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Amen!
Come Lord Jesus!

Rev. 22:20

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 29, 2022

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

Business Manager: Ms. Jill Marie Delano

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut

Music Director: Mr. Christopher Reilly

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

COME AND PRAY...

Our church is open **each day until 6:30 p.m.**,
except on Thursdays (closed after the
12:15 p.m. Mass, for cleaning)
and on holidays (closed after the 12:15 p.m. Mass).

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. (live-streamed), 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

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.*

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.

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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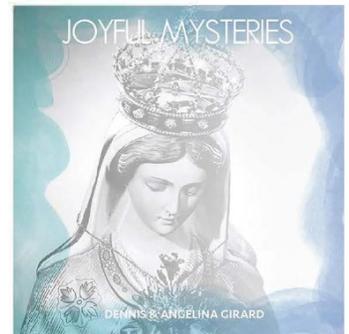
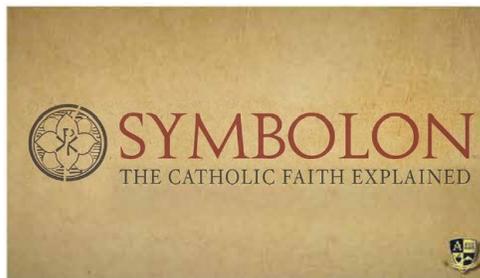
PICK OF THE WEEK

May 29, 2022

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Seventh Sunday of Easter

It's the Seventh Sunday of Easter, and we are at a very special time in our liturgical year — the time between the Ascension and Pentecost. The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Mass for this Sunday acknowledges the paradoxical nature that Christ is both with the Father in glory and, at the same time, present among us; the prayer therefore asks that "...we who believe that the Savior of the human race is with you in your glory, may experience, as he promised, until the end of the world, his abiding presence among us." Though on face value the words "Ascension" and "abiding presence" may seem to contradict each other, theologically they are actually different aspects of one and the same reality — namely, that Jesus has assumed His rightful place as Lord of the universe, both in heaven and on earth. The other main prayers of the Mass also ask that one day we will be with Christ in His heavenly glory: the Prayer over the Offerings asks that "we may pass over to the glory of heaven," and the Prayer after Communion asks that "there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church what has already come to pass in Christ her Head."

In these last days of Easter Time, as we move closer and closer to the great Solemnity of Pentecost, continue to reflect on the glorious life we are destined to share with our crucified and risen Lord who now sits "at the right hand of the Father," and how that glorious life is available to us now through grace and the sacraments.

Novena to the Holy Spirit

So, we are in the midst of the nine days from Ascension to Pentecost, the time when we urgently and fervently pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. Are you in some way offering special prayers for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost? If you are able, join in our communal praying of the special Novena to the Holy Spirit. Look elsewhere in this bulletin for the schedule of times for that Novena; if you can't join in the communal prayer, pray a Novena to the Holy Spirit, or other prayers to the Holy Spirit, on your own, or with your family members at home.

Our new Business Manager, Jill Marie Delano

As you know, from time to time I turn over a portion of this Pastor's Column to a guest columnist, and it is my pleasure to do so now, as our new Business Manager, Jill Marie Delano, shares with you some words of introduction. Take it away, Jill!

It is such a pleasure to be working at Our Lady of Perpetual Help as the Business Manager! For many years I was in the corporate world, and always felt unsettled and missing something in my heart. For the past year, I would drive to work listening to the Rosary on YouTube, and saying it as well, asking Our Lady to assist me in taking the love of my career and the love of my faith and pulling them together.

Then, on that fateful Sunday in April reading my parish bulletin, St James in Seaford, an advertisement for the Business Manager position appeared for OLPH — as I call it, "God's Wink."

Here are a few interesting facts about myself. I am a mom of two young men in their twenties; I have been so blessed for the past 23 and 21 years as a mother — they are truly amazing and have brought all the joy one may receive. We live in Bethpage. Besides my love of being involved in my faith, and being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, I enjoy all types of reading; I am a lover of flamingos (they remind us to treasure life in every exquisite detail), a Broadway junky, an amateur painter, and piano player, and have a love of Italy, especially the Vatican and La Pietà. Ask me about my moment as I prayed and kneeed up the steps of the Scala Sancta, a true moment of peace and serenity, just even closer to Our Lord!

In our lives, we may go into our woes and rehash our own war stories; however, I live in the present, with my faith in the forefront. When people ask me how I got where I am today, I say, "My faith!" My faith has gotten me through my rough times, and it sure has been part of my celebratory times. As I begin my new journey at OLPH, there sure will be more of my celebratory times!

