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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 20, 2018

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero

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

Business Manager: Mr. Frank Pokorney

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut

Music Director: Mr. Christopher Ferraro

Pastor Emeritus: Reverend Monsignor Daniel S. Hamilton

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

COME IN 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.

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. & 5:00 p.m.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday and Sunday after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

We pray Daytime Prayer each Wednesday at 1:50 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Mondays following the 12:15 p.m. Mass (except on Holy Days of Obligation)

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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available by making an appointment with one of our priests.

OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church (unless otherwise announced)

ADORATION OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday Evening: after OLPH Novena Devotions

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

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

First Saturday: 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

OUR NEW OLPH APP

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with the Our Lady of Perpetual Help App

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Step 4: Set OLPH as your main parish

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- Check Mass & Confession times
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- Read our bulletin
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PASTOR'S PAGE

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!

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. We offer our congratulations to those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at that Mass, the Pentecost Vigil, as they completed their initiation into the Catholic Church. What a beautiful manifestation of the Spirit we witness each time Confirmation is celebrated!

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 also the basis for our joyful renewal!

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. 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 celebrating saving power of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus’ death and resurrection in our time.

All our First Holy Communicants

At this Sunday’s 10:00 Mass we will celebrate, or have celebrated (depending on when you read this), all our children who have received their First Holy Communion this year. It has been a wonderful time not only in the lives of their families, but in the faith life of our parish family as well! We offer our congratulations and prayerful best wishes to the children and their families. May this be an occasion for the parents of these children to recommit themselves to attending Mass each and every weekend, forming their children in our Catholic way of life which must have the Eucharist as its heart and center.

Sacrament of Confirmation this Tuesday

This Tuesday we are pleased to welcome our diocesan bishop, Bishop John Barres, to OLPH as he comes to preside at the Sacrament of Confirmation for our teen-agers completing Level 8 of their religious formation. This is Bishop Barres’ first visit to OLPH, and I’m sure he’ll soon discover why this is “the place to be!”

Confirmation will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22 (so please note that the 12:15 p.m. weekday Mass will not be celebrated that day). Please keep in your prayers this week all our young people who will be confirmed on that day. 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.

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 all those in the Religious Education Office, led by April Kleinlaut, our Director of Faith Formation.

Brick Memorializations

Our program of memorializing bricks continues; it is something which is, and will be, ongoing, and the order form continues to run in our bulletin and will continue to be available at the rectory. Allow me to take the opportunity to mention a few items about the bricks.

We have to send the bricks out to an engraving company to be engraved, and we receive free shipping when we send them in groups of 100 or more. So, we have been waiting to receive at least 100 orders before sending them out (if it has been a while since you have placed your order and you were wondering what has been going on, that’s the reason you haven’t heard

anything). We now have slightly over 100 orders, so we will be sending out the first batch (and will send another group once we reach 100 again).

Please note, for all future orders for bricks, that the front walkway to the Blessed Mother statue, from Wellwood Avenue, is filled (thanks to all for your great response!). There are plenty of bricks available in the prayer garden of the "Let the Children Come to Me" statue on the south side of the church, so those are the bricks that are being memorialized now. It's a great location and I hope you will take advantage of it!

By the way, by "memorializing" a brick, we do not mean that it is only to remember someone who is deceased. Other prayer intentions or dedications are also perfectly acceptable.

This brick program is an important fund raiser that is a big help to the ongoing financial health of OLPH, so I hope you will participate if you have not already done so, even memorializing more than one brick if you wish, and mentioning it to all your family and friends (you don't have to be a parishioner of OLPH, or even Catholic, to do memorialize a brick!). Thanks to all for your participation in this!

Parish App—OLPH on your phone!

I'm happy to announce that we are launching a new Parish App! Information about it is starting to run in the bulletin this week. This Parish App is an important step in keeping parishioners connected to OLPH and helping us to have an appropriate technology and media presence which is vital to effective evangelization and "dramatic missionary growth" in the 21st century. See the full details elsewhere in this and future bulletins.

