Dear Friends:

Up until this past week, I'm certain that very few people had ever heard of Father Jacques Hamel. A priest in northern France, he was celebrating Mass in his parish of Saint Etienne-du-Rouvray, with only 5 other attendees, three of whom where religious Sisters, when Mass was interrupted by two Muslim terrorists shouting "God is great." They entered the church, pushed this innocent 85 year old priest to his knees and cut his throat.

By all accounts, Father Hamel was a good, holy, simple Pastor who dedicated his life to serving God's people. Celebrating Mass and hearing confessions was his whole life. He did none harm, he said none harm, he wished none harm. But in the twisted minds of these Muslim killers, he represented a vision of God they did not respect, so they believed they had the right to kill him.

I suspect this is only the beginning of attacks on western churches and clergy and Religious. This kind of slaughter has been plaguing the Middle East for years now. Christians around the world are at risk because of the hateful bastardization of Islam.

Ronald Lauder, the philanthropist and President of the World Jewish Congress has been warning the world for years now that Christians are the next significant victims of radical Muslim terrorism. And he has challenged the world to respond. Mr. Lauder, a dedicated student of the Jewish Holocaust, knows that when any one group is persecuted, people of every faith must work to stop the oppression. Silence only aids the oppressor.

In this Mr. Lauder echoes the late Nobel Peace Prize winner Elie Weisel, a survivor of the death camps in World War II. Some years ago, at the invitation of a friend, the actor Michael Moriarty, I was invited to dine with Mr. Weisel. I liked and admired him very much. I was particularly impressed by his strong criticism of the world community when Bosnian Muslims were being slaughtered by Serbian Christians. He condemned that genocide. He did it even though so many Muslims have no regard for the Jewish community. When I asked him why, he told me that he truly believed that we are "our brother's keepers," regardless of what religion or culture or color that brother or sister may be.

When week after week, we hear of horrible acts of violence by one group for another, the sheer volume of the bloodshed can lead us to become numb and to go silent.

Don't let that happen! Be troubled, saddened and hurt by every act of violence against innocent people. And speak out. To our presidents, to our Senators and Congressional representatives. Let them know that you stand with every effort to rid the world of terror, bigotry and senseless violence.

Do that so good people like Father Jacques Hamel will not have died in vain.

Thanks for the consideration.

In the Love of Christ,

Msgr. Jim Lisante
Pastor
RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Never were Confirmed? Need to make your First Communion? Want to be Baptized? It’s not too late to join!

Let us help you get it done.

Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism? Do you have friends or acquaintances who are questioning what Catholicism is all about? Do you have Catholic family members or friends who have fallen away from the Faith? Invite them to investigate the truth about Catholicism by joining the RCIA group here at Our Lady of Lourdes. Our group meets once a week, beginning in September. Practicing Catholics are encouraged to join as well – you are guaranteed to learn things about the Church you never knew! We have room for all age groups.

What is RCIA?

In recent years there has been a great increase in the number of adults who are joining the Catholic Church. RCIA (which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a program designed to help non-Catholics and non-practicing Catholics learn more about Catholicism through a series of classes, discussions, prayer times and ceremonies. This program helps people grow in faith and knowledge of God as they consider becoming Catholic. There is no obligation to join the Catholic Church.

Our Lady of Lourdes RCIA program is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. If you are not yet sure whether you want to become Catholic, you are still welcome to participate as you make your decision.

People from all sorts of religious backgrounds join the RCIA. Some have been baptized in another Christian religion and some have not. Some have been practicing members of a Christian religion for years and some have had little or no religious instruction or support. Some are already Catholic but are seeking a greater understanding of our Faith.

The RCIA is a mix of praying, learning facts, discussing how these apply to our lives, participating in prayerful ceremonies (called “rites”) and most importantly, using all of these experiences to build and grow in a relationship with God.

If you’re interested in attending, please call the rectory to get started on your journey...
Our Parish depends solely on your generosity to meet each week’s expenses. Our regular Sunday collections account for more than 60% of our operating budget. Your continued support, especially during these difficult economic times, is both needed and appreciated.

Last week you donated: $13,499.50

Thank you!

Let us continue to pray for peace. Let us also pray for all those serving in the military.

With special care we pray especially for:


If you know a Service Member that you would like to add to this list please contact the rectory 516-541-3270

Please include name, rank and branch of service.

