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*“Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love,
patience, and gentleness.
Compete well for the faith.”*

1 Timothy 6:11-12

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 29, 2019

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero

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

Business Manager: Mr. Frank Pokorney

Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. April Kleinlaut

Music Director: Mr. Christopher Ferraro

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

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

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

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

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

OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday Evening: after OLPH Novena Devotions

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

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

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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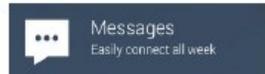
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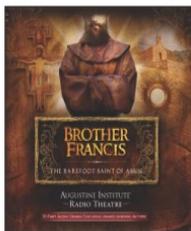
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PICK OF THE WEEK

Brother Francis: The Barefoot Saint of Assisi



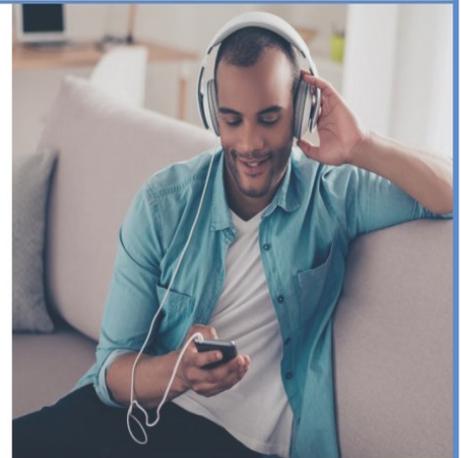
Get to Know the Real Francis

Discover the astonishing life of Saint Francis, the fun-loving son of wealth and privilege who gave up everything for the sake of Christ.

"What a brilliant story, beautifully told. I was so moved and inspired."

—Flor De Liz P, Astoria, NY

[LISTEN ON FORMED.ORG](https://www.formed.org)



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Q: How do new parishioners register for an account?

A: Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

Go to [formed.org/signup](https://www.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](https://www.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.

PASTOR'S PAGE

Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi and the Blessing of Animals

This Friday, October 4, is the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. In St. Francis we have one of the most popular saints in Church history, and a man of God whose holiness resonates even with those who are not Christian, and even with those who do not consider themselves religious!

Francis (born 1181 or 1182; died 1226) was the son of a wealthy Assisi merchant, and the “good life” (a luxurious home, the finest clothes, and superb cuisine) was certainly his for the taking. However, after a conversion experience, he relinquished the trappings of this world to minister to lepers and to preach to the spiritually hungry. He became known for his humility and his embrace of poverty. Many young men joined St. Francis in his way of life, leading to the foundation of the *frati minori*, or “lesser brothers,” which eventually became known as the Friars Minor. St. Francis is also known for his love of creation, as exemplified in his famous “Canticle of the Sun,” and hence the association of this saint’s feast day with the blessing of animals.

In conjunction with the feast day of St. Francis, and as announced elsewhere in this bulletin, we are holding our annual Blessing of Animals on Friday, October 4, at 5:30 p.m., on the Rectory lawn (weather permitting; otherwise, we’re indoors). Be sure to bring your pet of any kind — dog, cat, bird, iguana, ferret, horse, chicken, turtle, snake...whatever! (Just watch where you step when you come...if you know what I mean!) As I always say, though: remember this is a *blessing*, not an *exorcism* — we cannot make your pet behave!

In order to truly celebrate the Franciscan spirituality, you are asked to bring an item for the poor. The items needed for our food pantry are listed on the St. Vincent de Paul page in the Parish Social Ministry section of this bulletin; please be sure to bring this donation to the Blessing of Animals.

FORMED

Just a quick reminder: are you making good use of all the great Catholic content on

FORMED, the on-line site that has great stuff on a whole host of topics? There’s so much to learn and so much to see! Since the parish has invested in paying for this subscription for everyone, I really want every parishioner to be signed up for FORMED and to use it regularly; I also ask parish groups to use the website as a means of continuing to be FORMED in our Catholic faith. When you’re looking for something to discuss at a meeting, look at what FORMED has to offer!

