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

Matthew 22:37

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 29, 2023

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

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

Deacons: Deacon William R. Crosby, Deacon Douglas G. Smith,

Deacon Robert A. Becker, Deacon James Totino

Business Manager: Ms. Jill Marie Delano

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut • Music Director: Miss Erin Barrett

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., 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 communally, in person, each Saturday in the church immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Each Sunday, we pray Morning Prayer at 9:15 a.m. and Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.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

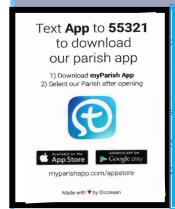
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Text to 55321

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Week of October 29, 2023

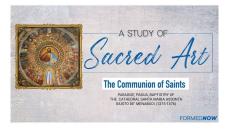
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Saint Charles Borromeo: The Good Shepherd

As the Cardinal-nephew of Pope Pius IV, Saint Charles Borromeo was one of the wealthiest and most powerful men in all of Rome. Yet he chose the extraordinary challenge of reforming the enormous Archdiocese of Milan to the pampered life of a Renaissance prince, and willingly spent himself in the service of his flock.

LEARN



The Communion of Saints | Sacred Art

In celebration of All Saints' Day, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down to discuss Giusto de' Menabuoi's "Paradise" and how the saints give us hope by showing us that holiness is possible.

LISTEN



Brother Francis - All Souls Day

In this episode of Brother Francis, kids can learn about All Souls Day and how we take time to remember those who have passed away.

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Solemnity of All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation

This Wednesday is **November 1, All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation.** Our Mass schedule for Tuesday, October 31 and Wednesday, November 1 is printed elsewhere in this bulletin. Please remember that, as with Sundays, all Catholics are **obligated** to attend Mass for this Holy Day. So, we'll see you back here again later in the week! No excuses!

With All Saints Day, the Church remembers and celebrates all the saints known and unknown to us who enjoy the glory of heaven. The Gospel reading for the Mass of All Saints is the Beatitudes, which are guidelines for true joy and the attainment of holiness in the Christian life. The Beatitudes tell us how to live a life of holiness so that we may be happy in this life and have even more happiness in the next life, as we strive to be numbered among all the saints in heaven.

Being in communion with all the saints is one of the main themes that make up the meaning of this Solemnity. The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Mass reminds us of the great cloud of witnesses by which we are surrounded; the prayer mentions that in this celebration we venerate the merits of all the saints. The prayer also reminds us that we can count on the intercession of all the saints. Of course, every time we celebrate the Eucharist we do so in the Communion of Saints, and they celebrate with us. Also, the Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer for the Mass of All Saints makes reference to "the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother, where the great array of our brothers and sisters already gives you [God] eternal praise." The heavenly Jerusalem is where our brothers and sisters who have gone before us give God eternal praise, and in this life we are pilgrims who seek to advance to the heavenly city aided by the strength and example of the saints.

What a great celebration All Saints Day is — a day of great festivity and hope! In addition to going to Mass, how will you make All Saints Day special for you and your family?

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) and the Parish Mass of Remembrance

Each year, the Church celebrates the day after All Saints Day, November 2, as The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, also called All Souls' Day. So, on Thursday of this week at 7:30 p.m. we will celebrate our annual **Parish Mass of Remembrance**, with the solemn reading of names. I do hope you will join in celebrating this liturgy.

All Souls' Day is a unique day on the liturgical calendar, in a category all by itself. It is neither a solemnity nor a feast, but rather it is a commemoration, yet it is a commemoration that outranks other feasts and even takes the place of a Sunday in Ordinary Time when it falls on a Sunday, as it does some years.

