

## Spiritual Offerings

### Evening Prayer for Liturgical Ministers (EMs, Lectors, Choir, Greeters, RCIA Team, Consolation Ministers)

Join us for Taize prayer followed by hospitality in the Marian Room. This is an opportunity for all involved in liturgical ministry to pause and reflect at the beginning lent and to get together to socialize with those you minister with.

**Tuesday, March 15—7:30 PM in the Church and Marian Room.**

### Prayer Retreat

**Retreat leader: Nancy Azzaro, M.A.**

This morning retreat will begin with a light breakfast followed by presentation and practice of several different prayer forms, Journaling, Lectio Divina, and the Jesus Prayer.

**Saturday, April 9—9:00 AM-12:15 PM**

## Ongoing Programs



### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

A process of faith sharing and instruction whereby those over the age of discretion who have never been baptized or have been baptized in another Christian faith become members of the Catholic Church

**Meets Sundays at the 10:30 Mass followed by catechetical discussions until about 12:30. Initial interview required.**

### Adult Confirmation Preparation

This 10 week course of study for adults and older teens (16 and up) who are baptized Catholics but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation, prepares candidates for the reception of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2010.

Confirmation is required to be a baptismal or Confirmation sponsor and is highly recommended for a Catholic marriage.

**Classes begin March 21 following the 10:30 Mass in the JP II Room—Initial interview required. Call Jo-Ann in the Parish Office.**

### Little Rock Scripture Study

**Facilitators: Danielle Cizeck, Pat Paone**

In a Small Christian Community setting, participants will explore books of the Bible using well prepared texts and commentaries.

The group is presently studying Romans and will go on to Galatians  
**Mondays - 10:00 AM in the John Paul II Room**  
\$8.00 fee for materials.

### Small Christian Communities

During the year, small groups of 8-12 people meet in homes or here in the parish, weekly, bi-weekly or monthly to pray and discuss the scriptures. Call the Parish Office if interested in participating in a group.

### Women of Grace

**Facilitator: Cathy Morrissey**

An ongoing group that will explore God's purpose and mission for women of all ages. This is a group study format with video lectures by Johnnette Benkovic, host of the Abundant Life on EWTN.

**Informational meeting—Oct 14—10 AM**

**Two Thursday mornings a month—10 AM in the JP II Room**

### Men's Spirituality Group

This new group is especially suited for men in the parish in their 20's, 30's 40's and 50's. They will gather to talk and pray about living as a man of God in today's society.

**Initial meeting date to be announced. If interested please call the Parish Office.**

*For information on any of these programs or to register for courses, please call Dr. Jo-Ann Metzdorff in the Parish Office — 627-0385 or e-mail at joannm@stmary.ws. Or send this form to the parish office*

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## The Church of St. Mary



## Adult Faith Formation Program

### 2010-2011

**1300 Northern Blvd.  
Manhasset, New York  
516-627-0385**

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## Book Club

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*Book discussions are usually on a Tuesday morning, once a month at 10:00 in the John Paul II Room*

### **Begins Oct 26 - First Book -**

***The Catholic Mystique: Fourteen Women Finding Fulfillment in the Catholic Church***

By Jennifer Ferrara & Patricia Sodano Ireland

*Please read the book before the discussion date.  
Most books available on Amazon.com*

**subsequent books chosen by the group**

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## COURSES

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*Advanced registration required for all courses  
Course donation \$25 except where noted.*

### **Monday Night : Faith Express**

**Instructors: Various St. Mary's Staff and Adult Faith Formation Team members**

Forty Minute "express" classes on the teachings of the Catholic Church. These sessions are especially helpful for parents whose Middle School children are attending Faith Formation during the same time period, but all parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend, and it is not necessary to come to all sessions. Join us for a cup of coffee, some snacks and a enriching conversation about our Catholic faith.

