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*Let us not sleep as the rest do,
but let us stay alert and sober.*

1 Thessalonians 5:6

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 15, 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. (live-streamed)

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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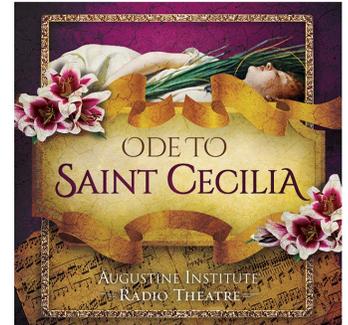
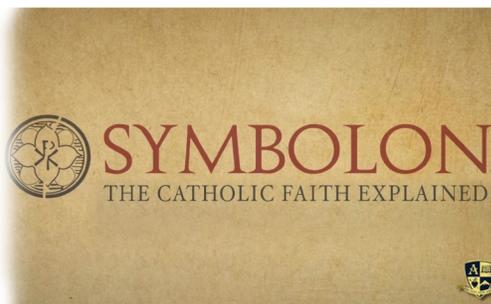
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November 15, 2020

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PASTOR'S PAGE

THE GOLDEN TICKET RAFFLE

This coming Saturday, November 21, starting at 7:00 p.m., will be the drawing of prizes for the Golden Ticket Raffle. This year's event will be different due to the coronavirus pandemic; we will not be able to have our usual cocktail party and in-person festivities, so instead we will live stream the event. You can join us virtually by going to the link at the top of the OLPH website, www.olphlindenhurst.com, where it says "Facebook Live Streaming," or you can go to our Facebook page, @olphlindenhurst. I hope you'll be able to tune in.

As of the writing of this column, we had not yet sold all the tickets (perhaps in the time after this column's deadline, all the tickets will wind up being sold!). I really, really need to ask you for your assistance in giving a push to get the last of the tickets sold. It's really important we do so, because this is one of our major annual fund raisers at OLPH, and we depend on it. Tickets are available at the rectory and may be purchased whenever the office is open.

You can do the math: 500 tickets are in play, at \$100 per ticket (\$50,000); we're giving away \$20,000 in prize money, so that's \$30,000 profit for the parish — a hefty "piece of change" — if all tickets are sold. Remember: you don't have to be a parishioner to purchase a ticket; you don't even have to be Catholic to participate!!! Maybe you can help us out by purchasing another ticket (doubling your chances to win!), or going in with others on one or more tickets, or having family members and friends purchase a ticket.

I look forward to being with everyone virtually for the drawing; good luck to all! I'll be using my best game-show hosting skills to make it fun viewing for everyone. Thank you for your support of the Golden Ticket Raffle!

Knights of Columbus Annual Memorial Mass

This Tuesday night, November 17, I will have the honor of presiding at the annual Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, where we will pray for the deceased members of the Knights of Columbus and the Ladies' Auxiliary; this Mass is always celebrated during November, which for Catholics is the month of remembrance of our beloved dead. It continues to be my pleasure to serve as Chaplain to the Knights and to support and affirm the great work they do as our parish Council.

Special Collection to offset loss of income due to the coronavirus pandemic

Next weekend, November 21-22, special envelopes will be available for a Special Collection to help us offset loss of parish income during the coronavirus pandemic. Since the shutdown last

March, OLPH has to date lost a total of approximately \$150,000 in weekly offerings and other income. On top of that, we have incurred increased expenses due to enhanced cleaning and sanitizing, including professional sanitizing of the church, rectory offices and school classrooms, which we have had to undertake. You have been so generous throughout this entire ordeal, keeping up with your weekly offerings, with some of you even offering extra here and there. I know that many of you have yourselves been financially negatively impacted by the pandemic, and so I am extremely grateful for your ongoing support. However, we find ourselves in a situation where I must ask for your help in this extra way. Your generosity in this Special Collection to help us offset this loss will be greatly appreciated. Envelopes will be available near the bulletins as you leave Mass, and in other places throughout the church. Thank you for your assistance.

