

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*John said,  
“Behold, one is coming after me;  
I am not worthy to unfasten  
the sandals of his feet.”*

Acts 13:25

## THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 24, 2018

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

**Parochial Vicars:** Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero

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

**Business Manager:** Mr. Frank Pokorney

**Director of Faith Formation:** Mrs. April Kleinlaut

**Music Director:** Mr. Christopher Ferraro

**Pastor Emeritus:** Reverend Monsignor Daniel S. Hamilton

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

### COME IN AND PRAY...

Our church is open **6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.** seven days a week, except for Thursdays when it closes after the 12:15 p.m. Mass for cleaning. Come in and spend some time in prayer.

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday – Friday**

6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

**Saturday Morning:**

8:00 a.m.

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):**

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Masses:**

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

12:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

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

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

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

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

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

### OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

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

### ADORATION OF THE

### BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday Evening: after OLPH Novena Devotions

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

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

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

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**OUR NEW OLPH APP**

# Catholic Life Every Day

with the Our Lady of Perpetual Help App

**Step 1:** Open App Store or Google Play

**Step 2:** Search "myParish app" & press download



**Step 3:** Open up the myParish app and type in "Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church"

**Step 4:** Set OLPH as your main parish

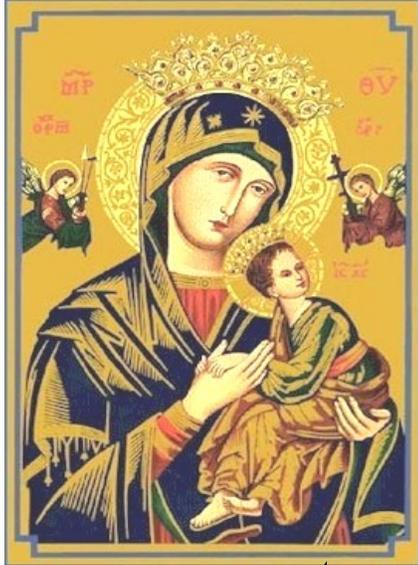
**Step 5:** Explore the great features in our new parish app!



### myParish App Features:

- Access to daily readings
- Check Mass & Confession times
- Enroll in Faith Direct
- Access prayers
- Listen to weekly homilies
- Access the parish calendar
- Read our bulletin
- & more!

# PATRONAL FEAST



## THE PATRONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Celebrated

### THIS SATURDAY

### JUNE 30, 2018

### 5:00 p.m. MASS

then the

### “PASSPORT TO THE PARISH” PARTY

immediately following Mass



Come and celebrate our Patronal Feast  
and build up our oneness as a community  
of disciples!

Let's give praise and thanks to God  
for the gift of OLPH as “the place to be”  
as we celebrate Eucharist together!

Face  
Painting

Music

Food

drinks

Fun booths

DJ

Raffles

Immediately following the Mass  
we'll have a great celebration we're calling the  
“PASSPORT TO THE PARISH” PARTY!!!

It's a combination Mini-Feast and Ministry Fair  
celebrating the life of OLPH!

Fun and activities for everyone of all ages!

Mass...then party...

Don't miss out on any of it!

We'll see you there!  
Live Bands

## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*

This weekend the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, June 24. The liturgical rank of this Solemnity is of such importance that when it falls on a Sunday in Ordinary Time, as it does this year, it replaces the Ordinary Time Sunday.

John the Baptist was the great prophet and herald of Jesus the Messiah. He prepared the way of the Lord and revealed Jesus to others as both the Messiah and the Lamb of God (think of one of the texts we use in the Mass, during the Communion Rite: "Behold the Lamb of God..."). St. John exemplifies the Christian life as one who proclaims the Gospel message of healing and repentance while he points out Christ to others and shows them the way to become united with God.

This Solemnity is an ancient one, dating back to the fourth century, although the actual date of the celebration varied in the East and the West. In the East, John's birth was celebrated on January 7, the day after Epiphany, because of the association of that feast with the Baptism of the Lord. In the West (our tradition), it was celebrated on June 24, in keeping with Luke 1:36, which notes that Elizabeth was six months pregnant at the time of the Annunciation of the Lord.

Interestingly, there are two sets of Mass formularies given for this Solemnity, "At the Vigil Mass" and "At the Mass during the Day." So, if you went to the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 23, you heard one set of Scripture readings and Mass prayers, and if you went to Mass on Sunday, you heard a different set. Both sets of Mass prayers deepen our understanding of John the Baptist's role in salvation history and provide spiritual food for thought for our own prayer.

The Collect (Opening Prayer) at the Saturday night Mass uses the interesting appellation "the Precursor" to refer to St. John, a title which might be somewhat unfamiliar to us, but one which certainly defines his role in salvation history. This prayer goes on to ask that we may come safely to the One foretold by John.

Also on Saturday night, the Prayer over the Offerings makes a connection between liturgy and life, petitioning God *"that what we celebrate in mystery / we may follow with deeds of devoted service."*

The Prayer after Communion for the Vigil

emphasizes the Communion of Saints as it asks that *"the prayer of St. John the Baptist / accompany us who have eaten our fill / at this sacrificial banquet."* There is also a plea for forgiveness through the intercession of the saint: since he was the one to proclaim Jesus as the Lamb who would take away our sins, we ask that *"he implore now for us your favor."*

At the Mass during the Day (Sunday's Masses), the Collect (Opening Prayer) speaks about the preparatory role of the Baptist as one who was raised up *"to make ready a nation fit for Christ the Lord."* This prayer prays that we may be directed *"into the way of salvation and peace."*

The Prayer over the Offerings during this Mass expresses why it is fitting to celebrate the nativity of St. John: it is because he *"both foretold the coming of the world's Savior / and pointed him out when he came."*

This Mass's Prayer after Communion uses the imagery of the Lamb so closely associated with John the Baptist's announcement of Jesus (see my earlier comment), and in so doing this prayer gives voice to a rich Eucharistic theology with its phrase, *"Having feasted at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb..."* The image of Jesus as the Lamb of God shines brightly behind these thoughts.

