

## Masses

**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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**Principal:** Mr. Michael Connell  
631-475-0422  
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# The Parish Family of Mary Immaculate

Sunday  
January 21, 2018

16 Browns Lane, Bellport, NY 11713  
631-286-0154 / 631-286-2937 (fax)

www.miparish.net



**Rectory Office Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
(Closed 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

**Religious Education Office / Youth Ministry:** 631-286-3504

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul / Food Pantry:** 631-286-3795

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

# January 21, 2018 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday

January 20

5:00 pm Nicole Gregory by Connie & John Albin  
Ford Family by Kiernan & Colleen Murphy & Family

### Sunday

January 21

9:00 am Charles Burton by Brendan & Dorothy Sheedy  
11:00 am James Mazzola by Quinlan Family  
Rene Louis by Family  
Isaac Heimbinder by Mary Immaculate Parish

### Monday

January 22

9:00 am Parishioners of Mary Immaculate

### Tuesday

January 23

9:00 am No Intention Requested

### Wednesday

January 24

9:00 am John W. Wallen by Family

### Thursday

January 25

9:00 am No Intention Requested

### Friday

January 26

9:00 am All Priests

**Bulletin Reflection:** There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples Andrew and Simon. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning father and fellow – workers, nets and boat. To what is Jesus calling me – at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

**Living Stewardship:** We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who work in parish-based advocacy groups to bring Gospel values and Catholic social teaching to the wider community.

**Weekly Collection:** \$5,953.00

**Faith Direct Weekly:** \$2,409.00

**Total:** \$8,362.00

**Christmas:** \$1,300.00

**Maintenance:** \$150.00



## This Week's Readings

**Monday:** 2 Sm 5:107, 10 / Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 / Mk 3:31-35

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17 / Mk 4:1-20

**Thursday:** Acts 22:3-16 / Mk 16:15-18

**Friday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 / Mk 4:26-34

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 / Mk 4:35-41

**Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20 / 1Cor 7:32-35 / Mk 1:21-28

## LITURGICAL MEMORIALS

*Liturgical Memorials are available each month to celebrate a blessed event or to remember our deceased loved ones.*

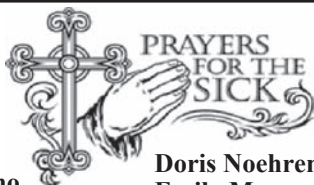
**Eucharistic Bread and Wine:** \$50

**Altar Candles:** \$50

**Altar Flowers:** \$100

*To memorialize one or more of the above call or visit our Rectory or the Weekend Office available after all weekend masses in the Large Church.*

# Mary Immaculate Prays For One Another



Gina DiMartino  
 Kate Cox  
 Nora Cetchell  
 Michael Matthews  
 Roz Hassell  
 Nancy Cavaliere  
 Jose Llanes  
 Emily Straub  
 Claudia Horst  
 Philip J. McSweeney  
 Frank C. Harris  
 Joanne Klonoski  
 Vincent Racaniello  
 Jennifer Lombardi  
 Dana Hertzovitz  
 Linda Sherwood

Doris Noehren  
 Emily Magnani  
 Lorraine Schordine  
 Jennifer Bennett  
 Richard Colli  
 Luhur Budiarjo  
 Teimor Tamadon  
 Theresa Venturino  
 Maureen Gjertsen  
 James Leung  
 Thomas Nolan  
 Alice Nolan  
 John Rocco  
 Kevin Williams  
 Roseanne Jiminez  
 Therese Hopper

## *Please Pray for Our Deceased*



Fr. Hugh Cannon  
 Charles Meinhold  
 Des Burke  
 Charles Burton  
 Marguerite M. Rauh

## 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  
 Sgt. 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:

#### January 27th

5:00 PM

**Servers:** E. Ciavatta, K. Ciavatta, H. Sponton

**Lector:** P. O'Connor

**Host Ushers:** D. Sullivan, J. Barnett, M. Simon

**Eucharistic Ministers:** K. Desmond, F. Grucci, J. Cronin

#### January 28th

9:00 AM

**Servers:** E. Rauch, J. Katz, I. Katz

**Lector:** C. Kusa

**Host Usher:** M. Klein, Sr., P. Attanasio

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Langer, V. Langer, H. Sidoti

