# <u>Masses</u>

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am

Holy Days:

7:00pm (Vigil on the eve) 9:00 (on the day)

**Confessions** 

**Saturday:** 3:30 - 4:00 pm (Large Church) or by appointment with a priest

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Sunday February 11, 2018

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Food Pantry Hours: Wednesday, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Friday, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

# February 11, 2018 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday February 10

5:00 pm Charles Burton by Maffei Family

Sunday February 11

9:00 am Richard Berger by Teresa Fiori Henry F. Peters by Sangiamo Family

11:00 am Joseph William Wood by Quinlan Family

Monday February 12

9:00 am All Priests

Tuesday February 13

9:00 am Ronnie Burkert by Fr. Bill & Staff Wednesday February 14—Ash Wednesday

9:00 am Parishioners of Mary Immaculate 12:00 pm Prayer Service with Ashes 4:00 pm Prayer Service with Ashes

7:00 pm Deacon Art Dooling by Leslie & Paul O'Connor

Thursday February 15

9:00 am Thomas Connor by Frank DeRosa & Susan Beckett

Friday February 16

9:00 am Thomas Connor by Frank DeRosa & Susan Beckett

<u>Bulletin Reflection</u>: In today's second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to "do all for the glory of God." If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards.

<u>Living Stewardship:</u> We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who use their gifts to welcome and offer hospitality to those who are frequently shunned...the stranger, the immigrant, the homeless, the physically and/or mentally ill and the poor.

Weekly Collection: \$4,825.00

Faith Direct January Total: \$7,595.00





# For the Month of February

# Our Eucharist & Wine

are in Coving Memory of

Maria Curreri

Requested by Lucille McElroy

# Our Altar Candles & Slowers

are in Roving memory of Eleanor Rodier

Requested by Sullivan family



#### This Week's Readings



Monday: Jas 1:1-11 / Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18 / Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 /

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25 **Friday:** Is 58:1-9a / Is 58:1-9a **Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15 / 1 Pt 3:18-22 / Mk 1:12-15

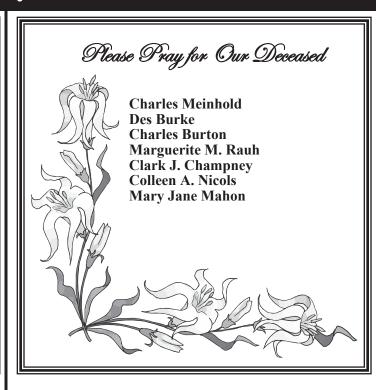


# **Mary Immaculate Prays For One Another**



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# PRAY FOR OUR \*\*\*\*\* MILITARY

Gregory Azzara - Navy Gunnery Sgt. John Scott Dowdell - USMC SSgt Matthew Pica - Army John Paul Redmond - Army PFC Robert Temple - Army SSgt. Shawn Weismiller - Air Force Sat. Jason Ramos - Army Pvt Jonathan Salvestrini - Army PFC Shane Gibney - USMC Cpl Mark Anthony Barone - USMC Lt. Philip J. Granati - U.S. Coast Guard WO1 Nalita Sellers - Army LC Amanda Knepper - USMC SFC Edward Kusa - Navy Bryan Thurston - Army Sean Thomas Vignato - USMC Mgr. David Matthew Butler -Army Chief Richard J. Vanderhoof -U.S. Coast Guard Thomas C. Lennon - USMC

Please pray for the safe return of our troops. The families wish to thank you for your prayers, and ask that you please continue to pray.

God Bless you all.

# Stewardship in Action

# Mass Servers for the Following Week:

#### February 17th:

5:00 PM

Servers: A. Caroli, W. Caroli, K. Wilson

**Lector:** F. Lento

Host Ushers: K. Hawkins, B. Berberich

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Cronin, C. Strickland, D. Beberich

#### February 18th:

 $9:00 \ AM$ 

**Servers:** M. Stanganelli, T. Stanganelli, A. Sullivan

**Lector:** J. Travers

Host Usher: J. Springhorn, E. Sullivan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** S. Rauch, J. Langer, V. Langer **Children's Liturgy of the Word:** K. Stanganelli

11:00 AM

Servers: A. Fielding, J. Katz, I. Katz

**Lector:** E. Russo

Host Ushers: D. Sullivan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ken Hawkins, Kathy Hawkins,

