

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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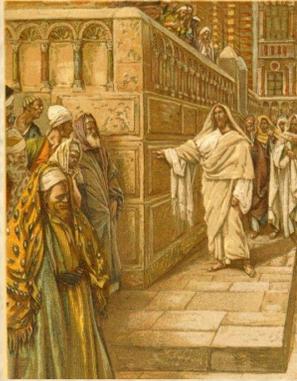
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*The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes.*

Matthew 21:42

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 4, 2020**

## 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. Thomas Crennan

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

**Music Director:** Mr. Christopher Ferraro

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

## COME AND PRAY...

Our church is open

**6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.** seven days a week,  
except for Thursdays when it closes  
after the 12:15 p.m. Mass for cleaning.

Come in and spend some time in prayer.

**Face covering and social distancing required.**

## 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.

5:00 p.m. *Sunday Mass suspended until further notice.*

*Mass intention will be fulfilled privately by one of the priests.*

## 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.

Confessions are being heard in classrooms  
in the “new school annex” near High Street.

See inside bulletin for safety protocols.

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

## OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Monday afternoons

at 12:45 p.m. in the church

## ADORATION OF

## THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

**Sunday:** 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

**Friday:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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

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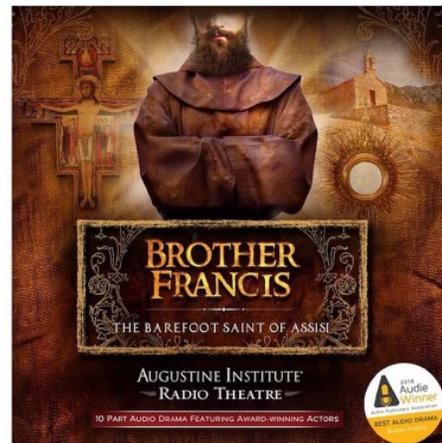
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## PICK OF THE WEEK

**LISTEN**

### **BROTHER FRANCIS: THE BAREFOOT SAINT OF ASSISI**

If you think you know Francis of Assisi, you're in for a surprise. Discover the astonishing life of Brother Francis, the fun-loving son of wealth and privilege who gave up everything for the sake of Christ.



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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *The GOLDEN TICKET*

It's officially underway — this year's GOLDEN TICKET RAFFLE! This is always a big money-maker for the parish, and I'm sure with a little effort on everyone's part, it will be successful again this year. Make sure you are a part of it!

You know how it works: there are a limited number of tickets — exactly 500 — sold at \$100 per ticket; that's a total of \$50,000. Cash prizes will total \$20,000, leaving a \$30,000 profit for the parish (I need not tell you how desperately we need that income this year). Usually we do the drawing at a fun-filled and exciting cocktail party, but this year, due to COVID, we won't be able to do that, but we will live-stream the drawing (using our new camera system!), so you can have your own GOLDEN TICKET PARTY AT HOME and hear the winning numbers in real time! The drawing will be on Saturday night, November 21.

We need to make this a big success this year, but, as you can imagine, due to the limitations necessitated by the pandemic, selling tickets won't be easy, since some of our usual means won't be available to us. So, WE NEED EVERYONE TO PITCH IN!

First and foremost, please make sure you buy a ticket for yourself. Maybe in addition to your own ticket, you could also go in with others on several tickets, and maximize your chances to win.

Second, help us out by spreading the word to family and friends; 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.

Third, how about taking a batch of, say, three or five or ten tickets, and commit to selling them yourself — for example, among family members, or friends outside the parish, or at work? (I have already asked all ministers and ministry leaders to do this.) This would be a great way for all of us to do our part to get all 500 tickets sold. We would have to ask you to make sure to follow through on the commitment to get the tickets sold — it would be disastrous if one week before the event we found out we had all these unsold tickets we thought were sold — but if you think you could do this, please let Chairs and Ticket Coordinators Bob Meade or Meg

Danaher know, and they'll be more than happy to work with you.

Tickets are available at the rectory, and you can call or come in to purchase them and to get more information. Many thanks to the aforementioned Bob Meade and Meg Danaher for their leadership in running this again this year.

### *Children's reflections (Children's Liturgy of the Word) on-line*

This is the time of year when we would normally be starting up our Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Because of the pandemic, however, it won't be feasible for us to do the dismissals at the 10:00 a.m. Mass each week, but, thanks to the good work of the folks who minister in our Children's Liturgy of the Word program, we can provide the next best thing! As announced elsewhere in this bulletin, we'll be providing weekly children's reflections on our parish website YouTube page! We'll be starting this on Sunday, October 11 (next week), with yours truly as the first homilist.

I offer words of thanks to the Children's Liturgy of the Word team members who are taking this on: Jenine Jimenez-Spina, Tony Spina, Greg Guido, April Kleinlaut, Anne Korber and Anne Marie Wagner. I am thrilled that we are still able to provide this ministry to the children of our parish through this on-line presence.

