

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice;  
I know them, and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life,  
and they shall never perish."*

John 10:27-28

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 8, 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:** Mr. William D'Alessio

**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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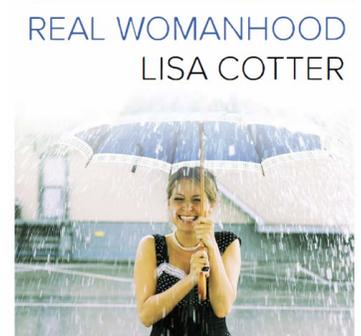
## PICK OF THE WEEK

May 8, 2022

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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

This Fourth Sunday of Easter is also popularly referred to as “Good Shepherd Sunday” because of the shepherd imagery from St. John’s Gospel which is found in the Gospel reading on this Sunday every year. Hearing the Shepherd’s voice, followers recognize it and know it is their God. Safe in the knowledge that they cannot be taken from the hand of the Shepherd, we who hear His voice should follow as faithful believers who are willing to go wherever God calls and sends us.

The imagery of following the Shepherd is also found in the Mass prayers for the day. The Collect (Opening Prayer) refers to us as “the humble flock” who ask to “*reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before.*” The Prayer after Communion continues the Shepherd imagery as it mentions the “eternal pastures” which we, the sheep who have been redeemed, hope to settle in. What do you imagine those “eternal pastures” to be like?

In addition to the Shepherd imagery, another element of this Fourth Sunday of Easter is the continued expression of Easter joy. In the Prayer over the Offerings, we ask “*that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,*” and the prayer goes on to ask “*that the renewal constantly at work within us may be the cause of our unending joy.*” We must continue to keep alive throughout the entire fifty days of Easter Time our exultant joy and ecstatic cries of “Alleluia!” at the redemption and salvation won for us through the death and resurrection of Christ.

Continue to allow your reflections on the actual texts of the Mass to enrich your immersion in the spirituality of the fifty days of Easter Time.

### *Communal Evening Prayer has resumed!*

I hope you are aware that we have returned to our pre-pandemic practice of praying Evening Prayer communally and in-person following the 5:00 p.m. Mass each Saturday night. Read the full details in the blurb elsewhere in this bulletin, and be sure to join in praying the Liturgy of the Hours, the official daily prayer of the Church, either in-person after the Saturday night Mass, or on Zoom on Sundays, as explained in the bulletin blurb.

### *Happy Mother’s Day!*

Blessings and best wishes to all mothers celebrating Mother’s Day today! May God bless you for the many sacrifices and offerings you make for your children and for your family. We should be grateful to you not just on one day, but all year long, for the important role you play. Let’s also

keep in our prayers today those who might find Mother’s Day to be a difficult day — mothers who have lost children; children who have lost their mothers; women who are having difficulty becoming mothers; mothers and children who are estranged from one another; mothers whose children are ill and suffering.

### *First Communions*

This Sunday, May 8, we are again celebrating First Holy Communions at a parish Sunday Mass. There is no better way for children to celebrate First Holy Communion than within the Sunday assembly, as the Church celebrates the Eucharist on the Lord’s Day, our primary holy day! I am thrilled that over the years since we introduced this option more and more families are making this important connection and are taking advantage of this option. So many parishioners love it, too, as you comment to me how much you enjoy seeing the children, and how being a part of the celebration enriches your own faith and your appreciation of the Eucharist. In addition, we have one Saturday morning First Communion Mass remaining, this coming Saturday, May 14. Please remember to pray for all of this year’s First Communicants!

### *Next set of memorialized bricks is being sent out*

Our most recent set of memorialized bricks is now being prepared to be sent out for engraving; those who ordered a brick are being contacted concerning the final details of their memorialization, and they will be kept informed concerning the installation and blessing of the bricks, which we are looking to do sometime at the end of August or in the first half of September this year. **The deadline for getting in on this set of bricks is Tuesday, May 31, 2022.** If you would like to have a brick included in this year’s August/September installation and blessing, you must submit your form and payment before May 31.

However, **this does not mean there are no more bricks available; just the opposite! There are still 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. So, even if you missed out this time around, send in your order! This on-going fund raiser is a big help to us, so your continued support is appreciated.