Finally, the Preface (beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer) for this Solemnity, used at both the Vigil and the Day Masses, recalls the events associated with St. John the Baptist's life and echo the Scripture passages associated with him: how was consecrated *"for a singular honor among those born of women;"* how *"his birth brought great rejoicing;"* how *"he alone of all the prophets pointed out the Lamb of redemption;"* how *"he baptized the very author of Baptism;"* and how he gave witness to Christ by the shedding of his blood.

What rich and varied themes for us to reflect on as we celebrate this important saint! St. John the Baptist, pray for us!

### *Altar Server Party*

This Monday we'll be having our annual Altar Server Party, to say thank you to all our great young people who serve as altar servers (sorry, newbies—this is only for those who have been serving over the past year, not for those who have just begun this month; you'll be included next year!). We're trying something a little

different this year; we're doing a bowling party at AMF Bowling in West Babylon. In addition to being a way of showing appreciation to the servers for their service, this occasion also provides an opportunity for the servers to spend a little fun time together with each other and with me.

I continue to be extremely grateful to and proud of all our altar servers, and we should thank their parents who make the commitment to altar serving such a priority in the life of their family. Hey, moms and dads, grandmas and grandpas: we'll be recruiting new altar servers next year (fourth grade and up), so why not begin planting the seeds now to have your child become an altar server? It's a great way for young people to be closely connected to the life of the parish in the best way possible — through our worship!

### *Patronal Feast Mass and "Passport to the Parish" Party*

It's coming **THIS SATURDAY**: this year's celebration of our Patronal Feast! Come to the 5:00 p.m. Mass this Saturday, June 30, and then be sure to stay for the "Passport to the Parish" Party, showcasing many of the groups and ministries in our parish and providing fun activities for everyone of all ages. I know it will be a great, great time! Thanks to all of our parishioners who are working so hard on this to make it a success.

Reminder: parking might be a little tricky next weekend because the south parking lot on the corner of High and East Gates will be used for the party and won't be available for parking that day. Please plan accordingly, and I thank you in advance for your patience, understanding and good humor with this inconvenience.

### *Summer Appeal*

**SUMMER APPEAL** letters have gone out, and I respectfully and humbly ask that everyone participate by making your contribution, hopefully by offering the requested amount, \$120, if not more, although whatever you can give will be gratefully appreciated. **If necessary, you can feel free to send the full amount in installments over the summer; just be sure your payment(s) is/are clearly marked "2018 Summer Appeal."** In fact, that's a good thing to remember in general if you want to be sure your offering is credited to your records: **be sure that your payment(s) is/are clearly marked "2018**

### **Summer Appeal" with your name and parishioner number or other identifying characteristic on it.**

As you know, every dollar of the **SUMMER APPEAL** stays right here in the parish, unlike with bazaars and other events where fees must be paid to vendors. We need to do this because, quite frankly, our weekly collections are not keeping up with our weekly expenses. Cash flow is very difficult. I recognize — and deeply, deeply appreciate — that many of you already give to OLPH on a regular basis all year long and that you support other parish appeals. However, this **SUMMER APPEAL** continues to be necessary for our ongoing financial health, and so I do not hesitate to beg for your generosity. **THANK YOU** to all who have supported the **SUMMER APPEAL** in prior years and to those who will do so again this year.

### *Six years as your Pastor!*

This week, June 27, marks six (6) years since my arrival as your Pastor (coincidentally, a Wednesday this year too, as it was back in 2012—and I remember the day like it was yesterday!). As the saying goes, "a lot of water has passed under the bridge," and, while the time has gone quickly, it's also true that it has been a good chunk of time! Over the past six years, we as a parish have seen both highs and lows, many successes and some "not-so-successes," but through it all there has been what I consider to be the one most important constant factor of all: the grace of God which has sustained us and strengthened us, primarily through our celebration of the Eucharist, to live out the mission entrusted to us as a parish community. I think we have accomplished a great deal together, although there is always more to do.

I continue to consider being able to be your Pastor as a tremendous gift given to me by the Bishop and by all of you — your openness, your care, your concern, your love, your support, your faith witness, your generous hearts and your dedication to OLPH are nothing short of awe-inspiring. This six-year anniversary completes my first official term at OLPH and, as was announced several months ago, I was given the privilege from Bishop Barres of being assigned for another six-year term. I was, and still am, thrilled about that and I look forward to the next six years with tremendous enthusiasm and optimism. I think in many ways the best is yet to

come!

### ***Pope Francis' Catecheses on the Holy Mass***

We continue with our series presenting Pope Francis' catecheses on the meaning of Mass, given at his Wednesday audiences. Since Mass is so central to our life as Catholics, we can never learn enough about it. Today we begin the Holy Father's remarks given at his audience of Wednesday, March 14, 2018 when he began teaching about the section of the Mass which is the Communion Rite. As always, I present the Holy Father's words *verbatim*.