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** K. Stanganelli

11:00 AM

**Servers:** Elizabeth Campau, Emily Campau, C. Dumas

**Lector:** J. Renehan

**Host Ushers:** J. Deutsch, M. Deustch, F. Lento

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Simon, D. McDowell, O. Miller



Fr. Bill Hanson



## Children, Families, and Holy Week! March 28/30/31

**Holy Thursday:** Students will be able to participate in the washing of feet...

**Good Friday:** Students will hold stations of the cross to illustrate the passion Gospel.

**Holy Saturday:** Students will be able to become the animals at creation and illustrate the other Vigil readings...

Stay tuned for details!



# 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.
- **Youth Group**  
6:00 pm -7:30 pm every Saturday in the Cottage.  
Ages: All High School Students Welcome! **Will resume on October 7, 2017.**
- **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.**

# Welcome!



*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 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:**

**Baptism:** 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.

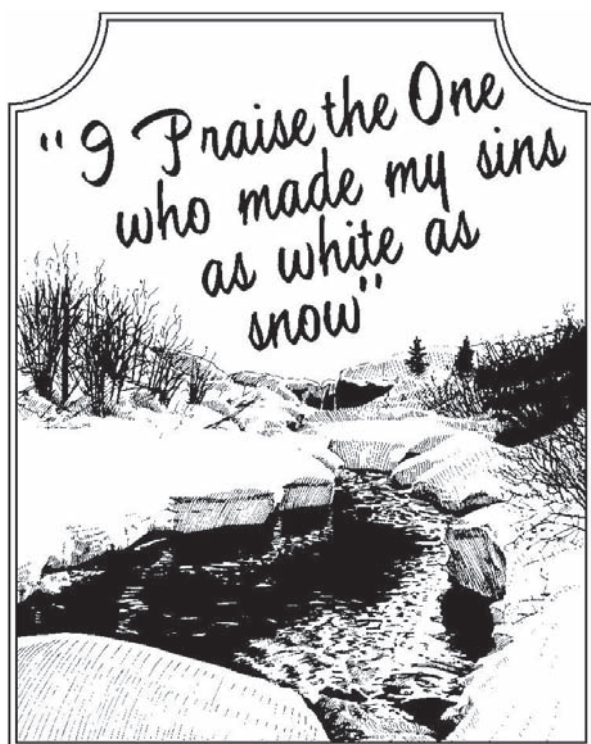
**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in the Large Church or by calling the Rectory for an appointment with a priest.

**Marriage:** 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



## Mary Immaculate Prayer Shawl Ministry



*Give the gift of prayer and comfort  
with a handmade Prayer Shawl.*

*Those who have received these blessed shawls have  
been comforted, affirmed and enveloped in the  
hugs and prayers of our parishioners.*

*Shawls are on display the 2nd weekend of the  
month and donations are accepted for yarn.*

*If you like to crochet, please join us on the  
1st Wednesday of the month  
at 10:00 am in the Large Church.*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Blood Drive  
Sunday, February 11, 2018**

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

**Sign Ups begin January 20th**

- ♦ **Volunteers needed at the Blood Drive Registration Table. If interested, please call Ken Hawkins at 631-286-2559.**

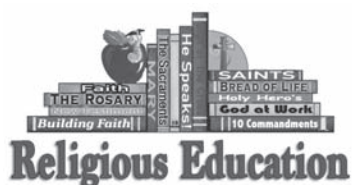


## Communion for the Homebound

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 January 22, 2018

Level 1: Monday, January 22th 4:15-5:15 pm  
Level 2: Tuesday, January 23th 4:15-5:15 pm  
Levels 3 & 4: Weds, Jan. 24th 4:15-5:15 pm  
Levels 5 & 6: Thurs., Jan. 25th 4:15-5:15 pm  
Levels 7 & 8: Mon., Jan. 22th 7:00-8:15 pm



All parents need to be part of their child's religious education.



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## Service Opportunities Levels 7 & 8

- **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.



