



# Our Lady of Grace

## Roman Catholic Church

**Our Mission: We change lives through the Risen Christ**

### BY Prayer

WE PRAY EVERY DAY FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR PARISH'S MISSION AS WELL AS FOR OUR OWN INTENTIONS.

### BY Presence

WE JOIN OUR COMMUNION OF FAITH FOR MASS EVERY SUNDAY FOR MUTUAL SUPPORT AND FOR THE GRACE GOD OFFERS US.



### BY Witness

WE LOVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR EACH DAY.

### BY Support

WE SHARE OUR GIFTS AND WE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER.

## We Celebrate the Eucharist

VIGIL OF SUNDAY: 5:00PM SATURDAY EVENING  
SUNDAY: 8:00AM, 10:00AM (CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD),  
AND 12:00 NOON (CHOIR)  
WEEKDAYS: MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:00AM AND 9:00AM • SATURDAY 8:00AM  
HOLY DAYS: SEE INSIDE

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**June 30, 2019 • Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Worship This Coming Week

**Mon. Weekday**  
July 1 *Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22*

8:00  
9:00 Gerald Grzunov

**Tue. Weekday**  
July 2 *Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27*

8:00 Antoinette Lyons  
9:00 Barbara Mirabelli

**Wed. St. Thomas**  
July 3 *Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29*

8:00 Helen Marie Galiani  
9:00 John Montani

**Thu. Weekday**  
July 4 *Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8*

8:00 Adam Lionel Whiston (2 Anniv.)  
9:00 Angela and Rosa Chiodi

**Fri. Weekday**  
July 5 *Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13*

8:00  
9:00 Devotees of the Holy Face of Jesus –  
Living and Deceased

**Sat. Weekday**  
July 6 *Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17*

8:00 Nina Messina

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00pm, Presiders: Fr. Martin

### Worship for Sunday, July 7, 2019

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20*

#### Presiding\*

**5:00pm** Fr. Gabriel  
**8:00am** Fr. Gabriel  
**10:00am** Fr. Martin  
**12:00pm** Fr. Jerome

#### We pray at this Mass especially for

People of the Parish  
Giovanni Iemma  
Veronica Preiss and Bill Preiss  
Scott Kingsmore

*\*(Presiders subject to change due to priest transfers)*

#### The Sacrament of Baptism

Sunday, 1:30pm: Presider: Deacon Brian

*Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Call the Parish Office for more information or to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview. This should be done as soon as practicable.*

#### Becoming a Catholic • Completing Initiation as a Catholic

*Any adult, teen, or child older than age seven who is interested in becoming a Catholic or in completing the Sacraments of Initiation as a Catholic (Baptism, Confirmation, Communion), is invited to contact the Parish Office.*

#### The Sacrament of Matrimony

*Arrangements for marriage should be made as soon as possible, but not less than six months prior to the intended wedding date.*

#### Regular Devotions:

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Mondays from 2pm to 9pm except holidays or when noted.

**Miraculous Medal Novena with Rosary:** Mondays following the 8am and 9am Masses.

**Holy Face of Jesus:** Hour of Reparation First Friday after 9am Mass.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group:** Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

**Scripture Sharing:** Every Tuesday at 9:30am (except during July and August).

#### The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

*This sacrament is celebrated each Saturday during the 8:00am Mass for those facing surgery or those with major disorders. Other arrangements may be made by calling the Parish Office.*

# Our Parish Communion

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## **This week:**

**Monday, July 1:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

**Thursday, July 4:** Fourth of July Holiday, all Parish Offices are closed.

**Saturday, July 6:** Monthly Concert Series 6pm.

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## **Next week:**

**Monday, July 8:** *Vacation Bible School begins (through Friday, July 12). See further on in the Bulletin for details.*  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 2-9pm.

**Tuesday, July 9** Padre Pio Prayer Group 7:30pm. Youth Ministry 7pm.

**Sunday, July 14:** Youth Ministry Car Wash 8am – 2pm.

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## **Upcoming:**

**Thursday, August 15:** Solemnity of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation). Masses on Wednesday at 5:30pm (Vigil), and Thursday at 8am, 9am, and 7:30pm.

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## **Daily Mass Intentions:**

The parish Mass book for Mass intentions from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, opened on Friday, June 7.