By the way, **just because the brick is in the “Let the Children Come to Me” Prayer Garden,**

the memorialization does not have to be for children only! The memorialization can be for any memory or prayer intention. Also, help us out by spreading the word to your family and friends, and encourage them to memorialize a brick. You don't have to be a parishioner of OLPH (or even Catholic!) to do this. You may even want to do more than one brick; I myself have memorialized several!

#### ***Meeting for all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion***

Let me take this opportunity to personally remind all Lectors AND Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion about the important meeting taking place this coming Saturday, May 14. Note that we are having a combined meeting for both Lectors and E.M.'s this time around. This is one of our semi-annual meetings we hold regularly with all liturgical ministers for their ongoing formation, and the agenda will include a presentation for your reflection and spiritual formation and some important business items for both ministries. I look forward to seeing you there.

#### ***Ed Cosgrove to be received into the Catholic Church***

Easter Time is the season *par excellence* to celebrate sacramental initiation into the Church, and next Sunday at the 12 Noon Mass we will celebrate one of our RCIA candidates, Ed Cosgrove, already baptized in another Christian tradition, coming into the Catholic Church. Read the full explanation elsewhere in this bulletin, and consider attending the 12 Noon Mass next week, even if it's not your usual Mass, in order to pray for and to support Ed.

#### ***Parish Wedding Anniversaries Mass***

This Friday, May 13, is the deadline to respond to attend this year's Parish Wedding Anniversaries Mass, the occasion when we affirm the graces and blessings married couples give to the Church. As you know, this celebration is geared toward couples celebrating an anniversary on any five-year mark (5, 10, 15, 20, *etc.*), and couples married any year over 50 years. We ask you to limit attendance to immediate family members, only, due to space limitations. Also, while we're happy to provide this free of charge, if you would like to make an extra donation to help cover the costs for the reception following the Mass, we would gratefully accept your generous offering. See the full-page flyer in this bulletin for all the details, and for the response form.

#### ***Super 72 Raffle***

Remember to return your SUPER 72 RAFFLE tickets, and be sure to take advantage of our special 5-tickets-for-\$100 deal! Additional tickets may be purchased at the rectory and at Johnston's Funeral Home. Please be sure to participate in this important fund raiser for the parish. I am very grateful for your participation.

#### ***Synod***

Finally, you might have heard that our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has called for a Synod to take place in the Universal Church. In essence, a Synod is a meeting, a consultation, a discussion. Usually it refers to a gathering of Bishops to discuss something important in the Church. There have been many Synods in throughout the long history of the Church. In their present form, Synods are called by the Holy Father to discuss various issues in the life of the Church.

Pope Francis has called for another Synod of Bishops to meet in Rome, October 2023, with the topic "**For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission.**" It is a "synod to consider synodality." In other words, it's a consultation to examine how we consult with one another as members of the Body of Christ—the way we are Church together. Every Diocese around the world is asked to involve people in this process.

We here at OLPH are participating in this synodal process through the leadership of the parish. This Monday, May 9, I am meeting with the four major consultative bodies in the parish (Pastoral Staff, Liturgy Committee, Pastoral Council and Finance Committee) along with the heads and leaders of all our parish ministries and organizations, for a discussion of the synod topics, following the outline and discussion points we have been asked to use. We won't be looking to come up with answers to solve problems, nor will we enter into a "gripe session." We will, however, have the opportunity for a Spirit-filled conversation that will contribute to the larger conversation taking place in the Universal Church through this synodal process.

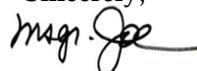
If you would like to learn more about this Synod, check out <https://drvcsynod.com/>.

#### ***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,



## PRAYER & WORSHIP



### *Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

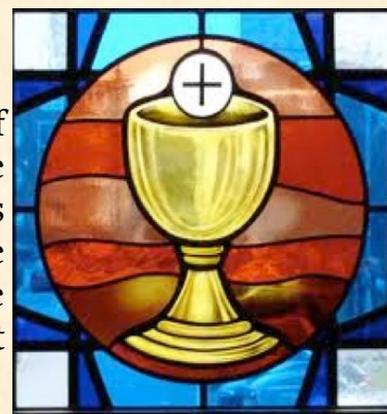
Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

**Mondays at 12:45 p.m.**

### **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.



### **GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS**

Gluten-free hosts are available for those with Celiac Disease who cannot receive Holy Communion using the usual bread. If you need to receive Holy Communion using a gluten-free host, please stop in the sacristy before Mass to discuss this with the priest. We will be happy to accommodate you.