Prayers for the dead have been part of the life of the Church from its earliest days. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to the dead is a treasured tenet of our Catholic faith. That the end of our life here on earth points to a future fulfillment is also a major part of our Christian understanding of death; we profess this every time we recite the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

All Souls' Day proclaims to us the centrality of the Paschal Mystery in Christian faith: because of Jesus' death and resurrection, death leads to new life for all those united to Christ. Therefore, because of our faith in the risen Christ, we can find hope in death. For me, this is summed up best in the words of Preface I for the Dead which can be used as part of the Eucharistic Prayer in Funeral Masses; that prayer reads: "In him [Christ] the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come. Indeed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven." Those are beautiful words indeed, words that bring us comfort and hope!

Our All Souls Mass of Remembrance on Thursday of this week includes a solemn reading of names of all those whose funeral we have celebrated at OLPH over the past year; those families have received special letters of invitation. However, the Mass is, of course, open to everyone, and it is a beautiful thing for everyone in the parish community to come together to show solidarity, support and compassion for the deceased and their families. Why not consider attending?

November: a month of remembrance

In addition, the entire month of November is our traditional month of remembrance for our beloved dead, or our "month of souls," as it is sometimes called. We can recall how praying for souls goes all the way back to Old Testament thought: in 2 Maccabees 12:45-46, we read that it is holy and pious to pray for the dead, so that they may be absolved from their sin. Offering prayers of intercession on behalf of those who have died is a cherished belief in our Catholic faith, and it comes

from our belief in the resurrection of the body and the Communion of Saints. The *Order of Christian Funerals*, at #6, tells us, "Though separated from the living, the dead are still at one with the community of believers on earth and benefit from their prayer and intercession." So, trusting in God's mercy, we continue to pray for our beloved dead, knowing that this spiritual bond with our brothers and sisters who have died can never be broken.

Many families have the custom of making a visit to cemeteries during this month, to pray at the resting places of their deceased family members and friends; it's a practice you might wish to consider. In addition, I invite you to join in three other special observances and customs to mark November as our month of remembrance:

- All Souls Novena of Masses: Envelopes by which you can participate in the All Souls Novena of Masses are available throughout the church. Many people find this a very meaningful and prayerful way to express our continued communion with those who have gone before us.
- Book of Names of the Dead: As is our custom, we will place a book in the Divine Mercy Chapel for you to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones, and the names in this book will be prayed for throughout November. (Please remember to write only names, and not intentions, in this book.)
- Altar of Remembrance: Bring a picture of your deceased loved one and place it on the Altar of Remembrance in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Our thanks go to the members of the Ministry of Consolation who oversee this project each year. (Please remember to take the picture back at the end of the month!)

Oh no! GOLDEN TICKET sales are lagging behind!

It's with the beginning of a little bit of alarm that I mention to you that the sales for our **GOLDEN TICKET** Raffle are lagging behind — as of this writing, we are about 100 tickets behind where we were last year at this same time! Ugh!

Insofar as this is such a major fundraiser for the parish, I need to ask you to please, please, please give this a big push and to help us move this along.

If you have already bought one, **THANK YOU!** How about buying another one, to increase your chances of winning, or, after buying your individual ticket, going in on a group ticket with others? Tickets continue to be available at the rectory, or through the mail using the ad in the bulletin.

Also, I need to ask you to spread the word to family and friends and to get them to buy tickets; you

don't have to be a parishioner of OLPH (heck, you don't even have to be Catholic!) in order to purchase a ticket and win a prize. We desperately count on the income raised from this event, so we need to once again make this a huge success! (Am I doing enough begging?)

Each year I really look forward to the special party at which we draw the winners, which this year will be on Saturday, November 18. It's always a great deal of fun, and I try to make it an exciting evening of festivity and community for everyone. Remember that you're asked to bring your own noshes and food for you and your guest; we'll supply the beverages. See you there!

Parish Leadership Meeting last Saturday

Last Saturday, October 21, we held a Parish Leadership Meeting with all the members of the parish advisory boards and all the ministry heads and leaders, and I would like to sincerely thank everyone who attended and participated.

