

ST. LUKE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY HOLY MASSES Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 7:30am, 9am (Italian), 10:30am,12 Noon, 5pm DAILY MASSES

Monday to Friday 12 Noon + Saturday 8:30am School Days: Tuesday + Thursday 8:30am

THE PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Rev. John J. Costello Parochial Vicar Fr. Chin Nguyen Permanent Deacon Deacon John P. Kramer Pastoral Year Seminarian Callistus Ibeh In Residence Most Rev. Raymond F. Chappetto, DD Weekend Assistant Rev. Msgr. John J. Strynkowski Weekend Assistant Fr. JunHee Lee Director of Religious Education Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. Pastoral Associate Sister Theresa Agliardi, R.S.M. Principal Mrs. Jan Brunswick Director of Music Jessica Tranzillo-Smith Secretary Maureen Ottoson Confessions Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM; and by appointment

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The Rectory is the home of our Priests as well as the site of the parish offices. Please call ahead before coming with parish business in order that your inquiry will be assisted by a knowledgeable staff person.

DEVOTIONS

First Friday - 8:30 AM Mass when school is in session. **Adoration** after Noon Mass with Benediction at 2:00PM. **The Holy Rosary** precedes the noon Mass Monday and the 8:30AM on Saturday.

The Miraculous Medal Novena follows Noon Mass every Monday.

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets Tuesdays at 7:30PM. The Italian Charismatic Prayer Group meets

Thursdays at 7:30PM.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM.

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism of Infants Please call Sister Theresa at 718-746-8531 to schedule a baptism interview.

Weddings Please contact one of the priests *prior to making plans with a wedding hall.* The Bishop requires, in all cases, that weddings be set no later than six months prior to the date. **Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.)** Interested in becoming a Catholic? Need to receive Communion and Confirmation? Call Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. at (718) 746-3409.

Ministry to the Sick

If anyone is confined to home and unable to come to Mass, please call the Rectory to arrange to have the sacraments brought. If you foresee hospitalization, please call the Rectory and arrange to be anointed.

SAINT LUKE SCHOOL www.slswhitestone.org

16-01 Msgr. Dillon Place, (150 Place) Whitestone, NY 718-746-3833 | Mrs. Jan Brunswick, Principal Our school serves the community with classes from Nursery through Eighth Grade. 718-344-7620.

School of Religion Offering Religious Education classes to our young people attending public school. Our Director of Religious Education, Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J., can be reached in her rectory office at 718-746-3409.

Volunteers are always welcome.

Music Office Jessica Tranzillo-Smith is our parish Director of Music. She can be reached at the Music Office at 718-746-8102 Ext.30

ANNOUNCED MASSES January 28, 2023-February 05

Saturday, January 28

- 8:30 Gerard Molloy
- 5:00 Jakov & Milka Rogovic; Concetta Davi

Sunday, January 29

- 7:30 The Beretin & Colak Families
- 9:00 Anna & Louis Agro; Frank Morelli; Mario Angelo Polito (1st. Anniversary in Heaven); Maria & Margherita DeLuca; Antonio Ciccone; Elena Ottaviano; Maria & Margherita DeLuca; Ninfa & Beny Romano; Giovanni Emanuele Casabianca
- 10:30 Purgatorial Society Mass
- 12:00 Josip, Nevio, Ana & Alesandro Trdoslavic
- 5:00 Pro Populo

Monday, January 30

12:00 Terry Lonnie Ezell (11th. Anniversary); Msgr. Dermot R. Brennan; Fr. James Fraser

Tuesday, January 31

8:30 The Musacchia Family12:00 Vincenzo Lala

Wednesday, February 01 12:00 Ethel Rose Marks

Thursday, February 02

8:30 Kathleen Kelly12:00 Zora & Josip Karlovic

Friday, February 03

8:30 Danielle Moloney12:00 Rudy Zulic

Saturday, February 04

8:30 Mark Quinn 5:00 Adam Vezza; Pro Populo

Sunday, February 05

7:30 Harry & Cecil Woehling
9:00 Frank Morelli
10:30 Frank Morelli & Antonio Matrullo
12:00 Purgatorial Society Mass
5:00 Fulvia & Renato Guadagnini