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Let us continue with the catechesis on the Holy Mass. At the Last Supper, after Jesus took the bread and the cup of wine, and gave thanks to God, we know that "he broke the bread." In the Eucharistic Liturgy of the Mass, this action corresponds to the Fraction of Bread, preceded by the prayer that the Lord taught us, that is, by the Our Father.

Thus begins the Communion Rite, continuing the praise and petition of the Eucharistic Prayer with the community's recitation of the Our Father. This is not one of many Christian prayers, but the prayer of the children of God: it is the great prayer that Jesus taught us. Indeed, consigned to us on the day of our Baptism, the Our Father makes resonate within us those same sentiments that Christ Jesus bore within. When we pray the Our Father, we pray as Jesus prayed. It is the prayer that Jesus prayed, and he taught it to us, when the disciples said to him, "Master, teach us to pray as you pray!" And this is how Jesus prayed. It is so beautiful to pray like Jesus! Formed by his divine

teaching, we dare to turn to God, calling him "Father," because we are reborn as his children through water and the Holy Spirit. No one, truly, could call him "*Abba*" — "Father" — in a familiar way without having been created by God, without the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, as Saint Paul teaches. We must consider: no one can call him "Father" without the inspiration of the Spirit. How often there are people who say "Our Father" but do not know what they are saying. Because yes, he is the Father, but when you say "Father," do you feel that he is Father, your Father, the Father of mankind, the Father of Jesus Christ? Do you have a relationship with this Father? When we pray the Our Father, we connect with the Father who loves us, but it is the Spirit who gives us this connection, this feeling of being God's children.

What better prayer than the one taught by Jesus could prepare us for sacramental Communion with him? Apart from in the Mass, the Our Father is prayed in the morning and at night, in the Praises and in Vespers; in this way, the filial attitude toward God and that of fraternity with our neighbor help give Christian form to our days.

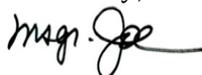
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### ***In conclusion...***

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,



### **MASS INTENTIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THE 4:00 p.m. SPECIAL NEEDS MASS ONCE A MONTH**

Please keep in mind that we accept offerings for Mass intentions for the Special Needs Mass which is held each first Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Auditorium. If you are looking to book a Mass intention and to have your intention announced in the Universal Prayer at Mass, this Mass presents another great opportunity.

### **The Way You Are Dressed DOES Matter!**

Please dress appropriately for Mass during the summer months. Attire that is meant for the beach, barbecues, boat or athletic field is inappropriate for Mass and is disrespectful to the Lord as we offer ourselves to Him through the sacred actions in which we are engaged. It is also disrespectful to one's brothers and sisters in the community. Your cooperation in continuing to dress up and dress appropriately for Mass during the summer weather is appreciated.

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

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



Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Following the Novena prayers, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place. The evening concludes with veneration of a relic of St. Catherine Laboure. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

**Monday, June 25—7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, July 2—No Devotions  
Summer Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, July 9—7:00 p.m.**

### **Evening Prayer**



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

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

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

**-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1175**

### **Prayer for Peace**

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

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



## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS STARTS TOMORROW!**

## **Foundations of Liturgy and the Liturgical Year**

Presenter: **Chris Ferraro**

**Monday, June 25 to Thursday, June 28**

**12:30 to 3:00 p.m.**

**OLPH School, Room 3**

**Fee: \$55** (*\$20 for class, \$35 for book*)

checks made payable to **"OLPH"**

Please register asap by emailing [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org)

or by calling (631) 226-7725 ext. 210.



