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*Thus says the LORD:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!*

Isaiah 55:1

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2020**

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. Thomas Crennan

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.

Face covering and social distancing required.

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. Sunday Mass suspended until further notice.

Mass intention will be fulfilled privately by one of the priests.

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

ADORATION OF

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

Sunday: 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 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: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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

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FORMED
PICK OF THE WEEK

Extraordinary Stories
for Children

The film features eleven different stories that introduce children to Blessed Solanus Casey's spirituality and ministry. Each segment features a child who tells a fascinating and true story about Blessed Solanus.

Powered by AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Q: How do new parishioners register for an account?

A: Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

Go to formed.org/signup, Select your parish
Register with your name and email address
Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

Q: Do parishioners still need to use our parish code or custom registration URL?

A: Registering has become a lot easier and parish codes and

custom registration urls are no longer needed for your parishioners to register for FORMED through your parish! Now, parishioners simply need to go to formed.org/signup and find your parish to register.

Q: Will parishioners user emails and passwords still work?

A: Passwords are being phased out. Parishioner emails will still work. Parishioners do not need to re-register to sign in.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Saturday, August 15

*Solemnity
of the Assumption
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

Masses for the Solemnity are:

Saturday, August 15

8:00 a.m.

and 12:15 p.m.



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, August 3—12:45 p.m.

Monday, August 10—12:45 p.m.

Monday, August 17—12:45 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday

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

in the church

after the 12:15 p.m. Mass



SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR BEING IN CHURCH

FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE, ALL WHO ENTER MUST:

- ▶ **WEAR A FACE MASK OR FACE COVERING — NO EXCEPTIONS**
- ▶ **REMAIN AT LEAST SIX (6) FEET APART, SIDE-TO-SIDE AND IN FRONT OF AND BEHIND YOU**
- ▶ **FOLLOW THE TRAFFIC PATTERNS ON THE FLOOR**
- ▶ **SIT IN DESIGNATED SEATS ONLY**
- ▶ **ENTER ONLY THROUGH WELLWOOD AVENUE DOORS**
- ▶ **EXIT ONLY THROUGH SIDE DOORS ON NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE**

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are being 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)**
- ▶ **Exit is only via the doors at the south end of the hallway (into the large parking lot)**
- ▶ **Everyone — priests and penitents — is required to wear face masks or face coverings**
- ▶ **Lines on the floor will indicate a 6-foot social distance between those waiting on line outside each classroom**
- ▶ **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)**

IF YOU CANNOT YET COME BACK TO MASS...

Participate virtually in Sunday Mass online celebrated by your OLPH priests!

You can participate in Morning and Evening Prayer too.

Go to the website: www.olphlindenhurst.com

Click on the link to watch the video of the Mass anytime.

You can also click the link for our YouTube page

OLPH Church Lindenhurst.

In addition to Sunday Mass, other items of interest are occasionally posted on the YouTube page.

CAN YOU HELP US UPGRADE OUR LIVE-STREAM CAPABILITIES?



As you know, from March 18 through June 13, OLPH church, like just about every church throughout the country, was shut down as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. During those three months we were blessed to be able to maintain at least a digital presence. With the help of Fr. Fidelis' tripod, Fr. Frank's iPhone camera and his presence behind the camera and Chris Ferraro's newly acquired skills with social media video editing, we were able to livestream a weekly Mass and create daily video reflections by members of the Pastoral Staff. We made do with our technology in

those unfortunate circumstances and continue to make do as we continue to offer a pre-recorded Sunday Mass for those who are unable to be physically present at Mass.

The time has come, however, for us to upgrade our technology and to install a permanent live-stream system in the church. In addition to allowing us to unobtrusively live-stream Masses, a new system will also enable us to live-stream weddings, funerals and other sacramental and ritual moments. When the weather is bad in the winter or people are leery about coming out at night to attend Lessons and Carols, the Parish Mission or Taizé Prayer around the Cross, we will be able to maintain a digital presence. Of course, all of this will never replace our "in person" worship. Also, we have many homebound parishioners who just can't come out any more.

