

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*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

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

May 27, 2018

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero

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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.

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VIGIL OF PENTECOST 2018



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Go to our website olphlindenhurst.com and "LIKE" our Facebook page to keep up with information and to see more activities, pictures and to keep up on all the other ministries.



PRAYER AND WORSHIP



Procession
SUNDAY, June 3
12:00 Noon Mass



On Sunday, June 3, the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.**

- Eucharistic Procession (outside, weather permitting) to end the Mass;
- Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of the Procession.



PASTOR'S PAGE

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. It is sometimes referred to in liturgical circles as an “idea feast” because it focuses on a particular doctrine of our faith rather than on a specific moment in the life of Christ, the Blessed Mother, or one of the saints. This Solemnity allows us to focus on the central belief of Christianity, that of the Trinity — that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Think of how often we say the words, “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Don’t let the frequency with which we say those words minimize the powerful mystery they express!

The Mass prayers for this Solemnity give us deeper insight into the mystery. The Collect (Opening Prayer) expresses the meaning of the mystery not in terms of some dry theological doctrine, but rather in terms of the active, dynamic power of the triune God: the Father sends into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification and, in so doing, reveals to the human race his own “wondrous mystery.” The prayer affirms that through the Trinity we know the very life of God Himself.

The Prayer over the Offerings makes the important liturgical point that as we make the offering of our lives at this liturgy — “this oblation of our service” — its ultimate purpose is that by it we might be made “an eternal offering” to the Father. The prayer expresses how in the liturgy we are swept up into the life of the Trinity so that our entire life might be lived with the same self-emptying, self-giving love as exists between the divine Persons. (Think of one of the dismissals used at the end of Mass: “*Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.*”)

The Preface (the section of the Eucharistic Prayer before the “Holy, Holy”) emphasizes the theological truth of God being “*one God, one Lord, not in the unity of a single person, but in a Trinity of one substance.*” It also emphasizes how each Person of the Trinity is equal in majesty. Finally, the Prayer after Communion also gives voice to the basic statement about the Trinity being “undivided Unity,” a truth echoed in a well-known hymn.

So, while we may never fully comprehend every last aspect of the doctrine of the Most Holy Trinity, our Mass prayers can help us to understand it perhaps just a little bit better.

Memorial Day

This Monday we celebrate Memorial Day, our civil holiday for remembering all the brave men and women who have died while serving our country in the armed forces. Let’s all be sure to take a few moments of prayer and remembrance for those who

have made the ultimate offering of themselves in order to preserve our freedoms and to defend our country.

Memorial Day is, of course, also the unofficial start of the “summer season,” and it’s good that we celebrate with gatherings of family and friends, BBQ’s and other festivities. Let’s not forget, however, the reason that is behind it all, and that is to remember, honor and pray for those who have lost their life in the armed services. I plan on marching in the Memorial Day Parade along with the Knights of Columbus, so maybe I’ll see you along the parade route! (If I recall correctly, I believe we were rained out last year; let’s hope the weather is better this year.)

Eucharistic Procession Next Sunday

Next weekend is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, and as noted elsewhere in today’s bulletin, we are ending the 12:00 Noon Mass next Sunday, June 3, with a Eucharistic Procession, and then Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude the Procession. Please make it a point to celebrate the day by participating in that Mass and especially by participating in the Procession — what a great expression of our faith and Eucharistic devotion! I hope to see you there!

Anointing of the Sick at 12:00 Noon Mass on Sunday, June 10

Take note of another special Mass we will be celebrating: Sunday, June 10, again at the 12:00 Noon Mass. At that Mass we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; please see the ad elsewhere in this bulletin for more complete information.

We’re very happy to be celebrating this Sacrament within the communal context of Sunday Eucharist. In addition to providing the opportunity to sacramentally anoint those who are sick, we hope this serves as a concrete expression of our love, care, concern and prayers for our brothers and sisters who are sick, and of our oneness as a parish family gathered around the Sunday altar.

Anyone who is facing significant illness or who will be undergoing surgery should be anointed, as should the elderly who are significantly weakened or compromised because of their age (although simply being elderly is not reason to be anointed if one is healthy). We have invited our homebound parishioners who receive Holy Communion at home to attend, if they are able to come to Mass, and we extend the invitation to anyone who is in need of being anointed. All we ask is that you call us ahead of time to put your name on the list so we will know to expect you and so we can make adequate preparations.

