

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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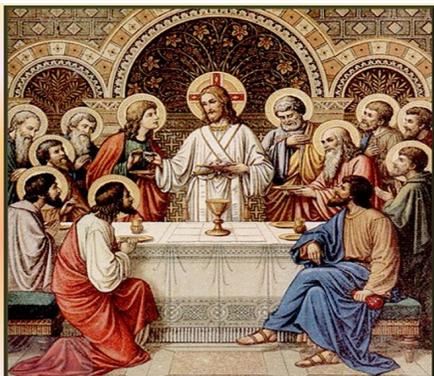


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Celebrating 150 Years

2021

Go to [www.olph150th.com](http://www.olph150th.com) to order great 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorabilia!



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

Mark 14:22

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

**June 6, 2021**

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

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

**Deacons:** Deacon William 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 Ferraro

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

## COME 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. (live-streamed), 12:00 p.m.

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday at 4:00 p.m.,  
each Sunday at 7:00 p.m., and  
Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9:15 a.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.  
Confessions are being heard in classrooms  
in the “new school annex” near High Street.  
See inside bulletin for safety protocols.

*Also available by individual appointment  
with one of the priests.*

## OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Monday afternoons  
at 12:45 p.m. in the church

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday: 12:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
First Saturday: 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday:  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

# DOWNLOAD THE 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 parish app!



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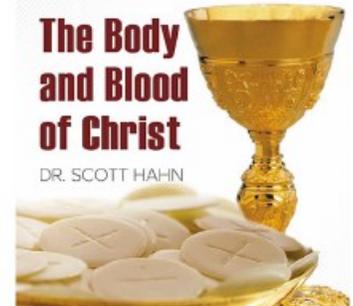
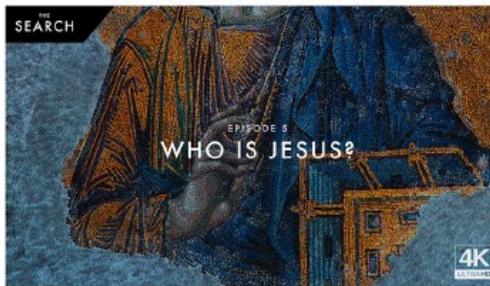
PICK OF THE WEEK

June 6, 2021

## WATCH

## LEARN

## LISTEN



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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

It was on this Solemnity last year that public Masses were held once again after approximately three months of shutdown due to the coronavirus pandemic. What a joyful — and appropriate — occasion that was!

Indeed, what a wonderful liturgical day this is for us every year — the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This beautiful feast gives us the opportunity to specifically acknowledge and celebrate the Eucharist as the center of our life and as the center of our liturgical worship as Catholics. We can never exhaust the richness or the depths of the mystery that at Mass the offerings of bread and wine really and truly become the Real Presence of Christ, His Body and Blood. Through this covenant of love at the Sacred Banquet, God draws us into His divine life and offers us food for our earthly pilgrimage. We can be confident in God's nourishment transforming our weakness and sufferings into life and joy. At every celebration of Mass, the work of our redemption is accomplished.

As always, the meaning and spirituality of what we celebrate can be found in the liturgical texts. The Collect (Opening Prayer) notes that in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, God has *"left us a memorial of your Passion."* Our celebration of the Eucharist always immerses us in the Paschal Mystery of Christ's Death and Resurrection. The prayer goes on to ask that because of our revering of *"the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood,"* we may *"always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption."* Those fruits are expressed in a life of self-emptying love; our participation in the Paschal Mystery must be a means of being transformed by God so that we live out the mystery of love being celebrated.

The Prayer over the Offerings for today's Mass reinforces the idea that worship of the Eucharist must be expressed in the practical living out of our lives. This prayer reinforces that one of the chief results of Eucharistic celebration must be unity: as the "one bread" and "one cup" are prayed over at the one altar around which is gathered the one Body of

Christ, we see in those signs the mystery of what we are to become — "one body, one spirit in Christ," in the words of Eucharistic Prayer III.

Finally, the Prayer after Communion points to the important but often-overlooked eschatological dimension of the Eucharist, as it reminds us that the reception of the Body and Blood of the Lord in this present age is a foreshadowing of sharing in God's divine life for all eternity.

All these Mass prayers remind us that we must never just simply passively receive the Body and Blood of Christ, but rather, as we reverence the great mystery of the Lord's Real Presence in the Eucharist, we must, through our participation in Mass, always (to borrow from St. Augustine) **become what we receive.**

Normally, we would have a Eucharistic Procession after one of our Masses in order to mark the special nature of this day and to give public witness to our believe in the Real Presence of the Lord in the Eucharist. It was the decision of the Liturgy Committee to forego doing a Procession this year, since we are still putting things back together again after the pandemic. However, we are marking the day by having a period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, concluded by Benediction, after each of the Masses on Sunday. I do hope that you will be, or were able to, participate in that period of worship of the Eucharist.

### *It's time to come back to Mass*

A little over a week ago I did a parish-wide mailing to all parishioners, both active and inactive, encouraging everyone that **"it's time to come back to Mass."** We have been informed by the Bishop that **the obligation to attend Mass will resume as of August 15, 2021;** as of that date, the permission to not attend Mass in person due to the coronavirus will no longer be in effect. As always, if illness or some other serious reason prevents us from attending Mass, then we commit no sin if we miss. Other than that, however, as of August 15, 2021, it will once again be considered a sin to miss Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation without

illness or other serious reason (and a child's sporting event is **not** serious reason!). Even before August 15, however, **it's time to come back to Mass.**

We need to be honest with ourselves. If we have not been coming to Mass, but we are going other places regularly, such as stores and other venues and visiting people, then there really is no reason to not come back to Mass.