This new system will include the installation of two permanently fixed cameras, one in the choir loft focused on the sanctuary area and one in the sanctuary facing the back of the church to get views of the assembly praying, the reception of the body at funerals and important processions at Sunday Mass and weddings and funerals. While we are still finalizing estimates for this new system, we project that the cost for this project will come close to \$15,000. If you are interested in making a contribution to our new system, please contact Chris Ferraro at the rectory office, cferraro@oloph.org or (631) 226-7725. He can fill you in on all the details. We are also looking for some people to help with a new technology ministry to assist with the live-streaming. With public Masses now fully back in swing, Fr. Frank and Chris need more help. If you'd like more information, please contact Chris.



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 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED

Level 8:

THE SACRAMENT CONFIRMATION

We are celebrating Confirmation on Wednesday, August 19, at 7:00 p.m.,
Thursday, August 20, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, August 22, at 11:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.
 Confirmation will also be celebrated at Parish Masses on Sunday, August 23,
at the 10:00 a.m. Mass and Sunday, August 30, at the 12:00 p.m. Mass.

Don't forget to properly prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation by celebrating the Sacrament of Penance! Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4:00 p.m.—4:45 p.m. in the new building of the school.

Make sure you go to Confession before receiving Confirmation!



All Levels:

Please be sure to register for the 2020/21 academic year! You can mail in your registration fee to us at any time. Make sure to read through our new Parking Policy and hand in the signed form so we know you've read it. All time switches and teacher requests can be mailed in as well. Please let us know if you have any changes for your contact information.

What classes will look like for Fall 2020?
 We have been working diligently on getting ready for the Fall of 2020 and what classes will look like. We will follow the lead of the school district and state-mandated guidelines. We are here for you and we have your safety listed as our number one priority!

We will have cleaning and sanitation procedures in place so that everyone will be safe and can stay healthy while attending class at OLPH. We will be sending out these precautions via email. We will also list the requirements in order for your child to come into the classroom. In order to get the information for our class options you must be already registered for the 2020/21 academic year. **REGISTER NOW!**

Bible Camp & Service Camp

Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253

Bible Camp Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut
akleinlaut@oloph.org

Service Camp Director: Bridget Jordan
bjordan@oloph.org

O.F.F. HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 12:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Weekends: Closed

Counselor Meeting

On Wednesday, August 5, in the church at 6:00 p.m.

This meeting is mandatory to attend!

You must wear a mask in order to enter the church!

If you can stay after the meeting is over to help decorate the school it would be much appreciated.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS!

- ◆ Individually wrapped snacks
- ◆ 8 oz. water bottles/ Juice boxes
- ◆ Shoe boxes
- ◆ Bags of plain white rice (no Minute Rice)
- ◆ Bags of uncooked kidney beans
- ◆ Travel sized soap
- ◆ Travel sized shampoo
- ◆ Travel sized toothpaste
- ◆ Toothbrushes
- ◆ Washcloths
- ◆ Hand Sanitizer/ Wipes
- ◆ Duct tape / Painter's tape / Clear packing tape
- ◆ Disposable tablecloths

Come Help Us Decorate!

Help us make the Bible Camp magic happen! We will be decorating the school on
Thursday, August 6, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.,
Friday, August 7, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
and Sunday, August 9, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

OLPH SERVICE CAMP



Come to the
**OLPH Service Camp
Car Wash!**
Wednesday, August 12
9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.

In the school parking lot off High St.

Help Support a Good Cause!

**ONLY \$5
PER CAR!**

*Our Service Campers will be raising money for people in Haiti.
Help us reach our goal of \$100!*

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Bereavement Ministry: Linda Arpino—631.592.1062—forubabe77@gmail.com
- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864—cdefeldman@optonline.net
- † 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: Deborah Deasy—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

NEW Food Pantry List!

**CANNED VEGETABLES
(CORN, PEAS, CARROTS)
CANNED MEAT
CANNED TUNA
PORK & BEANS
CANNED FRUIT
PANCAKE MIX/SYRUP
CEREAL
PAPER TOWELS
SHAMPOO**

The pantry is in great need at this time.

Please bring items to the SVdP office:

Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

and on 1st and 3rd 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
Gates & High Streets**

631.226.7725 x. 234

Our regular office hours:

*Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.– 12:00
p.m. and on 1st and 3rd Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.*

In the Gospel, Jesus says: “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves,” and taking the five loaves and two fish, he blessed them and gave them to the disciples to feed the crowd.

