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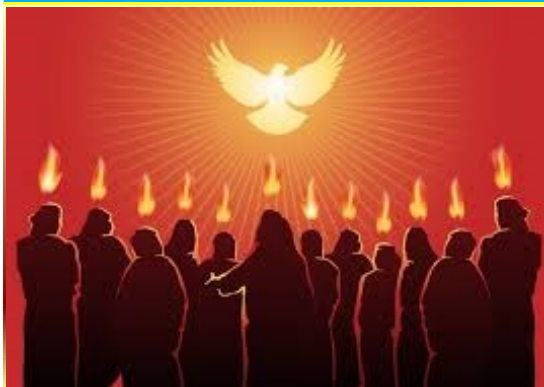
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*Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them.
And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.*

Acts 2:3-4a

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 19, 2024

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

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

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

Deacon Robert A. Becker, Deacon James Totino

Business Manager: Mr. Gerry Chille

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut

Music Director: Miss Erin Barrett

COME AND PRAY...

Our church is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays until 6:30 p.m. The church closes after the 12:15 p.m. Mass on Thursdays and Fridays, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays (except First Saturdays, when there is Nocturnal Adoration until 9:30 p.m.) and after the 12:00 Noon Mass on Sundays (or after the 2:00 p.m. Baptisms when those are celebrated). Also, the church will close after the last Mass on all holidays and holy days when parish offices are closed, regardless of the day of the week. Come in and spend some time in prayer whenever the church is open!

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

Special Needs Mass:

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

Holy Days of Obligation: Consult the bulletin

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer communally, in person, each Saturday in the church immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Each Sunday, we pray Morning Prayer at 9:15 a.m. and Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m. on the Zoom video platform. Click on the Zoom link on the home page of our website.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

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

DEVOTIONS

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

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

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

First Fridays and First Saturdays:

As announced in bulletin

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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

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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of May 19, 2024

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Never Alone Session 1: Belonging

The third Person of the Trinity is the one who illuminates our identity and belonging as God's sons and daughters. Presented by Nic Gutierrez

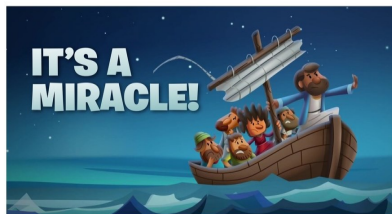
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Mary: The Church's First

In the Gospel of John, we see the powerful scene in which Jesus gives to the Church his final gift: "Behold, your mother!" (John 19:27). Here we see Jesus inaugurating Mary's role as mother of the Church. Therefore, it should be no surprise that from the very earliest time of the Church, Christians have turned to Mary as their spiritual mother for her prayers and her motherly help.

LISTEN



It's a Miracle! | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids

When Jesus was all grown up He traveled with His disciples doing amazing things all over the place! Learn about Jesus' miracles in this story that walks through some of the most powerful moments of His ministry.

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Solemnity of Pentecost

What a great occasion the Solemnity of Pentecost is! I love it and I am always renewed, energized and joy-filled by its celebration, because each year I feel like I really experience the fire and presence of the Holy Spirit. I hope you do, too!

There's something magnificent about celebrating the fullness and fruition of the liturgical season of Easter Time! Our Masses on Pentecost are always great celebrations of this fullness and joy, especially our great Vigil of Pentecost celebrated at the Saturday night 5:00 p.m. Mass. Congratulations, by the way, to the adults who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation at our Vigil of Pentecost. What a powerful manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit the Sacrament of Confirmation is!

The Greek word for Pentecost (*Pentekoste*) means "fiftieth," and in early Christianity it referred to the entire fifty days of Easter. The roots of Pentecost can be found in the Jewish festival of Weeks (*Shavu'ot*), the fifty-day celebration following Passover (Exodus 23:16). It was a harvest festival in which the first fruits of the harvest were offered to God in gratitude. It eventually became associated with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. Early Christians reinterpreted the Jewish festival as a commemoration of the coming of the Holy Spirit, since Acts records that the Holy Spirit came to the disciples when the festival of Pentecost was fulfilled (see Acts 2:1-11).

Interestingly, by the end of the fourth century in the West, Pentecost had become a time for the initiation of those not baptized at Easter. The Church developed a night vigil, just like the Easter Vigil, for this purpose. This is the origin of the festive Vigil of Pentecost we celebrated at this weekend's Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass that I mentioned above, and why we celebrated Confirmation at that Mass.

