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Sr. Barbara McKenna, RSM, Bereavement Coordinator

Your parish staff welcomes the opportunity to serve you. A priest will always be available for emergency sick calls. Many requests for service and information can be met during the daytime when the office is fully staffed. We suggest making appointments with the priest, deacon or other member of the parish staff since they might be engaged in other pastoral activities.

WE CELEBRATE EUCHARIST

Mass Schedule

Weekends:

First Saturday of the month: 8:15 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM. (Spanish). 5:00 PM.

Holydays:

Vigil: 7:00 PM.

Holyday: 8:15 AM., 12:00 Noon

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday &

Friday: 12:00 Noon

Tuesday 8:15 AM.

Please let us know if someone is unable to come to Church because of age or illness. We will be happy to bring Holy Communion to them at home.

Devotions:

Tuesdays: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Novena. 8:15 AM Mass

The Basilica of Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

168 Hill Street, Southampton, New York 11968

WE CELEBRATE BAPTISM:

Baptisms are customarily performed on Sunday at 2:30 P.M. Prior arrangements with the parish priest or deacon must be made as far in advance as possible. The Godfather and Godmother should be practicing Catholics. Our Baptismal Program meets at 7:30 P.M. on the second Monday of each month in the Parish Center.

WE CELEBRATE PENANCE:

Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 PM. A more convenient time may be arranged with the parish priest by calling the Parish Center.

WE CELEBRATE MARRIAGE:

In order to prepare adequately for the life-long commitment to the Sacrament and to arrange to participate in a Marriage Preparation Program, we ask that you make arrangements with the priest or deacon of your choice at least six months prior to the date of the marriage. Because of the Sunday Mass schedule, Nuptial Masses are normally celebrated on Friday evening or Saturday. Weddings should take place in the proper parish of the bride or groom.

WE CELEBRATE HOLY ORDERS & RELIGIOUS LIFE:

The privilege of serving God's people as a priest, permanent deacon, religious sister or brother is personally fulfilling and spiritually exciting. Anyone who feels they might be interested in the priesthood, diaconate or religious life should speak to a parish priest.

WE CELEBRATE GROWTH IN CHRIST:

Mothers and fathers are the first teachers of their children in the ways of the faith. We hope they will be the best of teachers by what they say and do. Our Parish Religious Education Program and Our Lady of the Hamptons Regional School strive to support and complement the responsibility of parents to be the primary teachers of the children they have co-created with God. Our Religious Education Program, which includes preparation for First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation, is a family centered, continual formation extending from Grade 1 through Grade 8. Our Ministry to high school students continues this formation for grades 9 through 12.

WE SHARE OUR FAITH:

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Do you know of someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic or a Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. If so, please call the Parish Office. Continuing Adult Education is offered through the Parenting Programs. Little Rock Scripture Study Series and other spiritual development programs

PARISH REGISTRATION

We ask that all Catholics living within the boundaries of Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish fill out a registration (census) form. This helps us identify and provide for the needs of our parishioners. If you are new to the parish or if you are moving, please call the Parish Office.

Parish Office Tel: 631-283-0097

Fax: 631-283-3836

E-mail:

sacredheartsjm@optimum.net

website:

www.sacredheartsofjesusandmary.org

Hours: Monday - Friday:

9:00am - 12 Noon; 1:00pm-4:00pm

Evenings: By appointment only please

Sat. & Sun.: By appointment only please

Religious Education Office: 283-0508

e-mail: bassuntarsm@gmail.com

Human Resources Office: 283-6415

e-mail: maryanntupper.hrp@hamptons.com

Spanish Apostolate: 283-4379

Vincentian Fathers: 287-9647

Our Lady of the Hamptons

School: 283-9140 Convent: 283-9110

Sr. Kathryn Schlueter, CSJ, Principal

WE REACH OUT:

The Human Resources Program volunteers reach out to meet the temporal needs of the elderly, the housebound and the poor of our parish and community. Our parish Care for the Caregiver Program delivers hot meals to families in need of this kind of help on Tuesday evenings. Call the Human Resources Office (283-6415) for more information and assistance.