Please consider being anointed, or bringing your loved one for anointing, if appropriate. If you are not in need of the Sacrament, why not be sure to attend the Mass anyway, in order to pray for our sick brothers and sisters and to show our unity in Christ with them? What a beautiful expression of prayer and love that would be!

Father's Day Novena of Masses

There are cards and envelopes for our Novena of Masses for Father's Day available on the pew ledges throughout the church. The Father's Day Novena of Masses is a beautiful way to remember and pray for your father, living or deceased! Be sure to join in this spiritual remembrance so that your intention will be remembered in the Father's Day Novena of Masses.

Brick Memorializations

Allow me to remind you that our program of memorializing bricks continues. We are now in the process of sending out our first batch of bricks to be engraved, and so we are starting on the next group, which we will send out once we reach 100 again. Bricks are available in the prayer garden of the "Let the Children Come to Me" statue on the south side of the church. It's a beautiful location and I hope you will take advantage of it. 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!

We're continuing to launch our new Parish App! Information about it is in the bulletin this week. This Parish App is an important step in keeping parishioners connected to OLPH and in 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, and be sure to download it onto your device!

Look for it: Giant Yard Sale coming soon!

Keep in mind that over the summer the Knights of Columbus will be running a Giant Yard Sale as an important fund raiser for the parish. More information will be coming soon; 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 reflections on the meaning of the Preparation of the Gifts — the rites associated with the bringing of the bread and the wine to the altar — which is the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist; I present the Holy Father's words *verbatim*.

Certainly our offering is small but Christ needs this small amount. The Lord asks little of us and he gives us so much. He asks for little. He asks us for good will in our ordinary lives; he asks us for an open heart; he asks us to seek to be better in order to welcome the One who offers himself to us in the Eucharist; he asks us for these symbolic offerings [of bread and wine] which will become his Body and Blood. An image of this offering of prayer is represented by incense which, consumed by fire, releases a perfumed smoke that rises upwards: incensing the offerings, as is done of feast days, incensing the Cross and the altar, the priest and the priestly people visibly manifest their bond of offering which unites these realities to Christ's sacrifice. And do not forget: there is the altar which is Christ, but always in reference to the first altar which is the Cross and, upon the altar which is Christ, we bring our small gifts, the bread and the wine which will become so much: Jesus himself who gives himself to us.

And all of this is also expressed in the Prayer over the Offerings. In it, the priest asks God to accept the gifts offered by the Church, invoking the fruit of the extraordinary exchange between our poverty and his richness. In the bread and wine, we present to him the offering of our life so that it may be transformed by the Holy Spirit in the Sacrifice of Christ and become with him a single spiritual offering pleasing to the Father. While the offerings conclude the Preparation of the Gifts, they prepare us for the Eucharistic Prayer. May the spirituality of self-giving that this moment of Mass teaches us illuminate our days, our relationships with others, the things we do, the suffering we encounter, helping us to build up the earthly city in the light of the Gospel.

In conclusion...

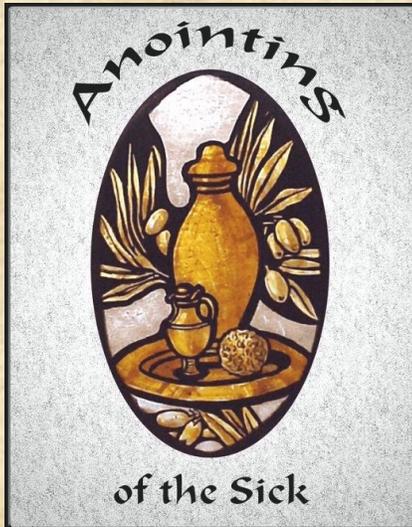
Together, let's aim high in Christ. Together, let's bring out the best in each other. Together, let's be the best we can be in Christ.

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

FIRST FRIDAY, FIRST SATURDAY & FIRST SUNDAY DEVOTIONS



*All are invited to come and
pray with our parish community.*

First Friday Devotions will take place **June 1** after the 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses.

First Saturday Devotions—in honor of Our Lady of Fatima—will be conducted Saturday, **June 2** beginning with the Rosary at 7:40 a.m., Mass at 8:00 a.m. and continued devotion following Mass.

Each month, all are invited to join the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society for Eucharistic Adoration. **Adoration will be held on Saturday, June 2 from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.** Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Spanish, Polish then English). The evening concludes with Benediction at 11:00 p.m.