## **SUMMER EVENING PRAYER**



## **Summer Evening Prayer**

**Monday, July 2**

**7:30 p.m.**

**On the Rectory Lawn**

**Preacher: Rev. John Sureau**

**Pastor of St. John The Evangelist R. C. Church,  
Center Moriches, NY**



*All are invited to please bring something yummy for our dessert table!*

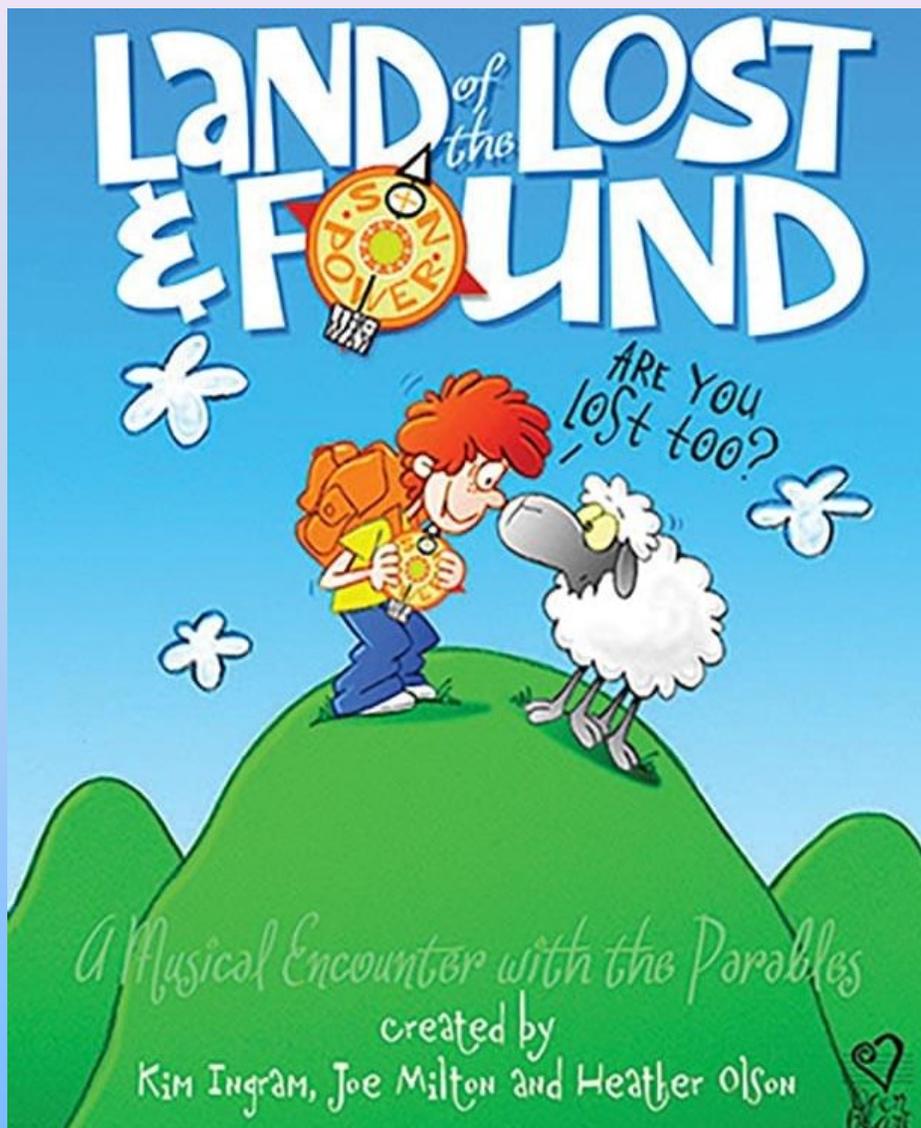
*Keep these dates free*

**Tuesday, July 24 Evening Prayer - 7:30 p.m.**

**Mr. Vincent Whitfield, Guest Preacher**

**Monday, August 13 - 6:00 p.m. Barbecue,  
7:00 p.m. Summer Musical followed by dessert**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Music Ministry Presents  
A Summer Musical Experience For Children and Teens



**Open to all students entering grades 3 through 12**

**Directed by Mrs. Amy Keller**

**Rehearsals: Monday, August 6 to Friday, August 10, 2018**

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Dress Rehearsal: Monday, August 13 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Performance: Monday, August 13 at 7:00 p.m.**

Participation fee of \$50 per child if you register by July 1,

\$70 per child if you register after July 1.

Register online at [www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)

For more information email [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org)

or call (631) 226-7725 ext. 210



**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**

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 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 (akleinlaut@oloph.org)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
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 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Saturday: CLOSED

**LATE REGISTRATION NOW IN EFFECT FOR 2018/19!**

Letters were mailed to all families with students in our program with details about re-registration. An email reminder was also sent.

**As of June 15th, there IS NOW a \$25 late fee for ALL registrations.**

We continue to encourage all families with students who have not yet begun religious education, who will be beginning 1st grade (or older), 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 emailing us.**



**INTERESTED IN OFFERING YOUR TIME AS A CATECHIST OR  
 HALL MONITOR? WE NEED YOU!**

Our program relies on the generous time and talent offered by our dedicated teachers and hall monitors. At this time, we are in need of the following:

**Levels 4 & 5 teachers, Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.**

**Hall Monitors, Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.**

**Level 7 teacher, Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Assistants/Hall Monitors for other times always welcome!

Training is provided! Please call us for any questions or stop by our office!

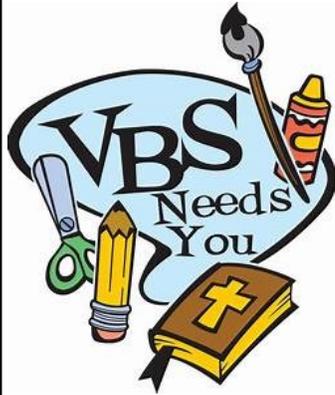


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## VACATION BIBLE CAMP JULY 16 - JULY 20



# Vacation Bible Camp Needs Adult Counselors

Please consider being a part of our Crew Team this year!

*All Counselors over 18 must be Virtus Trained.*

Please call or email April Kleinlaut

if you are interested in helping out this year!

(631) 226-7725 ext. 257 or [akleinlaut@oloph.org](mailto:akleinlaut@oloph.org)

### Bible Camp Registration Deadline

The deadline to sign up for Bible Camp and Service Camp is

**Sunday June 24, 2018.**

You can come by the rectory for the registration forms.

**Join us after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on June 24<sup>th</sup> to register for camp.**

We will also collect any donations you can give after Mass. Thank You!

## Supplies Needed for Bible Camp 2018

### Bible Discovery (Bible Stories)

Plastic coins (6-12)  
Plastic fruit – assorted, several  
Plastic loaf of bread (1)  
Yellow Play-Doh/ clay (*several cans/ bricks*)  
Rolling pins (3-4)  
Brooms (4-5)  
Small popcorn boxes (*theater type*) (30)  
Small bottled water (30)  
Roman soldier costume – *breastplate, helmet, etc.*  
Plastic greenery  
Plastic swords (2)  
Large black bedsheet/ cloth

### Arts and Crafts

Shells  
Clean, Empty Gatorade Bottles (*with Lids*)  
White Play Sand

### Middle School Camp

Christmas Cards (*Unused Blank*)  
Bags of Plain White Rice (*not Minute Rice*)  
Bags of Uncooked Kidney Beans  
Gallon—Sized Ziplock Bags  
Blue Tarps  
Plastic Gloves  
Washcloths  
Travel Size Packs of Tissues  
Small Combs  
Travel Size Toothpaste