WE RESPECT LIFE:

Birthingright maintains an office at 99 W Montauk Highway, Hampton Bays. Project Rachel offers confidential and compassionate counseling to anyone suffering guilt after an abortion. Please call Birthingright at 728-8900 for information.

SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS & MARY R. C. CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 29, 2012

Readings: Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Mission Statement: We are a Eucharistic centered people, who by following Christ's teaching, together to love and serve those in spiritual and physical need in our community.

Masses for the Week of Jan 30-Feb 5

Monday	12:00	All Souls
Tuesday	8:15	Sr. Marion Kelly
Wednesday	12:00	Timothy McDonagh (L)
Thursday	12:00	Peter Hottinger
Friday	12:00	Chris Jordan Sr.
Saturday	5 PM	Johanna Guldi
Sunday	8:00	Living & Deceased members of the Hogan & Donohue Families
	9:30	People of the Parish
	11:00	Joseph Butler, Dennis James O'Connor, Jr., James Shanahan & Michael Lawlor
	12:30	Spanish Mass
	5 PM	Thomas Manglaviti, Sr.

SOUTHAMPTON HOSPITAL -

Jan 29—M. Steinbrecher

Feb 5—M. Lynch

HAMPTON CENTER—Jan 29—S. Oldakowski,
S. Raynor

Feb 3—Sr. M. Assunta, Sr. B. McKenna

Feb 5—A. Pastoria, S. Raynor

Rosary: Feb. 2—S. Raynor

ALTARS - January—M. Rist

LINENS - Jan 16-Feb 5 —L. DeRobertis



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

The January 22nd collection was \$4018.00
The **Catholic Ministries Appeal** latest total is \$45,471.50 in gifts and pledges. That is 86% of our goal. May God bless you for your continued support and generosity. Thank you, Fr. Jeff.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb 4 5 PM TBA

SERVERS E & M Knight, C. Yastrzemski
E.M.'S T. Grimaldi, M. Lynch, G. Reisig
LECTOR D. Sacco

Sunday, Feb 5 8 AM TBA

SERVERS Ambrose Bros., C. Collum, A. Wesnofske
E.M.'S T. Cavallaro, L. McClain, J. McKenna, C & J Mottern
LECTOR M. Mackey
GREETERS M. Steinbrecher, K. Moffa, I. Hurley

9:30 AM TBA

SERVERS A. Cuccia, Malone Bros, M. Neknez, A. O'Brien
E.M.'S G. Arresta, J. Cuccia, Sr. B. McKenna, M. Nugent
LECTOR Sr. M. Assunta
GREETER A. Lesta, J & N McCulley

11 AM TBA

SERVERS W. Menghini, M. O'Connor, O. Valle
E.M.'S S. Adelante, G. Bauer, V. Grattan, S. McCulley, L. Robins
LECTOR J. Cleary
GREETERS C. Brown, C. Butler

5 PM TBA

SERVERS M. Terry
E.M.'S L. DeRobertis, K. Rossi
LECTOR N. Conroy

MAIN ALTAR FLOWERS & ST. THERESA'S ALTAR FLOWERS for last week were given in loving memory of Marie Theresa Williams from Patricia Anne Enne & Family



Altar Flowers can be donated by calling the office at 283-0097.

Anyone who would like to donate **Altar Candles, Wine or Altar Bread** in memory of a loved one or for a special intention please call the Parish Office—283-0097 Ext. 0.



WE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED SICK

Patricia Kahl	Winnie Chin	John Bishop
Pat Reinhardt	Howard "Corty" Bishop	Grace McNamara
Robert O'Shea	Gene Travers, Jr.	Gerard Murphy
Suzanne Parillo	Patrick Dermody	Gwendolyn Porter
John Cuccia, Sr.	Jean Smith	Jean Kearns
Eileen Finlay	Beth Larkin	Elivira Schiavone
Annie Murphy	Louis Scricca	Stan Witkowski
Chris Begg		

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JEFF:

I will be leaving Sacred Hearts in June, after 12 years of service. There will be a meeting with Monsignor James McNamara, local vicar, Monsignor Brian McNamara, Personnel Director, and Father Joe Mirro, area dean, about the selection of the new pastor. This meeting will take place on Monday, January 30th at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall Auditorium.