## Taste and See the Goodness of God

Our Grade Level Liturgies are as follows for the Month of January & February:

- **Level 4:**  
Saturday, January 27th at the 5 PM Mass or  
Sunday, January 28th at the 9 AM or 11 AM Mass
- **Level 5:**  
Saturday, February 10th at the 5:00 Pm Mass or  
Sunday, February 11th at the 9 AM or 11 Am Mass

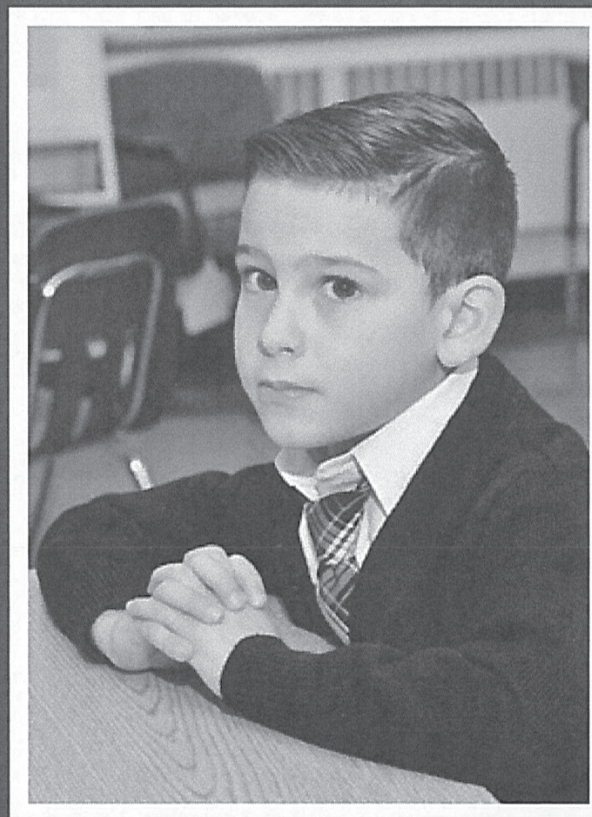


# Holy Angels Regional School

*Give Your Children the advantage that lasts a lifetime!*

**Open House: Early Childhood  
Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 - 3:30 pm**

- Early Childhood Programs
- Pre-K thru Eighth Grade
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Before & After Care
- N.Y.S. Regents Courses for Algebra I and Earth Science



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**Contact us: 631-475-0422**

1 Division St. Patchogue, NY 11772

[www.holyangelsregional.org](http://www.holyangelsregional.org)



# Society of St. Vincent de Paul

## Month of December 2017

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist the following people:

**Children:** 168  
**Adults:** 203  
**Seniors:** 5

There was a total of 376 neighbors in need for December 2017 and 200 bags of food distributed.



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men," As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

**Have you considered answering the call to serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?**

## Local Assistance Information:

- ◆ AA Hotline 24 Hours: 631-669-1124
- ◆ Al-Anon and Alteen: 631-669-2827
- ◆ Birthright: 631-821-9727
- ◆ Catholic Health Services Pregnancy Support: 1-855-301-4CHS—[www.chsli.org/giannacenter](http://www.chsli.org/giannacenter)
- ◆ Child Abuse Hotline: 800-342-3720
- ◆ Epic (NYS Program for Seniors): 1-800-332-3742
- ◆ Family Counseling Service: 631-669-2827
- ◆ Hope House: 631-473-6030
- ◆ Suicide Hotline: 631-751-7500
- ◆ Narcotics Anonymous: 631-689-6262
- ◆ Poison Control: 800-222-1222
- ◆ Shelter the Homeless: 631-854-9100
- ◆ Suffolk County Coalition Against Domestic Violence (Shelter): 631-666-8833
- ◆ Suffolk County Office of the Aging: 631-853-8200
- ◆ Suffolk County Handicapped Services: 631-853-8333
- ◆ Suffolk County Veteran Services: 631-853-8387
- ◆ Suffolk Perinatal Coalition: 631-475-5400
- ◆ Suicide Hotline: 631-751-7500
- ◆ Town of Brookhaven Adult Day Programs: 631-451-9142

## 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!!**

# 2018

# Impact

January, 2018

Bring faith to life. Find life in faith.

## JANUARY IS A TIME FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

It is a time for reprioritizing and trying again. It is a time for surrender.