Pentecost celebrates the fullness and fruition of the days of Easter Time as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. The words of the Preface at the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer sum up well for us the meaning of what we celebrate today as these words are addressed to God the Father: "*For,*

bringing your Paschal Mystery to completion, you bestowed the Holy Spirit today on those you made your adopted children by uniting them to your Only Begotten Son. This same Spirit, as the Church came to birth, opened to all peoples the knowledge of God and brought together the many languages of the earth in profession of the one faith."

These, then, are the themes we celebrate today, and which should be the basis for our spiritual reflections: the completion of the Paschal Mystery; the Holy Spirit; adoption through union with Christ; and oneness in the community of the Church and in faith. Those themes are the basis for our joyful renewal! May you have a happy and Spirit-filled Pentecost!

Return to Ordinary Time

Now, after the celebration of Pentecost, the Church returns to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time; you'll notice the change in our liturgical environment after today, as the extra festive Easter decorations are removed. By "ordinary," we do not, of course, mean "commonplace" or "banal," but rather "ordinary" meaning "ordinal," or "counting," as we count off the weeks of the liturgical year as we continue to celebrate the saving power of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus' death and resurrection in our time.

Sacrament of Confirmation

This Tuesday, May 21, we are pleased to welcome to OLPH one of the auxiliary bishops of our diocese, Bishop Luis Romero, as he comes to preside at the Sacrament of Confirmation for our teen-agers, both those who are completing Level 8 of their religious formation, and older teens who need to be confirmed.

Confirmation will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. on that day (**so please note that the 12:15 p.m. weekday Mass will not be celebrated on Tuesday, May 21**). Please keep in your prayers all our young people who will be confirmed on Tuesday. We offer them our congratulations and support as they complete their initiation into the Catholic Church.

With Confirmation, these young people will be “*sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit,*” as the words of the ritual tell us, and they will then have the special responsibility, as fully-initiated Catholics, to live a Christian life by following the teachings of Jesus as handed on to us through the Catholic Church. Let’s pray that through their faith and witness, they will be a light to the world that builds up goodness and love so that the world is a better place — a responsibility we should all take very seriously as fully-initiated Catholics who have been anointed with the Chrism of salvation.

Thanks go to all who have worked so hard to bring our young people to this sacrament: the catechists in Levels 6, 7 and 8 (the three years of our Confirmation preparation process) and in our special Teen Confirmation Program, and all those who work in the Religious Education Office, led by April Kleinlaut, our Director of Faith Formation.

Ministry of Consolation

We’re still recruiting new offerers for one of the most beautiful and important ministries we offer here at OLPH, the Ministry of Consolation. Read the bulletin ad and seriously consider joining the ministry.

This ministry impacts peoples’ lives at a very important time and, because of the wonderful work that is done, it is often a vehicle for bringing people back to Mass after they have been away for a long time. As I always say, the liturgy of the Church, when done well, is the best form of evangelization there is, and that’s especially true of the funeral rites when they are celebrated in all their fullness. The Ministry of Consolation is far from a depressing ministry; in fact, it is life-giving and life-affirming in the way it touches people on a deep level.

Also, it’s not as intense as you might think; serving as a greeter or an altar server at Funeral Masses, and/or coordinating behind-the-scenes details and making assignments of ministers, and/or baking a cake for a family — all very necessary jobs — don’t involve a tremendous amount of time. If you are recently retired or suddenly find yourself with some extra time on your hands, you’re a perfect fit for this! Feel free to contact me, or Ken Hale,

the Overall Administrator of the ministry, if you have any questions.

Last chance to get in on the next set of bricks!

The deadline for getting in on the next set of bricks — Friday, May 31 — is rapidly approaching. This next set of new bricks will be installed and blessed sometime at the end of August or the beginning of September, so you must submit your form and payment before that Friday if you want to be in on this batch.

However, **this does not mean there are no more bricks available after that date; just the opposite! There still will be plenty of bricks available for memorialization!** Our brick memorialization program is ongoing. We will accumulate the next batch and, when we have accumulated enough, we will send those out, as a group, for engraving and installation. This ongoing fund raiser is a big help to us, so your continued support is appreciated.

