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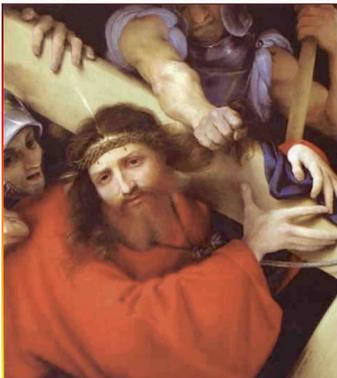


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2021

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*Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake
and that of the gospel will save it.*

Mark 8:35

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 12, 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.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 12, 2021

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with Dr. Michael Barber and Dr. James Prothro

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Starting up

How thrilling it is for us to once again be starting up and resuming so many of our varied parish ministries and activities! I am grateful to all the wonderful offerers, and especially the ministry heads and leaders, who are plunging in to get things going again. What a wonderful sign of our participation in the power of the Lord's resurrection, that we are able to rise again to a return of the vibrancy and busyness of OLPH parish, which has been nicknamed (in addition to "The Place to Be") as "Our Lady of Perpetual *Motion!*" I continue to have individual meetings with all the ministry heads and leaders to assess where their groups are at.

I would like to especially highlight that this Saturday, April Kleinlaut, our Director of Faith Formation, and I will host our annual Orientation Meeting for families who are new to our Religious Education Program. This meeting gives the two of us the opportunity to make a personal contact and connection with families who have children in Religious Education for the first time. It allows us to welcome them to the program and to discuss with them our philosophy that the parents are the primary religious educators of their children, as we encourage them to take that role seriously, and to stress with them the importance both of their involvement in the program and their regular participation in weekly Sunday Mass. If, by the way, you or someone you know has children who should be enrolled in Religious Education but have not yet done so, please be sure to tell them to sign up immediately.

New Altar Servers wanted and needed!

One thing I'm really excited about is that we are now able to take on a new group of altar servers! We are in active recruiting mode for new altar servers; see the information elsewhere in this bulletin. Girls and boys **5th** grade and older are invited and encouraged to sign up; moms and dads, grandmas and grandpas, encourage the kids to become involved and make this great offering of service to the parish! It's a great way for them, and the entire family, to grow close to Jesus and His Church. Notice two things, though: for a number of reasons, this year I can accept only the **first twelve (12) applicants**, and I have a firm deadline of **September 27** for sign-ups, since training sessions will begin shortly after that. I look forward to working with all our new servers!

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

This Tuesday, September 14, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Notice the title of the day: **Exaltation** of the Holy Cross. The meaning of the feast rests in the Cross as a symbol of hope and victory because it is the instrument of our salvation: Christ rose from the dead. For the Christian, salvation rests in God bringing new life out of death; the heart of Christian spirituality is to be found in the transformation that God brings about in us when we go

to the Cross with the Lord. How we have all lived through that passage of the Cross throughout this pandemic!

As always, the words of the liturgy sum up best for us the meaning of what we celebrate; these are the words of the Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer for this feast day: *For you [God] placed the salvation of the human race on the wood of the Cross, so that, where death arose, life might again spring forth and the evil one, who conquered on a tree, might likewise on a tree be conquered, through Christ our Lord.*

The imagery is rich: Adam and Eve eating of the fruit of the tree forbidden by God brought sin and death into the world, but out of another tree — the tree of obedience, love and total selfless offering, namely, the tree, or wood, of the Cross — came forgiveness, redemption and new life. As we celebrate this feast, take some time to reflect on how, in the words of the Preface, God has made life "spring forth" in your life when you have embraced a Cross. It is to that trust and confidence in the power of God to bring new life — and to look for the signs as to how God has done that in particular over the past two years or so — that all Christians are called.

Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

Then, on the next day, Wednesday of this week, September 15, the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, I will have the privilege of once again presiding at our special Sorrowful Mother Mass, where we pray especially for children and teens who are terminally ill, or in remission, or who have serious illnesses, or who have special needs. Our celebration of this Mass at OLPH always includes the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for these children, and, in fact, for anyone in attendance who is in need of that sacrament.

This memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows is a relatively new one on the liturgical calendar, included universally on the Church calendar for the first time only in 1814. The sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary begin with the prophecy of Simeon at the Presentation in the Temple, when he tells her, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." (Luke 2:34-35) In art, Our Lady of Sorrows has her heart pierced by seven swords, representing the seven sorrows of tradition and the prophecy of Simeon.

