholic high schools.

Congratulations also go to their teachers who have ministered in such a Christian way to our students over the months and years. Our teachers offer so many opportunities for our students to excel academically but they also provide the greatest of all the blessings that a Catholic school can offer, namely, to be formed and educated in our Catholic faith. We are especially blessed by the wisdom, the strength, and the deep sense of caring that our Principal, Dr. Eileen Kilbride provides in the leadership of our school. Every year when we arrive at graduation, I feel filled with hope about the future because I believe that through the leadership and the staff of Saint Joseph's, our school does such a superlative job of enabling our students to be ready to face the very challenging world that lies ahead.

I must also offer heartfelt gratitude as well as my admiration to our parents who have sacrificed in so many generous and faith-filled ways to provide the unique gift of a Catholic school for their children. As I offer congratulations, I think especially of Mary Carmel Murphy who has served as our Assistant Principal for the last 6 years. We all offer her our best wishes as Mary moves on to become Principal to the very fortunate students and teachers of Our Lady of Lourdes School in Malverne. Mary truly lives her vocation as a Catholic educator by being a woman of faith and deep commitment. Her departure represents a great loss to us because she has been such an invaluable asset not only to everyone in our school community but also as a member of our parish staff. Her love for children, her superior talents as an educator, and the patience, gentleness and kindness that is so evident in all of her work has been a source of life and hope for all of us.

As we pause to appreciate the gift of Catholic educators and for the indispensable task that they perform, that is, passing on our faith to our young people, let us also be grateful for the magnificent work of our Religious Education Program. With the extremely competent and experienced leadership of Susan Mirabella, our Director of Religious Education, her dedicated staff, and the generosity of over 100 catechists, we are able to reach out to teach and to share our Catholic faith with over 1400 students. Recently we celebrated with many of these catechists as five among them – Mrs. Phyllis Mistretta and Mrs. Barbara Roche (both for 35 years), Mrs. Barbara Danks (for 20 years) and Mrs. Mary Heuser and Mrs. Elaine McLaughlin (both for 10 years) were acknowledged by the Diocese for their dedicated service to educating our young people in the knowledge and the practice of their Catholic faith. We congratulate these good and generous women and we remember that they are a symbol of all our catechists who give so much time and energy to nourish the gift of faith in our children.

Fr. Joe

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday June 7 (Most Holy Trinity)

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

7:30am Eleanor Kaye
 9:00am Thomas A. Murphy
 10:00am (Aud.) Robert McElwreath
 10:30am Katie McBride
 11:45am Walter Farrell
 1:00pm The People of St. Joseph Parish,
 Catherine Reilly (10th Anniv),
 Fannie Smalley, Frederick Hamon,
 Doris Ortega, Louis Spero,
 John Cleary
 5:30pm: Jeanne and Joseph Onorato

Monday, June 8

2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12

8:00am Mary Colucci
 9:00am Donato D'Addario
 8:00pm Novena Mass

Tuesday, June 9 (Ephrem, deacon and doctor of the Church)

2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16

8:00am Carl A. Schwarz
 9:00am Eleanor McCaffrey

Wednesday, June 10

2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19

8:00am Maureen Fargione
 9:00am Richard and Ethel McGuire

Thursday, June 11 (Barnabas, apostle)

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26

8:00am Mary A. Shea
 9:00am Frank and Caroline Schmidt

Friday, June 12

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26

8:00am John McKay
 9:00am Rose and Joseph Mongelli

Saturday, June 13 (St. Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church)

2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37

8:30am Linda Sala
 5:00pm Catherine Malone, Laurence Rice, Jr.,
 Lou Maggio, William Murphy,
 Donald McDonough, Agnes Opinions

Sunday, June 14 (Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ)

Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

7:30am Helen Probst
 9:00am Intentions of Msgr. Charles A. Guarino
 10:00am (Aud.) Ron Rizzo
 10:30am Thomas Russo
 11:45am Walter and Mary Carroll
 1:00pm Christy Medrano, John Calvano,
 Carmelo La Manna, Daniel Murphy,
 Manuel Carbolleira (5th Anniv),
 Jack Genniti, Edith Forbes
 5:30pm The People of St. Joseph Parish

LAST AUDITORIUM MASS

The last Auditorium mass will be Sunday, June 14th and will resume in September.