We need to be at Mass because we need to hear God speaking to us in the Scripture readings proclaimed; because we need to join with our brothers and sisters in Christ to find strength; because we need to offer ourselves to God in union with Christ at Mass as a reminder of what life is all about — living our entire life as an offering to God; because we need to eat and drink at the Banquet of the Eucharist, sharing in the Lord's Body and Blood, receiving and being taken up into the Risen Christ Himself; because we need to be part of the Church community in order to give meaning and direction to our life; and because we need the Lord's Day as a day set aside to give meaning and purpose to the other days of work and social responsibilities.

It's time to come back!

#### *Some other aspects of parish life in these days*

Allow me to point out these other aspects of parish life about which you might have some questions:

- Holy water bowls at the entrances will continue to remain empty, but holy water in the large silver dispenser in the Divine Mercy Chapel will continue to be available.

- Bringing Communion to the homebound has resumed on a case-by-case basis as worked out by the E.M. or deacon and their homebound charge. If you are homebound and would like to receive Communion at home, please contact the rectory.

- Confessions will remain in the school building at least throughout the summer. We will revisit this issue at the end of the summer.

- We are planning on resuming the once-a-month Special Needs Mass in September or October; details will be announced as that time approaches.

#### *Father's Day Novena of Masses*

Cards and envelopes for our Novena of Masses for Father's Day are available on the pew ledges throughout the church. The Father's Day Novena of Masses is a beautiful way to remember and pray for your father, living or deceased. Give that special father, grandfather, godfather or father-to-be the special gift of prayer by participating in this Novena. Be sure to join in this spiritual remembrance so that your intention will be remembered in the Father's Day Novena of Masses.

#### *Two 150th Anniversary Year events*

Allow me to highlight these two upcoming events in celebration of our 150th Anniversary Year:

- Sunday, June 27 at 12:00 Noon will be our special 150th Anniversary Year Patronal Feast Mass. This will be the premier liturgy of the Anniversary Year, and our diocesan bishop, Bishop Barres, is coming to preside, so obviously it's a very special event. See the ad elsewhere in the bulletin, and plan on being there.

- On Friday, September 24 we'll be having our amazing 150th Anniversary Year DINNER DANCE. What a great opportunity for fun and celebration this will be! The ad is starting to run in this weekend's bulletin, and you'll want to get your tickets early. I hope you'll be able to join us for this major event in our Anniversary Year.

#### *Journal Ads for the 150th Anniversary Journal*

Our 150th Anniversary Commemorative Journal will be available in conjunction with the 150th Anniversary Year Dinner Dance. Please be sure to take out an ad in the Journal if you have not already done so; use the order form elsewhere in this bulletin. This is a great way to offer your congratulations to our parish on this milestone, or to advertise your business, or to honor someone you wish to put in the spotlight! The Commemorative Journal is an important fund raiser and a big part of our Anniversary Year celebration, but the August 1st deadline will be here before you know it!



# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

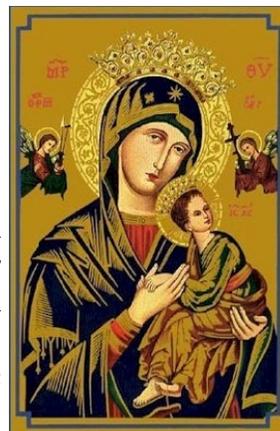


## **FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES**

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

## *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.

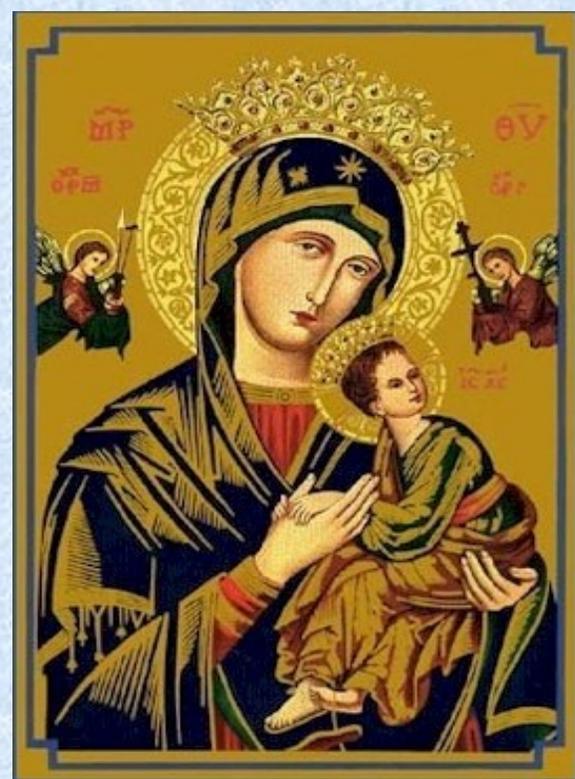


**Monday, June 7—12:45 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 14—12:45 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 21—12:45 p.m.**

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## ***THE PATRONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP***

*Bishop John O. Barres, Presiding*

**SUNDAY,  
JUNE 27, 2021  
12:00 p.m. MASS**

**Come and celebrate our Patronal Feast  
as the highlight of our 150th Anniversary year!  
Let's give praise and thanks to God  
for the gift of 150 years of OLPH  
as "the place to be"  
as we celebrate Eucharist together  
with our diocesan bishop!**

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Confessions are celebrated in the school building, in classrooms in the “new school” annex along High Street every Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. until further notice.**

**Each priest will be in his own classroom.**

**These are the protocols that must be followed for going to Confession:**

- ▶ **Entry is only via the blue doors at the north end of the hallway (off of the small parking lot)**
- ▶ **Everyone — priests and penitents — is required to wear face masks or face coverings**
- ▶ **Maintain social distance while waiting on line.**
- ▶ **Signs on easels outside the classroom will indicate the name of the priest who is in the classroom**
- ▶ **Social distancing and plexiglass dividers will keep a safe distance between priest and penitent, whether the penitent celebrates anonymously or face-to-face (both options are available)**

## 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 Facebook page:  
[@olphlindenhurst](https://www.facebook.com/olphlindenhurst)
- OLPH YouTube Channel:  
OLPH Church Lindenhurst



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# 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP R.C. CHURCH

Lindenhurst, NY



**IT'S OUR 150<sup>th</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY!**  
**IT'S GOING TO BE GREAT!**

**Friday,  
September 24, 2021  
7:00 p.m.**

**MEMORARE CATERERS  
2183 JACKSON AVENUE  
SEAFORD, NY 11783**

We hope you will join us as we celebrate 150 years of "The Place to Be".  
\$75 pp...it will be GREAT!  
Don't miss out!!

