

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---

*Christians, praise the paschal victim! Offer thankful sacrifice!
Christ the lamb has saved the sheep, Christ the just one paid the price,
Reconciling sinners to the Father.*

*Death and life fought bitterly for this wondrous victory;
The Lord of life who died reigns glorified!*

O Mary, come and say what you saw at break of day.

"The empty tomb of my living Lord! I saw Christ Jesus risen and adored!

"Bright angels testified, shroud and grave clothes side by side!

"Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously. He goes before you into Galilee."

Share the good news, sing joyfully: His death is victory!

Lord Jesus, victor King, show us mercy. Amen.

Easter sequence - Roman rite - Eleventh century



I can only describe the Easter celebration here at the parish as truly awesome. Throughout Holy Week the sacred liturgy was well celebrated by ministers and congregation alike. Holy Week, the Easter Triduum and Easter are always times of special grace and blessings. This year was no exception. As pastor I am so grateful for the ability to share these sacred days with you. And so many of you! My heart rejoiced to see so many parishioners alive in faith - rejoicing in the gift of new life in Christ's Paschal Mystery. I am so blessed when I see your reverence and active participation in the church liturgy. Once again, I am humbled by your love of God, of one another - and of me.

The tomb is empty; Christ is Risen. Christ has saved the sheep; His death is victory. Alleluia, alleluia.

And yet the mystery of Christ's Death and Resurrection is celebrated every Sunday. As St. Justin writes:

It is on Sunday that we all assemble, because Sunday is the first day: the day on which God transformed darkness and matter and created the world, and the day on which Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead. He was crucified on the eve of Saturn's day, and on the day after, that is, on the day of the sun, he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught them what we have now offered for your examination.

So many came at Easter while our Lord waits each Sunday to fill us with His love and mercy. If only we understand the wonder of God's love for us. The challenge for us is to reach out to those who filled the church on Easter Day. Easter can be bittersweet. We pray that all be open to the gift of salvation in Christ.

I again wish to thank all those who shared time, talents and treasure in creating the beauty and prayerfulness of the solemn liturgies. To the liturgical ministers, music ministers, sacristans, ushers, scouts, altar servers - and to all of you a most sincere thank you. As good stewards you became instruments of God's manifold graces and blessings. God bless.

Happy Easter.

Let us pray for one another,

Msgr. Tosi

COLLECTIONS

Good Friday (Holy Land)	\$ 4,141
April 8 (Easter Sunday)	\$24,633
Easter Gift to the Church	\$20,958
Support of Senior Priests	\$ 4,674

**ADULT CONFIRMATION
PREPARATION ---**



If you are an adult Catholic who had received baptism and holy communion but still has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, an Adult Confirmation Class is now being formed to begin on Monday, April 16th at 7pm. Please contact Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. at 718-746-3409 for additional information. Adult Confirmation will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, May 27.

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA ---

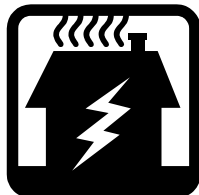
The Saint Anthony novena continues on Tuesdays concluding with a Mass in honor of Saint Anthony on the feast day, **Wednesday, June 13.**



SECOND COLLECTION ---

Next weekend, April 21 & 22, there will be two collections. The first collection is for the support of the parish. The second collection is a special collection for Fuel to help defray the cost of heating the church and parish buildings.

Your generosity to both collections is greatly appreciated.



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 sacrament, we grow together as a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY --
APRIL 15TH - TODAY**

The church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday today on the Second Sunday of Easter, April 15th.



Special Divine Mercy Devotions will be prayed at **3:00pm** in the church to mark this special day rejoicing in God's divine love and mercy. All are invited to honor the Divine Mercy of Christ.

CONGRATULATIONS ---

Please keep these couples in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Marriage here in our parish.

Friday, April 20

3pm

PHILIP RINALDI

&

LAUREN LIMONGELLI



Sunday, April 22

3pm

ANTHONY FANTINI

&

JOANNA BARONE



A REMINDER ---

Religious Education classes will resume on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19.



PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

If you are planning a Baptism, please note the following dates:

<i>Baptism Sunday</i>	<i>Baptism Class</i>
*April 29	April 16
May 20 & 27	May 21
June 10 & 24	June 18

For more information, please call the rectory at 718-746-8102.

SENIORS GOLDEN AGE SUMMER FESTIVAL

Platzl's Brahaus- Pomona, N.Y.

