

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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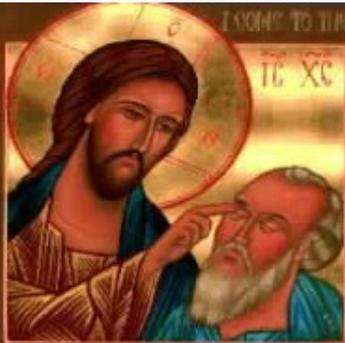


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*Jesus said to the blind man,  
"Go your way; your faith has saved you."*

Mark 10:52

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**October 24, 2021**

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

**Parochial Vicars:** Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero, Reverend Emmanuel Okonkwo

**Deacons:** Deacon William Crosby, Deacon Douglas G. Smith, Deacon Robert A. Becker

**Business Manager:** Mr. William D'Alessio

**Director of Faith Formation:** Mrs. April Kleinlaut

**Music Director:** Mr. Christopher Ferraro

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

## COME AND PRAY...

Our church is open each day until 6:30 p.m.,  
except on Thursdays (closed after the  
12:15 p.m. Mass, for cleaning)  
and on holidays (closed after the 12:15 p.m. Mass).

*Come in and spend some time in prayer!*

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday – Friday:** 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

**Saturday Morning:** 8:00 a.m.

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):**

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Masses:**

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (live-streamed), 12:00 p.m.

**Special Needs Mass:**

First Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m.  
in the auditorium (Sunday Anticipated Mass)

**Holy Days of Obligation:** Consult the bulletin

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday at 4:00 p.m.,  
each Sunday at 7:00 p.m., and

Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9:15 a.m.  
on the Zoom video platform.

Click on the Zoom link  
on the home page of our website.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Every Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.**

*Also available by individual appointment  
with one of the priests.*

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Wednesdays:** 12:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**First Saturdays:** 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

## DEVOTIONS

**OLPH Novena:** Mondays following 12:15 p.m. Mass

**Rosary:** Weekdays following 6:30 a.m. Mass  
Saturdays and Sundays following 8:00 a.m. Mass

**The Holy Face of Jesus:** Tuesdays following  
12:15 p.m. Mass

**First Fridays and First Saturdays:**

As announced in bulletin

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday:**  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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**Step 5:** Explore the great features in our parish app!



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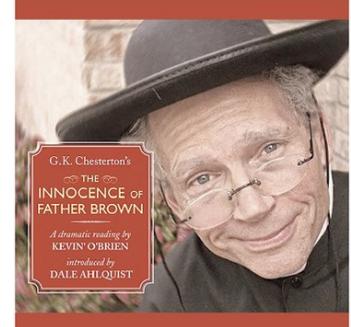
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with Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. John Sehorn

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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Pastor's Annual Report next weekend*

As you know from attending Mass, this weekend is when I am presenting this year's Pastor's Annual Report at all the Masses. I thank you for your openness in listening to and receiving this report each year. Next week I'll present in this column a brief recap of what I spoke about this weekend.

### *The GOLDEN TICKET*

GOLDEN TICKETS are selling at a brisk pace, I'm happy to say, and I offer my thanks to all who have already purchased one or more of them! Let's keep the momentum going until ALL 500 GOLDEN TICKETS are sold for this major fund raiser for the parish. I ask everyone in the parish to do their part by buying a ticket, and I have asked ministers and leaders to pitch in and perhaps help a little extra by taking up to three tickets which they will sell to friends, family members and co-workers outside the parish; please consider assisting us in this way. Let's all do our part to get every ticket sold! Thank you for your support of THE GOLDEN TICKET!

The drawing is just under three weeks away, on November 20. As you know, the drawing is taking place at a really great cocktail party right here in our auditorium. It will be good food, good fun and great parish spirit. Purchase of a GOLDEN TICKET entitles you and one (1) guest to attend, and you won't want to miss it, so do plan on being there. There'll be some surprises there, too, with chances to win more great prizes in addition to the GOLDEN TICKET cash awards.

### *Brick Memorialization in the "Let the Children Come to Me" Prayer Garden*

Last weekend we blessed the newest batch of memorialized bricks that have been installed in the "Let the Children Come to Me" Prayer Garden. Keep in mind that brick memorializations continue to be available on an ongoing basis for as long as there are bricks remaining. Remember, the memorializations are to remember any person, living or deceased, or any prayer intention in general, and not just ones dealing with children. Please spread the word about this to family and friends; remember, you don't have to be a parishioner of OLPH to memorialize a brick, and, in fact, you don't even have to be Catholic! Thanks to all who have taken one or more bricks.

### *All Souls Day, The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, November 2*

Looking ahead in the calendar, I take this opportunity to invite you to make plans to attend Mass on Tuesday, November 2, All Souls Day (official liturgical name of the day: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed). It's the day for us to pray in a special way for our beloved dead, and you could do so

by celebrating Mass at our regular 6:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. parish weekday Mass that day, or at our special Parish Mass of Remembrance at 7:30 p.m. that evening; details about that special Mass are elsewhere in the bulletin. What a beautiful thing it is for us to do, to remember our beloved dead in this way. Please notice, too, how we are commemorating November as a special month of remembrance of, and prayer for, our beloved dead in several different ways, as described in this bulletin.

### *Meeting for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*

Allow me to call to the attention of all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, active and inactive, the important meeting we are asking you to attend on this coming Saturday, October 30 at 12:00 Noon. We'll be discussing the return to some of our pre-pandemic practices, which will impact the current scheduling and functioning of E.M.'s, so we need all E.M.'s to be there to be sure everyone knows what is going on and how to correctly fulfill this ministry. Thanks in advance to all E.M.'s for making it a priority to be there.

### *Returning to pre-pandemic liturgical practices*

Speaking of liturgical practices as we emerge from the pandemic, we'll be returning to many of them mid-November. As one example, we'll return to bringing forward the bread and wine in procession; for another example, the altar servers will return to many of their former practices. This is why the meetings we are having with not only the E.M.'s but with all the liturgical ministers that you see announced in this bulletin are so important. Unfortunately, we are not quite at the point yet of returning to offering the Precious Blood (the Chalice) to the entire assembly; we think the time is not yet quite right for that. However, rest assured that I consider it the highest priority to return to that essential practice as soon as it is feasible, and we will return to Communion under both forms the instant we are able to — I promise you that. So many of you have been asking for it and longing for it, and to hear that makes me glad, since the Precious Blood should be available for everyone to receive if they so choose. More to come on that when it becomes possible.