**Monday nights when Faith Formation is in session. Beginning October 4. 7:40-8:20 PM in the Marian Room. (home in time for Monday Night Football). See weekly bulletin for more details and weekly topics. NO COURSE FEE.**

### **New Testament**

**Instructor: Ms. Lorraine Czarniak, M.A.,**

This basic Catechist course will be a introductory course on the New Testament. Catechist credit will be awarded. Bring a bible. Registration required

**Wednesday afternoons: Oct 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10  
3:30—5:00 in the JP II Room**

### **Theology of the Body Video Series**

When we did this series a few years ago it was very popular. Now we offer it again. This series of talks by Christopher West

is a candid look at John Paul II's teachings on the meaning of sexuality and marriage. West presents this teaching in a light, sometime amusing but always faithful to the Church's teaching which is often misunderstood. This is perfect for parents, young adults and older teens, although everyone is welcome. Fr Caccavale's lecture on Oct 13 is considered a prelude to this series.

**Tuesday mornings, Oct 19, 26, Nov. 9,16,Jan 11, 18, Feb. 8, 15—10 AM—JPII Room**

**Wednesday evenings, Oct 20, 27, Nov. 10, 17, Jan 12,19, Feb 9, 16—7:30 PM—JP II Room**

### **Liturgy and Sacraments**

A basic but concise look at the sacramental life of the Church. Course will include all seven sacraments, RCIA and two sessions on the Mass. We will also touch on the revised translations. Basic catechist credit will be awarded. Registration required.

**Instructor: Jo-Ann Metzdorff, D.Min.**

**Wednesday afternoon: Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26, Feb. 9  
3:30-5:00 in the JPII Room.**

### **The Cross in Theology and Art**

**Instructor: Alexander Burke, Ph.D.**

Dr. Burke has one of the largest collections of crosses from around the world. This course will look at the depiction of the cross in art and the theology that is expressed in the cross of Christ.

**Wednesday evenings: Mar. 2, 16, 23, 30, Apr. 6,13—7:30 PM  
in the Marian Room**

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## Seminars / Lectures / Workshops

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*No charge for lectures and seminars, but free will offerings will be accepted to continue the work of Adult Faith Formation at St. Mary.*

### **Fr. Anthony Vincent Gallo, the Making of a Saint**

**Presenter: William and Michael Gallo**

Fr. Gallo was a priest in Italy and his cause for sainthood is currently underway. He is an uncle of some of our parishioners. This presentation will not only be about Fr. Gallo but about the long and difficult process of having someone declared a saint, and why we venerate the saints.

**Thursday, September 30th 7:00 PM in the Marian Room.  
Refreshments will be served.**

### **The Church and Sexuality**

**Presenter: Fr. Charles Caccavale, STD**

This lecture on the Church's teachings on sexuality is a regular

part of the Pastoral Formation Institute's program. It will be of special interest to parents, young adults and even older teens. It is being presented as a prelude to our video series on the Theology of the Body. Fr. Charles is Professor of Moral Theology at our seminary.

**Wednesday, Oct. 13—7:30 PM in the Marian Room**

### **In the Footsteps of Jesus**

**Presenter: Dr. John Iocono**

Following a recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Dr. Iocono felt called to create a visual tour and presentation on the Holy Land. He has done this presentation at St. Ignatius retreat house and it was well received

**Thursday, October 21st, 7:30 in the Marian Room.**

### **The Prayer of the Church: Praying the Liturgy of the Hours**

**Presenter: Jo-Ann Metzdorff, D.Min.**

The Liturgy of the Hours, or Divine Office is liturgical prayer said at regular times during the day by clergy and religious. The backbone of the Office are the Psalms. Many of the laity are coming to discover the beauty and benefits of praying with the Church in this way. Yet it can be confusing for those who are beginners. Join us as we explore the origins of this liturgy and how you can begin to pray it daily.

**Date: Thursday, Oct. 28—10 AM in the chapel**

### **The "Grandparents" of Jesus**

**Presenter: Mrs. Patricia Paone**

In two sessions we will look at couples in the Scriptures who are the ancestors of Jesus as mentioned in the beginning of the Gospel of Matthew. Tamar & Judah, Salmon & Rahab, Boaz & Ruth, and David & Bathsheba

**Thursday Dec., 2 & 9—10:00 AM in the Marian Room.**

### **Cooking for Lent**

**Presenter: Pat Paone**

Join us once again for this popular demonstration of meat free dishes for Lent and any time. This year we will have the presentation in the morning. Come hungry as we will have taste testing

**Tuesday morning—March 3—10 -12 in the Marian Room**