If you have a child or grandchild with a serious illness, or who is in remission, or who has special needs, or if you yourself are in need of it, I urge you and your family to attend this Mass and have them or yourself anointed. Even if you don't need the Anointing, you may wish to come to this Mass simply to pray with and for, and to express your solidarity with, those who will be there. I know this Mass has special meaning for those who have a particular devotion to the Blessed Mother under this title. It is always a very beautiful and meaningful experience of prayer and of communal

support. I am grateful to Linda Setti who organizes this Mass for us each year. Full details can be found in the ad elsewhere in the bulletin.

Golf Outing

I'm very happy to point out that after a one-year absence due to Covid, the annual OLPH Golf Outing, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, returns this year; this is our tenth one! It's always a wonderful day and I have enjoyed being a part of it every year that I have been at OLPH — not as a golfer, of course (the thought of me doing anything even remotely athletic is quite laughable!), but as a participant in the day nonetheless. It's being held a week from this Monday, on September 20, at Middle Island Country Club. By the way, I believe it's not too late to sign up to golf if you have not already done so, nor is it too late to support the effort in some other way.

In addition to enjoying a great day of golf and a great day of fellowship and fun, you'll be helping both OLPH as a parish and our Knights of Columbus Council, since proceeds will be split between the two. If you can't golf, then support the outing through the raffle tickets being sold or by buying one of the sponsorships. You can also just come to the great dinner. Check out the ad in today's bulletin for more information.

9/11

I know I mentioned this in last week's bulletin, but since 9/11 is this weekend, I think this acknowledgement bears repeating, given the importance of the occasion as we celebrate the twentieth (20th) anniversary of the 9/11

terrorist attacks. As it is every year, September 11 is a day of solemn remembrance for our nation, and especially for those of us in the New York metropolitan area, as we recall the terrorist attacks on our country, and particularly the collapse of the Twin Towers in Manhattan, and the resultant inconceivable loss of life in all the attacks. It's a day forever seared into our hearts, our souls and our minds for those of us old enough to remember it. We must never, ever forget; never forget!

We have made special remembrance of this in the Universal Prayer at all the Masses this weekend. Let's continue to pray for all those who lost their life, for their families, and for all the many brave, brave first responders and others who rushed to the scene on that day, and who continued to labor at Ground Zero in the days, weeks and months afterward. The effects of that day continue to be felt right down to the present by so many.

We must continue to be united as Americans and take pride in our country and in our way of life. Most of all, I repeat that we must never, ever forget the thousands of innocent people who lost their life on that tragic day. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

In conclusion...

Together, let's aim high in Christ. Together, let's bring out the best in each other. Together, let's be the best we can be in Christ.

And let's always remember: LOVE IS A GIFT.

Sincerely,



IMPORTANT NOTICE AFFECTING ALL CHILDREN OF THE PARISH

As required by the Diocese of Rockville Centre, Sacraments of Initiation are to be celebrated in the home parish of the child. Therefore, all families of OLPH with children celebrating First Communion and Confirmation are to have their children **celebrate those sacraments at OLPH**. As Catholics, our faith identity is centered in our Eucharistic identity, namely, the Sunday worshipping community we belong to (where we celebrate Mass Sunday after Sunday). This community is our primary community and the community in which our faith is lived, day in and day out.

Because of this, and because each year of religious formation builds on the prior one, **all school-aged children who are parishioners of OLPH, regardless of where they attend school, must be registered with our Religious Education Office for all years of religious formation (not only for sacrament-preparation years).**

- Children **in all grades** who attend **public school** attend religion classes in our Religious Education Program, and they and their parents also participate in various non-classroom religious formation experiences.

- Children **in all grades** who attend a **Catholic elementary school** need not attend the Religious Education classes, but they **must be registered in the program**, and they and their parents participate in all the non-classroom religious formation experiences, especially but not only in sacrament-preparation years. **These children celebrate the sacraments here at OLPH**, not at the parish of their elementary school.

- Children **in all grades** who are **homeschooled** must also be registered with the Religious Education Office; they may or may not be required to attend the Religious Education classes, depending on their homeschool curriculum, but regardless, the homeschooled children and their parents are to attend the various non-classroom formation experiences, especially but not only in sacrament-preparation years. **These children celebrate the sacraments here at OLPH.**

If you are a parishioner with children in a Catholic elementary school or who are homeschooled and you are not yet on record with our Religious Education Office, please contact the office immediately. If you know of anyone who should be registered, please let them know of this policy. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

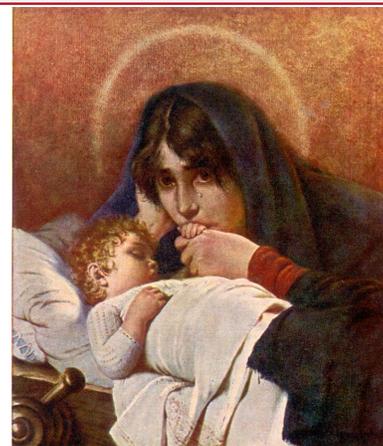
Sorrowful Mother Devotions

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Mass at 7:00 p.m.

at OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH

Devotions at 6:30 p.m.