### *In conclusion...*

Together, let's aim high in Christ. Together, let's bring out the best in each other. Together, let's be the best we can be in Christ.

And let's always remember: LOVE IS A GIFT.

Sincerely,



## LITURGICAL MINISTER MEETINGS

### MEETING FOR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION—WHETHER CURRENTLY ACTIVE OR NOT

ALL Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion — those who are currently active AND those who are not currently active due to Covid — are asked to attend the important meeting to be held on **Saturday, October 30** in the church at 12:00 Noon. The meeting will include the opportunity for prayer and an explanation of our next steps in returning to pre-Covid procedures in November. You will want to be sure to be at the meeting so you have the latest information and you know what to do at Mass. All E.M.'s, whether active or inactive, are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Thank you.

### MEETING FOR ALL LECTORS

All parish Lectors are reminded to attend the important meeting for all those in this ministry, to be held on **Saturday, November 6** at 1:30 p.m. in the church. The focus of the meeting will be a presentation by our guest speaker, Sister Mary Alice Piil, CSJ, who will speak on the topic of the spirituality of the Word of God in the life of the Lector. As usual, the meeting will also include the opportunity for prayer, and discussion of some important business items. All Lectors are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Thank you.

### ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS: MEETING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

All our young people who serve as Altar Servers are reminded to attend the very important meeting on **Monday, November 8, at 4:15 p.m. in the church**. At this meeting, we will explain how we will go back to doing many of the things we used to do serving at Mass before Covid. We will return to many of these former procedures a little later in November. All Altar Servers are expected to attend, and one parent should attend as well. We look forward to seeing you there! *Note: This meeting is only for those who are already Altar Servers—NOT for our new trainees!*

### MEETING FOR ALL USHERS

All Ushers are expected to attend the meeting being held on **Saturday, November 13 at 12:00 Noon** in the church. At this **very important** meeting we will explain and discuss the return of many of our pre-pandemic procedures, so it is important that all Ushers are informed and know what to do. In addition, special schedules and Usher presence at upcoming special Masses and Christmas Masses will be reviewed. All Ushers are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Thank you.

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## PRAYER SERVICE AT PARISH CEMETERY

Join us on **Tuesday, November 2**, All Souls Day, for a special Prayer Service at St. Mary's Cemetery, the Parish Cemetery for OLPH, located between South 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets, north of Montauk Highway. In celebration of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year, Msgr. Joe will preside at a brief Prayer Service beginning at approximately 1:15 p.m. (*i.e.*, following the 12:15 p.m. weekday Mass). Although the cemetery is no longer actively used, it is an important part of the history of OLPH, and we want to honor that, and pray for those who are buried there, as part of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. We hope you will join us. Thanks go to the members of the Holy Name Society who, as part of their service to the parish, have always so generously taken the responsibility of caring for the cemetery grounds and keeping them in good order.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**  
**EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY at 10:00 a.m. MASS**  
**BEGINS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7!**

Allowing children to participate fully in the liturgical life of the parish is an important goal which we strive to attain here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Children should have every opportunity to understand what worship is all about and to be formed by the rites of the Church, especially the celebration of the Eucharist. In order to achieve this goal, we are happy to resume the **Children's Liturgy of the Word**, which will take place **every first and third Sunday of the month** at the 10:00 a.m. Mass **beginning again on Sunday, November 7.**

***Where does the idea of the Children's Liturgy of the Word come from?***

It comes out of the *Directory for Masses with Children* which tells us in paragraph 17, "Sometimes, if the place itself and the nature of the community permit, it will be appropriate to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word, including a homily, with the children in a separate, but not too distant, room. Then, before the Eucharistic liturgy begins, the children are led to the place where the adults have meanwhile celebrated their own Liturgy of the Word."

***How does the Children's Liturgy of the Word work?***

After the Collect (the Opening Prayer of the Mass), children **first-grade and older** are invited to come forward to the sanctuary to receive a special dismissal. They are then escorted to a separate chapel set up in the north sacristy of the church, where they listen to that Sunday's readings as proclaimed from the *Lectionary for Masses with Children*. These are the same readings everyone else is hearing in the church, but in a slightly different translation that is easier for children to understand. A special homily is then given to the children to help them understand the readings. This Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful), as the children pray intercessions together. Meanwhile, the Liturgy of the Word has continued as usual in the church. The children return to the church at the beginning of the collection/presentation of the gifts, and participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist as usual.

***What is the purpose of the Children's Liturgy of the Word?***

The purpose of this is not to offer a babysitting service, nor is it to isolate the children or to make them feel unwelcome. Rather, it is actually an act of hospitality to them: they will be given the chance to listen to the Sunday readings and participate in a homily that will be on their level, and yet still be a part of the worshiping assembly, since they participate in all other parts of the Mass. It does require a certain maturity level and ability to focus, so it is intended for **first-grade children and older**, not kindergartners, pre-schoolers or toddlers. **Parents do not accompany their children;** we have specially trained adult "shepherds" who will keep watch.

Participating in the Children's Liturgy of the Word continues to teach children how to participate in Mass, since they do the same things that are being done in the main body of the church.

Ideally, parents and children then talk to each other on the ride home or later in the day about what they heard in their respective homilies. In this way, God's Word continues to be alive and active in the family's faith life.