Thursday, July 26, 2012

Time: 8:15am - Sharp!

Cost \$60.00

On arrival: Danish & Coffee

12 Noon: Franks, Burgers, Sausage & Peppers, Corn on the Cob,

Salads, Watermelon

Beer & Soda ALL day

4pm: Sit-Down Dinner

Roast Beef or Chicken, Vegetables,

Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Tea

Fun Filled Day with Music, Dancing,

BINGO & Sports

Call Eileen at (718) 352-3902

A NOTE OF



To the Boy Scouts Troop 235 for once again making the new fire the blessing of which begins the Easter Good News at the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil.

I am truly grateful to the boys and their leader John Sommer for their generous service. For the last few years they have accepted my request and fulfilled it with dedication and zeal. I no longer worry about "making the fire". The Boy Scouts can be relied upon to do a great job, guard the fire - and they also clean up!

MOTHERS TO BE - MARK THE DATE

There will be a special blessing of Mothers to be (and dads too) on Mother's Day - May 13 - at the 11:45am Mass. All couples expecting a baby are invited to receive the blessing as we thank God for the gift of new life praying for a safe delivery and a healthy baby.

Mark the Calendar - May 13th at the 11:45am Mass

Please call 718-746-8102 if you plan to attend - but come even if you don't call!



To Queens Garden Nursery for its ongoing care of the plants, shrubs and trees in the church parking lot on Clintonville Street. Special thanks this spring for the beautiful tulips recently planted as well as the addition of new shrubs. We are very grateful for this generous donation to the parish which provides beauty to the parking lot enjoyed by parishioners and visitors alike!



ALTAR SERVER INSTALLATION

We are proud to announce the installation of 14 new Altar Servers which will take place today, Sunday, April 15, 2012 at the 11:45am Mass. The new Altar Servers to be installed are:



Altar Servers

SARAH AMPLO

DOMINIC DAMIANO

MARISA DeCANIO

SAMANTHA FLYNN

DANIELLA FONSECA

ROZANA KOLO

MARY LE

MINH (PATRICK) LE

GIANLOUIS MACCHIARULO

SABRINA MONES

VERONICA RAMNAUTH

NICOLE ROMANO

AIDAN RYAN

ANTONETTA TOMA

Our altar servers now total 87!

Save the date! On the weekend of April 29th the Altar Servers will hold a bake sale with all proceeds going toward their annual trip to Six Flags/Great Adventure. Why not stop by for some delicious home made goodies? Let's show our support for these boys and girls who minister to our parish so faithfully.

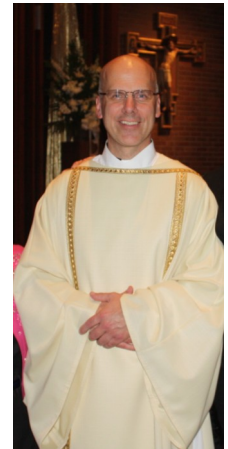


CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS ---

With praise and thanksgiving to almighty God we are pleased to announce the ordination of

EDWARD GERARD RAMA

to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ
through the imposition of hands
and the invocation of the Holy Spirit
by Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli
Bishop of Paterson, New Jersey
on Saturday, May 26, 2012



Father Rama grew up in Whitestone and attended Saint Luke School. His family were long time parishioners and his brother still resides in Whitestone and has children in our school.

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Father Rama here at Saint Luke Church on **Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 11:45am**. A reception will follow Mass in the school hall. All are invited to join Father Rama and his family for this special celebration.

Please keep Father Rama in your prayers for many years of faithful and joyous ministry for God and for God's holy people in the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey.

"Fashion in Bloom"

Seats are Limited!
Reserve yours today!

Friday, April 20, 2012
7:00 P.M. - Midnight

Terrace on the Park

Grand Ballroom

52-11 111th Street

Flushing Meadows Park, New York

Enjoy an evening of
Good Company, Great Food, Music,
Dancing, Fabulous Raffle Prizes and
Beautiful Fashions Provided by
Dress Barn & Carina Boutique

Cocktail Hour, Full Buffet Dinner,
Open Bar, Coffee & Desserts

\$70 Admission per Person

Weekend
Get-a-ways!

Home
Decor

Broadway Shows!
Jesus Christ Superstar
Mary Poppins
Spiderman After Dark

iPad2,
iPod Touch,
Lenovo Tablet

Giants, Mets,
Yankee
Tickets

Fine
Jewelry

Coach
Michael Kors
Tory Burch

...and Much
More!