J. Renehan

Children's Liturgy of the Word: T. Umbarila, H. Zengen

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Fr. Bill Hanson

Michelle Yalamas

# Happy Landing

After seven years working here at Mary Immaculate Parish, Michelle Yalamas our parish secretary is moving to a new job and will be leaving us. Many of you know the kindness and hospitality she offers all who come to the rectory door or call on the phone. Coming here myself after so many years at St. Gerard Majella Parish, Michelle was outstanding in making me feel at home very quickly. She gave me a sense of the "lay of the land" and "who's who," in such a way that I was able to catch up quickly with a sense of the history and workings of Mary Immaculate. I know you join me in wishing her well and that she have as happy a landing as she has afforded so many people who come through Mary Immaculate's doors. Please join us on SUNDAY, MARCH 4TH at the 11am Mass to celebrate Michelle and thank her for her years of dedication. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

# To My Mary Immaculate Family,

It is with a very heavy heart that I leave Mary Immaculate. An amazing career opportunity came my way out of the blue, and after much prayer and discussion with my family, I accepted the new position.

From my very first day, over 7 years ago, I have always felt such a sense of welcome and family. Mary Immaculate is truly a remarkable parish filled with very special people. So many of you have touched my life in such exceptional ways that I will treasure always. I am so grateful for having had this opportunity to be part of an amazing staff over the years. They have blessed my life in more ways than could be imagined.

My new job will be extremely different as I will be working for a private company and not for the Church. I humbly ask for your prayers as I begin this new journey in my life. Please know that Mary Immaculate will always remain a part of me and forever be in my prayers.

# Mary Immaculate Welcomes You!

# **Ongoing Programs/Meetings:**

#### Parish Library

Open weekends after each Mass in Large Church.

#### • Children's Liturgy of the Word

9:00 am Mass on Sundays. Children dismissed to break open The Word on a level appropriate for them.

#### • Society of St. Vincent de Paul

10:15 am to 11:15 am on the 1st Sunday of the month in the Cottage.

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Cottage.

#### • Rosary Altar Society

7:00 pm every 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Little Church. All are welcome!

#### • Ministry of Consolation

Please call the Rectory for more information.

#### • AA Meeting

7:30 pm on Sundays & 7:00 pm Thursdays in Auditorium. This meeting is open to anyone who desires to stop drinking.

#### • Respect Life

6:30 pm on the first Thursday of each month in the Large Church.

#### • Icon Painting Class

10:00 am - 3:00 pm on 2nd Thursday of every month in Auditorium. Please call Jim Fuchs at 631-286-1643.

#### • Camera Club

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of month in the Cottage except for holidays and scheduled field trips.

For more information please call the Rectory: 286-0154.





If you have recently moved into this area,

kindly register by stopping by the Rectory or visiting the Church Office after any weekend Mass or by contacting us at 631-286-0154.

## **Religious Education & Youth Ministry:**

All children grades 1 through 8 must register **EVERY YEAR** for the program by calling the Religious Education Office at 286-3504.

## **Sacraments:**

<u>Baptism</u>: Celebrated once a month at 1:00 pm in the Little Church. Registration is required. Parents should schedule an appointment with Deacon Bob at least 3 months before the desired date of baptism by calling the Rectory. A baptism preparation class is also required.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in the Large Church or by calling the Rectory for an appointment with a priest.

<u>Marriage</u>: Couples should make arrangements at least 6 months in advance by appointment with the pastor. No date for a wedding will be set over the phone. Pre-Cana classes are required.

#### **Adult Sacraments: (RCIA)**

Are you an adult who wishes to be prepared for Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Eucharist? RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation by which adults become members of the Roman Catholic Church. All those who would like to begin this journey, please contact Deacon Bob at the Rectory.

# **Mary Immaculate News & Events**

# THE MASS: WHAT WE DO AND WHY WE DO IT

From the Entrance Procession to the Final Blessing and everything in between, the Order of the Mass has changed many times over hundreds of years. Have you ever wondered why? Or how?

Msgr. Don Hanson will lead us on a journey through the evolution of the Mass, explaining not just what changed, but also why it changed. Msgr. Hanson will be using a book entitled <u>The Mystery of Faith</u> by Lawrence J. Johnson. We will have a limited number of copies for sale for \$15 each. You can also purchase a copy on-line at fdlc.org/publications/44510.