Save the dates for upcoming special celebrations in June

Lastly, let me call to your attention to these upcoming special Masses during the month of June; mark your calendar now and be sure to join in them as beautiful expressions of our liturgical life together:

- **Sunday, June 2, 12:00 Noon, Mass ending with a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament:** This is our celebration of the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ!** All First Communicants are invited back to this Mass, wearing their First Communion attire. Mass ends with the Procession with the Blessed Sacrament, a procession which will include a special Canopy for the Blessed Sacrament. The outdoor procession will go down High Street, then across Gates Avenue and up Wellwood Avenue, so that all of Lindenhurst might see our devotion to the Eucharist and our belief in the Real Presence. We’ve received permission to close High Street, Gates Avenue and Wellwood Avenue for the brief time of the procession, so we can march in the street itself!

- **Sunday, June 16, 12:00 Noon, Mass with Anointing of the Sick:** We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at

this Sunday Mass. Those who receive Holy Communion at home will be invited to come, and anyone in need of anointing will have the opportunity to celebrate that Sacrament during Mass. However, even if you're not in need of being anointed, it would be great to be at this Mass to pray for and with, and to support, our brothers and sisters who are ill.

• **Sunday, June 30, 12:00 Noon, Patronal Feast Mass:** Celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, traditionally celebrated on June 27, but which we are transferring to the Sunday in Ordinary Time; a simple hospitality on the Wellwood Avenue Plaza will follow the Mass.

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,

MAY CROWNING TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024



SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

SUNDAY, June 2

12:00 Noon Mass

- Eucharistic Procession
(outside, weather permitting) to end the Mass
- Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of the Procession
- All children who have received their First Holy Communion this year are invited to come with their families to this Mass and Procession, wearing their special First Communion attire.



HELP US HONOR THE LORD’S REAL PRESENCE IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT—HELP CARRY THE CANOPY!

As you know, each year, on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, OLPH gives public witness to our faith in the Lord’s Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament by having an outdoor Eucharistic Procession, on the streets around the church. A canopy is carried over the Blessed Sacrament during the Procession, to give special honor to the Eucharistic Real Presence of the Lord.



We’re looking for people — individuals and families — to carry the canopy in this year’s Procession, which will take place on **Sunday, June 2, immediately following the 12:00 Noon Mass**. There are four corners to the canopy, so we need four carriers at a time, but we need lots of people, so you can take turns during the Procession, so the carrying does not become too strenuous.

What great blessings you will experience by participating in the Procession in this way! It’s a great thing to do together as a family — your family as a group can take charge of one or more corners for a period of time! You can offer to take a turn just by yourself, as an individual! What a great thing for a group to offer to do, as Knights of Columbus, or as Holy Name Society men, or as Christian Mothers, or as the Youth Service Corps, or any group! Let’s get lots of great OLPH parishioners to help carry the canopy over the Blessed Sacrament!

Return this response form to the rectory, to Msgr. Joe’s attention, as soon as possible. Further information will be forwarded to you.

Yes! I want to help carry the canopy in our Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Sunday, June 2, as part of the 12:00 Noon Mass!

Your Name or Your Family’s Name _____

Number of People in Your Group _____

Best e-mail to use to contact you _____

Best phone number to use to contact you _____

Return this to Msgr. Joe at the rectory, or e-mail the information to him at msgrjoe@oloph.org

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

Mondays at 12:45 p.m.

BRINGING FORWARD THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE



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

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

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

FOR THOSE WITH CELIAC DISEASE

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

OFFERERS NEEDED



HELP TAKE DOWN AND PUT AWAY THE EASTER DECORATIONS—SUNDAY, MAY 19

With the end of Easter Time, our beautiful Easter decorations need to be taken down on **Sunday, May 19**. We need parishioners to assist us for about a half-hour to forty-five minutes. Can you please help us? This would be a great thing to do as a family! No response necessary...just come on down! We will meet at 1:00 p.m. Thank you!

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED WITH THE MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION!

“So too when a member of Christ’s Body dies, the faithful are called to a ministry of consolation to those who have suffered the loss of one whom they love.”

—Order of Christian Funerals #8

As you know, OLPH is blessed with having the Ministry of Consolation, which ministers to families at the time of the Funeral Mass.

We are currently in need of more people to come forward to offer their time and their presence in this beautiful ministry.