First Sunday Devotions —Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place Sunday, **June 3** at 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**



SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

*Mass for People
with
Special Needs*

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

Saturday, June 2

4:00 p.m.

in the School Auditorium

*All are welcome
come celebrate Mass with us!*

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

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.

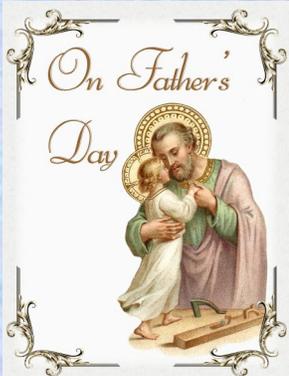
Monday, May 28—

No devotions due to Memorial Day

Monday, June 4—7:00 p.m.

Monday, June 11—No devotions

PRAYER & WORSHIP



FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES

Father's Day Novena of Masses cards and envelopes are now available throughout the church. The Father's Day Novena is a

beautiful and meaningful way for you to include your father, grandfather, godfather, the father-to-be you know or any father you wish to remember, living or deceased, in the intentions of the Novena of Masses for Father's Day. Simply take an envelope, write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation, either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer if appropriate. Thank you.



Our first
*Summer
Evening
Prayer*

will be **Monday, July 2** at 7:30 p.m.

Fr. John Sureau will return to be our guest preacher. We are looking for some offerers to assist with hospitality for this evening and for the other two evenings. If you would like to assist, please attend a brief planning meeting on Tuesday, May 29 at 8:00 p.m. in the St. Lucy Room in the Rectory. It would be helpful if you could email or call Chris Ferraro to let him know if you will be attending the meeting or would like to assist at cferraro@oloph.org or (631) 226-7725 ext. 210.

COUPLES COMPLETING PRE-CANA

*Congratulations to our Pre-Cana couples
who have completed their Pre-Cana
and are better prepared to embark on the Sacrament of Matrimony!*



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION 2018

A special thanks to the groups involved in the Reception, including the Hospitality Ministry with the help of Dan and Chris Volpe, April Kleinlaut and the Youth Service Corps.



Richard & Edna Hartley 70 years



Thomas & Rita Aloisi 63 years



Sam & Joan Mangieri 61 years

Robert (Bob) & Carolyn Dobres 60 years

John & Patricia Hosey 60 years



Joseph & Angelina Mirabile 60 years

Richard & Patricia Perez 60 years

Carmyn & Maryann Molaro 58 years

Wolfgang & Catherine Unterschuetz 55 years



Reynold & Aurora Ruiz 53 years

Douglas & Susan Ferraro 50 years

John & Diane Reynolds 50 years

Deacon Bill & Michelle Crosby 45 years



Shawn & June Cullinane 35 years

William & Patricia McMillen 35 years

Kevin & Robin Sabella 35 years

Gabriel & Norma Sarmiento 35 years

Steven & Deirdre Strigaro 35 years

Patrick & Cathy Tingo 35 years

Carmelo & Lucia Zoccali 35 years

Robert & Angela Buffolino 30 years

Bob & Linda Setti 30 years

Bryan & Laura Eastby 25 years

Edward & Maria Shum 20 years

Nicholas & Deborah Turturro 20 years

Leonard & Andrea Giordano 15 years

Chris & Karen (No Last Name) 15 years

William & Carol Sloane 5 years



OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

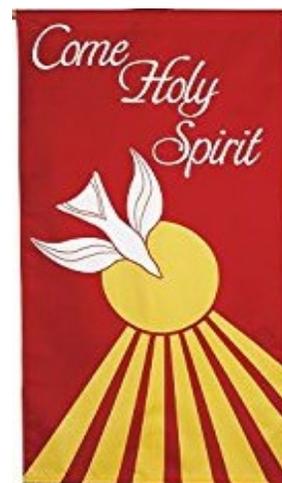
Located in the Rectory
 Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253
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 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut
 (akleinlaut@oloph.org)

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 all who received Confirmation this year!

