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Bereavement Support Groups/Programs Available Now: (website updated frequently)

Support Group-St. Pius X Church, Classroom 1-School- Washington Avenue, Plainview, Begins Sunday, February 5th (8 weeks)-1:30-3:30. Call Carol Ann DalCeredo to register 516 840-0000

Hospice for the Grieving Heart this Valentine's Day-Presented by Good Shepherd Hospice

Date-February 7, 2012 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Mercy Hospital Board Room, 1000 North Village Ave Rockville Centre

RSVP- 516 465-6262

Date: February 11, 2012 from 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Good Shepherd Hospice, Wisdom Conference Center, 200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson

RSVP -631 465-6262

Lung Cancer Survivors In Treatment Support Group, Cancer Care, 20 Crossways Park Drive North, Suite 110, Woodbury. Wednesdays 1:30-3:00 p.m. starting February 8th. To register or for further information please call 516 364-8130

Bereavement Support Groups-Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center. 1000 Montauk Hgwy.

West Islip, **Drop-In Bereavement Support Group** (1st and 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8:30 p.m.);

Loss of Baby Support Group (2nd Tuesday 6:30-8:30 p.m.) **Contact:** 631 376-4444

Good Shepherd Hospice Programs/Support Groups:

Ongoing Support Group for Loss of a Loved One, sponsored by Good Shepherd Hospice, meets at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center, 495 New No. Ocean Ave., **Patchogue**, 3:00-4:30 pm, to register call Clarice Curry, LCSW (631-465-6253). **DAYTIME.**

Drop In Bereavement Support Groups:

Mercy Hospital-1000 North Village Avenue, Rockville Centre (Board Room-1st floor next to the chapel)

Wednesday evenings- 6:30p.m-8:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd In Patient Center-200 Belle Terre Road, Port Jefferson Station. Wednesday afternoons 3:00-4:30. For further information on either location please call 631 465-6262.

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Monthly Support Groups,

MONDAYS:

1st Mon. **New-to-COPE Parent Support Group Meeting for Loss of Child** (for newly bereaved parents), (North Shore), at Elias Hicks Historical Home, 1740 Old Jericho Turnpike, **Jericho**, 7:30-9:30 pm, contact Karen Flyer for further information (516) 484-4993; karen@copefoundation.org.

TUESDAYS:

2nd Tues. **General Bereavement Support Group for all losses**, at Queen of the Most Holy Rectory Basement, 196 West Centennial Ave., **Roosevelt**, 7:30 pm, call Andre or Sheila Python (516) 333-5758.

2nd Tues **Ongoing “Loss of A Baby” Support Group** (miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death) Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center, West Islip, 6:30-8:30 PM. No fee. For further information please call 631 376-4444

4th Tues. **COPE Newly Bereaved Parent Support Group for Loss of Child**, (in the last 18 months), sponsored by COPE, at Temple Emanuel, 123 Merrick Ave., **East Meadow**, 7:30-9:30 pm, contact Karen Flyer for further information (516) 484-4993; karen@copefoundation.org, (5/25)

WEDNESDAYS:

1st Wed. **COPE Parent Support Group Meeting for Loss of Child** .Oceanside Jewish Center, 2680 Brower Ave., Oceanside, 7:30 P.M. Contact Karen Flyer for further Information (516) 484-4993 or Karen@copefoundation.org

2nd Wed. **Bereaved Parents/USA (BP/USA)** for loss of child of any age and from any cause, at Faith Lutheran Church, 231 Jackson Ave., **Syosset**, 7:30-9:00 pm, facilitated by Diana Roscigno, Chapter Leader, call to register (516) 233-4848.

2nd Wed. **Long Island Survivors of Suicide, Support Group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide**, at Temple Emanuel-New Hyde Park, 3315 Hillside Ave., **New Hyde Park**, 7:30-9:30 pm, open to adults of all faiths, facilitated by Bill and Beverly Feigelman, (718) 380-8205 or 8206, website www.LISOS.org, feigelw@ncc.edu or feigelma@aol.com .

4th Wed. **General Bereavement Support Group for all losses**, a Tri-Parish Bereavement Support Group, sponsored by St. Ignatius Martyr Parish - **Long Beach**, St. Mary of the Isle Parish -Long Beach, and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish – **Point Lookout**. Meets monthly, 7:30 pm, for info contact Kathy Ryan (516) 432-6099.