Thanks, Jill, and we're thrilled to have you as part of the OLPH family!

Vigil of Pentecost, this coming Saturday, June 4, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Next Sunday we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of Pentecost. At the conclusion of that day, Easter Time ends and we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. (Look for the change in our liturgical environment once Easter Time ends!) At Pentecost we commemorate three interconnected realities: the gift of the Holy Spirit being given to the Apostles; the beginnings of the Church; and the start of the Church's mission to all peoples and nations.

The Church encourages all parishes to celebrate a **special Mass as a Vigil of Pentecost**. The character of this **Pentecost Vigil** is not baptismal in nature, as is the Easter Vigil, but rather its focus is one of **urgent prayer**, after the example of the Apostles and disciples, who persevered together in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, as they awaited the Holy Spirit.

The 5:00 p.m. Mass this coming Saturday, June 4, will be a special celebration of the Vigil of Pentecost. This is one of the **major liturgical events** which takes place in the life of our parish, and those who participate in the beauty and solemnity of these parish "principal" or "major event" liturgies always come away deeply spiritually enriched and uplifted. **Therefore, I ask you to make every effort to attend our special Vigil of Pentecost on Saturday, June 4 at 5:00 p.m.**

The Mass will feature several special aspects. Our Entrance Procession will express the richness of our sacramental life as we include not only liturgical ministers, but also parishioners who have celebrated sacraments over the past year. We will celebrate a special Vigil of Readings that includes four Old Testament readings; not all of them will be proclaimed in English, so that we might reflect the cultural backgrounds of the members of OLPH and express our oneness in the Holy Spirit even in the midst of speaking in different tongues. Readings will be proclaimed in English, Polish, Spanish and French! We will also celebrate **the Sacrament of Confirmation** for eight (8) adults, with one of them also making her First Holy Communion at that

Mass.

It promises to be an uplifting, grace-filled liturgy where, in the words of the invitation which will be prayed at the beginning of the Mass, we will "*meditate on how many great deeds God in times past did for his people*" and during which we will "*pray that the Holy Spirit, whom the Father sent as the first fruits for those who believe, may bring to perfection his work in the world.*"

We look forward to seeing you at the 5:00 p.m. Mass this coming Saturday, so that, "*by the bright rays of the Holy Spirit, the light of [God's] light may confirm the hearts of those born again by grace*" (taken from the Collect of the Vigil Mass).

Wear the color red next weekend for Pentecost!

We're asking everyone to wear red when you come to Mass next weekend, at both the Saturday night Vigil and the Sunday Masses. Red is the color for Pentecost, since it is the color of the Holy Spirit; it's the color of the vestments the priest and deacon will be wearing. Let's make our entire church assembly aflame and aglow with the color of the fire of the Holy Spirit next weekend at all the Masses for Pentecost!

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

Reminder: The deadline for getting in on the next set of bricks is this coming Tuesday, May 31, 2022. 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 Tuesday if you want to be in on this batch.

However, **this does not mean there are no more bricks available after Tuesday; 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.

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 defend our country. Even though Memorial Day is focused on remembering those who have died, I think we should also take the occasion to thank and affirm all those who serve us in any of the Armed Forces; remember to thank them for their service and pray for them, too.

I look forward to marching in the Memorial Day Parade, joining with all of you in honoring our brave members of the military who have given their lives; I really enjoy being part of the civic and communal spirit of the day. Give a wave and a shout-out if you see me in the parade!

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 real reason behind it all, as I described above.

Save the dates for upcoming special celebrations in June

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

• **Sunday, June 12, 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 have been 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. The ad in this bulletin provides more details.

• **Sunday, June 19, 10:00 a.m., Mass with all First Communicants returning, and 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.

• **Sunday, June 26, 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,




***The Blue Door Fashion Show
May 22, 2022***



VIGIL OF PENTECOST

Saturday, June 4

5:00 p.m. Mass



The Church encourages parishes to celebrate a **special Mass as a Vigil of Pentecost.**

- Entrance Procession highlighting the gifts of different ministries and the sacraments
- A special Vigil of Readings, with readings in English, Spanish, Polish and French!
- The Sacrament of Confirmation

*At the 5:00 p.m. Mass on June 4, the people of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church will have the opportunity to celebrate a special event in the lives of eight people who have been attending Mass at OLPH. At the Mass of the Vigil of Pentecost, **Abriana Marie Bashwiner-Phelan (through RCIA), Giovanni Castranova, Lisa Cosgrove, Brittany Damasco, Theresa Faga, Julian Perez, Rosemary Ullrich and Michael Wagner** will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation as adults. Please pray for all of these adults as we welcome them as fully initiated members of our parish community.*

Come and feel the fire of the Holy Spirit!