**Tickets can be purchased at the Rectory**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 each = Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check

To reserve a table with family and friends, email [OLPH150dance@gmail.com](mailto:OLPH150dance@gmail.com)  
Tables can be reserved for 8/10/12 people

**All ticket sales and table reservations must be made by  
September 3, 2021**

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ANNIVERSARY JOURNAL PRICING

BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE ANNIVERSARY YEAR AND SUPPORT OLPH! PLACE AN AD IN OUR COMMEMORATIVE JOURNAL!

One of the highlights of the Anniversary Year will be a Commemorative Journal, available in conjunction with our Anniversary Year Dinner Dance on September 24, 2021.

Support the parish by placing an ad in our journal! An ad can be taken in the name of your family, or your business, and can include congratulatory wishes to the parish, or it can be a memorialization of deceased loved ones, or an expression of gratitude to God. Honor that special priest, family members living or deceased, or just say thanks for the memories. If you're creative, prepare your own ad; if you're not that creative, just send us your message and our team will create the ad for you!

There are many possibilities! Deadline is August 1, 2021!

Don't miss out!

Send in your ad copy and payment TODAY!

If you need additional information, or have questions, contact Bob Dobres 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney 631-560-0451.

PLEASE INDICATE AD SIZE AND TYPE

- GOLD FULL PAGE \$350
B/W FULL PAGE \$150
B/W HALF PAGE \$100
B/W 1/4 PAGE \$75

For more information call Bob Dobres at 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney at 631-560-0451

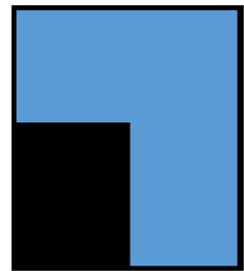
AD DIMENSIONS (WIDTH X HEIGHT)



Full Page and Cover 8.5 x 11"



Half Page 8.5 x 5.5"



Quarter Page 4.25 x 5.5"

Please submit payment along with ad materials no later than August 1st

Mail hard copy to rectory address above and attach copy of ad or materials (ad text, photos, images) to this form or write copy on back.

Email electronic version to 150thjournal@oloph.org. Please email a .pdf or .jpg file format.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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Use this form to order great 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorabilia!

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorabilia of  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell/home) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for celebrating with us! Bring this form & hand it in to the rectory with precise payment of either cash (in a ziplock bag) or check. You will be notified when your order is ready for a pickup date.

You may also check the website for a closer look at these products!

<http://olph150th.com>

Item	Price	Quantity	Item	Price	Quantity
 Keychain	\$10.00		 Tote bag	\$10.00	
 T-Shirt	\$15.00	S ___ M ___ L ___	 Pen with Stylus	\$3.00	
 Sweatshirt	\$40.00	M ___ L ___ XL ___	 Playing cards	\$12.00	
 Tumbler	\$15.00		 Magnet	\$ 3 2 for \$5	

**For Office Use Only**

Total Price: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of items: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Order Placed: \_\_\_\_\_ Order Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Pickup date: \_\_\_\_\_ Notified Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Picked up by: \_\_\_\_\_



## 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)

### New Summer Office of Faith Formation Hours as of June 1:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.  
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
 Saturday: By Appointment

### LEVELS 6 and 7

Be sure to complete any missing assignments in your Mass Journals and Workbooks by Tuesday, June 15th!

### BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION!

Be sure to Register ASAP, as spots are limited to 12 kids per group this year! Go to the website to sign up before June 11: <https://forms.gle/E1vzrza6yQLsmixA8>

Vacation Bible Camp Needs YOU!  
 Planning Meeting Wednesday, June 9,  
 at 6:00 p.m. in the school Auditorium.

Please consider being a part of our Adventure Team! Contact April for info.



### INTERESTED IN OFFERING YOUR TIME AS A CATECHIST OR HALL MONITOR?

Our program relies on the generous time and talent offered by our dedicated teachers and hall monitors.

We are in need of the following teachers:

**Levels 1 & 3, Saturdays 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.**  
**Levels 4 & 5, Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.**  
**Level 6, Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.-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!

## Registration for 2021-22

registration **OPEN**

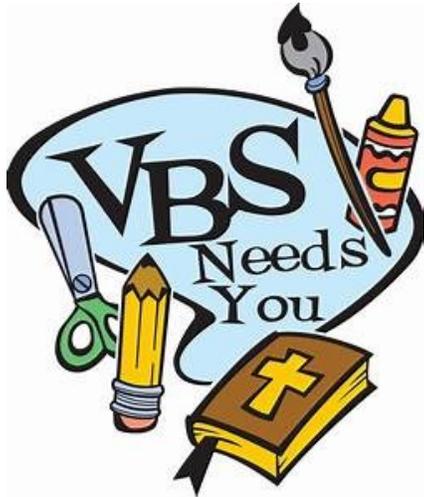
Letters with details about re-registration have now been mailed to all families with students in our program. Registration for returning families began April 5th. After June 15th, there will be a \$25 late fee for ALL registrations. We continue to encourage all families with children who will be beginning 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 2021-2022 year, or offering your time as a catechist or hall monitor in our program, please contact our office.