MEMORIALS For the week of January 29-February 04



The Altar Bread is given in memory of *Pietro Evangelista* Requested by Mary Varlese & Family

The Altar Wine is given in memory of *Stosija Stosia* Requested by Rachel & Tony Squillante

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of *Maureen O'Connor* Requested by Her Daughter

The Sanctuary Lamp is given for the intentions of *J.D.* Requested by Claudia Morelli

The Altar Candles are given in memory of *Sabatino, Umberto, & Antonio Martelli* Requested by Their Family

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

JERRY BARRY SEAN BRETT ROSANNE CAPUTO PHYLLIS DI NATALE NOREEN DONOHER CAROLLYNN FREDA JACKSON HAMILTON JOAN HIGGINS PATRICIA NULTY WILLIAM OTTOSON VICKY SALAND ANNE SMITH-THOMPSON EILEEN WOOD

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



LAWRENCE BURKART NICK MARSILLO

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends,

I can remember Catholic Schools Week when I was growing up at St. Andrew Avellino. The yearly celebration began in 1974, so it's coming up to its 50th anniversary next year! Those of us who have benefitted from a Catholic School education hopefully have fond memories of teachers and friends and opportunities that helped to form us as the people we have become. Yes, I acknowledge that some of my contemporaries tell stories of more strict disciplinary measures in our schools growing up, but overall the legacy of Catholic Education is one of striving for academic excellence in a faith-filled environment that is marked by charity, mercy, and service. St. Luke School has been serving this local Whitestone community for over 110 years, and we are proud of our faculty and staff, and the support of our parents, as we continue to instill Catholic values and faith while providing a challenging academic curriculum to prepare our students for high school and beyond. Please see the bulletin for information about open houses and other events that will mark Catholic Schools Week here at St. Luke School.

We have a quick re-visit to the Christmas season this week with the celebration of the Presentation of the Lord. February 2nd marks 40 days since Christmas, and the custom 2,000 years ago was for the parents of a first-born son to go to the temple for the mother's purification and to present the child in commemoration of the first-born Jewish males being spared at the Passover. When Joseph and Mary entered the Temple, they encountered Simeon, who prophesied that Jesus will be: "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." Since at least the 5th century, this feast was celebrated with lit candles, and the custom in the Church is to bless candles for liturgical use on this day ... also known as *Candlemas* ... to recognize the light of Christ among us when we gather together in His Name for worship. Also, the celebration of the Presentation of the Lord has become a day to pray for women and men in consecrated life, since they dedicate their lives to sharing the light of Christ in their words and deeds. Let us remember to pray for Sr. Theresa Agliardi, RSM and Sr. Katherine Burke, CSJ on Thursday this week.

February 3rd is the feast of St. Blaise, and there is a custom of blessing throats on his feast day. He was a bishop in Armenia and was martyred in the year 316. According to an ancient legend, a boy had a fish bone lodged in his throat, and his mother brought him to Blaise. At Blaise's command, he was able to cough up the bone, and so Christians have called upon his intercession for relief from any diseases of the throat. We will offer a St. Blaise blessing on his feast at the 8:30 AM and 12:00 PM Masses.

I am noticing that a number of parishes locally and around the country seem to be returning to parish trips and pilgrimages. In the past, I have led pilgrimages to the Holy Land and different parts of Europe, especially Marian shrines. I know some parishes have organized a parish cruise out of NY as way to have a little summer fun with neighbors and friends. I'm not sure if this has been a part of parish life here at St. Luke, but I'd be curious to see if there is any interest in such activities.