BAPTISMS

We welcome with joy the following children newly baptized in our faith:
 Matthew Kelly Spencer
 ElleJaye Cerrato



ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, June 13, 2009

5:00pm D. McGuire, J. McGuire, M. McGuire

Sunday, June 14, 2009

7:30am E. Austria, V. Austria, K. Kiernan
 9:00am K. Carnesi, B. Murphy, E. Tompsett
 10:00am(Aud) A. Auricchio, S. Aurucchio, A. Menger
 10:30am M. Crapotta, M. LaGreca, B. Pratt
 11:45am C. Regan, C. Rieger, E. Rieger
 1:00pm C. Gozun, S. Sessa, M. White
 5:30pm S. Callahan, S. Callahan, M. Gamber

Our new schedule (mid-June through early September) will be posted soon (or arriving in the mail), and I'll be sure to let you know when it's available. Please try to keep your assignments just as faithfully during the summer months as you do from September through June. Remember, we need you just as much in July and August!

Father Brian

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

"If anyone is sick among you, ask the community to pray..."
 Please pray for: : Page Accetta, Robert Auricchio, Ryan Bradley, Mary Brosnan, Lorraine Cagliostro, Conroy, Gina Corleto, Margaret Cullen, Sheila Dollard, Charles Dunleavy, Eleanor Falk, Mell Farrell, Keith Fox, Dolores Gallo, Patricia Gilvary, Joseph Gottlieb, Virginia Gunzel, Evelyn Hemersbach, Edward Johnson, John Kelly, Joan Kiely, Carole Koehler, Madison Claire Lewinger, David Lieson, Mildred Lopinto, Antoinette Mastromatteo, Donald McCabe, Margaret McCabe, Bobby Menges, Jim Mollooy, Thomas Moringiello, Angela Munnely, Maureen O'Connor Martin, Marianne Piscopo, Kevin Quill, Emma Tynan Quinn, Diana Renton, Sally Richards, Stephanie Ryan, Charlie Schmitt, Little Julia Schwartz, Little Catherine Vogt, Martha Widner, Michael Winnicki, Carol Woods, Joan Zilins

DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Gloria McCoy

FATHER'S DAY CARDS

Father's Day cards and envelopes are available at the doors of the Church and Auditorium. All those whose names are submitted will be remembered in the Masses here at St. Joseph's on Father's Day, June 21st. The box for the envelopes may be found at the two entrances near the front of the Church.





ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWS

This week is final exam week for our students.

There is a PTA meeting on Monday at 9:30AM in the St. Agnes room. Our final school board meeting for the 2008-09 school year is scheduled for Tuesday evening at 7:00PM.

Friday, June 12th, will be the last day of school for our Nursery and Pre K classes.

Our 8th graders will be graduating on Saturday, June 13th. There will be a breakfast for them at the Cherry Valley Club at 9:00 AM followed by the Graduation Mass and ceremony at Noon. We would like to wish our graduates and all graduates good luck as they go forth to their new schools and careers!

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Come and spend an hour of discussion of the Gospel and current events in the Church. Why not stop by on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00pm in the Convent Center. For further details call Jack McGowan at 741-8420.

PRAYER GROUP MEETING

*Convent Chapel, Monday at 10:00 a.m.
All Are Welcome!*

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

Today, we have our special annual collection for the Brothers and Sisters of Religious Communities who have served in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Many of us received a good Catholic education in schools and religious education programs from these Religious, and some of us and our families have received good quality health care in Catholic hospitals and pastoral care in homes and nursing homes run by Religious women and men.

These Religious Sisters and Brothers have given years of dedicated service to the people of our Dioceses. They are caring individuals, bound by the vow of poverty, yet they have the same expenses as do all retirees – rising health costs, housing and everyday living expenses.

Please consider giving a donation to the Religious Retirement Fund. If donating by check, make it out to St. Joseph Parish and write Religious Retirement on the memo line. Thank you for your concern and generosity. These Religious will gratefully remember you in prayer.

STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life

Stewardship Reflection

"Blessed are the people the Lord has chosen to be His own." How often do we stop to think about the grace of having "been chosen" to be in relationship with God?

Just as the Father, Son and Spirit are in relationship so we have been called to be baptized and be part of the Christian community. As Moses reminds the Jewish people of the wonders and favors of God, so too we might reflect this week on the graces God has given us in our lives. We especially pray to remember Jesus' promise to be with us always and in every situation.



Sr. Louise Cullen RSM- Stewardship Coordinator

We salute and thank all our Altar Servers and thank them for their faithfulness throughout the year. We also salute and thank all the Adult Altar Servers who assist the celebrants at the Funeral Masses.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

The following is a comparison of the weekly collection for 2008 and 2009

Pentecost Sunday

| 2008 | 2009 |
|----------|----------|
| \$25,901 | \$24,991 |

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next meeting of the newly formed young adult faith-sharing group will take place on Wednesday evening, June 10th, at 7:30 PM in the Convent Center. The group meets about once a month to renew/refresh their faith by reading and reflecting on scripture passages for the upcoming Sunday. New members are always welcome to join us. If you have any questions please call Lorraine Reynolds at 565-6217.

PARISH PICNIC



There will be a meeting for anyone who would like to help PLAN the Parish Picnic on Wednesday, June 17th at 7:30pm in the Religious Ed. Office. The Picnic this year is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 19th.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wished for a happy, holy married life to

Ronald Leahan and Felicia Carbo
who were married here recently.

THE QUESTION BOX

Just for fun—and some ongoing education—here's a question on our Catholic spirituality and tradition. Enjoy!

Q: Next Sunday we celebrate the beautiful feast of Corpus Christi—the Body and Blood of Christ. What does the Catholic Church believe and teach in terms of Jesus' presence in the Eucharist?

- (a) The bread and wine are reminiscent of the sacred food that Jesus gave his disciples at the Last Supper.
- (b) The inner reality (or "substance") of the bread and wine is actually changed, such that they become the Body and Blood of Christ.
- (c) There is a change in the significance of the bread and wine for those who receive them with faith.
- (d) The bread and wine symbolize the nourishment we receive from the Lord's teaching and example.

A: None of the responses to this question should be dismissed as *untrue*, but the *most* accurate is (b). Our Catholic theology of the Eucharist proclaims that when Mass is celebrated, the substance, or "inner reality" of the bread and wine is entirely changed, such that (despite outward appearances), *the bread and wine actually become the living presence of Christ—his Body and Blood*. This is what we mean by the phrase, "the real presence": the Eucharist is not merely a symbol for the Lord's Body and Blood; it is not simply reminiscent of the food he gave his disciples at the Last Supper. Christ himself is *truly present* in the Eucharistic banquet.

HUMAN SERVICES

"It is the in-dwelling of the Spirit that empowers the people of God to act for justice."

Your actions on behalf of justice is a great witness to the Spirit's presence within you. Thank you for the many ways you support the activities of our parish Human Services. Your involvement provides assistance to those in need and reassures them that people do care for them.

June Food Drive

Today the staff of Anthony House and our Food Drive Volunteers will be outside the doors of the Church collecting a monetary donation for Anthony House, a home for men who are in need of transforming their lives.

Employment Opportunities with Catholic Charities

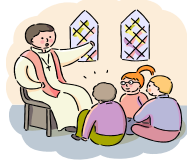
Catholic Charities is looking for a fee-for-service LCSW for their Freeport Mental Health Clinic. Interested applicants can fax resume to: 516-623-3526 or e-mail resume to jobs@catholiccharities.cc

Sister Ginny

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WANTED - Volunteers for the ministry of Catechesis

People who love God, who pray, who are excited about their faith, and who love children are needed to teach in Religious Ed. Program. Please consider sharing your faith with the children of the Parish. Please call Susan Mirabella or Barbara Roche 741-7787 if you can help or would like more information. We are in need of Teachers as indicated below:



| Grade | Day | No. Needed |
|-------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 | Thursday | 1 |
| 3 | Tuesday | 2 |
| 3 | Thursday | 2 |
| 4 | Tuesday | 1 |
| 4 | Wednesday | 2 |
| 4 | Thursday | 2 |
| 5 | Tuesday | 1 |
| 5 | Wednesday | 1 |
| 5 | Thursday | 2 |
| 6 | Mon. (5-6:15pm) | 3 |
| 7 | Mon. (7:30pm) | 3 |

Also needed are aides for special needs children in all grades. We are in need of two to three aides on each grade level.