Come and feel the breath of the Holy Spirit!

Come and celebrate Easter Time coming to fruition!

JUNE 4 and 5, COME TO MASS DRESSED IN RED FOR PENTECOST

We invite all parishioners to come to Mass on Pentecost, June 4 and 5, wearing something red. Since red is the color of the Holy Spirit and of the Mass for Pentecost, and therefore the color of the vestments worn by the priest and deacon at Pentecost, let's all celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in a festive, fun and joyful way by making our church bright and glorious throughout the entire liturgical assembly with the red color of the fire of the Holy Spirit!

OFFERERS NEEDED

HELP TAKE DOWN AND PUT AWAY THE EASTER DECORATIONS

SUNDAY—June 5



Immediately after the 12:00 Noon Mass on Sunday, June 5, 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? This would be a great thing to do as a family! No response necessary...just come on down!



**SACRAMENT OF
THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK
at the
12:00 Noon Mass
SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022**

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

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



Novena to the Holy Spirit

The Novena to the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas as it was first made at the direction of Our Lord when He sent His apostles back to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost. It is still the only novena officially prescribed by the Church. Consider joining us for one or all sessions.

Sunday, May 29 following all Masses

Monday—Friday, May 30-June 3 following the 12:15 p.m. Mass

Saturday, June 4 following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Novena booklets are provided. Recitation of each day's prayers and reflection only takes about ten minutes.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

SUNDAY, June 19

10:00 a.m. 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 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THIS YEAR SHOULD ATTEND THIS MASS

All children who have received their First Holy Communion this year are invited to come with their families to this 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 19, wearing their special First Communion attire. At that Mass we will celebrate and highlight in a special way all the children who have received First Holy Communion in 2022. When the children arrive in church, they should check in with one of the “shepherds” who will be at all the doors.

Then, we want all the children and their families to join in the special outdoor Eucharistic Procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament which will take place as the conclusion to the Mass.

We look forward to seeing all the children wearing their “First Communion best” on June 19 at 10:00 a.m. Hospitality and refreshments will follow the Procession.



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. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

Mondays at 12:45 p.m.



Special Needs Mass

for those who have Special Needs and for those who care for them.

WILL NOT TAKE PLACE

**Saturday, June 4
due to the Vigil of Pentecost**

If you would like to join our ministry or help before or after Mass or with our hospitality table please contact Jessica Paolo at jpaolo@oloph.org or call 631-226-7725 X 252.



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.

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.

FIRST FRIDAY

AND SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

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

First Friday Devotions will take place **June 3** 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 4** 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 beginning at **7:00 p.m.** Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Spanish, Polish, English). The evening concludes with Benediction at **10:00 p.m.**

** Note time change is for this month only!*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Join us Next Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass
 Children 1st Grade and older can join in the Children's
 Liturgy of the Word every 1st and 3rd Sunday during the
 10:00 a.m. Mass.



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



FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

LIVE-STREAM MASS

We live-stream the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass each week.

You can join us virtually using one of the following:

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



JOIN OUR LIVE-STREAM TEAM

Our live-stream camera system enable us to live-stream Masses, weddings, funerals and other sacramental and ritual moments. When the weather is bad in the winter or for parishioners who are homebound, we offer them a digital presence.

We need new members to join our Live-Stream Team either for weekdays or weekends. If you are tech savvy, interested in broadcasting techniques and are willing to help record our liturgies, please contact Fr. Frank Zero at the rectory office at (631) 226-7725 or email fzero@oloph.org.



CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS! JOIN THE PHOTOGRAPHY MINISTRY!

*Are you good with a camera and enjoy taking pictures? We're looking to expand our **Photography Ministry**, and this would be great for YOU! The Photography Ministry assists in maintaining visual records of important parish liturgies and events. Photography Ministers use their own digital camera and equipment, and supply the parish with photographs to be used in the bulletin and on our various social media platforms. Your commitment would be for only a few times a year, at special Masses and events.*

Contact Carmel Becker at cbecker@oloph.org or at (631) 226-7725, ext. 246.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THOSE WHO JOINED IN THE
OLPH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS MAY 20, 2022**