<i>Jacqueline Balzano</i>	<i>Gavin Foster</i>	<i>Samantha McDowell</i>	<i>Matthew Star</i>
<i>James Bayley</i>	<i>Trinity Garcia</i>	<i>Faith Meyer</i>	<i>Campbell Stein</i>
<i>Anthony Bearese</i>	<i>Steven George</i>	<i>Jaclyn Micle</i>	<i>Madison Stone</i>
<i>John Bergin</i>	<i>Sean Gillen</i>	<i>Ryan Miller</i>	<i>Olivia Tabaka</i>
<i>Alaina Bott</i>	<i>Michael Golaszewski</i>	<i>Vincent Mingils</i>	<i>Jason Vollmuth</i>
<i>Brooke Bove</i>	<i>Michael Golebiewski</i>	<i>Nicholas Moskowitz</i>	<i>Natalia</i>
<i>Natalya Bracero</i>	<i>Isabelle Gonzalvo</i>	<i>Sebastian Naccari</i>	<i>Wojciechowski</i>
<i>Jessica Bryant</i>	<i>Ciara Hare</i>	<i>Kevin O'Brien</i>	<i>Alyssa Wronski</i>
<i>Brendan Butler</i>	<i>Daniel Haubenreich</i>	<i>Brenden O'Connor</i>	<i>Chloe Wyman</i>
<i>Cassidy Byrne</i>	<i>Laura Heybyrne</i>	<i>Julianna Oddo</i>	<i>Antonio Zelaya</i>
<i>Grace Callow</i>	<i>Melissa Hofer</i>	<i>Nicholas Orlando</i>	<i>Monica Zieba</i>
<i>Frank Catania</i>	<i>James Howe</i>	<i>Andy Pawelski</i>	<i>Older Teens</i>
<i>Claudia Chelchowski</i>	<i>Michelle Ibarra</i>	<i>Nicholas Pensavalle</i>	<i>Michelle Ayala</i>
<i>Anna Chodon</i>	<i>Nathan Josefson</i>	<i>Taylor Picciano</i>	<i>Julia Baldassano</i>
<i>Roman Chrzanowski</i>	<i>David Keniksmann</i>	<i>Brandon Reybok</i>	<i>Angie Lopez Huaranga</i>
<i>Matthew Clark</i>	<i>Robert Kleiber</i>	<i>Ryan Rodriguez</i>	<i>Anais Moronta</i>
<i>Kevin Conway</i>	<i>James Korzenko</i>	<i>Sean Ronessi</i>	<i>Felix Moronta Jr.</i>
<i>Sophia Corrado</i>	<i>Amy Kosiorek</i>	<i>Aidan Ryan</i>	<i>Gianna Tedesco</i>
<i>Philip D'Angelo</i>	<i>Ava Laquidara</i>	<i>Shannon Ryan</i>	
<i>Meghan Dawnkaski</i>	<i>Emma Littmann</i>	<i>Christiana Sanzone</i>	
<i>Joseph DeGregoria</i>	<i>Eva Longhitano</i>	<i>Nicholas Scarandino</i>	
<i>Alexandria Delzatto</i>	<i>Nicoletta Longhitano</i>	<i>Brandon Schauder</i>	
<i>Matthew Dolan</i>	<i>Alejandro Lopez</i>	<i>Emma Schmidt</i>	
<i>Jill Eastby</i>	<i>Connor Lynch</i>	<i>Cianna Segretto</i>	
<i>Karlie Ebbets</i>	<i>John Mahurin</i>	<i>Angela Marie Sessa</i>	
<i>Edgar Feal</i>	<i>Tianna Marti</i>	<i>Rosario Sessa</i>	
<i>Taylor Ferazzoli</i>	<i>Sean McCarthy</i>	<i>Natalia Sokolowski</i>	
<i>Melanie Fernandez</i>	<i>Kaylin McDonald</i>	<i>Sabrina St-Aubin</i>	
<i>Megan Finamore</i>	<i>Erin McDonaugh</i>	<i>Ryan Staats</i>	

**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!

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- † 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.

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity, we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this, our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting 30 children, 101 adults, 19 seniors—150 people in 84 households. Thank You!

† 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

7:00 p.m. in Room 24

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

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 2 –

“I can jump!”

Your baby is making progress developing all of his external features and internal organs. His brain is functioning at 40 days. His mother can hear his heartbeat now on an ultrasonic stethoscope. Baby-teeth buds are present at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks. And it has been reported that a two-month old baby can suck his thumb. From this moment, your spiritually adopted baby grows and refines his body. But everything he needs to survive after birth is already present by the end of the eighth week.



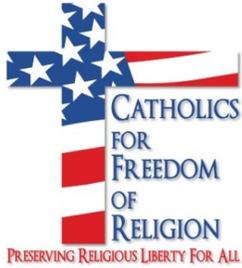
KEEP THE CHURCH CLEAN!