Reservations and tickets for some Masses—An unfortunate necessity in our COVID world

As you can imagine, there are some logistical nightmares that have to be dealt with in these days when we are supposed to monitor attendance at liturgies. This will present a particular problem for Christmas Masses, since we have no way at all of predicting what the attendance will be. As you'll be hearing about in the coming weeks, we are looking to use a reservation system whereby anyone planning to come to Christmas Masses will have to make a reservation for it, and entrance into the church will require having that reservation/ticket. While from one perspective this is less than ideal for liturgy, it is the only way we can monitor the situation and be flexible with our scheduling. This will, I hope, prevent the situation of having a large number of people gathering who we cannot let into the church because it is filled, and it will, I hope, give us the information we need to adjust our schedule to add one or more Masses depending on the requests so that we can accommodate everyone and not have to turn anyone away.

No matter how you look at it, this is going to be a messy and imprecise process. I need to ask everyone to keep a good disposition about this and to understand that we are trying the best we can, and also to remember that this is uncharted territory for us. Other parishes in this diocese and throughout the country have been using a ticketing/reservation system for Masses, even on a weekly basis for regular Sundays, so we're trying to learn from their experience. I ask everyone to be patient and understanding. We will do our best to keep everyone informed of what's going on through the bulletin, the website, other social media and even in community

newspapers. All of you regular and practicing parishioners can help out by explaining things to people who might not be quite as connected to the life of the parish, and who may not understand as readily why things may not be running perfectly. Thank you for your “public relations” help! Again, I urge you to keep watching the bulletin and other avenues of communication for full and up-to-date information.

As attendance inches upward, please be courteous with seating!

On a related note, it seems that our weekly Sunday attendance continues to inch upward, and that’s a good thing as more and more people feel comfortable coming back to Mass. Keep in mind all of the safety protocols we have in place; if we are going out to stores, to work, and even out to eat, then we can certainly come back to Mass — OLPH is as safe as anyplace else!

However, I need to ask everyone to be especially courteous concerning seating, especially as our numbers increase. We have to leave social distance between people who do not live in the same household, but that means that the way we are arranged in the pews becomes crucial. I have to ask everyone on the end of pews to either move in or to allow others to move to the middle of the pew. It does us no good to have one person on each end of the pew and the entire middle of the pew empty; that does not maximize the number of people who can be seated even with the safety precautions.

As we all continue to deal with the stress and inconveniences of this pandemic, I ask everyone to be self-giving enough to think beyond oneself and to be willing to assist in getting as many people as possible seated while still maintaining proper safety procedures.

Live from OLPH!

For those who are not yet able to return to Mass because of health reasons, we continue to live stream Mass each weekend, and post a video of the Mass on our YouTube page. I’m pleased to say that we are now doing this for **two (2)**—*count ‘em, two!*—Masses, the 5:00 p.m. Saturday and the 10:00 a.m. Sunday each week. Thanks to everyone on our “Live Stream Team” who have made and who are making this possible. We will also live stream other important events such as the Thanksgiving Day Mass and the Opening Prayer Service for the 150th Anniversary of the Parish. Speaking of which...

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Make plans now to attend our Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday, November 26, Thanksgiving Day. There will be only one (1) Mass that day, at 9:00 a.m. As with Sunday Masses, we will have to limit attendance to approximately 300, so please

understand that if we reach that number we cannot let anyone else enter. We are still asking everyone to bring a food item for the poor, as we usually do, but this year, due to the adaptations for the pandemic, you will not be asked to bring them forward at the Presentation of the Offerings; you can just leave them at the sanctuary steps before Mass begins. You can still bring food from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed as part of Mass, and we will have a card with a Thanksgiving table prayer for you to take home, but we will not be distributing loaves of bread for your table as we usually do.

150th Anniversary of OLPH—The opening of the Anniversary Year is coming very soon!

It’s just around the corner — the opening of the 150th Anniversary Year of OLPH. Running November 28, 2020 through November 19, 2021, our 150th Anniversary Year will be a time to thank God for the blessings of the past, since the parish’s founding in 1871, and to renew our commitment to serving God’s holy people. The opening event will be the Opening Prayer Service, with prayers, Scripture readings, other reflections, and music all focused on and honoring our Blessed Mother, patroness of our parish (see the ad for this elsewhere in the bulletin; in fact, check out the page with overview of all the events of the Anniversary Year...clip it out and save it!). Once again, we will have to limit attendance to approximately 300, so we thank you for your understanding.