We will meet on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Large Church. Come to any one or all four of the discussions.

# Mary Immaculate Rosary Altar Society



Please join us and pray the Rosary on Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00 PM in the Little Church.

All are Welcome!



February 26, 2018 6:00 PM

Café Castello Maín St., Bellport

<u>Cost:</u> \$35 includes salad, side of pasta, choice of veal marsala, chicken francese or eggplant parmigiana, glass of wine, coffee or tea, dessert, tax & tip.

**RSVP:** Connie Albin 631-286-9105

Hope You Can Join Us!

# **Communion for the Homebound**

If you know of anyone that is homebound and in need of communion, please contact the Rectory.



# Mary Immaculate Religious Ed. News



# The Week of February 12, 2018

Level 1: Monday, February 12th 4:15-5:15 pm Level 2: Tuesday, February 13th 4:15-5:15 pm Levels 3 & 4: Weds, Feb. 14th No Class Levels 5 & 6: Thurs. Feb. 15th No Class Levels 7 & 8: Mon., Feb. 12th 7:00-8:15 pm



- Helpers Needed! Sunday, February 11th immediately following the 11 AM Mass to begin decorating both Churches for Lent.
- Faith Buddies Needed! During the 9 AM & 11 AM
   Masses, children go upstairs for Liturgy of the Word
   for Children with a Catechist. We would like to invite
   you to be a "Faith Buddy" that will assist the catechist
   and the children.





Hello Parents,

Please note the following Parent Meetings:

• Level 1 Parent/Child Gathering: (Lent Theme)

Saturday, February 24th 2:30 –3:30 PMLevel 2 Parent Meeting:

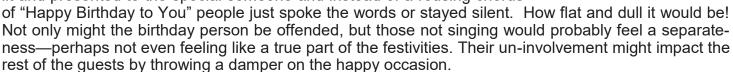
Wednesday, February 28th 7:00 PM



# **Mary Immaculate News**

# To sing or not to sing...

Imagine you're a guest at a birthday party... the candles on the cake are lit and presented to the special someone and instead of a rousing chorus



But when all join in, there is a true celebration with all present joining in the joy of the occasion!

The same could be said about singing during the Mass. How wonderful it is to hear the joyous chorus of Alleluias on Easter after being without them all Lent! And how moving are the somber hymns and the Lord's cry in the Good Friday psalm "My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me."

By singing together, we help create something greater than separate individuals in a Church. Songs can unite us in the celebration of our faith.

St. Augustine said, "He who sings prays twice", and St. Paul instructed the Church to "sing together psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" (Colossians 3:16).

The choir and cantor are there to guide and assist the community in prayerful song. Their purpose is not to entertain or perform for a passive audience.

Please join in singing at the weekend Masses. God does not care how well you sing – after all, He gave you the voice you have. When we all come together in song, we heighten our prayerfulness and sense of community, become fully engaged in the Mass, and add a new depth or meaning to our Sunday worship.

# Why do we offer a Mass for our deceased friends and relatives?

Prayer is a powerful way we can help others, and when a Mass is said for the repose of a soul, it benefits both the living and the dead. St. Ambrose preached about remembering our departed, "We have loved them during life, let us not abandon them in death. St. Augustine related the words of his mother, St. Monica, writing "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be." When we have a Mass said in memory of a friend or loved one, we perform one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy which have long been a cherished part of the Christian tradition.

To have a Mass said for a friend or relative who has passed, contact the rectory.



# Society of St. Vincent de Paul



#### Tax Statements from SVDP for 2018

Anyone needing a 2018 Tax Statement for their SVDP donations, please contact Jim Renehan, SVDP treasurer, at 770-597-2942 (cell).

# 40 Cans for Lent 2018



**Lent Begins February 14th!!** 

SVDP is asking parishioners to donate 1 can of food for each day of Lent to our Food Pantry.

You may drop the cans off on Saturday or Sunday before Mass in our blue wagon located in the foyer of the Large Church.

Items needed are canned vegetables, soup, beans, canned fruit & pasta.

Thank you for your continued support!



In the Gospel today, Jesus moved with pity, touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.