LEAVE IT NICER THAN YOU FOUND IT!

We have been having a problem in recent months with all sorts of litter being left in pews throughout the church. Used tissues, other papers, food items, empty water bottles, and litter in general, are being left behind, and it is making the church look a mess, which is highly disrespectful to the Lord and to each other. It is essential for us to maintain a dignified space in which we can give God due honor, worship and reverence.

Your cooperation is greatly needed! Please be conscious of not dropping or leaving litter in the church. If something does drop, please be sure to pick up after yourself and your children before leaving the church. Let's give each other this gift of respect and caring! Keep the church clean, and leave it nicer than you found it! Thank you.

CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION



FOCUS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

"Military power wins battles, but Spiritual power wins wars." General George Marshall

On Memorial Day we honor our deceased veterans and remember that, even today, they are under attack by freedom-from-religion groups.

In 1934, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) erected the Mojave Desert Veterans Memorial Cross atop Sunrise Rock in the middle of the 1.6 million-acre Mojave National Preserve in CA, in honor of WWI veterans. But in 2001, the ACLU brought a lawsuit from one individual who lived outside the state. Fortunately, in 2010, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the land transfer of the veterans memorial to the VFW, allowing the cross to be restored. "Judges and lawyers may have played their roles, but it was the veterans who earned this memorial, and it is for them it rises once more," said a Liberty Institute attorney.

A 40 foot-tall World War I memorial in the shape of a cross has stood for almost a century in Bladensburg, MD. A U.S. Court of Appeals has declared this Peace Cross unconstitutional. Defenders of the monument hope to take the case to the Supreme Court arguing that the ruling sets a dangerous precedent, threatening other national treasures.

A Memorial Day display featuring 79 white, handmade crosses, representing residents who died in America's wars, were posted along a state highway in Georgia. The crosses were abruptly taken down when one person complained about the display. "It was never about religion—it was to honor them," said Mayor Philyaw. "The cross is a 'rest in peace' symbol to me." (nytimes.com,10/29/17; thenewamerican.com, 5/26/16; firstliberty.org)

"America without soldiers would be like God without his angels." Claudia Pemberton, Author

PROJECT RACHEL

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Healing after Abortion

Day of Prayer and Healing for Women



A Day of Prayer and Healing for Women is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The day is directed by an experienced team including faithful priests who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

Saturday, June 9, 2018

To register or for more information, please call Project Rachel at 1-888-456-4673 or 1-516-766-2538, or email us at projectrachel@drvc.org. Please register early, as the day can fill up quickly. Last day to register is Monday, June 4, 2018.

For more information visit: respectlife.drvc.org

All reservations and information will remain confidential.

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 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
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Kevin Sabella, Sr.
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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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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:

Louis Marcolla & Daniela Antonacci

First Announcement:

Christopher Russomanno & Mary Mullan

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Karen Brush</i> | <i>Marjorie Hildemann</i> |
| <i>Walter Anderson</i> | <i>Kathleen Stanton</i> |
| <i>Bill Dlena</i> | <i>Kevin Walsh</i> |
| <i>Ed Bogart</i> | <i>Fran Grasso</i> |
| <i>Nettie Deasey</i> | <i>Lois Gillen Rydewski</i> |
| <i>John McPhail</i> | <i>Richard Olson</i> |
| <i>Michele Crosby</i> | <i>Helen Lavorata</i> |
| <i>Donald Bartsch</i> | <i>Beata Konopka</i> |
| <i>Joan Giarratano</i> | <i>Brendan Coolbaugh</i> |
| <i>Robert Stoss</i> | <i>Kennedy Ann Hutchinson</i> |
| <i>Reva Perry</i> | <i>Peter Masak</i> |
| <i>Kevin Reid</i> | <i>Lewis & Natalie Yugel</i> |
| <i>Irene Biggio</i> | <i>Nora McMahan</i> |
| <i>Loretto Dinardo</i> | <i>Pat & Rich Kleczkowski</i> |
| <i>Sebastien Calixte</i> | <i>Charles Johnson</i> |
| <i>Camille Calixte</i> | <i>Stephen Strigaro</i> |
| <i>Mary Feeney</i> | <i>Thomas Curtin, Sr.</i> |
| <i>Mary Mistratti</i> | <i>Anthony Peralta</i> |
| <i>Don Doyle</i> | <i>Mary Doran</i> |

MASS MEMORIALS

A beautiful way to remember a loved one!
Memorials used during the Masses for week of

May 27 – June 2:

Altar Bread & Wine

In Memory of

Canzoneri

& Pecoraro Families

Requested by

Liz & Agostino Pecoraro

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

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.