Parents: please be sure to have your children tune in to the weekly reflections for children which will begin next week.

### *October is Respect Life Month*

Every October the Catholic Church observes "Respect Life Month," so, since October has begun, I want to draw your attention to the Respect Life Ministry.

It is vitally important for every Catholic to understand and appreciate the necessity for us as Christians to do our part to build a culture that cherishes every human life, especially since assaults on the dignity of life, from conception until natural death, are so prevalent in our society today. Although sponsored by and supported by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and diocesan Respect Life Offices throughout the country, including right here in our own Diocese

of Rockville Centre, the work of the Respect Life Program is mainly carried out through grassroots parish efforts. In fact, one-half of the money from the Respect Life Collection which is taken up each year remains right here at OLPH, to support the work of our parish Respect Life Committee.

Speaking of our parish Respect Life Committee, I'm proud to say that OLPH has a very active one, headed by Louise Perrotta. The work of the committee involves every aspect of life, which is the most precious gift from God. Included in these areas are chastity, natural family planning, pregnancy issues, Catholic teachings on reproductive technologies, dealing with the trauma of abortion and post-abortion (including abortion's impact on the father as well as the mother), Safe Haven residences for babies and Maternity Residences, end-of-life issues, Catholic teaching about the death penalty, and more. Our Respect Life Committee, through prayer and information gathering and distribution, has a presence in the parish and at Village of Lindenhurst functions, and at other places.

Respect Life members attempt to inform everyone about the problems and concerns in the areas I mentioned above, presenting the Church's teachings on them. They are also involved in various action endeavors such as writing to newspapers, to legislators, and, on occasion, approaching the legislators in person to give support to the Catholic moral position on those issues. Of course, presence at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. is a well-known example of one of these action items.

Perhaps most visible in our parish is the amazing Baby Bottle Campaign which we undertake each year, which began last weekend, and which is always highly successful. This campaign benefits the Life Center of Long Island.

As you can see, our Respect Life Committee deals with a wide range of issues that in one way or another affects us all. I am very grateful for the wonderful work done, and witness given, by our Respect Life Committee, and I urge you to consider joining the committee — new members are always welcome — if you are interested in giving a Catholic voice and Catholic witness to these issues.

***Charitable works and parish activities in these days of COVID***

As we continue to navigate parish life and

activities in this time of coronavirus, we continue to figure out how we can best do as many of our ministries and activities as possible. Some are not possible to do, but it is important that all of our charitable endeavors and outreach efforts to the poor and needy continue, even if the way we do them has to be adapted. We will continue these ministries and activities in ways that avoid as much direct person-to-person contact as possible.

Some things that need direct exchange between persons are very problematic, so, for example, I have asked ministries not to sell raffle tickets outside of Mass. (We're able to sell the Golden Tickets in the rectory because of the office safety procedures we have instituted.) Certain activities that involve simply picking something up and/or dropping something off, but not interaction or exchange, are possible — things like the baby bottles, or perhaps making monetary donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Additionally — and, very importantly — we WILL be doing our Advent Giving Tree this year! This activity, which has most recently been headed up by Diane Ronessi (thanks for your great work Diane!), is now being led by Jennifer Ryan and the Ryan family — thank you, Ryans! This important outreach to the needy at Christmas is always very popular, and is much needed, so I'm thrilled that it will continue. You'll be reading in future bulletins about how it will be done and what adaptations will be necessary. I know that our parish will respond as generously as always.

Most important is that we do our best to maintain all our charitable works to the poor. So, we'll continue to figure things out as we go along, one step at a time, until the day when we can return to business as usual for ALL our ministries, which I'm sure will happen in the not-super-distant future.

***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,



## 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.

Monday, October 5—12:45 p.m.  
Monday, October 12—12:45 p.m.  
Monday, October 19—12:45 p.m.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday

12:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
in the church  
after the 12:15 p.m. Mass



### THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD MINISTRY MISSES YOU!



SINCE WE CAN'T JOIN TOGETHER  
AT THE 10:00 a.m. MASS...  
STARTING NEXT WEEK,  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**

JOIN US WEEKLY TO BREAK OPEN  
THE GOSPEL AND LISTEN TO A REFLECTION  
JUST FOR YOU ON THE  
OLPH YOUTUBE CHANNEL.  
GO TO OUR PARISH HOMEPAGE  
[OLPHLINDENHURST.COM](http://OLPHLINDENHURST.COM)  
AND CLICK ON THE YOUTUBE LINK!

