

# THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

## Rain, rain go away, if not we will find another way!

*by Kelley Mowat*

We did find another way. The forecast for Saturday predicted rain, but that did not stop us from hosting our Family Fall Festival. We shifted things around and got to work. We started on time to welcome all those who attended. I hope we brought a little sunshine on a rainy Saturday. I would be remiss if I did not thank all those who made the Family Fall Festival happen.

To make the Festival and the Basket Raffle a reality we needed many hands. I want to thank all the festival committee members for their dedication, support, creativity, and hard work that made the day a wonderful experience for all. Each committee member oversaw one activity, from the planning to the execution of the activity, and what a great job they did! Thank you for being part of the planning committee and for your dedication and hard work. Our Family Fall Festival Committee is made up of the following volunteers:

Tricia Clarke	Shawn Ryan	Joellen May-Wadsworth	Linda Denninger
Karina D'Angelo	Julia Plume	Gerri Schreiber	Susan Lampach
Jude Pickel	Colleen Hoyt	Carol Johnsen	Donna Akuntius
Mary Pannone	Daniel Emerson	Arlene Lechner	
Patrice Saccone	Giny Rae	Mary Ann Viscusi	

Thank you to Kim and Andrew Bodor who graciously donated all the pumpkins for our Pumpkin Patch. Also, thank you to Barbara and Bill Burger for the two beautiful signs at our entrance and exit. A special thank you to Mary Ann Viscusi and Linda Denninger, our Basket Raffle coordinators, for their hard work that brought the Basket Raffle to fruition. There were a lot of moving parts to the Basket Raffle but both Mary Ann and Linda worked tirelessly to make it happen. Thank you, Mary Ann and Linda, it would not have been the success it was without both of you. I must say thank you to our judges who had a hard job judging all the wonderful baked items at our Taste Testing Contest. A special thank you to all our bakers who entered the contest also. We are grateful to you for being part of our contest. Our judges: Arlene Pisapia, Marianne Yager and Joyce Knipper. Our contestants: Patrice Saccone, Joellen May-Wadsworth, Janice Schwarz, Ingrid Hanley, Tricia Clarke, Claire Becker, Joan Barrett, and Susan Dunbar. Congratulations to Susan Dunbar, Joellen May-Wadsworth, and Tricia Clarke on being the judges' top three choices. A special thank you to Frank Mondo for spending the day taking pictures of all the activities, capturing all the people who attended and sharing in the fun. Thank you, Frank! Thank you to all who volunteered that day to help set up and clean up. The festival could not have happened without all your help and support. I am so grateful to you all. Rain or shine—I hope to see you all next year!

Thank you to all parishioners who donated items and baskets for our Basket Raffle. Below please find a list of local merchants who donated items or gift certificates for our Basket Raffle. We thank them for their support and encourage our parishioners to patronize their fine establishments.

Nesconset Pizza	Ace Hardware
Empanadas and More	Party Hardy
Blvd. Bagels	North Shore Farms
Tiffany Nails	Theatre 3
Smithtown Spirits	Dunkin' Donuts
Uncle Giuseppe's	Panera Bread
Tower's Flowers	Macy's
Il Trio Restaurant	Target
Angelina's	Diamond Jewelers
Gino's Pizza	Crunch Gym
	Block Chiropractic