By the way...for those of you like me who tend to be dinosaurs concerning modern technology, an App (the word is short for "application") is a software program that you load onto your phone, and then through it all kinds of information are available, right there on your phone, wherever you go. The OLPH Parish App will have information you can access anywhere at any time through your phone, and it can also be used for instant notifications for parish news and breaking information.

I am extremely grateful to Melissa McLaughlin, a member of our Pastoral Council, for taking the lead with this and for being the "point person" in charge of the Parish App. She has done a great job with handling everything, and with keeping me clued in with what I need to know, even with all my deficiencies in handling modern technology!

Coming Soon: Giant Yard Sale

Allow me to give a little teaser by mentioning that coming over the summer will be a Giant Yard Sale run by the Knights of Columbus, which will be an important fund raiser for the parish. More information will be coming soon, but keep your eyes out for this event and please plan on supporting it!

Pope Francis' Catecheses on the Holy Mass

We continue with our series presenting Pope Francis' catecheses on the meaning of Mass, given at his Wednesday audiences. Since Mass is so central to our life as Catholics, we can never learn enough about it. In the selection below, from his audience of February 28, 2018, the Pope continues his explanation of the Liturgy of the Eucharist; I present the Holy Father's words *verbatim*.

Jesus' first gesture, "he took the bread and the cup of wine," thus corresponds to the Preparation of the Gifts. This is the first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It is praiseworthy that the faithful should present the bread and wine to the priest because they symbolize the spiritual offering of the Church assembled for the Eucharist. It is good that the faithful themselves bring the bread and wine to the altar. Even though the faithful no longer bring from their own possessions the bread and wine intended for the liturgy as in the past, nevertheless the rite of carrying up the offerings still retains its force and its spiritual significance. And in this regard, it is significant that in ordaining a priest, when the Bishop gives him the bread and wine, he says, "Accept from the holy people of God the gifts to be offered for the Eucharistic sacrifice." The People of God who bring the offering, the bread and wine, the great offering for the Mass!

Therefore, in the symbols of the bread and the wine, the faithful place their offering in the hands of the priest who places them on the altar, or the Lord's Table, which is the center of the whole Liturgy of the Eucharist. Thus, the center of the Mass is the altar, and the altar is Christ. We must always look to the altar which is the center of the Mass. In the "fruit of the earth" and the "work of human hands" the commitment of the faithful to obey the Divine Word is offered as a "sacrifice acceptable to the Almighty Father," "for the good of all his holy Church." Thus, the lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer and work are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value.

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.

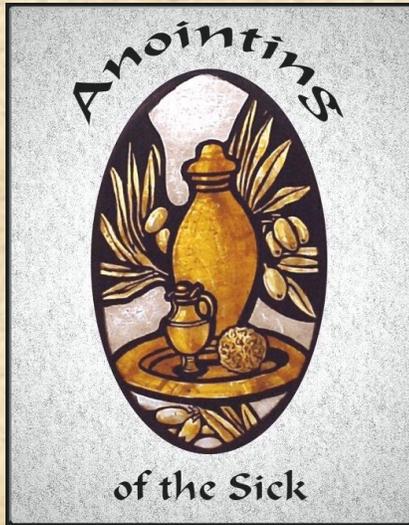
Sincerely,



SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

at the

12:00 Noon Mass
SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018



We'll be celebrating the
 Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
 during the **12:00 Noon Mass**
 on **Sunday, June 10.**

Anyone in need of being anointed
 is invited to participate in the Mass

and to receive the Sacrament when it is offered.

We have also invited our parishioners
 who are homebound and who receive Holy Communion at home.

This Sacrament brings the blessings of God's comfort, peace and grace, offering strength and the assurance that one is facing the illness in union with Christ.

Who should be anointed?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for baptized Christians whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age.

It should be celebrated at the beginning of the illness or during the illness and should not be delayed.

So, the condition should be more serious than just a cold or some normal illness, but the old thinking about waiting until one is near death is no longer proper for this Sacrament, either.

Also, it is appropriate to be anointed before undergoing any kind of surgery, or when one has received a diagnosis and will be undergoing a course of treatment for something significant.

*Please let us know ahead of time
 if you would like to be anointed at that Mass!*

Please notify us in advance so we can make adequate preparations:
 Call the rectory at **(631) 226-7725** and leave word.