# St. Vincent De Paul Helps People!!

"Extend mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping. for what hope is there for us if God should withdraw His mercy from us?"

Our Pantry is in Need of the Following:

Spaghetti Sauce, Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Soup, Cereal, Tuna, Canned Pasta, Canned Yellow Vegetables, Peanut Butter & Jelly



Thank You!!

# **DONATE TODAY!!**

# Mary Immaculate Blood Drive February 11, 2018 at

Bellport Community Center 9:00 AM—3:00 PM



# Please donate Today! Blood is Life!

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Bring ID with signature or photo
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16-75 (16 years olds must have parental permission. Age 76 and over must have a doctor's note).
- Eat well (low fat & drink fluids)
- No Tatoos within past 12 months

For additional questions concerning eligibility, please call 1-800-688-0900.

# **Altar Server Training 2018**



Are you interested in becoming an Altar Server? Mary Immaculate is in need of Altar Servers!

Grades 3 and Up
Wednesdays at 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM
February 28, March 7, 14, 21, April 11, 18

For more information, questions or to register, please contact:

Kathie Hawkins at 631-286-2559 or Carolyn Barnett at 631-286-8109

#### Ron Rolheiser Column Week of February 4 2018

#### **Faith and Superstition**



The power of a subordinate clause, one nuance within a sentence and everything takes on a different meaning.

That's the case in a recent brilliant, but provocative, novel, The Ninth Hour, by Nina McDermott. She tells a story which, among other things, focuses on a group of nuns in Brooklyn who work with the poor. Times are hard, people are needy, and the nuns, who work mostly in home care for the poor, appear utterly selfless in their dedication. Nothing, it seems, can deflect them from their mission to give their all, their every of ounce of energy, to help the poor. And on this score, McDermott gives them their due. As well, for anyone familiar with what goes on inside of a religious community, McDermott's portrayal of these nuns is both nuanced and accurate. Nuns aren't all of a kind. Each has her own unique history, temperament, and personality. Some are wonderfully warm and gracious, others nurse their own wounds and aren't always evident paradigms of God's love and mercy. And that's case with the nuns that McDermott describes here. But, quirks of individual personality aside, as a community, the nuns she describes serve the poor and their overall witness is beyond reproach.

But then, after telling this story of faith and dedication and reflecting on how today there are few groups of nuns who still live so radical a commitment, McDermott, through the voice her narrator, introduces the subversive subordinate clause: "The holy nuns who sailed through the house when we were young were a dying breed even then. ... The call to sanctity and self-sacrifice, the delusion and superstition it required, faded from the world even then."

Wow! The delusion and the superstition it required. As if this kind of radical self-sacrifice can only be the product of false fear. As if whole generations of Christian self-sacrifice, vowed celibacy, and single-minded dedication can be dismissed, post-factum, as ultimately predicated on delusion and superstition.

#### How true is that?

I grew up in the world McDermott is describing, where nuns were like that, and where a powerful Catholic ethos supported them and declared what they were doing was anything but delusion and superstition. Admittedly that was another time and much of that ethos has not stood the test of time and has, indeed, to a large part succumbed to the raw power of secularity. And so McDermott is right, partially. Some of that selflessness was based upon an unhealthy fear of hell fire and God's anger. To an extent too it was based on a notion of faith that believed that God does not really want us to flourish much here on earth but that our lives are meant to be mostly a somber preparation for the next world. Perhaps this isn't exactly delusion and superstition, but it is bad theology and it did help underwrite some of the religious life in the world McDermott describes and in the Catholic world of my youth.

But there was also something else undergirding this ethos, and I inhaled it deeply in my youth and in a way that branded my soul for good, like nothing else I have ever breathed in in this world. Notwithstanding some false fears, there was inside of that a biblical faith, a raw mandate, that taught that your own comfort, your own desires, and even your own legitimate longings for human flourishing, sexuality, marriage, children, freedom, and having what everyone else has, are subject to a higher purpose, and you may be asked to sacrifice them all, your legitimate longings, to serve God and others. It was a faith that believed you were born with a God-given vocation and that your life was not your own.