It was an important meeting and much was accomplished in terms of giving us food for thought for the future of the parish. The focus was looking inward; we did not focus on externals like numbers or recruiting or earthly strategies for our ministries; no, we focused on the spirituality of what we do as offerers, as disciples who offer ourselves as gifts to God and to one another in various ways in our parish, and how we need to turn to that spirituality of discipleship as the source for hope, for strength, and for growth into the future. That's the approach we'll be taking and what we'll be looking at in the months ahead as a parish. We hope that in the coming months you'll be hearing more about what it means to offer your gifts and your time to this parish, and the spiritual fulfillment that results from doing so.

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,

magn. Joe

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

All Saints Day Wednesday, November 1

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass schedule: Tuesday, October 31 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 1 6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.



ALL SAINTS DAY

Special All Souls Parish Mass of Remembrance 7:30 p.m. Mass Thursday, November 2

We will celebrate a special All Souls Parish Mass of Remembrance on All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2 at 7:30 p.m. At this Mass we will pray by name for all who have died in our parish community over the past year. All families who have celebrated a Funeral Mass at OLPH in the past year are being specially invited, and all parishioners, whether or not they have experienced a loss, are invited to come and join in prayer. Please consider participating in this Mass to join together in prayerful solidarity with our brothers and sisters who have lost a loved one in the past year.

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. Please pick up your picture by Thursday, November 30.



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

Beginning November 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 is not the Book of Intentions, and only the names of the deceased, without any intention, should be written in this book.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

FIRST FRIDAY, & FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS



All are invited to come and

pray with our parish community.

First Friday Devotions will take place **November 3** after the 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses.

First Saturday Devotions—in honor of Our Lady of Fatima—will be conducted Saturday, **November 4** beginning with the Rosary at 7:40 a.m., Mass at 8:00 a.m. and continued devotion following Mass.

Each month, all are invited to join the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society for Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration will be held on Saturday, November 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Polish, English, Spanish). The evening concludes with Benediction at 9:30 p.m.



SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

Special Mass for People With Special Needs

and for those who care for them

This vital ministry offers experiences for those with special needs and their families, including special Masses, various activities and opportunities to come together as a parish community in a smaller setting.

Saturday, November 4

4:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium

All are welcome. Come celebrate Mass with us!

We can use some help in preparing for our monthly Mass and other special needs events. How about you? Contact Jessica Becker at 631.226-7725 X 252 or email to jbecker@oloph.org

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Join us Next Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Children 1st Grade and older can join in the Children's Liturgy of the Word every 1st and 3rd Sunday during the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

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.

For more info call Jenine at 516-376-5146







PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN BANK PARKING LOT FOR 12:15 P.M. MASS ON ALL SAINTS DAY

We ask that if you come to the 12:15 p.m. Mass on **Wednesday**, **November 1**, **All Saints Day**, please do not park in the bank parking lot on the north side of the church. Remember that it is a normal business day for the bank, and the bank lot is not our property. Let's be a good neighbor! Please do not park in their lot during business hours. Thank you.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for



healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

Mondays at 12:45 p.m.

THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE

If the announced intention at Mass is for your intention, or if you have memorialized the bread and wine, and you would like to carry those offerings forward at the Presentation of the Gifts during Mass, please be sure to let the ushers know this before the Mass begins. They will be happy to have you do this. If no one steps forward to specifically request this, then

they will select people from the assembly.

NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is cancelled on this Wednesday, November 1, due to the 12:15 p.m. Mass for the All Saints Holy Day. It will resume on Wednesday, November 8, as usual. Thank you for your understanding.



FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT COME FORWARD IN PROCESSION TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

If you are, or if someone you are with is, unable to walk in procession to receive Holy Communion, please alert one of the Ushers <u>before Mass begins</u>. The Usher will be glad to arrange to have one of the ministers bring Holy Communion to the pew. Please remember to inform an Usher before Mass begins; do not wait until the time of Communion. Also, if at all possible, please sit in the front half of the church, to make it easier for the minister to come to you. Thank you.