## **EVENING PRAYER AFTER THE 5:00 p.m. MASS ON SATURDAYS HAS RESUMED!**

We have resumed praying Evening Prayer communally and in-person following the 5:00 p.m. Mass each Saturday! We gather in the front pews immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays, to pray Evening Prayer, one of the official Hours in the Liturgy of the Hours of the Church. Texts are provided, and it takes approximately only 10 minutes. Join us in-person each week as we pray this beautiful prayer of the Church, Evening Prayer, together each Saturday night.

We continue to use the Zoom video platform to pray Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9:15 a.m. and Evening Prayer each Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Click on the Zoom link on the home page of our website to join in praying those offices in the Liturgy of the Hours.

## MEETING FOR ALL LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

ALL Lectors AND Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion — those who are currently active AND those who may not yet have returned to active status — are asked to attend the important meeting to be held on **Saturday, May 14 in the church at 1:30 p.m.** The meeting will include the opportunity for prayer, spiritual formation and an update concerning liturgical procedures. All Lectors and E.M.'s, whether active or inactive, are expected to attend, as this is one of the required semi-annual meetings for ongoing formation. Thank you.

## HELP SUPPORT OUR WEEKLY WORSHIP AIDS

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
8 May 2022



One of the major calls of the Second Vatican Council was to foster *full, conscious, and active participation* in our liturgies. One way that we have decided to make that easier for everyone is to create worship aids for our Sunday liturgies, so that there's no need to flip through the hymnal and look for a number in order to sing, or to guess what we're singing next, or what the exact words of the prayer we will be praying might be—because it is all at your fingertips. All you must do is follow along and you can easily and actively participate!

Of course, as with everything in our world today, costs have risen—in this case, the cost of paper and ink. So, we ask that you consider donating toward the cost of printing these worship aids, so that everyone can together participate and continue building the liturgical community we've come to cherish. For your gift, we would be happy to memorialize or honor someone on each week's worship aid with their and your name, if you choose, or you may wish to donate generally and/or anonymously. Whichever way works best for you, we would appreciate your consideration to help foster the *full, conscious, and active* participation of the parish community. Feel free to contact Christopher Reilly at the rectory or by email ([creilly@oloph.org](mailto:creilly@oloph.org)) if you wish to donate or have any questions.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Next Sunday, **May 15**, at the 12:00 p.m. Mass, we will receive our RCIA candidate, **Edward Cosgrove**, into full communion with the Catholic Church. Edward, baptized in another Christian tradition, has been in a process of formation in the RCIA here at OLPH. At next Sunday's 12:00 p.m. Mass, he will make his Profession of Faith, receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, and then share with us in Holy Communion for the first time. Please join us next Sunday as we welcome him as a fully-initiated member of the Catholic Church!

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

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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](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)
- OLPH YouTube Channel: OLPH Church Lindenhurst



## LIVE-STREAM MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:cbecker@oloph.org) or at (631) 226-7725, ext. 246.

## OLPH CELEBRATES WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES!!!

We would like to affirm the graces and blessings of the Sacrament of Marriage by celebrating your wedding anniversary!

*We're celebrating Mass and throwing a party for YOU!*

Couples celebrating an anniversary in 2022 that is "on a five year mark," that is, if this year you're married 5 years, or 10, or 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50 – and for couples married ANY year more than 50 years (51, 52.....67...etc.) – are invited to a special MASS AND RECEPTION!

*FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022*

*7:30 p.m. Mass*

*with Renewal of Commitment by the Married Couples  
for the Anniversary of their Marriage  
Followed by a Reception in our School Gym*

*Invite your immediate family members! They are welcome!  
(Immediate family only, please)*

*We're happy to provide this free of charge. If, however, you would like to send a donation along with your response, to help defray costs, it would be gratefully accepted.*

**You must reply NO LATER THAN MAY 13**

**WRITTEN REPLIES ONLY, USING THE FORM BELOW  
NO PHONE REPLIES CAN BE TAKEN**

*Cut-out and fill-in the form below and return to the Rectory by May 13*

### 2022 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY REPLY FORM

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name of Husband \_\_\_\_\_

First Name of Wife \_\_\_\_\_

Years Married \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Your Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Your Wedding Song \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Song Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending: Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Children: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this form as soon as possible to the Rectory, or drop it in the collection basket at Sunday Mass.  
We're happy to provide this free of charge. If, however, you would like to send a donation along with your response,  
to help defray costs, it would be gratefully accepted.*

**ALL REPLIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 13.**

**Questions? Call the Rectory for more information.**

**DEADLINE  
THIS  
FRIDAY!**



## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS:

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

*Have a Blessed Mother's Day to all the mothers out there, especially to the ones who offer their time to help our programs!*

**COMMUNION REHEARSAL for the Saturday, May 14 First Communions is on Monday, May 9, at 5:00 p.m. in the church. All students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Attendance will be taken.**

**Bible Camp NEEDS YOU!**  
**Our next planning meeting is on Wednesday, May 11, 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 our office. We can't wait to meet you!



## 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](mailto:akleinlaut@oloph.org)

### Supplies Needed for Bible Camp 2022

<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>Arts and Crafts</b></u></p> <p>Construction Paper Markers Pens/Pencils Glue Sticks Pencil sharpeners</p>	<p>Sandwich bags Brown paper lunch bags Bows Glitter Shoe boxes Small toy to fit in shoe box Tennis balls Dog/cat food dog bones <i>not made in China</i> Dog/cat bed Dog/cat toys String for Friendship bracelets Beads for bracelets Potpourri</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>Decorating</b></u></p> <p>Dollar Tree Gifts Cards Joann's Gift Cards Home Depot Gift Cards Hobby Lobby Gift Cards Pool noodles Blue Tarp Giant Cardboard Boxes <i>(moving boxes and/or appliance boxes that can be taped closed)</i> Brown Roll Paper White Roll Paper Colored Tissue Paper Blue Table Clothes Big Rocks</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>Middle School Camp</b></u></p> <p>Melting Chocolates Lollipop Sticks &amp; 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</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>Snacks</b></u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i><u>(Everything must be individually wrapped prepacked)</u></i></p> <p>Pop Tarts Pretzels Chips Goldfish Cheese-Its Animal crackers Fruit snacks Cookies Juice Boxes 8oz Water Bottles</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><b>Other Items</b></u></p> <p>Disinfecting Wipes Tissues Paper Towels Hand Sanitizer</p>

# 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.

Today, we celebrate “Good Shepherd Sunday” when we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for us.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

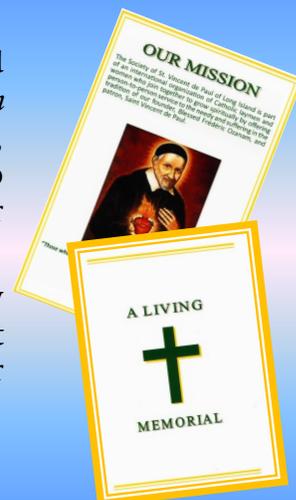
## THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

### † AN EXPANSION OF OUR MEMORIAL CARD PROGRAM

*The Society of St. Vincent de Paul* has an expansion of our Memorial Card program. In addition to updated *Living Memorial* cards, we offer *Special Occasion* cards. These are a great way to commemorate a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, get well, thank you, holiday, etc.) while supporting SVDP's efforts to provide not just food, but also financial, material and spiritual aid to our neighbors.

*Memorial/Special Occasion card* envelopes are available in the SVDP Food Pantry (M-W-F, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) or at the Rectory. The Memorial or Special Occasion Card acknowledging your donation will be sent to the person/family indicated on the form.

Please contact the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725 X 234 for more information.



# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Who are we? We are a group of people in the parish who enjoy meeting new people, baking, or entertaining. Most of us are involved in many activities, so we do not have time for weekly meetings or to commit to more than one or two activities a year.