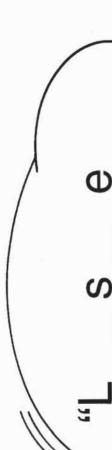
I saw this first in my own parents who believed that faith made those demands upon them, who accepted that, and who consequently had the moral authority to ask this of others. I saw it too in the Ursuline Nuns who taught me in school, women with full red blood flowing through their veins but who sacrificed these longings to come into the public schools in our remote rural areas and teach us. I saw it too in the little prairie community that nurtured me in my youth, a whole community who, by and large, lived out this selflessness.

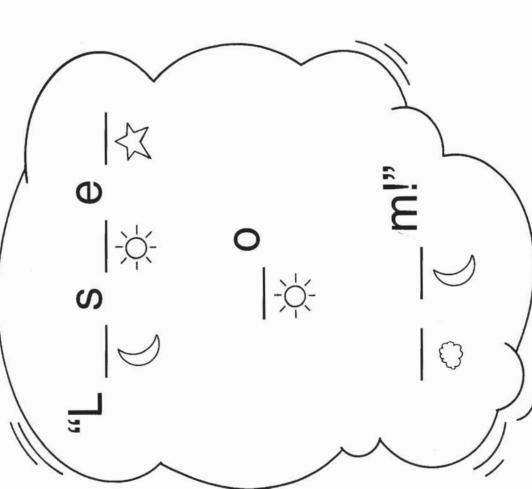
Today I live in a world that prizes sophistication above all else, but where as a whole society we're no longer sure what's "fake news" as opposed to what we can believe in and trust. In this unsteady world the faith of my youth, of my parents, of the nuns who sacrificed their dreams to teach me, and of the nuns whom Nina McDermott describes in The Ninth Hour, can look very much like delusion and superstition. Sometimes it is delusion, admittedly; but sometimes it isn't, and in my case the faith my parents gave me, with its belief that your life and your sexuality are not your own, is, I believe, the truest, most non-superstitious thing of all.

Oblate Father Ron Rolheiser, theologian, teacher, and award-winning author, is President of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX. He can be contacted through his website <a href="https://www.ronrolheiser.com">www.ronrolheiser.com</a>. Now on Facebook <a href="https://www.ronrolheiser.com">www.ronrolheiser.com</a>.

# A voice came from a cloud and said, "This is My Son."

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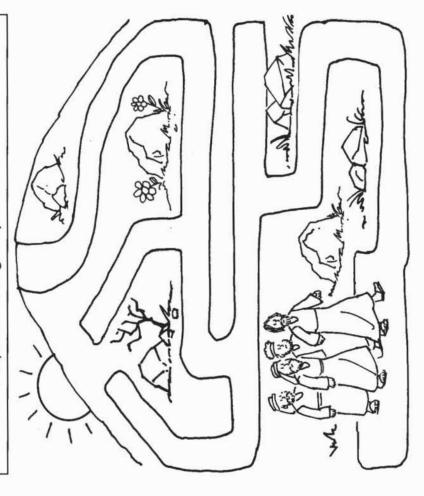
# Children's Worship. Bulletin

February 11, 2018 • Mark 9:2-9

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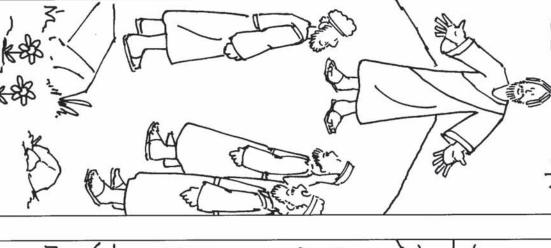
Jesus took Peter, James and John with Him up a mountain. The Transfiguration

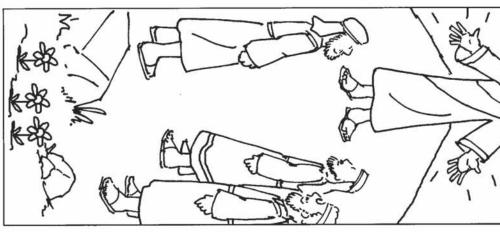
Help the men get up the mountain.