Thanks again for the food, cards, prayers and good wishes from everybody.

PARISH PROGRAMS

FRANCISCANS

The Secular Franciscans meet on the third Sunday of the month, after the 11 AM mass in the Parish Center. Would you like to know what we are all about? Please come to our meeting. Bring a bag lunch and we will supply the coffee.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study Group meets at 1 PM in the upper room of the Parish Center. All are welcome!



SPIRITUAL BOOK GROUP

The Spiritual Book Group meets on Tuesday, 1 PM in the dining room of the Parish Center. New members are always welcome.

“Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love.” -
Pope John Paul II



Please join us in an hour of
Eucharistic Adoration

Each Friday directly following the noon Mass
12:30-1:30 PM

“Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you...” “Cast all your anxieties upon the One who cares for you...”
“My peace is my gift to you...” (Mt 11:28; 5:7, Jn 14:17)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR THE 2011-2012 YEAR HAVE BEGUN.

Please make sure your child/children are registered.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE REGISTERED AT SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY. REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE BY CALLING THE PARISH OFFICE AT 283-0097.

Parents of children who will be entering first grade in September: If your child is entering the first grade and you want him/her to receive the sacraments in the parish, it is time to register them for the Religious Education Program if they are not attending Our Lady of the Hamptons or some other Catholic School.

Religious Education Registration forms are now available on the parish website:

www.sacredheartsofjesusandmary.org

Please remember that children are required to attend each year from first to eighth grades, in order to be prepared for the receiving of Confirmation in the eighth grade. Also attendance each week is a must unless the child is sick or has a good reason for missing a class. Please encourage the school and coaches not to schedule games or practices on Wednesday afternoon or evening or Sunday mornings. It is up to all of us to encourage the importance of Religious Education in our community.

Please check the website for meetings and Announcements. For more information please call the Religious Education office at 631-283-0508.

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, I will be ending my second 6-year term as pastor of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish this coming June. At the end of a pastor's second 6-year term, it is customary for the pastor to step down and accept another assignment. Thus, I will be stepping down as pastor of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish this June and the Parish of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary will have a new pastor in June 2012. I just thought I would outline the process of selecting a new pastor.

First, a letter is sent to a number of the leadership people in the parish. This would include our Deacons, members of the parish staff, the members of the Finance Council and Pastoral Council, etc. They are asked to submit, in writing, answers to the following questions:

- What are the strengths of your parish as you understand them at the present time?
Please list five such positives.
- What are the areas of pastoral life that are most in need of attention at the present time?
- What specific qualities of leadership do you think would best serve the needs of your parish in the next six years? Please list three.

Next, the Episcopal Vicar (Msgr. James McNamara), the area dean (Rev. Joseph Mirro) and the Vicar for Clergy Personnel (Msgr. Brian McNamara) host an "Open Town House Meeting" to hear the concerns and vision of the larger parish community. This meeting will take place on **MONDAY, JANUARY 30 at 7:30pm in the Auditorium**. The purpose of this "Open Town House Meeting" meeting is to focus on the future of the parish: Where does our parish need to go from here and what type of pastor can take us to that future.

All this information is distributed to the members of the Priest Personnel Assignment Board. This Board consists of six elected priests (elected by the other priests in the Diocese), the Vicar for Clergy Personnel, the three auxiliary bishops, the Vicar General, and Bishop Murphy.

At this same time, other priests in the diocese can apply to become the pastor. These pastor candidates have undergone a screening process and an interview with one of the auxiliary bishops and two members of the Priest Personnel Assignment Board. This Board then recommends that Bishop Murphy accept or postpone an individual priest for entrance into the "pastor pool". As the Bishop, Bishop Murphy makes the final decision regarding the priest candidate. Once accepted into the "pastor pool", a priest can apply for any open parish as the pastor.

