

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*All things work for good
for those who love God*

Romans 8:28

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 30, 2023

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

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

Deacons: Deacon William R. Crosby, Deacon Douglas G. Smith,

Deacon Robert A. Becker, Deacon James Totino

Business Manager: Ms. Jill Marie Delano

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut • **Music Director:** Miss Erin Barrett

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

COME AND PRAY...

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

Come in and spend some time in prayer!

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday: 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

Special Needs Mass:

First Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m.
in the auditorium (Sunday Anticipated Mass)

Holy Days of Obligation: Consult the bulletin

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer communally, in person,
each Saturday in the church immediately following
the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Each Sunday, we pray Morning
Prayer at 9:15 a.m. and Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m.
on the Zoom video platform. Click on the Zoom link
on the home page of our website.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays: 12:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

First Saturdays: 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

OLPH Novena: Mondays following 12:15 p.m. Mass

Rosary: Weekdays following 6:30 a.m. Mass
Saturdays and Sundays following 8:00 a.m. Mass

The Holy Face of Jesus: Tuesdays following
12:15 p.m. Mass

First Fridays and First Saturdays:

As announced in bulletin

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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to download
our parish app

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the Parish App!*

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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of July 30, 2023

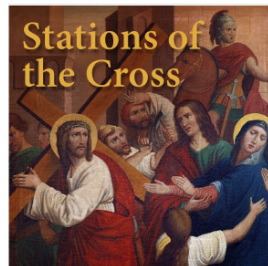
WATCH



Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances," St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.

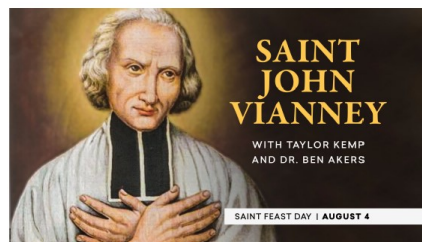
LEARN



Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

The Augustine Institute presents a beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori, narrated by Dr. Christopher Blum. This prayerful reflection is accompanied by the Schola Cantorum, chanting the traditional Catholic hymn Stabat Mater to aid your prayer.

LISTEN



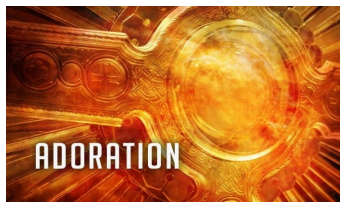
Saint John Vianney | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they discuss St. John Vianney, the Cure d'Ars and patron saint of parish priests.

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FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS



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

First Friday Devotions will take place **August 4** after the 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses.

First Saturday Devotions—in honor of Our Lady of Fatima—will be conducted Saturday, **August 5** beginning with the Rosary at 7:40 a.m., Mass at 8:00 a.m. and continued devotion following Mass.

Each month, all are invited to join the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society for Eucharistic Adoration. **Adoration will be held on Saturday, August 5 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Polish, English, Spanish). The evening concludes with Benediction at 9:30 p.m.



**Special
Needs**

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

*Mass for People
with Special Needs
and for those who care for them*

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

Saturday, August 5

4:00 p.m. in the School Auditorium

*All are welcome.
Come celebrate Mass with us!*

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

Our Special Needs Mass is celebrated on the first Saturday of every month unless otherwise noted.

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.

REMINDER REGARDING THE COMMUNION FAST

Please remember that we are supposed to observe a Communion Fast before receiving Holy Communion. This means we do not eat any foods or drink any liquids for one hour before receiving Holy Communion, the only exception being water or medicine. This also means that we are not to chew gum during Mass, and certainly not while we are coming forward to receive Holy Communion. Let's be sure we are appropriately prepared to receive Holy Communion by observing this important rule of the Church.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



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

Mondays at 12:45 p.m.

BRINGING FORWARD THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE



If the announced intention at Mass is for your intention, or if you have memorialized the bread and wine, and you would like to carry those offerings forward at the Presentation of the Gifts during Mass, please be sure to let the ushers know this before the Mass begins. They will be happy to have you do this. If no one steps forward to specifically request this, then they will select people from the assembly.

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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE CONCERNING OUR LIVE STREAMING

We are experiencing difficulties with our live stream system. At this time we will no longer be live streaming any Masses until further notice. If you know anyone in need of a televised Mass, the Mass from Saint Agnes Cathedral can always be viewed on Catholic Faith Network. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you all for your understanding.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 Saturday: CLOSED

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 teacher assistants and hall monitors at all our sessions.

**Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and
 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

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

**Are you or a teenager you know
 looking to be confirmed, but feel like
 you missed the boat to receive the
 sacrament? No need to fear! All teens
 in high school can join us for our
 Teen Confirmation Prep Program!
 Join students your age to find what
 you're searching for in Christ
 by receiving the Gifts of the
 Holy Spirit in
 the Sacrament
 of
 Confirmation!**



Registration Is Now OPEN



Letters with details about re-registration have been mailed to all families with students in our program. Early Registration is now CLOSED. The regular Registration Fee is now in effect for ALL registrations. *Registrations that come in after July 31st will be charged a \$30 late fee.* All families with children who will be beginning 1st grade (or older) who have not yet begun religious education should 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 with any questions. 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 2023-2024 year, or offering your time as a catechist or hall monitor in our program, please contact our office.

We can't wait to meet you!

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
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@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—louiseperrotta123@gmail.com
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Bill Stysiack—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

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, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the kingdom of God.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 104 adults, 58 children, and 18 seniors, for a total of 78 families. Thank you!

NEW Food Pantry List!

- SMALL CANS OF COFFEE
- SMALL BOTTLES OF MAPLE SYRUP
- PEANUT BUTTER
- JELLY
- WHITE RICE
- SOUPS
- JELLO
- INSTANT MASHED POTATOES
- APPLE SAUCE
- SPAGHETTI SAUCE

Thank you
for your continued generosity.
Cut out this list and bring it with you
when you go shopping!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

2023 OLPH GOAL:

\$114,600

Total pledges: \$92,829.00

of pledges: 337

Total payments: \$73,321.00

As of 7/24/23

Please make checks payable to *Catholic Ministries Appeal*.

Parish _____ Total Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____ Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information visit www.drvc.org/CMA or call 516-678-5800- ext. 296 Thank You!

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Phone: (631) 226-7725 Parish Fax: (631) 225-9597
Directory of Phone Extensions

Name	Ext	Email
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Carmel Becker, Bulletin	246	cbecker@oloph.org
Carole Carrano, Parish Secretary	212	ccarrano@oloph.org
Linda Coppola, Business Office Assistant	214	lcoppola@oloph.org
Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor	206	msgjrjoe@oloph.org
Jill Marie Delano, Business Manager	204	jdelano@oloph.org
Fr. Fidelis Ezeani, Associate Pastor	226	fadaprince4christ@yahoo.com
Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@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 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please contact Jeffrey Gaab at (631) 965-0076 or e-mail at jsg375@gmail.com to begin the process.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who have been baptized Catholic and who have received Holy Communion but who still need the Sacrament of Confirmation should enroll in our Adult Confirmation Classes. Please contact Deacon Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or e-mail to DeaconRobert@oloph.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Bill Bendernagel
 Gerry Chille

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

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

YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Fauvette Auguste
 Erin Barrett
 Deacon Robert Becker
 Mark Costantino
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
 Kenneth Hale
 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.

Third Announcement:

Aisalan Looman & Krystal Kaler

Second Announcement:

Evan Chen & Megan Connolly

WE CELEBRATE

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has freed you from sin, given you new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and joined you to his people.—Order of Baptism of Children



Lucia Kate Donato
Violet Philippa Kabbo Persaud
Elodie Rose Sayo

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

PERPETUAL HELP MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023 12:00 P.M. MASS

<i>For the Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family</i>	<i>Requested by the Estate of Rev. Thomas J. McCarthy</i>
<i>Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton</i>	<i>Requested by the Estate of Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton</i>
<i>Thomas Kempton</i>	<i>Requested by RoseAnn Koch</i>

WE REMEMBER

We remember those who have died in our parish.

Sharon Palagonia
Lillian Carlson
Carol Greenhalgh
Ann Marie Maes
Roberta Ann Kelly
George John Bonomi

“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>James Santoli</i>	<i>Lisa Byrne</i>
<i>Henry Batz</i>	<i>Monica Pulla</i>
<i>Ann Marie Giarratano</i>	<i>Christine Ajello-Larsen</i>
<i>Johanna Cito</i>	<i>Joseph Lucas</i>
<i>Frank Farrugia</i>	<i>John Leyden</i>
<i>Robert Figueroa</i>	<i>David Gleixner</i>
<i>Frank Deconinck</i>	<i>Fran Higgins</i>
<i>Jan Blake</i>	<i>Gloria Delverne</i>
<i>Thomas Grogan</i>	<i>Dorothy Dechent</i>
<i>Mary Santiago</i>	<i>Marie Gaudioso</i>

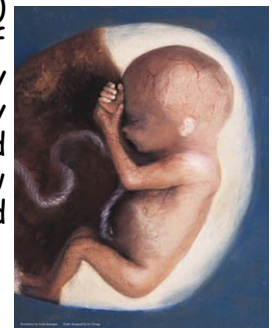
If a family member or close friend is ill, please let us know so our community can pray for them. Please call the Parish Office to have the name of the person added to the list. **Please make sure the person is aware the request has been made and that they are agreeable with their name printed in the 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.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 4 - Developing Baby - "I had a dream today!"