# Suddenly Jesus was changed. His clothes appeared very white.

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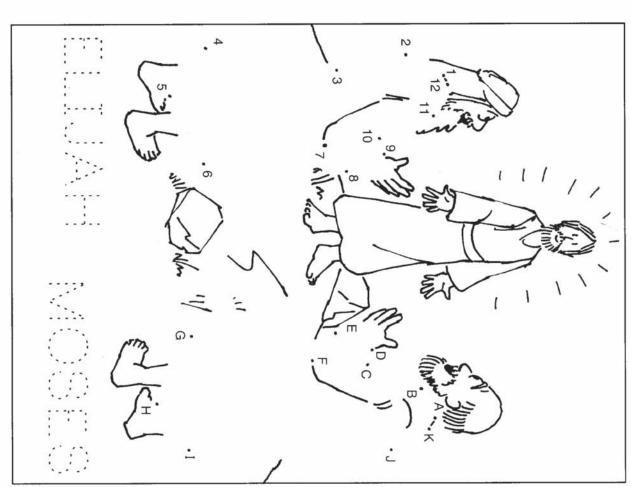








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Trace the letters.



# **Community and Diocesan Events**

# **♦** Life Line Screening In Your Community!

Life Line Screenings go beyond regular checkups to look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up. Getting screened is simple! It is painless, non—invasive and you can keep your clothes on! We will be in your neighborhood on Thursday, Mach 1, 2018 at Medford Comfort Inn, Medford. All 5 screenings are \$139. (Carotid Artery/Plaque Screening / Heart Rhythm Screening / Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening / Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening / Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. Three ways to register: Call toll-free: 1-866-229-0469; Online: www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle; Text: the word circle to 797979.

#### ♦ Parent-Child Home Program

If you are a parent of a two or three year old child, you may be eligible for a special program that helps prepare your child for school success. The **Parent-Child Program sponsored by the Family Service League**, provides a home visitor to come to your home twice a week. The home visitor will bring **FREE educational books and toys that your child gets to keep**, and will demonstrate fun ways for you to use them for the educational benefit of your child. There is **no cost to you**. For more information, please contact the Program Coordinator, Deirdre Borghi, MS, at 631-926-0733.

#### ♦ Run for Tomorrow's Hope Foundation 5K

Join Tomorrow's Hope Foundation and Long Island Catholic Elementary schools for the 3rd Annual 5k & Fun Run for Tomorrow's Hope Foundation on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 8:30 AM with Fun Run Start / 9:00 AM 5K Start at 450 Franklin Ave. & Fourth St., Garden City. Please visit tomorrowshopefoundation.org to sign up, learn about sponsorship opportunities, registration and more! The mission of Tomorrow's Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools. The Tomorrow's Hope Foundation gives hundreds of children each year the opportunity to attend Catholic elementary school.

#### ♦ St. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center

The following programs will be offered at the St. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center located at 26 S. Saxon Ave., Bay Shore. Anyone interested in these programs, please call the office at 631-647-8683.

Fridays, Feb. 16, 23, Mar.2, 9, 16, 23 from 10:30 AM—12 Noon. "Lenten Prayer on Fridays: Deepening our experience of faith in God by using images in the movie, "The Shack." Offering: \$20.00 per session.

**Weekend March 9-11.** *Lenten Retreat Weekend: "Transcending Suffering: Finding Meaning in Suffering."* **Offering:** \$200.00. Must bring your own towels & washcloths. None will be provided. Only bedding provided.

# • Cenacle Sisters—Ronkonkoma

The following programs are available at the Cenacle Retreat Center, 310 Cenacle Rd., Ronkonkoma: For more information, contact the Retreat Office at 631-588-8366 or visit www.cenaclesisters.org./ronkonkoma.

Saturday, February 17th from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM at the Retreat Center with 9:30 AM arrivals and refreshments. "Jesus' Life Through the Eyes of Mary." Using film, presentation and prayer, we will explore the mother-son relationship between Mary and Jesus. We will see Mary's profound faith in God and the great mysteries that she lives as the mother of Jesus. We will explore the deep love they shared as well as Mary's important role in Jesus' life, ministry and resurrection. Offering: \$50— lunch included. A \$20 deposit is required to hold your reservation.

Weekend February 23-25. Silent Directed Lenten Retreat Weekend. Lent is a season of repentance and renewal. We recommit ourselves to follow Jesus. Contemplation and reflective prayer encourage us during this sacred season.

Offering: \$250.—No Sunday lunch. No Commuters. A \$50 deposit is required to hold your reservation.

For more information on any diocesan-sponsored events /programs, please visit www.drvc.org.



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