*Congratulations to all who received the Sacrament of Confirmation 2021!*



## VACATION BIBLE CAMP

### Vacation Bible Camp Needs Adult Counselors. Please consider being a part of our



Adventure Leaders this year! Counselors oversee a small group of campers as they travel throughout the day to different activities. Please consider offering your time to the youth of the parish this fun week. 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 Counselor Orientation

All Adventure Leaders will need to join us for Orientation on Wednesday, July 7, in the school auditorium at 6:30 p.m. Please

RSVP to April by Tuesday, July 6, at (631) 226-7725 ext. 257 or [akleinlaut@oloph.org](mailto:akleinlaut@oloph.org)

### Updated Supplies Needed for Bible Camp 2021

#### Arts and Crafts

Green Crepe Paper  
Construction Paper  
Markers  
Pens

#### Middle School Camp

Empty Altoids Tins  
Golf Pencils  
Melting Chocolates  
Lollipop Sticks & Cover Baggies  
Tera cotta flowerpots 3.5 inches  
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  
Old t-shirts to rip up (dog toy)  
Long socks to tie (cat toy)  
Old blankets  
Old towels  
Empty 4 oz. water bottles  
Christmas wrapping paper  
Ribbons  
Bows  
Glitter  
Shoe boxes  
Tennis balls  
Dog/cat food  
dog bones *not made in China*  
Dog/cat bed  
Dog/cat toys  
Rocks/seashells

#### Snacks

(Everything Must be Individually Wrapped for COVID Safety Measures)

Pop Tarts  
Pretzels  
Goldfish

Cheese-Its  
Animal crackers  
Fruit snacks  
Juice Boxes  
8oz Water Bottles

#### Decorating

Dollar Tree Gifts Cards  
Joann's Gift Cards  
Home Depot Gift Cards  
Hobby Lobby Gift Cards  
Weaved baskets  
Green pool noodles  
Treasure Boxes  
Wrapping Paper Tubes  
Blue Tarp  
*Giant Cardboard Boxes*  
(moving boxes and/or appliance boxes that can be taped closed)  
Woven beach mats

#### Covid Safety Measure Items

Disinfecting Wipes  
Tissues  
Paper Towels  
Hand Sanitizer  
Medical Masks



# *Family Movie Night* *Under the Stars*

**SPONSORED BY THE FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY  
AND HOLY NAME SOCIETY**



Join us for a family friendly movie!  
Bring your chairs, sleeping bags, blankets, or pillows to create a cozy,  
fun atmosphere at the large South Parking Lot, High Street

**When: Friday, June 18, 2021 (Rain Date: June 19)**

**Time: 8:00 p.m.**

**Popcorn and Soda will be available for purchase!**



*Social Distance and Masks Required*



RSVP to Eileen before **June 13, 2021**  
at 631-682-4853 or [kencort36@gmail.com](mailto:kencort36@gmail.com)

# 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—cdfeldman@optonline.net
- † Community Meal: Mary Leon—mleon719@yahoo.com
- † 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. Vincent de Paul Society: Bill Stysiack—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Virginia Beyrer—631-226-6635
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

## Food Pantry List

**THESE ARE THE ITEMS  
THAT ARE MOST NEEDED:**

**PASTA SAUCE  
CANNED CORN  
PORK & BEANS  
CANNED FRUIT  
FRUIT JUICES  
JELLY OR JAM  
SHELF STABLE MILK  
PANCAKE SYRUP  
CAKE MIX & FROSTING  
SHAMPOO**

*Please bring items to the SVdP office:*

*Wednesday and Friday*

*9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. and*

*on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.*

**Thank you**

**for your continued generosity.**

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the School Building  
Use Parking Lot located on corner of  
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**631.226.7725 x. 234**

*Our regular office hours:*

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. and**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are hungry.