### MEETING FOR ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

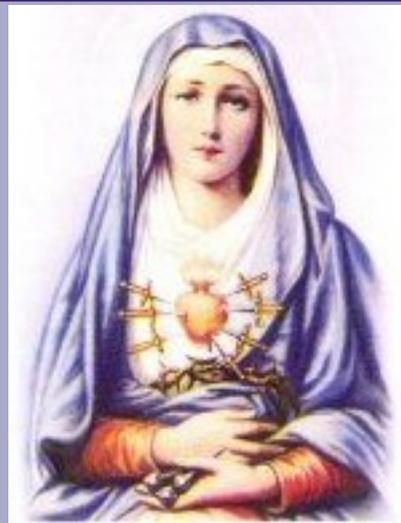
All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to attend the important meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 20 in the church at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will include the opportunity for prayer and a discussion of important business items related to our ongoing coronavirus adaptations, and how those adaptations will affect your ministry in the weeks and months ahead. All E.M.'s are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Masks will be required, and we will sit socially-distanced. Thank you.



# Right to Life ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, October 10  
12:00 Noon  
at the  
Village Gazebo

*Please bring your own chair and wear a mask.*



Please join the  
**Christian Mothers and Guild**  
as we pray the  
**Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary**  
for Peace throughout America  
and the end to all violent mobs  
and anarchists in our Nation

**Saturday, October 10, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.**  
on the Rectory Lawn. All are welcomed to pray.  
*Please bring your own lawn chair and please wear a mask.*

## JOIN OUR LIVE-STREAM TEAM

Our new live-stream camera system enables us to live-stream Masses, weddings, funerals and other sacramental and ritual moments. When the weather is bad in the winter or people are leery about coming out at night to attend Lessons and Carols, the Parish Mission or Taizé Prayer around the Cross, we will be able to maintain a digital presence. We also have many homebound parishioners who just can't come out any more. Of course, all of this will never replace our "in person" worship for those who are able.

We are now forming a "Live-Stream Team." If you are tech savvy and are interested in helping in this ministry, please contact Chris Ferraro - [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org) or (631) 226-7725 ext. 219.



## LIVE-STREAM MASS

We will now live-stream the **10:00 a.m. Mass** every Sunday. 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](https://www.facebook.com/olphlindenhurst)
- OLPH YouTube Channel: OLPH Church Lindenhurst



## SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR BEING IN CHURCH

**FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE, ALL WHO ENTER MUST:**

- ▶ **WEAR A FACE MASK OR FACE COVERING – NO EXCEPTIONS**
- ▶ **REMAIN AT LEAST SIX (6) FEET APART, SIDE-TO-SIDE AND IN FRONT OF AND BEHIND YOU**
- ▶ **SIT IN DESIGNATED SEATS ONLY**
- ▶ **ENTER ONLY THROUGH WELLWOOD AVENUE DOORS**
- ▶ **EXIT ONLY THROUGH SIDE DOORS ON NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE**

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Confessions are being celebrated in the school building, in classrooms in the “new school” annex along High Street every Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. until further notice.**

**Each priest will be in his own classroom.**

**These are the protocols that must be followed for going to Confession:**

- ▶ **Entry is only via the blue doors at the north end of the hallway (off of the small parking lot)**
- ▶ **Exit is only via the doors at the south end of the hallway (into the large parking lot)**
- ▶ **Everyone – priests and penitents – is required to wear face masks or face coverings**
- ▶ **Lines on the floor will indicate a 6-foot social distance between those waiting on line outside each classroom**
- ▶ **Signs on easels outside the classroom will indicate the name of the priest who is in the classroom**
- ▶ **Social distancing and plexiglass dividers will keep a safe distance between priest and penitent, whether the penitent celebrates anonymously or face-to-face (both options are available)**

## IF YOU CANNOT YET COME BACK TO MASS...

*Participate virtually in Sunday Mass online celebrated by your OLPH priests!*

*You can participate in Morning and Evening Prayer too.*

*Go to the website: [www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)*

*Click on the link to watch the video of the Mass anytime.*

*You can also click the link for our YouTube page*

**OLPH Church Lindenhurst.**

*In addition to Sunday Mass, other items of interest are occasionally posted on the YouTube page.*

**THE SHOW MUST GO ON! THE GOLDEN TICKET DRAWING!**

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

**THE GOLDEN TICKET**

**STREAMING LIVE, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2020 @7PM**

**Are you wondering, "WHAT is the GOLDEN TICKET?"**

It is a major and much needed Fundraiser, with an excellent chance of winning a monetary prize!

**The excitement builds as the drawing goes on!**

**This year more than ever, your support is needed.**

**Only 500 tickets will be sold. Please get your Golden Ticket early.**

- 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 the rectory at 210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 11757 At: 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."*



## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Located in the Rectory  
 Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253  
 Email: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 (akleinlaut@oloph.org)

### O.F.F. 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

### All Levels: Classes Have Started!

Levels 1-5: There will be no Class on Saturday, October 10, 2020 due to Columbus Day Weekend.

Levels 3-5: Your first day in the classroom will be on Saturday, October 17, 2020.



### HELP NEEDED!

We need a Catechist to teach Level 1 on Saturdays 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.