Check out the FORMED information box elsewhere in this bulletin (we run something about FORMED every week). They have recently changed their sign-in, so you might want to especially note the new information we have there. If you haven’t signed up yet (I have!), it’s easy. Do yourself a favor and do so right now.

Taizé Prayer Around the Cross

This Thursday, October 3, we once again will celebrate the beautiful prayer experience of Taizé Prayer. How fortunate we are at OLPH to have so many varied opportunities and different styles to pray together! Those who have participated in the past know what a touching and poignant prayer experience of quiet, meditative prayer Taizé Prayer is, and that it always includes veneration of the beautiful San Damiano Cross. The whole service is less than one hour, but it is time well spent. I hope you will consider coming to Taizé Prayer on Thursday night. Full details are in the ad elsewhere in this bulletin.

“Someone Else”

In last week’s bulletin, in anticipation of my Pastor’s Annual Report coming in October, I asked everyone to think about what it means to be an active member of OLPH and how we all have the responsibility to make OLPH a vibrant parish through our participation in ministries and activities. I would like to follow up on that by giving you a little more to think about on that subject, and I will do so by repeating something I included in one of my columns last year. I ask you to take a minute or two to read it over and reflect on it, and perhaps let it inspire you in

some way. It's a great little reflection entitled "The Death of Someone Else." It goes like this:

Our parish was saddened to learn this week of the death of one of our most valued members, Someone Else. Someone Else's passing creates a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Someone Else has been with us for many years, and for every one of those years, Someone Else did far more than a normal person's share of the work in the parish.

Whenever there was a job to do, a class to teach, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's mind: "Let Someone Else do it." Whenever leadership was needed, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results: "Let Someone Else be in charge of that."

It was common knowledge that Someone Else was among the most generous givers in the parish. Whenever there was a financial need, everyone just assumed that Someone Else would make up the difference.

Someone Else was a wonderful person, sometimes appearing super-human. Were the truth known, everybody expected too much of Someone Else. Now, Someone Else is gone. We wonder...what are we going to do?

Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to follow it? Who is going to do the things Someone Else did?

It's something to think about, isn't it? When it comes to keeping the parish of OLPH alive and vibrant and healthy and active, we cannot depend on Someone Else anymore, can we? OLPH will only continue to be "the place to

be" to the degree that we do not on "Someone Else," and to the degree that we all take responsibility for making things happen.

Family wedding in Florida

Starting Wednesday of this week I'll be gone for about a week, taking care of some family religious business: my niece, who lives in Florida, is getting married, and I'll be officiating. I'll be traveling by Amtrak — no airplane! (You know about me and flying!) Even though I won't be flying, I still find travel to be stressful (I'm much more of a homebody than an adventurer), so perhaps you could offer a little prayer for me later in the week. I'm looking forward to some great family time at a very joyous occasion.

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,



IT'S COMING SOON—

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019

Attention everyone who has taken the Strengths Finder Survey to discover their Top Five Strengths! Remember that there will be an important Strengths Workshop on **Saturday afternoon, November 23, 2019, 1:00-3:30 p.m.** Please plan on being there. This will be an essential workshop to move us forward in the Strengths Process, to help you know and use your God-given Strengths more effectively, and to deepen engagement in the life of the parish. A formal invitation letter with more details will be coming before too long, but plan now to be there—**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2019.**

—Msgr. Joe (*Context, Intellection, Input, Learner, Harmony*)

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Taizé Prayer Around the Cross Thursday, October 3



7:30 p.m. in Church

Join us for a candlelight prayer service to help us reflect on the mystery of the Cross and the glory of Christ's resurrection. Consider setting aside 45 minutes to join in this beautiful and contemplative form of prayer.



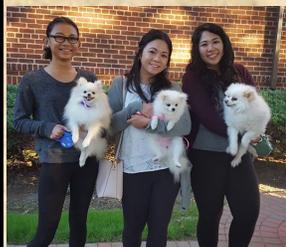
Feast of St. Francis Blessing of the Animals

Friday, 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 15 for specific needs.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD at 10:00 a.m. MASS **BEGINS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13!**

Allowing children to participate fully in the liturgical life of the parish is an important goal which we strive to attain here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Children should have every opportunity to understand what worship is all about and to be formed by the rites of the Church, especially the celebration of the Eucharist. In order to achieve this goal, we are happy to resume the **Children's Liturgy of the Word** which will be a part of the 10:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday **beginning again on Sunday, October 13.**

Where does the idea of the Children's Liturgy of the Word come from?