Join us for:

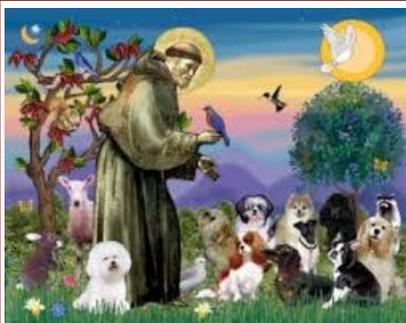
- *Chanting the Stabat Mater*
- *The Seven Sorrows of our Blessed Mother*
- *The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick*
- *The presentation of a rose to each child/teenager/young adult*

Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco will be presiding at our special Mass

FOR ALL CHILDREN, TEENAGERS AND YOUNG ADULTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS OR WHO ARE TERMINALLY ILL OR IN REMISSION

All are invited to attend!

Please call Linda Setti at 631-884-6892 ASAP to attend or wish to be involved in this special event.



Feast of St. Francis Blessing of the Animals

*Monday, OCTOBER 4
5:30 p.m. on the Rectory lawn*

(in Auditorium in case of inclement weather)

The Church celebrates the Feast of St. Francis. St. Francis has contributed so much to the life of our Church, in so many ways. One of the things he is noted for is recognition of God's presence in all of creation, including animals.

We invite all members of our parish community (even those that crawl, fly and have four legs) to come for a special prayer service and blessing. Following the service, there will be refreshments for all, including our human family members and friends.



And, in the spirit of St. Francis, we ask all who attend the prayer service to bring a food or non-food donation for our food pantry. Please see page 13 for specific needs.



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.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays

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

in the church after the 12:15 p.m. Mass



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)**
- ▶ **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



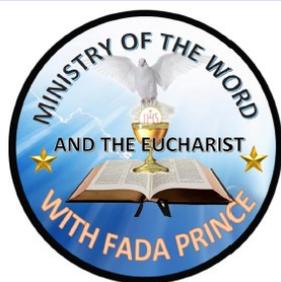
LIVE-STREAM MASS

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
- OLPH Facebook page: @olphlindenhurst
- OLPH YouTube Channel: OLPH Church Lindenhurst

FR. FIDELIS HAS A YOUTUBE CHANNEL



**Hear Fr. Fidelis give weekly reflections
and more on his YouTube channel!**

You can go to **YouTube** and search for **FADA PRINCE** (with the logo at left) and click on the **SUBSCRIBE** button.



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER!

ATTENTION BOYS AND GIRLS OF THE PARISH, FIFTH GRADE AND OLDER

We are in the process of **recruiting new Altar Servers!** Being an altar server is a great way to be involved at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. You make an important contribution to the life of the parish and you perform an important ministry. Besides, it's fun!!! You serve at weekend Masses and other special events, attend some meetings throughout the year, and have fun parties!

Why not become an altar server? We would love to have you, and we will provide plenty of training — no prior experience is necessary!! If you are a boy or a girl who is in the **5th grade or older (it's o.k. if you are in 6th, 7th or 8th grade, or even older!)**, you are invited to become an altar server. Parents, why not mention it to your daughter or son to get them interested? Training will start soon, so sign up now.

If you are interested, **mail or drop off the coupon below to Monsignor Joe at the Rectory, 210 South Wellwood Avenue.** *No phone calls, please; you must let me know in writing! It's OK to scan this page and send it electronically with all the info to msgrjoe@oloph.org*

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, RESPOND BEFORE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021, SINCE THE FIRST TRAINING MEETING WILL BE SOON AFTER THAT (you will receive a letter giving you specific information). **Due to some limitations beyond our control, only the first TWELVE (12) responses can be accepted.**

Sorry...no responses can be accepted after September 27! (and only the first 12!)

Yes, I am interested in becoming an Altar Server! **RETURN THIS BEFORE SEPT. 27!**

Name _____

Address _____

Town/Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail _____@_____

Date of Birth (month/day/year) _____/_____/_____

Family Envelope/Registration Number _____ *****Required: Your family must be registered parishioners of OLPH.**

Year You Received First Holy Communion _____

Grade you are in right now _____

Check one:

_____ I go to public school; Name of School _____

_____ I go to Catholic school; Name of School _____

WE REMEMBER 9/11

On September 11, 2001, nineteen terrorists hijacked four commercial airplanes to carry out suicide attacks against targets in the United States. One plane was crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., killing 184 passengers and Pentagon employees. A second plane, targeted to be crashed into the White House, crashed twenty minutes away from the White House, when the thirty-three passengers on the plane attempted to re-take control of the aircraft; all of those on the plane were killed in the crash. Two planes targeted the Twin Towers in New York City.

