



ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH MESSENGER

JANUARY 2019



Sunday Worship Services – 8:15am and 9:30am
Sunday School – 9:30am

Calendar of Events:

Sun. Jan 6	Epiphany worship services Sunday School	8:15 & 9:30 am 9:30am
Mon. Jan 7	Yoga Class	7:00 pm
Tues. Jan. 8	Evangelism meeting Council meeting	6:30pm 7:30pm
Wed. Jan. 9	Confirmation class	7:30pm
Thurs. Jan. 10	Choir rehearsal	7:30pm
Sun. Jan 13	Worship services	8:15 & 9:30 am
Tues. Jan. 15	Council meeting	7:30pm
Fri. Jan 18	ALL COMMITTEE REPORTS DUE	
Sun. Jan 20	Worship services Sunday School SOUPER BOWL EVENT BEGINS	8:15 & 9:30am 9:30am
Fri. Jan. 25	Girl Scout bake off	6:30pm
Sat. Jan 26	Family Potluck & Games Night	5:30pm
Sun. Jan. 27	Annual Congregational meeting	10:30am



LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY:

Sun. Feb. 3	Souper Bowl Event Ends	
Sat.. Feb. 9	Craft and Wine Night	6:45pm
Thurs. Feb. 21	First Communion Class	7:00pm
Thurs. Feb. 28	First Communion Class	7:00pm

If you or someone you know is interested receiving First Communion please contact the church office at 516 599-0778 or email us at stjohnslynbrook@aol.com.
Classes are February 21st and 28th.



“Chalking the Door” Blessing Your Home for Epiphany



This Epiphany tradition goes back many centuries and is practiced in Christian homes around the world. The family gathers to ask God’s blessing on their home for the new year as well as those who will visit. Using chalk, the inscription **20 + CMB + 19** is written on the front door or the frame above (a porch step leading up to the front door is also a great spot!).

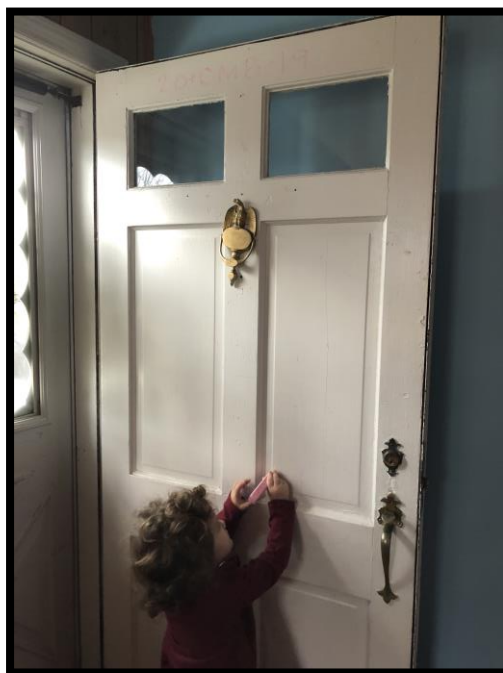
The letters **C**, **M**, and **B** have two meanings. They are the first letters of the traditional names of the three magi: **Caspar**, **Melchior**, and **Balthasar**. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, **Christus mansionem benedicat**, which means, “**Christ bless this house.**” The “+” signs represent the cross and the numbers mark the year.

“Chalking the door” is a great way to celebrate Epiphany and give thanks for all of God’s blessings in our lives and homes as we begin a new year!

Instructions

*Use chalk to write the inscription
20 + CMB + 19 while saying:*

*The Magi of old, known as
Caspar (C),
Melchior (M),
and Balthazar (B)
followed the star of God’s Son
who came to dwell among us
two thousand (20)
and nineteen (19) years ago.
May Christ bless our house (+)
and remain with us
throughout the new year (+).
Amen.*



Cassie Barry chalking her front door!