Thomas & Rita Aloisi—67

Mike & Linda Arpino—45

Nicholas & Joan Asaro—50

Suzanne & Philip D'Angelo—25

James & Jessica DeNunzio—10

Lawrence & Kathleen Figalora—40

Peter & Janet Leyden—60

Celestine & Paul Madsen—5

Sam & Joan Mangieri—65

Theresa & Robert Mehm—40

Edward & Carol Marchesi—50

Linda & Ralph Matera—52

Bob & Debbie Meade—40

Angelina & Joseph Mirabile—64

Carmyn & MaryAnn Molaro—62

Frank & Barbara Odin—65

Dympna & Peter O'Neill—53

Richard & Patricia Perez—64

Frank & Nancy Pellegrino—59

Joseph & Ann Marie Perullo—35

John & Diane Reynolds—54

Bill & Carol Stysiack—50

Bill & Lisa Sullivan—15

Anthony & Renee Tamburello—40

Catherine & Wolfgang Unterschuetz—59





OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut
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OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.
 Weekends: CLOSED

Thank you to all soldiers and their families who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Our prayers are always with you. God bless you!



Bible Camp NEEDS YOU!

Our next planning meeting is on Wednesday, June 1st, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Consider being a Mountaineer with us! Contact April or Bridget for more information.



BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION

is officially open!

Come into the Religious Ed. Office and sign your kids up for a Monumental Summer with Jesus!

Registration Is Now OPEN



Letters with details about re-registration have now been mailed to all families with students in our program. Registration for returning families began April 1st. After June 15th, there will be a \$25 late fee for ALL registrations. 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. We welcome anyone interested in registering or learning more about our program to make a “New Family Appointment” or to call us for any information. Please remember that all new registered students—including those with siblings already in the program—**must have a copy of his/her Baptismal certificate.** New families **MUST make an appointment to register by calling or e-mailing us.** Should you have any questions regarding religious education, registration for the 2022-2023 year, or offering your time as a catechist or hall monitor in our program, please contact us.

Congratulations to All Who Celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, May 23, 2022

*Anthony Adamo-Deza**Stephen Andersen**Ava Bacci**Derek Barabash**Aidan Butler**Anthony Caputo**Sarah Coffey**Kaylee Colao**Anthony Crisostomo**Mariantonia DeLucia**Collin Delzatto**Gianna Diaz**Olivia DiTomasso**Alexandra Ehrlinger**Patricia Evans**Anthony Fattoruso**Ziyah Fernandez**Drew Ferrari**Jake Feulner**Lilly Fischer**Kevin Foley**Justin Gries**Grace Healy**Olivia Kapusta**Olivia Karwowski**Paul Karwowski**Amelia Keniksman**Connor Keogan**Gemma Knowl**Emma Landberg**Reese LaTorre**Kaitlyn Lund**Vivian Mace**Marcello Mainini**Lily Malalan**Andrew Maletton**Thomas Masotto**Sage Micle**Kayla Miller**Joshua Mollo**Margery Montero**Madeline Murphy**Logan Neumar**Aiden Nunez**Joshua Oddo**Victoria Ogilvie**Dominick Papa**Gabriella Pawelski**Connor Paxton**Brooke Perrini**Charles Picarazzi**Steven Porretto**Kevin Pszeniczny**Karina Rodriguez**Kimberly Romero**Ryan Ronessi**Aaron Ross**Stephanie Saccone**Giovanni Sanzone**Juliette Saverino**Paige Schauder**Andrew Schiavone**Samantha Sevon**Patrick Shanahan**Oskar Sokolowski**Jayden St-Aubin**Briana Stokes**Thomas Sullivan**Vito Tambasco**Ethan Taveras**Allison Tenesaca**Joseph Tota**Olivia Tyszko**Caroline Verrier**Griffin Vogel**Lorelei Watts**Isabella Wolff**William Zaborowski**Daniel Zappala**Ava Zuccaro*



Bible Camp Counselor Orientation

All Adventure Leaders will need to join us for Orientation on Wednesday, July 6, in the church at 6:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to April by Tuesday, July 5, at (631) 226-7725 ext. 257 or akleinlaut@oloph.org

Supplies Needed for Bible Camp 2022

Arts and Crafts

Construction Paper
Markers
Pens/Pencils
Glue Sticks
Pencil sharpeners

Middle School Camp

Melting Chocolates
Lollipop Sticks & Cover
Baggies
Twist ties
Ribbons
Bags of Plain White
Rice (no Minute Rice)
Bags of Uncooked Kidney Beans
Canned tuna fish
Pasta
Canned vegetables/fruits
Plastic Gloves
Washcloths
Travel Size Packs of Tissues
Small Combs
Travel Size Toothpaste
Travel size shampoo
Toothbrush
Travel size bar of soap
Peanut butter
Jelly
Plastic knives

Sandwich bags

Brown paper lunch bags
Bows
Glitter
Shoe boxes
Small toy to fit in shoe box
Tennis balls
Dog/cat food
dog bones *not made in China*
Dog/cat bed
Dog/cat toys
String for Friendship
bracelets
Beads for bracelets
Potpourri