### What Classes Look Like This Year

We have worked diligently on getting everything ready for the 2020-21 school year. We have limited in-person classroom availability based on the number of Catechists we have to teach each Level. The classrooms are available on a first come, first served basis. Once we hit our full capacity, those who do not fit into a classroom will be required to do the Google Classroom.

We are here for you and we have your safety as our number one (1) priority. We have cleaning and sanitation procedures in place so that everyone will be safe and can stay healthy while attending class at OLPH. We have sent out these precautions via email. We have also listed the requirements for your child to come into the classroom. In order to get the information for our classes you must be registered for the 2020/21 academic year.

### YOU CAN STILL REGISTER!

We need to know if you are returning to religious education classes! Please be sure to register for the 2020/21 academic year! A \$25 LATE FEE was put into effect as of Wednesday, September 23, 2020. You can mail in your registration fee to us at any time, call over the phone and pay via credit card, or come into the office in person! All time switches and teacher requests can be mailed in or indicated to us when you speak to us over the phone or in person. Please let us know if you have any changes to your contact information. We will need to know the best e-mail for us to reach you at this year, for Google Classroom use throughout the year.

## REGISTER NOW!



# O.L.P.H. CHURCH FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY PUMPKIN PARADE

### STEP #1:

PROCEED SOUTH ON HIGH STREET TO STATION #1. REMAIN IN YOUR VEHICLE WITH YOUR MASKS ON. OPEN YOUR TRUNK/HATCH TO SAFELY RECEIVE YOUR PUMPKIN(S)!!!



### STEP #3:

CONTINUE TO STATION #3 TO RECEIVE A SPECIAL BLESSING FROM ONE OF OUR PARISH PRIEST'S!!!



### STEP #5:

CONTINUE INTO THE SOUTH PARKING LOT AND KINDLY DONATE A FOOD ITEM FOR THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY. YOU CAN EXIT FROM THERE!!!



**SATURDAY; OCTOBER 17, 2020  
AT 11:00 AM**

**PROCEEDING SOUTH ON HIGH STREET;  
BEHIND THE CHURCH.**

**DECORATE YOUR VEHICLE!!!!**

**\$5.00 PER PUMPKIN; PLEASE BRING EXACT  
CHANGE AND PLACE IN AN ENVELOPE OR  
BAGGY FOR SAFE SHARING!!!**

### STEP #2:

CONTINUE TO STATION #2; LISTEN TO SOME FESTIVE MUSIC AS YOU RECEIVE A TREAT BAG WHICH INCLUDES STICKERS; TO DECORATE YOUR PUMPKINS AT HOME!!!



### STEP #4:

CONTINUE TO STATION #4 AND GUESS HOW MANY CANDY CORNS ARE IN THE CANDY CORN JAR. SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY WITH YOUR NAME AND PHONE # FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE!!!



### PUMPKIN PARADE RSVP

THE # OF CHILDREN PER VEHICLE TO:

EILEEN (631)682-4853  
OR

JENINE (631)226-0317  
NO LATER THAN THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 15, 2020

# 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
- † Community Meal: Mary Leon—mleon719@yahoo.com
- † 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@optonline.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

## **NEW Food Pantry List!**

**COFFEE**

**CANNED POTATOES**

**INSTANT POTATOES**

**PASTA SAUCE WITH MEAT**

**CANNED MEATS**

**CANNED MEALS**

**CANNED TUNA**

**CANNED FRUIT**

**TOOTHPASTE**

**SHAMPOO**

*The pantry is in great need at this time.*

*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.**

The good news of this Gospel is that all we need to do is let God tend us and bring us to produce good fruit. All we need do is be faithful; God will take care of the rest.

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned.

## **AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL AT OLPH**

During these very difficult times many of us find ourselves in financial difficulty, often for the first time. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is here to help. Please don't feel embarrassed—you are not alone. We want to assure you that all matters relating to SVDP are completely confidential. All volunteer workers in the Food Pantry are Vincentians who are pledged to follow the "Rule" in dealing with our friends and neighbors. We reach out to those who come to us with kindness, sincerity and total confidentiality. You may come to the pantry for food every two weeks. The money that would have been spent on this food can then be used to pay other bills. Please reach out to us by calling our Food Pantry office at 631-226-7725 x. 234. Our regular office hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. and 1st and 3rd Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. We're here for you.

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



**THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2020**

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 8th**. If you have any questions, please contact the St. Vincent de Paul office at (631) 226-7725 X 234 or Kim Burke at 917-273-7733.

**THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2020**

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 8<sup>th</sup>.*



**CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2020**

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 8th*.

**CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY 2020**

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 8TH.**

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



### The Constitution of the United States This "Miracle in Philadelphia" Was Grounded in America's Judeo-Christian Values

*"The happy union of these states is a wonder; their Constitution is a miracle; their example the hope of liberty throughout the world. Woe to the ambition that would meditate the destruction of either!"*

—James Madison, 1787

Judeo-Christian values are foundational to America, beginning with the Declaration of Independence's "endowed by their Creator," to the principles found in the U.S. Constitution honoring God-given "Life and Liberty."