***Does each child need to wear a mask while at the Children's Liturgy of the Word?***

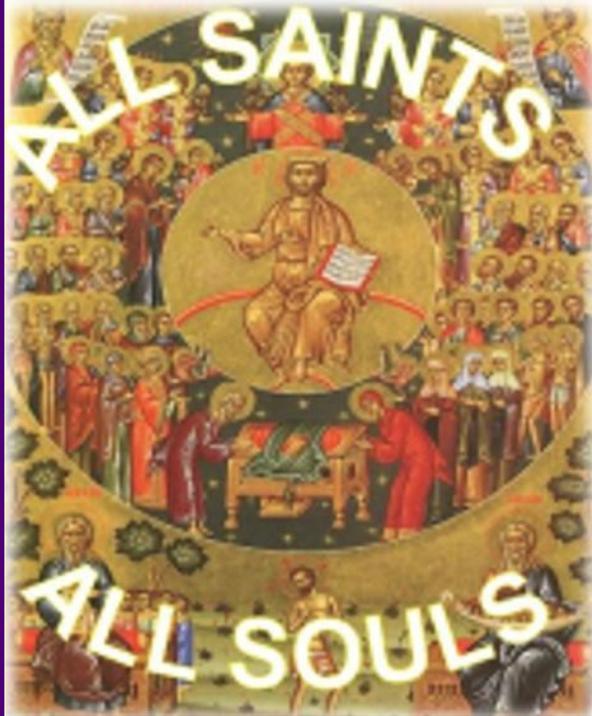
Yes. At this time, we are following the protocols used in the schools, so we require that the children wear their masks, regardless of vaccination status, while at the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

***Suppose I want my child to stay with me in the main body of the church?***

That's fine; parents are in no way required to send their children to the Children's Liturgy of the Word, and no child is forced to participate. Children are welcome to stay in the main body of the church and to participate in the Liturgy of the Word there, where the usual readings and homily will take place. Since we think this is a great opportunity for children, though, we do hope you will encourage your child to participate.

***What about the weeks when the Children's Liturgy of the Word is not held?***

On weeks other than the first and third Sunday of the month, families can look on the parish YouTube page for a special homily geared toward children to be posted there.



## All Saints Day Monday, November 1

Mass schedule:

6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

## All Souls' Day Tuesday, November 2

Mass schedule:

6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

and the special

**OLPH Mass of Remembrance  
with the reading of names  
will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m.**

### ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November, we remember in a special way our loved ones who have died.

Our Liturgy Committee prepares a special Altar of Remembrance in the Divine Mercy Chapel. **Beginning November 1st, you are invited to place a picture on the altar so that we may remember your loved ones and pray for each other.** Please limit the size of your photo (perhaps no larger than 4 x 6) so that there is room for everyone who wishes to participate. You may place the picture in a small frame.

Write your name and phone number on the back of the picture.

We ask you to pick up your picture by Friday, November 26

### *All Souls Day Novena*

All Souls Day Novena envelopes are now available throughout the church. These envelopes are a meaningful way for you to have your deceased loved ones prayed for in the Novena of Masses for All Souls Day. Take an envelope, fill out the name of the deceased, and return the envelope with your donation. Envelopes may be returned either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Special Masses will be offered for nine (9) days for these intentions for the deceased.

### BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD



As of Nov. 1, a special book will be placed in the Divine Mercy Chapel for members of our parish community to write down the names of loved ones who have died. The names in this book will be remembered at our Masses throughout the month of November.

**Please note: this will not be the Book of Intentions, and only the names of the deceased, without any intention, should be written in this book.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**CONFESSIONS ARE ONCE AGAIN BEING HEARD IN THE CHURCH.  
SCHOOL CLASSROOMS ARE NO LONGER USED FOR CONFESSIONS.**

**A MASK MUST BE WORN WHILE INSIDE THE CONFESSIONAL  
REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS.**

**CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD SATURDAYS 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.**

## FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

### LIVE-STREAM MASS

We live-stream the **10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass** each week.

You can join us virtually using one of the following:

- The link at the top of the OLPH website:  
[www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)
- OLPH Facebook page: @olphlindenhurst
- OLPH YouTube Channel: OLPH Church Lindenhurst



## FR. FIDELIS HAS A YOUTUBE CHANNEL



Hear Fr. Fidelis give weekly reflections and more  
on his YouTube channel!

You can go to **YouTube** and search for **FADA PRINCE**  
(with the logo at left) and click on the **SUBSCRIBE** button.



## YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS

Youth Choir Rehearsals have begun! They are held Monday's from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the church. Any youth in grades 3 through 12 are welcome to sing, however masks are required. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Chris Ferraro, [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org) or (631) 226-7725 ext. 210. Rehearsals are on Monday afternoons in preparation for the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

## COMPUTER ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

Are you talented with computer skills, graphic design and/or desktop publishing (Microsoft Publisher)? Are you organized and careful with details? Are you retired or have a work schedule that is flexible? If so, would you consider offering your time and talent a few hours a week to assist with some ongoing computer projects for our music ministry? If you would like more information, please contact Chris Ferraro, [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org) or (631) 226-7725 ext. 210.

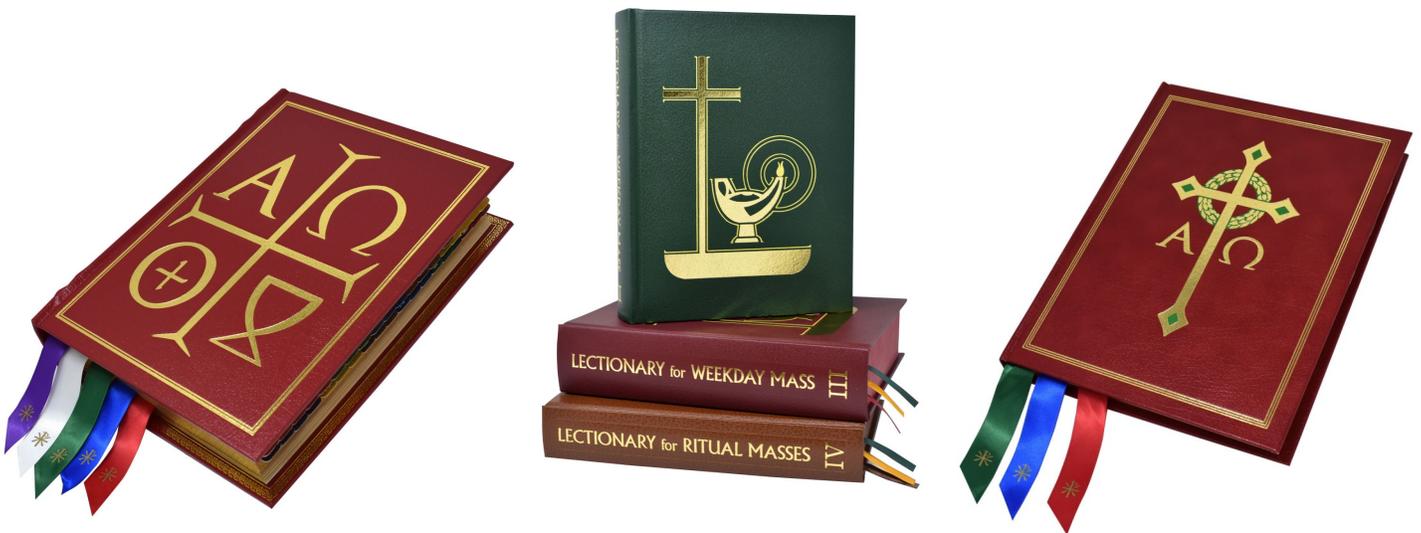
## MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES—NEW RITUAL BOOKS