The terrorists deliberately crashed American Airlines Flight 11, carrying 87 passengers and crew, into the North Tower, 1 World Trade Center (WTC), between floors 94 and 98, and United Airlines Flight 175, carrying 60 passengers and crew, into the South Tower, 2 WTC, between floors 78 and 84. Of the approximately 17,400 people in the North and South Towers on September 11, approximately 15,000 people evacuated safely, but thousands were killed in the impact and fire or trapped as firefighters and rescue workers scaled endless flights of stairs to rescue them. The South Tower (2 WTC) collapsed 56 minutes after being hit; the North Tower (1 WTC) fell after 102 minutes. All seven buildings at the World Trade Center in NYC were destroyed.

Among those who lost their lives on that day were Lindenhurst residents who were killed in the attack on the World Trade Towers, and in the rescue efforts that followed. As we pray for peace in the world, let us also pray for the souls of those who were lost on that day, and for the families who have mourned their passing from this world.

Joseph Angelini Sr.

***April 11, 1938–September 11, 2001
New York City Fire Department,
Rescue 1, Firefighter***

Joseph John Angelini Jr.

***August 3, 1963–September 11, 2001
New York City Fire Department,
Ladder 4, Firefighter***

Susan Marie Clyne

***May 9, 1959–September 11, 2001
Marsh & McLennan***

Tara Debek

***August 15, 1966–September 11, 2001
Marsh & McLennan***

Geoffrey E. Guja

***February 27, 1954–September 11, 2001
New York City Fire Department,
Engine 82, Lieutenant***

Gary H. Lee

***August 26, 1939–September 11, 2001
Cantor Fitzgerald***

Catherine Lisa Logiudice

***December 5, 1970–September 11, 2001
Cantor Fitzgerald***

Laurence F. Nedell

***November 13, 1948–September 11, 2001
Aon Corporation***

Michelle Lee Titolo

***May 25, 1967–September 11, 2001
Cantor Fitzgerald***

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OLPH Family Photo Album

We are pleased to announce that as part of our 150th Anniversary Celebration, we will be offering for sale a Family Photo Album. The Album will include gathered pictures of Parishioners, our Priests and OLPH Staff. There will also be a history page about our Parish, a collage of different OLPH events that took place during our Anniversary celebration year and a message from our Pastor, Msgr. Joe. Won't you please take part by submitting a beautiful family photo? (Details below). Go ahead, "dress to impress"!

Types of photos

Pictures may include a special family photo celebrating a Sacrament (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Wedding, etc...), a birthday or special family celebration, a professional family photo. The choices are endless but only one picture please.

Size of photo

Please submit a 3X5 photo **by November 15, 2021.**

Where

- Pictures should be sent by email to: socialmedia@oloph.org.
- Subject line should include: OLPH Family Photo Album - [family name]
- In your email, please simply include the names of the persons in the photo, Family last name and number of Albums you wish to purchase.
- As an **alternative to emailing**, the below form may also be completed and dropped off at the Rectory with your family photo in an envelope marked to the attention of "OLPH Family Photo Album".

*If you have any questions, please call Helene at 917-679-0376
or send your question to the above email address, attention: OLPH Family Photo Album.*

OLPH Family Photo Album



Order Form

Date: _____ Name: _____

Tel/Cell: _____

Email: _____

Names of persons in the photo and family last name:

Number of Albums: _____ (Each Album: \$35)

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Use this form to order great 150th Anniversary Memorabilia!

150th 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: _____	Order Placed: _____	Order Received: _____
Received by: _____		Pickup date: _____	Notified Date(s): _____
Date: _____		Picked up by: _____	

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION 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: CLOSED
 Saturday: By Appointment

New Family Orientation

All new families to the Religious Education Program, *regardless of their child's grade level*, are required to attend our **New Family Orientation** to take place on September 18, 2021 in the auditorium at 10:00 a.m.



Join us for Catechetical Sunday!

All Catechists and Hall Monitors are invited to the 10:00 a.m. Mass for a special blessing to start the school year off right! Join us after in the auditorium for hospitality and fellowship!

INTERESTED IN OFFERING YOUR TIME AS A HALL MONITOR?

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

We are in need of **Hall Monitors** for

Wednesday nights
from 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
and 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Training is provided!

Please call us with 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. As of June 15th, there is now a \$25 late fee for ALL returning 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 classes. 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.