It comes out of the *Directory for Masses with Children* which tells us in paragraph 17, "Sometimes, if the place itself and the nature of the community permit, it will be appropriate to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word, including a homily, with the children in a separate, but not too distant, room. Then, before the Eucharistic liturgy begins, the children are led to the place where the adults have meanwhile celebrated their own Liturgy of the Word."

How does the Children's Liturgy of the Word work?

After the Collect (the Opening Prayer of the Mass), children **first-grade and older** are invited to come forward to the sanctuary to receive a special dismissal. They are then escorted to a separate chapel set up in the north sacristy of the church, where they listen to that Sunday's readings as proclaimed from the *Lectionary for Masses with Children*. These are the same readings everyone else is hearing in the church, but in a slightly different translation that is easier for children to understand. A special homily is then given to the children to help them understand the readings. This Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful), as the children pray intercessions together. Meanwhile, the Liturgy of the Word has continued as usual in the church. The children return to the church at the beginning of the collection/presentation of the gifts, and participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist as usual.

What is the purpose of the Children's Liturgy of the Word?

The purpose of this is not to offer a babysitting service, nor is it to isolate the children or to make them feel unwelcome. Rather, it is actually an act of hospitality to them: they will be given the chance to listen to the Sunday readings and participate in a homily that will be on their level, and yet still be a part of the worshipping assembly, since they participate in all other parts of the Mass. It does require a certain maturity level and ability to focus, so it is intended for **first-grade children and older**, not kindergartners, pre-schoolers or toddlers. **Parents do not accompany their children;** we have specially-trained adult "shepherds" who will keep watch.

Participating in the Children's Liturgy of the Word continues to teach children how to participate in Mass, since they do the same things that are being done in the main body of the church.

Ideally, parents and children then talk to each other on the ride home or later in the day about what they heard in their respective homilies. In this way, God's Word continues to be alive and active in the family's faith life.

Suppose I want my child to stay with me in the main body of the church?

That's fine; parents are in no way required to send their children to the Children's Liturgy of the Word, and no child is forced to participate. Children are welcome to stay in the main body of the church and to participate in the Liturgy of the Word there, where the usual readings and homily will take place. Since we think this is a great opportunity for children, though, we do hope you will encourage your child to participate.

Mass for All People With Special Needs October 5

The *Special Needs Ministry* hosts a monthly celebration of the Eucharist in a smaller setting designed to provide a fulfilling worship experience for all adults and children who may be uncomfortable in a larger setting.

Please join us on **Saturday, October 5 at 4:00 p.m. in the auditorium.** Let's all come together and worship together! After Mass we have Hospitality!

Levels 6—8 and Teens may join us early to help the ministry with set up and to gain Confirmation Service hours. Call Jessica at the Religious Education office 631-226-7725 X 252 to let her know you are coming.

We can always use some help in preparing for our monthly Mass and other special needs events. How about you? Contact Jessica Becker at 631-226-7725 X 252 or email to jbecker@oloph.org

After October 5, our next Special Needs Mass is November 2 at 4:00 p.m.



**FIRST FRIDAY,
FIRST
SATURDAY
& SUNDAY
DEVOTIONS**

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

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

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

Each month, all are invited to join the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society for Eucharistic Adoration. **Adoration will be held on Saturday, October 5 from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.** Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Spanish, Polish, English). The evening concludes with Benediction at 11:00 p.m.

First Sunday Devotions —Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place Sunday, **October 6** at 7:00 p.m.



Prayer for Peace
The Holy Hour for Peace
is cancelled
until further notice.

BRINGING FORWARD THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE

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



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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



Monday, September 30—7:00 p.m.

Monday, October 7—7:00 p.m.

Monday, October 14—No Devotions due to the Columbus Day holiday

🎵 MUSIC NOTES 🎵



Can you share your musical gifts?