Normally, each open parish would have a few priest candidates applying for the parish. The Priest Personnel Assignment Board members read through the information from the letters from the leadership people and the report from the "Open Town House Meeting". The Board then recommends candidates for the pastorate to Bishop Murphy. As the Diocesan Bishop, Bishop Murphy then chooses the next pastor of the parish.

I know that the Priest Personnel Assignment Board takes this responsibility very seriously. I ask for your prayers in the coming weeks so that the Holy Spirit will send a good shepherd to the people of Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish. I am very confident that with the new pastor, your parish family will continue to live out the Gospel of Christ.

In Christ,

Fr. Jeff

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

meets on the third Wednesday of the month following the 12 Noon Mass.
The meeting takes place in the Parish Center.

All are welcome to attend.
For more information please call
Sr. Barbara McKenna 949-6770

MCGANN-MERCY HIGH SCHOOL TO HOLD "ONE STOP" REGISTRATION 2012- 2013

Saturday February 4, 2012
9 AM—12 Noon

All incoming 7th—11th graders and parents are strongly encouraged to attend this "one stop" registration event. Bring all required paperwork from the registration packet.

For more information on registration or attending Bishop McGann-Mercy Diocesan Junior High & High School, please call the Registration Office at 631-727-5900 Ext. 35

NEW! YOUTH CATECHISM

Sister Mary Assunta and Gayle Reisig will be selling a new catechism called "YouCat" which is easy to read. It is a book for all ages and would be good for family discussions.

You can obtain a copy by either asking Sister or Gayle when you see them or call or come into the office. (631-283-0508).

OUR LADY OF THE HAMPTONS

Madison Piccirillo, member of the class of 2012 and parishioner of Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, has been offered scholarships to attend, McGann-Mercy High School, St. John the Baptist High School and St. Mary's College Prep School as a result of the Catholic High Schools entrance exam last fall. Congratulations!

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 29 with the Family Pancake Breakfast and Open House. Prospective school families are welcome to come see the facility and meet the students



from 8 AM—11:30 AM. The dads will be doing the cooking! A donation of \$7 per adult and \$5 per child will be asked for the hearty breakfast of pancakes, sausages, juice and coffee!



The Annual Bucks for Books raffle to benefit OLH will be held on Saturday, February 4th. Tickets are available in the school office now. The lucky holder of the winning \$100 chance will earn a top prize of \$15,000. Please call 283-9140 to obtain your ticket. Only 700 tickets will be sold.

Registration for the 2012-2013 school year for children in Pre School to grade 8 will begin in mid-January. Registration packets will be available at the school after January 15th. Interviews and tours will be scheduled upon receipt of the pre-applications. Since the school is currently at capacity seating, early application is suggested for any consideration.

Progress continues on the OLH building project for the new Wellness Center-classroom extension. As of Jan 21st, the entire structure has been framed with the suspended indoor track installation to be completed this coming week. Total completion will depend upon additional fund-raising from the local and school community. (As a parochial school, OLH is not eligible for any federal, state or local assistance.)

Sight & Sound Christian Theater presents:
"JONAH"

An extraordinary journey with one of the Bible's most colorful prophets!

This lively, exhilarating family musical delivers powerful themes of love, mercy, obedience and second chances in an adventure that brings you right into the heart of the action!

Experience the mighty storm at sea that breaks apart an enormous ship right before your eyes. Then be immersed in an undersea world, and witness the giant fish that swallows God's misguided prophet. Jonah will have your entire family laughing,

crying and identifying with a man who rediscovers the unfathomable mercy of God.