*“Churches, therefore, must be places “suited to sacred celebrations,” “dignified,” and beautiful. Their suitability for worship is determined by their ability through the architectural design of space and the application of artistic gifts to embody God’s initiative and the community’s faithful response.”*

- #18, *Built of Living Stones: Art Architecture and Worship*, a document of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2000.

For more than a thousand years, the Church has used ritual books in the celebration of the sacred Liturgy. These books contain the rubrics or instructions about the particular ritual(s) contained inside and also the actual texts of the prayers and Scriptures that we hear proclaimed. Often the ritual books are beautifully adorned with sacred art to remind us of God’s majesty and glory.

Here at OLPH, a very busy parish, our books are used many times over the course of a week. Over time, they do get worn and every so often, they need to be replaced. The sanitizing and cleaning that was done in the early part of the COVID-19 Pandemic also wreaked havoc on our books. The time has now come to replace many of our ritual books and we invite you to consider memorializing them in memory of a loved one who has died or by marking a special occasion such as milestone wedding anniversary or the birth of a child or grandchild. The memorials will be acknowledged in the bulletin and also with a special label that will be placed inside the front cover of the book. **Contact or stop by the rectory in order to memorialize a ritual book.**



- ♦ 3 large and 3 small editions of *The Roman Missal* which contain the prayers and instructions of the Mass - \$250 for each large edition, \$175 for each small edition
- ♦ 2 *Excerpts from the Roman Missal* which is held by the altar server during the Collect and Prayer after Communion - \$125
- ♦ 2 three-volume sets of the *Lectionary for Weekday Mass* which contain the readings for Daily Mass - \$500 for the complete three-volume set or \$175 for each book
- ♦ 2 *Lectionary for Sunday Mass* which contain the readings for Sunday Mass - \$200 for each book

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help THE GOLDEN TICKET

**Saturday, November 20, 2021**

**7:00 p.m.**

in the OLPH Auditorium

**Are you wondering, "What is The Golden Ticket?"**

It's a cocktail party, major and much needed fundraiser,  
with an excellent chance of winning a monetary prize!

Unlike a typical raffle...the last ticket pulled is the \$10,000 grand prize winner!

The excitement builds as the drawing goes on!

**Winner need not be present!**

**Golden Ticket Holders and one guest may attend.**

- 1st ticket drawn - \$500
- 50th ticket drawn - \$200
- 100th ticket drawn - \$200
- 150th ticket drawn - \$200
- 200th ticket drawn - \$200
- 250th ticket drawn - \$200
- 300th ticket drawn - \$200
- 350th ticket drawn - \$200
- 400th ticket drawn - \$200



- 450th ticket drawn - \$200
- 491st ticket drawn - \$300
- 492nd ticket drawn - \$400
- 493rd ticket drawn - \$500
- 494th ticket drawn - \$600
- 495th ticket drawn - \$700
- 496th ticket drawn - \$800
- 497th ticket drawn - \$900
- 498th ticket drawn - \$1000

**499th Ticket drawn - \$2,500      500th Ticket drawn - \$10,000**

Golden Tickets are on sale at the rectory during regular office hours. You can also enclose bottom portion of this form with a check made payable to OLPH and return to rectory at 210 S Wellwood Avenue Lindenhurst, NY 11757 Attn: Golden Ticket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Golden Tickets @\$100 each \_\_\_\_\_

\*Prize money based on 500 tickets sold. If less than 500 tickets are sold, the prizes awards will be pro-rated based on the total number of tickets sold. Questions?

The Golden Ticket coordinators are Meg Danaher (631) 704-1201 & Bob Meade (631) 455-3916

*"OLPH is a Section 501©3 nonprofit. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine if your contribution is deductible. Winners are responsible for all taxes."*

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*OLPH Family Photo Album*

We are pleased to announce that as part of our 150th Anniversary Celebration, we will be offering for sale a Family Photo Album. The Album will include gathered pictures of Parishioners, our Priests and OLPH Staff. There will also be a history page about our Parish, a collage of different OLPH events that took place during our Anniversary celebration year and a message from our Pastor, Msgr. Joe. Won't you please take part by submitting a beautiful family photo? (Details below). Go ahead, "dress to impress"!

**Types of photos**

Pictures may include a special family photo celebrating a Sacrament (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Wedding, etc...), a birthday or special family celebration, a professional family photo. The choices are endless but only one picture please.

**Size of photo**

Please submit a 3X5 photo **by November 15, 2021.**

**Where**

- Pictures should be sent by email to: [socialmedia@oloph.org](mailto:socialmedia@oloph.org).
- Subject line should include: OLPH Family Photo Album - [family name]
- In your email, please simply include the names of the persons in the photo, Family last name and number of Albums you wish to purchase.
- As an **alternative to emailing**, the below form may also be completed and dropped off at the Rectory with your family photo in an envelope marked to the attention of "OLPH Family Photo Album".

*If you have any questions, please call Helene at 917-679-0376  
or send your question to the above email address, attention: OLPH Family Photo Album.*

*OLPH Family Photo Album*



**Order Form**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of persons in the photo and family last name:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Albums: \_\_\_\_\_ (Each Album: \$35)



# OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Located in the Rectory  
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 Email: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 (akleinlaut@oloph.org)

# OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.  
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday: CLOSED  
 Saturday: By Appointment

## LEVEL 6

On Wednesday, October 27th we will celebrate a Penance Service, with the opportunity for individual Confession, in the church, during your regular class time. All students must attend with a parent or guardian. Meet in the church for attendance. All participants must wear a mask.