Perhaps God is calling you to become a part of the music ministry at OLPH. If so, read below to see which ensemble might suit your gifts. Pray about it and then give a call. We need you!



Adult Choir

The Adult Choir sings at the 12:00pm Mass most Sundays (September to June) and for other special liturgies during the year. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the Church. Members are high school aged or older. Reading music is not a requirement, just the ability to carry a tune. **At this time, we only have openings for tenor or bass voices.** Please call in advance if you would like more information.

*Contact: Chris Ferraro
(631) 226-7725, ext. 210
cferraro@oloph.org*

Youth Choir

The Youth Choir sings at the 10:00am Mass three times a month (September to June) and at other special liturgies during the year. Rehearsals are held on Thursday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 pm in the school building. Members are in grades 3 through 12.

*Contact: Amy Keller
(631) 226-0438
mrs.amykeller@yahoo.com*

Youth Band

Members of the Youth Band lead the music the Sunday night, 5:00pm Mass twice a month. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings. The band needs young musicians: piano, flute, cello preferred. Auditions are required.

*Contact:
Dan Volpe
(917) 468-9584
dvolpe8995@aol.com*



OFFERER APPRECIATION PARTY

We would like to affirm the graces and blessings that come from our parish community because of YOU!!! All who offer their time and talent in our parish ministries are invited!



OFFERER APPRECIATION PARTY

Friday, October 25

6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

American Legion Post 1120

80 Herbert Avenue

Lindenhurst, NY

OFFERER APPRECIATION REPLY FORM

Name (First and Last) _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

E-mail _____@_____

Ministry or Ministries you're involved in:

Please return your RSVP to Josephine Vagelatos at the rectory, drop in the collection basket or you can email your response to jvagelatos@oloph.org.

ALL REPLIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: THE "GOLDEN TICKET" DRAWING!

Our Lady of Perpetual Help THE GOLDEN TICKET

**Saturday, November 16, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

In the OLPH Gymnasium

Are you wondering, "What is The Golden Ticket?"

It's a cocktail party where you have a great time with an excellent chance of winning a monetary prize!

Unlike a typical raffle... the last ticket pulled is the grand prize winner!

The excitement builds as the evening goes on!

Winner need not be present!

Golden Ticket Holders and a guest may attend.

It was a big success last year, and this year promises to be even better!

- 1st ticket drawn - \$500
- 50th ticket drawn - \$200
- 100th ticket drawn - \$200
- 150th ticket drawn - \$200
- 200th ticket drawn - \$200
- 250th ticket drawn - \$200
- 300th ticket drawn - \$200
- 350th ticket drawn - \$200
- 400th ticket drawn - \$200



- 450th ticket drawn - \$200
- 491st ticket drawn - \$300
- 492nd ticket drawn - \$400
- 493rd ticket drawn - \$500
- 494th ticket drawn - \$600
- 495th ticket drawn - \$700
- 496th ticket drawn - \$800
- 497th ticket drawn - \$900
- 498th ticket drawn - \$1000

499th Ticket drawn - \$2,500 500th Ticket Drawn - \$10,000

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Number of Golden Tickets @ \$100 each _____

*Prize money based on 500 tickets sold. If less than 500 tickets are sold, the prizes awards will be pro-rated based on the total number of tickets sold.

Golden Tickets are on sale at the rectory during regular office hours. Tickets will also be available after all Masses the weekends of October 12th and November 2nd outside church. You can also enclose bottom portion of this form with check made payable to **OLPH** and return to rectory at 210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 11757 Attn: Golden Ticket.

Questions? The Golden Ticket coordinators are Meg Danaher 631-704-1201 or Bob Meade 631-455-3916

"OLPH is a Section 501(c)3 nonprofit. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine if your contribution is deductible. Winners are responsible for all taxes."