Then finish with the following prayer:

O Lord, visit our home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who visit here with the gift of your love and grant that we may manifest your love to each other. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.



SERVERS FOR JANUARY 2019

DATE	TIMES	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
6	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Kristina & Doug Palmer
13	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Dunn	Christopher Dunn	Susan Masciello	Anna Lenz	Andrew & Alexandra Dunn
20	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Ashley Gavin	Tyler Rouse	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Janet Powell & Lori Fernéz
27	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Dylan Hovell	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Suzanna Thomas & Robert Reckhart

SERVERS FOR FEBRUARY 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
3	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Carol Clemente &
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Tyler Rouse	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Dan Gonzalez
10	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	Robert Reckhart &
	9:30	Dylan Hovell	Christopher Dunn	Katherine Forte	Katherine Forte	Tyler Rouse
17	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Janet Powell &
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Victoria Ramirez	Kim Carlstrom	Kim Carlstrom	Lori Fernéz
24	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	Doug &
	9:30	Sam Barry	Parker Sloan	Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Kristina Palmer

To all worship servers:

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator: Claire Lenz: Lectors & Assisting Ministers - 872-2063 Pauline Feltkamp: Ushers- 599-2273 Andrea: Acolytes, Crucifers, Torch bearers and Gospel bearers- 599-0778

Please pray for...

Larry Lipitz
Anthony Posimato
Donna Valenti
Stephen Suppa
Eleanor Haslett
Scott Masciello
Rachel Jeremie
Inga Chiramonte
Bob Robon
Sherry Powell
The Carver Family
John Michael
Family of Gerda Weber

Vivian Monaco
Larry Rienecker
Vivian Monaco
Arlene
Sandy
Bill
Joe
Joanne
Ryan
Grace
Sue
Doris Oelschlager
Family of Harry Obst

Elfrida Lynn
Joshua Emswiler
Bernadette Harten
Carmel
Geraldine Christ
Lisa Sell
Karissa Heap
Orlando Castrence
Alisa Queen
Tad Sheppard
Harold Walker
Faith
John Fernéz

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request card or call or email the office at 599-0778 or stjohnslynbrook@aol.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks. Feel free to repeat your request at any time, we can all use prayers.

*Donations have been made to
the Memorial Fund in
memory of*

Gerda Weber

by

*The Richetti family
Ruth and Stanley Williamson*

Bob Koehler

by

Brian and Bernadette Harten

Louis Clemente

by

The Carroll family.

Harry Obst

entered

*the Church Triumphant
on January 8, 2019.*

*Harry was the husband of
the late Marie Obst who
served as church secretary
of St. John's for
many years.*

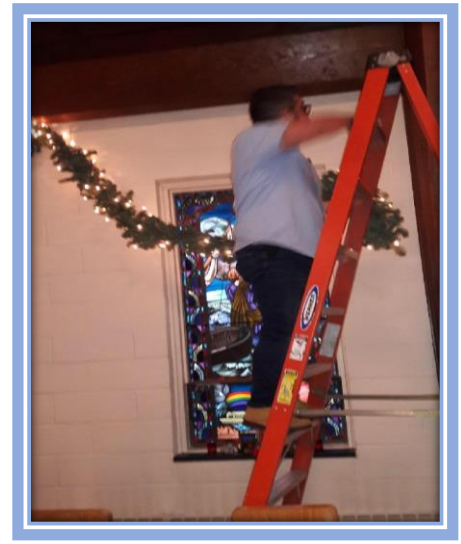
*Condolences may be sent to
their daughter and her
family:*

Mrs. Laurie Knize

20104 Ball Road

Black River NY 13612

Decorating the Church for Christmas



THE GIVING TREE: *THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!*

Once again, I would like to thank all of you for supporting the Giving Tree Project by donating gifts (as well as supplies) and continuing to make this a success year after year.