"Our Founding Fathers separated church from state, but they wisely did not separate God from state. They acknowledged God as the source of our rights and were careful to place Biblical morality directly into our founding documents and laws, and into our values and culture, precisely to help prevent a future totalitarian or tyrannical rule in America," wrote author Dr. Ronald R. Cherry<sup>(1)</sup>

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."<sup>(2)</sup>  
*(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)*

#### Happening Now: Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech Denied

Florida State University's former head of the student senate is suing the school, charging his religious freedom was violated when he was removed from his position following comments he made in a private chat forum for Catholic students. He had commented that policy positions of some protesting groups that embrace disrupting the nuclear family and are hostile to the Gospel, contradict the teachings of the Catholic Church.

"While FSU students claim they're creating a 'safe space', they've tried to cancel Jack's freedoms and discriminate against him because they don't like his beliefs in direct violation of the First Amendment," said Alliance Defending Freedom.<sup>(3)</sup> "Florida State should be fostering real diversity of thought and not punishing individuals based on religious convictions or political beliefs."<sup>(4)</sup>

*(ncregister.com, 8/3/20(4); cna.org, 9/2/20 (3); christianpost.com, 8/3/20)*

#### Be Silent No More!

Elected officials and their staff listen to, read and tabulate citizens' concerns and opinions when making decisions for their state and for the country. Do not be silent. Please contact one or more Senators or Congressmen each week to encourage them to share your values.

**Call:** Switchboard at 202-224-3121 to be connected to any Representative's or Senator's office.

**E-mail:** Find Representatives' e-mail at [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov); Find Senators' e-mail at [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2020 OPEN HOUSES!

Our Lady of Mercy Academy	- Sunday, October 4—10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Dominic High School	- Sunday, October 4 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Regis High School (Virtual)	- Monday, October 12 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Diocesan High School	- Saturday, October 17 - 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School	- Sunday, October 18 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**TEST FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS NOVEMBER 7, 2020**

**REGISTER TODAY AT [WWW.TACHSINFO.COM](http://WWW.TACHSINFO.COM)**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 23, 2020**

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*The Gospel of Life*



THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

## Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics



*Living the Gospel of Life, our office is dedicated to all areas of healing and evangelization.*

please call us at (516) 678-5800 x 626 to find out more  
~Ministry Feature for Week of October 4, 2020 ~



Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be “islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference.” Everyone in the parish community should know where to refer a pregnant woman in need. The 25th anniversary year of *Evangelium vitae* gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need. We are inviting parishes, through the support of their bishop and pastor, to join a nationwide effort from March 25, 2020 to March 25, 2021 entitled: “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service.”

*Conscience formation*

*Election Day is important this year for the issues of life.*

go to Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics website for information and healing opportunities:  
<https://respectlife.drvc.org/>

<https://www.walkingwithmoms.com/>

*Walking with*  
**Moms in Need**  
a year of service



# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Phone: (631) 226-7725 Parish Fax: (631) 225-9597

### Directory of Phone Extensions

Name	Ext	Email
Carmel Becker, Bulletin	246	cbecker@oloph.org
Carole Carrano, Parish Secretary	212	ccarrano@oloph.org
Linda Coppola, Business Office Assistant	214	lcoppola@oloph.org
Thomas Crennan, Business Manager	204	tcrennan@oloph.org
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  
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Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®  
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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

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Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
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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

## **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

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

### **THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT:**

*Frank Alfani & Dawn Butera*

### **SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT:**

*Robert Brozek & Dawn Pedus*

### **FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT:**

*Richard Hallberg & Kristine Avitto*

## **WE BELIEVE**

**We pray for the sick of our parish...**

*Heather Ann Flores*

*Robert Quevedo*

*Roberta Small*

*Gloria Kayaian*

*Jean Corso*

*William Connors*

*James Gridley*

*Louis Giarratano*

*Angela Giarratano*

*Jacqueline Vantull*

*Bernard Kates*

*Glenn Slaughter*

*Ann-Marie Giarratano*

*Lawrence O'Donnell*

*Karin Kienle*

*Angela Pagnotta*

*Kevin Imm*

*Janet Novotny*

*Heather Ventimiglia*

*Bridget Ryan*

*Mark Behr*

*Linda Matera*

*Ronald Insinga*

*Joanne Hernandez*

*Joan Bansen*

*Tim Doran*

*Gerry David*

*Erin Stanton*

## **WE CELEBRATE**

*God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin, given you a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and welcomed you into his holy people. -Rite of Baptism*

*Christian Matthew Carretta*

*Dominick Alberto Carretta*

*Paisley Grace Martinez-Foley*

*Heney James Holdener*

*Santino Carmine Orlando*

*Carter James Porcelli*

*Valentina Elizabeth VanManen*



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

If a family member or close friend is ill, please let us know so our community can pray for them. To have your name or the name of a loved one listed in our parish bulletin, please call the Parish Office. **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 about four weeks.