ST. THERESE PRAYER SOCIETY FOR VOCATIONS

Pope John Paul II stated that Therese of Lisieux was a saint for our times. Her spirituality is always simple yet complex; always within the truth so that we can follow her way without ever fearing to be afraid of life, or discouraged by perceived or real oppressive difficulties. Therese *is* a saint for our times and what times these are: erupting wars, the threat of nuclear weapons being used as an answer to a disagreement between nations, genocide, extreme poverty, and natural disasters. We can spell 'peace,' but have many differences of opinion in describing it or achieving it.

Can we have flowers grow and birds sing in an agreeable multi-diverse ethnic and religious world, or will there be a single theocratic, dogmatic view imposed on everyone? Are we destroying the beauties of our God given world and taking the course of trying to clone God's image and likeness on our own image? Therese "at a time when soul destroying Jansenism was still working havoc, when a narrow moralism threatened to reduce the image of God to that of a rigid lover of justice,...discovered the Gospel inspiration: God is the Father of Jesus, He gave His Son who came for sinners, the poor, the little." Therese dared to name this God **Papa**, instinctively finding again the original **Abba** of Jesus. Therese's faith was her gleaming shield which shines in this twenty-first century. Her constant faith will continue as a way of faith in the love of God, our Creator, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Gerard Beahan

Lets Celebrate Summer!



Now that Memorial Day is past and summertime has unofficially begun, let's ask God to smile upon us, to bless our children, and all that the coming months of relaxation will bring.

Join us for a brief prayer together (we'll head outdoors if we can), immediately following the **10:00 A.M. Mass next Sunday, June 14th**.

As part of our prayer, we ask all the kids (and the grown ups, too!) to bring something you associate with summer: maybe a baseball, a kite, a skateboard, a beach towel, a pair of sunglasses, a novel you're going to start, a pail and shovel, a sports jersey, a picnic basket, a pair of flip-flops, a seashell--let your imagination run wild!

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

From the Diocese: More Americans describe themselves as "pro-life" on abortion (51%) than "pro-choice" (42%) for the first time since Gallup began asking the question in 1995. Gallup also finds a shift to the right in terms of the circumstances in which Americans think abortion should be legal.

[Read more at GALLUP.com](http://GALLUP.com)

The Church's Teaching on Life: "Democracy cannot be idolized to the point of making it a substitute for morality or a panacea for immorality. ...The value of democracy stands and falls with the values which it embodies and promotes. Of course, values such as the dignity of every human person ... are certainly fundamental and not to be ignored. The basis of these values cannot be provisional and changeable 'majority' opinions, but only the acknowledgment of an objective moral law." (Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, para. 70).

how You Can Help: Urge your State Senator to protect traditional marriage! On May 12, the State Assembly voted 89 to 52 to legalize marriage between persons of the same sex. The bill now proceeds to the Senate where indications are the vote will be very close. Call the Senate switchboard in Albany at 518-455-2800 and ask to be connected to your state Senator's office. Identify yourself as a constituent and be clear in articulating your opposition to S.4401, the bill to legalize same sex "marriage."

How to Get Help: The Sisters of Life will be hosting a Post-Abortion Day of Prayer and Healing for Women on Saturday, June 13, in the Bronx. For details, please call 877-586-4621 or email postabortion@sistersoflife.org.

Imagine...

...that you are standing in the vestibule of the Church, the organ begins to play, and you process with the singing sound growing stronger and stronger as the congregation joins in, moved to praying in song...

...there is candlelight throughout the Church bringing the glow of Christmas all around as we lead the congregation in the carols and hymns of the season...