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: 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:**

- COFFEE & TEA**
- SHELF STABLE MILK**
- CEREAL**
- CANNED TUNA**
- CANNED CHICKEN**
- PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP**
- CANNED FRUIT**
- FRUIT JUICE**
- SHAMPOO**
- TOILET PAPER**

*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

1st and 3rd Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

In today’s Gospel Jesus says “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God’s love.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK



**THE 13TH ANNUAL FRIENDS
OF THE POOR 5K WALK**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to join us to walk 3.1 miles or make a donation to help.

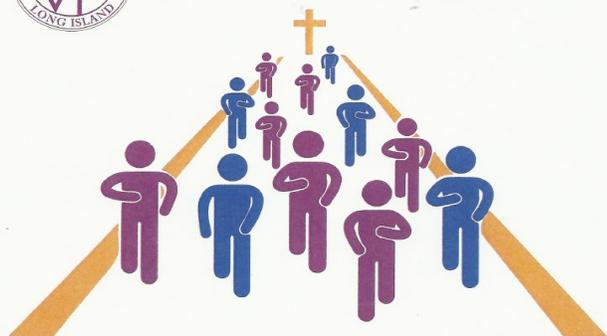
Saturday, September 25TH

Bethpage Community Park

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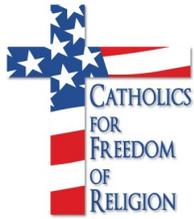
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For more information: info@svdpli.org
svdpli.org



“The Journey of Hope Continues...”

CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Focus on Religious Freedom

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"The happy union of these states is a wonder; their Constitution is a miracle; their example the hope of liberty throughout the world." —James Madison

Celebrating Constitution Week September 17-23, in All Schools

"The U.S. Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties, freedoms and inalienable rights."⁽¹⁾ In 1956, the Daughters of the American Revolution started the celebration of the Constitution adopted by Congress. Then, in 2004, Senator Robert Byrd, correctly believing that American school children lacked significant knowledge regarding the Constitution, proposed an amendment, passed by Congress, requiring that all educational institutions receiving federal funds implement educational programs relating to the U.S. Constitution on September 17 every year, celebrating the signing of the Constitution on September 17, 1787.

Since federal law requires schools, colleges and universities to observe Constitution Day with appropriate programs, those schools failing to observe the day or week risk losing their federal funds.

This Constitution is the world's longest surviving written charter of government with its first three words "We the People" affirming that the government of these United States exists to serve its citizens. "... Its framers wisely separated and balanced governmental powers to safeguard the interests of majority rule and minority rights, of liberty and equality, and of the state and federal governments."⁽²⁾

"To prevent the abuses of power they felt under the British monarchy, the Founding Fathers framed the Constitution carefully, distributing power over three branches of government, outlining its powers, limitations on those powers, and the rights of citizens."⁽³⁾ The three branches were to have equal powers, called "checks and balances." "Powers not assigned to one of the three branches are left to the individual states."⁽⁴⁾

Some of the original delegates from the states were troubled that the original Constitution lacked a description of individual rights. In 1791, Americans added the first Ten Amendments, known as the Bill of Rights. The first and foundational right is: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..."⁽⁵⁾

(dar.org(1); ciis.edu(2)(5); nationalday.com(3)(4); trinitydc.edu; uscode.house.gov.; Constitution of the United States)

"Hold on, my friends, to the Constitution and to the Republic for which it stands.
Miracles do not cluster and what has happened once in 6,000 years may not happen again.
Hold on to the Constitution, for if the American Constitution should fail,
there will be anarchy throughout the world."
—Daniel Webster, lawyer and statesman (1782-1852)

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2021 OPEN HOUSES!

St. Anthony's High School	- Saturday, September 25 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Mary's High School	- Sunday, September 26 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Kellenberg Memorial High School	- Saturday, October 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Chaminade High School	- Saturday, October 2 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Academy	- Saturday, October 2 - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Mercy Academy	- Sunday, October 3—10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Dominic High School	- Sunday, October 4 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Diocesan High School	- Saturday, October 16 - 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School	- Sunday, October 17 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

TEST FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS NOVEMBER 6, 2021

REGISTER TODAY AT WWW.TACHSINFO.COM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 24, 2021

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

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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

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Barbara McPhail
Deacon Doug Smith
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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.

First Announcement:

*Travis Baucage & Jillian Daly
Robert Keim & Brittany Berrent
Jeb Vise & Shannon Barkey*

WE REMEMBER

We remember those who have died in our parish community.

“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.”

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 BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Charles Lovascio Louis, Angela, & Ann-Marie Giarratano Barbara McCarthy Nancy Darnell Mary Doran Kevin Ryan Mark Behr Louise Posanti Robert Flesher Janet Hume Peter Curto</i>	<i>Richard Zdunczyk Marguerette Hoffmann David Reid Casey Gagliano Robert Siegfried Wayne Kolb Jessica Becker-Paolo Dianne Bendernagel Jimmy Gridley Leslie Cassidy and expected child</i>
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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.