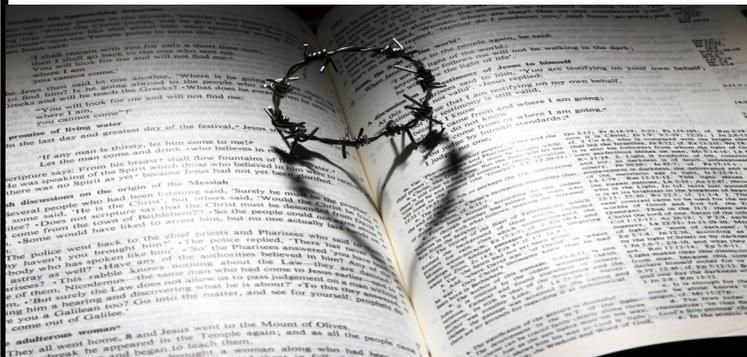
## LEVEL 3

On Saturday, October 30th parents and/or guardians will be having an Open House Meeting in the auditorium during their child's regular class time. All students are to go to their classrooms for a regular class. At the Open House, our guest speaker, Lynn Wilson, will be giving a presentation about how to use the online component of our new textbook series *Christ In Us*.

## Happy Saint of the Day!



St. Andrew Kim was born to Catholic converts in Korea during the 1800's. He was fifteen (15) years old when he was baptized. He then heard a call from God to become a priest and traveled 1,300 miles to a seminary in Macao, China to fulfill God's calling for him. It took him six years of schooling to become a priest. He was trying to bring more Catholics to Korea through a water passage when he was arrested and tortured. He was finally beheaded and became a martyr like his father.



*Level 6 Covenant Services at Masses October 16 and 17.*



*Family Life Pumpkin Patch Saturday, October 16.*



# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Bereavement Ministry: Linda Arpino—631.592.1062—forubabe77@gmail.com
- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864— cdefeldman@optonline.net
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com—Peggy Pannullo—631. 921.5994—justin97@aol.com
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O’Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- † Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optimum.net
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Bill Stysiack—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Virginia Beyrer—631-226-6635
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

## Food Pantry List

### ITEMS MOST NEEDED:

**SHELF STABLE MILK**  
**CANNED POTATOES/CARROTS**  
**MACARONI & CHEESE**  
**PEANUT BUTTER**  
**JELLY OR JAM**  
**BLACK TEA/HOT CHOCOLATE**  
**SOUPS WITH MEAT**  
**CANNED FRUIT**  
**GRAVIES**  
**TOILETRIES**

*Please bring items to the SVdP office:  
 Wednesday and Friday  
 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.  
 and on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays  
 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.*

**Thank you**  
**for your continued generosity.**

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the School Building  
 Use Parking Lot located on corner of  
 Gates & High Streets

**631.226.7725 x. 234**

*Our regular office hours:*

Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. and  
 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus: “What do you want me to do for you?” And he answers, “Master, I want to see.” Let us ask Jesus for the grace to “see” our brothers and sisters who are poor and lonely.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring God’s love and mercy to 83 adults, 57 children, and 123 seniors, for a total of 56 families. God bless you!

## THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

### † AN EXPANSION OF OUR MEMORIAL CARD PROGRAM

*The Society of St. Vincent de Paul* has an expansion of our Memorial Card program. In addition to updated *Living Memorial* cards, we offer *Special Occasion* cards. These are a great way to commemorate a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, get well, thank you, holiday, etc.) while supporting SVDP’s efforts to provide not just food, but also financial, material and spiritual aid to our neighbors.

*Memorial/Special Occasion card* envelopes are available in the SVDP Food Pantry (M-W-F, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) or at the Rectory. The Memorial or Special Occasion Card acknowledging your donation will be sent to the person/family indicated on the form.

Please contact the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725 X 234 for more information.



**HELP FAMILIES IN NEED IN OUR OWN PARISH!**



**THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2021**

Each year, we ask members of our parish family to adopt families in need. Traditionally, we provide Thanksgiving meals for over 50 families. We expect an increase in requests for help this year.

Please fill out the form below and return it in the collection basket by **November 7th**. If you have any questions, please contact the St. Vincent de Paul office at (631) 226-7725 X 234 or Linda Matera at linlee100@yahoo.com

**THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2021**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

We can provide for a family of : 2      3      4      5      More than 5

*Please return this form to St. Vincent de Paul or in the collection basket no later than November 7<sup>th</sup>.*



**CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2021**

Each year, we ask members of our parish family to adopt families in need. Traditionally, we provide Christmas meals for over 100 families. We expect an increase in requests for help this year.

If you can help, please fill out the form below or contact St. Vincent de Paul Office at 631.226-7725 X 234 or complete the tear off below and return it in the Collection Basket for *Christmas by November 7th*.

**CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2021**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

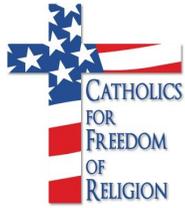
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

YES! We would like to provide for a family in need for CHRISTMAS

We can provide for a family of  
    2     3     4     5     More than 5

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OR IN THE COLLECTION BASKET  
 NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 7TH.**

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



### Focus on Religious Freedom

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

"Freedom of conscience is the core of all freedom."—*Pope Benedict XVI*

#### Web Designer Petitions Supreme Court to Affirm Religious Freedom

Colorado website designer Lorie Smith is appealing a lower-court decision depriving her of the right to conduct her business according to her religious beliefs. "I have clients ranging from individuals to small business owners to nonprofit agencies," Smith said. "I have served and continue to serve all people, including those who identify as LGBT. I simply object to being forced to pour my heart, my imagination and talent into messages that violate my conscience."(1)

"The government shouldn't weaponize the law to force a web designer to speak messages that violate her beliefs. This case involves quintessential free speech and artistic freedom..." said an Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) attorney.(2) The 10th Circuit's ruling "holds that the more unique a product, the more aggressively the government may regulate access to it — thus the less First Amendment protection it has." The lower court's decision "empowers the government to force everyone to speak government-approved messages and subverts our core understandings of the First Amendment."(3)

In a similar case involving Colorado cake artist Jack Phillips, the U.S. Supreme Court scolded Colorado for its "hostility" to Christianity.