PERPETUAL HELP MASS

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018 5:00 P.M. MASS

Bill & Jan Burrage	Requested by Patricia Guardino
Susan DiAgostino	Requested by Bruce & Rose Bianchi
Sylvia Manez	Requested by Amrita & Julian Barrios
Frank Commisso	Requested by Joseph Raimondi & Family
Herbert Otten	Requested by Kathleen May
John Stoker	Requested by The Stoker Family

WE REMEMBER

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

“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 28—

WEEKDAY

(Eighth Week in Ordinary Time)

6:30 Elsie Schutte

12:15 Brian Rowe

TUESDAY, May 29—

WEEKDAY

6:30 Paul Zeno

12:15 Robert & Anne Bruce

WEDNESDAY, May 30—

WEEKDAY

6:30 Charles Zingraf

12:15 Mary Strazza

THURSDAY, May 31—

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

6:30 Celeste Biggs

12:15 Dolores Soboul

FRIDAY, June 1—

SAINT JUSTIN, MARTYR

6:30 Maria Iannitti

12:15 Susan & Doug Ferraro 50th Wedding Anniversary (Living)

SATURDAY, June 2—

WEEKDAY

(Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs)

8:00 Maria McDermott

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD
OF CHRIST**

4:00 *Special Needs Mass (Auditorium)*
Mary Alice Loweree

5:00 Perpetual Help Mass (Listing on p. 17)

Sunday, June 3

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD
OF CHRIST**

8:00 Carolina & Vito Venezia

10:00 Soccorsa & Gaetano D'Angelo

12:00 Margaret McShea

5:00 For the People of the Parish

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, May 28, 2018

**ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED & ALL
ACTIVITIES CANCELLED FOR MEMORIAL DAY.
THE RECTORY WILL RE-OPEN
TUESDAY, MAY 29 AT 9:00 A.M.**

Tuesday, May 29, 2018

4:15 p.m. Altar Server Training Church

6:45 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

8:00 p.m. Community of Praise Room 16

8:00 p.m. Summer Eve. Prayer Planning St. Lucy

Wednesday, May 30, 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 31, 2018

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

7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group Cafeteria

7:30 p.m. RCIA Room 18

7:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation Room 3

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous Room 24

Friday, June 1, 2018

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

10:00 a.m. Blue Door Boutique Convent

2:30 p.m. St. Vincent Business Meeting Room 24

7:30 p.m. CFFR Room 18

Saturday, June 2, 2018

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

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

8:00 p.m. Adoration Church

Sunday, June 3, 2018

10:00 a.m. RCIC Room 18

11:00 a.m. RCIA Room 16

1:00 p.m. Eucharistic Procession after
12 Noon Mass Outside

1:30 p.m. Benediction & Reposition Church

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer Church

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Peace Church

8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO,

El grupo de oración “Jesús es el camino la verdad y la vida” le invita a alabar y glorificar 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.

FIESTA DEL SANTÍSIMO CUERPO Y SANGRE DE CRISTO

DOMINGO 3 de Junio del 2018

El que come de mi cuerpo y beba de mi sangre permanece en mí y yo en él, dice el señor.

Primera Lectura /Éxodos 24,3-8)

Como Parientes de Sangre de Dios escoge para sí un pueblo y comparte su destino. Lo une a sí mismo con lazos como de sangre, comiendo y bebiendo con ellos.

Segunda Lectura (Hebreos 9:11-15)

El Nuevo Pueblo de Dios en la Sangre de Cristo, quien desramo su sangre por nosotros, Cristo ha hecho transfusión de vida nueva al pueblo de Dios. Ahora somos capaces de ser libres del pecado y de ser fieles a Dios con fidelidad duradera.

Evangelio (Marcos 14:12-16, 22-26) “**tomad, comed: este es mi cuerpo**”, dice Jesús a los doce **el que coma y tome su cuerpo tiene parte en su vida: se vuelve hijo del Padre y hermano de los otros este es el fruto.**

1. Mi Cuerpo y mi Sangre para Ustedes

Admiramos grandemente a hombres y mujeres que dedicaron sus vidas para el bien de otros e incluso estuvieron dispuestos a morir por ellos. Esto es precisamente lo que celebramos siempre que nos congregamos juntos para la eucaristía. Celebramos la vida y la muerte de Jesús por nosotros; pero también celebramos su resurrección, porque él está vivo aquí entre nosotros, en su Iglesia, en nuestro mundo. Pero cuando hacemos lo que él nos mandó -“Hagan esto en conmemoración mía”-, tenemos que aprender a entregarnos a nosotros mismos a Dios y a los hermanos, como Cristo se entregó. En esta eucaristía él quiere regalarnos esta disposición interior.