I would like to call your attention to two additional items connected with the Anniversary Year: **Sale of Commemorative Items** and the **Commemorative Journal**. We will have many beautiful items for sale to commemorate the Anniversary Year and I hope you will enjoy purchasing these great keepsakes. Full details will appear in the bulletin and on our website. In addition, we are putting together a special Commemorative Journal which will be available in conjunction with the dinner dance in April. I hope everyone will consider taking out an ad in the journal; again, full details will be in the bulletin, so watch for that information.

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

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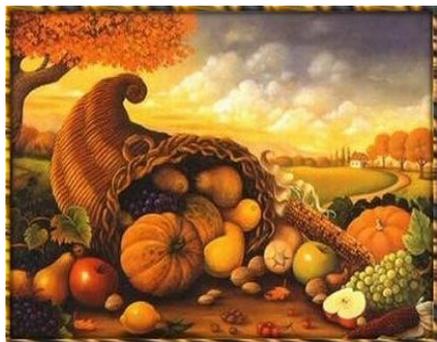
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS*Watch the bulletin for complete information about each event during the Anniversary Year as each one approaches.***NOVEMBER 28, 2020, 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service to Open the Anniversary Year***We're opening the Anniversary Year with a liturgy of readings and music honoring the patroness of our parish, the Blessed Mother.***JANUARY 8, 2021—Divine Intervention Night***Come see OLPH personalities you know and love who were contestants on Divine Intervention, the game show hosted by Msgr. Joe several years ago.**Msgr. Joe will also provide behind-the-scenes information about the show and his years hosting. A fun night for the entire family!***LENT, 2021***In place of a Parish Mission this year, all parishioners will be invited to participate in a special formation program Living the Eucharist. A great opportunity for deepening your understanding of, and love for, the Eucharist!***APRIL 23, 2021—Anniversary Year Gala Dinner Dance***Join your fellow parishioners in an evening of a sumptuous meal, great music and dancing and wonderful memories! An occasion to dress up and have a great time! A **Commemorative Journal** will be printed in conjunction with this event.***SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021—Anniversary Year Patronal Feast Mass***This will be the center of the whole Anniversary Year! There's no better way for us to celebrate than to do so at the Eucharist. We're looking to have Bishop Barres as the Presider at this Mass!***JULY 17, 2021—Parish Picnic***Join your fellow parishioners at Belmont Lake State Park on this Saturday afternoon.***AUGUST 2, 2021—Summer Evening Prayer***A special warm-weather celebration of prayer and fellowship.***AUGUST 15, 2021—SPECIAL MASS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE FIRST CHURCH BUILDING***We'll do this special Marian Solemnity up big this year!
OLPH's own **Bishop Bob Brennan** has agreed to come back to preside at this Mass!***November 2, 2021—Prayer Service at Parish Cemetery***In this month of remembrance, let's honor and pray for those buried in our parish cemetery...
an important moment of connection with our long history!***November 19, 2021—Solemn Vespers to Close the Anniversary Year***We'll close out the year with a Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) which will include a Recommitment of All Parish Ministers (and, this day also happens to be the 60th anniversary of the dedication of our current church building!)*

“LET US GIVE THANKS”

Put that turkey in the oven and bring your family to the...



Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday,

November 26th

9:00 a.m.

Our entire parish family joins together to give thanks to God for the many blessings in our lives. At this liturgy, we

- give thanks to God for His many blessings in our lives
- invite parishioners to bring non-perishable food items for our Food Pantry (*list on p.15*)
- seek God's blessing upon the food we will use for our Thanksgiving meals

Please bring something from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed.

(Please note: This will be the *only Mass* celebrated on Thanksgiving Day.)

Due to the COVID restrictions, attendance will be limited to approximately 300.

Thank you for your understanding.

Will also be live-streamed on the OLPH Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.

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Opening Prayer Service for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish's 150th Anniversary Year

Saturday, November 28, 2020

7:30 p.m. in church

***also live-streamed on the OLPH Facebook Page
and YouTube Channel.***

Led by Msgr. Joe, our Music Ministry, Reader Ministry and other parish organizations, this inaugural event of the 150th anniversary year will include musical selections and Scripture and reflective readings drawing on the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Due to the COVID restrictions, Due to the COVID restrictions, attendance will be limited to approximately 300. Thank you for your understanding.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

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. **You are invited to place a picture on the altar so that we may remember your loved ones and pray for each other.** Please limit the size of your photo (perhaps no larger than 4 x 6) so that there is room for everyone who wishes to participate. You may place the picture in a small frame.

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



We ask you to pick up your picture by Friday, November 27.