Healing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay Your healing Hands upon all those who are sick. We beg You to have compassion on all those who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their pitiful circumstances.

In Jesus, we pray.

Amen.
“Food Pantry”

Thank you again to all the good people of our parish community who continue to support our wonderful food pantry. Because you care, Outreach can be a consistent source of kindness and assistance to many families in need. It is so good to know that we can count on your goodness especially during those times when the pantry may be low on certain basic items.

Currently our food pantry is in need of:

**Tomato Sauce, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Beans, and Canned Fruit,**

Please continue to be as generous as your means allow. On behalf of our neighbors in need, thank you for all the good you do!

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Parish Outreach hours are Mon.-Thurs., 9:00am-4:00pm.

... “BACK TO SCHOOL” ...

While our food pantry is always our first priority at Parish Outreach, we have been very successful the past years in helping families ease the burden of costly school supplies. It’s hard to believe that it’s that time of year when we begin to see the sale ads for “Back to School” necessities.

If your means allow, kindly consider a donation of any of the following items to help children less fortunate prepare for the beginning of a bright, new school year. Parish Outreach will be collecting school supplies throughout the month of August.

Thank you for helping us to help others!

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“Paper Goods” Drive

On occasion, the folks who come to us for food assistance will ask if we can provide paper products such as **toilet paper** or **paper towels**. Food donations, as you know, remain our first priority! However, it would be a helpful addition to the folks we serve if we could offer some assistance with paper goods. If you would consider a donation of toilet paper or paper towels that would be a wonderful thing! Thank you for all the good you do!

“We Care Blankets”

As our wonderful group of “Care Blanket” volunteers continue to meet on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 - 11:30am at Parish Outreach, the gifts of their love, time and talent in crocheting and knitting beautiful blankets for seriously ill children is nothing less than a beautiful thing!

Since our group began in November 2009, the completed blanket count stands at 2,017 I’m sure in no time at all we will be adding to this amazing number. Thank you to our lovely group of ladies for all the good work you do to bring love and comfort to many children undergoing cancer care.

Outreach is happy to accept donations of yarns, crochet hooks or knitting needles in support of this effort.

If you are interested in joining our group please contact
**NEXT WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANTS**

Saturday, August 6th  
5:00 p.m. Fr. Marty  
5:15 p.m. Fr. Tony / Chapel

Sunday, August 7th  
7:30 a.m. Fr. Cletus  
9:00 a.m. Fr. Tony  
10:30 a.m. Peter  
12:30 p.m. Fr. Tony

**COMING EVENTS**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Life Center of Long Island Dinner Dance!**

Come Celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Life Center of Long Island  
Honoree & Special Guest Speaker: Monsignor James Lisante  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016**  
5:00PM-11:00PM  
at the Woodbury Country Club - 884 Jericho Tpke., Woodbury, NY 11797

**IT’S TIME TO... PUT GOD BACK IN SCHOOLS.**

We don't need more laws. We need a fear of God & a respect for human life.  
God will "bless the USA" when we invite him back in it.

**CYO NEWS.....**

Help is needed...  
We NEED....  
CYO Workers, Coaches and Athletes  
Please Phone Rectory @ 516-541-3270

**NEXT COFFEE SOCIAL**

August 14th  
8 am to 12:30 pm  
Everyone welcome!

( Helpers needed.....phone rectory)

**2nd THURSDAY EVENINGS, 7:30 PM**  
**IN THE PARISH CENTER ROOM 16**

We have changed our MOSJ meeting days to **ONLY ONE** Thursday each month.

**Next Meetings:**  
August 11th  
September 8th

**WE NEED** Eucharistic Ministers to take communion to shut-ins. If you are a Eucharistic Minister and are willing to bring communion to shut-ins, please call the rectory.
2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal
One Faith – Family - Community

LIVING AND SHARING OUR FAITH
Your gift could help support a Seminarian’s or Deacons education.

BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD
Your gift could help support youth, young adult and campus ministry programs.

CARING FOR GOD’s PEOPLE
Your gift could help Catholic Charities and Parish Outreach Programs feed and serve the poor and needy.

Please consider donating to the Appeal and a difference in someone’s life.
Thank you!

Make checks payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish ________________________________ Pledge: $_______

Name ________________________________ Down payment: $_______

Address ______________________________

City, State, Zip: ____________________________

Phone: __________________ Signature: __________________ Date: _______
Our Lady of Lourdes
Memorial Garden
Phase IV –

The closing date for this year is coming soon!