What do we do: We provide baked goods and beverages at various parish events during the year, including after concerts, special Masses, and Summer Evening Prayer. We also coordinate, provide food and beverage for the Annual Wedding Anniversaries Mass and Reception.

Interested? Can you help with one or more of these events?

Contact: Chris Ferris: [slwwh152@optonline.net](mailto:slwwh152@optonline.net) or text 631-664-0986.



## 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 in the School**

Call Gail Tonnessen at 631-957-1449 or email her at [gtonness@optonline.net](mailto:gtonness@optonline.net)

## THE BLUE DOOR BOUTIQUE

# ANNUAL BLUE DOOR BOUTIQUE FASHION SHOW & LIVE AUCTION

**May 22, 2022**

**immediately following the 12:00 p.m. Mass.  
OLPH School Auditorium,  
Wellwood Avenue Entrance**

Auction items include:  
art work, decorative items,  
jewelry,  
collectibles.

Come and join us and watch the priests and parishioners walk the runway, modeling fashions from our own Blue Door Boutique.

Raffles, 50/50 and **LIVE AUCTION!**

Support the great work of the Blue Door Boutique and support your fellow parishioners who will be modeling.



Tickets will be on sale at the Blue Door Boutique during regular business hours and at the door.

Tickets only \$5.00

and includes paddle for bidding in the LIVE auction.

**THE**  
*bluedoor*  
**BOUTIQUE**

### HOURS OF OPERATION

M, W, F  
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
1st & 3rd SAT  
1:30-3:00 p.m.

# 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
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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](mailto: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](mailto: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 DeGrocco  
 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  
 John Reynolds

### YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
 Bill Bendernagel  
 Gerry Chille (Chair)  
 William D'Alessio  
 Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®  
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
 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 DeGrocco  
 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:**

***Bryan Juehrs & Lindsey Boland***

## **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.

If you or a family member are ill and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office. One of our parish priests will come visit you and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will then visit each week.

We pray for the sick and the homebound of our parish at each and every Mass.



## **WE BELIEVE**

We pray for the sick of our parish...

- |   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <i>Janet Weber</i>                        | <i>Larry Beufve</i>                   |
| <i>Joseph Ingino</i>                      | <i>Frank Gravano</i>                  |
| <i>Stephanie Guidice</i>                  | <i>Ken Brijlall</i>                   |
| <i>Lori McKeever</i>                      | <i>John McPhail</i>                   |
| <i>Lynn Simonetti</i>                     | <i>Inga Regber</i>                    |
| <i>Ethan Insigne</i>                      | <i>Yvonne Trafficante</i>             |
| <i>Joan Carbaugh</i>                      | <i>Larry &amp; Louise Sturgeon</i>    |
| <i>Mary Ann Trigg</i>                     | <i>Kieran Ames</i>                    |
| <i>Carole Fasso-Borsett</i>               | <i>Filomena Recine</i>                |
| <i>Patricia &amp; Richard Kleczkowski</i> | <i>James Joseph Mangano Mistretta</i> |
| <i>Nora McMahon</i>                       | <i>Bob Setti</i>                      |
| <i>Stella Barbera</i>                     | <i>Joseph Feminella</i>               |
| <i>Joseph Crucci</i>                      | <i>Judy Laybourne</i>                 |
| <i>Rose Pentalleri</i>                    |                                       |

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

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***George Skadl***

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

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

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

Please contact Linda Arpino 631-592-1062 or Forubabe77@aol.com for information.



## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>MONDAY, May 9</b> <b>Easter Weekday</b>	
6:30	Mothers enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
12:15	Melchior, Elizabeth & Thomas Cucchiara
<b>TUESDAY, May 10—</b> <b>Easter Weekday</b> <i>(Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest)</i>	
6:30	Wanda Kaczmarek
12:15	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
<b>WEDNESDAY, May 11—</b> <b>Easter Weekday</b>	
6:30	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
12:15	Frederick Strawitch
<b>THURSDAY, May 12—</b> <b>Easter Weekday</b> <i>(Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr)</i>	
6:30	Fran & Tony Gusmano (Living)
12:15	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
<b>FRIDAY, May 13—</b> <b>Easter Weekday</b> <i>(Our Lady of Fatima)</i>	
6:30	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
12:15	George S. Walters
<b>SATURDAY, May 14—</b> <b>Saint Matthias, Apostle</b>	
8:00	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
<b>Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
5:00	Ann & Dominick DeGirolamo
<b>Sunday, May 15</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
8:00	For the People of the Parish
10:00	Mothers Enrolled in the Mother's Day Novena
12:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mothers & Guild

## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>Monday, May 9, 2022</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 23
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Business Meeting	Room 24
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
5:00 p.m.	1st Communion Rehearsal	Church
7:30 p.m.	Synod Meeting	Auditorium
<b>Tuesday, May 10, 2022</b>		
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Board Meeting	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Holy Name Society Membership Meeting	Room 24
7:15 p.m.	Adult Confirmation	St. Mark's Room
<b>Wednesday, May 11, 2022</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
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 Meeting	Auditorium
<b>Thursday, May 12, 2022</b>		
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
<b>Friday, May 13, 2022</b>		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
<b>Saturday, May 14, 2022</b>		
11:00 a.m.	First Communion	Church
11:00 a.m.	Bereavement	Room 24
1:30 p.m.	Lector and EM Meeting	Church
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
<b>Sunday, May 15, 2022</b>		
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](mailto:saitjoseph98@gmail.com).

### Preparándonos para el Domingo 8 de mayo del 2022

#### Lea en su biblia estas Escrituras y luego lea las reflexiones.

Señor, tú que en nuestra fragilidad nos ayudas con medios abundantes, concédenos recibir con alegría la salvación que nos otorgas y manifestarla en nuestra propia vida. Por nuestro Señor.

**Yo soy el buen pastor dice el Señor; yo conozco mis ovejas y ellas reconocen mi voz**

**Primera lectura (Hechos de los Apóstoles 13:14,43-52)** La Buena Noticia de Jesús tenía que anunciarse primero a los judíos; pero no se puede restringir a un solo grupo; está destinada para todos. El conflicto de Pablo y Bernabé con los judíos da ocasión para predicar el evangelio directamente a los paganos.

**Segunda lectura (Revelación 7:9, 14b-17)** Jesús es nuestro Buen Pastor. Él nos conoce personalmente y nos conduce a la plenitud de vida, si queremos caminar con él.

#### **Lectura del Sato Evangelio según (San Juan 10:27-30)**

*En aquel tiempo, dijo Jesús: «Mis ovejas escuchan mi voz, y yo las conozco y ellas me siguen, y yo les doy la vida eterna; no perecerán para siempre y nadie las arrebatará de mi mano. Mi Padre, que me las ha dado, supera a todos y nadie puede arrebatarlas de la mano de mi Padre. Yo y el Padre somos uno».*

Hoy, la mirada de Jesús sobre los hombres es la mirada del Buen Pastor, que toma bajo su responsabilidad a las ovejas que le son confiadas y se ocupa de cada una de ellas. Entre Él y ellas crea un vínculo, un instinto de conocimiento y de fidelidad: «Escuchan mi voz, y yo las conozco y ellas me siguen» (Jn 10,27). La voz del Buen Pastor es siempre una llamada a seguirlo, a entrar en su círculo magnético de influencia.

Cristo nos ha ganado no solamente con su ejemplo y con su doctrina, sino con el precio de su Sangre. Le hemos costado mucho, y por eso no quiere que nadie de los suyos se pierda. Y, con todo, la evidencia se impone: unos siguen la llamada del Buen Pastor y otros no. El anuncio del Evangelio a unos les produce rabia y a otra alegría. ¿Qué tienen unos que no tengan los otros? San Agustín, ante el misterio abismal de la elección divina, respondía: «Dios no te deja, si tú no le dejas»; no te abandonará, si tú no le abandonas. No des, por tanto, la culpa a Dios, ni a la Iglesia, ni a los otros, porque el problema de tu fidelidad es tuyo. Dios no niega a nadie su gracia, y ésta es nuestra fuerza: agarrarnos fuerte a la gracia de Dios.