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Juliana Martinez***

*“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.”*

***“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”*** Matthew 5:4

If you are mourning the loss of a loved one, the support of your Catholic faith community should be a source of comfort and strength. A bereavement group run by trained facilitators helps grieving people learn skills for navigating their loss and opportunities to share their stories of loss. The **Bereavement Support Group** is a parish-based ministry responding to the needs of the recently bereaved by offering emotional, and sometimes practical, support as they learn to cope with their loss.

A new Fall group session of the **OLPH Support Group Program** is taking place on the Rectory lawn (weather permitting) from **12:00 Noon—1:30 p.m. through November 7.** *Please bring your own chair, refreshment and masks must be worn.* Contact Linda Arpino at 631-592-1062 for more information.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, October 5—

**Weekday**

*(Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest)*

6:30 Robert Brandenberger

12:15 Andrew Ruggiero

### TUESDAY, October 6—

**Weekday**

*(Saint Bruno, Priest;  
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin)*

6:30 Mark Sheets

12:15 Felice Minutolo

### WEDNESDAY, October 7—

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

6:30 Nobelito Garrovillas

12:15 Melchior Cucchiara

### THURSDAY, October 8—

**Weekday**

6:30 Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton

12:15 Nicholas Joseph Cotter

### FRIDAY, October 9—

**Weekday**

*(Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;  
Saint John Leonardi, Priest)*

6:30 Felice Minutolo

12:15 Joseph Keeler

### SATURDAY, October 10—

**Weekday**

8:00 Lois Francavilla Bluni

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 For the Repose of the Souls of the  
McCarthy Family

**Sunday, October 11**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 For the People of the Parish

10:00 For the Living & Deceased Members of  
the Holy Name Society

12:00 Joseph & Marie Novak  
(74th Wedding Anniversary)

5:00 \* Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton

*\*Will not be celebrated publicly; intention will be fulfilled  
in a private Mass by one of the priests.*

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Monday, October 5, 2020

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 24

12:45 p.m. Devotions Church

4:30 p.m. Altar Server Training Church

### Tuesday, October 6, 2020

7:00 p.m. Pastoral Staff Meeting Zoom

7:00 p.m. Bereavement Ministry Rectory Lawn

### Wednesday, October 7, 2020

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 24

12:45 p.m. Exposition Church

5:30 p.m. Level 6 Classes School

7:00 p.m. Levels 7 and 8 Classes School

### Thursday, October 8, 2020

1:00 p.m.-on Church closed for cleaning Church

4:30 p.m. Altar Server Training Church

### Friday, October 9, 2020

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 24

### Saturday, October 10, 2020

12:00 p.m. Bereavement Ministry Rectory Lawn

1:30 p.m. Wedding Church

4:00 p.m. Confessions School

4:00 p.m. Christian Mother's Recitation  
of the Rosary Rectory  
Lawn

6:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Parking Lot

### Sunday, October 11, 2020

2:00 p.m. Baptisms Church

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour Church

### Monday, October 12, 2020

**ALL RECTORY OFFICES AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
OFFICES ARE CLOSED FOR COLUMBUS DAY.**

### 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* no later than 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 11—passed  
October 18—October 9  
October 25—October 16

## 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 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 27º del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo A

Que la paz de Dios, que es mucho más excelente de lo que podemos entender, guarde nuestros corazones y nuestros pensamientos en Cristo Jesús.

Que su paz esté siempre con usted

**Primera Lectura (Isaías, 5,1-7):** *El Pueblo de Dios es Su Viña*

El pueblo de Dios es como una viña que él plató y se ocupó de ella con cariño y amor. Sin embargo, su pueblo no respondió al amor de Dios.

**Segunda Lectura (Filipenses 4,6-9):** *La Vida Cristiana Nos Abre a la Gracia de Dios.*

Pablo invita a sus cristianos a vivir en unión con Dios y a integrar todos los valores humanos. Un buen cristiano es una buena persona que perdona y vive en la paz de Dios.

**Evangelio (Mateo 21,33-43):** *¿Somos buenos Cuidadores?*

Dios nos ha confiado a nosotros su reino. Somos sus cuidadores y debemos producir frutos de vida cristiana; si no, se nos quitará el reino. Estamos en la Semana 27 del Tiempo Ordinario y la Liturgia nos invita a una actuación que se compromete en serio con la vida, con las personas y con Dios.