**Wait, what???** You read correctly, it is a time for surrender.

**God is constantly calling us back.** God wants to be with us. He desires us, our whole selves. The question we must ask is: are we comfortable surrendering to God's desire to draw close? Surrender is a word that for many of us brings up images of depleted resources and white flags.

Surrender is a bad thing that only happens to those who lose an effort. It is something that is forced by a conquering body or a circumstance. It is certainly not something that any sane person would choose to do.

**Or is it?**



**Let's back up for a moment.** At Christmas, we celebrate just how much God loves us and wants to be with us. Jesus was sent to be 100% human and share in all of our joys, trials, temptations and

successes. Yes, Jesus

was divine too. This is one of the great mysteries of our faith, and something that makes all the difference if we can really take it to heart. If God loves us so much that He sends us His son to be with us and guide us in this human

life, why wouldn't we want to surrender to that kind of perfect love? It is hard for us to understand perfect love because human love is imperfect. However, God is perfect. God is not a conqueror. Yet God does invite us to surrender.

**Unlike the world's definition of surrender, surrendering to God's will frees us!** Just like God asked our Blessed Mother Mary (whose feast we conveniently celebrate on New Year's Day!), God invites us to offer Him our whole "yes" — a white flag of sorts — a pure statement of our trust in God's presence and providence. Sometimes our yes is not as complete as it could be, but we have a lifetime of opportunities to continue trying to give God our full yes.



**If we say yes and surrender our whole selves to God's will, we must then be prepared to act on it.** We must be willing to surrender our fear, our anxiety, our schedules and our loved ones to God's perfect plan. We must resolve to live lives of prayer, service and generosity. In this way, our lives can become a witness to God's perfect plan and provision so that others can see and be inspired to surrender to God's love and sustenance in their lives.

**Resolutions can be daunting, but surrender is freeing.** Surrendering our will to God is not easy, but neither is sticking to resolutions. There are many ways we see, hear, and know God's will.\* Perhaps the best resolution we can make this year is to surrender to God's loving will for us and for the world. God will show you. Trust Him.

## LOOK. LISTEN. RESPOND.

"We have seen his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (MT 2:2)

**The magi were looking.** It was not an accident that they journeyed to Bethlehem, having seen the star at its rising. They were attentive, searching, and ready to go when the time was right.

**Others saw too.** The shepherds were on the night watch. They were on the lookout for predators and thieves. They were stunned to see instead the glory of the Lord around them. At the angels' announcement, they also journeyed to Bethlehem, eager to see for themselves the miracle of the newborn in the most unexpected of places, the manger.

**Have you seen his star?** Not a physical star, but the light of God's love. Light pierces darkness, illumines shadows, and diminishes the fear of night. Do you see the glory of the Lord around you? If there is one thing that we should carry with us through the Christmas season and beyond, it is this: God is with us in all of our searching, hoping, and longing. God is here, in the midst of our everyday lives. The light of God's love shines brightly, through all of the darkness, fear, frustration, and anxiety we may experience in life. God wants to break through and to bring us peace.

This month, we hear the stories of ones who heard, listened, and responded to God's love. Samuel heard the voice of God before he was fully prepared to understand. Once aware that God was speaking to him, he earnestly responded, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Sam 3:10) The first disciples heard the voice of the Lord and they immediately followed him.

**Do we see, listen, and respond to God's love?** Notice that once the magi and shepherds saw the light of God's love, once Samuel and the disciples heard the Lord's voice, they were open and ready to respond. They brought their gifts, their very selves, to the Lord, allowed the light of God's love to change them, and became vessels of that love for others.

**In this new year, be like the magi and the shepherds,** ready to see the Lord in your midst, in the eyes of a loved one, the presence of Christ at Mass, an unexpected moment of tenderness. When you see God's love, be ready to offer him homage, and grow in love and grace.

**Be like Samuel, Simon, Andrew, James, and John.** Hear the voice of the Lord and respond. Bring your gifts, your very selves, to the Lord, saying, "Here I am, send me."

## Impact this year

Use these ideas to bring faith to your daily life and find life in faith in the coming year:

**PRAY EVERY DAY.** Tell God what is in your heart and on your mind, and allow God's love to touch you.

**TRULY PARTICIPATE** in the Mass, and in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Open your heart and mind to the Lord.