With love and prayers, Fr. John Costello

St. LUKE CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE Masses, Prayer Groups, Meetings, Parish Events		
SUNDAY January 29	7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Italian Mass 10:30 am Mass/CSW Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 5:00 pm Mass FOOD COLLECTION	
MONDAY January 30	12:00 Noon Mass 6:30 pm Italian Classes	
TUESDAY	8:30 am Mass 12:00 Noon Mass	

January 31

WEDNESDAY

February 01

THURSDAY

February 02

FRIDAY

February 03

SATURDAY

February 04

SUNDAY

February 05



12:00 Noon Mass 3:30 pm Religious Education

8:30 am Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 6:30 pm Italian Charismatic Prayer Group

8:30 am First Friday Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 5:30 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

> 8:30 am Mass 3:30 pm Confession 5:00 pm Mass

7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Italian Mass 10:30 am Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 5:00 pm Mass





ST. LUKE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and in Communion with the Universal Church, we strive to follow the Lord's command to love God and one another. Rooted in word and sacraments as we grow together a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus. Our Church is open for private prayer from 8:00am until 3:00pm each weekday. Take advantage of the opportunity to spend some quiet time in prayer and reflection.

> At 11:15 AM from Monday to Friday, parishioners pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass. All are welcome, especially as they pray for peace in Ukraine at this time. If you cannot join in person, please join them spiritually.

If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Luke Church, please stop by the Rectory Office during regular office hours, where you can pick up a census card which can be filled out or returned by mail or in the Sunday Collection Basket. You can even download the Census card online. Please check our website: **stlukewhitestone.org** Kindly let us know if you would like to receive weekly offering envelopes. or if you would prefer to donate online. **Come and join us!**

COLLECTIVE INTENTIONS MASS

The names below will be remembered at the Collective Intentions Mass, Saturday, February 18th at 12:00 noon.

Raymond Arel Mario Suriano

If you would like to have a loved one remembered at this Mass, please call the Rectory.



MEMORIALS

Memorials for 2023 are available. Please call the rectory at 718-746-8102 for requests.

> Available Memorials January - March 2023

Altar Bread	February 26; March 5, 19, 26
Altar Wine	February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26
Altar Flowers	N/A
Sanctuary Lamp	February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26
Altar Candles	February 26; March 5, 19, 26

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COLLECTIVE INTENTIONS MASSES

Once a month Saint Luke Church offers a Collective Intentions Mass at 12:00 Noon on Saturdays. This Mass is a special Mass where families can celebrate and remember their loved ones. Family can be invited to attend. Jessica, our cantor and Loneda, our organist are always present.

> Collective Intentions Mass Dates:

> > February 18, 2023 March 11, 2023 April 01, 2023

If you would like to remember a loved one to celebrate their anniversary or birthday month, please call the Rectory to include their names at any of the Masses listed above. The requested offering is \$50.

Upcoming Parish Events

Friday, February 3rd. - *<u>St. Blaise "Blessing of the Throats"</u>* The St. Blaise "Blessing of the Throats" will be at the 8:30 am & 12:00 pm Masses.

Wednesday, February 22nd. - <u>Ash Wednesday</u> Ashes will be given out at the 10:30 am Prayer Service, the 12:00 pm Mass, the 3:00 pm Prayer Service & the 7:30 pm Mass. Please bring last year's palm branches for this year's ashes!

Saturday, March 25th. - <u>St. Joseph Dinner Dance</u> Between 6:30 pm - 12:30 am at The Monsignor Tosi Pastoral Center. Tickets - \$75 per person donation to St. Luke Church. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Church. Drawing for the St. Joseph 50/50 Raffle for the benefit of St. Luke Church, will be held at this event. For raffle tickets, please fill out the attached flyer on page 10. *Please contact Damiana at 718-746-6269 for information.*



AVAILABLE 2023 ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTION DATES

MARCH: 5, 7, 8, 14, 19, 25 & 26

APRIL: 27 & 29

MAY: 16, 20, 28, 29 & 30

JUNE: 4, 6, 11, 24, 25 & 30

JULY: 8, 9, 16, 28, 29 & 30

AUGUST: 1, 9, 11, 18, 26, 30 & 31

OCTOBER: 24

NOVEMBER: 1, 3, 12, 18, 21, 22, 26

DECEMBER: 2, 3, 17, 20 & 29

Please call or visit the Rectory if you would like to purchase an Announced Mass Intention for 2023. There are several available dates with multiple time slots. The offering is \$15.00 per Mass.