### Snacks

Pop Tarts  
Pretzels  
Goldfish  
Cheese-Its  
Juice Boxes  
8oz Water Bottles

### Decorating

Old trunks  
Old fashioned suitcases

Carpet tubes  
Large roll of brown craft paper  
Twine  
Life preservers or Styrofoam wreaths  
Fishing nets  
Apple baskets  
Green pool noodles  
Bag of flour  
Grass skirts  
Rope  
Boxes (*moving boxes and/or appliance boxes that can be taped closed*)  
Paint: Grey (*different shades including several cans of grey spray paint*)  
Paint rollers/paint pans/ drop cloths  
Lanterns  
Wrapping paper tubes  
Blue craft paper  
Round laundry basket (*plastic—cannot be returned*)

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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

## NEW Food Pantry List!

- CEREAL\***
- SOUP WITH MEAT\***
- CANNED TUNA**
- CANNED MEATS**
- PORK & BEANS**
- CANNED FRUIT**
- FRUIT JUICE**
- COFFEE**
- SHELF STABLE MILK\***
- SHAMPOO/CONDITIONER**

*\*these items most needed*

**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 the Gospel today, we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist and everyone pondered the question: “What, then, will this child be? For surely the hand of the Lord was with him.”

**This month, “the hand of the Lord has been acting through you” as your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought his love and care to 138 people in 84 households: 25 children, 95 adults and 18 seniors. Thank You!**

## Charity Raffle



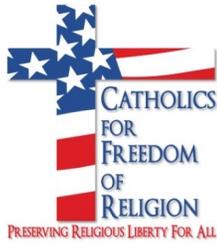
## EACH TICKET HAS 3 CHANCES TO WIN!!!

Please be sure to stop by the *St. Vincent de Paul* table during the Parish Ministries Fair on June 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be selling raffle tickets with **3 FIRST PRIZES!!!** Each prize is a **LOTTERY SCRATCH-OFF TICKET BOARD** with \$100 worth of tickets! Raffle tickets will be \$1 each, 6 tickets for \$5. All proceeds will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help the needy in our Parish. And with 3 chances to win for each raffle ticket.....who knows?

And to “double down” charity-wise, please remember to bring a non-perishable food item to the Fair to help fill our pantry shelves.



# CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION



## FOCUS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

### David vs Goliath: A Modern Tale of Courage, Conscience & Conviction

**The Little Sisters of the Poor**, a Catholic religious order dedicated to living with and caring for the elderly poor, filed a lawsuit in 2013 asking the courts to protect them from being forced to comply with the Health & Human Services (HHS) abortion mandate that compelled religious groups to give their employees free access to contraception and abortion-inducing drugs. Without relief, the Little Sisters faced millions of dollars in IRS fines.

**The case came before the U.S. Supreme Court in 2016**, and they unanimously ruled to protect the Little Sisters. "This is a game-changer," said The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty. "The Court has accepted the government's concession that it can get drugs to people without using the Little Sisters (;) has eliminated all the bad decisions of the lower courts (;) has forbidden the government from fining the Little Sisters ..." The Supreme Court then sent the case back down to the lower courts and asked the government and nonprofits to reach a new settlement.

**The nuns still need permanent court protection to finally end this lawsuit.**

**The latest threat has come from the attorneys general of California, Pennsylvania** and 4 other states who, in 2017, filed suit against the federal government over the broader exemptions to the HHS mandate that benefit the Little Sisters and other nonprofits.

**"The Little Sisters will tell the judges** in these new cases what they have successfully told the Supreme Court time and again: that governments do not need nuns to give out contraceptives, that our big country has room enough and space enough for diversity of ideas," stated The Beckett Fund. ([littlesistersofthepoor.org](http://littlesistersofthepoor.org); [becketlaw.org](http://becketlaw.org); [christianpost.com](http://christianpost.com), 11/22/17; [townhall.com](http://townhall.com), 11/21/17)

**Sister Constance Viet, Communications Director for Little Sisters of the Poor, will speak to us about the Supreme Court case at the Rally for Religious Freedom on June 30.**

**!!!! Save the Date !!!!**

**Saturday, June 30, 10:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon, Rally for Religious Freedom**, St. John the Baptist HS, Montauk Hwy, West Islip. *Public Witness Rosary @10:00 a.m., Rally@ 10:30 a.m.*; Keynote Speakers: Fr. Eric Fasano, Co-Chancellor of DRVC, Sr. Constance Viet, Communications Director, Little Sisters of the Poor; Video Messages - Bishop Barres and Cardinal Dolan

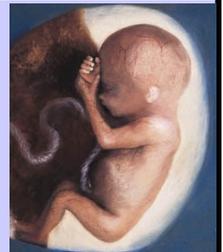
## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

### MONTH 3—"I can suck my thumb!"

Your baby is quite active in the womb now - - although her mother won't feel her for another couple of months.

If her mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move

her tongue. She can make a tight fist if you touch her palm. She is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although she obtains the oxygen her body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce.



## THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU...

OLPH is "the place to be" because our parishioners are the most caring, generous and loving parishioners ever - anywhere.

May brought Mother's Day and the carnation (and plant - due to the generosity of the Middle Ages Ministry) sale.....Because of you - we were able to donate **\$1,170.80** to *Birthright*.