Our **Fall Bereavement Group** will meet **September 25 through November 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Please contact Linda Arpino 631-592-1062 or Forubabe77@aol.com for registration and more information.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY, September 13— Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	
6:30	Maureen Molinari
12:15	Jean Castiglione
TUESDAY, September 14— The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	
6:30	Nancy Versace
12:15	Perpetual Help Mass (<i>List at right</i>)
WEDNESDAY, September 15— Our Lady of Sorrows	
6:30	John Curran
12:15	The Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family
THURSDAY, September 16— Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	
6:30	Thomas Weigand
12:15	Rose Marie Bucaro
FRIDAY, September 17— Weekday <i>(Saint Robert Bellamine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church)</i>	
6:30	Margaret Kelly
12:15	Phil Giammarino
SATURDAY, September 18— Weekday	
8:00	John Chlopecki
Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
5:00	Lawrence Lanza
Sunday, September 19— TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
8:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mothers & Guild
10:00	Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton
12:00	For the People of the Parish

Monday, September 13, 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
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee Meeting	St. Lucy Room
Tuesday, September 14, 2021		
5:45 p.m.	Pastoral Staff Meeting	St. Lucy Room
6:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
6:30 p.m.	CYO Meeting	CYO Equipment Room
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Group	Room 16
7:00 p.m.	Holy Name Society Meeting	Room 24
Wednesday, September 15, 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
Thursday, September 16, 2021		
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 16
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
Friday, September 17, 2021		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Room 12
3:00 p.m.	Wedding	Church
Saturday, September 18, 2021		
10:00 a.m.	Religious Ed. New Family Orientation	Auditorium
1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	School
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
Sunday, September 12, 2021		
10:00 a.m.	Religious Ed. Catechetical Sunday	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

PERPETUAL HELP MASS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 12:15 P.M.	
<i>James Gallagher</i>	<i>Requested by Terence & Lesley Whelan</i>
<i>Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family</i>	<i>Requested by the Estate of Rev. Thomas McCarthy</i>
<i>Roy Carpenter</i>	<i>Requested by Joseph Calcagno</i>

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.

Liturgia Viva del Domingo 24° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B

Domingo, 12 de septiembre de 2021

Confiamos en el Señor, que nos libera de la muerte eterna.

Que está a nuestro lado en la tristeza y aflicción,

y que guarda nuestros pies para no tropezar.

Que el Señor esté siempre con ustedes.

Lectura del libro de Isaías (50,5-9a):

A lo mejor el profeta Izáis se refiere a sí mismo. La misma oposición enfrentaron los profetas anteriores. Moisés había tenido que soportar aun pueblo rebelde; Jeremías había sido perseguido y encarcelado. A partir de este ejemplo se dibuja la figura y la misión del perfecto servidor.

Lectura de la carta del apóstol Santiago (2,14-18):

Una fe sin obras es muerta y obras sin fe también son muertas. Santiago nos habla de dar a conocer nuestra fe a través de nuestra obras. ¿De qué le sirve al hombre toda la experiencia? Y abecés tanto hacer. Santiago se refiere a la sabiduría práctica y no a la teórica el verdadero sabio busca la justicia en la paz.

El Santo Evangelio según San Marcos 8: 27-35)

Jesús lleva un tiempo conviviendo con sus discípulos y ha llegado el momento si saben quién es El realmente y sin rodeos. Hoy también sabemos quién es Jesús de Nazaret; también nosotros al igual que Pedro podemos contestar 'tú eres el mesías' ¿pero estamos convencidos? Decirlo es fácil pero practicarlo y vivirlo por eso tenemos que profundizarnos en la fe.

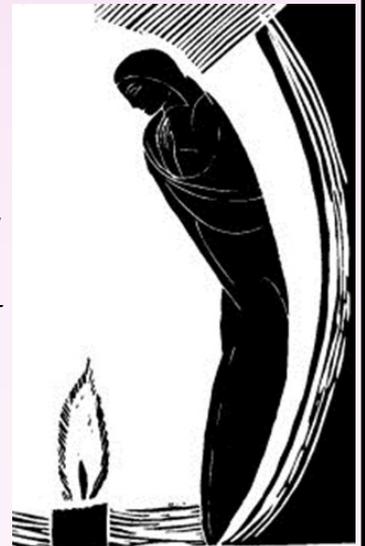
Al recitar el Credo profesamos: "Creo en Jesucristo, su único Hijo, nuestro Señor." Afirmamos que conocemos quién es él, nuestro Señor y Salvador. Pero ¿le conocemos realmente? Para conocerlo profundamente no solamente tenemos que escuchar lo que él dice, sino conocer cómo vivió y murió, dándose totalmente al Padre y a los hombres. Pero ni eso es suficiente: debemos seguir sus huellas entregándonos sin reservas ni condiciones a Dios y a los hermanos. Entonces conoceremos a Jesús por experiencia personal y profunda