Please get your orders in by September 1st.

As summer quickly passes, we will soon be closing this phase of the Memorial Garden Grotto Restoration for this year of 2016. There is still opportunity to purchase memorial bricks, for anyone who hasn't had a chance to do so.
(Please refer to the attached “Reservation Form”)

As a reminder, memorial text can contain a message of remembrance for our deceased loved ones, but can also pave our “Living Walkway,” marking moments such as; Births, Baptisms, Birthdays, Weddings, Graduations, Holy Orders, Anniversaries...etc.

If you have any questions, please contact the rectory office @ 516 541 3270. Thank you for your continued support. God Bless!
HOW TO ORDER BRICKS

Your contribution of $160.00 entitles you to have a 4" x 8" brick engraved with up to 3 lines of script, 14 characters per line including spaces and punctuation.

Your contribution of $300.00 entitles you to have an 8" x 8" brick engraved with up to 6 lines of script, 14 characters per line including spaces and punctuation. (these bricks are limited)

Please complete the following information

RESERVATION FORM

Engrave my inscription as follows:

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*Note: A 20% minimum deposit is required with your order and payment in full by Sept. 5, 2016

Purchaser's Name__________________________
Address__________________________ CASH: $__________ CHECK: $__________
City__________________ State_________ Zip_________ OWES: $__________ PIF: ____________
Email__________________________ Phone__________________________ Date__________________

Payment Method

One order form per brick. Additional order forms are available at the rectory.

Please return this form with your check payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Church
855 Carmans Road, Massapequa Park, NY 11762
In celebration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, join us for a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Washington D.C. Saturday, September 24, 2016

We will be sharing a bus with St. Rose of Lima Church. The bus will leave St. Rose of Lima Parking lot at 5:30am-boarding begins at 5:00am.

Please call the Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory (516) 541-3270 to sign up, which is on a first come, first served basis.

A $25.00 cash deposit is required at sign-up, of which $20.00 will be returned to you upon boarding, $5.00 will be reserved for the bus driver’s tip.

Information Packets with an itinerary are available at the our rectory for pick-up. Please plan to join us!
We Celebrate - St. Pius X Feast & Festival

FEAST of SAINT PIUS X
Visit our Outdoor Café San Pio & Grille

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CHANCES TO WIN!
Great Prizes!
Chinese Auction
$1,000 Lucky Number

OUTDOOR GRILL
Sausage and Peppers
Pasta Specials
Cooked-to-Order Grill
Nonna’s Home Made Meat Balls

RIDES = PAY ONE PRICE EVERY NIGHT!
FUN FOR EVERYONE OF ALL AGES!

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C)
Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course
Our Lady of Mercy Academy

For over a decade, Our Lady of Mercy has been offering a CHSEE prep course for all students interested in attending Catholic high school. The course provides excellent instruction in the academic skills required to test well, while familiarizing students with format and timing, thus building the self-confidence so necessary for success. This fall’s classes will meet on Saturdays, September 10, 17 and 24 and October 1, 15 and 22, from 10 am to 12 pm, in advance of the October 29th exam. The cost for this program is $300.00, including all instructional materials. For further information, or to register, please call Mrs. Lucille Fitts at (516) 921-1047, ext. 10.

On Saturday, August 13, 2016 at 7:00pm, the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Davis Park, Fire Island, will be hosting Andy Cooney in Concert.

Andy and his band will be joined by special guests The H.I.M.S. (Hope Inspired Men Sing). Seating is General Admission; Ticket Cost is $25.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 631-928-2377 ext. 22 or 631-513-2167.

Good Shepherd Hospice
Catholic Health Services
At the heart of health

Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services are opened to anyone in the community who has experienced a loss through death at no charge.

Upcoming Bereavement Support Groups, led by a Bereavement Specialist, include:

**Spousal/Partner Loss Support Afternoon Group** – 9/13/16-11/1/16; 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

**Loss of an Adult Child Support Group** – 9/14/16-11/16/16; 6PM-7:30PM

**2nd Phase Bereavement Support Group** * for those who have previously completed a group with Good Shepherd Beginning 9/12/16 – 10:00am-11:30am, held once a month for 6 months

Groups are held at Good Shepherd Hospice Administrative office, 110 Bi-County Blvd., Suite 114, Farmingdale, NY. **Registration required** – (631) 465-6262.