...making new friends who attend many different schools and all love to sing together, sharing your faith with others...

WANT TO SHARE IN THIS GREAT MINISTRY? JOIN

THE ST. JOSEPH CHURCH BOYS CHOIR

OR

THE ST. JOSEPH CHURCH GIRLS CHOIR

AUDITIONS FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS CHOIRS ARE BEING HELD
THIS MONTH

PLEASE PICK UP AN AUDITION INFORMATION PACKET IN THE RECTORY
OFFICE, ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL OFFICE, OR THE RELIGIOUS ED. OFFICE FOR
MORE INFORMATION.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US IN SINGING OUR PRAISE TO THE LORD!



St. Joseph School's Fathers Association SJS SIXTH ANNUAL GOLF and TENNIS OUTING

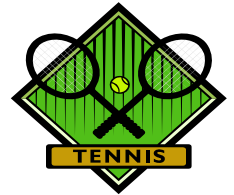
SAVE THE DATE

At The Rockaway Hunting Club, Lawrence, New York

Monday, June 15, 2009

Tennis - beginning with a Continental breakfast at 10 a.m. followed by tennis clinic and lunch
Tennis cost is \$175 per person, play all day on the clay and grass courts.

Golf - begins with a 1 PM SHOTGUN START with lunch served immediately prior.
Golf is followed by cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and awards ceremony,
50/50 raffle, putting contest and more!



Golf Cost \$350 per person
Hole, Tee, Tennis Court Sponsorships available for \$250
Other sponsorships: cocktail party, lunch, et al are available

Make checks payable to St. Joseph's PTA and mail to:
John McKay, c/o Ruffo Tabora Mainello & McKay P.C., 3000 Marcus Avenue, Suite 1W6,
Lake Success, NY 11042

Please note: whites only for tennis and collared shirts, Bermuda length shorts, no jeans or metal spikes for golf.

For additional information please contact:

John McKay
248-3335

Mike McCarthy
(212) 225-5151

NAME: _____ PHONE #: _____

Email: _____

YOUTH GROUP "School's Out" Bash on the Beach

All teens in grades 8-12 are welcome, so don't miss out!!!

WHEN: Sunday, June 14, 2009

WHERE: Lido Beach Mushrooms



RSVP: Call Phil Malloy@ 315-7002

ADMISSION: \$15 for youth members \$20 for non members

(Admission and permission slip must be returned BY JUNE 7)

Youth Group Beach Party Permission Slip

(Please see flyer previously sent home with your child for further information)

Parental Consent Form must be signed and returned to
Phil Malloy no later than June 7.

Sunday, June 14, 2009, 11:00 AM-5:00 PM @ Lido Beach

Parental Consent Form:

Name of Teen: _____ Sex: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____ (Required by Hospital in Emergency)

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

I, (parent/guardian) _____, grant permission for my child _____ to participate in the Youth Group Beach Party. I am aware that I must provide my own transportation to and from this event.

In addition, I hereby grant permission, without reservation, for my child to partake in all event related activities.

I hereby release the all participating parishes, Philip Malloy, Youth Minister, the diocese of Rockville Centre, Bishop William Murphy and all employees and volunteers of said parishes and diocese, from all claims relating to injury or damage suffered or incurred by me or my child.

I grant permission, without reservation, to those authorized by the parish and the diocese to take photos of my child and use them in the original or modified form, with or without name, solely for the purpose of promotion, public information and/or fundraising activities of the diocese or the parish. I will be entitled to no compensation for same. I further agree that the parish and/or the diocese shall be the sole owner of all tangible and intangible rights of these photos with full power of disposition.

As parent/guardian, I fully acknowledge that I remain fully legally responsible for any and all actions taken by my teen. In addition, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the parishes, the diocese and all employees and volunteers from and against each and every claim demand, cause of action or any liability, cost or expense arising from or in connection with any bodily injury, including death, to my child or any damage or loss to his property caused by or arising from my child attending the event or in connection with any illness or injury or cost of medical treatment in connection therewith.

I fully understand the consequences of the foregoing statements and sign this form knowingly, freely and willingly. (Your signature is required below for your child to participate)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____