"If the Freedom of Speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."  
—*George Washington*

#### The Importance of Faith to America's Founders: John Adams

Throughout his life, this Founding Father and second President of the United States exhibited a profound respect for the Bible, and references it frequently in his writings. He wrote to fellow Founder Benjamin Rush in 1807, "The Bible contains the most profound Philosophy, the most perfect Morality, and the most refined Policy, that ever was conceived upon the Earth."(4) About the newly written Constitution, he wrote, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious People. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."(5)

The Founders knew a virtuous people would courageously defend the rights endowed by their Creator and restored by the blood of patriots. But a fearful people would readily give up these rights in exchange for a fleeting sense of security.

Princeton Professor Robbie George explains, "People lacking in virtue could be counted on to trade liberty for protection, for financial or personal security, for comfort — for having their problems solved quickly."(6)  
(*dailycaller.com*, 9/24/21(1); *wnd.com*, 9/25/21(2)(3); *harbingersdaily.com*, 9/27/21; *adflegal.org*, 10/28/19; *joshuatcharles.com*, 12/11/18(4); *constitutionallaw.regent.edu* (5)(6); *lawliberty.org*)

### RESPECT LIFE SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

#### MONTH 7 - "I can look around!"

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. Beginning this month the baby uses all four senses. He can see, hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. He now recognizes his mother's voice. During this time he will also receive antibodies from his mother protecting him from a wide variety of diseases.



### RIGHT TO LIFE

*On Saturday, October 16, OLPH parishioners gathered to pray the Rosary at the gazebo in the Village Square. Thanks to these parishioners for their public witness to faith and prayer!*



# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor	206	msgrjoe@oloph.org
Fr. Fidelis Ezeani, Associate Pastor	226	fadaprince4christ@yahoo.com
Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
Fr. Emmanuel Okonkwo	223	emmaokons@yahoo.com
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism ceremonies are held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents wishing to have a child baptized must attend a baptism preparation session before the baptism; these sessions are held on the first and third Thursdays of the month excluding holidays. Contact the Parish Office to begin the process of having your child baptized.

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Those who are seriously ill or facing surgery, as well as those in danger of death, should receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the Parish Office and ask for one of our priests.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Adults who wish to be baptized, or who have been baptized in another Christian faith and wish to become Catholic, or who have been baptized Catholic and wish to be confirmed and receive Holy Communion, are invited to join the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please contact Jeffrey Gaab at (631) 965-0076 or e-mail at [jsg375@gmail.com](mailto:jsg375@gmail.com) to begin the process.

### ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who have been baptized Catholic and who have received Holy Communion but who still need the Sacrament of Confirmation should enroll in our Adult Confirmation Classes. Please contact Deacon Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or e-mail to [DeaconRobert@oloph.org](mailto:DeaconRobert@oloph.org).

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least SIX MONTHS before the desired date of your wedding.

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Vincent Boccanfuso  
Eileen Corticchia (Chair)  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Jeffrey Gaab  
Joselyn Kalt  
Mary Leon  
Rachelle Louis-Jacques  
Carlton Mitchell  
Kevin Sabella, Jr.  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.  
Adele Venezia

*Please feel free to speak to any member of the Pastoral Council with any questions you might have.*

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille  
John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
Bill Bendernagel  
Gerry Chille (Chair)  
William D'Alessio  
Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Marie Gagneron  
Kenneth Hale  
Bob Meade  
Bob Mehm  
John Reynolds  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.

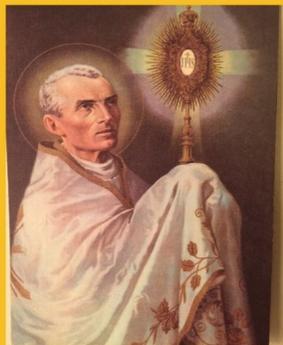
*Please feel free to speak to any member of the Finance Committee with any questions you might have.*

## YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Fauvette Auguste  
Deacon Robert Becker  
Mark Costantino  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Chris Ferraro  
MaryAnn Haas  
Jenine Jimenez-Spina  
Denise Martinez  
Barbara McPhail  
Deacon Doug Smith  
Mike Williams  
Fr. Frank Zero

*Please feel free to speak to any member of the Liturgy Committee with any questions you might have.*

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER



## INTERCESSORY ADORATION & PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AND SEMINARIANS

Join the bi-annual tradition of praying for priests and seminarians of the Rockville Centre Diocese. Every priest and seminarian's name will be read aloud.

Adoration and silent prayer will take place on

**Tuesday, OCTOBER 26, 2021**  
**6:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.**

*Prayer participants are welcome to come and go at these participating parishes:*

*Cure of Ars, Merrick*

*Holy Name of Jesus, Woodbury*

*Holy Name of Mary, Valley Stream 2:00—4:00 p.m. only*

*Infant Jesus, Port Jefferson 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. only*

*Maria Regina, Seaford 4:00—8:00 p.m. only*

*Our Lady of Poland, Southampton 6:00—8:00 p.m. only*

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst*

*St Agnes Cathedral, RVC Holy Cross Chapel*

*St Aidan, Williston Park 2:00—4:00 p.m. only*

*St Anthony, Oceanside Tabor Chapel 6:00—9:00 p.m. only*

*St. Anthony of Padua, East Northport*

*St Barnabas, Bellmore 5:00—7:00 p.m. only*

*St Isidore 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. LIVE STREAM:  
saintisidoreriverhead.org*

*St Mary of the Isle, Long Beach*

*St Rosalie, Hampton Bays 6:00—8:30 p.m. only*

*Please pray along with your fellow parishioners of RVC Diocese and help make praying for priests a regular devotion two times every year - every Tuesday before ALL SOULS DAY and every Tuesday after DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY.*

**Email requests for information on how to host a parish:  
PrayForPriestsDRVC@aol.com or 516.458.0004**

## WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

*Casey Gagliano*

*Robert Siegfried*

*Wayne Kolb*

*Jessica Becker-Paolo*

*Dianne Bendernagel*

*Jimmy Gridley*

*Leslie Cassidy*

*Sr. Catherine Benedict Hagens*

*Dolores Otten*

*Karin Kienle*

*John Bryzgornia*

*Janet Leyden*

*Tommy Fanning, Jr.*

*Ethan Insigne*

*Rose Pentaleri*

*Dina Zulueta*

*Roberto Mato*

*Carol Bafundo*

*Andrew Donovan*

*Mildred Caliendo*

If a family member or close friend is ill, please let us know so our community can pray for them. Please call the Parish Office to have the name of the person added to the list. **Please make sure the person is aware the request has been made and that they are agreeable with their name printed in the bulletin.** The name will remain on the list for at least four weeks **and will be announced at Mass the first week only.** You don't need to make the request again until after the name is removed from the list.