Thanks to those who helped wrap the gifts: **Kristen DeStefano, Alexandra Dunn, Ursula Lipitz, Jill Pace and Janet Powell.** Thanks also to those who helped move or deliver the gifts: **Matt Fernez, Mike Fernez and Dennis Fernez.** Last but not least, a big thanks to our secretary, **Andrea,** who helped me print out the gift tags for the tree and allowed for space in her office to store the gifts. All your help was greatly appreciated!

Many Christmas wishes were answered — **the Giving Tree provided 60 gifts to 4 families.** A picture of all the gifts the night they were wrapped is included below, so you can get a sense of how large our donation really was! We are so blessed to have such a generous congregation. Thank you all again for your support.

Lori Fernez



Thank you to all who donated to ELCA Good Gifts through our “Advent Tree”. This program provides gifts to help communities in impoverished nations survive. Our very generous congregation helped to donate the following:

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|-----------------------|--|
| 1 latrine | 3 pairs of goats |
| 4 piglets | 1 school fee & uniform for a child |
| 3 chicks | 6 gifts of school supplies for a child |
| 6 gifts of honey bees | 1 vaccination for a child |
| 1 goat | 6 backpacks stocked with food |

Thank you to **Katherine Forte** for helping to collect donations.

The total collected was an amazing \$961.00! Your generous gifts will surely go far to help the hungry and the poor.

Lori Fernez

CHRISTMAS PAGAENT 2018



CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN-INCARNATION DECEMBER 24, 2018





POINSETTIA DONATIONS



In Memory of:

Grandma Ruth Wakuluk

All who have gone before us
Louis Clemente
Loved Ones
Louis Clemente
Sal Criscuolo, Dorothy
& Julius Roll & Nelma McMEnamin
William J. Telesky
Frank Feltkamp
Frank Feltkamp

Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Robert Koehler
Edna & Charles Jack &
Conrad L. Habermann
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Our Dearly Departed Loved Ones
Allen and Dorothy Jimmerson,
John and Doris Kortlang
Amy and Shelli Kortlang
Tony and Katie Posimato
Susan Reckhart & Kimberly Paolillo
Loved Ones
Henry Roth, Dorothea Roth,
Dick Roth & Bob Weber
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Our Loved Ones

In Honor of:

Theresa Dietrich
Karen and Anthony Posimato
St. John-Incarnation Yoga Class
Our Grandchildren

Given by:

Emilia, A.J., Noah & Skyla
Berkowitz
Robert Clark
Carol Clemente
Charlene Comastri
Sue Ellen Coyle

Dorothy Criscuolo
Mary Ann Dodd
Pauline Feltkamp
Bruce, Karen, Carrie, Karl &
Christine Feltkamp
Christel & Paul Hild
Doris Hild
Allison Koehler

The Lebron Family
Susan and Vinnie Masciello
The Lipitz Family
The Palmer Family
Joan Pirrone

Judy and Anthony Posimato
The Reckhart Family
The Richetti Family

Don Roth
Cora and Don Sarver
Blanche and Chris Shelton
The Sheppard Family

Given by:

Richard Dietrich
Judy and Anthony Posimato
Jeanette Richetti
Blanche and Chris Shelton

ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for our annual Congregational Meeting, which will take place on Sunday, January 27th immediately following the 9:30am service. The agenda for the meeting will include a review of 2018 with reports from the committees of our congregation, the adoption of our budget for 2019, and the election of new council members as well as electing delegates for the annual SW Nassau Conference Meeting and Metro NY Synod Assembly. Updates will also be given regarding the sale of the Cedarhurst property and the safety/security of our building and property in Lynbrook. There will be time for questions and conversation, and recommendations may be made that require a vote.

This will be a very important meeting for the ministry and mission of our congregation as we look forward to the new year. All voting members are strongly encouraged to attend and participate!

Just a Few Thank You Notes.....

Thanks to the generosity of our congregation we were able to send 100 coats to Beacon House!

God's work - Our hands!