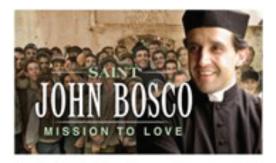
3:30 to 4:30 PM during Confessions

Come let us adore.



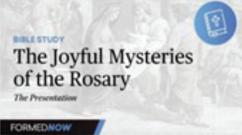


Week of January 29, 2023



Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.



A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Presentation What is the importance of the Presentation of Jesus

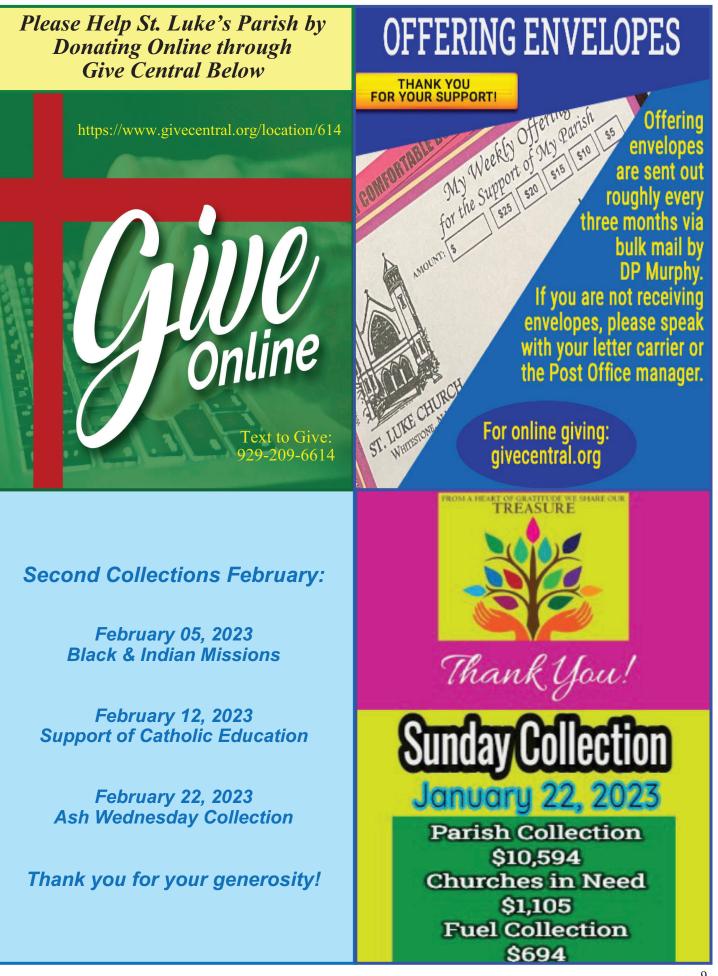
What is the importance of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple? Join Dr. James Protho and Dr. Ben Akers as they unpack this great mystery and how it can apply to your spiritual life.



Don Bosco: The True Story of the Apostle of Youth

Don Bosco tells the true story of a brave and holy priest whose single-handed battle to save the children of the streets inspired the formation of the Salesians, which is now a worldwide religious order that carries on his work with youth everywhere.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.





St. Luke's St. Joseph

Dinner Dance

Saturday, March 25th, 2023 6:30pm-12:30am

Monsignor Tosi Pastoral Center St. Luke Church

16-34 Clintonville Street. Whitestone, NY 11357

Tickets - \$75 per person donation to St. Luke Church. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Church.

Contact Damiana at 718-746-6269 for information.