FOR THOSE WITH CELIAC DISEASE

Special hosts are available for those with Celiac Disease who cannot receive Holy Communion using the usual bread. These hosts contain less than 0.001% gluten content and are approved for the Roman Catholic Church by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. If you need to receive Holy Communion using one of these hosts, please stop in the sacristy before Mass begins to discuss this with the priest. We will be happy to accommodate you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING



WE NEED YOU! WE WANT YOU!

OLPH IS RECRUITING NEW LECTORS, USHERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

What do Extraordinary Ministers do?

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priests and deacons in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Those who wish can also go on for extra training to bring Holy Communion to our homebound sisters and brothers.

How Do I Become An Extraordinary Minister?

- 1. You must contact Barbara McPhail at 631-226-1354 or e-mail to gospa254@gmail.com.
- 2. You must send a letter to Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office or e-mail to msgrjoe@oloph.org requesting to become a minister.
- 3. You must meet with Msgr. Joe for an interview.
- 4. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions (see below). If you wish to also bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, you must attend a separate "Part B" training session. Information about that session can be obtained in your interview with Msgr. Joe.

What do Lectors do?

Lectors proclaim the Scriptures and sometimes the Intercessions at Sunday and daily Mass and at other liturgies.

How Do I Become A Lector?

- 1. You must contact Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or email to DeaconRobert9550@gmail.com
- 2. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions.

LECTORS

Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Brookville



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, "PART A" FOR ALL MINISTERS

Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Brookville

What do Ushers do?

Ushers serve an important role in the liturgy! First and foremost, they are ministers of hospitality who welcome all those who come to liturgy. They help create an environment conducive to worship by the way they greet people with warmth and friendliness. Ushers also serve by guiding the movement of the assembly during processions such as the reception of Holy Communion and at other times. Taking up the collection is another way Ushers serve the assembly.

Who Should Become an Usher?

Anyone, including teens who have received Confirmation, can become an Usher. This is a great ministry for families to do together...the young ones can do this with parents and older children!

How Do I Become an Usher?

You should contact Mike Williams at olphushersministry@gmail.com or, if you don't have e-mail, leave a message for Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office, 631-226-7725 and he will pass the message along to Mike.



All liturgical ministers must complete a Volunteer Registration Form, have Virtus training and be a registered parishioner. For information about becoming Virtus compliant: contact Helene Calabrese at hcalab2@optonline.net.



"LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME" PRAYER GARDEN Engraved Bricks

Memorialize your loved ones or your prayer intention in our "Let the Children Come to Me" Prayer Garden!

The memorializations do not have to be only for children, though; the prayer garden is for all prayers, intentions and memorializations for loved ones of any age.

Or, you can offer a prayer intention.

Your Name(s)	
Street:	
City:	State: Zip:
Phone:	Email:

Please enclose full payment of \$125 with this completed form.

Make checks payable to: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

Mail or return form in person to:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

Attn: Brick Memorialization

Linda Coppola

210 South Wellwood Avenue

Lindenhurst, NY 11757

Please print the inscription as it is to appear on the brick (3 lines/15 characters per line maximum).

Each box represents one letter, number, character or space. The pavers will be engraved in all capital letters.

If you would like to add a heart or a cross to your brick, it will be engraved on the left hand side.

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help THE GOLDEN TICKET

Saturday, November 18, 2023 7:00 p.m.

in the OLPH Auditorium

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

It's a 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.

Refreshments will be served including beer, wine, soda and water and we recommend and encourage attendees to bring some homemade favorite foods/snacks for their friends and fellow parishioners to share.

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. Tickets will also be available outside the church after the 12:15 p.m. Mass on November 1. 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 #:		_
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Number of Golde	en Tickets @\$100 each	_

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."

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Located in the Rectory Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253 Email: religioused@oloph.org

Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut

(akleinlaut@oloph.org)

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday: CLOSED

Saturday: By Appointment Only

LEVELS 6, 7 and 8:

Reminder: there will be no classes on Wednesday, November 1 due to the All Saints Holy Day.