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## **Meet Our New Pastor, Fr. Joseph Davanzo**

Fr. Joe grew up in St. Clare's parish in Rosedale, Queens, across from St. Clare's School, which he attended. Upon graduation from St. John's University with a B.S. in accounting, Fr. Joe became a CPA. Bishop McGann ordained Fr. Joe in 1997 and assigned him to St. Hugh of Lincoln in Huntington Station, where he served with Fr. Vin for five years. He went on to serve St. Joseph's in Kings Park and St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre. In 2007, Bishop Murphy named Fr. Joe pastor of Christ the King and in 2019 to replace Fr. Vin when he retired as pastor at Our Lady of Grace. Please welcome him!

## **Our Pastoral Council**

Mrs. Lee Abseck  
Mr. Ralph Fiorillo  
Ms. Mary Ellen McEntee  
Mr. James Nevins  
Ms. Maria Russello-Chetti  
Ms. Lucy Sanchez  
Mrs. Kathleen Scheid  
Mrs. Concetta Whelan

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## **Our Finance Council**

Mr. Richard Korcz (Trustee)  
Mr. Leonardo LoCricchio  
Ms. Debra Nicosia  
Mr. Joseph Salzone  
Mr. Robert Scharf (Trustee)  
Mr. Thomas Vilella

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## **Our Ministries**

### **Ministries of Worship**

Rev. Joseph Davanzo, Pastor  
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Associate  
Rev. Martin Adu Gyami, Associate  
Deacon Brian Miller  
Deacon Irwin Saffran  
Mr. Terence Purtell, Director of Music

### **Parish Social Ministry**

Mrs. Ann Kristoffersen,  
Coordinator

### **Ministries with Children and Families**

Mrs. Peggy Harnisch, Director  
Ms. Jeanmarie Florio, Day Care Director  
Mrs. Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator  
Ms. Doreen Scalise, Kids of the Kingdom / Summer Fun Coordinator

### **Ministries of Administration**

Parish Services, Finance  
Mr. James Pisano, Facilities Manager

# Faith Formation

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## Faith Formation Summer Hours

The Faith Formation Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am until 2pm and Tuesday and Thursday from 9am until 4pm. We are available by appointment evenings and weekends.

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## Faith Formation News

We are looking for people who can help as catechists in our Faith Formation Program! Catechists, or teachers, share their faith with our young students. All supplies and trainings are included, and there are many times and grade levels to choose from.

If you would like to help in any way our Faith Formation Program, we are in need of catechists (teachers), hall monitors or people who can help in other ways throughout the year. Call the Faith Formation Office at 631-661-9353.

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## Registration Is Open

Registration is open now for the 2019-2020 Faith Formation year! Our early incentive period is from now until August 1, 2019. The schedule will be changing slightly this year, so early registration ensures the choice of class days and times you want. Remember, all tuition from this year must be paid in order for next year's registration to be processed. Also, all classes and work must be completed.

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## Catechists

Children's Faith Formation at Our Lady of Grace includes grade Levels 1 through 8, Teen Faith Formation and Special Needs Faith Formation.

Thank you so much to the wonderful Catechists, Assistants and Hall Monitors who share their faith with our students and keep them safe. They are hardworking and dedicated and we could not run this program without them!

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## Catholic High School Entrance Exam

Saint John the Baptist DHS is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. We will run five 2 ½ hour sessions beginning in September. We are also offering a Test Taking Strategies Class the Friday evening before the exam. For additional information, please visit [www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net](http://www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net) or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117.



# Parish Social Ministry

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## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

### MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

Gracious God, on this Memorial Day,  
we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom.  
May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us  
the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Bless the families of our fallen troops,  
and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace.  
In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call  
to work for peace and justice, and thus,  
seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe.  
We ask this through your name.