La conocida parábola de los viñadores asesinos (Mt. 21, 33-43), cuyo núcleo original es el anuncio de la muerte de Jesús, parte de esta cruda realidad, para **hacernos caer en cuanta que el amor de Dios, manifestado en su propio Hijo, es más fuerte que la muerte.** Dios no se resigna a la desidia, a la mentira, ni a la perversidad. Y aunque todo se derrumbe, **Él hará que la piedra desechada se convierta entonces en piedra angular.**

Este Evangelio es una llamada directa a una evaluación serena y sincera del fruto que en verdad estamos dando, bien sea en la vida individual, como miembros de una familia o comunidad cristiana y, también, como integrantes de cualquier trabajo u organización social, religiosa, política o cultural.

En su crudeza y sinceridad la parábola de los viñadores destaca la relación que Dios (el dueño de la viña) ha querido y quiere establecer con todas las personas. Todo es de Dios y nos da de lo suyo para establecer una relación de comunión, donde la vida fructifique, se multiplique y alcance para todos.

**Dios nos entrega lo que es de su exclusiva propiedad: la viña, la creación, las cosas, y hasta nos encomienda personas, para que en lo encomendado, y no en otra cosa, produzcamos frutos buenos y verdaderos. La iniciativa de esta relación la toma el mismo Dios. Y lo hace para que administremos como nuestro lo que es Suyo, sin apoderemos de nada ni de nadie.**

Dios no quiere una relación de súbditos o tontos útiles, ni mucho menos de únicos propietarios. No quiere que se instrumentalice a las personas o se manipule a la vida, sino una relación que produzca un rendimiento bueno, solidario, compartido.

Por ello, Jesús sentenciará: **si a los que Dios encomienda su viña, no fructifican, entonces se les quitará y la entregará a otros que si produzcan frutos.**

**El fruto que produzcamos o dejemos de producir** en nuestra propia existencia, en la familia, la comunidad eclesial, el trabajo, la organización, el lugar donde habitamos y en las personas que se nos encomiendan, **es un asunto Personal con Dios.**

Para dar frutos reales, verdaderos y buenos, hay que superar la nostalgia, la avidez y la ansiedad. La nostalgia detiene la marcha de la vida al dejarnos anclados en el pasado; la avidez reduce el presente a meros intereses individualistas, mezquinos y egoístas; y la ansiedad anticipa futuros desquiciados que hipotecan toda vida y toda esperanza.

Los viñadores que Dios quiere para encomendarles el cuidado y desarrollo de lo que es Suyo (la vida), han de tener un modo de producir capaz de afrontar con audacia y osadía los retos, incluso las contradicciones. Es decir, **afianzarse en un modo de proceder, no como habilidad para sortear los riesgos y evitar que las cosas se hundan, sino como fuerza maravillosa para levantarnos y levantar a los demás aunque todo se derrumbe.** Sólo así nos convertimos en auténticos cooperadores de la vida y de Dios.

## OFFERING UPDATE

### September 26/27, 2020

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	164	82	\$2,242.50
8:00 a.m.	166	84	2,837.00
10:00 a.m.	225	56	1,730.00
12:00 p.m.	200	58	1,976.00
5:00 p.m.	<i>Not celebrated publicly</i>		
Coin			4.00
Mail-ins:			4,402.00
Children's Env.		3	16.00
Faith Direct			2,936.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>\$16,143.50</b>
<b>2019 total</b>	<b>1,661</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>\$16,186.23</b>
<b>Candles</b>			<b>\$657.46</b>
<b>Poor Box</b>			<b>\$174.43</b>

  
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*Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/NY286](http://faith.direct/NY286), or text 'Enroll' to (631) 201-5664.*

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.*

*God Bless You,*

*Magn. Joe*

## RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 4 is *Respect Life Sunday*. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

*Opening Word* free virtual classes for immigrant women. English language, citizenship and career classes available. Participate by phone, computer or tablet. Call or text to 516-308-6110 or email [office@openingword.org](mailto:office@openingword.org). No registration fee.

Please join us on Friday, **October 23rd** for a special dining experience as guests can **cook along with Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello**, a professionally trained chef and host of NET TV's popular cooking show **Breaking Bread**, at this year's **virtual Dominican Gala**. We are proud to honor Suzanne Pugh, RN, Director of Emergency Services at New York-Presbyterian Queens and Sister Flor de Maria Buruca, OP, founder of an after-school program and summer camp in El Salvador.

The Dominican Gala raises critical funds in order to support the ministries of the Sisters of St. Dominic. In response to the pandemic, a COVID-19 Emergency Ministry Support Fund (MSF) was created to raise funds for our frontline ministries allowing them to deliver emergency supplies to those in need, expand food pantries and meal programs, and provide other forms of direct assistance. We need your help to continue our outreach efforts now more than ever! With your support, the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville will continue to be a lifeline for those in need.