**READ THE BIBLE.** Find words of encouragement, consolation, and challenge in Sacred Scripture.

**TALK WITH OTHERS ABOUT FAITH.** You are likely to be inspired by their sharing, and they from yours.

**LEARN MORE** about our Catholic faith, through study, small faith sharing, and adult faith formation.

**READ THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS.** They show us that God speaks to each of us as ordinary people with the ups and downs of daily life.

**PAY ATTENTION** to those who are poor, lonely, ill, or in prison. Not only do they need our care, they also witness to God's compassion for the weak and broken.

**SERVE WITH A GLAD AND GENEROUS HEART.** You will see God's love in action.



## Can You Lose Your Vocation?

Recently I received a letter from a man who shared that he was still deeply haunted by a story he'd heard in grade-school many years before. One of his religion teachers had read them a story about a priest who went to visit a childhood friend. While staying with his friend, the priest noticed that, while his friend was cheerful and affable enough, he seemed to be harboring some deep, residual sadness. When he asked his friend about it his friend confessed that he "had lost his salvation" because he had felt a call to priesthood when he was young but had chosen instead to marry. Now, he felt, there was no existential redemption from that. He had had a vocation and lost it and, with that, also lost for good his chance at happiness. Though happily enough married, he felt that he would bear forever the stigma of having been being unfaithful in not accepting his God-given vocation.

I was raised on stories like that. They were part of the Catholicism of my youth. We were taught to believe that God marked out a certain vocation for you, that is, to be a priest, a sister, a married person, or a single person in the world, and if you didn't accept that, once you knew your calling, then you had "missed" or "lost" your vocation and the consequence would be an abiding sadness and even the danger of missing heaven. Such were the vocation stories of my youth, and, truth be told, I went to the seminary to become a priest with that lingering as a shadow in my mind. But it was only a shadow. I didn't enter religious life and priesthood out of fear, though some moral fears did play a part in it, as they should. Fear can also be a healthy thing.

But it can also be unhealthy. It's not healthy to understand both God and your vocation in terms that can have you missing out on happiness and salvation on the basis on singular choice made while you are still young. God doesn't work like that.

It's true that we are called by God to a vocation which we are meant to discern through conscience, through community, through circumstance, and through the talents that we've been given. For a Christian, existence does not precede essence. We're born with a purpose, with a mission in life. There are many clear texts in scripture on this: Jesus, praying for entire nights to know his Father's will; Peter conscripted on a rock to be led by a belt that will take him where he would rather not go; Paul being led into Damascus and instructed by an elder as to his vocation; Moses being called to do a task because he saw the suffering of the people; and all of us being challenged to use our talents or be stripped of them. We're all called to mission and so each of us has a vocation. We're not morally free to live our lives simply for ourselves.

But God doesn't give us just one chance which if we miss it or turn down will leave us sad forever. No. God opens a new door every time we close one. God gives us 77x7 chances, and more after that, if needed. The question of vocation is not so much a question of guessing right (*What very specifically was I predestined for?*) but rather a question of giving oneself over in faith and love to the situation that we've chosen (or which more often than not has by circumstance chosen us). We should not live in unhealthy fear about this. God continues to love us and desire our happiness, even when we don't always follow to where we are ideally called.

Recently I heard a homily in a church in which the priest compared God to a GPS, a *Global Positioning System*, that is, that computerized instrument, complete with human voice, that countless people have today in their cars and which gives them ongoing instructions on how to get to their destination. One of its features is this: No matter how many times you disregard or disobey its command, the voice never expresses impatience, yells at you, or gives up on you. It simply says "Recalculating". Sooner or later, no matter how many times you disregard it, it gets you home.