*"Through this holy anointing
 may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit."
 —Rite of Anointing of the Sick*

PRAYER & 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. Following the Novena prayers, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place. The evening concludes with veneration of a relic of St. Catherine Laboure. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

Monday, May 21—7:00 p.m.

**Monday, May 28—No Devotions
due to Memorial Day**

Monday, June 4—7:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer



All are invited to pray Evening Prayer on Saturdays and Sundays after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Here we pray the psalms, listen to the Word of God and give thanks to God for the blessings of the day. Evening Prayer is usually about ten to fifteen minutes in length. So come and pray...

**Saturdays
and Sundays
After the 5:00 p.m. Mass**

“The Liturgy of the Hours is intended to become the prayer of the whole People of God. In it Christ himself ‘continues his priestly work through his Church....Pastors of souls should see to it that the principal hours, especially Vespers (Evening Prayer) are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and on the more solemn feasts.’”

-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1175

Prayer for Peace



Please join us for a special Holy Hour devoted to praying for world peace within our own country and throughout the world. **This Holy Hour for Peace, with prayers focusing on the intention of peace, will be held on the second, third and fourth Sunday evenings of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** The Holy Hour of Reparation which has been held on the first Sunday of the month will continue every first Sunday evening as usual, with the prayers that are usually said for that first Sunday Holy Hour.

*Lord Jesus Christ,
who are called the Prince of Peace,
Who are yourself our peace
and our reconciliation,
Who so often said ‘Peace to you’,
Grant us peace!
Make all men and women witnesses
of truth, justice and brotherly love.
Banish from their hearts
whatever might endanger peace.
Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee
and defend the great gift of peace.
May all peoples of the earth
become as brothers and sisters.
May longed-for peace blossom forth
and reign always over us all. AMEN
Mary, Queen of Peace, Pray for us!
(Pope Saint John XXIII)*



*There will be no
12:15 p.m. Mass on
Tuesday, May 22
due to the celebration
of the
Sacrament of Confirmation
that afternoon*

OFFERERS NEEDED

HELP TAKE DOWN AND PUT AWAY THE EASTER DECORATIONS

SUNDAY—May 20, 2018

Immediately after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
the beautiful Easter decorations need to be taken down.

We need parishioners to assist us for about a half-hour to forty-five minutes.

Can you please help us?

If so, please leave a message with Msgr. Joe at msgrjoe@oloph.org.



THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We are grateful to the following local businesses, individuals and groups for their very generous donations to our Music Ministry Spring Concert. This year we raffled off 34 baskets.

Local Businesses

Blaze Pizza
Blink Fitness
Captain Whittaker's Fishing Boat
Chicken Tonight
Cieslak's Modern Bakery
Faith Matters
Fitness 19
Gino's Restaurant
Goccia D'oro Restaurant
Joe's Gourmet Meats
Krist Florist
Lindy's Phone Repair
Magic Touch Hallmark Card Gift & Sweet Shop
Mr. Bill's Cheese Cake
Outback Steakhouse
Panera Bread
Pen to Paper
Pigs on a Wing
Sally's Beauty Supply
Tavolo Kitchen and Pizza



The Village Lanterne
Top Bun Burgers and Fries
Vicky's Casa del Sabor

Individuals

Maria Bulzomi
Christopher Ferraro
Greg Guido
Mary Ellen Illich
Bridget Jordan
Linda Matera
Maura Maynard
Angela Rosati
Eileen Ruggio
Gail Tonnessen
Catherine Unterschuetz
Lorraine Zingraf

Groups

OLPH Adult Choir
OLPH Cantors
OLPH Youth Choir

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: CLOSED
 Saturday: By Appointment

Congratulations to our First Communicants!