Amen

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### Farmers' Markets – Babylon, Lindenhurst and Amityville

Buying at a Farmers' Market can save money. When fruits and vegetables are grown locally, they only travel a short distance and that helps keep the cost low. At many markets you can use your SNAP benefits EBT card to pay for fresh fruits and vegetables. You can't get any fresher than straight from the farm! Also more of your money goes directly to the farmer and helps strengthen the local economy. The surrounding towns have Farmer's Markets now through the fall. They are located at:

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| Babylon – at the Railroad Station  | Sundays              | 8am to 1pm  |
| Lindenhurst – Wellwood Avenue<br>White Gazebo                                | every other Saturday | 10am to 3pm |
| Amityville – 25 Broadway – lawn adjacent to<br>First United Methodist Church | Saturdays            | 10am to 3pm |

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### Nassau/Suffolk Law Services – Pro Bono Assistance

Nassau/Suffolk Law Services has several Pro bono and free legal assistance for the following areas:

- Child Support litigants, both petitioners and respondents to receive pro se (self-help) assistance by phone or to make an appointment for an in-person consultation call 631-822-3279
- Guardianships: Pro bono attorneys are available to assist clients in completing petitions and gathering documents for guardianship of developmentally disabled young adult children transitioning to adulthood (18 yrs. Old) Direct representation is provided on a limited basis Call 631-232-2400
- SSI/SSD Application Project provides free legal assistance to individuals in Nassau and Suffolk applying for Social Security Disability benefits (SSI or SSD). The assistance provided by the pro bono attorney is limited to completing the initial application and providing help with obtaining the necessary medical records and other medical evidence to support the application 631-232-2400
- Reentry Project – This unit is for previously incarcerated clients. All clients must be income eligible for services up to 200% of the federal guidelines. Representative on Civil matters related to previous incarceration, criminal activity or prior illegal drug use.

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### Thank You, Thank You

To the Babylon Rotary Club who collected food at the Stop & Shop supermarket June 9, and to Rob Lodato and our Knights of Columbus members who picked up, delivered and stocked our shelves with ten shopping carts of donations.

# Parish News

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## Please Pray for Those Who Have Died This Week

John Riewerts

Eileen Arce Mora

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**From Fr. Vin:**

### Financial Stewardship Update

A few weeks ago I met with our Finance Council to plan next year's budget. I invited Fr. Joe, who became pastor beginning June 26, to participate. When we looked at the numbers, we faced a deficit of about \$100,000. This is due to declining contributions at Mass (about 3% per year) and increasing costs (including the new NY State minimum-wage law).

I suggested that we could largely close the gap by taking part in a diocesan-mandated program to encourage good financial stewardship from every parishioner. (Last year Bishop Barres required that every parish do this within three years – we were going to join in 2018, but events in the wider church at that time led us to decide that the timing was wrong.) This coming year this renewal seems good and necessary for our parish.

I want to be clear that the transition between pastors has nothing to do with this need. I had planned to take part last year; I recommended it for this year as right for the parish, and Fr. Joe agreed and will implement it. Since the parish reorganization back in 2014, we've been able to end each year with a modest surplus; but that margin has gotten thinner over the years (the numbers are on the parish website), but this is the year that the income and expense lines crossed. To avoid major cuts to our services we have to address financial stewardship responsibly. You'll hear more about this in the coming year from Fr. Joe and from our Finance Council. Fr. Joe isn't changing our parish's course; he's ensuring that the good things we've created together will continue.

### **Collections Report:**

September 1, 2018, through May 28, 2019: Target: \$488,215; Donations: \$489,506. Over target by \$1,291. Thanks to our generous stewards!

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### Calendar Raffle Winners

The Calendar Raffle Tickets for July through December of 2019 are in the mail. If you have not received these tickets, please come into the Parish Office or give us a call, and we will mail them out to you. This is a wonderful way to support Our Lady of Grace, and it only costs \$25 for one ticket that lasts six months. If you have questions, please give us a call; and we would be more than happy to help you.

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 6/24/19 | 6/25/19 | 6/26/19 | 6/27/19 | 6/28/19 | 6/29/19 | 6/30/19 |
| 259     | 262     | 551     | 145     | 329     | 566     | 501     |

# Ministries with Children and Families

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## What is Family Life Ministry?

Family Life Ministry came out of the need and desire we all have for community. Would you like to get to know the people you worship with each week? We host a monthly breakfast after the 10am Mass where we gather for a light breakfast and can sit and meet some new people or bring the family for a nice break before we get busy for the day! If you attend another Mass, we would still love you to join us. Everyone is welcome whether you are a family of many or a family of one!

We also offer several events during the year that are both spiritual and social. In addition, we meet monthly to plan these events. We meet on Monday evenings; but if you'd like to help and can't be at our meetings, contact us – you can still be a part of this ministry!