Know that your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to help those living in poverty touches many lives just like the loaves and fishes.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

TO OUR ANONYMOUS SUPPORTERS WHO LEAVE FOOD ON THE SANCTUARY STEPS AND MONEY IN THE POOR BOXES...THANK YOU!

*....when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing
(Matthew 6:3)*

This teaching of Jesus is lived and practiced by so many of our fellow parishioners at OLPH. We are blessed by secret benefactors who anonymously make regular donations of food and other necessities, leaving them on the steps of the sanctuary, or dropping off at the Pantry during office hours. Also, take a look in the Sunday bulletin weekly collection breakdown. The contributions put into the poor boxes as you leave church add up and are the major source of our funding. You know who you are, but we're not sure that you realize how much your quiet acts of charity mean to the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at OLPH, and to those whom we strive to serve. Thank you and may God bless you!!!



HAVEN HOUSE/BRIDGES, INC.

Homeless Prevention Program

ARE YOU AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS? THE HHB HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAM IS HERE TO HELP!

HHB's Homeless Prevention Program assists individuals and families to prevent the eviction process, remain in or obtain permanent housing, and/or assist them with supportive services during their experience of homelessness.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You may be eligible if you are AT-RISK OF HOMELESSNESS or HOMELESS.

HOW WE CAN HELP

The program offers individuals who are at risk of homelessness or homeless with financial and rental assistance related to maintaining permanent housing, such as moving or storage fees, rental or utility arrears, security deposits, rental and utility payments. Additionally, staff provide benefit/entitlement advocacy and services to assist with success in permanent housing and much more!

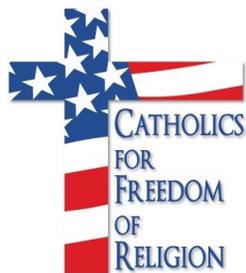


CONTACT US TODAY

For more information and to see if you qualify for services, please contact the **Housing Specialist**.

Phone: 631.231.3619 Fax: 631.231.4754
Homelessprevention@tsli-hhb.org
www. TSLI-HHB.org

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Does America Need a Third Great Awakening?—Part 2

Today many, from all faiths and from no faith, see a malevolent force that has gripped our nation and the world that leaves many people feeling helpless and hopeless. They often look only for political solutions to this present darkness. But, at times of significant societal change, where uncivilized and often barbaric behaviors are seen daily on TV news and the internet, a spiritual/religious revival is called for to point the way to a more devout, more free, more kind and meaningful society.

"We are now standing in the face of the greatest historical confrontation humanity has ever experienced. I do not think that the wide circle of the American Society, or the whole wide circle of the Christian Community, realize this fully. We are now facing the final confrontation between the Church and the anti-church, between the Gospel and the anti-gospel, between Christ and the anti-Christ. The confrontation lies within the plans of Divine Providence. It is, therefore, in God's Plan, and it must be a trial which the Church must take up, and face courageously," said Cardinal Karol Wojtyła (future Pope John Paul II), 1976 in Philadelphia for the bicentennial celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.⁽¹⁾

"Millions of Americans are alarmed over our current cultural and political climate but are afraid to speak out. They feel bullied into accepting a cultural and political outlook sharply different from what they believe," wrote Rabbi Aryeh Spero in *Push Back, Reclaiming the American Judeo-Christian Spirit*.⁽²⁾

Archbishop Carlo Viganò, former Apostolic Nuncio, wrote, "In recent months we have been witnessing the formation of two opposing sides that I would call Biblical: the children of light and the children of darkness. The children of light constitute the most conspicuous part of humanity, while the children of darkness represent the absolute minority. And yet, the former are the object of a sort of discrimination which places them in a situation of moral inferiority with respect to their adversaries, who often hold strategic positions in government, in politics, in the economy and in the media. In an apparently inexplicable way, the good are held hostage by the wicked and by those who help them either out of self-interest or fearfulness."