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

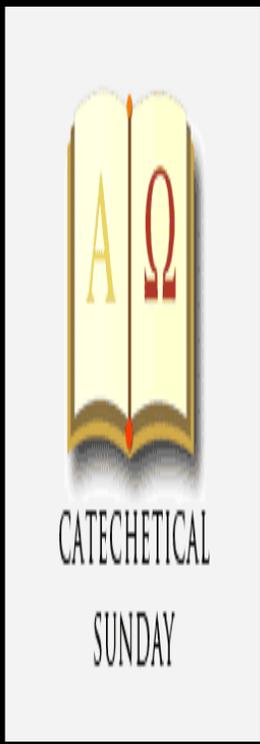
OFFICE HOURS

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



Did you have fun playing bingo with all the saints last year? If you said yes, then we have great news for you! THE HAPPY SAINTS ARE BACK, AND ALL NEW! Make sure you get to Mass next week to get your card!

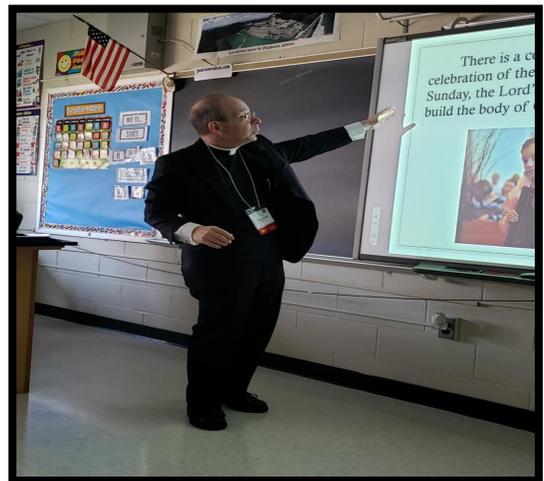
THANK YOU to all of our Catechists, Hall Monitors, and Subs! Thank you to everyone who attended the Catechetical Congress, and all who attended Mass on Sunday for the Blessing! We cannot run our program without you! We are so excited to put everything we learned at the Congress into practice to help enrich the lives of our Religious Education students!



OLPH ATTENDS THE DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CONGRESS

Saturday, September 14, 2019

Here are some pictures of some of the fabulous OLPH parishioners who attended the day!



Msgr. Joe was one of the presenters. Here's a picture from his workshop "Eucharist as Mission: How Celebrating the Mass Sends Us Out."

Chris Ferraro and April Kleinlaut were also workshop presenters at the Congress.

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 with us, 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.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES!

*To register for the Catholic High School Entrance Examinations, visit
<http://www.cathhsli.org/index.htm>*

Kellenberg Memorial High School	Saturday, October 5 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
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Chaminade High School	Saturday, October 5 2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.
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St. Dominic High School	Sunday, October 6 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
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Holy Trinity Diocesan High School	Saturday, October 19 11:00a.m. - 1:30p.m.
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St. Mary's High School	Sunday, October 20 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
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St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School	Sunday, October 20 10:00a.m.– 1:00 p.m.
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CONGRATULATIONS KEVIN!



*On Sunday,
September 15, at
the Boy Scout
Convocation at St.
Agnes Cathedral,
Kevin Barrett
received the
Bishop's Award,
presented to him by
Bishop John Barres.*

*The Bishop's Award is given to a scout for his outstanding service to Catholic Scouting and to his parish. Pictured here with Kevin is our own Fr. Frank Zero, Diocesan Scouting Chaplain.
Congratulations, Kevin!*

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864—cdfeldman@optonline.net
- † Community Meal: Gigi Gracey—631.943.0095—gigigracey1962@gmail.com—Mary Leon—mleon719@yahoo.com
- † 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
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- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
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NEW Food Pantry List!

RICE
PASTA SAUCE
PANCAKE MIX
BAKED BEANS
CAKE MIX/DESSERTS
SHELF STABLE MILK
SUGAR
CRACKERS/SNACKS
TOILETRIES
PAPER GOODS

Thank you
 for your continued generosity.

Cut out this list and bring it
 with you when you go shopping!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the “New” School Building

Use Parking Lot located on corner of
Gates & High Streets

631.226.7725 x. 234

The office is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9:00 a.m.—12 Noon

1st & 3rd Saturdays 1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

On September 27, the Church celebrated the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that “God had sent him to bring good news to the poor.” Together with your gifts, the members of the Society of St.

Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish.

In the month of August, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to “bring good news to the poor” by serving 103 adults, 66 children, and 29 seniors, for a total of 198 people in 70 households. Thank You!

† AN EXPANSION OF OUR MEMORIAL CARD PROGRAM

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is happy to announce an expansion of our Memorial Card program. In addition to updated *Living Memorial* cards, we are now able to offer *Special Occasion* cards. These are a great way to commemorate a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, get well, thank you, holiday, etc.) while supporting SVDP's efforts to provide not just food, but also financial, material and spiritual aid to our neighbors.

Memorial/Special Occasion card envelopes are available on the pew ledges or in the SVDP Food Pantry (M-W-F, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) or at the Rectory. The Memorial or Special Occasion Card acknowledging your donation will be sent to the person/family indicated on the form.

Please contact Janet Hume at the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725 X 234 for more information.



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

HOMELESS MINISTRY

DONATIONS:

We can use gift cards (Visa, Amazon, etc.) or financial donations, and we'll do the shopping for the items most often needed.

We are in need of the following:

Jeans - especially 32" & 34"

New Socks

Underwear, Undershirts

Anti-mosquito spray, etc.,

Razors

Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office from 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. daily and 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. on the weekends.

MIDDLE AGES

*Are you a lady in your 40s, 50s, or 60s?
Are you looking to meet other women
who share your interest in spirituality,
socializing and social action?*

Our next meeting:

Tuesday, October 1

7:00 p.m. in Room 24

Call Gail Tonnessen at 631-957-1449
or email her at gtonness@optonline.net

SENIOR MOMENTS

GIVE YOURSELF A CHALLENGE

*The Senior Moments Ministry is a committed
spiritual family who meet once a month on
the 2nd Tuesday of the month.*

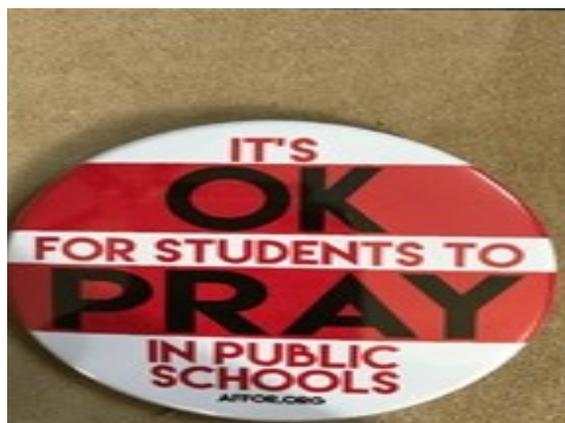
Our next meeting:

Tuesday, October 8

9:00 a.m. in Room 24

CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION

There is a table in the lobby at the rear of the church this weekend, September 28 and 29, with information about the religious freedom of students in public schools. The freedom is greater that you might think! Please stop by for this pamphlet, and other items, provided by our parish's Catholics for the Freedom of Religion ministry.



Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

This weekend, *September 28th & 29th* OLPH Parish will be hosting a *Baby Bottle Fundraiser* to benefit **The Life Center** of Long Island, a crisis pregnancy center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy.

They provide:

- *free pregnancy test kits*
- *free sonogram referrals*
- *maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals*
- *medical care referrals*
- *Material aid including car seats, cribs, cloths, diapers
.....and many other needed baby items*
- *Male advocates available to speak with fathers*

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation. *(Make checks out to the Life Center of L.I.)*

**Please return the bottles
on November 2nd & 3rd**

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life Center in the first place. *Let us pray with our whole heart for the lives of our unborn children.*



SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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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 rabecker@optimum.net.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

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

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Please pray for the following members of our parish community preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Second Announcement:

Dominick Catania & Christine Schementi

First Announcement:

***Dennis Heaphy & Kimberly Ruth
Kevin Kalb & Amanda Haase***

WE REMEMBER

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

***Frances Dell Accio
Margaret McCloud
Mary Intemann
Boldassare Lauricella***

“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.”