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, November 16—12:45 p.m.

Monday, November 23—12:45 p.m.

Monday, November 30—12:45 p.m.

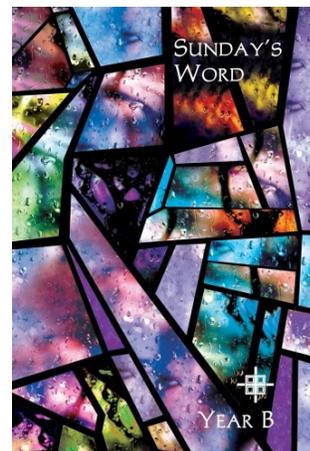
BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD



Please note that this year, due to COVID restrictions, there will be no Book the Dead available to inscribe names of deceased loved ones. We apologize for this necessary omission this year.

SUNDAY'S WORD BOOKS AVAILABLE

The new *Sunday's Word* books for the upcoming new liturgical year (Cycle B) starting with the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, are now available at the rectory for the purchase price of \$3.00.



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



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

SPECIAL COLLECTION— **RELIEF FOR LOSS OF PARISH INCOME DURING CORONAVIRUS**

Next weekend, November 21-22, special envelopes will be available for a Special Collection to help us offset loss of parish income during the coronavirus pandemic. Since the shutdown last March, OLPH has to date lost a total of approximately \$150,000 in weekly offerings and other income. On top of that, we have incurred increased expenses due to enhanced cleaning and sanitizing, including professional sanitizing of the church, rectory offices and school classrooms, which we have had to undertake. These additional costs total \$2,800 each month. Your generosity in this Special Collection to help us offset this loss will be greatly appreciated. Envelopes will be available near the bulletins as you leave Mass, and in other places throughout the church. Thank you for your assistance.

MEETING FOR ALL USHERS **AND ADDITIONAL** **SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY**

All Ushers and all our additional Special Ministers of Hospitality (those helping during the pandemic) are expected to attend the meeting being held on Saturday, **November 21 at 1:30 p.m. in the church.** The meeting will include the opportunity for prayer, reflection on your ministry, and a discussion of important business items, including looking ahead to special procedures for Christmas Masses in light of the pandemic. All Ushers and Special Ministers of Hospitality are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Masks and social distancing will be required. Thank you.

ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS: **MEETING ON** **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

All our young people who serve as Altar Servers are reminded to attend the very important meeting on **Monday, November 30 at 4:30 p.m. in the church.** Among other business items, we will discuss assignments for the Christmas schedule. All Altar Servers are expected to attend, and one parent should attend as well. We look forward to seeing you there!

LITTLE BLUE BOOKS FOR ADVENT ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Please take home a *Little Blue Book* which contains daily reflections for the Advent and Christmas seasons. This book provides the opportunity for prayerful sacred reading for every day of Advent and Christmas Time. Let God speak to you during this special and holy time of the liturgical year by taking a few minutes for quiet reflection using the *Little Blue Book*. They are provided free of charge for your spiritual enrichment, but if you would like to put an extra dollar or two into the collection basket to help cover the cost of the books, it would be appreciated. Thank you!

THE LITTLE BLUE BOOK
ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASONS
2019-2020

Six-minute reflections
on the Sunday Gospels of Year A

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

EVERY SUNDAY ON YOUTUBE - [OLPH CHURCH LINDENHURST](#)



LOOKING FOR ANOTHER WAY TO ENGAGE YOUR CHILD IN THEIR FAITH FROM HOME?

JOIN US WEEKLY TO BREAK OPEN THE GOSPEL AND LISTEN TO A REFLECTION ON THE OLPH YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

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



NEW BOXES OF CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The new boxes of **Children's Envelopes** for the upcoming liturgical year are now available! Children should use these envelopes to make their offering in the weekly collection basket at Mass, in addition to their family's offering.

The purpose of the envelopes is not a money-raising one, but rather to provide parents a tool to reinforce in their children the idea of stewardship for their Church and responsible giving toward others. It's a great way to teach children the value of being thankful for the gifts God gives us and the importance of sharing the abundance of those gifts with others. Ideally, the money — whatever amount is placed in the envelope (there is no minimum or maximum!) — comes from the children themselves, *e.g.*, out of their allowance, rather than being just handed to them from the parents. In this way, Christian attitudes are nourished in the children, and this can be yet another avenue for parents and children to discuss responsible Christian living.