Well, your little baby now weighs six ounces. He has fingernails and eyelashes. He has his own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same until he dies. His taste buds are working. His sense of hearing is developing and present at 14 weeks. There are no major developments anymore. At this month rapid eye movements (REMs) can be detected - a sign of dreaming. Your spiritually adopted baby is already well-formed, internally and externally. All he needs now is time to gain weight and grow strong.

What a miracle he is!



MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, July 31—
Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

6:30 Anthony Torre

12:15 Ann McCowan

TUESDAY, August 1—
**Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop
 and Doctor of the Church**

6:30 Mark Richard Possert

12:15 John C. Beal

WEDNESDAY, August 2—
Weekday
*(Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;
 Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest)*

6:30 Carolyn Carrano

12:15 The Keller Family

THURSDAY, August 3—
Weekday

6:30 Eileen Gindele

12:15 Louis Coletta

FRIDAY, August 4—
Saint John Vianney, Priest

6:30 Raymond Montuort

12:15 Mary Ann Boatman

SATURDAY, August 5—
Weekday
(The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major)

8:00 Willredo (Will) Figueroa

Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
**THE TRANSFIGURATION
 OF THE LORD**

4:00 Leona Gorman
(Special Needs Mass—Auditorium)

5:00 Ann DeGirolamo

Sunday, August 6—
**THE TRANSFIGURATION
 OF THE LORD**

8:00 Zhon G. Sherman

10:00 For the People of the Parish

12:00 Michelle & Lawrence Lanza

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, July 31, 2023

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 23

10:00 a.m. Blue Door Boutique Room 12

12:45 p.m. Devotions Church

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

6:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 23

10:00 a.m. Blue Door Boutique Room 12

12:45 p.m. Exposition Church

Thursday, August 3, 2023

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

7:00 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group Cafeteria

7:30 p.m. Baptismal Prep Class for
 Parents Room 18

Friday, August 4, 2023

9:00 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 23

10:00 a.m. Blue Door Boutique Room 12

Saturday, August 5, 2023

1:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Room 23

4:00 p.m. Confessions Church

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer Church

6:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

6:30 p.m. Exposition Church

Sunday, August 6, 2023

10:00 a.m. OCIA Room 18

6:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

Important Diocese of Rockville Centre Information

Information regarding a new deadline to file proofs of claim for victims of sexual abuse who were over 18 or older when the alleged conduct occurred, and the forms to use, can be found by clicking on the following link to the Diocese's bankruptcy website and scrolling down the page: <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>

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 a Dios todos los jueves a las 7:00PM en la cafetería, en un ambiente familiar. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Únete a nosotros en oración, por ti y por tu familia en Alabanzas y reflexión de la palabra de DIOS.

Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia Interesados favor llamar a Alina Patrón al (516) 263-9401

Para más información sobre los sacramentos del bautizo matrimonio y servicio pastorales Unción de los enfermos y la Eucaristía, llamar a la rectoría 631) 226-7725/ en español a Irma González al (631) 620-2401.

Lecturas del Domingo 17º del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo A

Domingo 30 de Julio del 2023

Dios nos eligió hace mucho tiempo de una manera especial
y nos destinó a ser verdaderas imágenes de su Hijo,
para que Jesús sea el mayor de muchos hermanos.
Que nuestro hermano Jesús esté siempre con ustedes

Primera Lectura (1 Reyes 3,5.7-12): La Sabiduría, Tesoro de Dios.

Los que buscan la sabiduría para discernir entre el bien y el mal y para hacer la voluntad de Dios como el don más excelso son bendecidos por Dios. Ésta fue la experiencia de Salomón.

Segunda Lectura (Romanos 8,28-30): El ser Sabio Plan de Dios para el Hombre Dios nos llama, por pura iniciativa suya, a ser sus hijos e hijas.

Evangelio (Mateo 13,44-52): El Reino de Dios es el Más Preciado Tesoro

El reino de Dios vale más que cualquier otra cosa en el mundo. Por él habríamos de estar dispuestos a renunciar a todo lo demás. ¿Qué tesoro es tan valioso para vender todo lo que se tiene? ¿Qué merece desprenderse de cuanto se posee para conseguir otro bien? ¿Qué hallazgo puede producir inmensa alegría? No cabe la menor duda que lo que encontró el hombre tiene un valor inestimable, inmedible, y lo más grande en valor, es el Reino de Dios, y por él se puede renunciar a todo, y ésta sería la mejor decisión tomada.