Snacks

(Everything must be individually wrapped prepacked)

Pop Tarts
Pretzels
Chips
Goldfish
Cheese-Its
Animal crackers
Fruit snacks
Cookies
Juice Boxes
8oz Water Bottles

Decorating

Dollar Tree Gifts Cards
Joann's Gift Cards
Home Depot Gift Cards
Hobby Lobby Gift Cards
Pool noodles
Blue Tarp
Giant Cardboard Boxes
(*moving boxes and/or appliance boxes that can be taped closed*)
Brown Roll Paper
White Roll Paper
Colored Tissue Paper
Blue Table Clothes
Big Rocks

Other Items

Disinfecting Wipes
Tissues
Paper Towels
Hand Sanitizer

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Bereavement Ministry: Linda Arpino—631.592.1062—forubabe77@gmail.com
- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631.225-9864—cdefeldman@optonline.net
- † 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@optimum.net
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Bill Stysiack—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

NEW Food Pantry List!

- TOOTHPASTE**
- TOOTH BRUSHES**
- SHAMPOO**
- PORK & BEANS**
- CANNED FRUIT**
- JELLY OR JAM**
- FRUIT JUICE**
- INSTANT POTATOES**
- CEREAL**
- COFFEE/TEA**

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.

In these days after the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ’s saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor.

THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



*"The Society would like to remind you
that to ask for help is not a sin.
If you are experiencing difficulties putting food
on the table, we are here. You need but ask.
As the price of everything continues to rise,
think of us as another tool in your box
to help you through these difficult times.*

God bless you all for the help you have showered upon us.

Do not be afraid to ask for help in return. Thank you."

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

MIDDLE AGES

Are you a lady in your 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's?

Are you looking to meet other women who share your interest in spirituality, socializing and social action?

Our next meeting:

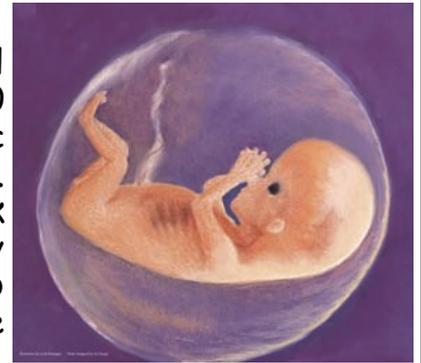
Tuesday, June 7 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 24

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

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 2 - Developing Baby - "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.



CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Focus on Religious Freedom www.cffor.org

"Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."

John 15:13

Memorial Day: A Catholic Understanding of the Nature and Call of Freedom

As Americans, this Memorial Day we remember those who died in service to our country. But as Catholic Americans, we reflect on the meaning of true freedom — a freedom we as Catholics are called to live to the fullest.

In *The Gospel of Life*, Pope John Paul II shows that when freedom is no longer based on objective truth, it destroys itself. When a person declares himself totally self-governing, autonomous, deciding his own truth, as in a secular state, then people will eventually reject each other, as each person seeks to have his own interests prevail. Such a society does not become more free; it becomes less free, as vice, corruption, brutality and oppression inevitably increase.

One reason we human beings are willing to fight and die for freedom is because the need for freedom is imprinted into our very nature. By virtue of our ability to reason and our free will, we are impelled to seek truth, especially religious truth. Our creator instilled this drive in us so that we would seek Him, for He is truth. Having found truth, we must live it and to do this we must be free from coercion. Therefore, if attacked, human beings will rightly and necessarily die for true freedom.

This Memorial Day, Catholics rightly honor our fallen brothers and sisters, and we remember our Church, which has defended the dignity and freedom of the human person for 2,000 years.⁽¹⁾

The Gospel of Life, Pope John Paul II; catholic.org/news; Michael Terheyden(1)

"There is a certain enthusiasm in liberty that makes human nature rise above itself, in acts of bravery and heroism."

—Alexander Hamilton

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Rectory Reception Desk	200	
Christopher Reilly, Director of Music	210	creilly@oloph.org
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 DeaconRobert@oloph.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Eileen Corticchia
 Msgr. Joe DeGrococo
 Jeffrey Gaab
 Gregory Guido
 Sonia Hansen
 Joselyn Kalt
 Mary Leon
 Rachelle Louis-Jacques
 Carlton Mitchell
 James Totino

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille
 Bill Bendernagel

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett
 Bill Bendernagel
 Gerry Chille (Chair)
 Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®
 Msgr. Joe DeGrococo
 Jill Marie Delano
 Marie Gagneron
 Kenneth Hale
 Bob Meade
 Bob Mehm
 John Reynolds
 Kevin Sabella, Sr.