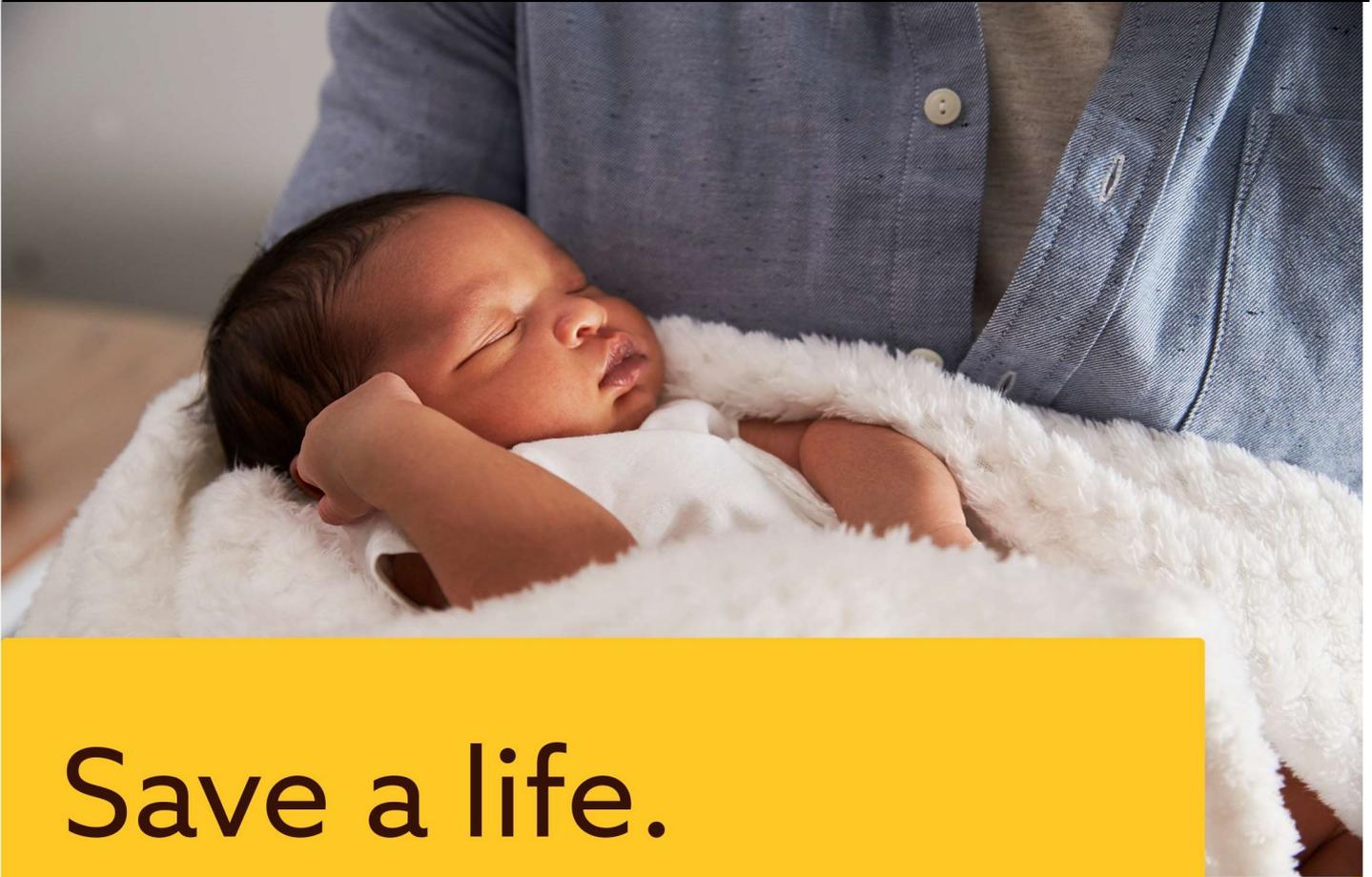
## THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

### AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM

### THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL AT OLPH

During these very difficult times many of us find ourselves in financial difficulty, often for the first time. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is here to help. Please don't feel embarrassed—you are not alone. We want to assure you that all matters relating to SVDP are completely confidential. All volunteer workers in the Food Pantry are Vincentians who are pledged to follow the "Rule" in dealing with our friends and neighbors. We reach out to those who come to us with kindness, sincerity and total confidentiality. You may come to the pantry for food every two weeks. The money that would have been spent on this food can then be used to pay other bills. Please reach out to us by calling our Food Pantry office at 631-226-7725 x. 234. Our regular office hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. and 1st and 3rd Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. We're here for you.

## RESPECT LIFE



# Save a life. Contact Congress.

### **WHAT**

Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

### **HOW**

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that *both* Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century.

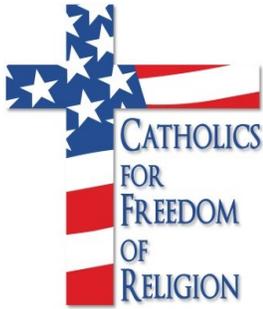
### **WHAT HAPPENS WITHOUT THESE PROTECTIONS?**

*Billions* of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion.

### **TAKE ACTION**

Sign the petition to Congress at [NoTaxpayerAbortion.com](https://NoTaxpayerAbortion.com)!

## CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



### Focus on Religious Freedom

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

#### Catholic Bishops and Other Faith Leaders Urge Stopping the Misguided "Equality Act"

Catholic Bishops and other faith leaders are once again urging people to contact their U.S. Senators via social media, e-mail, or by phone as they prepare to vote on the misguided "Equality Act." The House of Representatives passed this well-intentioned but ultimately harmful legislation that "discriminates against people of faith, threatens unborn life, and undermines the common good"(1) on February 25, 2021 and it can be voted on by the Senate at any time now.

The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) explain that while the so-called Equality Act purports to protect people experiencing same-sex attraction and gender discordance from unjust discrimination, in fact, the bill would discriminate against people of faith because of their beliefs about life, marriage and sexuality. The Equality Act also "exempts itself from the bipartisan Religious Freedom Restoration Act, thereby infringing on religious freedom and making it more difficult for individuals to live out their faith."(2) "It would mean that Catholics, evangelicals, Orthodox Jews, Mormons, Muslims and many other religious communities could not raise religious objections...In effect, religious entities would be secularized."(3)

According to the USCCB, these are some of the direct effects and possible consequences of this legislation:(4)

- Require religious organizations to cover gender "transition" procedures in their health insurance plans;
- Force girls and women to compete in sports against males who identify as female;
- Force girls and women to share locker rooms, showers, restrooms, and dorms with males who identify as female;
- Shut down Catholic and other foster care and adoption agencies who will only place children in homes with a married mother and father;
- Force small business people to support events or create products that violate their beliefs or be put out of business;
- Likely require taxpayers to fund elective abortions and likely force doctors and hospitals to perform abortions against their conscience or beliefs.