You must attend Mass on this Holy Day of Obligation, and if you haven't yet, take the opportunity to fill out your required Mass Reflection for a Holy Day.

LEVEL 5:

On Saturday, November 4, there will be an Open House!
Parents/guardians will meet in the auditorium during the child's class.

Quote of the Day!

"You fast, but Satan does not eat. You labor fervently, but Satan never sleeps. The only dimension with which you can outperform Satan is by acquiring humility, for Satan has no humility."

— Saint Moses the Black

Saint of the Day!

Saint Elizabeth was born to royalty on July 7, 1207 in Hungary. She was married at the age of fourteen and was filled with joy because she was lucky enough to deeply love her husband. St. Elizabeth followed the practices of Saint Francis of Assisi and used her wealth to perform charitable acts such as feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and healing the sick. Her husband, Ludwig IV of Thuringia, supported her religious practices and witnessed two of the miracles that she performed during her life. She died at the age of twenty-four.



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
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- ₱ Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- Prespect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta123@gmail.com
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ St. Vincent de Paul Society: Valerie Baxter—631.226.7725, x. 234
- Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

NEW Food Pantry List!

JELLY WHITE RICE (SMALL BAG) **APPLE JUICE SOUPS INSTANT MASHED POTATOES CANNED VEGETABLES BROWNIE MIX BAKED BEANS PASTA SPAGHETTI SAUCE**

Thank you for your continued generosity. Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the "New" School Building Use Parking Lot located on corner of Gates & High Streets 631.226.7725 x. 234

> The office is open: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.—12 Noon

1st & 3rd Saturdays 1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

In this Sunday's Gospel we find the truth that loving God isn't merely a matter of fervor in our hearts, but that it must be expressed in doing good for the sake of others.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to show that we indeed love our neighbors by assisting 110 adults, 51 children, and 28 seniors, for a total of 78 families. Thank you!

HELP FAMILIES IN NEED IN OUR OWN PARISH FOR THANKSGIVING!



In lieu of having the Adopt A Family program, we are going to do things a little different this year. Below is a list for up to date canned foods and boxed items that we will need for the Thanksgiving baskets that we'll be assembling and giving out. Whatever you donate will be greatly appreciated.

Items needed for the Thanksgiving food baskets:

Please nothing that needs refrigeration

Cranberry Sauce jellied Green Beans Peas Yams

Apple Cider/Juice Comstock-Type Pie filling **Apple Sauce** Carrots Corn Soups Cookies

Cake mix & Frosting

Boxed Turkey Stuffing Mix Boxed Instant Potatoes Chocolate Pudding or Jello

Ready made Pie Crust **Boxed Muffin Mixes**

Ready made dinner rolls

** Local Grocery Store Gift Cards up to \$25 will be greatly appreciated this year! Checks made out to SVDP are always appreciated!

If you can, please bring your donations to our office. Office hrs. are Mon, Wed. Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1st and 3rd Sat (1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) or call 631 226 7725 X 234 or email Carol Stysiack at: carolstys@verizon.net

HELP FAMILIES IN NEED IN OUR OWN PARISH FOR CHRISTMAS



CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2023

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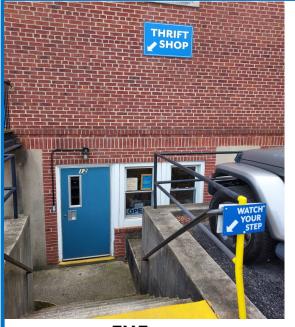
If you can help, please fill out the form below or contact St. Vincent de Paul Office at 631.226-7725 X 234 or complete the tear off below and return it in the Collection Basket for *Christmas by November 12th*.

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—James Madison

The Constitution of the United States:

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It is alarming that many today have turned a blind eye to the required connection between God and liberty, and forgotten the warning from John Adams and Thomas Jefferson that liberty cannot survive among men without its divine connection.