June brought Father's Day and our first Candy Sale. Thank you for our Middle Ages Ministry who put the Father's Day wrapper on the candy. You were all SUPER-fantastic.....we were "wiped out" of candy during the noon Mass!! This happened even though many parishioners donated money and refused to take any candy! Because of your generosity, we've raised **\$943.44** toward the bus to Washington DC in January "*March for Life*."

## "PASSPORT TO THE PARISH"

### A NOTE CONCERNING PARKING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 30

Please note that due to the "Passport to the Parish" Party which will be taking place on **Saturday, June 30** following the 5:00 p.m. Mass, the south parking lot (corner of High Street and East Gates Avenue) will be unavailable for parking all day. Please plan accordingly. We apologize for any inconvenience.

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@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 [rabecker@optimum.net](mailto:rabecker@optimum.net).

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Eileen Corticchia  
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
 Jeffrey Gaab  
 Gregory Guido  
 Sonia Hansen  
 Joselyn Kalt  
 Mary Leon  
 Melissa McLaughlin  
 Kevin Sabella, Jr.  
 Kevin Sabella, Sr.  
 James Totino  
 Adele Venezia

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille  
 John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
 Bill Bendernagel  
 Gerry Chille (Chair)  
 Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®  
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
 Bob Meade  
 Frank Pokorney  
 John Reynolds  
 Sandra Tandoi

*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  
 Lynn Bergin  
 Mark Costantino  
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
 Chris Ferraro  
 MaryAnn Haas  
 Jenine Jimenez-Spina  
 Barbara McPhail  
 Deacon Doug Smith  
 Rosaleen Walters  
 Mike Williams

*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.*

### Third Announcement:

*Joseph Berdini & Heather Jensen  
James Klepper & Rosa Irma Gonzalez  
Peter Lutz & Maria Bovenzi  
Robert Mancusi & Christine Jochade  
John Zoccali & Geraldine Doherty*

### First Announcement:

*Daniel Giametta & Nicole Giovanniello  
William McGrath & Erica Menjivar*

## **WE BELIEVE**

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Stephen Strigaro</i>	<i>Michael Marchetti</i>
<i>Thomas Curtin, Sr.</i>	<i>Andrew Donovan</i>
<i>Anthony Peralta</i>	<i>Kathy Stanton</i>
<i>Mary Doran</i>	<i>Erin Stanton</i>
<i>Maryann Cesare</i>	<i>Aurora Ruiz</i>
<i>Danielle Murphy</i>	<i>Ronald Taffner</i>
<i>Loretto Dinardo</i>	<i>Jillian Egan</i>
<i>Dale Coolbaugh</i>	<i>Giuseppe Pecoraro</i>
<i>Jerry Roldan</i>	<i>Otto Keller</i>
<i>Nettie Deasy</i>	<i>Theresa Gloria Madonia</i>

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



## **TO OUR NEW OLPH PARISHIONERS**

**June 2018**

*Rosanna and Josephine Vacca  
Joe Freely  
Charles and Anthony Link  
Jacob, Kara and Rayne Boulay*

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Jeannette Bowman  
Diana DeStasio***

*“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.”*

## **MASS MEMORIALS**

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

**June 24-30:**

***Altar Bread & Wine***

*In Memory of*

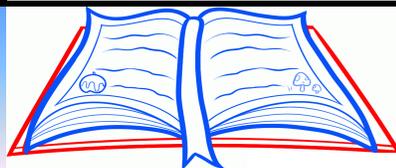
***Donald J. Doyle***

*Requested by*

***Vera Treanor***

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

## **2019 MASS BOOK**



**The 2019 MASS BOOK  
IS NOW OPEN!**  
*Limit of 3 Masses per person per day.*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, June 25—

WEEKDAY

*(Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time)*

6:30 Fathers Enrolled in the Father's Day Novena

12:15 Rita Bannon

### TUESDAY, June 26—

WEEKDAY

6:30 Courtney Hopkins

12:15 Concetta Taiano

### WEDNESDAY, June 27—

WEEKDAY

*(Saint Cyril of Alexandria,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church)*

6:30 Nicky Sabella

12:15 Marie V. Novak

### THURSDAY, June 28—

SAINT IRENAEUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

6:30 Joseph Aliano

12:15 Millie Criscuolo

### FRIDAY, June 29—

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

6:30 Courtney Hopkins

12:15 Robert Thompson

### SATURDAY, June 30—

WEEKDAY

*(The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church)*

8:00 William J. Biscardi, Jr.

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):  
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 Vincent Ingino

**Sunday, July 1  
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 Benjamin Greene

10:00 Jane Doyle-Gustafson

12:00 For the People of the Parish

5:00 Salvatrice Costanza

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Monday, June 25, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
12:30 p.m.	Foundations of Liturgy Class	Room 18
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Business	Room 24
3:30 p.m.	Music Ministry	Church
7:00 p.m.	Devotions	Church

### Tuesday, June 26, 2018

12:30 p.m.	Foundations of Liturgy Class	Room 18
3:30 p.m.	Music Ministry	Church
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise	Room 16
8:00 p.m.	K of C New Squires	Room 19

### Wednesday, June 27, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
12:30 p.m.	Foundations of Liturgy Class	Room 18
12:30 p.m.	Music Ministry	Room 3
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
1:45 p.m.	Legion of Mary	Room 24
3:30 p.m.	Music Ministry	Church
6:00 p.m.	Van Run	Room 12
6:00 p.m.	Golf Outing Meeting	Cafeteria

