



St. John of the Incarnation MESSENGER MARCH 2016

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Services

8:15 and 9:30 AM at St. John's

11:00 am at Incarnation

Sunday School – Grades K-6

9:30 AM at St. John's

A Message from Pastor Alex:

Grace, mercy, and peace to you during this Lenten season!

With Holy Week just a few weeks away, I've been thinking a lot about the story of Jesus washing the disciples' feet from the Gospel of John. It's a story that most of us know very well. We hear it every year on Maundy Thursday and this year will be no different. During the Passover meal Jesus gets up, wraps a towel around his waist, and washes the disciples' feet. With this washing also comes a moment for teaching:

“You call me Teacher and Lord--and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example that you also should do as I have done to you... I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.”

Now in the first century, washing a disciple's feet was more than just a simple act of humble service. It was a very radical thing to do! The washing of guests' feet was a common custom upon entering a household, but it was one that was always done by a slave or servant. Therefore, Jesus washing his disciples' feet was not only an act of cleansing, but more importantly, it was an amazing act of love. Jesus loved his disciples so much, even their smelliest and dirtiest parts!

Following our Lord's command, many congregations have traditionally included a time for foot or hand washing on Maundy Thursday. We have done hand washing at St. John's for the past two years and I would like us to try it again this year at Incarnation - to take a moment in worship to wash each other's hands while we think about the words that Jesus is saying to us. Doing this will help prepare our hearts and minds as our Lenten journey leads us to the cross at Calvary: the place where God's love for us would be revealed in the ultimate way. I hope you will join us



God's blessings to you this Holy Week and Easter!

Peace +

Pastor Alex

Calendar of Events for March 2016

Wednesday, March 16	SW Conference Lenten Service at Incarnation	7:30 pm
Thursday, March 17	Confirmation class	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 20 PALM SUNDAY	Worship at St. John's NO Sunday School Worship at Incarnation	8:15 & 9:30 am 11:00 am
Thursday, March 24	Holy Thursday No Confirmation Class	
Friday, March 25	Good Friday	
Sunday, March 27	Easter	
Thursday, March 31	No Confirmation class	



Thurs. 3/24	7:30 pm – Maundy Thursday worship at Incarnation
Fri. 3/25	7:30 pm – Good Friday worship at St. John's
Sun. 3/27	7:00 am – Easter worship at Incarnation 8:15 am – Easter breakfast at Incarnation 9:30 am – Easter worship at St. John's Easter Egg Hunt (after worship)

INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

411 Bayview Avenue Cedarhurst, NY 11516 ~

Directions from St. John's Church:

1. Turn right onto Merrick Rd.
2. Turn slight left onto Peninsula Blvd.
3. Turn left onto Bayview Ave.
Bayview Ave is just past Cedarhurst Ave.
If you reach Hanlon Dr. you've gone a little too far.
411 BAYVIEW AVE is on the right.
Your destination is just past Monroe St.
If you reach W. Broadway you've gone a little too far.

SERVER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 2016

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
4/3	9:30	Victoria Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Susan Masciello	Greg Kershner	Robert Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
4/10	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Elizabeth Hanson	Janet Pescatore	Katharine Forte	Al Gonzalez & Dan González
	8:15					
4/17	9:30	Kevin Hanson	Jesse Pace	Dan Gonzalez	Bill Benson	Bill & Debby Lindman
	8:15					
4/24	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Christopher Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Doug & Kristina Palmer

SERVER SCHEDULE FOR MAY 2016

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
	8:15					
	9:30	Parker Sloan	Kaitlyn Gavin	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Janet Powell & Lori Fernéz
Mother's Day 5/8	8:15			Debby		
	9:30	Victoria Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Katharine Forte	Greg Kershner	Bill Benson & Richard Dietrich
Pentecost 5/15	8:15					
	9:30	Jesse Pace	Jesse Pace	Bill Lindman	Bill Lindman	
	Torch Bearer	Victoria Ramirez	Elizabeth Hanson			
	Gospel Bearer	Christopher Dunn				Robert Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
	8:15					
5/29	9:30	Tyler Rouse		Hank Lenz	Hank Lenz	Kevin Hanson & Kevin Hanson Jr.

SERVER SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2016

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
	8:15					
6/5	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	N/A	Kim Carlstrom	Kim Carlstrom	Carol Clemente & Janet Pescatore
	8:15					
6/12	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	N/A	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Bill & Debby Lindman
Father's Day 6/19	8:15					
	9:30	Kevin Hanson	N/A	Kathleen Forte	Anna Lenz	Robert Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
	8:15					
6/26	9:30	Parker Sloan	N/A	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Doug & Kristina Palmer

Larry Lipitz
George Verity
Stephanie Moser
Anthony Posimato
Donna Valenti
Dorothy Hafner
Elaine Smith
Joann D' Ambrosio
Stephen Suppa
Inga Chiramonte
Michael Simmons
Bob Robon
Frank
Ernest
Ann Rainis
Lawson Humphreys

Chelsea Wright
Eleanor Haslett
Scott Masciello
Phyliss Mihalich
Rachel Jeremie
William Geier
Victor Kunitsky
Doreen Tietjen
Lisa Goldman
Jean Weber
Irene Hopkins
Rosalie Barbaro
Marina
Mark Humphreys
Bobby Hovell
Donna

Larry Buonadonna
David Pontius
Al Davis
Lena Dellaratta
Donna Karfunkle
Nicole Sosa
William DiPietra
Donna Paganuzzi
Gloria Paganuzzi
James Balutawski
April Balutawski
Francesca
Judy Pang
Rosemarie Pace
Anne Sheppard



If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on the prayer request card in your bulletin, 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.