New boxed sets of Children's Envelopes for the entire new liturgical year (starting with Advent 2020) are available in baskets throughout the church. Families who wish to use them should simply take a box which contains envelopes for the entire year, with the children then returning one envelope each week, dropping it in the collection basket at Mass. The envelope should have the child's name and amount of the offering written on it. The design on the envelope may be colored in and decorated in other ways if desired. The amount collected in the children's envelopes is published in the bulletin each week. As with the usual collection offerings, the money will go toward supporting the mission of and programs at OLPH.

Encourage your children to use these envelopes as a way of growing in Christian stewardship and responsibility!



GO ON! THE GOLDEN TICKET DRAWING!

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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."

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...

LIVE-STREAM MASS

We live-stream the 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass each week.

You can join us virtually using one of the following:

- The link at the top of the OLPH website:
www.olphlindenhurst.com
- OLPH Facebook page: @olphlindenhurst
- OLPH YouTube Channel:
OLPH Church Lindenhurst



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2020/2021 ANNIVERSARY JOURNAL PRICING

BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE ANNIVERSARY YEAR AND SUPPORT OLPH! PLACE AN AD IN OUR COMMEMORATIVE JOURNAL!

One of the highlights of the Anniversary Year will be a Commemorative Journal, available in conjunction with our Anniversary Year Dinner Dance on April 23, 2021.

Support the parish by placing an ad in our journal! Ads can be taken in the name of your family, or your business, and can include congratulatory wishes to the parish, or it can be a memorialization of deceased loved ones, or an expression of gratitude to God. Honor that special priest, family members living or deceased, or just say thanks for the memories. If you're creative, prepare your own ad; if you're not that creative, just send us your message and our team will create the ad for you! There are many possibilities!

Note the deadline date of March 15, 2021!

Don't miss out! Send in your ad copy and payment TODAY!

If you need additional information, or have questions, contact Bob Dobres 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney 631-560-0451.

PLEASE INDICATE AD SIZE AND TYPE

- GOLD FULL PAGE \$350
B/W FULL PAGE \$150
B/W HALF PAGE \$100
B/W 1/4 PAGE \$75

For more information call Bob Dobres at 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney at 631-560-0451

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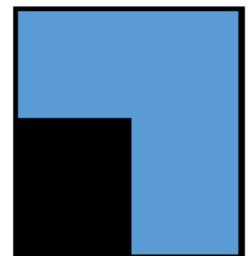
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Half Page 8.5 x 5.5"



Quarter Page 4.25 x 5.5"

Please submit payment along with ad materials no later than March 15, 2021.

Mail hard copy to rectory address above and attach copy of ad or materials (ad text, photos, images) to this form or write copy on back.

Email electronic version to 150thjournal@oloph.org. Please email a .pdf or .jpg file format.

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ADDRESS: _____

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OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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 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

LEVEL 6

The Parent Meeting on Scripture will take place at home. We will be sending you a link to watch a video on your own time on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. Students will still be attending class in person this day!



Happy Saint of the Day! St. Teresa of Avila

St. Teresa had quite an amazing life and conversion of heart. At a young age she loved romance novels and was rebellious at home. Her father sent her to a convent to be tamed, which she loved because of her passion for God. She decided it would be better to live the life of a nun rather than to get married, because she thought she would be less likely to sin. The Sisters in her convent were very materialistic and enjoyed parties. Teresa became a flirt and enjoyed gossip. When she got sick, a seizure left her paralyzed for three years. During this time she found prayer very difficult. A priest convinced her to start to pray again, and she received visions from the Lord. She decided to fix the problems in her order by starting a new convent.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, MUSIC MINISTRY, & FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Children's Christmas Pageant

Friday, December 18, 2020 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

We only be able to involve a limited cast this year due to the Coronavirus. We have many speaking parts for children who can memorize a few lines and speak loudly and clearly. There are roles for: Mary, Joseph, Herod, Three Kings, Innkeeper, Angels and of course the shepherds. There is a total of 23 speaking roles and one silent role. This event will be recorded and aired online on our YouTube Channel.

Please indicate if your child is interested in having a speaking role. Anyone wishing to have a speaking part must be able to attend all rehearsals! Roles will be given out to those in the older grade levels first. Please contact Bridget Jordan at (631) 226-7725 X 253 or e-mail bjordan@oloph.org to get a copy of the script for your audition video or if you have any questions.