Please feel free to speak to any member of the Finance Committee with any questions you might have.

YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Fauvette Auguste
 Deacon Robert Becker
 Mark Costantino
 Msgr. Joe DeGrococo
 MaryAnn Haas
 Jenine Jimenez-Spina
 Denise Martinez
 Barbara McPhail
 Chris Reilly
 Deacon Doug Smith
 Mike Williams
 Fr. Frank Zero

Please feel free to speak to any member of the Liturgy Committee with any questions you might have.

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Second Announcement:

Anthony Giannini & Brook Stepan

First Announcement:

Giovanni Castronovo & Nicole Giannini

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

Matteo Louis Cheeseman

Emma Louise Garcia

Sophia Noel Jones

Brielle Rose Kreischer

Lucas Philip Meyer

Lily Isabella Morton

A'delyz Estrella Sotalin

Nicolas Henry Vargas



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

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

Russell Steinmetz

Kathy Arnold

Dina Zulueta

Janet Weber

Joseph Ingino

Stephanie Guidice

Lori McKeever

Lynn Simonetti

Ethan Insigne

Joan Carbaugh

Mary Ann Trigg

Carole Fasso-Borsett

Stella Barbera

Joseph Crucci

Rose Pentalleri

Patricia & Richard Kleczkowski

Nora McMahon

Carol Esposito

Elizabeth Fennell

Baby Cameran Benson

Cecelia Pastore

John (JACK) Gallagher

Jeanette Borowicz

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 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.

WE REMEMBER

We remember those who have died in our parish.

Bishop Emil Wcela

Catherine Parkhill

"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."

PERPETUAL HELP MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

10:00 A.M. MASS

<i>For the Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family</i>	<i>Requested by the Estate of Rev. Thomas J. McCarthy</i>
<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society</i>	<i>Requested by Frank Odin</i>
<i>Agnes Pepitone</i>	<i>Requested by Mary & William Flynn</i>
<i>Joseph A. Isoldi</i>	<i>Requested by Irma Encarnacion</i>
<i>Michael Murphy</i>	<i>Requested by The Gustavson Family</i>
<i>Jane McGrath</i>	<i>Requested by Sonia & Bryan Hansen</i>
<i>Pete Coyne</i>	<i>Requested by Audrey Geiselman</i>
<i>Arthur J. Donahue</i>	<i>Requested by Barbara Aiello</i>

MASSES FOR THE WEEK	
MONDAY, May 30—Easter Weekday	
6:30	Marjorie A. Santoli
12:15	Antoni Milewski
TUESDAY, May 31— Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
6:30	Karin Kienle
12:15	Mary Collery (Living)
WEDNESDAY, June 1— Saint Justin, Martyr	
6:30	Anthony Betro
12:15	Dean Chamberlain, Sr.
THURSDAY, June 2— Easter Weekday (Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs)	
6:30	Fran & Tony Gusmano (Living)
12:15	Kenneth Jackvony
FRIDAY, June 3— Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs	
6:30	Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton
12:15	Barbara & Salvatore Lampione
SATURDAY, June 4— Easter Weekday	
8:00	Jacqueline Lippertshauser
Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): PENTECOST SUNDAY	
5:00	Mary Bradley
Sunday, June 5 PENTECOST SUNDAY	
8:00	Living and Deceased Members of the Furlong Family
10:00	Perpetual Help Mass (List on p. 20)
12:00	Laura Fosco

PARISH CALENDAR		
Monday, May 30, 2022		
ALL RECTORY AND REL. ED. OFFICES ARE CLOSED AND ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED FOR MEMORIAL DAY. ALL OFFICES WILL REOPEN 9:00 A.M. TUESDAY, MAY 31.		
Tuesday, May 31, 2022		
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
Wednesday, June 1, 2022		
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)	Off Campus
6:30 p.m.	Bible Camp Planning Meeting	Auditorium
Thursday, June 2, 2022		
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Baptismal Prep Class for Parents	Room 16
Friday, June 3, 2022		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
Saturday, June 4, 2022		
11:00 a.m.	Bereavement Meeting	Room 24
1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal for the Vigil of Pentecost	Church
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
7:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.	Exposition	Church
7:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
Sunday, June 5, 2022		
11:00 a.m.	RCIA	Room 16
1:00 p.m.	Religious Ed. End of Year Gathering	Auditorium /Courtyard
1:00 p.m.	Take Down Easter Decorations	Church
7:00 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.