"Remember that a Constitution which gives to the people so much freedom and entrusts them with so much power, rests for its permanency, on their knowledge and virtue," wrote Arthur Stansbury, in 1828. "An ignorant people are easily betrayed, and a wicked people can never be ruled by the mild influence of their own laws. If you would be free...cultivate knowledge — flee from vice. The virtuous citizen is the true noble."(2)

(Elementary Catechism on the Constitution of the U.S. (2); americanthinker.com, 9/15/07(1); renewamerica.com, 5/5/11; thoughts.com, 7/3/19; The 5,000 Year Leap)

Pope Francis and the Bishops of the United States have called for prayers for peace in the Holy Land after the strike by Hamas on Israel. Let each of us in our private and community prayer ask for God's blessings and comfort on those suffering barbaric violence and tragic loss. Our prayers for peace must be constant and earnest that the fighting and death will end.

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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 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please contact Jeffrey Gaab at (631) 965-0076 or e-mail at 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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

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PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Please pray for the following members of our parish community preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Third Announcement:

Vincent Monteleone & Kaleigh Hempel

Second Announcement:

Victor Tineo & Mariel (Garcia) Tineo

WE CELEBRATE

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has freed you from sin, given you new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and joined you to his people.—Order of Baptism of Children

> Patryk Anthony Buratynski Maria Jose Camey-Galeano Lia Fernanda Camey-Galeano Leo Anthone Kort Hanna Grace Morris

We welcome the newest members of the Catholic community here at OLPH!

MASS MEMORIALS

A beautiful way to remember a loved one! Memorials used during the Masses Oct. 29-Nov. 4:

> Altar Wine In Memory of John Yuliano OLPH Class of '72 Requested by

Renna Family

Please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 for other options for memorials.

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

John Steel Laurell Desner Vincent Crisostomo John Steel Sr. Martin Lafferty Farmingdale Students and Families George DiSalvo Theresa Pirolo Mary Abbondola Keith Magnuson Joan Giarratano Erin Kelly

Heather Ventimiglia Christine Gallagher Lisa Byrne Edward Novack Charlieanne Alexander Monica Pulla Lina Avila Evelyn Pulla Alex Betti Deacon Bill Weiss Christopher DePalma Christine Ajello-Larsen John Leyden

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.

WE REMEMBER

We remember those who have died in our parish.

Sheryl Ann Paone Helen Irene Engel Dianela Tornilla Arthur Clemens Theresa Presti

"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."

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 7 - Developing Baby - "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.



MASS SCHEDULE

	MASS SOILDULL
MONI	OAY, October 30—
	Weekday
6:30	Nancy Tendy
12:15	Joseph Papa
TUESI	DAY, October 31— Weekday
6:30	Cardenas Family
12:15	,
12:15	Irene & Joseph Canzoneri
5.00	Solemnity of All Saints
5:00	Anita Melito
WEDN	NESDAY, November 1— All Saints
6:30	For the People of the Parish
12:15	Robert Little
7:30	John S. Byrnes
	SDAY, November 2—
The C	ommemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)
6:30	Joseph Brando
12:15	Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton
7:30	Souls Enrolled in the All Souls Novena
FRIDA	Y, November 3—
	Weekday
ć 20	(Saint Martin de Porres, Religious)
6:30	John M. Treanor
12:15	Souls Enrolled in the All Souls Novena
SATU	RDAY, November 4— Saints Charles Borromeo, Bishop
8:00	Souls Enrolled in the All Souls Novena
Satu	rday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
	IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00	John P. Gallagher
5.00	(Special Needs Mass—Auditorium)
5:00	Victoria Giordano
Sunday	7, November 5— THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
	IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00	Souls Enrolled in the All Souls Novena
10:00	Anita B. Moran
12:00	For the People of the Parish