Christmas Pageant songs will be sung by the members of the Youth Choir

If you wish to sing in this event you cannot have a speaking role so that we can get as many people involved as possible. Email Bridget Jordan to RSVP

Tryouts for speaking roles will need to be emailed in no later than Monday, November 30th

Pageant Practices

Youth Choir: Thursday, December 3rd 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
 Speaking Roles: Thursday, December 10th 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Speaking Roles: Tuesday, December 15th 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



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
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- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Virginia Beyrer—631-226-6635
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NEW Food Pantry List!

BAKED BEANS
MACARONI & CHEESE
INSTANT MASHED POTATOES
JELLY OR JAM
PANCAKE SYRUP
SHELF STABLE MILK
PASTA SAUCE
CANNED FRUIT
COFFEE
TOILET PAPER

Please bring items to the SVdP office:

*Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.
and on 1st and 3rd 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

1st and 3rd Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to take time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

Ask yourself, "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving.

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.

RIGHT TO LIFE

The USCCB's program "Walking with Moms in Need" has sent us a prayer for Moms this month....

May each expectant mother, making an adoption plan, receive support and care of the Christian community as she makes a loving choice for her child.

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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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 Rite 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.

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

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Bill Bendernagel
Gerry Chille (Chair)
Thomas Crennan
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Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
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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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Mark Costantino
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.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT:

Richard Weidenburner & Kelly Drummond

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



Joseph Anthony Berdini
Joseph Anthony D'Antona
Dante Bito Delano
Hazel Jae McCardle
Jack Maxwell Milk

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 for week of **November 15-21:**

Altar Bread and Wine:

In Memory of
Lucy Luciano
Requested by
OLPH Staff

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

WE REMEMBER

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

Madeline Vigilante
Bernard Loughlin
Benedetto Alibrandi
John G. Flavin
Francis Farrugia
Dorothy Theresa Viverito

"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."

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Mary Doran</i>	<i>Ann Doran</i>
<i>Imee Tornilla</i>	<i>Ann-Marie Giarratano</i>
<i>Loretta May</i>	<i>James Byrne Jr.</i>
<i>Bob Setti</i>	<i>Diego Sarmiento</i>
<i>Frank Stryker</i>	<i>Mary Rozmus</i>
<i>Barbara Makin</i>	<i>Rosalie Engel</i>
<i>David Reid</i>	<i>Robert Philipps</i>
<i>Kathleen Doran</i>	

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.

"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.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and would like to know more about the ***OLPH Support Group Program***, please contact Linda Arpino at 631-592-1062 or Marige Reyes at 631-608-3658. You may also leave your name and contact information with the receptionist in the rectory.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, November 16—****Weekday***(Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin)*

6:30 Therese M. Gigante

12:15 Albina Pauzano

TUESDAY, November 17—**Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**

6:30 Ruthanne Hussey

12:15 Therese M. Gigante

WEDNESDAY, November 18—**Weekday***(The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin)*

6:30 Stanislaw Kielczewski

12:15 Frank Bonventre

THURSDAY, November 19—**Weekday**

6:30 Margaret I. Langone

12:15 Juliana Martinez

FRIDAY, November 20—**Weekday**

6:30 Marlene Rief

12:15 Mary Clare Roy - McCarthy

SATURDAY, November 21—**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 Living & Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

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

**Sunday, November 22
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

8:00 John & Vincent Treanor

10:00 For the People of the Parish

12:00 Olivia Keim

5:00 * Ann DeGirolamo

Will not be celebrated publicly; intention will be fulfilled in a private Mass by one of the priests.*PARISH CALENDAR****Monday, November 16, 2020**

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

12:45 p.m. Devotions Church

7:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee Church

Tuesday, November 17, 2020**Wednesday, November 18, 2020**

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

12:45 p.m. No Exposition Church

5:30 p.m. Level 6 Classes School

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

Thursday, November 19, 2020

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

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting Church

Friday, November 20, 2020

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

Saturday, November 21, 2020

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Levels 1-5 and Special Ed. Classes School

1:30 p.m. Ushers Meeting Church

1:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 24

4:00 p.m. Confessions School

6:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

7:00 p.m. Golden Ticket Drawing Live-streamed

Sunday, November 22, 2020

2:00 p.m. Baptisms Church

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour Church

RIGHT TO LIFE**BABY BOTTLE RETURN****Don't forget to return
your Baby Bottle**

OLPH Parish is collecting all the *Baby Bottles* to benefit The Life Center of Long Island. We are asking that you return your baby bottle with your donations to the church during Mass or to the rectory. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



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.