Contact Maria at [mrchetti4olog@gmail.com](mailto:mrchetti4olog@gmail.com) or call our Faith Formation Office at 661-9353 for more information!

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## Family Life Year

Our Family Life Ministry events are done for this school year. I want to thank the incredible group of volunteers who bring so much to this ministry. They have a joy that makes everything we do fun. I would like to thank Maria Russello-Chetti, Laura Wetter, Colleen and Joe Pidel, Theresa DiFazio, Carla Morales, Gwen and Jim Davis, Kerri Kraemer, Mary Ann Lyons, Cecilia and David Soto and Donna Dono. Come join us next year!

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## VBS Last chance to Register!

Plans are underway for this year's Vacation Bible School. We will be learning about some of the miracles of Jesus and what they mean to us! Please join us for a week of fun, music, crafts and games! Snack is provided each day.

### **Vacation Bible School 2019 – An Out of This World Experience!**

Dates: Monday July 8, 2019 to Friday July 12, 2019

Time: 9:00am to 12:00 noon

Registration form is on our website and in the Faith Formation Office!

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## FORMED - Opening the Word:

Would you like a way to prepare for Sunday Mass? Or perhaps reflect on the Sunday readings? Try Opening the Word on FORMED. Through a short video clip each week, learn more about the readings through insights given by presenters from the Augustine Institute.

# Parish News

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## Youth Ministry Update

The Youth Ministry summer session starts July 9 through August 6, at 7:30pm, in Rooms 212/214. Teens 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Nothing to do Tuesday nights? Join us for faith, fun and fellowship!

Youth Ministry car wash will be on Sunday, July 14, from 8am to 2pm, behind the priest's residence. Come one and all to support the youth of our parish.

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## OLOG Daycare

The new year has begun in daycare. We are making new friends and enjoying the old. We have availability and would love to care for your little one. Please call us to set up a tour and meet my warm, loving staff.



If you would like to join OLOG teaching staff, please call to set up an interview. We have open positions from 12:30 – 6pm. Jeanmarie Florio, director, 631-422-4681.

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## Angel Care

Our Angel Care Program is officially closed for the school year. If you would like information about our program or would like to register your child, come down and pick up a registration packet.

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## Kids of the Kingdom

Registration for this summer's Kids of the Kingdom Program has begun between the hours of 2-6pm in Fr. Shanahan Hall. This action-packed experience is open to children 5 through 12 years of age. Each day includes entertainment or a field trip and lots of fun. Kids of the Kingdom runs for eight weeks during the summer from July 1 through August 23, 2019. The day begins at 8:30am and concludes at 4:30pm. (We also offer an early drop off from 7:30-8:30am and an aftercare from 4:30-5:30pm at an additional \$5 per session used.) For more details, contact Doreen Scalise at 631-893-6564 between the hours of 2 and 6pm Monday through Friday or via email at [pstanley@ourladyofgrace.net](mailto:pstanley@ourladyofgrace.net).



## Religious Article Counter

The religious article counter will be closed for July and August and will reopen on the Sunday after Labor Day. Enjoy your summer. Thanks for all your support and we look forward to seeing you in September. If you find yourself in need of something at the counter, please do not hesitate and ask the staff in the Parish Office.

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## St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

This special group meets every second Tuesday of the month here at Our Lady of Grace Church at 7:30pm to recite the Rosary and special prayers to St. Padre Pio. Come and join us and see what they are all about.

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# Parish News

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*From Fr. Vin*

## How to Connect

Some parishioners have asked whether I'll continue to write in my retirement, and the answer is yes. I'm still working out details, but you can get information at my personal website: [www.vincentrush.com](http://www.vincentrush.com). It's now only a placeholder page, but watch for developments.

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## Recapping the Concert Series

Professor Rodger Lee delighted Our Lady of Grace concertgoers in June with a succinct program of Baroque music punctuated by informal anecdotes and lectures. Mr. Lee brought five horns and demonstrated each of them: trumpet, cornet, piccolo trumpet, flugelhorn, and the only existing "natural trumpet" on Long Island. This latter instrument is a replica handmade in Switzerland of the horn played by Handel back in the 1700s. (The trumpet, as we know it today, hadn't been invented yet.) The valveless natural trumpet is notoriously difficult to play. But Mr. Lee did play it and beautifully. The audience was invited to observe all the horns up close and ask questions. Concert transitioned seamlessly into hospitality hour as Mr. Lee was flocked by parishioners stepping forward to express interest or engage in conversation. Big thank you to parish cantor Bea Lecesse without whom concert hospitality would not be possible!