"Fashion in Bloom" St. Luke 6th Annual Fashion Show

A Response is Requested ASAP - Seats are Limited!

Return this slip and money to St. Luke School Attn: Fashion Show Committee or call 718 746-3833 to arrange for pick up.

Name and Guests seating at table _____

(Make all effort to arrange tables of 10 people) Note: If your party is smaller than 10 persons, you will be seated with other guests.
If needed, arrangements can be made for larger tables - kindly call or email Adriana 718 309-4778; email stlukecommittee@aol.com

Number of Persons Attending _____, Enclosed is \$ _____, Tel #: _____

** No Tickets will be issued. Check in at door is required. Make check payable to St. Luke School. Thank you for your support. **

3rd Annual Saint Luke's Golf Outing

at

Clearview Golf Course

Cocktails & Dinner at Valentino's on the Green



Sponsored by

The Saint Luke's Athletic Association (SLAA)

Date: Friday, June 29th 2012

Time: 12:00 PM

Tee Time: 1:00 PM

Format: 2-Person Scramble



For more information and a registration form please visit our website
at www.slaacyo.org or call the St. Lukes Rectory at 718-746-8103

Saint Luke's Carnival

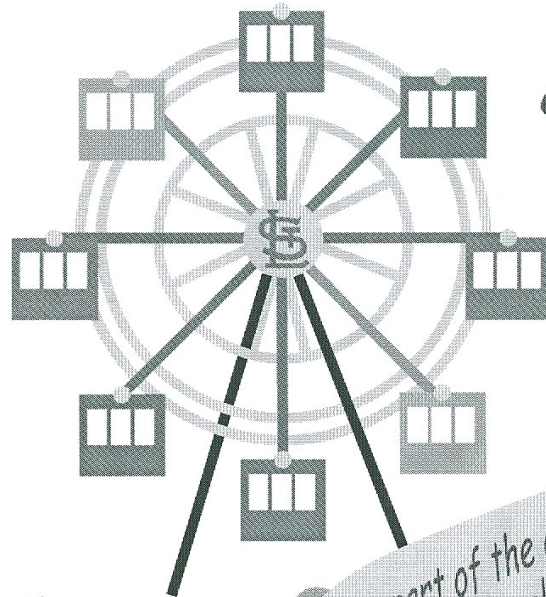
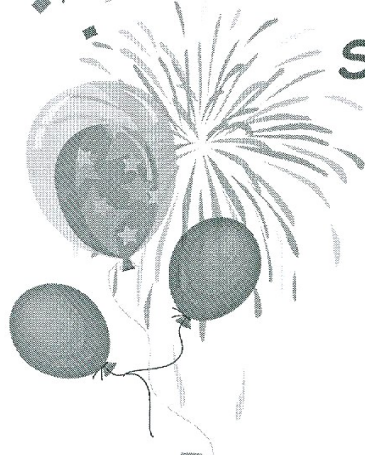
It's coming and we need your help!

VOLUNTEER REQUEST

for the

ST. LUKE'S CARNIVAL

CARNIVAL DATES:
June 6th - 10th
2012



Volunteer Meeting
DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED
7:30pm
St. Luke's School Hall



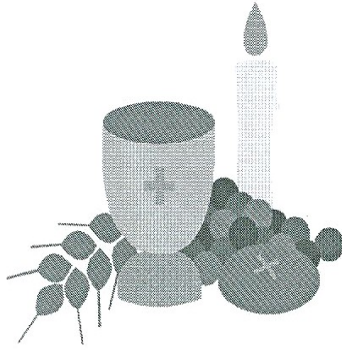
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If you are interested in volunteering for the Carnival please fill out the this section, cut it out and return it to St. Luke's Rectory.

For more information contact the St. Luke's Rectory at 718-746-8103

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____



**MASS OF ANOINTING
SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012**

**AT
1:00PM**

A special Mass and Anointing of the Sick will take place at Saint Luke Church on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 1:00pm. A moment of grace and blessing for those among us who are in need of God's strength and healing in Christ for mind, body and spirit.

If you wish to be anointed or know someone who does, please fill out the registration form below or call the rectory at 718-746-8102.

A reception will follow in the lower church meeting room.

Dear Msgr. Tosi,

I request that I be given the Sacrament of the Anointing at the Mass on Saturday, May 19th, praying for the special help of God's grace.