"However, it is important that the good — who are the majority — wake up from their sluggishness and do not accept being deceived by a minority of dishonest people...It is necessary that the good, the children of light, come together and make their voices heard. What more effective way is there to do this...than by prayer, asking the Lord to protect...all of humanity from this enormous attack of the Enemy?"⁽³⁾

([catholiconline/st.johnpaulwarning\(1\)](http://catholiconline/st.johnpaulwarning(1)); *Push Back* by Rabbi Aryeh Spero(2); lifesitenews.com, 6/7/20(3)

PRAY WITH THE LEGION OF MARY

FOR OUR COUNTRY'S HEALTH ---St. Faustina's Diary (Excerpt 59 & 60): "On one occasion I heard these words in my soul. Make a novena for your country. This novena will consist of **Litany of the Saints**. Towards the end of the litany I saw a great radiance and, in the of it, God the Father. Between the radiance and the earth I saw Jesus nailed to the cross in such a way in that when God wanted to look at the earth, He had to look through the wounds of Jesus. And understood that it was for the sake of Jesus that God blesses the earth."

The Legion of Mary will be doing this and would love to have you to join them in prayer. Just think of the wonderful changes prayer can accomplish! If you would like a copy of the "**Litany of the Saints**" please e-mail or call Louise Perrotta at louiseperrotta@optonline.net or 631-412-3831.

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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Carole Carrano, Parish Secretary	212	ccarrano@oloph.org
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Thomas Crennan, Business Manager	204	tcrennan@oloph.org
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Fr. Fidelis Ezeani, Associate Pastor	226	fadaprincedchrist@yahoo.com
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April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
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 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

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
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Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
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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

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

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

WE CELEBRATE

God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin, given you a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and welcomed you into his holy people. -Rite of Baptism



*Valentina Noelle Aveni
Makenna Lucia Blaskiewicz
Harry David Cohen
Lucas Francesco Franco*

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

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.



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.

WE REMEMBER

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

*John O'Keeffe
Rosemarie Bucaro*

"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...

*Janet Novotny
Angela Pagnotta
Daniel Cuzzo
Gordon G. Hinds
Dorothy Fitzgerald
Douglas Young
Lisa Marie Hulsen
Debra Holmes
Loretto Dinardo
Skylar Gouedy
Nora McMahan
Mary Hawkins
Pat Kleczkowski
Rich Kleczkowski*

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.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

If you are mourning the loss of a loved one, the support of your Catholic faith community should be a source of comfort and strength. A bereavement group run by trained facilitators helps grieving people learn skills for navigating their loss and opportunities to share their stories of loss. The **Bereavement Support Group** is a parish-based ministry responding to the needs of the recently bereaved by offering emotional, and sometimes practical, support as they learn to cope with their loss.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and would like to know more about the **OLPH Support Group Program**, please contact Linda Arpino at 631-592-1062 or Marige Reyes at 631-608-3658. You may also leave your name and contact information with the receptionist in the rectory.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, August 3—****Weekday**

6:30 Herbert Muscarello

12:15 Ann McCowan

TUESDAY, August 4—**Saint John Vianney, Priest**

6:30 Mathew Van Seydewitz

12:15 Mary Beth Lange

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

6:30 Margaret Doyen

12:15 Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton

THURSDAY, August 6—**The Transfiguration of the Lord**

6:30 John Giordano

12:15 Anthony Catapano

FRIDAY, August 7—**Weekday***(Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;
Saint Cajetan, Priest)*

6:30 Allison DeFrancisco

12:15 Lucretia & Dominick Colucci & Family

SATURDAY, August 8—**Saint Dominic, Priest**

8:00 Richard Garbe

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

5:00 Ann DeGirolamo

Sunday, August 9**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**8:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Holy
Name Society

10:00 For the People of the Parish

12:00 Ray DeLisa

5:00 * Deceased Members of the Sheehan
Family**Will not be celebrated publicly; intention will be fulfilled
in a private Mass by one of the priests.***PARISH CALENDAR****Monday, August 3, 2020**

9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible Camp set-up	School
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
12:45 p.m.	Devotions	Church

Tuesday, August 4, 2020

9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible Camp set-up	School
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Wednesday, August 5, 2020

9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible Camp set-up	School
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
6:00 p.m.	Vacation Bible Camp Counselor Meeting	Church

Thursday, August 6, 2020

9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible Camp set-up	School
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
7:30 p.m.	Baptismal Prep Class for Parents	Room 16