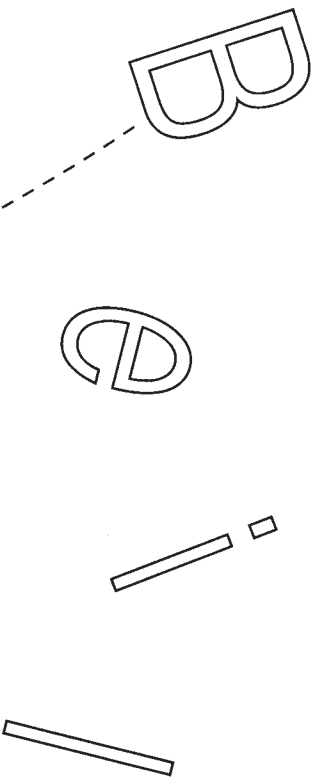
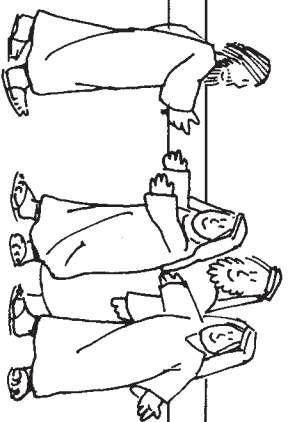
Delightful as is that image, it's still but a very weak analogy in terms of understanding God's patience and forgiveness. None of us should be haunted, long-term, by sadness and fear because we feel that we've missed our vocation, unless we are living a selfish life. Selflessness rather than selfishness, a life in pursuit of service rather than a life in pursuit of comfort, not guessing correctly, constitutes one's vocation. Our Christian vocation is to make what we are in fact living – married, priest, religious, single in the world – a life of selflessness and service to others. Happiness and salvation are contingent upon that, not upon guessing correctly.

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Jesus told the people,  
"Repent and believe the good news."

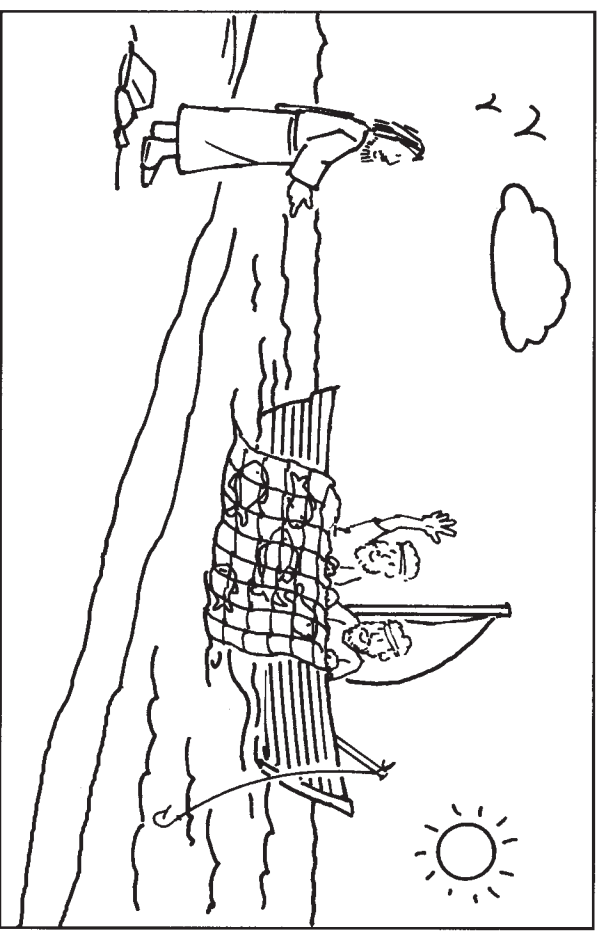
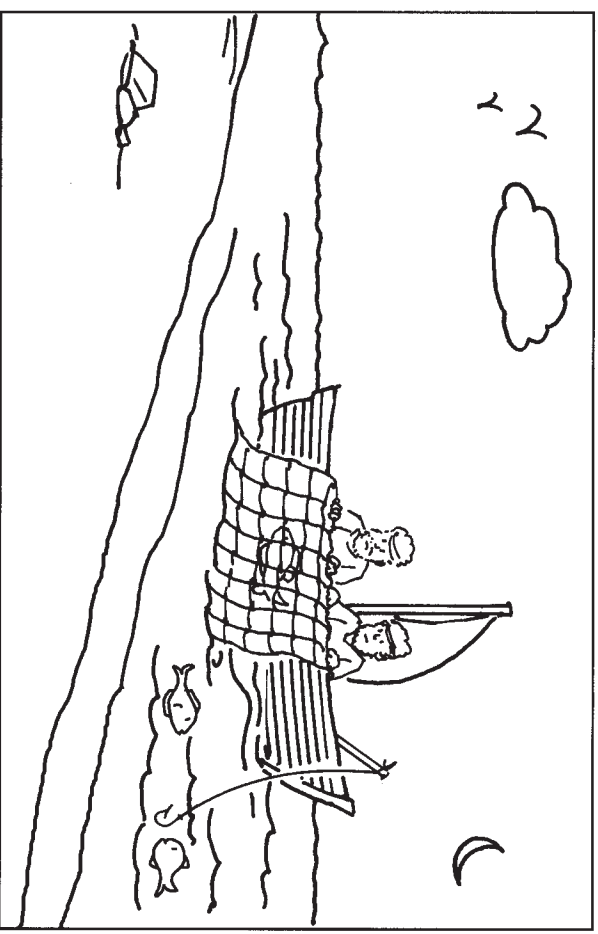
Match the letters.