Name _____ *Address* _____

Phone _____ *Signature* _____

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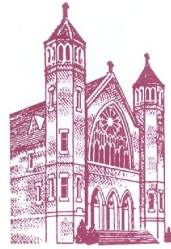
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**The Campaign for Saint Luke
"Serving the Present; Building the Future"
has now raised in pledges:**

\$3,057,531

During Holy Week and Easter the focus of attention was on the Paschal Mystery of our salvation in the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ. And so the campaign took a brief pause. In the new life and hope of Easter, the dedicated volunteers will once again take to the phones to encourage and assist parishioners in making a pledge.

So please - consider your pledge amount as a five year offering to serve the present and build the future.

- Letters were mailed this week to all couples scheduled to have their wedding at Saint Luke informing them of possible exterior work - including possible scaffolding - at the time of their wedding. A copy of the letter is included in today's bulletin. It is hoped this will avoid last minute upsetment. No interior work is involved.

- School families be on the lookout. Special brochures will soon be mailed to all school families seeking their support of the Campaign for Saint Luke especially in light of our hoped for new construction of a Parish Center which will directly benefit the school community - and their children. Each family will be asked to consider a yearly gift of \$500 for five years for a total pledge of \$2,500. With over 300 families their enthusiastic support can ensure the campaign's success!

And finally, thank you to all who make a pledge or gift to the Campaign. Your goodness is the cause of great hope!

St. Luke Church

COMMITMENT WEEKEND PLEDGE CARD

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

[] Not registered, but would like to be!

I am/We are pleased to make a gift to

Serving the Present; Building the Future

Yes! I/We agree to pledge today or increase my/our pledge.

Amen! I/We have already made a pledge.

Praying! I am/We are thinking about my/our decision.

Please call me/us at _____ on _____
Phone # Date

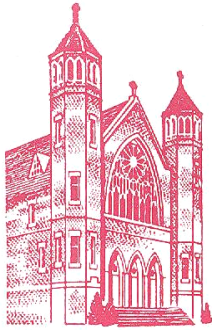
Total Pledge Amount \$25,000 \$18,000 \$12,000 \$6,000 \$2,500 \$1,200

Payable: Monthly (12 x a year) Quarterly (4 x a year) Semi-Annually (2 x a year) Annually (1 x a year)

Beginning: ____/____/____ for ____ months/years. I/We expect the periodic payment to be \$ _____

To help determine your sacrificial pledge, gift amounts can be structured as follows:

Total Pledge	Annually	Semi-Annually	Quarterly	Monthly	Daily
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$417	\$13.70
\$18,000	\$3,600	\$1,800	\$900	\$300	\$9.86
\$12,000	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$600	\$200	\$6.57
\$6,000	\$1,200	\$600	\$300	\$100	\$3.29
\$2,500	\$500	\$250	\$125	\$42	\$1.48
\$1,200	\$240	\$120	\$60	\$20	\$0.66



Saint Luke Church

16-34 CLINTONVILLE STREET
WHITESTONE, NEW YORK 11357
TEL: (718) 746-8102 • FAX: (718) 746-3589

April 2012

Dear Bride and Groom to be,

As you prepare for your wedding ceremony here at Saint Luke I am writing to let you know of possible exterior work involving scaffolding that is now being planned for the church.

Let me assure you that the work is exterior and will not involve interior work. I am not able at this time to be more specific as to when the exterior scaffolding will begin or end or for that matter what exterior part of the church will be involved.

I am writing, however, so that you will be aware of possible exterior work underway at the time of your wedding. In this way it is our hope to make you aware of this work now and so avoid any later upsetment.

Again, let me state that the work is exterior and does not involve interior work that would interfere with your wedding ceremony.

I do trust you understand the serious nature of the work involved. Hopefully you will continue to plan to have your wedding at Saint Luke. However, if you decide to go to another church we would provide you with the necessary permission and assist you in every way possible.

If you have any questions, please call the priest with which you met in making your initial plans.

With every best wish and the assurance of our prayers, we are

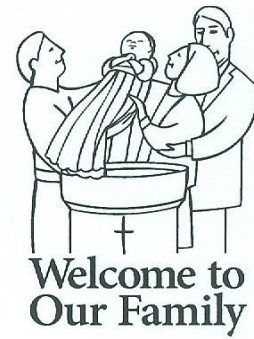
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi
Administrator

Rev. David J. Dettmer
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Vincent Chirichella
Parochial Vicar

**ALL CHILDREN BAPTIZED IN 2010 & 2011
TOGETHER WITH THEIR FAMILIES
ARE INVITED TO
A MASS OF THANKSGIVING
Sunday, May 20, 2012
at 1:00pm**



We rejoice in the recent birth and baptism of your child here at Saint Luke Church. Your child has become a new creation and has been clothed in Christ.