VIVIR CON DIOS: VIVIR COMO MARÍA

Proclamar a María como perfecto modelo de vida por el Padre, desde el Hijo y en el Espíritu es medido el capítulo de la Iglesia. Porque ella, como primera creyente, es parangón, espejo, haz que ilumina sobre el cómo de la existencia cristiana.

Podríamos aproximarnos a esta figura femenina desde la clave devocional que tantos corazones ha movido a lo largo de la historia. Pero nos parece más honesto hacerlo con el rigor de la teología. Más tarde sacaremos las implicaciones para la vida espiritual.

Tres dogmas marianos; la Inmaculada Concepción, la Virginidad de la Madre, la Asunción a los Cielos. Tres dogmas que muy bien podrían resumirse en uno; la santidad de María. Los tres están cantando lo mismo; el reconocimiento de la excelencia de una mujer en los inicios, en el medio y al final. Aquella que fue preservada del pecado pasó por la vida haciendo el bien por lo que Dios la elevó sobre todas las cosas. Hablar del principio, del medio y del fin es hablar de todo. Y el todo para el cristiano, después de Jesús, es María.



OFFERING UPDATE September 4/5

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	190	101	\$2,830.00
8:00 a.m.	190	90	3,139.00
10:00 a.m.	350		3,507.00
12:00 p.m.	299	71	2,378.00
Coin			12.81
Faith Direct:			2,699.30
Children's Env.		4	45.00
Mail-ins:			1,667.50
TOTAL	1,029	266	\$16,278.61
2020 total	764	260	\$15,026.80
1st Saturday			\$266.00
Candles			\$668.25
Poor Box			\$1,416.97

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR OUR RETIRED PRIESTS AT ST. PIUS X ENRICHED LIVING FACILITY SEPTEMBER 18/19

Remembering and Caring for our Senior Priests

Even in retirement our senior priests retain roles as our shepherds, and St. Pius X enables these dedicated men who live there to be fully engaged members of the community. "Still on duty," they serve as our teachers, counselors, and spiritual leaders.

Our continued goal is to close the gap between operating expenses and the current funding provided by the Diocese. Any monies received through this **collection above and beyond the need for St. Pius X** will be applied to the Priests' Sickness, Disability and retirement Fund, with the aim of controlling the premiums on priests' pension plans. Currently St. Pius is at full occupancy and is taking over 4 more much needed rooms.

The special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility will take place next weekend. Please be as generous as possible! Thank You!

www.drvc.org/stpiusx



eGiving is a great stewardship habit – it streamlines your giving and lets you do even more to help Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. Why not make the switch today? You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts were a lifeline during COVID-19 and sustained our parish throughout the year. They provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY286, or text 'Enroll' to (631) 201-5664. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

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** by the dates listed below and **as a Word document** to Carmel Becker at cbecker@oloph.org.
Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.

September 19—passed
September 26—September 17
October 3—September 24

PREPARING FOR
Sunday, September 19, 2021
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jesus placed his arms around the child and said,
 “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.”*

Mark 9:36-37

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

In this reading, the author portrays the wicked person as persecuting the just person because of their faith in God. They test and humiliate him to see if God will come to his aid, even putting him to death. They do this because the just person is a constant reproach to their selfish way of life and they can't stand it. We hear here echoes of the insults hurled at Jesus as he lay dying on the Cross. We also can recall Jesus' teaching: blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness.

James 3:16-4:3

James contrasts worldly wisdom with true wisdom that comes from setting our hearts on the things of God. Worldly wisdom leads to selfishness, jealousy, wars, conflicts and eventually death. But the “wisdom from above” is pure and leads to peace, gentleness, mercy and good fruits. Living in sync with God's plan sounds like a better option.

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus instructs his disciples about God's plan for salvation but they don't understand. He tells them that he will be killed, as predicted in the first reading, before he can rise and bring forgiveness and new life. His message went so far above their heads that they continued to argue who among them was the greatest. They hadn't understood that Jesus' message was one of humility not one of pride. He has to spell it out plainly by declaring that the first shall be last and must be like a little child. Is his message sometimes hard for us to understand, too?