Photos courtesy of Helene Calabrese

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

A REMINDER THAT REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL JUNE 15TH. AFTER JUNE 15TH ALL REGISTRATIONS WILL INCUR A \$25 LATE FEE, NO EXCEPTIONS.
 Please come during our office hours; Saturday by appointment only. Call for more information!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864—cdfeldman@optonline.net
- † Community Meal: Gigi Gracey—631.943.0095—gigigracey1962@gmail.com—Mary Leon—mleon719@yahoo.com
- † Golden Age Society: Dolores Barone—631.957.3432
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com—Peggy Pannullo—631. 921.5994—justin97@aol.com
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- † Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Bernard League: Deacon Doug Smith—631-226-7725—dsmith4475@aol.com
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Deborah Deasy—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Fran Grasso—631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org—Caroline Grogan—631.225.7688—straightclaw@optonline.net

NEW Food Pantry List!

CANNED TUNA
PORK & BEANS
SHELF STABLE MILK
 (NOT EVAPORATED)
CANNED CARROTS
CANNED FRUIT
CANNED MEATS
COFFEE
TOOTHPASTE/BRUSHES
BAR SOAP/BODY WASH
PAPER TOWELS

Thank you

for your continued generosity.

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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

631.226.7725 x. 234

The office is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday
9:00 a.m.—12 Noon

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

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.

Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

† **A LIVING MEMORIAL**

THANK YOU!!! The Society of St. Vincent de Paul OLPH Conference wishes to thank those who have supported our Living Memorial Card program. Your donations are used to offer person-to-person service to the needy and suffering within our parish.

Memorial donation envelopes are available on the pew ledges, in the SVDP Food Pantry (M-W-F, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) or at the Rectory. A beautiful memorial card acknowledging your donation is sent to the bereaved.

Please contact Janet Hume at the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725 X 234 for further information.

OUR MISSION

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Long Island is part of an international organization of Catholic laymen and women who join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering in the tradition of our founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, Saint Vincent de Paul.



“Those who love the poor in life will have nothing to fear in death...”
- Saint Vincent de Paul

*As a Living Memorial
to the life of*

A donation has been made by

To the
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
of Long Island

Please accept our sincere condolences for your loss.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

HOMELESS MINISTRY

DONATIONS

We are in need of the following:

- Jeans (Men - 32 - 44 and women)
- Spring/Summer tops for men (mostly L - XXXL) and women
- Sun screen
- Bug spray (or other protection)

If it is easier, we can always use Kmart gift cards (and the like) or financial donations, and we'll do the shopping.

Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office from 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. daily and 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. on the weekends.

MIDDLE AGES

*Are you in your late 40s, 50s, or early 60s?
Are you looking to meet others your age for times of spirituality, socializing and social action?*

Our next gathering is

Tuesday, June 5

Service Project

Call Gail Tonnessen at 631-957-1449
or email her at gtonness@optonline.net

SENIOR MOMENTS

GIVE YOURSELF A CHALLENGE

The Senior Moments Ministry is a committed spiritual family who meet once a month on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

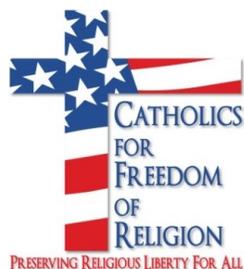
Our next meeting:

Tuesday, June 12

9:00 a.m. in Room 24

We do not meet in July & August

CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION



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Good News for Military:

The Air Force reversed its decision to punish a highly decorated colonel after he declined to sign a "certificate of spouse appreciation" for a retiring master sergeant's same-sex spouse. Even though Col. Bohannon applied for a religious accommodation and asked a more senior officer to sign the certificate, he was grounded, suspended, and guaranteed that he'd never be promoted—all because of his beliefs on marriage.

Air Force Secretary Heather Wilson announced the new ruling in favor of the colonel and reinstated him. She said, "Col. Bohannon had the right to exercise his sincerely held religious beliefs and did not unlawfully discriminate..."

"However, we must remember that at every level of government there are bureaucrats who actively resist ... efforts to preserve and protect religious freedom," said First Liberty general counsel.

Not Good News for Military Chaplains:

Army Chaplain Scott Squires has been reprimanded and faces "career-ending punishment" because an Army investigator wrongly concluded he discriminated when he declined to facilitate a Strong Bonds Marriage Retreat that included same-sex couples. However, Chaplain Squires was actually following Department of Defense regulations.

These DOD regulations require that chaplains must be qualified to serve as military officers and be "endorsed" by a recognized religious organization since they not only represent the military, they also represent their faith group. The Southern Baptist Convention endorses Chaplain Squires who faithfully follows the tenets of his faith.