It’s not hard, and it’s not depressing, and it means so much to families at the time of the Funeral Mass.

You’ll feel wonderful about doing this, and we need YOU!

There are many ways to become involved:

- being present at Funeral Masses to act as a greeter, hand out booklets, and help get people seated;
- being a Coordinator, working behind-the-scenes with lists and making phone calls to assign ministers to Funeral Masses;
 - being an altar server at Funeral Masses;
 - baking a cake to give to the family.

Please consider stepping up to offer your time and your presence in one or more of these ministries.

Those who are recently retired, or others who have time free during the day, are especially appropriate for this ministry!

If you are interested, please contact Ken Hale at kennethhale53@gmail.com or Msgr. Joe at msgjrjoe@oloph.org

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!



NO 12:15 p.m. MASS ON TUESDAY, May 21

Please note that there will be no 12:15 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, May 21, due to the celebration of Confirmation at 2:00 p.m. that afternoon. We thank you for your understanding.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

O.F.F. HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: CLOSED
 Saturday: by appointment

Confirmation

**Tuesday, May 21
 at 2:00 p.m.**



**REGISTRATION FOR
 BIBLE CAMP IS NOW
 OPEN!**

**DATES ARE:
 JULY 8th – 12th
 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
DEADLINE:
 FRIDAY, JUNE 7th.**

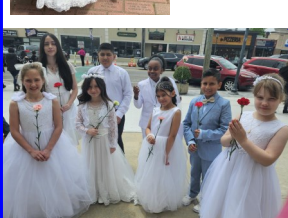
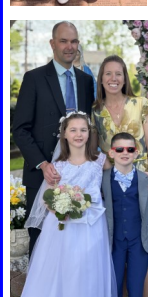
**June 5th
 Bible Camp Meeting
 at 6:00 p.m. in the
 auditorium**

Registration Is Open

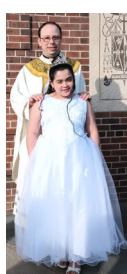
Early registration for returning families began March 1. There is a \$30 discount for all families that register before May 31. After June 1, the regular registration fee will be in effect for ALL registrations. For any late registrations that come in after July 31 there will be an additional \$30 late fee. We continue to encourage all families with children who will be beginning 1st grade (or older) who have not yet begun religious education to register for religious education. All new families must schedule an appointment in order to register and must come with a baptismal certificate.



Congratulations to all our students who received their First Communion!



- Ella Accurso***
- Alexander Adames***
- Christian Adames***
- Aidan Ally***
- Amelia Ally***
- Jasper Astore***
- Dominic Bacci***
- Luca Barongi***
- Sanaya Bautista***
- Elisabetta Bellone***
- Jacob Bernardo***
- Jayden Bernardo***
- Emilee Bodt***
- Dylan Bruno***
- Carlos Burbano***
- Justin Canales Membreno***
- Isabella Castaneda-Barreiro***
- Isabella Chiarenza***
- Yohandry Dilone-Espinal***
- Yohendry Dilone-Espinal***
- Yosmeiry Dilone-Espinal***
- Jimena Dizama Guzman***
- Joseph Ebbets***
- Peter Ebbets***
- Cameron Edwards-Pernell***
- Madelyn Fischer***
- Alina Florio***
- Jason Friesen***
- Franco Guzman***
- Liliana Hauser***
- Karalyn Heaton***
- Kaylie Hernandez Torres***
- Angelina Iadiciccio***
- Modestina Ingraio***
- Nico Lomino***
- Savannah Lyons***
- Skye Macalisang Butron***



- Siena Macaluso***
- Grayson Martin***
- Kimberly Martins***
- Jeremy Mizhirumbay Bonilla***
- Alexa Munsey***
- Mackenzie Munsey***
- Jerson Navarrete***
- Kelsea Newton***
- Marguerite Nolan***
- Mateo Ocampo***
- Antoinette Pagano***
- Jacob Perez***
- Olivia Pogorzelska***
- Alexandra Ptak***
- Jayden Ramirez***
- Noah Rodriguez***
- Rosebella Salazar***
- Tyra Sanchez***
- William Schmitt***
- Deliliah Schnatz***
- Jacqueline Schneider***
- Venessa Singh***
- Charles Sweeney***
- Dylan Sweeney***
- Liam Taveras***
- Paige Theroux***
- Prince Toussaint***
- Ceci Vargas***
- Liam Kai Vasquez***
- Evelina Vasylevska***
- Brayden Ventura***
- Matthew Winiarz***
- Avery Wright***



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631.225.9864—cdfeldman@optonline.net
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- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Valerie Baxter—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

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The office is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9:00 a.m.—12 Noon

Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God’s presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able bring the love of God to the poor by providing 94 bags of food to 69 families, 71 adults, 34 children, 39 seniors. Thank you!