Friday, August 7, 2020

9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible Camp set-up	School
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24

Saturday, August 8, 2020

1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	School
5:00 p.m.	1st Communion at Mass	Church

Sunday, August 9, 2020

2:00 p.m.	Baptisms	Church
7:00 p.m.	Devotions—Holy Hour	Church

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10:00 a.m.	220	54	1,674.00
12:00 p.m.	203	53	2,330.00
Coin			4.27
Mail-ins:			2,537.00
Children's Env.		3	7.00
Faith Direct			2,998.50
TOTAL	701	254	\$13,663.27
2019 total	1,479	527	\$16,429.35
Candles			\$664.39
Poor Box			\$126.69



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Spanish Speaking Bereavement Support Group for loss due to COVID-19: Tuesday evenings August 4 thru September 22, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Registration Required. Email/call Intake Coordinator: Yamith Soacha, LCSW (631) 655-7569 or yamith.soacha@chsli.org

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PREPARING FOR
Sunday, August 9, 2020
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Peter got out of the boat
and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. Matthew 14:29

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

The story of Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb begins as a flight from danger, but takes a surprising turn. The prophet makes his solitary way to the mountain where the Lord had appeared to Moses and the Israelites ("Horeb" is an alternate name for "Sinai"). Like Moses on the holy mountain, Elijah experiences God's presence and receives a commission. For Elijah, as so often for us, God didn't come in great and powerful signs such as a wind, fire, or earthquake, but in the quiet whispering sounds that can be found deep in our hearts.

Romans 9:1-5

Paul speaks in strong terms of the depth of his grief over the unbelief of his own people, the Jews. He would willingly undergo a curse himself for the sake of their coming to the knowledge of Christ. His love for them derives from God's continuing choice of them and from the spiritual benefits that God bestows on them and through them on all of humanity.

Matthew 14:22-33

As God incarnate, Jesus was not subject to the normal laws of nature, as He demonstrated in walking on the water to the apostles while they were out at sea in a boat. For the members of Matthew's faith community, Jesus' treading upon the water and having dominion over it would have immediately identified Him in their minds as the God of Israel, as this was a scriptural manifestation of the Lord's dominion over everything He has created. Our God has power over everything so there is nothing He cannot do. That's a comforting thought when things seem hopeless to us. All we need is faith and we can walk on water too, like Peter did.

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. Peter was walking toward Jesus and doing fine. What caused him to suddenly sink? What causes you to move away from your "leap of faith"? What do you think would have helped Peter stay afloat? What might help you?

2. According to Pope Francis, how is the Church today like the boat full of disciples in a storm?

"[Here] is an effective image of the Church: a boat which must brave the storms and sometimes seems on the point of capsizing. What saves her is not the skill and courage of her crew members, but faith which allows her to walk, even in the dark, amid hardships. Faith gives us the certainty of Jesus' presence always beside us, of his hand which grasps us to pull us back from danger. We are all on this boat, and we feel secure here despite our limitations and our weaknesses."

Pope Francis preaching the Angelus, Sunday, August 10, 2014



Readings for the Week

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

Monday, August 3, 2020:

Jeremiah 28:1-17 + Matthew 14:22-36

Tuesday, August 4, 2020:

Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
+ Matthew 14:22-36

Wednesday, August 5, 2020:

Jeremiah 31:1-7 + Matthew 15:21-28

Thursday, August 6, 2020:

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

Friday, August 7, 2020:

Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7
+ Matthew 16:24-28

Saturday, August 8, 2020:

Habakkuk 1:12—2:4
+ Matthew 17:14-20

Sunday, August 9, 2020:

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
+ Romans 9:1-5
+ Matthew 14:22-33

THE FULL, CONSCIOUS, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE ASSEMBLY

On December 4, 1963, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Bishops of the world passed the first of sixteen documents that would be promulgated by the Second Vatican Council. *Sacrosanctum Concilium, the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, was one of the four “constitutions” which defined vital issues of Church teachings and practice. This Constitution called for a reform of the liturgy. It did not mandate innovations, but restored ancient practices. It urged that “the rites be revised carefully in light of sound tradition and that they be given new vigor to meet the circumstances and needs of modern times” (SC 4).