PARISH CALENDAR

P	ARISH CALENDA	AR
	Monday, October 30, 2023	
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
12:45 p.m.	Devotions	Church
5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
6:30 p.m.	CYO Track	South Parking Lot
	Tuesday, October 31, 2023	
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
1	Wednesday, November 1, 20	23
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2.50 p.m.	(631-412-3831 for information)	_
	Thursday, November 2, 202	3
4:30 p.m.	Altar Server Training	Church
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
	Friday, November 3, 2023	
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
1:00 p.mon	Church closed for cleaning	Church
6:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal	Church
	Saturday, November 4, 202	3
8:30 and 10:00 a.m.	Rel. Ed.: Levels 1-5 and Special Ed. Classes	School
11:30 a.m.	Bereavement Ministry	Room 22
1:30 p.m.	Wedding	Church
1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
	Sunday, November 5, 2023	
10:00 a.m.	OCIA	Room 18
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO,

El grupo de oración Jesús es el camino la verdad y la vida.

Le invita a alabar y glorificar a Dios todos los jueves a las 7:00PM en la cafetería, en un ambiente familiar. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Únete a nosotros en oración, por ti y por tu familia en Alabanzas y reflexión de la palabra de DIOS.

Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia Interesados favor llamar a Alina Patrón al (516) 263-9401

Para más información sobre los sacramentos del bautizo matrimonio y servicio pastorales Unción de los enfermos y la Eucaristía, llamar a la rectoría 631) 226-7725/ en español a Irma González al (631) 620-2401.

Liturgia Viva del Domingo 30° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo A Domingo, 29 de octubre de 2023

Nos hemos hecho imitadores del Señor

y, con la alegría del Espíritu,

aceptamos el evangelio;

hemos llegado a ser siervos del Dios vivo y real.

Que Jesús, el Señor a quien esperamos, esté siempre con ustedes.

Primera Lectura (Éxodos 22:20-26): Amen a los Pobres en Nombre de la Alianza

En nombre de la alianza, se pide al pueblo de Dios que haga por los pobres lo mismo que Dios ha hecho por su pueblo: mostrar amor para con los extranjeros y extraños, huérfanos y viudas, y para con los atrapados en deudas.

Segunda Lectura (1 Tesalonicenses 1,5-10): La Fe Es Contagiosa

La fe de los cristianos de Tesalónica es modelo para todos los que creen, e inspira a otras comunidades, ya que la fe genuina es contagiosa.

Evangelio (Mateo 22,34-40): Por Encima de Todo: Amor

Jesús hace del amor al prójimo el signo del amor a Dios. Lo que importa sobre todo es el amor de Dios y del prójimo.

En Mateo 22,34-40, Jesús responde a la pregunta de un fariseo sobre cuál es el mandamiento principal de la Ley. Él responde que el mandamiento principal es "Amarás al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma y con toda tu mente" y que el segundo es "Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo". Estos dos mandamientos sostienen toda la Ley y los profetas 123.

La reflexión de este pasaje bíblico es que el amor a Dios y al prójimo son inseparables. El amor a Dios debe manifestarse en el amor al prójimo. Amar a Dios significa amar a los demás, especialmente a los más necesitados. El amor al prójimo no es solo un sentimiento, sino una acción concreta. Debemos amar al prójimo como a nosotros mismos, lo que significa tratar a los demás con respeto y dignidad, ayudarlos en sus necesidades y perdonarlos cuando nos ofenden 12.



OFFERING UPDATE October 21/22

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	248	95	\$2,606.00
8:00 a.m.	178	78	2,471.00
10:00 a.m.	322	72	2,615.00
12:00 p.m.	340	86	2,787.00
Total coin:			3.24
Faith Direct			3,146.32
Children's Env.		12	35.00
Mail-ins:			2,253.00
TOTAL	1,088	343	\$15,916.56
2022	977	346	\$15,955.25
Candles			\$790.27
Poor Box			\$287.15

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 as a Word document* to Carmel Becker at cbecker@oloph.org.

no later than the dates listed below.

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November 5—deadline passed November 12—November 3 deadline November 19—November 10 deadline

All parish offices are closed and activities cancelled, except for Masses, on

Wednesday, November 1, Solemnity of All Saints.