2. La Sangre de la Alianza

Muchos cuerpos son destrozados hoy por el uso de la fuerza bruta y de la tortura; se derrama mucha sangre de gente inocente y de niños. La violencia lleva al odio y a más violencia. Hoy, en esta fiesta del Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo, oiremos de Alguien cuyo cuerpo quebrantado nos trajo paz, y cuya sangre derramada nos trajo el perdón y el amor de Dios. “Este es mi cuerpo entregado por ustedes. Esta es mi sangre de la Alianza eterna.” Cada eucaristía nos trae un mensaje de esperanza de que el amor de Dios está con nosotros ahora y para siempre. Demos hoy gracias al Padre por el gran regalo de Jesús Eucaristía

Historia de la fiesta. Desde los albores del siglo, XII, la fe y la devoción eucarística se inclinaron notablemente hacia la doctrina de la presencia real de Cristo en la eucaristía. Esto se debió, en parte, a una reacción contra las herejías que prevalecían entonces; como la de Berengario, que minimizaba e incluso llegaba a negar tal doctrina. La práctica eucarística de aquel tiempo se caracterizaba por un fuerte deseo por parte de los fieles de ver la hostia y el cáliz en la misa. Esto iba acompañado por una sensación de temor reverencial ante la presencia real y una profunda conciencia de indignidad personal. Ver la hostia, venerar las sagradas especies, constituía una forma de comunión espiritual. La comunión sacramental, que es la mejor forma de participación en la misa, se hizo poco frecuente.



YO SOY EL PAN DE VIDA ETERNA

**OFFERING UPDATE
May 19/20**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	464	95	\$2,742.00
8:00 a.m.	310	107	3,300.00
10:00 a.m.	387	112	2,762.00
12:00 p.m.	400	132	3,583.00
5:00 p.m.	224	63	1,520.00
Total coin:			15.28
Mail-ins:			1,044.00
Children's Env.		13	53.00
Faith Direct			2,269.10
TOTAL	1,785	522	\$17,288.38
2017	1,825	590	\$17,328.36
Candles			\$1,020.66
Poor Box			\$321.91

**SUPER 72 RAFFLE
CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR MAY WINNERS**

- \$1000 - Eileen F. Muller
- \$250 - Mrs. Alice Weckerle
- \$100 - Ryan Evans
- \$100 - Mrs. Janice Veroline
- \$100 - John P. Gallagher
- \$100 - Mrs. Catherine Lang



**TO OUR
NEW OLPH
PARISHIONERS**

May, 2018

- Christopher and Evelyn Lloyd and family*
- William Paolo*
- Roseann Ragusa*
- Christopher and Rhiannon Sieck and family*



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AND PARISH OFFICES
WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, MAY 28,
MEMORIAL DAY.**

**ALSO, THE MONDAY EVENING DEVOTIONS
ARE CANCELLED THAT NIGHT DUE TO THE
HOLIDAY. THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL
RE-OPEN TUESDAY, MAY 29 AT 9:00 A.M.**

**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.

- June 3 —passed**
- June 10 —June 1**
- June 17 —June 8**

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PREPARING FOR

Sunday, June 3, 2018

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

*While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said,
"Take it; this is my body."*

Mark 14:22

Exodus 24:3-8

We hear in today's readings of covenants (sacred agreements) with God sealed in blood. Blood is a symbol of life and using it is a measure of how seriously these agreements should be taken. In this Old Testament reading it is the blood of animals. Moses presents God's words and ordinances to the people of Israel and they agree to keep them and do everything God has told them. As a sign of this agreement, Moses sacrifices young bulls and sprinkles their blood on the altar (representing the presence of God) and the people. Later we hear how Jesus' blood brings about a new covenant between us and God.

Hebrews 9:11-15

Now our attention shifts to a heavenly sanctuary where Christ is the high priest. He offers a more perfect sacrifice than that of animals, the sacrifice of his very self on the Cross for our redemption. It is his blood that cleanses us so we can obtain "eternal redemption" and "worship the living God," freeing us from "dead works" and our own sin.