For more information about tickets, silent auction, 50/50 raffle or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Susan Jappell (631) 842-6000 x 246 or visit: [www.sistersofst dominic.org/2020gala](http://www.sistersofst dominic.org/2020gala). \*First 300 guests to RSVP will receive 2 complimentary bottles of wine (shipping included).\*

**St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School** is looking for a **part-time security officer** (25+ hours per week). Prior law enforcement experience is strongly preferred. Please email a cover letter and a resume to [mckevitt@sibdhs.org](mailto:mckevitt@sibdhs.org).

**St. Patrick School, Bay Shore**, is looking for a **7th and 8th Grade Science Teacher** – applicant needs to be a motivated individual with an interest in encouraging and inspiring students to learn and excel in Science and a strong Catholic identity. Current New York State Certification required. Fax resume to 631-968-6007 or email Roseann Petruccio, Principal, [rpetruccio5629@spsbayshore.org](mailto:rpetruccio5629@spsbayshore.org)

# SUPER 72



## SUPER 72 IS BACK!

**DRAWING FROM DECEMBER 2020  
THROUGH MAY 2021**



1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1,000 \* 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$250 \* 3-6<sup>th</sup> Prizes: \$100



**EXTRA \$250 DRAWING AT CHRISTMAS  
AND  
\$150 DRAWING IN THE NEW YEAR!**

It's time to get your new tickets! Mail back the parish portion of the ticket with your check payable to "OLPH SUPER 72" or drop it in the collection basket. Tickets and envelopes are also available at the rectory.

**\$40 Per Ticket ● \$80 for 3 Tickets ● SPECIAL BONUS: \$100 for 5 Tickets**

RAFFLE TICKETS COURTESY OF JOHNSTONS' WELLWOOD FUNERAL HOME. "OLPH is a Section 501 (c) 3 nonprofit. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine if your contribution is deductible."

## PREPARING FOR

Sunday, October 11, 2020

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Jesus said, "Many are invited, but few are chosen."*

Matthew 22:14

**Isaiah 25:6-10a**

This reading uses a set of classic images to sum up the blessings that God's people will experience on the last day. Notice that this heavenly banquet is prepared not only for the people of Israel, but also for all people who hear and answer God's call. At this feast, the "veil," or all that separates us from God, will be lifted and the spider's "web" that imprisons us in ignorance and isolation will be brushed aside. Tears, guilt and shame will be replaced with joy. To those who may feel abandoned by God because of some bad things that happened to them, this reading is intended to give great hope.

**Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20**

This reading concludes our month-long series of readings from Philippians. While in prison, some of the Philippians sent Paul gifts to help him endure the hardships of prison life. While grateful for the gifts received, Paul says that through his missionary journeys he has learned to be content with both famine and feast. Eating well or going hungry could not compare with the strength Paul experienced from surrendering his life to Christ. He learned what Mary, the sister of Martha, had also come to know—"that one thing only is necessary," namely, belonging to and being possessed by Christ.

**Matthew 22:1-14**

This reading like our first reading imagines the kingdom of God as a banquet to which all are invited. The main focus of the parable is the response or lack of response of the invited guests. In this parable, Jesus continues to call the Pharisees and the religious leaders to conversion. Two invitations are extended, but the invitees refuse to come. Some even abuse and kill the servants (a reference to the Old Testament prophets and the early Christian missionaries). It would be wrong to assume that the king in the story stands for God. That would leave us with a pretty nasty image of a punishing God rather than of a God who saves. The main point of the parable is not, what is God like, but rather the response of those invited. The final piece about the "wedding garment" underlies the importance of not only saying "yes" to Christ, but also living according to his values. It is one thing to present oneself for baptism; it is another thing to live daily a Christian way of life. While all are invited to the banquet of God's kingdom, all will not respond.

**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. Besides answering God's invitation to the feast, what is our job? Are we the guests or are we also the ones doing the inviting? How does this banquet not only sustain life but also transfigure it?*

*2. When the Pope, then known as Cardinal Bergoglio, gave the three minute speech below, the Cardinals at the Conclave started thinking seriously about electing him. How does his speech relate to today's Gospel, "Go out therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find"?"*

*"The Church is called to come out of herself and to go to the peripheries, not only in the geographical sense but also to go to the existential peripheries: those of the mysteries of sin, of pain, of injustice, of ignorance and of religious indifference, of thought, of all misery."*

*Bergoglio's Conclave*

**Readings for the Week**

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

**Monday, October 5, 2020:**

Galatians 1:6-12 + Luke 10:25-37

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020:**

Galatians 1:13-24 + Luke 10:38-42

**Wednesday, October 7, 2020:**

Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14 + Luke 11:1-4

**Thursday, October 8, 2020:**

Galatians 3:1-5 + Luke 11:5-13

**Friday, October 9, 2020:**

Galatians 3:7-14 + Luke 11:15-26

**Saturday, October 10, 2020:**

Galatians 3:22-29 + Luke 11:27-28

**Sunday, October 11, 2020:**

Isaiah 25:6-10a  
+ Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20  
+ Matthew 22:1-14





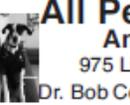
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