The Constitution began with a theological review of the nature of liturgy and its role in the life of the Church (1-13). It called for the improved liturgical formation of the clergy and the faithful (14-19) and carefully detailed the principles which would guide the reform (21-46). The chapters that followed gave specific norms for the reform of the Mass, the sacraments, the Liturgy of the Hours, the liturgical year, and more.

And in all these important efforts, what was given highest priority? What was the goal to be considered before all else? It was the full, conscious and active participation of the people in the pews!

“The Church earnestly desires that all the faithful be led to that full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations, called for by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people ... is their right and duty by reason of their baptism. In the reform and promotion of the liturgy, this full and active participation by all the people is the aim to be considered before all else. For it is the primary and indispensable source from which the faithful are to derive the true Christian spirit ... (SC 14).

Indeed, that phrase, “full, conscious and active participation,” appeared no less than thirty-one times in the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*. What does this phrase imply? The council envisioned that we would be participating in the liturgy with our whole mind, heart and bodies! “... Pastors must therefore realize that when the liturgy is celebrated something more is required than the mere observance of the laws governing valid and lawful celebration; it is also their duty to ensure that the faithful take part fully aware of what they are doing, actively engaged in the rite, and enriched by its effects” (SC 11).

For centuries, the faithful “attended” or “heard” Mass in Latin. They devoutly listened as the priest recited prayers in a language that few could understand. Only in the early twentieth century were personal missals published to provide translations. And language was not the only barrier to participation. Frequently, the architecture itself separated us from the altar by great distances or communion rails. Often, the faithful simultaneously prayed the Rosary or other devotions while Mass was being celebrated, so they hungered for familiar clues like the ringing of bells.

How did the Second Vatican Council bring about our greater participation? First, it encouraged “liturgical formation with zeal and patience” (SC 19). The bishops knew that we would better participate if we were taught! We would then better understand the depth of the mystery being celebrated, the structure of the Mass, and the richness of the traditions behind our current practices.

Second, they reminded us that liturgies are never private functions — they involve the whole body of the Church, near and far, visible and invisible (26). The liturgy is public and communal by its very nature, but it also concerns individual members in different orders and offices who exercise a variety of liturgical roles — bishops, priests, deacons, lectors, cantors and more.

Third, the liturgical books themselves were reformed to promote active participation. The people were given more “speaking parts” and encouraged to take part in acclamations, responses, psalmody, antiphons, and songs (30-31). Music, especially, allowed us to give fuller expression to our prayer. And the texts of these books were to be marked by “noble simplicity.” They were to be “short, clear, and unencumbered by useless repetitions; they [were to be] written within the people’s power of comprehension and, as a rule, not require much explanation” (34). Most importantly, the liturgical books were to be translated into the vernacular so that the people could pray in their own language, just as they had for centuries before Trent. These translations were to be approved by each country’s conference of bishops and the Holy See.

Fourth, since we pray with our whole bodies, we participate fully, consciously and actively with postures and gestures. We kneel, we sit, we stand, we process, we bow our head, we make the Sign of the Cross. These common postures and gestures are a sign of our unity when we are gathered for the Sacred Liturgy — they both express and foster our intention and spiritual attitude (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 42).

Silence, too, is a means of participation. In silence, we recollect our sins and gather our prayers in the Introductory Rites. In silence, we reflect on the readings. In silence (or in song), we reflect on the great gift of Holy Communion (GIRM 45). We participate, too, simply by listening attentively to the readings and the prayers and then responding to them with “Thanks be to God” or “Amen” or other acclamations.

Too often, some will complain that they “don’t get much out of Mass.” The obvious response is “What did you put into it?” We never come to liturgy to be entertained, or worse yet, to judge the music or the homily. We are not there as strangers or silent spectators. We come together as a Christian community to encounter the living God.

The *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* best describes our role at Mass and it is anything but passive! We are “instructed by God’s word and nourished at the table of the Lord’s body, we give thanks to God by offering the immaculate Victim, not only through the hands of the priest, but also with him. We offer ourselves as well, through Christ the Mediator, so that we may be formed day by day into an ever more perfect unity with God and with each other, so that finally God may be all in all” (48). ■

Written by Rita A. Thiron. This article first appeared in the July/August 2010 edition of Faith Magazine.

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