Date: April 13, 2012

Where: Sight & Sound Theatre, Strasburg, PA

Price: Adult \$115

Child \$75

Includes bus, admission and dinner

Bus pick-up from Westhampton Beach, Immaculate Conception parking lot @ 8 AM

*pack a lunch for bus en route to Strasburg, PA

Contact: visitrussells@yahoo.com or 631-801-2231

Sight & Sound Theaters is the nation's largest Christian theater and one of the highest attended live theaters on the east coast. This inspiring family experience includes a majestic 200-seat theater, a massive 300 foot wrap around stage, a professional cast, spectacular sets up to 40 feet high and an adorable variety of live animals. Go back in time and witness the greatest stories of the Bible as they come to life right before your eyes!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Forty days after Christmas, this week's ancient feast of the Presentation of the Lord is an extension of the shining days of Christ's coming into the depths of winter. This is the day when, for a thousand years, the Church has blessed a year's supply of candles. In many places, a procession forms outside the church. The core memory is of Simeon and Anna's meeting with the infant Jesus and his parents outside the temple on the fortieth day after the child's birth, and the delight of going to the table of the Lord for the Eucharist, a foretaste of our final meeting with Christ.

For some Christians, today is known as "The Meeting," suggesting not only the encounter in the temple, but also our assembly at the Lord's table and our longing for the kingdom. One story suggests that the commotion made by so many candle-bearing, hymn-singing faithful in the wintry fields of Germany on their joyful way to Mass stirred the badger from hibernation to examine this promise of springtime. The interrupted nap of the groundhog is amazingly linked to the light of Christ driving away the shadows of the world's darkness. This beautiful feast only rarely falls on a Sunday. What better reason could there be for candles at dinner tonight?

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Stress and Our Health: A Holistic Approach To Stress Management

Kathy Malfitani, RN, BSN, B-C, HSMC - Instructor

Where: Sacred Hearts Church Parish Center
When: Saturdays, January 28 & February 4
Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Cost: Free Will Offering
Call: 283-0097 for reservation

Kathy Malfitani is a registered nurse specializing in Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation, with a certification in cardiovascular nursing. She has a certification in Holistic Stress Management. Mrs. Malfitani has also trained at the Harvard Mind/Body Institute in Boston, MA. on stress and health, and currently teaches stress management classes to cardiac, cancer, and diabetic patients at the Wellness Institute at Southampton Hospital. Mrs. Malfitani enjoys working with people to promote health and well-being through the mind, body, and spirit connection.

Stress used to be considered a physical response to a stressor, but today we know that it is a multifaceted and complex phenomenon that includes the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual components of well-being.

This class, in two parts, will discuss the nature of stress and the impact of chronic stress on our physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual health. Coping techniques and relaxation techniques that can help us manage the stress in our lives will be discussed. These techniques will include meditation, guided imagery, yoga, exercise and good nutrition, and cognitive reframing (changing our perceptions from negative to more positive ones).

There will be a focus on human spirituality in terms of an integration of three things: an insightful and nurturing relationship with self and others, finding a meaningful purpose in life, developing a strong value system, and appreciating the divine mystery of life.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thunderbolts and Lightning

One of the most difficult duties of a disciple is to follow the command of Jesus to spread the gospel to all nations (Luke 24:47, Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:19). One reason may be that we don't feel we have the authority to tell someone else what to believe. Most of us don't think we know the gospel well enough to preach it, or we are so afraid of offending atheists that we use that fear as an excuse to say nothing. But being a disciple means following Jesus. The Gospel this Sunday mentions twice that Jesus taught with more authority than any of religious leaders of Israel. So how can we acquire such authority?

First, Jesus didn't derive his authority from winning a Messiah election. He didn't threaten people with thunderbolts and lightning. He certainly didn't impress people by saying what they wanted to hear. He spoke the truth that he heard from his Father. His two main actions in his ministry were curing and forgiving people. Since the Jews thought sickness was a punishment for sins, by curing the sick and forgiving sins Jesus showed that God loves even sinners. Those actions showed that Jesus received authority from his Father.

