

# Parish Resource Center®

**Consultants and Practical Resources For Churches**  
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**Fall/Winter 2024**

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Dear Friends of the Parish Resource Center of Long Island West,

One of the joys of every Fall season in a congregation is the ability to share with the remarkable new and returning members of our community as well as the exciting programs and opportunities that await them. As we seek to nurture and support the faith journey of the families who connect with us, the consultants of the Parish Resource Center are available to assist in your programming. The Center has been blessed with generous friends, talented staff and board members, gracious volunteers, and faithful subscribers. In the past year, we have been providing consultations, training workshops, special contract services, use of our meeting space, resources, and a warm and welcoming environment. The commitment to our mission by the staff continues to make the PRC unique in its ability to provide customized attention and support for congregational leaders and is a hallmark of the Parish Resource Center and a big reason we have weathered many storms that have damaged other institutions. It is a rare privilege to visit and work at a Center with those values.

The PRC continues to search for future leadership. Our immediate plan is to hire a part-time consultant who can strengthen our work with the subscribing congregations while learning the operations of the Center. Interested candidates should feel free to contact the PRC through the Chair of its search committee Ron Knight at [ronknight@aol.com](mailto:ronknight@aol.com) or contact the Center.

As always, we continue to work hard to meet the needs of congregations and their leaders. We know that our subscriber base is diverse, and that the leaders in congregations require different levels and types of support. With over 70% of our subscribing congregations reporting less than 100 members, it is critical that the Center be able to continue to be a wise financial choice for congregations by providing excellent service at a reasonable cost. In order to meet this objective, the Center has chosen to keep our subscription prices low and focus on support from gifts, grants, and fund-raising events.

You may find yourself asking "What difference will my donation make?" We, at the Parish Resource Center, can answer that question at two different levels.

In measurable terms your donation will:

- provide over 100 congregations with over 900 hours of consulting time per year
- provide for the purchase of new resource materials
- provide for the development of workshops, retreats, and webinars
- provide for a hospitable environment for groups to meet, study, and relate
- provide for congregations that don't know where to turn to for support

In immeasurable terms your donation will:

- provide a place of respite for weary church workers
- provide a place of encouragement for those in need
- ♦ provide a place that feeds the creative process for church leaders
- ♦ provide a much needed place of support for churches today

We thank you for your generous support over the past years. We also invite you once again to be one of the PRC's supporters who make a difference. Donations can be made by Check or by credit card/CR Code through our website at [www.cpr4church.org](http://www.cpr4church.org).

Sincerely,  
The Parish Resource Center of Long Island West Board of Directors

# Upcoming Events

## **Knit, Crochet, and Pray on the first Saturday of each month from 11am—12:30pm**

Do you love to knit and/or crochet? Perhaps you would like to learn these crafts? Do you want to gather with others to have fellowship and pray? Then this event is for you. Bring your own project or start a new one. Bring a friend! This is a free event, but space is limited so please call to let us know if you plan to attend, at 516-285-0919



**Make and Take Fall and Advent Personal Size Banner Workshop**  
**Saturday, November 16th, 2024 from 10:00am to 1pm**  
**Led by Heidi Hofmann**  
**Cost: \$25 per person/kit**



Join in the fun of banner making and leave with a completed (approx. 18"X 24") Fall or Advent size banner for your home, your church or as a gift. This workshop is offered to new or experienced banner makers. No sewing skills required. **Preregistration is required by November 12th so supplies can be purchased and prepared. Please call us at 516-285-0919 before sending payment to ensure that space is still available.**

## **Festival of Miniature Trees, Cookie Walk and Christmas Boutique December 7 from 11am to 1pm**

### **Festival of Miniature Trees and More!**

Beautiful, one of a kind, hand decorated trees, wreaths and decorations will be on display, and then raffled off on December 7th at 12pm

Raffle tickets \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 Tickets may be purchased at the event, by calling us at 516-285-0919 or visiting the center in Valley Stream



### **Christmas Cookie Walk**

The Cookie Walk is a fun, easy way to get a variety of Christmas cookies for the Holidays, while at the same time supporting the Parish Resource Center. Each dozen sold will be selected by the buyer on December 7th or contact us to pre-order cookies at 516-285-0919. Cost \$5.00 per Dozen



### **Holiday Boutique**

Advent, Christmas and Winter items will be on display and available from November 12th- December 19th. Please visit and help Support the work of the PRC



- 3 easy ways to register for workshops and events or ask a question
- ◆ online through our website at [www.cpr4church.org](http://www.cpr4church.org) by using the contact form
  - ◆ by e-mail [consultant@cpr4church.org](mailto:consultant@cpr4church.org)
  - ◆ by telephone 516-285-0919

### **Need Help?**

For help in planning for your Fall and Winter programs contact us by email at [consultnt@cpr4church.org](mailto:consultnt@cpr4church.org) or by phone t 516-285-0919. You are also invited to visit us in person at 919 Elmont Road Valley Stream NY

**We believe everyone has a calling...**  
**...ours is helping you!**

### **Office Hours**

Tuesday through Thursday from 10am to 3pm  
First Saturday of each month from 10am to 2pm  
Additional dates/times by appointment