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**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Have your deceased relatives and friends entrusted to St. Joseph, “Patron of Departing Souls.”

A “BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE” will be placed before our new St. Joseph statue. To have your loved ones enrolled in this book and share in all the prayers, works and masses offered each month by the Rosary Society, complete the enrollment form below and return it to the rectory along with a $20.00 offering. The offering is for one person or one couple of one family.

In return, you will receive a beautiful certificate commemorating your charity towards your loved one(s).

**PLEASE PRINT:**

**Enrollee Name(s):**

**Enrolled by:**

**Your name:**

**Address:**

**Phone Number:**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Would you like to spend some quiet time with God?

Do you need to share the deepest part of your heart with him? Come and join us any weekday in Eucharistic adoration, where the Blessed Sacrament is exposed after the morning 8:30 Mass until 8pm Mass in the evening in the chapel. Jesus is present and waits for us to approach Him. Let us meet Him in this wonderful Sacrament of love. Let us spend time in prayer and in quiet contemplation. Come, He is waiting for you.

Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company! And it's no bother for Jesus. In fact, He very much wants to see you! We as Catholics believe that at Mass bread and wine truly become the body, blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ, during the Consecration by the priest. The consecrated bread, the Eucharist, in the form of wafers we call hosts, becomes what is known as the Blessed Sacrament.

Every Monday through Friday 9:00 AM – 7:45 PM

Come spend an hour with me...

When Jesus is exposed, He needs to be in company of his children (adorers) and He can't be left alone during these hours. He is our Guest of Honor - in the same way you would not leave your guest unattended. For this reason, we are looking for two adorers for each hour. Please sign up in book in front of chapel. Thank you.
PLEASE PRAY FOR AN END TO VIOLENCE IN ALL ITS FORMS

VISIBILITY MATTERS: Weekly prayerful presence at the Planned Parenthood facility in Massapequa Saturday mornings, 10:30am-12pm, 35 Carmans Rd, Massapequa (across from the mall parking lot). For info: 516-541-8056.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION: Make a personal commitment to pray daily for one unborn child who is in danger of being aborted. You are asked to ‘spiritually adopt’ one unknown baby and pray that this child be carried to term and experience the fullness of life as God intended. Daily prayer: “Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.” (Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen)

HOPE AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION: The Sisters of Life host monthly Days of Prayer & Healing, Gatherings, and Hope & Healing Weekend Retreats. These are opportunities to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. All retreats are led by the Sisters of Life and women who have experienced both the suffering of abortion and the joy of healing in Christ. The retreats are directed by faithful priests who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer. They include witnesses of mercy, Scripture sharing, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Call 866-575-0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

CHARGES DISMISSED: Brian Rogers reported at the Houston Chronicle (7/26/16), “The Harris County District Attorney’s office dismissed all charges against anti-abortion activists who secretly videotaped Planned Parenthood officials in Houston. David Robert Daleiden and Sandra Merritt were charged with tampering with a governmental record, for using fake identification to gain access to the facility. In a surprise move before a hearing on the legitimacy of the indictment, prosecutors dismissed the charges... Daleiden...and Davis...were indicted by a Harris County grand jury in January, accused of tampering with a government record for allegedly using fake driver licenses to conceal their identities while dealing with a Houston Planned Parenthood clinic.”’ David Daleiden told Steven Ertelt at LifeNews.com (7/26/16), “The dismissal of the bogus, politically motivated charges...is a resounding vindication of the First Amendment rights of all citizen journalists, and also a clear warning to any of Planned Parenthood’s political cronies who would attack whistleblowers to protect Planned Parenthood from scrutiny. Planned Parenthood tried to collude with public officials to manipulate the legal process to their own benefit, and they failed. A year after the release of the undercover videos, the ongoing nationwide investigation of Planned Parenthood by the House Select Investigative Panel makes clear that Planned Parenthood is the guilty party in the harvesting and trafficking of baby body parts for profit.” (In June, a Harris County, Texas judge dismissed the bogus misdemeanor charge against Daleiden for allegedly trying to buy body parts from the Planned Parenthood abortion business he was exposing for selling them as part of the Center for Medical Progress’ undercover investigation.)