IN HONOR OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph 50/50 Raffle for the benefit of St. Luke Church Drawing on Saturday, March 25th, 2023 \$10 per chance - \$25 for 3 chances Please return to the Rectory or Damiana by Wednesday, March 15th, 2023
Name:
Telephone Number:
Name:
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Name:
Telephone Number:

A Prayer for Hope

Heavenly father, I am your humble servant, I come before you today in need of hope. There are times when I feel helpless, There are times when I feel weak. I pray for hope. I need hope for a better future. I need hope for a better life. I need hope for love and kindness. Some say that the sky is at it's darkest just before the light. I pray that this is true, for all seems dark. I need your light, Lord, in every way. I pray to be filled with your light from head to toe. To bask in your glory. To know that all is right in the world, as you have planned, and as you want it to be Help me to walk in your light, and live my life in faith and glory. In your name I pray,

Amen.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00 PM Msgr. Tosi Pastoral Center

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, please join us.

This group provides emotional assistance for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. If you are planning to attend for the first time, please call Sister Theresa. She can also offer individual bereavement counseling sessions when needed.

Pray for those who have last laved ones. May they rest in peace.

BEREAVEMEN'T

Sr. Theresa 718-746-8531

INFANT BAPTISM

Call Sr.Theresa 718-746-8531 - Call when you have received the birth certificate to schedule a baptism interview.

Upcoming dates:
 February 4
 April 15 & April 29

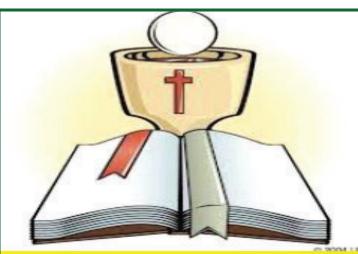
There will be no Batisms during Lent.

 Instruction class is usually held on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury,pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen



Do you feel the Lord calling you to serve as a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

There is a diocesan training session on March 11 at The Mary Louis Academy.

Please contact Fr. John as soon as possible to help discern your call.

AUTO DONATIONS



The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn will take any car, truck, or van, running or not, and donate \$75 to \$200 per vehicle to St. Luke Church. Any condition, free towing and IRS tax deduction. Call (718) 491-2525.

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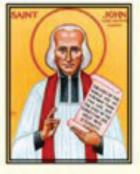
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Please check our website: **stlukewhitestone.org** Kindly let us know if you would like to receive weekly offering envelopes.

Come and join us!



Prayer

for

Vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen 2011, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The Nursery Class re-K is for Ketchup....

Saint Luke School's Pre-K visited the Science Lab to test if ketchup could clean pennies. First, they covered pennies in ketchup. Next, they patiently waited a few minutes. Finally, they cleaned off the ketchup and were excited to see the pennies so shiny. Ketchup contains vinegar and salt which cleans the pennies nicely.





The SLAA winter indoor baseball clinic has helped prepare children for their Spring season. Once again our association is offering to all children this valuable session of fun and instructional baseball.

- The fundamentals of the game.
 The proper way to throw and catch a ball.
 How to hit with confidence.
 - Get exercise and have fun!
- Clinic T-shirt for each participant (give size).

Ages: Ideal for grades Kindergarten to 5th, but all ages are accepted. Specific instruction will be geared towards individuals ability.

Clinic Dates: Saturdays: March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. Times will be between 10:15 am to 12:00 pm. Location: P.S. 193 Gym in Whitestone Fee: \$100 Make payable to: St. Luke's Athletic Association Clinic Instructor : Eddy Lopez Contact numbers: Home 718-767-4572 • Cell 917-294-9019 Email: ed719@verizon.net



Limit Enrollment sign up early!

HELP WANTED

Saint Luke School is looking for a pool of certified teachers/ paraprofessionals to fill in as needed for substitute teachers and aide positions in all grades.

Email resume and cover letter to Principal, Mrs. Brunswick at jbrunswick@slswhitestone.org or call 718-746-3833 for more information. Thank you!



HELP WANTED

NEQ Home Delivered Meals Program - needs substitute and part time drivers for meal deliveries in the Northeast Queens area.

Please call **718-357-4903** for details and application.