NEW Food Pantry List!

BAKED BEANS

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PASTA SIDES

CANNED FRUIT

PAPER TOWEL

Thank you
for your continued generosity.

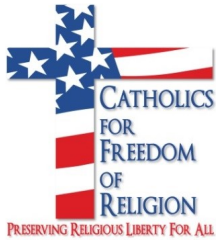
Cut out this list and
bring it with you
when you go shopping!

THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



*Please remember the Poor Boxes.
Each week the amount collected in the Poor Boxes
is listed in our bulletin.
You may wonder where that money goes.
Every coin, bill or check goes directly to our parish’s St. Vincent
de Paul Society to help serve those in need within our parish.
We use the funds to directly serve our neighbors who need food,
rent assistance or help paying a utility bill.
We are grateful to those who remember the Poor Boxes weekly.
Thank you for helping us help others.*

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From Our Founders: America's Heritage of Freedom of Religion and Conscience

From the earliest colonists through the adoption of America's Constitution and later the Bill of Rights, the issue of religious freedom was paramount in the considerations of the citizens and founders of our nation.

By the time of the American Revolution, America's leaders reflected the colonists' belief in the importance of God, the Bible, worship and the acceptance of all faiths. Throughout the Revolution, prayer was a constant and vital support. History shows our founders prayed earnestly and saw frequent instances of what they believed to be divine intervention protecting our armies and leaders.

George Washington said, "No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the invisible hand which conducts the affairs of men more than the people of the United States. Every step by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation seems to have been distinguished by some token of providential agency."

Benjamin Franklin, at the Constitutional Convention in 1787, said, "In the beginning of the contest with Great Britain we had daily prayer in this room for the divine protection. Our prayers, Sir, were heard and they were graciously answered."

Reverend Samuel Langdon, Founding Father, said, "Preserve your government with the utmost attention and solicitude, for it is the remarkable gift of heaven."

Referring to our Constitution, Samuel Adams said, "The sum of all is, if we would most truly enjoy the gift of heaven, let us become a virtuous people; then we shall both deserve and enjoy it."

Our prayers and action are essential to preserve First Amendment freedom of religion and conscience.

From the USCCB: Prayer for Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome — for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us — this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

"[May] you defend these rights, especially your religious freedom, for it has been given to you by God himself."

—Pope Francis

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

WE CELEBRATE

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



*Liam Robert Gut
Angel Alain Nieto
Michael Joseph Ring
Lucas Maverick Sabio
Lynnda Princess Toussaint*

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

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

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

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*Requested by
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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.

Britta Anne Perna

"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."

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

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

Our **Fall Bereavement session** be held later this year. Watch for registration dates.

Please contact
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EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO,

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

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

DOMINGO 19 MAYO 2024: SOLEMNIDAD DE PENTECOSTÉS EL AMOR DE DIOS SE A DESRAMADO EN NUESTROS CORAZONES ATREVES DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO, ALELUYA

Primera Lectura (Hechos 2:1-11): El Espíritu llega Como Fuerte Tormenta

Ruido ensordecedor, fuerte tormenta, fuego, diferentes lenguas... han sido símbolos tradicionales para describir el primer Pentecostés cristiano. Estos símbolos nos hablan con fuerza de que algo totalmente nuevo está brotando. El Espíritu poderoso de Dios está irrumpiendo en el mundo para unir a la humanidad dividida en una nueva comunidad, donde haya lugar para todos.

Segunda Lectura (1 Corintios 12:3-7, 12-13): Somos Uno en el Espíritu

Cualquier cosa buena que tengamos, cualquier don que Dios nos ha dado, todo proviene del Espíritu que obra en nosotros. Por encima de nuestros diferentes talentos, tareas y responsabilidades, el Espíritu nos une en el Cuerpo de Cristo, formando una comunidad de fe, esperanza y amor.