Dear St. John's,

Thank you so much for the gift card and continual thoughts and prayers for us! We hope that you have a Happy New Year and Continue to do God's work.

Love,

Sofie and Lyndsey

Dear St. John's Lutheran Church,

Thank you all so much for the card and the starbucks giftcard! I really appreciate you all thinking of me while I am away at school. Thanks again!

Love,

Katie Lenz



Seafarers International House

Harbor of Hospitality

123 East 15th Street
New York, NY 10003-3594
Phone: (212) 677-4800

www.sihnyc.org

January 4, 2019

St. John Lutheran Church
13 Blake Avenue
Lynbrook, NY 11563

Dear Friend:

I thank you so much for participating in our Christmas-At-Sea Holiday Initiative. With your help, our six port chaplains delivered the 1,853 satchels assembled by individuals, youth and senior groups, businesses and congregations. You should have seen the look on the seafarers' faces as they appreciated the warm clothing and heartwarming Christmas and Holiday greetings from total strangers.

Your contribution brought joy to seafarers out in the open sea, far away from loved ones and family. On their behalf, thank you!

We will be in touch in early summer to invite you to participate again this year.

In the meantime, best wishes for a peaceful, healthy and happy 2019.

Pastor Marsh Luther Drege, Executive Director

P.S. I hope you enjoy the enclosed postcard of Saint Nicholas, the Patron Saint of seafarers, travelers and children.



CHANGE THE GAME

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

MORE THAN 29 YEARS AGO, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since that day, more than \$143 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around the Big Game into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and serving.

Through this mission, young people learn what it’s like to make a positive difference in the world – as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

Be part of this movement that is sharing God’s love with those in need. Please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday.

Every dollar donated goes to
The New LIFE Center – LSSNY

Our 2019 Souper Bowl of Caring charity of choice.

January 20, 27 and February 3



Family Potluck & Games Night

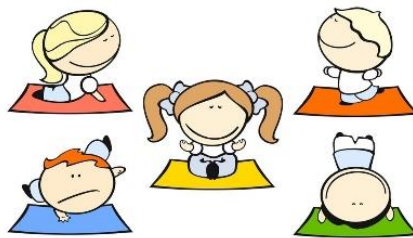


St. John-Incarnation Church
13 Blake Avenue, Lynbrook

Enter church through side door along the driveway

Bring a dish to share
Games provided,
feel free to bring along your favorite

Includes a
Special Family Yoga session hosted by Jeanette Richetti 6:15-6:45



Saturday
January 26th
5:30 PM

Contact: Gabrielle B. 516-459-9380 or
Susan M. 516-554-2207

Craft & Wine Night

**Saturday
February 9th
6:45 PM**

Create your own pine needle basket



St. John-Incarnation Church Lynbrook

13 Blake Avenue Lynbrook, New York 11563

\$25 per person

All the supplies are provided

**Bring friends! Bring laughter!
Bring your own snacks and beverages**

**Contact: Gabrielle B. 516-459-9380 or Susan M. 516-554-2207
Hosted by the Evangelism Committee**

**Message from the
Financial Secretary
of
St. John – Incarnation Lutheran Church**

Dear Members and Friends,

The 2019 offering envelopes are located in the narthex of the church. Please pick them up when you come to church. We have many exciting events happening at the church leading up to Christmas and I hope to see you there.

As you know, we are now members of **St. John – Incarnation Lutheran Church**, and our 2019 envelopes have the correct name on them.

Please write your checks to **St. John – Incarnation Lutheran Church**. The name written on the 2019 envelopes will make it easier to remember in case you forget.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask me at church or leave a message at the church for me at (516) 599-0778 and I will get back to you.

May God bless you always! Thank you for your continued support of our church.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

Joan Pirrone
Financial & Recording Secretary

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church
Roof Fund Appeal
UPDATE

The Stewardship and Finance committee is pleased to let you know the work on the roof above the old church which is above the knotty pine room, church office, council room and nursery is done.