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4th Wed. **A Place for Hope, Support Group for Survivors of Suicide**, for those who have lost a loved one to suicide, at St. Rose of Lima Parish, Msgr. Graham Center (building on left of parking lot), open to all faiths, corner of Bayview Ave. and Merrick Road, **Massapequa**, no fee, 7:30 pm, call facilitator Anne Marie Maiorana (516) 868-1576.

THURSDAYS:

2nd Thurs. **Suicide Bereavement Support Group**, St. Catherine of Sienna Hospital, meets at Sienna Village Community Center, 2000 Bishops Rd., **Smithtown**, 6:30-8:00 pm, facilitated by Dorothy Raniolo, LMSW, ACSW and Rachele Warren, LMSW, call to register (631) 862-3634.

2nd Thurs. **Well-Spouse Group**, help and support for the **spouse caring for an ill spouse**, meets at South Nassau Communities Hospital Mental Health Center located at 2277 Grand Ave., **Baldwin** (between Sunrise Highway and Merrick Road), 7:30 p.m. contact (516) 546-1370. Check National website: www.wellspouse.org

3rd Thurs. **L.I. GRASP Chapter (Grief Recovery After Substance Passing)**, for all those who have had a child die from drugs, at The Branch Funeral Home, basement meeting room, 190 East Main Street, **Smithtown**, 7-8:30 pm, for further info call Walter & Maxine Katz 631 588-4957 or email walter588@aol.com

3rd Thurs. **St. Mary's Perinatal Support Group**, (miscarriage, stillbirth, and infant death), at St. Mary's Parish, Sacred Heart Hall, in the Joseph Room (entrance on side under Parish Social Ministry Offices), Main St. (corner of Harrison Ave.), **East Islip**, 7:30-9:00 pm, for information call facilitators Gini Sandles (631) 277-1754, or Eileen Penny (631) 374-3235

3rd Thurs. **St. Rosalie Parish, 31 Montauk Hgwy. Hampton Bays, Bereavement Support** at 1 pm, contact Fr. Sabbas Rodrigues (631) 728-9461. **DAYTIME.**

FRIDAYS:

1st Fri. **Guardian Angel Perinatal Support** (miscarriage, stillbirth, and infant death), at St. Kilian's Parish Center (basement of church), 485 Conklin St., **Farmingdale**, 7:30 9:00 pm, no fee, call Martha Weiss, LPN, Coordinator (516) 249-8589 or e-mail her: martyk9@optonline.net; website: www.stkilian.com/gaps

1st Fri. **Compassionate Friends of Babylon (TCF)**, monthly support group for parents and grandparents, at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 576 Deer Park Ave., **Babylon**, 7:30 pm, facilitated by Barbara and Mike Redmond. (631) 277-4376

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- 2nd Fri.** **The Compassionate Friends of Rockville Centre (TCF)**, monthly support group for **bereaved parents** (loss of child of any age), at Molloy College, Multi-Purpose Room, 2nd floor of Wilbur Arts Building (building on right of circular drive Hempstead Ave., **Rockville Centre**, no fee, 8 pm, contact Chapter Leaders Elaine and Joe Stillwell (516) 766-4682 or e-mail: estillwell@optonline.net website: www.tcfofrvc.org .
- 2nd Fri.** **The Compassionate Friends of Rockville Centre (TCF), (for bereaved siblings** 18 and above who lost a brother or sister), at Molloy College, Hempstead Ave. **Rockville Centre**, Wilbur Arts Building, Basement, Room #18, (building on right of circular drive), no fee, 8 pm, contact Sibling Facilitator Theresa Pellegrino (516) 249-7480 or e-mail: tellpelle@msn.com.
- 2nd Fri.** **The Compassionate Friends of Brookhaven**, for loss of child, at St. Sylvester Church Basement, 68 Ohio Ave., **Medford**, 7:30 pm, call Chapter Leaders Maxine and Walter Katz (631) 738-0809.
- 3rd Fri.** **The Compassionate Friends of Twin Forks (Hamptons Area)**, for loss of child meets in **East Quogue**, call Chapter Leader Marie Levine (631) 653-9444

SATURDAYS:

- 1st Sat.** **General Bereavement Group for All Losses**, at Branch Funeral Home, 190 E. Main St., **Smithtown**, facilitated by Patricia Jones, M.S., 10-11:30, am, call (631) 205-1842.