*A Loss in
Our Church Family*

It is with much sadness that we inform you of the passing of Linda Schramm, long time member of the St. John's Church family.

Welcome to the newest member of God's Family

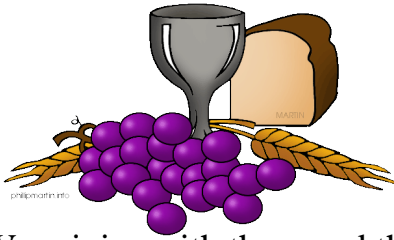
Kayden Henry Larke!

Son of Christopher and Kristen Larke, Kayden was baptized at St. John's by Pastor Alex, on February 28th! Welcome Kayden!



The Barry Family is excited to introduce our newest addition, Cassandra Anne.

She arrived on January 20th at 5:07 am weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz.! Big brother Sam adores her and constantly covers her in hugs and kisses!



The following individuals will join us at our Lord's Table as they receive their First Communion!

Madeline Anna Posillico
Michael William Posillico
Lily Jane Sloan

We rejoice with them and their families as they take this step in their faith journeys. Please keep them in your prayers.



If you would like to donate money for **Easter Flowers**, please take a yellow Easter Flower envelope from the bulletin board in the narthex or contact the church office. Thank you.

St. John's will be hosting a 6 Hour Defensive Driving class!

WHEN: SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND FROM 9:00 AM TO 3 PM

COST: \$35.00 PER PERSON.

****COUNTY SAFETY DONATES \$5.00 PER PERSON TO ST. JOHN'S.
TO RESERVE AND SEAT AND GET MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
JOE MASCIELLO AT (631) 988-1921**

ST. JOHN OF THE INCARNATION FLOWER FUNDRAISER

We are raising funds for legal fees for our merger.

Beautify your home and garden with lovely flowers and *contribute to our great cause!*

We are now taking orders for Spring Flower bulbs. Orders will be taken until April 10th.

All orders will be delivered in time for spring planting. All bulbs are 100% satisfaction guaranteed.

To order online, go to www.flowerpowerfundraising.com. Click on Find an Organization and type in St John's of the Incarnation. Then click on the green link when it appears. There is also a button at the bottom to refer a friend. We are asking everyone to send this link to friends and family outside of our area. We receive 50% of the profit from our sales.

Please see Anne Shepherd at Incarnation or Janet Pescatore at St. John's or the brochure and order form on the bulletin board in the narthex.

If you have questions, contact either person.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



CBS HAD THEIR EYE ON OUR OWN BILL BENSON! WAY TO GO BILL!

96-Year-Old Man Takes Track-And-Field By Storm

March 2, 2016 7:09 PM

Filed Under: [Bill Benson](#), [Running](#), [Steve Overmyer](#), [track and field](#)



VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (CBSNewYork) — Move over, Usain Bolt. You might have some [competition](#) from a nearly 100-year-old man.



CBS2's Steve Overmyer reports Bill Benson – at the spry age of 96 – is close to his goal of running in 1,000 career races. He is only 17 away.



Benson has been running for 36 years, winning medals and setting records for his age group. He told CBS2 he's hoping to hit his 1,000-race mark soon.

"The best way to die is running while you're out on the road. You have no pain, you don't sit in the hospital for weeks," Benson said. "What a wonderful way to go. I don't know if that makes sense to anybody, only to runners probably."

Benson explained that he wasn't running all of his life. He stopped after [college](#), but picked it up again on his wife's gentle suggestion.

"Sixty was the magic age for me. I started over again," he told CBS2. "I kept telling my wife that they don't make clothes like they used to. These keep shrinking. She said, 'They're not shrinking. You're getting fat.'"

Benson called his wife his inspiration while running.

"She was my inspiration. She always said, 'Get out of the house and run,'" he told CBS2.

Benson is usually seen running around Hendrickson Park in the village of Valley Stream. He said sometimes he thinks about nothing out on the pavement.

"That's the best part. It just gives you a feeling. Some days you feel like you can run forever and somedays you feel like you can't do anything," he told CBS2.

He continued, "If I had a problem at work, I could come home and start running, and by the time I was finished running, I had solved the problem."

The meat-and-potatoes runner said the key to a long life is goal-setting – set your own finish line and achieve that goal.

Benson's next big race is his favorite – the 5th Avenue Mile in September – and he wants to break the record for his age group.

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