PLANNED PARENTHOOD tweeted out the following after the tragic deaths of African Americans in police custody, along with the picture of an African American mother and her young son, “You deserve to parent your child without fear that he or she will be hurt or killed. Freedom from violence is reproductive justice.” John Stonestreet commented at BreakPoint.org on 7/18/16, “Just take that in for a moment. So...killing your baby in the womb before he’s subjected to violence is reproductive justice? Really?...There’s something else at work in that graphic, what social psychologists call ‘moral licensing’...The actions we perceive as ‘virtuous’ subconsciously give us ‘license’ to ignore our other, even more serious transgressions. [Planned Parenthood’s] expressed concern about the effect of a national tragedy on African Americans gives them the illusion of a moral license to ignore the fact that what it calls ‘reproductive freedom’ kills more African Americans every year than all other causes of death combined...Planned Parenthood doesn’t see the incongruity between its operations and its words, or between its claim to be on the side of majority communities while simultaneously eliminating their futures.”

FLASH OF LIGHT AT FERTILIZATION: Scientists at Northwestern University, Chicago, released a video that shows a burst of light as the sperm and egg meet. Dr. Teresa Woodruff stated, “We discovered the zinc spark just five years ago in the mouse, and to see the zinc radiate out in a burst from each human egg was breathtaking. It was remarkable.” When sperm enters an egg it triggers calcium to increase which releases zinc from the egg, causing a bright flash. Unfortunately, instead of wonder and respect for this beautiful natural event, scientists have remarked that the intensity of the flash appears to indicate the quality and future health of the embryo, and stated that this could help doctors choose “good” embryos for in vitro fertilization. Dr. Eve Feinberg, co-author of the study stated, “Often we don’t know whether the egg or embryo is truly viable until we see if a pregnancy ensues. That’s the reason this is so transformative. If we have the ability up front to see what is a good egg and what’s not, it will help us know which embryo to transfer, avoid a lot of heartache and achieve pregnancy much more quickly.” Once again, instead of respect and wonder for the remarkable gift of life, this discovery will be used to search and destroy (or abandon) the most vulnerable and defenseless human beings. (Micaiah Bilger, LifeNews.com, 4/26/16)
Amityville Farmers Market 2016

at Amityville Village Hall | Fri Jun 03 - Fri Nov 18

Amityville Village Hall
21 Ireland Place
Amityville - 11701
Tel: 631-264-6000

Date & Time
02:00 PM - 07:00 PM
Every Friday through November 18

Cost: Free Event

Description:
Amityville's weekly farmers market takes place each Friday from 2 PM until 7 PM at Amityville Village Hall.

These events are sponsored by the Amityville Chamber of Commerce.

All Upcoming Dates:

Gennesaret Retreat
For those facing serious illness

A retreat especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness is planned September 23rd, 24th, 25th, 2016 at Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, NY. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, His forgiveness and His faithfulness.

To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call: Colette Fanelli @ (631) 665-7052.
PLEASE HELP US TO SUPPORT OUR TROOPS. THE BEST WAY IS TO ATTEND OUR FUNDRAISER DINNER.

ALL PROFITS GO TO SENDING OUR CARE BOXES TO OUR MEN AND WOMAN WHO ARE VALIANTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY FIGHTING THE WAR ON GLOBAL TERRORISM.

They Need Your Help
Save The Date Sept. 10, 2016

$50.00

HOT BUFFET

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Third Bi-Annual Fund Raiser Dinner
Join Senator Michael Venditto

DINNER LOCATION
SEAFORD AMERICAN LEGION
2301 Penatiquit Avenue, Seaford
Time 7 PM to 11 PM
Complete Hot Buffet Dinner
Open Bar, Beer, Wine, Liquor, Soda
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ALL FOR OUR TROOPS

FOR TICKETS CALL 516-359-9371 OR 516–342-5557

SEND EMAIL TO adptbattalion@aol.com

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
In this informative presentation, Dr. Tim Gray, Augustine Institute President, shares how *Lectio Divina* enables you to enter into a dialogue with God. This prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture is a proven means to encounter God in daily life and will benefit those new to prayer and the more experienced alike.

**Parishioner Comments**

"The most excellent explanation of lectio divina that I have ever heard. Do you want to really connect with God? Then listen to this talk!"

Julie – Bluffton, SC

Dr Gray was really impressive and moving with his knowledge and passion. The topic is great and life changing.

Albert - Oxford, MS