Minority Christian leaders have proposed an alternative to this Act called the Fairness for All Act, which they say would protect religious liberties as well as preserve the rights of the LGBT community. "Black and Brown Christians worked too hard for the Civil Rights Act to have it revised in ways that would take away basic rights and funding from our communities. The Equality Act needlessly pits the concerns of diverse communities against each other."(5)

*(usccb.org/equality act(1)(2); CatholicLeague, April, 2021(3); usccb.org/stopping-equality-act(4); 1.cbn.com, 3/18/21(5); christianpost.com, 5/16/19; deseret.com, 3/4/21; npr.org, 3/18/21)*

**Be Silent No More!**

**Call: U.S. Capital Switchboard at 202-224-3121 to be connected to any Representative or Senator's office.**

**Email: Find Senators' email at [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov); Find Representatives' e-mail at [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)**

**"Our contest is not whether we ourselves shall be free, but whether there shall be left to mankind an asylum on earth for civil and religious liberty."**

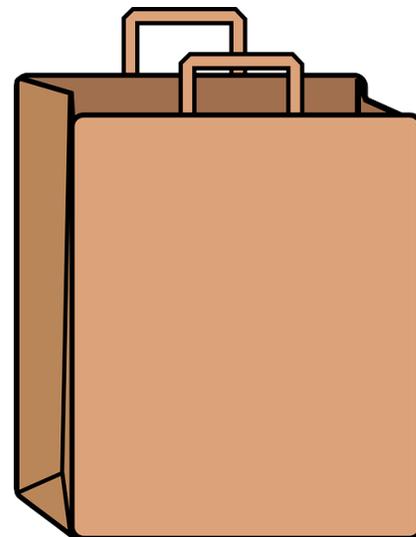
**—Samuel Adams, Founding Father**

## BLUE DOOR BOUTIQUE NOW OPEN MONDAY & WEDNESDAY!!

Our racks are getting full and it's time for you to get a bargain. Stop by for our \$5.00 bag sale. Fill a paper shopping bag with clothes for kids, men and women for only \$5.00

# \$5 Bag Sale!

## May 24-June 9



**Includes most Scarves, shirts, jackets, pants, dresses, skirts, blazers, sweaters, sweatshirts, womens, mens, kids!**  
**New with tags not included in the bag sale.**

THE  
*blue*door  
BOUTIQUE

**HOURS OF OPERATION**  
Monday & Wednesday  
10:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m.

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

**The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Celebrate Irish Night.** Our *2021 Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon* virtual event will focus on the mind-body-spirit connection. Sisters, Associates and friends will share inter-active segments on tai chi, artful journaling, and other holistic healings with you. Please join us virtually on **Friday, June 25, 2021** as we gather together, uplift each other and renew ourselves in body, mind and spirit! Please consider supporting our efforts by purchasing an event ticket for \$40, which includes one entry into our door prize raffle or Sweepstakes Raffle tickets. Tickets are \$10 each, or 6 for \$50. Extra tickets are available on our website or by contacting the Advancement Office at 631-842-6000 ext. 246. Proceeds from the luncheon will assist enhancing internet services, video conferencing subscriptions, as well as investing in desktop and laptop computers, tablets, and smartphones to strengthen the creation and delivery of streaming worship, workshops, and other gatherings. We hope to continue presenting online gatherings or a combination of physical and online opportunities that will strengthen our offerings for years to come.



**Our Lady of  
Guadalupe School**  
*Always our mother. Always your children.*

Good news for families on Long Island! Inspired by the Morning Star Initiative and led by the DRVC DOE & the Marianist Brothers of Chaminate & Kellenberg High Schools, a dual-campus N-8 Catholic elementary school will open in September '21 in Deer Park & Central Islip.

*\*What is special about OLG?\**

- \* An extended school day will provide time for rigorous academic pursuits with special attention given to the development of strong mathematics and reading skills - all grounded in a robustly Catholic culture.
- \* A free morning & after-school enrichment program that will offer opportunities for academic, spiritual, and social-emotional growth with a special focus on the arts, sports, health, and community service.
- \* A dual-language immersion program, in partnership with Boston College, starting in N/PK and leading children on the path to becoming bilingual and biliterate in English and Spanish.

*Please connect with us to learn more!*

Website: [www.olgschools.org](http://www.olgschools.org) Email: [information@olgschools.org](mailto:information@olgschools.org)  
Facebook & Instagram @olgschools & Twitter @school\_olg  
(203) 442-5065 (English) (203) 442-5392 (Spanish)

OLG West: 105 Half Hollow Rd., Deer Park, NY 11729 OLG East: 82 Carleton Ave., Central Islip, NY 11722

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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William D'Alessio, Business Manager	204	bdalessio@oloph.org
Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor	206	msgjrjoe@oloph.org
Fr. Fidelis Ezeani, Associate Pastor	226	fadaprince4christ@yahoo.com
Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
Fr. Emmanuel Okonkwo	223	emmaokons@yahoo.com
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

## PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

Vincent Boccanfuso  
Eileen Corticchia (Chair)  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Jeffrey Gaab  
Joselyn Kalt  
Mary Leon  
Rachelle Louis-Jacques  
Carlton Mitchell  
Kevin Sabella, Jr.  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.  
Adele Venezia

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille  
John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
Bill Bendernagel  
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William D'Alessio  
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Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
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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  
Chris Ferraro  
MaryAnn Haas  
Jenine Jimenez-Spina  
Denise Martinez  
Barbara McPhail  
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:**

*Guy LoMeo & Jessica Cossin  
Daniel Smee & Kimberly D'Angelo*

## **FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT COME FORWARD IN PROCESSION TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION**

If you are, or if someone you are with is, unable to walk in procession to receive Holy Communion, please alert one of the Ushers **before Mass begins**. The Usher will be glad to arrange to have one of the ministers bring Holy Communion to the pew. Please remember to inform an Usher before Mass begins; do not wait until the time of Communion. Also, if at all possible, please sit in the front half of the church, to make it easier for the minister to come to you. Thank you.