Perla fina es llamado el reino de los cielos para indicar que quien lo descubre en el Evangelio, lo prefiere a cuanto pueda ofrecer el mundo. Otra interpretación de gran enseñanza espiritual es que Jesús dio todo lo que tenía por la Iglesia y por cada alma (Gál. 2, 20) que para Él es una perla de gran valor (Juan 10, 39; Cant. 4, 1; 7, 11 y notas). Así se ha dado también a estas parábolas un sentido profético, aplicando la perla preciosa a la Iglesia y el tesoro escondido a Israel, por cuya caída Él extendió su obra redentora a toda la gentilidad. Cf. Rom. 11, 11 y 15 .



OFFERING UPDATE July 24/25			
Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	220	94	\$3,142.00
8:00 a.m.	215	112	2,982.00
10:00 a.m.	287	82	2,550.00
12:00 p.m.	300	83	2,227.00
Faith Direct			3,405.80
Children's Env.		7	25.00
Mail-ins:			1,313.00
TOTAL	1,022	378	\$15,644.80
2022	840	302	\$13,374.40
Candles			\$859.80
Poor Box			\$278.61



**TO OUR NEW OLPH PARISHIONERS
JULY**

*Eliaa, Yvette, Lorena & Benicio Gianna Gonzales
Justin Deebrah, Rocia Jackson, Jackson & Liam
Joseph & Sara Alesi
Anthony, Kimberly & Ava Alesi
Angelika, Michael & Cassandra Beharry
Darren, Aber & Henry Dominguez
Christopher, Krista & Bellamy Riggs
James, Shepard & Charley Sanator
Amanda Johnson*



Make this a Summer of Stewardship!
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August 20—August 11 deadline

PREPARING FOR

Sunday, August 6, 2023

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

*Jesus was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun
and his clothes became white as light.*

Matthew 17:2

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

In the book of Daniel, God is presented as the Lord of human history. This reading is a part of a vision in which the Son of Man, who represents the kingdom of the holy ones of God, comes down from heaven and is given dominion by the "Ancient One," who represents God. The Son of Man in the passage was later taken to be a messianic figure.

2 Peter 1:16-19

In this letter, Peter, among other things, is combating heretics and scoffers who are looking upon Jesus' resurrection and second coming as empty fantasies promulgated by mere human beings to control the lives of others. Refuting those who accused early Christians of perpetuating a lie, Peter recalls the transfiguration experience on Mt. Tabor, when he heard God himself speak and affirm Jesus as his beloved and favored Son. Hence, Peter's readers should embrace the message that they had been given about Christ as the true Word of God.

Matthew 17:1-9

In this indescribable event, Jesus and his three apostles experience the glory of God. They are, as it were, transported into another reality. The references to Jesus' face dazzling as the sun and his clothes radiant as light are reminiscent of Old Testament appearances of God, such as in the first reading today. The presence of Moses and Elijah symbolize "the Law" given to Moses and the prophets. In Jesus, both converge and are brought to fulfillment. The response of the apostles is one of incredible joy and holy terror. They are so over-awed that they do not want to leave. "Let's build three booths." But they are also overcome with fear. Spiritual theologians tell us that the "experience of the holy" can cause us to be overjoyed and, at the same time, terrified. Sometimes that which we deeply desire, such as intimacy with God or another, we are also most terrified of. We are afraid of losing ourselves to another. The heavenly voice tells the apostles to listen to Jesus, for he is God's anointed Messiah. In the dark days ahead, this mountaintop experience will sustain both Jesus and the apostles.

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, July 31, 2023:

Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34
+ Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday, August 1, 2023:

Exodus 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28
+ Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday, August 2, 2023:

Exodus 34:29-35 + Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday, August 3, 2023:

Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38
+ Matthew 13:47-53

Friday, August 4, 2023:

Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27,
34b-37

+ Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday, August 5, 2023:

Leviticus 25:1, 8-15
+ Matthew 14:1-12

Sunday, August 6, 2023:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
+ 2 Peter 1:16-19
+ Matthew 17:1-9

Gospel Reflection Questions...

1. *In the Transfiguration the disciples were invited to behold Jesus in his glory—to stop talking and listen to him. Do you ever ask yourself when you saw or heard Jesus during the day?*

2. *In his Lenten discussion of the Transfiguration, what was a main way Pope Francis suggested for us to "listen to Jesus"?*

"God the Father says it to everyone: to me, to you, to everyone, all people! ... 'Listen to Jesus'" Don't forget.

"But also let us listen to Jesus in his written word, in the gospel. I pose a question to you: do you read a passage of the gospel everyday? Yes, no ... yes, no ... half of the time ... some yes, some no. It is important! Do you read the gospel? It is so good; it is a good thing to have a small book of the gospel, a little one, and to carry in our pocket or in our purse and read a little passage in whatever moment presents itself during the day. In any given moment of the day I take the gospel from my pocket and I read something, a short passage. Jesus is there and he speaks to us in the gospel! Ponder this."

*Pope Francis: The Angeles,
March 16, 2014*



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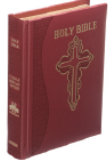
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