Liturgia Viva del Domingo 33° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo A Domingo, 15 de noviembre de 2020

Oh Dios!, que unes los corazones de tus fieles en un mismo deseo; inspira a tu pueblo el amor a tus preceptos y la esperanza en tus promesas, para que, en medio de las vicisitudes del mundo, nuestros corazones estén firmes en la verdadera alegría. Por nuestro Señor.

Primera Lectura (Proverbios 31,10-13.19-20.30-31): El Ama de Casa Usa Todos Sus Talentos

Aquí tenemos como una foto de una madre y esposa ejemplar. Ella emplea todos sus talentos de mente, corazón, fe al servicio de su familia y también de los pobres.

Segunda Lectura (1 Tesalonicenses 5,1-6): Manténganse Alerta para la Venida del Señor.

Como "hijos de la luz y del día", deberíamos estar listos en cualquier momento para la venida del Señor, aun sin saber cuándo vendrá.

Evangelio (Mateo 25,14-30): ¿Qué Han Hecho Ustedes con Sus Talentos?

Dios nos ha dado ricos dones de fe. ¿Qué hemos hecho con ellos? Entre los empleados del evangelio de hoy, ¿con cuál de ellos nos identificamos?

El Evangelio de hoy deja bien en claro que se espera mucho más de nosotros/as. Se nos pide que hagamos una contribución positiva al trabajo del Reino y a la comunidad cristiana, como el Cuerpo de Cristo. En la práctica, eso puede significar tomar parte activa en nuestra iglesia, en nuestra parroquia, que tengamos iniciativas de justicia social, etc. Por eso, es importante que nos tomemos un tiempo para reflexionar cuáles son mis talentos, dones o habilidades y después preguntarme hasta dónde las estoy usando

El Evangelio sugiere que hay una urgencia acerca de esto, ya que no sabemos cuándo nuestro "empleador" volverá para que le rindamos cuentas. En este tiempo de oración ¿se me ha aclarado hacia dónde debo ir para usar mis talentos?

Esta parábola es más que una exhortación a usar bien nuestras cualidades. Es sobre el Reino, que nos es encargado a nosotros mientras el Maestro hace un largo viaje. Cuando vuelva, espera que sus servidores hayan hecho trabajar las riquezas encomendadas a ellos. Los primeros dos se arriesgaron y duplicaron lo que habían recibido. Fueron alabados por su compromiso con el Maestro, al Reino. El tercer sirviente, que temía al Maestro, perdió incluso el único talento que tenía. ¿Arriesgo muchas cosas y cualidades que se me han dado por el crecimiento del Reino o estoy satisfecho con lo que tengo, asegurándome de no perderlo, suficientemente contento con una existencia respetable? ¿Qué me dirá el Maestro cuando me llame a dar cuenta?

Para la reflexión personal

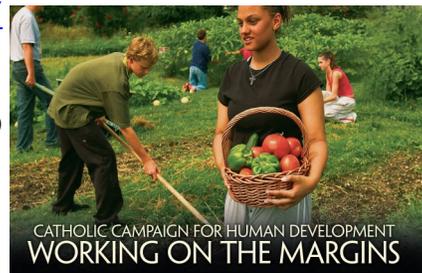
- En nuestra comunidad, ¿tratamos de conocer y valorar los dones de cada persona? Nuestra comunidad ¿es un espacio donde las personas pueden desenvolver sus dones? A veces los dones de una persona engendran envidia y competitividad en los otros. ¿Cómo reaccionamos?
- ¿Cómo entender la frase: "Porque a todo el que tiene, se le dará y le sobraré; pero al que no tiene, aun lo que tiene se le quitará?"



OFFERING UPDATE November 7/8, 2020

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	176	81	\$2,064.50
8:00 a.m.	180	98	2,747.00
10:00 a.m.	275	71	1,906.00
12:00 p.m.	225	64	1,685.00
5:00 p.m.	<i>Not celebrated publicly</i>		
Coin			7.09
Faith Direct			2,936.00
Mail-ins:			5,062.95
Children's Env.		4	28.00
TOTAL	856	318	\$16,436.54
2019 total	1,542	439	\$16,751.84
Candles			\$850.00
Poor Box			\$248.02
1st Saturday			\$125.00

Next week, **November 21/22**, our second collection will be for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.