"The investigator concluded that I should be reprimanded for doing something I'm required to do under Army regulations and my endorsement rules," explained Chaplain Squires. (dailycaller.com, 4/21/18; toddstarnes.com, 4/18/18; frc.org, 4/3/18; firstliberty.org)

"These massive organizations (armed forces) will require the enormous effort and determination of like-minded individuals to restore and protect the religious freedom guaranteed to all Americans." Lt. Gen. William "Jerry" Boykin

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Directory of Phone Extensions

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Jacqueline Dwyer, Parish Secretary	212	jdwyer@oloph.org
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Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
Frank Pokorney, Business Manager	204	fpokorney@oloph.org
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jean Bjork
Tricia Buckley (Chair)
Eileen Corticchia
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
Greg Guido
Sonia Hansen
Joselyn Kalt
Melissa McLaughlin
Kevin Sabella, Jr.
Kevin Sabella, Sr.
James Totino
Peter Triolo
Adele Venezia

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille
John Reynolds

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett
Bill Bendernagel
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PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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

First Announcement:

Louis Marcolla & Daniela Antonacci

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



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Marie DeLarintis	Requested by Jeanette Borowicz
Robert M. Kerr	Requested by The Buckley Family
Eileen Henry	Requested by The Ketcham Family
Nicholas Vernaci	Requested by Gloria & Dino Mencarelli

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We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Nettie Deasey</i>	<i>Marjorie Hildemann</i>
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If a family member or close friend is ill, please let us know so our community can pray for them. To have your name or the name of a loved one listed in our parish bulletin, please call the Parish Office. **Please make sure the person is aware the request has been made and that they are agreeable with their name printed in the bulletin.** The name will remain on the list for about four weeks.

WE REMEMBER

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

Robert Stoss
Jeanette Strain
Rose M. Cunaccia
Al Wickenheiser Sr.
Charles Samaritano
Luca Coppola

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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, May 21—

WEEKDAY

**THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,
MOTHER OF THE CHURCH**

6:30	Joseph Sredniawski
12:15	Mothers enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY, May 22—

WEEKDAY

(Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious)

6:30	Pelligrino Fellicciardi
<i>No 12:15 Mass due to Confirmation</i>	

WEDNESDAY, May 23—

WEEKDAY

6:30	Salvatore Adesso
12:15	Barbara Eybergen

THURSDAY, May 24—

WEEKDAY

6:30	Anthony Minichello
12:15	Michael V. Sansalone

FRIDAY, May 25—

WEEKDAY

*(St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church;
Saint Gregory VII, Pope;
St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, Virgin)*

6:30	Ann Onorato
12:15	Perpetual Help Mass (List on p.13)

SATURDAY, May 26—

SAINT PHILIP NERI, PRIEST

8:00	Maria Adelman
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**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

5:00	Darlene Glenn
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**Sunday, May 27
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

8:00	Sue Colabella
10:00	Jose Zulueta
12:00	For the People of the Parish
5:00	Robert Wildner

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, May 21, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
4:15 p.m.	Altar Server Training	Church
7:00 p.m.	Devotions	Church

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

2:00 p.m.	Confirmation	Church
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise	Room 16
8:00 p.m.	Squires	Room 19

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
1:45 p.m.	Legion of Mary	Room 24
6:00 p.m.	Van Run	Room 12

Thursday, May 24, 2018

1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir	Church
7:30 p.m.	Adult Faith Formation	Room 3
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

Friday, May 25, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent

Saturday, May 26, 2018

1:30 p.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
7:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

Sunday, May 27, 2018

10:00 a.m.	RCIC	Room 18
2:00 p.m.	Baptisms	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer/Holy Hour	Church
8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

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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.

Reflexión de las lecturas del domingo 27 de mayo del 2018

Que la Santísima Trinidad nos revele su misterio en esta Santa Eucaristía a través del Espíritu Santo.