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, September 13, 2021:

1 Timothy 2:1-8 + Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 14, 2021:

Numbers 21:4b-9

+ Philippians 2:6-11

+ John 3:13-17

Wednesday, September 15, 2021:

1 Timothy 4:14-16

+ John 19:25-27

Thursday, September 16, 2021:

1 Timothy 4:12-16 + Luke 7:36-50

Friday, September 17, 2021:

1 Timothy 6:2c-12

+ Luke 8:1-3

Saturday, September 18, 2021:

1 Timothy 6:13-16

+ Luke 8:4-15

Sunday, September 19, 2021:

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

+ James 3:16—4:3

+ Mark 9:30-37

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. *Jesus tells the disciples that in order to rank first, they should be the servants of all. Who would you serve if you could? Where do you think your church ranks in taking care of people in need? Where would you rank yourself?*

2. *In this homily, who does Pope Francis say are the greatest in the Church? How does his answer to this question relate to Jesus' answer to the disciples in Gospel question #1?*

Who is the most important in the Church? The Pope, the bishops, the monsignors, the cardinals, the pastors of the most beautiful parishes, the presidents of lay associations? No! The greatest in the Church are those who make themselves servants of all, those who serve everyone, not those who have titles.

And to help us understand this, he took a child and placed him in their midst; and embracing him with tenderness—because Jesus spoke with tenderness, he had so much of it—he said to them, “whoever receives a child, receives me.” That is, whoever welcomes the most humble, is the one who serves the most. This is the path. There is only one path against the spirit of the world: humility. Serving others, choosing the last place, not climbing the ladder.

[Greatness in the Church comes from service](#)

Pope Francis, Mass at Casa Marta Feb. 25, 2020

10th Annual OLPH Golf Outing



Monday Sept 20th at Middle Island CC

Schedule of Events

7AM Registration and full hot breakfast
8AM Shotgun Start, lunch at the turn
1PM Cocktails, Buffet Dinner, 3-hr open bar and awards,

All for \$165/golfer

Tee signs and other sponsorships are available.

For additional information:
Contact
Bob Dobres 631-592-8697 or
Mike Hearney 631-560-0451

Make checks payable to:

“OLPH Knights of Columbus”

And mail to:
Bob Dobres
46 Linden Street
Lindenhurst, NY 11757



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

2021 OLPH GOAL:
\$111,600

Total pledged: \$108,237.00
of pledges: 409
Total payments: \$92,113.75
96.99% of goal
As of 9/7/21

Make checks payable to: **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Parish _____ Pledge: \$ _____

Name _____ Down payment: \$ _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

Volunteers Needed—The Guilds of Good Samaritan Hospital are currently seeking new members to join our team of volunteers. Opportunities include but are not limited to, our Thrift Shop, located in Babylon Village, Gift Shop, and Gift Cart. Patient facing roles and clerical opportunities are also available within the hospital. To obtain an application, or to learn more information, please contact Good Samaritan Hospital's Manager of Volunteer Services, Brittany Colasanto at brittany.colasanto@chsl.org, or 631-376-3659. We look forward to meeting you!

St. Kilian Parish in Farmingdale is seeking a **part-time Rectory Cook** to work 20-25 hours per week, Monday through Thursday and Saturdays; 4 to 5 hours per day. Responsibilities include: Planning, preparing and serving dinner, shopping for meals, kitchen needs, appropriate cleaning and sanitizing of kitchen, dining room, pantries and appliances, accommodating dietary needs of the priests, planning, preparing and serving of special occasion meals and event. Please send cover letter/resume to Ed Fronckwicz, Business Manager, St. Kilian Church, (516)249-0127 or email edwardf@stkilian.com

The Babylon Chorale will hold auditions for new members on Monday evening, **September 13 and September 20**, at the Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood Campus. All voice parts are welcomed. For more information and current protocols call 631-585-3111, visit www.babylonchorale.org or email info@babylonchorale.org

Upcoming Bereavement Support Program Offered at St. Mary, East Islip. Support Groups are open to anyone who has suffered a loss at **least three months prior** to the start of the group. Loss must have occurred prior to June 16, 2021. There is no cost but a commitment to attend each meeting throughout the program is required. Groups are offered in a closed and confidential setting with highly trained facilitators and limited to 13 people. All Covid CDC guidelines will be properly adhered. Eight Week Group beginning Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. **September 16th** through **November 4th** Pre-registration is required. Call 631-581-4266 ext. 125 to register.

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Regis High School, 55 East 84th St., New York, NY 10028, is having a *Virtual Admissions Information Night* Tuesday, **September 21** from 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. To register go to www.regis.org/section/?id=21 or contact Eric Di Michele, Director of Admissions 212-288-1100 X 2057, or email edimichele@regis.org. *Regis High School Open House* Monday, **October 11** from 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. contact Eric Di Michele—same contact phone number and email as above.

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