Give to the CCHD Collection.

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.
Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.

November 22—passed
November 29—November 20
December 6— November 27



We're planning now for Thanksgiving and Christmas, and like everything this year, the holidays will be anything but typical. Our ministries need your support today.

After the uncertainty, unemployment and isolation caused by COVID-19, families in our community will be turning to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish for help in astonishing numbers during the holiday season. Your generous online donations now will help us plan and budget for ministries that will serve those in need over Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY286, or text 'Enroll' to 631-201-5664.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You,

Msgr. Joe

PREPARING FOR
Sunday, November 22, 2020
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine,
you did for me.

Matthew 25:40

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Our first reading is one of reproach for the leaders of Israel, for they have lived off the sheep (the people under their care) without responding to their needs. They provided no care for those who remained faithful and left those who strayed to their own resources. With their people in great danger the religious leaders provided for themselves even when many people were lost; there was no noticeable difference in their leaders' care for their flock. Now God himself will assume the role of shepherd. He will bring back the exiled and go after the lost, the wounded and the ill to bring them back.

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul speaks of the final resurrection of the just and the subjection of all forces of evil to the sovereignty of God. In Christ's Resurrection, Paul envisions Christ as the second Adam. The first Adam brought death into the world; the second Adam brought life. This new life stretches beyond our mortal existence and will be given to those who have fallen asleep in death. Christ's reign will last until his mission is accomplished and all forces contrary to God are subdued.

Matthew 25:31-46

We hear today of the Last Judgment where we see what will happen to those who prepared well (the sheep) for the second coming of Christ and those who did not (the goats). The sheep, like the wise virgins and industrious servants from the parables we heard over the last two weeks, are blessed and welcomed into the Kingdom of God because of what they did, traditionally known as "the works of mercy": feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, caring for the sick, visiting those in prison, and so on. While apparently the blessed ones did these works for the "least brothers of mine" they actually did it for the Son of Man himself, who identifies with the least among us in society. This is an important challenge to all who hear this Gospel. The little ones of our world all belong to Christ and in showing mercy to them we meet the Christ who will also come as judge.

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. *This king is the almighty and glorious God. Why did he come into the world, in solidarity with the poor, wear thorns for his crown, and have a cross for his throne? Can you relate on a personal level to a very rich, brilliant leader? How about to a poor and suffering one?*

2. *"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink." Christ uses our generosity as a standard for salvation. How is it also a standard for happiness? What happens to you when you give? If the "goats" had recognized Jesus, wouldn't they have given too? How important is it to give without calculation?*

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, November 16, 2020:

Revelations 1:1-4; 2:1-5
 + Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 17, 2020:

Revelations 3:1-6, 14-22
 + Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 18, 2020:

Revelations 4:1-11 + Luke 19:11-28

Thursday, November 19, 2020:

Revelations 5:1-10 + Luke 19:41-44

Friday, November 20, 2020:

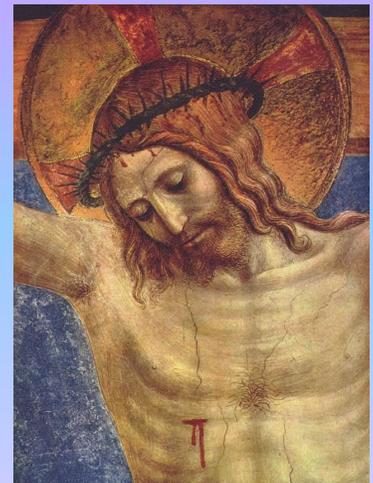
Revelations 10:8-11
 + Luke 19:45-48

Saturday, November 21, 2020:

Revelations 11:4-12
 + Luke 20:27-40

Sunday, November 22, 2020:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
 + 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
 + Matthew 25:31-46



SUPER 72



SUPER 72 IS BACK!

**DRAWING FROM DECEMBER 2020
THROUGH MAY 2021**



1st Prize: \$1,000 * 2nd Prize: \$250 * 3-6th 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

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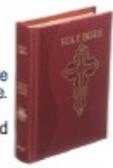


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