Believe

Jesus called some fishermen  
to follow Him.

Circle 6 differences in the bottom picture.



# Community and Diocesan Events

## ♦ Eucharistic Adoration— St. Joseph the Worker

Every Friday morning from 9:45 AM—10:45 AM St. Joseph the Worker will have **1 Hour of Eucharistic Adoration** praying for Christians throughout the world being persecuted for their faith. St. Joseph the Worker Church is located at 510 Narragansett Ave., East Patchogue. All are welcome.

## ♦ Bereavement Support Group

St. Mary's Church in East Islip is offering a **FREE 8 week support group for adults who are struggling to cope with the death of a loved one**. Registration is required for this group, which begins on **Wednesday, March 7th from 7:00 – 9:00 PM**. The group will run for **8 consecutive weeks through April 25th**. Refreshments will be served. For more information/registration, please call the Rectory at 631-581-4266, ext. 100. Please note groups are open to people of all faith denominations. In order to participate in this group, the death must have occurred prior to December 13, 2017. St. Mary's Church is located at 20 Harrison Ave., East Islip.

## ♦ Overnight Retreat for Educators—”Let Your Life Speak”

There will be an overnight retreat from **Wednesday, February 21st –Thursday, February 22nd from 12 Noon –12 Noon** at the **St. Joseph Renewal Center at Montfort Spiritual Center**. “Our deepest calling is to grow into our own authentic selfhood, whether or not it conforms to some image of who we ought to be. As we do, we will not only find the joy that every human being seeks, we will also find our path of authentic service in the world.” (Frederick Buechner quote) During this time, we will explore the meaning behind the quote and how it effects how and what we do as educators. **Offering:** \$90.00 (Bring your own towels). The Montfort Spiritual Center is located at 26 South Saxon Ave., Bay Shore. For more information, please contact 631-647-8673.

## ♦ 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.

Wednesday, February 7th from 7:30 PM –9:00 PM. “Surviving the Loss of a Loved One on Valentine’s Day.”

**Offering:** \$15.00.

## Cenacle Retreat Center

The following programs will be offered at the Cenacle Retreat Center located at 310 Cenacle Rd., Ronkonkoma. For more information or to register , please call the office at 631-588-8366 or visit at [www.cenaclesisters.org/ronkonkoma](http://www.cenaclesisters.org/ronkonkoma).

**Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 10:00 AM-4:00 PM** at the Maude Adams House with 9:30 AM arrivals and refreshments. “*Dream Day-God Gives Us Songs in Our Sleep.*” Join us for a day of exploring dreams as we reflect on the symbols, wisdom and power of our nighttime dreams. **Offering:** \$50.00 lunch included. A \$20 deposit is required to hold your reservation.

**Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 10:00 AM –4:00 PM** at the Retreat Center with 9:30 AM arrivals and refreshments. “*Codependency Revisited—20 Years Later.*” The codependency movement began over 20 years ago. Where am I today? Am I slipping back into old ways of being in relationships? How am I taking care of myself? These questions and others will be explored this day with joy and humor. **Offering:** \$50 lunch included. A \$20 deposit is required to hold your reservation.

## ♦ Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“For the world in its present form is passing away.” If change in our lives is our lot, let us learn to change with and for our spouses by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The next **WWME Weekends are the weekend of February 9-11, 2018 in Huntington, NY and April 27-29, 2018 in Huntington, NY**. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 718-344-3700 or visit at [www.wwmeli.org](http://www.wwmeli.org).

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