But that still doesn't answer the question: How do we get that authority? We get it from the Holy Spirit, in baptism and confirmation. And like an athlete who may be born with strength and abilities yet has to work out and practice to be any good, we still need to grow in that authority. One way is to read the scriptures and pray with them, so that we get to know God through the Word and begin to listen to God in our prayers. We can consciously decide to see God in other people, not just those we love, but everyone, even the ones who annoy us (especially the ones who challenge us to be more loving, patient, and forgiving). Most parishes have programs that encourage faith sharing, such as RCIA or Christ Renews His Parish, for example. And of course, the Eucharist and other sacraments strengthen God's life in us. You'll know you have that authority when you can talk about your faith with confidence instead of hesitation, because you will be speaking from experience, not second-hand knowledge.

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SPIRITUAL CARE COMPANION

Are you looking for an avenue to volunteer your time with others? Come learn more about sharing your gift of time & presence as a Spiritual Care Companion with those who are hospitalized, living in a nursing home, homebound or adults with special needs.

Information session: February 7th - 9:30 -11:30 AM

Our Lady of Consolation , 111 Beach Drive, W. Islip

Trainings: Feb 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27 & April 3—9:30-12:30 PM

For further information—call Carol Cella 631-465-6307
or Trish Luvin 631-465-6306

REPORTING ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE 516-594-9063

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516-678-5800

Knights of Columbus Corner Southampton Council #1967



The Knights of Columbus is an international, fraternal, family and charitable organization. Locally the Knights jointly serves the parishes of Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary and Our Lady of Poland. We donate to both churches, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, Right to Life, and many other local charities. The K of C insurance program with fellow Knights is the best that can be offered. Children of deceased police and fireman Knights are granted college tuition. Why not call the K of C for more information on how to join? Call 287-3545. See sign up sheet insert.

KID'S PAGE

Prayers and history of the Church

January 29, 2012

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches with "authority" which means power. Pay attention to the kind of power Jesus has.

Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.
Jesus and the disciples went to Capernaum and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.
The Gospel of the Lord.

For Reflection: Why do the unclean spirits know and obey Jesus?

Prayer:

God our Father,
All powerful God,
We know that you command everything in the universe.
Thank you for giving Jesus the power to confront evil.
Increase our faith that you will be with us when we
Must face things that frighten us.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



January 29, 2011

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2, 2012

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. In today's Gospel, Mary & Joseph have brought the baby Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem to fulfill the commandment to present their firstborn son to the Lord. They meet the old prophet Simeon. Listen to what Simeon says and see if you can figure out why it is customary to bless candles on this day.



Gospel

Luke 2:27-33

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke
Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant

In peace,

According to your words;

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you

Have prepared in the presence of

All peoples,

A light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

The Gospel of the Lord

For Reflection: How is Jesus a light?

Prayer:

Heavenly Father,

You sent you Son to be a light for the world.

By the power of this light,

May the discouraged find hope,

The lost find guidance, and the anxious

Find peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS
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2011 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic Service organization in the world. Founded by a young priest in 1882, the order has grown to 1.7 million members worldwide.

With the four principles of our order being charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism... foremost comes charity. In 2009 alone, the Knights contributed over 143 million dollars and over 63 million man hours to various charitable activities.

Having embarked on a mission to spread God's message of faith and love, we stand united with the Church. In countless ways our belief strengthens us to speak out for religious and moral values.

As Knights our faith is our foundation. Dedicated to the Catholic Church's growth, we encourage lay persons to participate as Parish Board members, lectors and ushers. By working hand in hand with others in service to God, our faith communities prosper.

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The only requirements are that you are a practicing Catholic male, 18 years or older...by the way, we never take attendance.

Council also has a Ladies Auxiliary known as the Columbiettes. Any ladies interested please fill out the form below and we will forward it.

Thank you for your time...have a great day and God Bless You.

If you would like more information or would like to become a Knight, please fill out the information below and mail it to us or call the number listed.

Yes, I am interested in becoming a Knight. Please send me information.

Name

Address

Telephone Number

Mail to Knights of Columbus

PO Box 500

Southampton, New York 11969

Or call: 287-3545