## **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.

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

*“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.”*

## **WE BELIEVE**

**We pray for the sick of our parish...**

<i>Janet Novotney</i>	<i>Anthony Lagala</i>
<i>Nora McMahon</i>	<i>Kathy Feldman</i>
<i>Josephine Johnson</i>	<i>Barbara McCarthy</i>
<i>Patricia &amp; Richard Kleczkowski</i>	<i>Rachel Lohr</i>
<i>Carol Van Dyke</i>	<i>Louis Grasso</i>
<i>Jaclyn Smith</i>	<i>Meryl Nadraus</i>
<i>Luisa, Bettina &amp; Lisa Marino</i>	<i>Father Jerry DiSpigno</i>
<i>Edward Kienle</i>	<i>Penny Notarnacola</i>
<i>Janet Leyden</i>	<i>James Gallagher</i>
<i>Mary Doran</i>	<i>Dawn Arpino</i>
<i>Lew &amp; Natalie Hugel</i>	<i>Lucas Sarmiento</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.

**The Bereavement Ministry** assists anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one and help 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.

Through reading, self discovery, and group discussions, members find a new and meaningful way to cope with their loss. OLPH will hold groups in the Spring and Fall.

Our **Spring Bereavement Group** is full and meets Saturdays through **June 26** from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We continue to obey Covid restrictions while meeting in the Cafeteria. Please contact Linda Arpino 631-592-1062 or Forubabe77@aol.com for our Fall registration.



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****MONDAY, June 7—****Weekday***(Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)*

6:30 James Bailey

12:15 Robert T. Cadag

**TUESDAY, June 8—****Weekday**

6:30 Lester Smith

12:15 James Mirabile

**WEDNESDAY, June 9—****Weekday***(Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church)*

6:30 Michael Torchiano

12:15 Patrick Carragee

**THURSDAY, June 10—****Weekday**

6:30 MaryAngeli Castro

12:15 Raymond Patrick O'Neill

**FRIDAY, June 11—****The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

6:30 Jack Rigney

12:15 Marigrace Kyles

**SATURDAY, June 12—****The Immaculate Heart  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 Salvatore &amp; Josephine Gigante

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

5:00 Dominick DeGirolamo

**Sunday, June 13—****ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 For the People of the Parish

10:00 Living & Deceased Members of the  
Holy Name Society12:00 Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy  
Family**PARISH CALENDAR****Monday, June 7, 2021**

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. Devotions Church

**Wednesday, June 9, 2021**

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

6:30 p.m. Bible Camp Planning Meeting Auditorium

**Thursday, June 10, 2021**

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

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting Church

**Friday, June 11, 2021**

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

**Saturday, June 12, 2021**

11:00 a.m. Bereavement Support Group Cafeteria

4:00 p.m. Confessions School

6:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

**Sunday, June 13, 2021**

2:00 p.m. Baptism Church



## EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

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).

### FIESTA DEL SANTÍSIMO CUERPO Y SANGRE DE CRISTO—DOMINGO de 6 de Junio del 2021

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

#### **Primera Lectura /Éxodos 24,3-8)**

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

#### **Segunda Lectura (Hebreos 9:11-15)**

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

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

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI: EL SEÑOR ESTE PRESENTE EN NUESTRA VIDA**

*El Santo Padre afirma que en esta fiesta, la Iglesia revive el misterio del Jueves Santo a la luz de la Resurrección. También en el Jueves Santo hay una procesión eucarística, con la que la Iglesia repite el éxodo de Jesús del Cenáculo al Monte de los Olivos. (...)*

*Jesús entrega realmente su cuerpo y su sangre. Atravesando el umbral de la muerte, se convierte en Pan vivo, auténtico maná, alimento inagotable por todos los siglos.*

*La carne se convierte en "pan de vida". En la fiesta del Corpus Christi —continúa el Papa—, reanudamos esta procesión, pero con la alegría de la Resurrección. El Señor ha resucitado y nos precede. (...) Jesús nos precede ante el Padre, sube a la altura de Dios y nos invita a seguirle.*

*(...) La verdadera meta de nuestro camino es la comunión con Dios.*

*El Sumo Pontífice señala que en el sacramento de la Eucaristía el Señor se encuentra siempre en camino hacia el mundo. Este aspecto universal de la presencia eucarística está presente en la procesión de nuestra fiesta. Llevamos a Cristo, presente en la figura del pan, por las calles de nuestra ciudad. Encomendamos estas calles, estas casas, nuestra vida cotidiana, a su bondad.*

*¡Que nuestras calles sean calles de Jesús! ¡Que nuestras casas sean casas para él y con él!*

*Que en nuestra vida de cada día penetre su presencia. Con este gesto, ponemos ante sus ojos los sufrimientos de los enfermos, la soledad de los jóvenes y de los ancianos, las tentaciones, los miedos, toda nuestra vida.*

*La procesión quiere ser una bendición grande y pública para nuestra ciudad: Cristo es, en persona, la bendición divina para el mundo.*

*¡Que el rayo de su bendición se extienda sobre todos nosotros!"*

*Refiriéndose al mandato de Cristo: "Tomad y comed... Bebed todos de él", SS Benedicto XVI subraya que no se puede "comer" al Resucitado, presente en la forma del pan, como un simple trozo de pan. Comer este pan es comulgar, es entrar en comunión con la persona del Señor vivo.*

*Esta comunión, este acto de "comer", es realmente un encuentro entre dos personas, es un dejarse penetrar por la vida de Aquel que es el Señor, de Aquel que es mi Creador y Redentor.*

*El objetivo de esta comunión es la asimilación de mi vida con la suya, mi transformación y configuración con quien es Amor vivo. Por ello, esta comunión implica la adoración, implica la voluntad de seguir a Cristo, de seguir a quien nos precede. Adoración y procesión forman parte, por tanto, de un único gesto de comunión; responden a su mandato: "Tomad y comed".*