### Thursday, June 28, 2018

12:30 p.m.	Foundations of Liturgy Class	Room 18
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
3:30 p.m.	Music Ministry	Church
6:30 p.m.	Virtus Training Class	Room 3
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	St. Lucy Room
7:30 p.m.	RCIA	Room 18
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

### Friday, June 29, 2018

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

### Saturday, June 30, 2018

1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
1:30 p.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	No Evening Prayer	
6:00 p.m.	Passport to the Parish Party	Grounds

### Sunday, July 1, 2018

1:45 p.m.	Wedding	Church
3:30 p.m.	Wedding	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour for Peace	Church

# 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).

### Liturgia Viva del Natividad de san Juan Bautista—Junio 24 del 2018

“No tengas miedo de hablar –dice el Señor- que yo estoy contigo para protegerte.

Mira: Yo pongo mis palabras en tu boca. Lo que yo te mande, lo dirás.”

Que el Señor hable a través de nosotros y esté siempre con ustedes. R/ Y con tu espíritu.

#### Primer lectura: Siervo del Señor (Isaías 49:1-6)

Como el Siervo de Dios en este canto del libro de Isaías, Juan Bautista es amado y querido por Dios, incluso antes de nacer. Su tarea como Siervo será conducir al pueblo hacia Dios.

#### Segunda Lectura: El Humilde Precursor (Hechos 13:22-26)

La misión de Juan era preparar los corazones de la gente para el próximo Salvador, y después esfumarse humildemente.

#### Evangelio: ¿Qué va a ser este niño? (Lucas 1:57-66.80)

Su nacimiento de padres de edad avanzada y las circunstancias maravillosas antes y después de su nacimiento hablan de Juan como de un hombre elegido por Dios para una misión muy especial.

Hoy celebramos el nacimiento de Juan el Bautista, precursor de Jesucristo.

Tal como los artistas han representado a Juan el Bautista, hay dos símbolos que lo tipifican claramente.

El primero es: la boca que grita. El Bautista es la voz del que clama en el desierto, llamando a la gente a conversión. Es una voz a la que no se le puede acallar. Increpa y reprende, tanto a los líderes religiosos como a la gente común y corriente, y les urge a cambiar sus vidas. Sin ningún miedo, se enfrenta incluso con el Rey Herodes y le conmina a acabar con su adulterio. Juan paga muy caro por ese enfrentamiento, ya que eso le va a costar su cabeza.

El segundo símbolo es el dedo, que señala al Mesías que llega. Y por esto también paga caro, ya que muchos de sus mismos discípulos le abandonan para seguir a Jesús. A pesar de todo, él sigue adelante: Aquel a quien él anuncia tiene que crecer y ser mayor; él mismo, Juan, debe menguar, ser menor.

Sí, Juan fue un gran hombre. “El mayor profeta”, dirá Jesús.

Este pasaje del evangelio forma parte de los así llamados relatos de la infancia de Jesús. De modo particular este texto sigue a la escena de la visita de María “a la casa de Zacarías” (Lc 1, 40) después de la anunciación del ángel mensajero de la nueva creación.

La anunciación de hecho inaugura gozosamente el cumplimiento de las promesas de Dios a su pueblo (Lc 1, 26-38). El gozo de los tiempos nuevos, que ha llenado a María, inunda ahora el corazón de Isabel. Ella goza por el anuncio traído por María (Lc 1, 41). María por su parte “proclama las grandezas del Señor” (Lc 1, 46) porque el Poderoso ha hecho cosas grandes en ella, como también ha obrado grandes prodigios por su pueblo necesitado de salvación.

La expresión “se cumplió el tiempo” nos recuerda que esta realidad no solamente sorprende a Isabel preñada, sino que revela también algo del proyecto de Dios. San Pablo, en efecto, dice que cuando se cumplió el tiempo, Dios mandó a su Unigénito “nacido de mujer, nacido bajo la ley para rescatar a aquéllos que estaban bajo la ley, para que recibiésemos, la adopción de hijos” de Dios (Gál 4,4)

En el evangelio Jesús habla del cumplimiento de los tiempos, especialmente en evangelio el de Juan. Dos de estos momentos son las bodas de Caná (Jn 2,1-12) y la agonía en la cruz, donde Jesús proclama que “todo está cumplido” (Jn 19,30). En el cumplimiento de los tiempos Jesús inaugura una era de salvación. El nacimiento de Juan Bautista estrena este tiempo de salvación. Él, de hecho a la llegada del Mesías, se alegra y salta de gozo en el vientre de Isabel su madre (Lc 1,44). Más tarde él se definirá a sí mismo como el amigo del esposo (Jesús), que se alegra y goza con la llegada de las bodas con su esposa, la Iglesia (Jn 3,29).