Preparándonos para las lecturas del domingo 5/29/22

Señor a ti clamo no escondas tu rostro de mí. Aleluya

Que la Santísima trinidad les bendiga y la gracia del Espíritu Santo en esta eucaristía nos haga uno con Jesús y con el Padre.

Primera lectura (Hechos de los apóstoles 7:55-60)

Los apóstoles nos relatan los hechos reales de su tiempo y nosotros somos testigos de los de hoy en día. Estaban proclamando evangelio y les criticaba por no abrir su corazón al Espíritu Santo. Miraba hacia arriba y vio los cielos abiertos y al hijo de Dios sentado ala derecha del Padre, el la refiere a Jesús y su roll como juez universal venido del cielo.

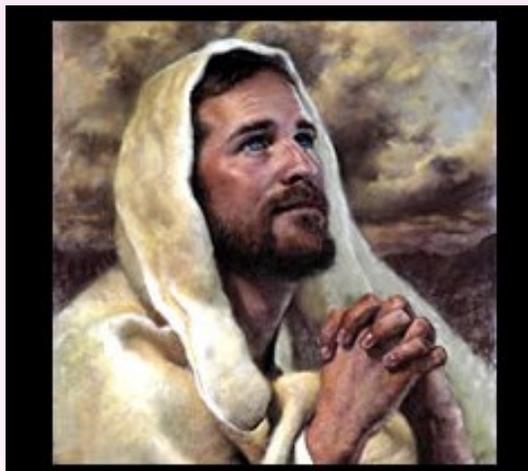
Segunda lectura (revelación 22:12-14, 16-17, 20)

Mira que vengo pronto dice Cristo, 12 y llevo conmigo el salario para dar a cada uno según su trabajo pide que repitamos esta oración: Ven Señor Jesús. No importa el plazo el corazón está preparado

Proclamación del Santo Evangelio (San Juan 17:20-26)

‘El amor con el que tú me has amado este en ellos’. Jesús ora al Padre para que los suyos sean “perfectamente uno”: quiere que sean entre ellos “uno”, como Él y el Padre. Es su última petición antes de la Pasión, la más sentida: que haya comunión en la Iglesia. La comunión es esencial. El enemigo de Dios y del hombre, el diablo, no puede nada contra el Evangelio, contra la humilde fuerza de la oración y de los sacramentos, pero puede hacer mucho daño a la Iglesia tentando nuestra humanidad. Provoca la presunción, el juicio sobre los demás, las cerrazones y las divisiones. Él mismo es “el que divide” y a menudo comienza haciéndonos creer que somos buenos, quizá mejor que los demás: así tiene el terreno listo para sembrar la cizaña. Es la tentación de todas las comunidades y se puede insinuar también en los carismas más bonitos de la Iglesia. (*Homilía de S.S. Francisco, 18 de marzo de 2016*).

Todos somos hijos del mismo Padre. No nos pudo pasar algo más genial que tener un Papá como Dios, nuestro Señor. Con cuánta confianza debemos dirigirnos a Él, constantemente y con la simplicidad de un hijito pequeño. Hay momentos en la vida en los que sólo Él puede sostenernos y llevarnos adelante. ¡Jamás dudemos del amor de un Dios, que se nos ha manifestado como Padre Bueno! En la medida en que seamos conscientes de esta paternidad de Dios, en esa medida alcanzaremos la unidad que Él desea para nosotros.



OFFERING UPDATE

May 21/22

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	207	86	\$2,052.00
8:00 a.m.	213	99	3,650.00
10:00 a.m.	325	85	2,840.00
12:00 a.m.	296	74	2,070.00
Total coin:			9.16
Faith Direct			3,255.00
Children's Env.		6	19.00
Mail-ins:			484.00
TOTAL	1,041	350	\$14,379.16
2021	844	333	\$14,601.08
Candles			\$699.62
Poor Box			\$307.15



Easter Total for 2022:

\$77,369

Easter Flowers - \$4,058

Thank you for your generosity!

Easter Total for 2021: \$77,674

Catholic Communication Campaign.

This week our special collection supports the Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the

Diocese of Rockville Centre to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.



All Rectory and Parish Offices will be CLOSED, and all parish activities except for Masses will be cancelled, on Monday, May 30, for the Memorial Day holiday. The Rectory Office will re-open Tuesday, May 31 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 as a Word document* to Carmel Becker at cbecker@oloph.org no later than the dates listed below.

Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.