It is with great joy, therefore that we invite you to a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 1:00pm with all the children baptized in 2010-2011 together with their families.

I do hope you will be able to bring your child and join us for so special a celebration. A special blessing will be given the children – and the parents. Please feel free to invite the godparents as well. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will follow in the lower church.

If you are able to attend, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket on Sunday or at the rectory. You can call the Rectory as well at 718-746-8102.

We look forward to sharing this day with you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi
Pastor

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING
SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2011 AT 1:00PM**

Child's Name _____

Parents' Names _____

Number of People Attending _____

*SAINT LUKE CHURCH
WHITESTONE, NEW YORK
PRESENTS*



*An evening of prayer and song
on God's Mercy
with Fr. Charles and Laurie Mangano*

*Thursday, May 24, 2012
7:30-9:30pm
at Saint Luke Church*

Free Admission

*For more information call
718-746-8102*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
Tues.- Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
Wed. - Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
Thurs. - Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
Fri. - Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Sat. - Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

JOSETTE TANZOLA
JENNIE ROMANO
ARTOURAS JAOUTAKAS
ANTHONY TROTTA
LOUIS FIAMMA
ANNA IVERSON
EDWARD MORLEY
BABY OLIVIA GRACE BREEN
ROBERT BOLIVAR

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

PETER HONAN
OTTAVIO ODORIZZI
JOSEPHINE FREY
GENNARO MANCUSO

MEMORIALS

The Altar Bread is given in loving memory of **MICHAEL & DIANA O'CONNOR** at the request of Marion O'Connor.

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of the **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LAURI & O'CONNOR FAMILIES** at the request of Marion O'Connor.



ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 16, 2012

Monday, April 16
7:00 Gelma Daly
12:00 Ana & Karlo Trdoslavic

Tuesday, April 17
8:30 Mario Nardella
12:00 Mario Calabro

Wednesday, April 18
7:00 Costantino & Petronilla Ingravallo
12:00 John Boyko (Birthday)

Thursday, April 19
8:30 Nancy McHugh
12:00 Salvatore Gentile

Friday, April 20
7:00 Lucy & Enrico Tosi
12:00 Living & Deceased Members of the McAleer Family

Saturday, April 15
8:30 Bridget & Gerard Mirro & Barbara & Eugene Resnikoff

Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, April 22nd at 11:45am. At this Mass we pray for:

FRANK & VIRGINIA MCGOURTI





**QUEENS COUNTY AOH-LAOH ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST ---
Sunday, April 22, 2012 *Mass at 10am at St. Thomas More R.C. Church
204-25 Rockaway Point Blvd., Rockaway Point
Phone #718-634-6357**

Breakfast to follow across the street at the Catholic Club. Cost is \$30 per person.
Speaker: Deacon Kevin McCormick from AM Radio 770 "Religion on Line".
For further info and reservations contact: AOH - Mr. Pat Rooney 516-487-9703 or
LAOH - Ms. Maureen Leahy 718-406-4410.



BISHOP REILLY HIGH SCHOOL '71 REUNION ---

June 2, 2012 Picnic and Mets game at Citifield.

For more information go to <http://bishopreillyhighschool1971reunion.vzwebsites.com> or call
John Peiser at (917) 881-9930 or Liz Perillo Pennisi at (917) 699-2016.

"OPEN OUR DOORS" ---

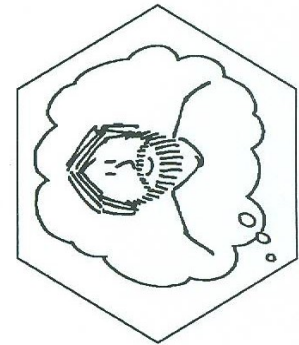
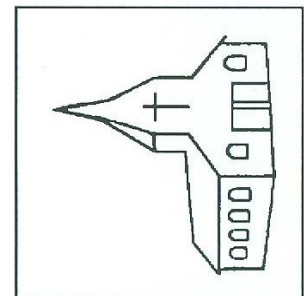
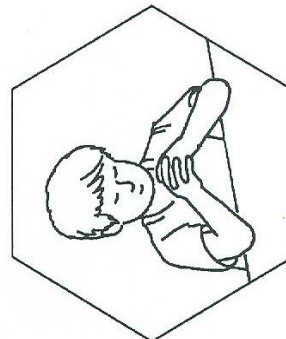
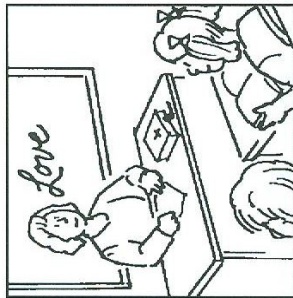
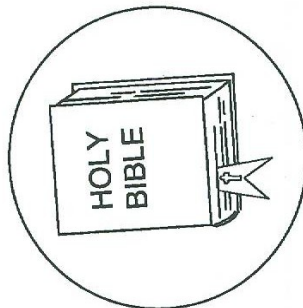
On Thursday, April 26th St. Francis Preparatory School will "Open Our Doors" to 8th and 9th graders that have not chosen a high school to date.