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## News from the Knights of Columbus

**Save the Date** – Long Island Ducks Game, July 20, includes BBQ, fireworks and game for \$35 PP. Please call Tim @631-852-6552 for tickets or information.



## American Roots Concert, July 6, 6:00pm at Our Lady of Grace

Monthly parish concerts continue July 6 at 6pm with a performance entitled "Home Is Where the Heart Is: Feel-Good Music from America's Heartland." Our organist Terence performs American roots music and country arrangements featuring work by Jo Ann Castle, Irving Berlin, Copland's Rodeo, Variations on The Star Spangled Banner, and more. Program takes place in the church directly following 5pm Mass on July 6. Your \$10 suggested donation for the offering basket goes to fund the annual performance license. Hospitality provided by volunteer and parish song leader, Bea Lecesse. A small appreciative community is building around the Our Lady of Grace concert series. Everyone is invited to attend, please join us!

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## Reminder to All Staff and Ministers – I.D. Tags Required

As part of our safe environment policy, all staff and ministers wear I.D. tags when acting in any official capacity on parish property (with the exception of presiders, deacons, lectors, musicians, and EMHCs during Mass). This is especially important with the start of the new year of Faith Formation. Please get into the habit of wearing your I.D. If you don't do so now, please do so now and (gently) challenge other ministers you see who may have neglected to wear theirs.



## Ministry Leaders – Room Requests for 2019-2020

Applications for the use of space in the Parish Center were emailed to ministry leaders on May 28. If you should have received a copy and did not, please contact the Parish Office.

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# Faith Formation Summer Workshops and Seminars

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## ***Building Multi-Cultural Realities in Faith Formation Programs***

Evening session from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Morning sessions from 10am to 12pm.

**Session 1:** Evening July 8, 2019 or Morning July 9, 2019

**St. Anne, Brentwood**

**Session 2** – Evening July 10, 2019 or Morning July 11, 2019

Evening – **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue** – Morning – **St. Brigid, Westbury**

**Session 3** – Evening July 15, 2019 or Morning July 16, 2019

Evening – **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue** – Morning – **St. Brigid, Westbury**

**Session 4** – Evening July 17, 2019 or Morning July 18, 2019

Evening - **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue** – Morning – **St. Brigid, Westbury**

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## ***School of Missionary Disciples Information Session***

Mercy Hospital, Rockville Centre – Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 7pm

St. Edward the Confessor, Syosset – Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 7pm

Our Lady of Consolation Nursing and Rehabilitation, West Islip – Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 7pm

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington – Saturday, July 13, 2019 at 11am

St. John the Evangelist, Riverhead – Friday, July 19, 2019 at 7pm

Spanish

St. John of God, Central Islip – Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at 7pm

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## **Basic Religious Studies Course Series – St. James, Seaford**

Old Testament – July 8 – July 11, 2019 from 9:30am to 12pm

New Testament – July 8 – July 11, 2019 from 1pm to 3:30pm

Christology – July 15 – July 18, 2019 from 1pm to 3:30pm

Church – July 15 – July 18, 2019 from 9:30am to 12pm

Morality – July 22 – July 25, 2019 from 9:30am to 12pm

Liturgy and Sacraments – July 22 – July 25, 2019 from 1pm to 3:30pm

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## **Summer Seminar Series:**

### **Integrated Family Catechesis**

Morning session at 11am to 1pm – Evening sessions at 7pm to 9pm

### **Retention after Confirmation – July 22, 2019**

Morning – **St. Bernard, Levittown**

Evening – **St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays**

### **Spirituality of the Catechist and the Child – July 23, 2019**

Morning – **St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma**

Evening – **Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst**

### **Formation in Early Childhood – July 24, 2019**

Morning – **Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon**

Evening – **St. John the Evangelist, Riverhead**

For more information, workshops, or to register online, please visit [drvc-faith.org/event/](http://drvc-faith.org/event/)

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