- June 5—deadline passed
- June 12—June 3 deadline
- June 19—June 10 deadline

PREPARING FOR

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

*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

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

“Pentecost” was the Greek name for the Jewish “Feast of Weeks” that celebrated God’s giving of the Law to Moses on Sinai. The Apostles had just bid farewell to Jesus at the Ascension but now, after praying for nine days in what was the first novena, Jesus’ promise to send them “another advocate” is fulfilled with the Spirit’s sudden arrival. The Spirit comes as a rushing, violent wind that shakes the house and makes their hearts tremble, yet emboldens them to take to the streets to proclaim the wondrous good news of Jesus’ death and resurrection. The people in the streets are from many nations yet each one hears this good news in their own language and in their hearts. The message to us is clear: despite our differences, we are one in God’s Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Today’s message of unity is continued in the letter from Paul to the Corinthians. Paul acknowledges our differences: we possess different spiritual gifts, engage in various forms of service, and are occupied in a variety of activities. All are good. But these differences don’t negate our oneness because all our ministries are inspired and guided by God. God’s Spirit takes possession of us, says Paul, not for our own benefit, but for the benefit of all. Each of us serves the community.

John 20:19-23

Jesus offers “peace” not once, but twice, to the disciples who have hidden themselves behind the locked doors of the house where they had gathered. They were afraid, and with good reason since the authorities had just crucified Jesus. But when Jesus comes to them, he offers the one antidote to this fear that the world cannot give – a unique peace, one that surpasses all understanding. Just as the creator God had breathed on Adam to give him life, so too does Jesus breathe on the Apostles and give them the Spirit which is new life. As Jesus imparts the Spirit, he also bestows the power to forgive sins. The Risen Lord has not only wished them peace, he has also shared the surest way to sustain it.

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. Compare God breathing life into Adam with Jesus breathing the Holy Spirit into his disciples. What is the significance for you? Is there a new creation? Do you have the courage to strike out on or join new paths the Holy Spirit shows you?

2. Just as the disciples were to embody the Holy Spirit, now it’s our turn. Why do you think Pope Francis says in his Pentecost homily that the Church needs to testify now to mercy?

“Let us go another step. We too are called to testify in the Holy Spirit, to become paracletes, comforters. The Spirit is asking us to embody the comfort he brings. How can we do this? Not by making great speeches, but by drawing near to others. Not with trite words, but with prayer and closeness. Let us remember that closeness, compassion and tenderness are God’s “trademark,” always. The Paraclete is telling the Church that today is the time for comforting.

It is more a time for joyfully proclaiming the Gospel than for combatting paganism. It is the time for bringing the joy of the Risen Lord, not for lamenting the drama of secularization. It is the time for pouring out love upon the world, not for embracing worldliness. It is more the time for testifying to mercy than for inculcating rules and regulations. It is the time of the Paraclete! It is the time of freedom of heart, in the Paraclete.”

*Pope Francis’ Pentecost Homily
May 23, 2021*

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, May 30, 2022:

Acts 19:1-8 + John 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 31, 2022:

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

Wednesday, June 1, 2022:

Acts 20:28-38 + John 17:11b-19

Thursday, June 2, 2022:

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11 + John 17:20-26

Friday, June 3, 2022:

Acts 25:13b-21 + John 21:15-19

Saturday, June 4, 2022:

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
+ John 21:20-25

Sunday, June 5, 2022:

Acts 2:1-11
+ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
+ John 14:15-16, 23b-26

SUPER 72



1st Prize: \$1,000

2nd Prize: \$250

3-6th Prizes: \$100



Tickets are: \$40 each ~ \$80 for 3

AMAZING BONUS!! \$100 gets you 5 tickets!!

It's time to get your new tickets!

Return the parish portion of the ticket with your check payable to "OLPH SUPER 72" or drop it in the collection basket.

Tickets and envelopes are also available at Johnstons' Funeral Home and at the rectory.

DRAWINGS FROM JUNE 2022 THROUGH NOVEMBER 2022



**Extra \$100 Drawings
for the 4th of July
& Thanksgiving!!**



Raffle Tickets Courtesy of Johnstons' Wellwood Funeral Home.

"OLPH is a Section 501 (c) 3 nonprofit. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine if your contribution is deductible."

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

2022 OLPH GOAL:
\$114,600

Total pledges: \$95,045.00
of pledges: 336
Total payments: \$62,748.50
As of 5/24/22



Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____

Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____

To donate, you can also visit drvc.org/CMA or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296. Thank You!

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Life Center of Long Island 5K Run/Walk 4 Life Saturday, **June 22** at Cedar Creek Park, 3340 Merrick Rd., Seaford, NY (Parking Field 6) Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Also looking for sponsors. For information and registration call Marina at 516-798-8746 or go to marinare33@gmail.com.

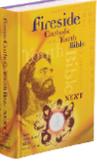
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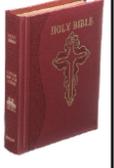
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