A Mini Open House will be conducted from 7pm to 9pm. Tours will be given along with material about St. Francis Prep. The school is located at 6100 Francis Lewis Blvd., Fresh Meadows, N.Y. For more information please call (718) 423-8810.



Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

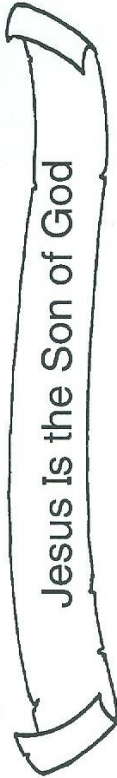
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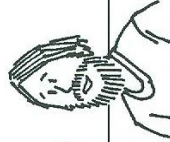
Children's Worship Bulletin

Ages 3-6

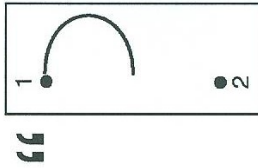
April 15, 2012 • John 20:19-31



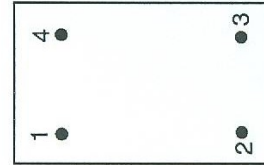
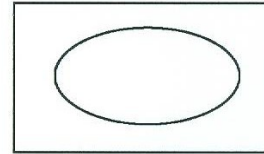
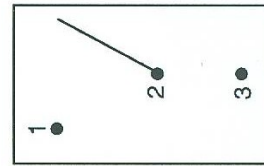
Jesus had been crucified.
But later, He appeared to
His disciples. What did He say?



Connect the dots to form the letters.



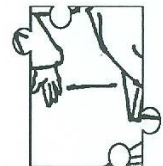
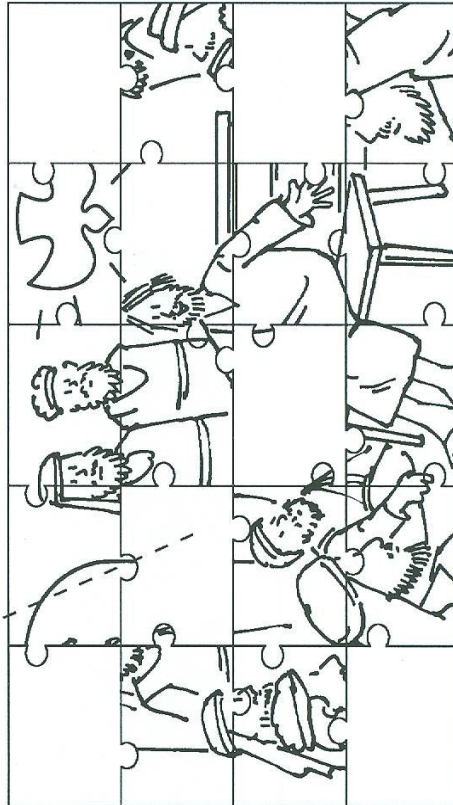
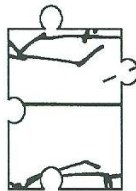
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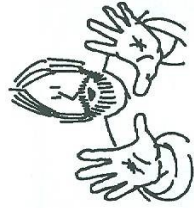
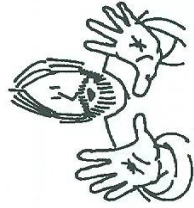
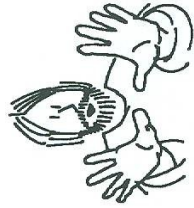
Jesus told His disciples,
"Receive the Holy Spirit."

Match the puzzle pieces.



Thomas needed to see Jesus
to believe Jesus was alive.

Circle the 2 that are alike in each row.



Believe! Believe! Believe?