**The Bereavement Ministry** assists anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one and help the person grow through their grief.

Joining a Support Group, with the help of trained facilitators, will help the person strengthening their faith in themselves and God.

Please contact Linda Arpino 631-592-1062 or Forubabe77@aol.com for information.

## WE REMEMBER

*We remember those who have died in our parish community this week:*

***Susan Seaman***

***Lucia Liccese***

*“O God, who through the ending of present things open up the beginning of things to come, grant, we pray, that the soul of your servant may be led to you to attain the inheritance of eternal redemption.”*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY, October 25—</b> Weekday	
6:30	Philemona & William Crosby
12:15	Sabato Gaeta
<b>TUESDAY, October 26—</b> Weekday	
6:30	Salvatore Tosco
12:15	Gaetana Raimondi
<b>WEDNESDAY, October 27—</b> Weekday	
6:30	Doris Tangel
12:15	Vincent A. Aiello
<b>THURSDAY, October 28—</b> Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles	
6:30	Stella Cimaszewski
12:15	Maria A. Gaab
<b>FRIDAY, October 29—</b> Weekday	
6:30	For the Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family
12:15	Robert Raymond Shaw, Jr.
<b>SATURDAY, October 30—</b> Weekday	
8:00	Robert Jost
<b>Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):</b> <b>THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY</b> <b>IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
5:00	Richard Jacobs
<b>Sunday, October 31—</b> <b>THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY</b> <b>IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
8:00	For the People of the Parish
10:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 794
12:00	Rev. Msgr. Daniel Hamilton

<b>Monday, October 25, 2021</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
12:45 p.m.	Devotions	Church
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Business Meeting	Room 24
4:15 p.m.	Alter Server Training	Church
7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee Meeting	St. Lucy Room
<b>Tuesday, October 26, 2021</b>		
6:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
<b>Wednesday, October 27, 2021</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
5:30 p.m.	Level 6 Penance Service	Church
7:00 p.m.	Level 7 and 8 Classes	School
<b>Thursday, October 28, 2021</b>		
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
<b>Friday, October 29, 2021</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
<b>Saturday, October 30, 2021</b>		
8:30 & 10:00 a.m.	Level 1-5 and Special Ed.	School
11:30 a.m.	Bereavement Ministry	Room 24
12:00 p.m.	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Meeting	Church
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	School
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
<b>Sunday, October 31, 2021</b>		
7:00 a.m.	K of C Breakfast	Cafeteria
10:00 a.m.	K of C New Member Induction	Auditorium
11:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word Meeting	North Sacristy
7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

El grupo de oración “Jesús es el camino la verdad y la vida” le invita a alabar y glorificar al PADRE, al HIJO, y al ESPIRITU SANTO, todos los jueves de 7:00 p.m. en adelante en un ambiente familiar. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Le ofrecemos el cuidado de los niños, también les enseñamos la doctrina de la iglesia.

Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia. Familias interesadas favor llamar a Virginia Constantino al (631) 957-1149.

Para información sobre los sacramentos de El bautizo, Matrimonio y servicios pastorales, tales como llevarle la Eucaristía los enfermos, la última unción de los enfermos.

Las charlas de bautizo se llevan a cabo cada segundo y cuarto domingo del mes, los padres interesados en bautizar a sus hijos deben atender a una serie de charlas. Estas charlas son cada primer y tercer lunes del mes

Para más información llamar a la rectoría (631) 226-7725. En español a Alejandro Campos teléfono (631) 671-9257 correo electrónico [saitjoseph98@gmail.com](mailto:saitjoseph98@gmail.com).

### Liturgia Viva del Domingo 30° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B

Domingo, 24 de octubre de 2021

1. ¿Estamos Ciegos? ¡Levántate! Jesús Abrirá tus Ojos

Estamos reunidos en el nombre de Jesús, de quien el Padre dijo:

“Tú eres mi Hijo; yo te he engendrado hoy.”

Que la gracia y la paz de Jesús, el Señor, esté siempre con ustedes.

#### Primera Lectura (Jeremías 31,7-9): Dios Reúne a su Pueblo

Dios reúne a su pueblo desde los confines más lejanos de la tierra; incluso reúne a las personas cuya fe es débil y vacilante. Porque él es un Dios y Padre salvador.

#### Segunda Lectura (hebreos 5,1-6): Jesús, el Nuevo Sumo Sacerdote

Dios mismo ha elegido a nuestro Salvador Jesús como el nuevo sumo sacerdote. Jesús se ofreció a sí mismo por nuestros pecados.

#### Evangelio (Marcos 10,46-52): ¡Señor, que vea!

Jesús hace que un ciego vea de nuevo. Este hombre ciego es imagen de todo cristiano; tenemos que aprender a ver con ojos de fe para seguir a Jesús. no se apartará de él.

El grito mismo también tiene su interés: «Jesús, hijo de David, ten compasión de mí». Lo de «hijo de David» era una forma de llamar al Mesías. Bartimeo reconoce a Jesús como el Mesías, como el que va a venir a salvar a su pueblo. Le importa poco si su idea de Mesías es correcta o no, lo que interesa es que se compadezca de él, que no haga como la gente que no tiene compasión.

Y Jesús se para y pide que lo llamen. Bartimeo ha conseguido que el mismo Jesús cambie sus planes (recordemos que está subiendo a Jerusalén), o al menos que los retrase un poco. La ilusión y el ánimo desbordado del mendigo es capaz de torcer un poco los planes de Dios para que se apiade de él (ya sé que este lenguaje no lo usamos hoy, que preferimos hablar de otra manera, pero ¿no es un ejemplo muy bonito de oración insistente y confiada?).