SUNDAYS:

- 2nd Sun.** **Parents of Murdered Children (Suffolk County Chapter)**, support group for bereaved parents whose child has been murdered, at Mather Hospital, Main Floor Conference Rooms 4 & 5, North Country Road, Port Jefferson, 2-4 pm, for further information call Kathy (631) 949-5371 or June (631) 384-5240. **DAYTIME**

Weekly/Bi-Weekly Bereavement Support Groups, meet once a week or twice a month

- Every Mon.** **“You’re Not Alone” Support Group for those left behind after suicide loss**, at St Anthony of Padua Parish Outreach Office, 20 Cheshire Place, East Northport, 7 pm, facilitated by Pat and Bob Karpowicz, call them to register (631) 266-2656.
- Every Mon.** **General Bereavement for All Losses**, at St. Patrick Rectory, 280 East Main St., **Smithtown**, 7-9 pm, call Parish Outreach (631) 265-2668.
- Every Mon.** **General Bereavement Group for All Losses**, at South Nassau Communities Hospital Mental Health Center, 2277 Grand Ave. **Baldwin** (located between Sunrise

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Hwy. & Merrick Road), 6-7 pm, no fee, call (516) 546-1370.

- Every Monday** **Ongoing Support Group for Loss of a Loved One**, sponsored by Good Shepherd Hospice, meets at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center, 495 New No. Ocean Ave., **Patchogue**, 3:30-5:00 pm, to register call Clarice Curry, LCSW (631-465-6252). **DAYTIME**.
- 1st & 3rd Tuesdays** **Young Widows and Widowers Support Group**, at St. Frances de Chantal Parish, Rectory Basement, 1309 Wantagh Ave., **Wantagh**, 7:30-9:00 pm, call Parish Outreach to register (516) 785-2333, x 240.
- 1st & 3rd Tues** **Ongoing Support Group for Loss of a Loved One**, Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center, West Islip, 6:30-8:30 PM. No fee. For further information please call 631 376-4444
- 2nd & 4th Tues.** **Levittown Community Church**, meets at Pastor Joe's house, 8 Cornflower Road, Levittown, 7:30 pm, contact: Pastor Joe (516) 735-6550
- Every Wed.** **General Bereavement Support Groups**, Brookhaven Memorial Medical Center Hospice, 105 West Main Street, **Patchogue**, afternoons 2-2:30 pm and evenings 6:00-7:30 p.m., call to register (631) 687-2960
- Every Thurs.** **Survivors of Suicide Support Group**, Brookhaven Memorial Medical Center Hospice, 105 West Main Street, **Patchogue**, facilitated by Julianna Taglich, LCSW, 6:00-7:30 pm, call Hospice to register (631) 687-2960.
- Every Thurs.** **General Bereavement Group for All Losses** except loss of child, at St. Joseph Church basement, 45 Church Street, **Ronkonkoma**, 7:00-9:00 pm, facilitated by Barbara Piccola, contact her at (631) 588-0476.
- Every Thurs** **Survivors of Suicide, at Brookhaven Memorial Center Hospice**, for those who have lost a loved one to suicide, 105 Main St., **Patchogue**, facilitated by Julianna Taglich, LCSW, call Hospice to register 9 am-4 pm, at (631) 687-2960. meets every Thursday, 6:00-7:30 pm.
- Every Thursday** **Ongoing Support Group for Loss of a Loved One**, sponsored by Good Shepherd Hospice, meets at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center, 495 New No. Ocean Ave., **Patchogue**, 2-3 pm, to register call Clarice Curry, LCSW (631-6253) **DAYTIME**
- 2nd & 4th Thurs.** **COPE Parent Support Group Meeting for Loss of Child**, (North Shore), at Elias Hicks Historical Home, 1740 Old Jericho Turnpike, **Jericho**, 7:30-9:30 pm, contact Karen Flyer for further information (516) 484-4993; karen@copefoundation.org.
- 2nd & 4th Thurs.** **Bereaved Parents Support Group**, for loss of child of any age from any cause, meets twice a month in the Library, at The Church of Good Shepherd, 1370 Grundy Ave., **Holbrook**, 7 pm, to register call Parish Outreach (631) 585-4544.

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Every Fri. **General Bereavement Group for All Losses**, at St. Peter of Alcantara Parish, 1327 Port Washington Blvd., **Port Washington**, 8:00 pm, call Rose Osterberg (516) 767-1460 or Yvonne Calabrese (516) 883-4817.