La fe entra por el oído, por la audición de la Palabra del Señor, y el peligro más grande que tenemos es la sordera, no oír la voz del Buen Pastor, porque tenemos la cabeza llena de ruidos. o lo que todavía es más grave, «hacerse el sordo», saber que Dios te llama y no darse por aludido. Aquel que se cierra a la llamada de Dios conscientemente, reiteradamente, pierde la sintonía con Jesús y perderá la alegría de ser cristiano para ir a pastar a otras pasturas que no sacian ni dan la vida eterna. Sin embargo, Él es el único que ha podido decir: «Yo les doy la vida eterna» (Jn 10,28).





*A Message from Msgr. Joe concerning Faith Direct*

You may be aware we have had a way of supporting our parish through “eGiving” called Faith Direct. Nearly 150 registered parishioner families at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church use Faith Direct. I count myself among them, and I hope you will join us today.

To those of you who are using the Faith Direct service to make your generous donations to our parish: thank you! Your support has made this program a cost-effective, efficient and secure way for our parish to receive your gifts.

The Faith Direct program gives you:

- A convenient and consistent way to support Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church by electing to use direct debit from your bank or credit card account.
- The opportunity to support our parish even if you are absent from Mass for travel or illness.

A solution to a situation I know many families face on their way to Mass: *Where did I put my envelopes?!*

How does it work?

- You can visit **faith.direct/NY286** and enroll securely online or text “**Enroll**” to **631-201-5664**
- For those of you who would not be comfortable going online, you can still enroll in this program by calling their Customer Service Team at 866-507-8757. You do not need a computer to give electronically!
- You can elect to have your specified bank or credit card account debited on the 4th & 15th of the month for both offertory and any second collections you support. Parishioners can elect to receive “offertory cards” in lieu of envelopes to be placed in the collection basket.

*A few other considerations:*

As a parish, we can collectively go “green” by eliminating the many wasteful envelopes that go unused.

- There is no charge to parishioners for enrolling. In fact, every family signing up with Faith Direct means one less package of envelopes to print and mail out — and that will mean savings for our parish family, which we can use to further expand our ministries throughout our community.

- We consider Faith Direct to be a “win-win” program for both parishioners and our parish. I strongly encourage you to enroll in this program today. I have complete confidence in this program’s security. I am grateful for your financial and prayerful support of our parish.

**OFFERING UPDATE  
April 30/May 1**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	356	110	\$3,008.00
8:00 a.m.	210	84	3,925.00
10:00 a.m.	374	83	2,814.00
12:00 a.m.	325	68	2,230.00
<b>Total coin:</b>			<b>5.32</b>
<b>Faith Direct</b>			<b>3,255.00</b>
<b>Children's Env.</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>22.25</b>
<b>Mail-ins:</b>			<b>1,868.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>\$17,127.57</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>995</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>\$17,833.12</b>
<b>Candles</b>			<b>\$830.35</b>
<b>Poor Box</b>			<b>\$308.97</b>

*Easter Sunday collection and Easter Flower totals will be printed at a later date. Thank you for your understanding.*

**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](mailto:cbecker@oloph.org) no later than the dates listed below. *Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.*

- May 15—deadline passed
- May 22—May 13 deadline
- May 29—May 20 deadline

**DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS**

The “Moving On” Group, an ‘After- Bereavement’ group for Widows and Widowers presents: “**Change Your Thinking/Change Your Life**” Conducted by: **Glenn Poveromo**, Friday, **May 13, 2022** at 7:30 p.m. at Church of St. Joseph Parish Center, 39 North Carl Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702, 631-669-0068. For further information please call Linda Sparaco, Facilitator, at 631-225-9530, Joyce Gangone, Co – Facilitator, at 631-513-7889.