Ahora entran en acción los discípulos, que también tienen su miga. El texto no dice que sean los discípulos, pero visto que la gente le había regañado, no es del todo equivocado pensar que los que llaman al ciego son los que más cerca están de Jesús. Reciben una orden suya y en seguida la cumplen. También nosotros, si nos vemos como discípulos de Jesús, recibimos la misma misión: «Llamad a todos los hombres y mujeres del mundo, que puedan venir a mí, si quieren».

Marcos podría decir simplemente que «llamaron al ciego», pero prefiere dejarnos una frase que define de forma impresionante la triple tarea de los discípulos: «Ánimo, levántate, te llama».

**OFFERING UPDATE  
OCTOBER 16/17**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	251	90	\$3,071.00
8:00 a.m.	205	96	2,963.00
10:00 a.m.	308	74	2,465.00
12:00 p.m.	317	88	2,714.00
Coin			7.43
Faith Direct:			3,028.50
Children's Env.		8	85.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,081</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>\$14,333.93</b>
2020 total	795	316	\$13,703.40
Candles			\$717.66
Poor Box			\$345.45

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

Today, **World Mission Sunday**, we are called to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, supporting mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need. As Catholics around the world, here at home and in the missions gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, let us pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work and offer financial help through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for vulnerable communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands. *Please Note:* For this collection, please make checks payable to: *The Propagation of the Faith.*



**SUPER 72 RAFFLE  
OCTOBER 2021 WINNERS**

**\$1000 - Lauren Buynak**

**\$250 - M. Byrns**

**\$100 - Mr. Mrs. M. Ferrante**

**\$100 - Arthur & Robin Lord**

**\$100 - Jim & Jessie DeNunzio**

**\$100 - Arlene Spero**

**DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All requests for items printed in the bulletin must first have approval from Msgr. DeGrocco or the ministry moderator. *All material must be submitted* by the dates listed below and *as a Word document* to Carmel Becker at [cbecker@oloph.org](mailto:cbecker@oloph.org). *Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.*

October 31—passed

November 7—October 29

November 14—November 5

**DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS**

*St. Joseph's Church in Babylon* is seeking a *Part-Time Receptionist* Evenings and Saturdays. Days and hours are: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.; Saturday from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. If interested, please call (631) 669-0068 X 107.

*Exposition of the Sacred Relics Treasures of the Church* - Come see the relics of St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérèse of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a fragment of the Veil that belonged to Our Lady and some of the largest remaining pieces of the Wood of the True Cross in the world. Tuesday, **November 2** at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Rd., Huntington, New York 11743. Call 631-423-0483 or go to [www.treasuresofthechurch.com](http://www.treasuresofthechurch.com) for more information.

*Church of St. Joseph Parish Center*, 39 North Carll Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702, "*Moving On*" Group An 'After-Bereavement' Group for Widows and Widowers Presents: "**Grief and the Holidays**" Presented by: Lisa Strahs-Lorenc, Author and Bereavement Specialist, Friday, **November 12** @ 7:30 p.m. For further information please call Linda Sparaco, Facilitator, at 631-225-9530 or Joyce Gangone, Co - Facilitator, at 631-513-7889.

**PREPARING FOR**  
**Sunday, October 31, 2021**  
**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.*

Mark 12:30

**Deuteronomy 6:2-6**

We hear today one of the most famous prayers in Judaism, called the Shema, in the first reading. "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength." (The Hebrew word *shema* means "hear" or "listen.") Jesus quotes this in the Gospel reading in answer to a question about which is the most important commandment. This is the basic principle of the whole Mosaic law: to love God wholeheartedly.

**Hebrews 7:23-28**

The ancient priesthood consisted of priests who died and had to be replaced, but the priesthood of Jesus is forever. He offered himself once and for all for our sins. On earth he served people and gave his life for us; in heaven he intercedes for us. He is and will always remain the only way to God. Good news indeed!

**Mark 12:28b-34**

Not every scribe tried to trip Jesus up. Here we hear about one who sincerely wants to know what the greatest commandment is. Jesus tells him about loving God wholeheartedly and then cites as the second most important commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself." The scribe agrees and adds that to act this way is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices. Jesus agrees. He is telling us that love is the ethical commandment that far outweighs any rite or ritual.

**Gospel Reflection**

*After reading next Sunday's readings take some time to pray on them before you come to Mass. Use the questions below to aid your reflection.*

1. What does Pope Francis suggest we do to avoid being a community of "service stations" for the poor with little friendship?

*"Our God is unmitigated giving; he is unlimited forgiveness; he is a relationship that promotes and fosters.*

*Mark the Evangelist does not bother to specify who the [neighbor](#) is, because a neighbor is a person whom I meet on the journey. ... It is about having eyes to see and a heart to want what is good for him or her. If we practice seeing with Jesus' gaze, we will always be listening and be close to those in need. ..."*

*Today's [Gospel](#) passage invites us all to be projected not only toward the needs of our poorest brothers and sisters, but above all to be attentive to their need for fraternal closeness, for a meaning to life, and for tenderness. This challenges our Christian communities: it means avoiding the risk of being communities that have many initiatives but few relationships; the risk of being community 'service stations' but with little company, in the full and Christian sense of this term.*

*[Angelus, Pope Francis](#)  
Nov. 4, 2018*

2. Why did Jesus add the words, "And love your neighbor as yourself" to the commandment to love God with our whole heart? Was it found throughout the Hebrew culture? How do we show love for God? Are most of the Ten Commandments about loving our neighbor?

## Readings for the Week

*Take time each day to read the daily readings of the Church.*

**Monday, October 25, 2021:**

Romans 8:12-17 + Luke 13:10-17

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021:**

Romans 8:18-25 + Luke 13:18-21

**Wednesday, October 27, 2021:**

Romans 8:26-30 + Luke 13:22-30

**Thursday, October 28, 2021:**Ephesians 2:19-22  
+ Luke 6:12-16**Friday, October 29, 2021:**Romans 9:1-5  
+ Luke 14:1-6**Saturday, October 30, 2021:**Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29  
+ Luke 14:1, 7-11**Sunday, October 31, 2021:**Deuteronomy 6:2-6  
+ Hebrews 7:23-28  
+ Mark 12:28b-34

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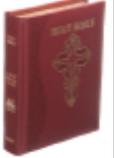
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