Primera lectura (Deuteronomio 4:32-34, 39-40)

Moisés nos recuerda a todos que DIOS es quien amo a nuestros padres y los eligió. No hay otro DIOS arriba en los cielos o debajo de la tierra, aparte de él. Moisés nos exhorta obedecer para que nuestros días en esta tierra que DIOS nos dio sean multiplicados.

Segunda lectura (Romanos 8: 14-17)

Hermanos y hermanas los que se dejan dirigir por el Espíritu santo son verdaderos hijos de Dios porque son llevados por la influencia divina a apartarse de la corrupción de nuestras propias pasiones y vanidades de este mundo. Si somos guiados por el espíritu santo alcanzaremos por el camino recto la santidad.

Evangelio según (San Mateo 28: 16-20) "Id pues haced discípulos a todas las gentes dice Jesús a los once. Terminada su misión. Los que lo han acogido comienzan su camino. Es su mismo hijo que da testimonio del amor del padre a los hermanos que a un no lo conocen. Lo que el nazareno ha ofrecido a Israel, los nazarenos lo ofrecen a todos los pueblos. El que en Él ha descubierto el propio nombre de hijo, lo realiza como el, yendo hacia los hermanos hasta que el nombre del padre sea santificado en toda la tierra.

Un solo Dios en tres Personas: El Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu Santo.

La Iglesia dedica el siguiente domingo después de Pentecostés a la celebración del día de la Santísima Trinidad Un misterio es todo aquello que no podemos entender con la razón. Es algo que sólo podemos comprender cuando Dios nos lo revela.

SANTISIMA TRINIDAD 27 DE MAYO DE 2018



El misterio de la Santísima Trinidad

Un sólo Dios en tres Personas distintas, es el misterio central de la fe y de la vida cristiana, pues es el misterio de Dios en Sí mismo.

Aunque es un dogma difícil de entender, fue el primero que entendieron los Apóstoles. Después de la Resurrección, comprendieron que Jesús era el Salvador enviado por el Padre. Y, cuando experimentaron la acción del Espíritu Santo dentro de sus corazones en Pentecostés, comprendieron que el único Dios era Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo.

Los católicos creemos que la Trinidad es Una. No creemos en tres dioses, sino en un sólo Dios en tres Personas distintas. No es que Dios esté dividido en tres, pues cada una de las tres Personas es enteramente Dios.

OFFERING UPDATE

May 12/13

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	349	132	\$3,169.00
8:00 a.m.	295	113	2,930.00
10:00 a.m.	415	118	3,196.00
12:00 p.m.	590	129	3,800.00
5:00 p.m.	160	37	1,078.00
Total coin:			19.18
Mail-ins:			1,832.00
Children's Env.		17	45.80
Faith Direct			2,269.10
TOTAL	1,809	546	\$18,339.08
2017	1,865	570	\$17,361.94
Candles			\$1,731.81
Poor Box			\$334.40
Ascension	766		\$4,636.57
Catholic Communication			\$748.00

UPDATE YOUR PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION!

We are continuing the process of updating our Parish Census Database with "Phase II" of the process. A large mailing has gone out to all registered parishioners who did not return updated Census Forms during "Phase I." **When you receive that mailing, please complete the Census Form and return it as soon as possible.** It is vitally important that we keep our census information as accurate and up-to-date as possible.

Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about whether or not you have updated your records, you can always call the parish office and ask. You can also stop down and pick up a new Census Form at the rectory any time during normal business hours. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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May 27—passed
June 3 —May 25
June 10 —June 1



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PREPARING FOR Sunday, May 27, 2018 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Jesus said, "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 21, 2018:

James 3:13-18 + Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday, May 22, 2018:

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

Wednesday, May 23, 2018:

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

Thursday, May 24, 2018:

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

Friday, May 25, 2018:

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

Saturday, May 26, 2018:

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

Sunday, May 27, 2018:

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

+ Romans 8:14-17

+ Matthew 28:16-20

Gospel Reflection

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

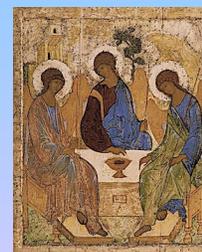
1. What do you think Pope Francis means when he says that God is the origin and the aim (goal) of the whole universe? What is the Holy Spirit's job according to the Pope?

"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?



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