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

From Mark's account of the Last Supper, we hear today Jesus consecrate the first Eucharist. He says the words we hear at each and every Mass as the priest stands in Jesus' place to say "This is my body... this is my blood." By doing this, Jesus gives us a new covenant, like the one that Moses brought to the people of Israel, but of far greater value and permanence as it is sealed in Jesus' death and resurrection on the Cross. Although we were starving in our sin, Jesus came to be one of us and nourish us back to health and strength. Although we were thirsty in our disobedience, Jesus poured out his blood to quench our thirst. We hunger and thirst for joy and meaning our lives and for belonging every day. And every day Jesus gives us his body and blood as food and drink to connect us to the Father and brings us peace and everlasting life. Good news indeed!

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.

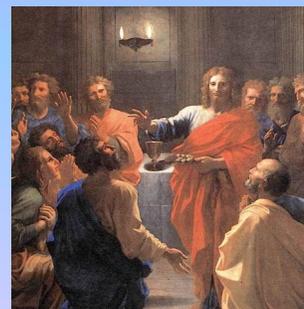
1. Can you say in your own words what happens in the Eucharist to our poverty, according to Pope Francis?

"... And in the Eucharist, the Lord makes us travel his path, that of service, of sharing, of gift, and what little we have, what little we are, if shared, becomes wealth, because the power of God, which is that of love, descends into our poverty to transform it.

So let us ask ourselves, in adoring Christ who is really present in the Eucharist: do I let the Lord who gives himself to me, guide me to going out ever more from behind my little enclosure, in order to give, to share, to love him and others?"

*Holy Mass on the Solemnity of
Corpus Christi May 31, 2013*

2. Surely the disciples hadn't understood what Jesus was doing at the Last Supper, but they trusted him absolutely. Where do you go when you need help with trust? Friends? A Priest? Books? To the Holy Spirit?



Readings for the Week

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

Monday, May 28, 2018:

1 Peter 1:3-9 + Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 29, 2018:

1 Peter 1:10-16 + Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 30, 2018:

1 Peter 1:18-25 + Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 31, 2018:

Zephaniah 3:14-18a + Luke 1:39-56

Friday, June 1, 2018:

1 Peter 4:7-13 + Mark 11:11-26

Saturday, June 2, 2018:

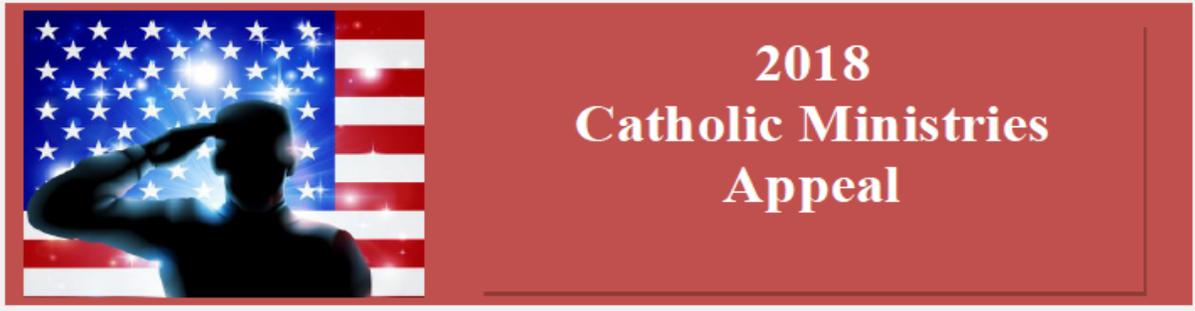
Jude 17, 20b-25 + Mark 11:27-33

Sunday, June 3, 2018:

Exodus 24:3-8

+ Hebrews 9:11-15

+ Mark 14:12-16, 22-26



Monday is Memorial Day and we would like to recognize and show our appreciation to all who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and the freedoms we enjoy.

We would like to ask you to take a moment tomorrow to pray for those that have served and are serving our nation. Many families have lost loved ones, and our military men and women that have survived will face countless struggles and challenges for the rest of their lives.

On Monday when we honor and celebrate their service and sacrifice, let us also remember the once homeless veterans, who because of your support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, have been helped through our ministries and programs like Catholic Charities *Project Veterans' Independence*.

Thank you for your support! You make a difference in the lives of so many through your prayers and generosity!

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