Evangelio (Juan 20:19-23): Recibe el Espíritu Santo

El Espíritu Santo completa la obra de Cristo en nosotros, y, a través de nosotros, en el mundo. Al igual que los apóstoles, también nosotros hemos recibido el mandato de romper y abandonar nuestros muros cercados y llevar sanación y paz al mundo.

Pentecostés es la culminación del tiempo pascual. Jesús resucitado deja su Espíritu y la Iglesia naciente inicia una etapa nueva. Jesús se nos regala, se hace don en forma de Espíritu. En este momento pentecostal, María también tiene un sitio, estaba allí, reunida con los apóstoles, asistiendo al nacimiento de la Iglesia...

Pentecostés es la Pascua del Espíritu, la máxima autodonación de Dios. Es el culmen de la acción salvadora. El Espíritu es toda la fuerza de Dios sobre la debilidad humana, toda la Luz de Dios sobre las tinieblas humanas, todo el Amor de Dios sobre la cerrazón humana. Actúa como Cristo, iluminando y amando, pero desde dentro.

La venida del Espíritu Santo fue como un huracán, un viento poderoso e irresistible, libre y espiritual, una tempestad de libertad, una fuerza renovadora. Fue como una hoguera que purifica y enciende; fue como una sinfonía de palabras y de cantos, que unía los pueblos diversos, que reparaba la confusión de Babel, iniciando el movimiento de comunión entre los pueblos. La Iglesia nace el día de Pentecostés. Nace bajo el soplo potente del Santísimo Espíritu, que ordena a los Apóstoles salir del Cenáculo y emprender su misión. La tarde de la resurrección Cristo les dijo: "Como el Padre me ha enviado, así también os envío yo". La mañana de Pentecostés el Espíritu Santo hace que ellos emprendan esta misión. Y así ellos van a los hombres y se ponen en camino por el mundo. Todos los que acogen la palabra del Evangelio, todos los que se alimentan del Cuerpo y de la Sangre de Cristo en la Eucaristía, bajo el soplo del Espíritu Santo, profesan: "Jesús es el Señor" (1 Cor 12,3). Y así, bajo el soplo del Espíritu Santo, comenzando desde el Pentecostés de Jerusalén, crece la Iglesia. En ella hay diversidad "de carismas", y diversidad "de ministerios", y diversidad "de operaciones", pero "uno solo es el Espíritu", pero "uno solo es el Señor", pero "uno solo es Dios", "que obra todo en todos" (1 Cor 12,4-6).



(RECORDATORIO)

EL sábado mayo 10 comienza la Novena al Espíritu Santo, culminando el domingo de Pentecostés.

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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

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Mail-ins:			1,627.00
TOTAL	1,279	383	\$17,960.90
2023	1,267	346	\$16,927.51
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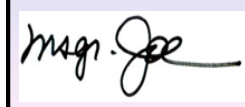
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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, May 20— The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church <i>(Seventh Week of Ordinary Time)</i>	
6:30	Mothers enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
12:15	Diane Donohue
TUESDAY, May 21— Weekday <i>(Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs)</i>	
6:30	Joseph Sredniawski
WEDNESDAY, May 22— Weekday <i>(Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious)</i>	
6:30	Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton
12:15	Mary P. Dorrian
THURSDAY, May 23— Weekday	
6:30	Jennie Kowalski
12:15	Alexander Vitkus
FRIDAY, May 24— Weekday	
6:30	Alyce M. Jones
12:15	Rosemary Curr
SATURDAY, May 25— Weekday <i>(Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin)</i>	
8:00	Rosemary Curr
Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	
5:00	James Santoli
Sunday, May 26 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	
8:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
10:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 794
12:00	For the People of the Parish

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, May 20, 2024		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
12:45 p.m.	Devotions	Church
5:00 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
Tuesday, May 21, 2024		
2:00 p.m.	Confirmation	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
Wednesday, May 22, 2024		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
2:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary (631-412-3831 for information)	Off Campus
Thursday, May 23, 2024		
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24
Friday, May 24, 2024		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
Saturday, May 25, 2024		
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
Sunday, May 26, 2024		
2:00 p.m.	Baptisms	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

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THROUGH NOVEMBER 2024

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PREPARING FOR

Sunday, May 26, 2024

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

*“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”*

Matthew 28:19

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Today’s reading recalls God’s awesome acts in choosing and saving Israel from slavery, how he saved them by “signs and wonders” with his “strong hand and outstretched arm.” God reminds Israel of this so to remind them that He alone is God – there is no other. This central fact is what they, and we, should have fixed in our hearts and minds. Everything else we do and say flows from this one certainty. Knowing this, we certainly will want to follow God’s ways, his commandments, and enjoy everlasting life.