Support Groups/Programs for Children

Children's & Adolescent Groups: *Specialized group open to all children in the community who have experienced death* **To register or for more information on the groups listed below or any of Good Shepherd Hospice Bereavement Services please contact the Bereavement Department at 631-465-6262**

Center for H.O.P.E., at Schneider Children's Hospital, 270-06 76th Ave., **New Hyde Park**, call Susan Thomas, LCSW (516) 470-3123 for dates and times.

Hospice Care Network – Nassau, at 99 Sunnyside Blvd., **Woodbury**, call (516) 832-7100, www.hospicecarenetwork.org. (death does not have to be from cancer) Call for dates and times.

Hospice Care Network – Suffolk, at 14 Shore Lane, **Bay Shore**, call (631) 666-6863, www.hospicecarenetwork.org. (death does not have to be from cancer) Call for dates and times.

North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center, 480 Old Westbury Road, (aka L.I.E. Service Road), **Roslyn Heights**, fee, call Linda Reilly, LCSW for dates and times (516) 299- 5373, x 234.

Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice of Suffolk, 101 Laurel Rd., **Northport**, call Andrea Fierro, LMSW (631) 930-9316. (death does not have to be from cancer) registration and assessment is required

Programs Available as Needed:

Every Day **“Joe’s Project,”** offers support for family members who lost someone to **suicide**, trained responders will meet with you to help you through this difficult time, to request a bereavement contact call 1-888-375-2228.

As Needed **Children & Teens Bereavement Support Group**, Good Samaritan Hospital, West Islip. No fee. For further information please call 631 376-4444.

As Needed **Individual Perinatal Support** for parents who have suffered miscarriage, stillbirth or infant death, at St. Mary’s Parish, **East Islip**, call the rectory (631)581-4266x 100.

As Needed **Free Help Is Available from 9 am to 9 pm**, to talk, to ask questions, to solve a problem, to face challenges or if you’re just feeling alone, call Mental Health Association of Nassau County, 186 Clinton St., **Hempstead** (516) 504-HELP. www.mhanc.org.

As Needed **Support Group for Parents of Children Diagnosed with a Chronic Illness**, facilitated by Mary Rzeszut, LMSW, fee, (516) 294-1672.

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Memorial Programs, to always remember our loved ones

Visit Angel of Hope Angel of Hope Statue, (loss of child), Eisenhower Park, Field 6, **East Meadow**, (located between the Harry Chapin Theatre and War Memorial, bricks for the walkway surrounding the statue may still be purchased in memory of your child, for info check website: www.angelashouse.org or call Bob Policastro (631) 926-0885.

Special Programs, Ceremonies, Masses and Retreats,

Bereavement Mass, 2nd Sat. of month St. Joseph Church, 39 North Carll Ave., Babylon
9:00 a.m. Contact Barbara Schade 631 968-8793 b.schade@verizon.net

Parents of Hope-St. Frances de Chantal, 1309 Wantagh Ave. Wantagh.
Lenten Prayer Service of Light, Tuesday, March 13th. at 7:00 P.M. in Smulski Room
School Building. Hospitality follows.
Liturgy of Hope, Tuesday, June 5th at 7:00 P.M. in the Church. Hospitality follows

The Beginning Experience, a weekend away for a lifetime of change taking steps toward wholeness and new direction (persons attending should be beyond the initial feelings of shock, anger and despair which often follow the loss of one's spouse), at Montfort Spiritual Center, **Bay Shore**, held twice a year-Feb. and Aug., fee, call to register: John (516) 822-0635 or Jim (718) 474-3779.

Facilitator Training and Educational Programs,

Bereavement Programs are available to be offered at parish sites.
For more information please call the Department of Family Ministry. 516 678-5800 Ext. 236

Bereavement Facilitator Training (Part 1)-For the development and training of individuals or parish teams to provide ministry to the bereaved. **Offered by the Department of Family Ministry.**

Mondays- January 30, February 6, February 13, February 27 and March 5

Location-St. Brigid's, School Building (Room 220) 101 Maple Ave. Westbury

Time-7:30 p.m-9:30 p.m.

Presenter-Lou Sabatini, Ph.D

Cost-\$25. Per person To register please check our website at www.drvc-faith.org please call Marissa D'Agostino-516 678-5800 Ext 505.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT CONFERENCE-MARCH 17, 2012

"Blessed Are You..." –Keynote-Fr. Anthony Stanganelli. Please check our website at www.drvc-faith.org for registration form and details on workshop presenters and topics. New for 2012-Online registration.

Let Us Know:

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If your parish or agency is offering a support group or program, please send your information to:

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