The Rectory Reception Desk will be open only until 2:00 p.m.; no other afternoon or evening reception desk hours that day.



ALL SAINTS DAY



Holy Name Society

will be outside the church after Mass November 4/5

and

November 11/12

selling "Turkey Raffles" Please stop by and support their annual fundraiser!

REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK NEXT WEEKEND.



Important Diocese of Rockville Centre Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred, and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc

PREPARING FOR

Sunday, November 5, 2023 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said, "The greatest among you must be your servant.

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled;

but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Matthew 23:11-12

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

Roughly a century after the Babylonian exile and prior to the reforms of Ezra and Nehemiah, the priests played a central role in the life of Israel. In this reading, the leaders are castigated for failing to follow the ways of God and for leading others astray. For this, they will be cursed by God. They, like the Pharisees, have been poor and false teachers of their people.

1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

In contrast to the priests in Malachi's time and the Scribes and Pharisees in Jesus' time, Paul proves himself to be an authentic teacher who nurses his flock into God's ways. The passage is full of warmth and affection for the Thessalonians. While Paul is with them, he is like a "nursing mother." Not only does he preach and teach, but he shares with them his very self. Because he does not want to be a burden to his new converts, he works for his own living. Finally, Paul reminds us that the Gospel he preaches is no mere human work but the power of God in our midst.

Matthew 23:1-2

We hear today a strong condemnation of the Pharisees and Scribes. This whole chapter must be read in the context of the historical situation that Matthew is dealing with. Around 85AD, Christians were expelled from the synagogues, which resulted in a lot of antagonism between Jews who became Christians (people like Matthew himself) and Jews who did not convert to Christianity. Matthew's primary concern or focus is not the Pharisees and Scribes but the leaders of his own Christian community, some of whom may have been throwing their weight around and beginning to manifest the bad traits of the Pharisees and the Scribes. Some of the leaders may have been more concerned about their own self-importance than about the Gospel. The warning for the leaders in the Christian Church is that they should not follow the bad example of the Pharisees and Scribes. If God did not spare them or their temple, surely he will not spare an unfaithful church. Jesus specifically levels three criticisms at the Scribes and Pharisees: They do not practice what they preach. They are too legalistic in their interpretation of the Scriptures. They are full of their own self-importance, seeking the front seats and titles. This Gospel challenges today's shepherds and all disciples to look into their own hearts and see to what extent the spirit of the Pharisee lies within.

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, October 30, 2023:

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

Tuesday, October 31, 2023:

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

Wednesday, November 1, 2023: Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14

1 John 3:1-3 + Matthew 5:1-12a

Thursday, November 2, 2023:

Any readings from No. 668

or from the Masses for the Dead

Friday, November 3, 2023:

Romans 9:1-5 + Luke 14:1-6

Saturday, November 4, 2023:

Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29

+ Luke 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, November 5, 2023:

Malachi 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10

+ 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

+ Matthew 23:1-12

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. As in Luke 22:26-27, Jesus says, "But not so with you; rather let the greatest among you become as the youngest and the leader as one who serves." Jesus instituted an office of service. "Wide belts," places of honor and titles helped the scribes and Pharisees increase their social status but did those things help them serve others better? What does help you serve?

2. At an Episcopal ordination, Pope Francis reminds the new bishop of Jesus' words about being a servant. What does he ask the new bishop to teach in words and attitude? What does he ask him to be? Is this message for religious leaders relevant for all times? Is it relevant for you?

"Indeed, episcopacy is the name of a service, not of an honor, since the bishop must strive to serve rather than to rule, according to the Master's commandment: 'whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.'

"... As the start of the Year of Mercy draws near, I ask you as a brother to be merciful. The Church and the world need so much mercy. Teach the presbyters and seminarians the way of mercy. With words, yes, but above all with your attitude. The mercy of the Father always receives, there is always room in his heart, no one is ever pushed away. Wait, wait. ... I wish you this: so much mercy."

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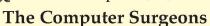
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