**Fatima Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island**, 258 Eastport Manor Rd., Manorville, NY. Friday, **May 13** starting at 10:30 a.m. Beginning with the arrival and enthronement of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, Rosary, Mass followed by procession, afternoon conference and ending with the chanting of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The **Sisters of St. Dominic** located in Amityville, New York are *seeking a Chief Financial Officer*. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is responsible for the fiscal integrity of the financial resources of the congregation. The CFO implements and evaluates effective systems of sound financial management and business administration for the Amityville Dominican Sisters. She/he oversees and manages the day-to-day operations of the Finance Office. As a member of the Executive Team, the CFO along with the Executive Director of the Motherhouse and the Executive Director of Life Enrichment is responsible for the promotion of the Mission and the Well-Being of the members of the Congregation. For more information contact: Candace Campbell at [ccampbell@amityop.org](mailto:ccampbell@amityop.org). Resumes can be sent to: [cfosearchcommittee@amityop.org](mailto:cfosearchcommittee@amityop.org)

**Children's Bereavement Camp** - Good Shepherd Hospice invites you to Bob Sweeney's Camp H.O.P.E. This FREE, professionally run one day camp is for children ages 5 to 17 who have experienced the death of an immediate family member. The camp will be held on **Saturday July 16th, 2022** at beautiful Camp Alvernia, Centerport, NY. Call for an application – (631) 828-7628

# PREPARING FOR

## Sunday, May 15, 2022

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

*Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment: love one another.  
As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."*

John 13:34

#### Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27

The first missionary journey of Paul and Barnabas (46—49 A.D.) carried them from Antioch in Syria to several cities in Asia Minor (present-day Turkey) from which they were forcefully ejected, including a second city named Antioch. They then retraced their steps through these cities to appoint leaders and to encourage the new disciples to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." When they finally returned to the Syrian Antioch from which they had initially been commissioned, they gathered the whole community together to tell of the wondrous things God had accomplished through them, opening the door of faith to the Gentiles (non-Jews). Perseverance and as well as wonder at God's works are key for us as disciples even today.

#### Revelation 21:1-5a

People of faith have the ability to see beyond what is right in front of them. Persevering through difficult times is worth the glory that awaits us as God creates something new. The old ways will pass away and all will be as new and as beautiful as a bride on her wedding day. There will be no more tears, death or mourning. How wondrous it will be for us on that day when we hear God say, "Behold, I make all things new."

#### John 13:31-33a, 34-35

We hear Jesus speak at the Last Supper of his coming glorification, a truly wondrous work indeed, especially as it comes at the cost of the Crucifixion. And in the next breath Jesus tells us that we must love one another as he has done if we are to be known as his disciples. By imitating his love for us with each other, we can share in his coming glory when all things are made new.

#### 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. Did Jesus give us edicts, rubrics and canons? What one rule did he give us over and over? What teaching of the Church do you think will bring all people to Christ? Do you recognize saintly people by how hard they work and the money and time they give—or by how much they love others? Or both? Does God love the world through us if we let it happen?

2. "As I have loved you, so should you love one another." According to Pope Francis, how does Jesus' love within us help us with our barriers of loving each other.

*"We all have people—whether 'enemies' I do not know—but who do not get along with us, who are on "the other side"; or some have people who have hurt them. ... Am I capable of loving those people, that man, that woman who hurt me, who offended me? Am I capable of forgiving them? Each of you can respond in your heart. Jesus' love shows us the other as a present or future member of the community of Jesus' friends. It spurs us to dialogue and helps us to listen to one another and to mutually get to know each other.*

*Love opens up toward the other, becoming the foundation of human relationships. It renders us capable of overcoming the barriers of our own weaknesses and prejudices. Jesus' love within us creates bridges, teaches new paths, triggers the dynamism of fraternity."*

*God's love knows no limits  
Angelus, May 20, 2019*

## Readings for the Week

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

#### Monday, May 9, 2022:

Acts 11:1-18 + John 10:1-10

#### Tuesday, May 10, 2022:

Acts 11:19-26 + John 10:22-30

#### Wednesday, May 11, 2022:

Acts 12:24—13:5a + John 12:44-50

#### Thursday, May 12, 2022:

Acts 13:13-25 + John 13:16-20

#### Friday, May 13, 2022:

Acts 13:26-33 + John 14:1-6

#### Saturday, May 14, 2022:

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26  
+ John 15:9-17

#### Sunday, May 15, 2022:

Acts 14:21-27  
+ Revelations 21:1-5a  
+ John 13:31-33a, 34-35

# SUPER 72



1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$1,000

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$250

3-6<sup>th</sup> Prizes: \$100



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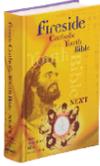


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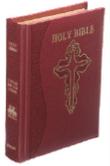


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