Romans 8:14-17

Paul tells us something amazing in this brief passage from his long letter to the church in Rome. He says that we are the children of God and as such can call God “Abba, Father.” This is the same affectionate term (in Aramaic) that Jesus used for his Father. We are then brothers and sisters of Jesus and co-heirs of all that he won for us by his death and resurrection. As baptized Christians, we enjoy not only life but a new relationship with God – that of adopted children with a wonderful and blessed inheritance!

Matthew 28:16-20

These last few verses of Matthew’s account of the Gospel take place after Jesus has risen from the dead and is meeting with his followers in Galilee where it all started. Having begun in Galilee, Jesus’ ministry will now be carried on by the whole Church (that’s us!) into the whole world. He commands them and us to “make disciples of all nations” which is to say that the wondrous works God has done for Israel in the past are now to be extended to everyone. As daunting as this may sound, Jesus gives us the best encouragement possible by telling us that he will always be with us. Good news indeed!

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, May 20, 2024:

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 + John 19:25 –34

Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

James 4:1-10 + Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, May 22, 2024:

James 4:13-17 + Mark 9:38-40

Thursday, May 23, 2024:

James 5:1-6 + Mark 9:41-50

Friday, May 24, 2024:

James 5:9-12 + Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, May 25, 2024:

James 5:13-20 + Mark 10:13-16

Sunday, May 26, 2024:

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

+ Romans 8:14-17

+ Matthew 28:16-20

Gospel Reflection

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

1. What do you think Pope Francis means when he says that God is the origin and the aim (goal) of the whole universe? What is the Holy Spirit’s job according to the Pope?

“The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity... leads us to contemplate and worship the divine life of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit: a life of communion and perfect love, the origin and aim of the whole universe and every creature: God.

The Holy Spirit, gift of the risen Jesus communicates the divine life to us and thus he draws us into the dynamism of the Trinity, which is a dynamism of love, communion, mutual service, sharing.”

*Remarks before recitation of the Angelus
Feast of the Holy Trinity, June 16, 2014*

2. The Holy Spirit was put in our hearts that “we might understand the things freely given by God” (1 Cor. 2:12). Is the Trinity one of those things? But how can this be since the Trinity is a mystery?





NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress

Throughout the National Eucharistic Revival, local communities are invited to gather in response to God’s invitation for renewal, calling on the Holy Spirit to bring the flame of deeper love and appreciation for the gift of the Most Holy Eucharist.

In keeping with this vision, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will accompany Jesus from city to city, lighting hearts on fire along the way. Then, at the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024, all these flames will blaze together. Please check the further details below.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage - Official Website:

<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/>

All the faithful of the Diocese of Rockville Centre are invited to participate in the Seton Route of the Eucharistic Pilgrimage Processions as they will pass through the New York area on the way from New Haven to Indianapolis. Check the following links for further details.

- **Archdiocese of New York - May 22 – May 26, 2024**

[Overview : Seton Route - Archdiocese of New York : Blackthorn : Events](#)

[Overview // Seton Route - Archdiocese of New York / Modern Catholic Pilgrim / Events \(blackthorn.io\)](#)

- **Diocese of Brooklyn – May 26 – May 27, 2024**

[Overview : Seton Route - Diocese of Brooklyn : Blackthorn : Events](#)

Explore the interactive maps of scheduled events and at your convenience, discuss with your pastors the possibility of your parish participation by individuals or small private groups. Please note and make all potential participants aware that registration for one of the many free events at locations of their choice is required.

The National Eucharistic Congress marks a significant moment in the life of the Church in the United States.

POPE FRANCIS

June 19, 2023

For more information, contact Joan A. Baffa (jabaffa@gmail.com), our Point Person.

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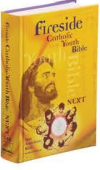
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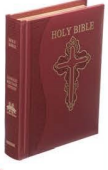


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