Unfortunately, there was unforeseen water damage to the roof that had to be addressed. We need \$6,000.00 more to cover the work that needed to be done and are still collecting funds to cover the cost.

A big thank you to all who have so generously contributed to this appeal! With the additional work that was needed to be done, it is our hope and prayer that more donations to this new roof will be made.

Donations can be made in “Memory of” or in “Honor of” anyone you wish to be remembered or honored.

Donations will be shared each month in our Messenger.

Enclosed is a form that may be used for your donations.

Please look for regular updates from our Finance Committee.

Thank you!

Joan Pirrone

Stewardship and Finance Committee

Financial Recording Secretary



Check out the bulletin board across from the coat rack and see how our worker climbs the ladder to our goal!



Help Us Reach Our Goal!

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund

Name _____

Amount _____

Envelope # _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

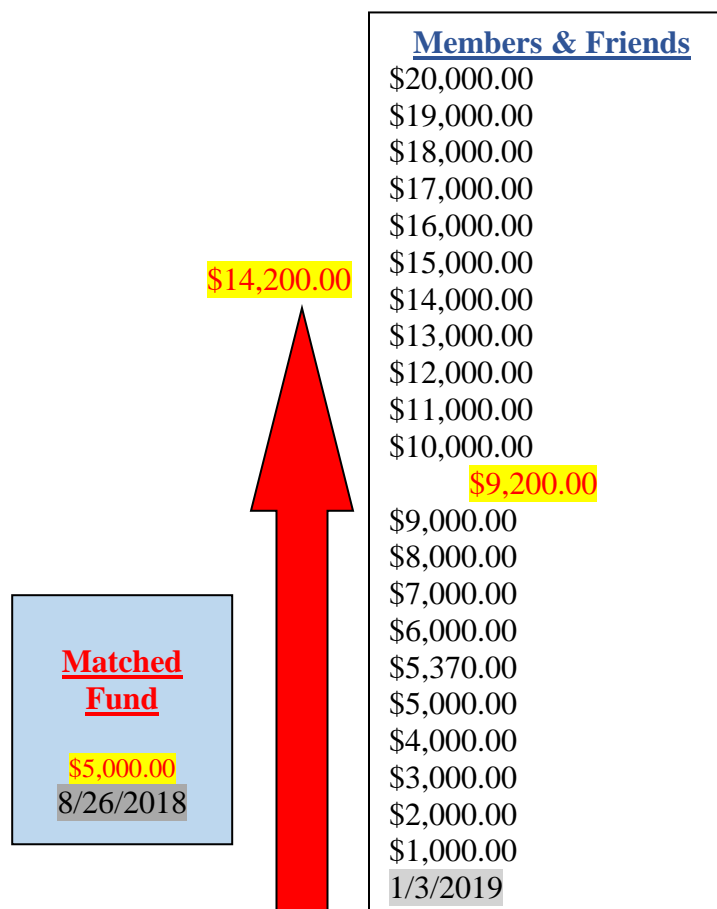
Please mail your contribution to:

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund
13 Blake Ave.
Lynbrook, NY 11563

Or, please drop it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Thank you

**St. John-Incarnation
Roof Appeal 2018-19
With Matching Funds**



We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have already contributed to the
Roof Fund of St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church!

IN HONOR OF....

DOROTHY CRISCUOLO'S 75TH BIRTHDAY BY
CAROL CLEMENTE, ALLISON KOEHLER,
JOAN PIRRONE, CORA SARVER, &
JUDY AND DAVE OPATOW

KAREN & ANTHONY POSIMATO BY
JUDY AND ANTHONY POSIMATO

DOT & VITO RICHETTI 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BY
DOT & VITO RICHETTI