Low Gluten Hosts are Available



Go to sacristy before Mass so a host can be consecrated for you.



ON THE BULLETIN BOARD

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY - Hearing Aid Help

January 31st, 2023 through April 27th, 2023 - The St. John's University Speech & Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY & is offering a <u>free</u> service available for anyone who has a hearing aid & may be experiencing some difficulty caring for it or using it.

Please call the center at (718) 990-6480 to schedule an appointment.

THE GORETTI GROUP - Pursuing Happiness

Friday, February 3rd. between 5:10 pm & 8:30 pm at St. Agnes Church, 143 E. 43rd. Street, NYC, NY, 10017. Join us for a talk by Enza Cerami of Living Stones, Inc. on "Pursuing Happiness: Practical Ways to Live Life with Joy." The evening begins with Mass at 5:10 pm followed by a holy hour & refreshments. The talk begins at 7 pm for young adults ages 18 to 49.

For more information, please email: ny@thegorettigroup.org

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH - Special Needs Parents Group 2023

Church is located at 215-35 38th Ave, Bayside, NY, 11361. Three meetings will be held on Thursday, February 16th. @ 10:00 am & Tuesday, March 14th. @ 10:00 am. We invite parents/guardians with children/ adults with all special needs or IEP's to join us to share & exchange ideas in an informal setting. *For information, please call Georgette Lyons @ (718) 631-1307.*

THE SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC OF AMITYVILLE - Irish Night at St. Brigid's

Irish night will take place on Saturday, March 4th., 2023 at St. Brigid's (85 Post Ave., Westbury, NY, 11590) & offer us an opportunity to gather together for liturgy, followed by a joyful evening of music, dancing & Irish spirit! Chance booklets are \$10 each (12 chances per booklet). Purchase a ticket online for \$45 per person or \$100 for 2 tickets & 1 raffle booklet.

For information, please contact our Advancement Office at (631) 842-6000 (Ext. 246) or visit the event website: www.sistersofstdominic.org/irishnight2023

OUR LADY OF SORROWS - Pilgrimage to Fatima/Lourdes/Santiago de Compostela & Barcelona

March 13-25, 2023 - \$4,299 per person (includes airfare, all sightseeing, daily Mass with breakfast & dinner daily). *For more information, please call Mike Milano at (800) 773-2660.*

HOLY CROSS WOMEN'S GUILD WITH DJ'S @ WORK - Radio Bingo

Friday, March 31st., 2023 between 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm at Holy Cross H.S. Gym: 26-20 Francis Lewis Blvd., Flushing, NY, 11358. Radio Bingo cost \$55pp (21 & over only). Includes bingo card, soda/water, cake, tea/ coffee & door prize ticket. BYOB & snacks.

To reserve your ticket & make payment please call Andrea Gilvary at (917) 865-4441. RSVP by March 10th., 2023.

ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY - Spring Courses

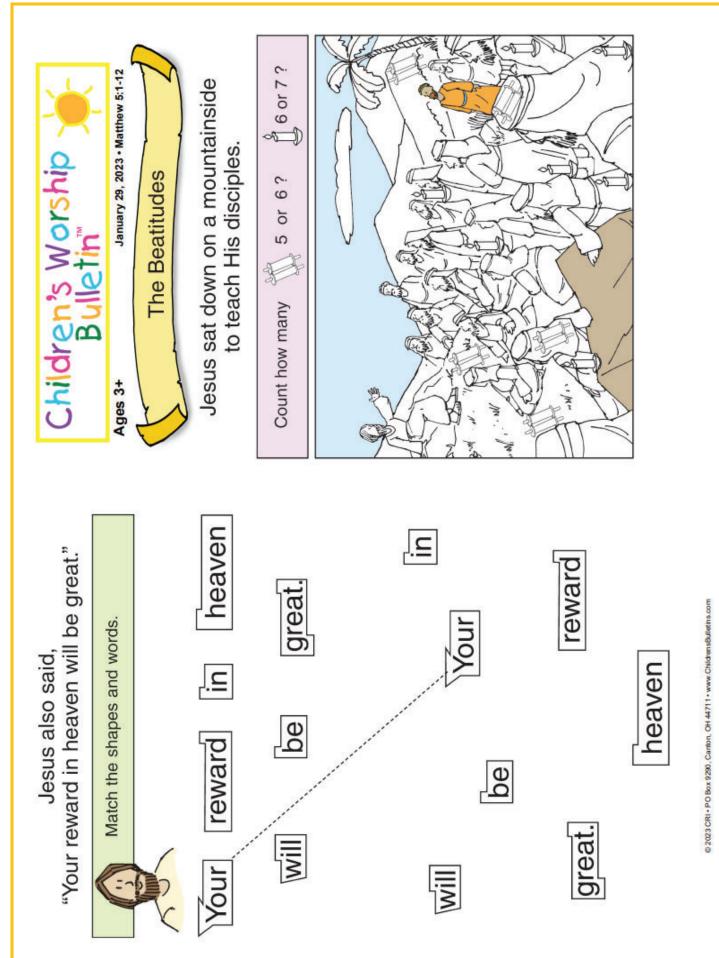
Earn degrees & certificates in Theology through St. Joseph's Seminary Spring Classes at 201 Seminary Ave., Yonkers, NY, 10704. Take classes in person or 100% online. Affordable tuition. Conveniently scheduled classes. *For more information please go to: www.dunwoodie.edu/ma-in-theology*

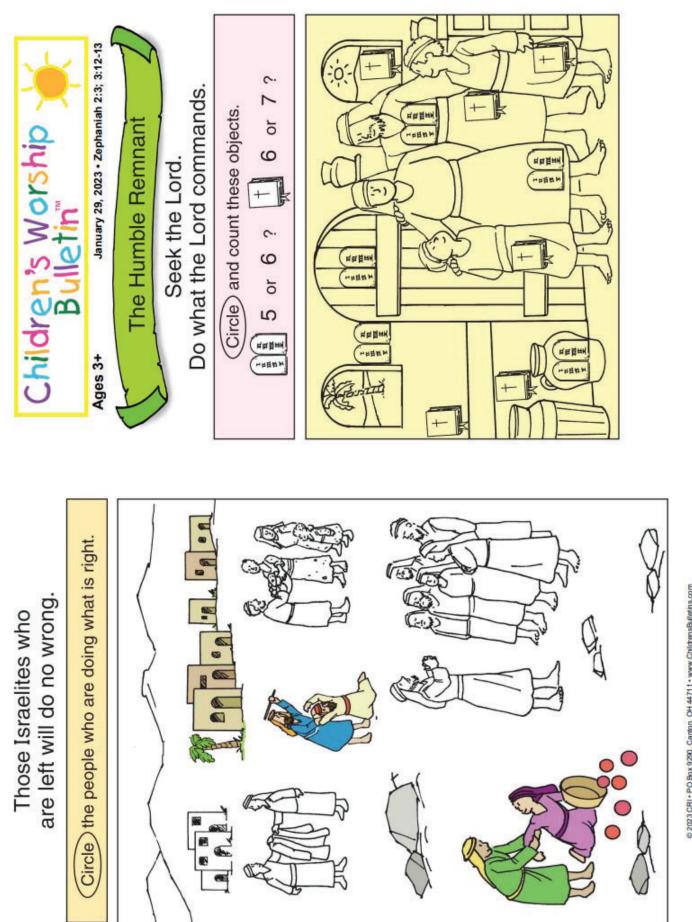
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If you looking to rent out a 1 room, studio or basement apartment with a private bathroom in the Whitestone, College Point, Flushing or Bayside areas; *please contact Maureen at St. Luke's Rectory for further details: (718) 746-8102. Your help will be greatly appreciated.*

LOST and FOUND in St. Luke Church

Any items that may have been forgotten in church (glasses, Rosary Beads, etc.) and turned in will be found in the Sacristy; that can be visited before or after Masses.





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