El hijo no se llamará como su padre Zacarías, sino Juan. Zacarías nos recuerda que Dios no olvida a su pueblo. Su nombre en efecto significa “Dios recuerda”. Su hijo, ahora no podrá ser llamado “Dios recuerda”, porque las promesas de Dios se están cumpliendo. La misión profética de Juan debe indicar la misericordia de Dios. Él, por tanto, se llamará Juan, o sea, “Dios es misericordia”. Esta misericordia se

La próxima semana realizaremos la *Colecta Peter's Pence*, la cual le proporciona al papa Francisco los fondos que él necesita para llevar a cabo sus obras de caridad alrededor del mundo. Lo recaudado beneficia a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que viven al margen de la sociedad, incluyendo a las víctimas de guerra, opresión y desastres. Por favor, sean generosos. Visiten [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

**OFFERING UPDATE  
June 16/17**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	334	160	\$4,003.00
8:00 a.m.	325	132	3,344.00
10:00 a.m.	410	111	2,968.00
12:00 p.m.	360	104	2,590.00
5:00 p.m.	139	24	1,600.00
<b>Total coin:</b>			11.63
<b>Mail-ins:</b>			50.00
<b>Children's</b>		14	37.50
<b>Faith Direct</b>			2,321.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>\$16,925.88</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>\$17,517.64</b>
<b>Candles</b>			<b>\$1,212.46</b>
<b>Poor Box</b>			<b>\$389.05</b>

**SUPER 72 RAFFLE**

**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO OUR JUNE WINNERS**

- \$1000** - Helena Kissane
- \$250** - James Fitzgerald
- \$100** - Julie & Robert Newberry
- \$100** - Tom Duffy
- \$100** - George Crisostomo
- \$100** - John Zanfardino

**DEADLINES FOR  
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

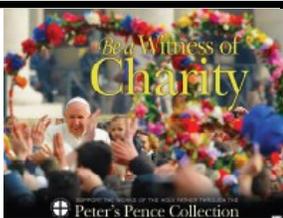
All requests for items printed in the bulletin must first have approval from Msgr. DeGrocco or the ministry moderator. *All material must be submitted* no later than the dates listed below and *as a Word document* to Carmel Becker at [cbecker@oloph.org](mailto:cbecker@oloph.org). *Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.*

- July 1 — passed
- July 8—June 29
- July 15—July 6



*Have you returned your Summer Appeal envelope yet? Thank you for your generosity!*

Next week, **June 30/ July 1**, we will take the *Peter's Pence Collection*, which provides Pope Francis with the funds



he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

**VIRTUS TRAINING**

**VIRTUS TRAINING**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**  
**6:30 p.m. in ROOM 1**

**TRAINING IS *REQUIRED* FOR *ALL* PARISH OFFERERS IN ALL MINISTRIES.**

*Registration MUST be done online.*

Simply go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org), then Protecting God's Children to the Virtus training schedule.

Find the date and OLPH to register.



## PREPARING FOR Sunday, July 1, 2018 THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jesus said to the woman, "Daughter, your faith has saved you.  
Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."*

Mark 5:34

### Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

While the identity of the author of the Book of Wisdom and the exact time of its writing continue to be debated, its message is clear: that it is sin which both separates mankind from God and has robbed us of our intended immortality—having been created in the image and likeness of the Eternal God. Those who are wise will persevere in righteousness, even as the wicked seem to prosper and oppress them. Like righteousness itself, which is "undying," the righteous will be rewarded with immortality, while the wicked, who by their works "invite death," will perish.

### 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Paul exhorts and encourages the Corinthian Christians to give out of their surplus so that those who are in need may have enough. The Lord Jesus is the personification of this act of generosity in the complete gift of Himself, "becoming poor so that we could become rich," becoming like us so we could become like Him. Paul also explains that justice was always God's plan for His chosen people, as God Himself had shown them in the wilderness through the miraculous provision of manna: that they received not according to what each one was able to gather, but according to each one's need.

### Mark 5:21-43

Just as he became sin for us on the Cross, here Jesus allows himself to become ritually unclean in order to restore others to wholeness. In an act of faith, Jairus asks Jesus to lay hands on his sick daughter in order to cure her. Even though the young girl dies, Jesus still honors Jairus' request, in taking her by the hand (the dead were considered unclean). Jairus' faith stands in contrast to the lack of faith of the entire crowd—with one exception: the woman who dared to believe that Jesus could cure her. As she knew she was considered unclean, she only dared to touch the hem of his garment.

## Readings for the Week

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

### Monday, June 25, 2018:

2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18  
+ Matthew 7:1-5

### Tuesday, June 26, 2018:

2 Kings 19: 9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36  
+ Matthew 7:6, 12-14

### Wednesday, June 27, 2018:

2 Kings 22:8-13, 23:1-3  
+ Matthew 7:15-20

### Thursday, June 28, 2018:

2 Kings 24:8-17 + Matthew 7:21-29

### Friday, June 29, 2018:

Acts 12:1-11 + 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18  
+ Matthew 16:13-19

### Saturday, June 30, 2018:

Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19  
+ Matthew 8:5-17

### Sunday, July 1, 2018:

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24  
+ 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15  
+ Matthew 5:21-43

### 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.*

Pope Francis mentions the woman with the hemorrhage in his homily about "first encounters" with Jesus. How would you answer the questions he asks you below?

"The first encounter with Jesus changes the life of those who meet Him: John and Andrew, who stayed with the Master throughout the night; Simon who immediately became "the rock" of the new community; and then the Samaritan, the leper who returned to thank Jesus for healing him, the sick woman who was healed when she touched Christ's tunic: these are decisive encounters that should prompt a Christian to never forget his own first encounter with Christ.

He never forgets, but we forget the encounter with Christ. And this would be a good assignment to do at home, to consider: 'When have I really felt that the Lord was close to me? When have I felt the need to change my life, or to become better, or to forgive someone?

When have I felt the Lord asking something of me? When have I encountered the Lord?' Because our faith is an encounter with Jesus. This is the foundation of our faith: I have encountered Jesus, as Saul did."

*Jesus asks us to remember—so ask for  
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*Mass at Casa Marta, April 24, 2015  
Paragraph 2-4*

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