*El Vicario de Cristo concluye poniendo de relieve que "nuestra procesión acaba ante la basílica de Santa María la Mayor, en el encuentro con la Virgen, llamada por el querido Papa Juan Pablo II "mujer eucarística". María, la Madre del Señor, nos enseña realmente lo que es entrar en comunión con Cristo. (...) Pidámosle que nos ayude a abrir cada vez más todo nuestro ser a la presencia de Cristo; que nos ayude a seguirle fielmente, día tras día, por los caminos de nuestra vida. ¡Amén!"*

*Guíanos por los caminos de nuestra historia!*

*¡Muestra a la Iglesia y a sus pastores siempre de nuevo el justo camino!*

*¡Mira a la humanidad que sufre, que vaga insegura entre tantos interrogantes; mira el hambre físico y psíquico que la tormenta!*

*¡Da a los seres humanos pan para el cuerpo y para el alma!*

*¡Dales trabajo, dales luz, dales Tú mismo!*

*¡Purifícanos y santifícanos!*

*Haznos comprender que sólo mediante la participación en tu Pasión, mediante el "sí" a la cruz, a la renuncia, a las purificaciones que nos impones, nuestra vida puede madurar y alcanzar su verdadero cumplimiento.*

*¡Reúnenos de todos los confines de la tierra! ¡Une a tu Iglesia, une a la humanidad lacerada!*

*¡Danos tu salvación!*



## OFFERING UPDATE May 29/30

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	192	89	\$1,593.50
8:00 a.m.	180	105	3,413.00
10:00 a.m.	198	71	2,471.00
12:00 p.m.	268	76	2,212.00
Coin			4.45
Faith Direct:			2,951.30
Children's Env.		13	56.75
Mail-ins:			1,454.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>\$14,156.00</b>
<b>2020 total</b>	<i>We were shut down— No public Masses were said</i>		<b>\$11,167.10</b>
Candles			<b>\$602.80</b>
Poor Box			<b>\$248.44</b>



### Going away on Vacation?



Remember, we never take a vacation from our obligation to attend Mass. Visit

**www.masstimes.org**

to find out where your family can gather for Sunday Mass.



This time last year the world was turned upside down due to COVID-19, but our parish ministries continued because so many people needed our help. Recurring gifts helped sustain our parish in unprecedented times, and continue to be a vital source of support for ministries that are a lifeline to those in need in our community.

Life is returning to normal, but so many continue to depend on Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. The more people use eGiving, the stronger foundation we will have for ministries that bring hope in times of uncertainty.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/NY286](http://faith.direct/NY286), or text 'Enroll' to (631) 201-5664.

Thank you.

God Bless You,

### 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.*

June 13—passed

June 20—June 11

June 27—June 18

**PREPARING FOR**  
**Sunday, June 13, 2021**  
**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed that,  
when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth.  
But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.* Mark 4:31-32

**Ezekiel 17:22-24**

We hear about planting and growing in the readings today. In this first reading, the prophet Ezekiel talks about breaking a small branch from a big tree and replanting it to grow into a mighty tree itself. He is giving an allegory for the political situation of his time wherein Jerusalem's cowardly king Zedekiah will be supplanted by his nephew who was in exile. The important lesson for us today is that God will take the lowly and raise them up to show everyone that he is in charge and can do anything, even with the humblest among us.

**2 Corinthians 5:6-10**

Paul describes how our thoughts about death can affect what we do in life. He uses the metaphor of our being away from home like travelers or migrants in a foreign land. While we are here on earth in this foreign land we are away from our true home with God in heaven. If we really believe then we will live differently from those who believe that they must squeeze all they can out of life because death ends everything. But we Christians "walk by faith, not by sight." We "would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord." Therefore we live our life to be pleasing to God and not to ourselves.

**Mark 4:26-34**

Jesus gives us two parables, or instructive stories, in the Gospel today. In the first, a farmer plants seeds and waits until they bloom into full grain before harvesting them. This takes time and patience. In the second, Jesus likens the kingdom of God to a mustard seed which is very small when planted but blooms into a huge bush when fully grown. Once again, the message is that God can do amazing things with the smallest and humblest among us. We only need to have faith that even though we can't see the whole picture or know what will happen in the future, God does. He has prepared a glorious future for us if we but trust in him. Good news indeed!

**Gospel Reflection**

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

1. What is the farmer's job in both these parables? What is God's job? Could you ask yourself the same two questions about your ministry, ... your job and God's job? Can you trust God to do God's job?

2. According to Pope Francis, who is it that is in charge of the growth of the Kingdom of God? Does the growth require something from us? What happens to our (small, mustard-seed size) gifts when we use them in collaboration with God for the kingdom?

"When we live like this, (pure of heart, simply and humbly) the strength of Christ bursts through us and transforms what is small and modest into a reality that leavens the entire mass of the world and of history.

An important lesson comes to us from these two parables: God's Kingdom requires our cooperation, but it is above all the initiative and gift of the Lord. Our weak effort, seemingly small before the complexity of the problems of the world, when integrated with God's effort, fears no difficulty. The victory of the Lord is certain: his love will make every seed of goodness present on the ground sprout and grow."

*Pope Francis, Angelus, St. Peter's  
Square  
Sunday, June 14, 2015  
Paragraph 5 and 6*

**Readings for the Week**

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

**Monday, June 7, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 1:1-7 + Matthew 5:1-12

**Tuesday, June 8, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 1:18-22  
+ Matthew 5:13-16

**Wednesday, June 9, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 3:4-11  
+ Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday, June 10, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1; 3-6  
+ Matthew 5:20-26

**Friday, June 11, 2021:**

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9  
+ Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19  
+ John 19:31-37

**Saturday, June 12, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 5:14-21  
+ Luke 2:41-51

**Sunday, June 13, 2021:**

Ezekiel 17:22-24  
+ 2 Corinthians 5:6-10  
+ Mark 4:26-34

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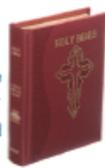
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