LOVED ONES BY
THE LIPITZ FAMILY

PAULINE, BRUCE (MY GODSON) AND KAREN FELTKAMP BY
GRACE WEST

AN OFFERING BY
ANONYMOUS

ST. JOHN-INCARNATION BY
ANNA & DAN LENZ

OUR GRANDCHILDREN BY
CHRIS & BLANCHE SHELTON

PAULA WILLIAMS BY
HEIDI SCALZA

DOROTHY CRISCUOLO'S 75TH BIRTHDAY BY
JOANN LEONE

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF DOT & VITO RICHETTI BY
DOROTHY CRISCUOLO

RAQUEL, ROBERT SR., ROBERT JR. & LUCAS CLARK BY
VIRGINIA & ARTHUR CLARK

CUFFIA B. REITLER BY
EDWARD G. REITLER

IN HONOR OF....

MY CHILDREN ALLISON & JOSEPH &
GRANDCHILDREN GIOVANNI & GABRIELLA
BY JOAN PIRRONE

JOYCE, GREGORY & ANDREW BY
EDWARD G. REITLER

GERDA WEBER BY
PARKER SLOAN
JANE SLOAN

IN MEMORY OF....

LOVED ONES BY
THE LIPITZ FAMILY

LOVED ONES BY
DON ROTH

HERBERT LYNN BY
ELFRIEDE LYNN

ANTHONY MASCIELLO BY
SUSAN & VINNIE MASCIELLO

MY SIBLINGS JOAN, AL, AND BILL BY
CAROL CLEMENTE

ROBERT WEBER BY
GERDA WEBER

SAM & ALICE BACHELOR BY
GABRIELLE BARRY

GLENN HEAP BY
CLAIRE & HANK LENZ

LOVED ONES BY
CHRIS & BLANCHE SHELTON

RALPH F WILLIAMS BY
FLORENCE WILLIAMS

LOVED ONES BY
DORIS HILD

LOVED ONES BY
PAUL & CHRISTEL HILD

FRANK FELTKAMP BY
PAULINE FELTKAMP

CAPP & JACK SHEPPARD BY
ANNE & TAD SHEPPARD

LOVED ONES BY
ARLENE & ED MUGLIA

OUR MOTHERS-DOROTHY JACKSON & JUNE CONKLIN BY
KEN JACKSON & KATHY O'MARA

DOROTHY & JULIUS ROLL, SAL CRISCUOLO, & NAME MCMENAMIN
BY DOROTHY CRISCUOLO

LOVED ONES BY
CHARLENE COMASTRI

KIMBERLY ANN PAOLILLO BY
JOHN PAOLILLO

SUSAN K. RECKHART/KIMBERLY ANN PAOLILLO BY
ROBERT RECKHART

MERLE WILLIAMS BY
PAULA WILLIAMS

LOUIS CLEMENTE BY
JUDY & DAVE OPATOW

LOUIS CLEMENT BY
DOROTHY CRISCUOLO

IRMA & BOB KAEMPF BY
BOB & DIANE KAEMPF

LOUIS CLEMENTE BY
CAROL CLEMENTE

MY WIFE RUTH WAKULUK BY
WILLIAM WAKULUK

**ALLEN & DOROTHY JIMMERSON BY
JOAN PIRRONE**

**LOVED ONES BY
CORA SARVER**

**BOB & IRMA KAEMPF BY
KAREN & NORM IRVING**

**BILL DAVISON BY
SUE ELLEN COYLE**

**WILLIAM J. TELESKY BY
MARY ANN DODD**

**LOVED ONES BY
ELEANOR HASLETT**

**GERDA WEBER BY
CAROL CLEMENTE
DOROTHY CRISCUOLO
SUE & VINNIE MASCIELLO
JOAN PIRRONE
CORA & DON SARVER
CATHERINE RUZIKA**

**JERRY ESPOSITO
CHRISTEL & PAUL HILD**

**THE TRIPODI FAMILY
KERRY & GLENN KAPLAN**

**LOUISE SASSO
SHARON & STEVE SARELSON**

**THE STEGMAN FAMILY
LISA CROWL**