PASTORAL CARE & 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.

If you or a family member are ill and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office. One of our parish priests will come visit you and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will then visit each week.

We pray for the sick and the homebound of our parish at each and every Mass.



PERPETUAL HELP MASS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019 8:00 A.M. MASS

<i>Robert Collins</i>	<i>Requested by Michael & Patricia Collins</i>
<i>Doris E. McAnany</i>	<i>Requested by Jean, Jeanie, Agnes, Marie & Dee</i>
<i>Marie Ursule Jourdain</i>	<i>Requested by Pierre Jourdain & Siblings</i>

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Annabell Kravetz</i>	<i>Richard Ferazi</i>
<i>Randall I. & Joanne Press</i>	<i>Sabrina</i>
<i>Jim Gordon</i>	<i>Ralph Cassaro</i>
<i>Doreen Quinn Cooney</i>	<i>John Ogden</i>
<i>Judy LePrey</i>	<i>Renato Leon</i>
<i>Donald Smith</i>	<i>Loretto Dinardo</i>
<i>Margaret Walker</i>	<i>James Quinn</i>
<i>Barbara Sagesser</i>	<i>Florence Grasman</i>
<i>Bob Scott</i>	<i>Jennifer Kleiber</i>
<i>Marilyn Gallipani</i>	<i>Jean Denig</i>
<i>Linda Shulman</i>	
<i>Dolores Otten</i>	

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

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 6 -- "I'm sitting up straight now!"

Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds. She sits up straight now to accommodate her internal organs which have moved into their final place in her little body. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Don't forget to pray for your baby. Abortion is legal through all nine months and her mom might still feel pressure to abort.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, September 30—
SAINT JEROME, PRIEST
AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

6:30	Emanuel J. Palazzolo
12:15	Mary & Adam Hagzan

TUESDAY, October 1—
SAINT THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN
AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

6:30	Michael Robert Biersack
12:15	Teresa Carucci & Family (<i>Living</i>)

WEDNESDAY, October 2—
THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

6:30	Ronald A. Higgins
12:15	Francisco Flores

THURSDAY, October 3—
WEEKDAY

6:30	Julie Aufiero
12:15	Thomas Kelly

FRIDAY, October 4—
SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

6:30	Robert Kaminski
12:15	For the Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family

SATURDAY, October 5—
WEEKDAY
(Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest)

8:00	Francesco Vitale
4:00	Genia Matusik <i>Special Needs Mass—Auditorium</i>

Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00	Ann & Tony Baffa
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Sunday, October 6
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00	Perpetual Help Mass (List on p. 18)
10:00	Ed Bogart
12:00	Madeline G. Bowen
5:00	For the People of the Parish

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, September 30, 2019

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
7:00 p.m.	Devotions	Church

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Middle Ages	Room 24
7:30 p.m.	RCIA	Room 18
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise	Room 16

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
12:45 p.m.	Exposition	Church
2:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary	Room 24
5:30 p.m.	Level 6 & 7 Classes	School
6:00 p.m.	Van Run	Room 12
7:00 p.m.	Level 8 Classes	School

Thursday, October 3, 2019

1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
6:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:00 p.m.	Respect Life	Room 18
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Taize Prayer Around the Cross	Church
7:30 p.m.	Baptismal Prep Class for Parents	Room 16
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24
8:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church

Friday, October 4, 2019

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
5:30 p.m.	Blessing of the Animals	Lawn

Saturday, October 5, 2019

8:30, 10:00	Religious Education Classes	School
1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Pantry	Room 24
1:30 p.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
5:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts selling Popcorn	Outside
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
6:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
8:00 p.m.	Nocturnal Adoration	Church

Sunday, October 6, 2019

9:15 a.m.	RCIC	Room 18
11:15 a.m.	Pre-Cana Meeting	Room 10
12:00 p.m.	Pre-Cana Blessing	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
6:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO,

El grupo de oración “Jesús es el camino la verdad y la vida” le invita a alabar y glorificar al PADRE, al HIJO, y al ESPIRITU SANTO, todos los jueves de 7:00 p.m. en adelante en un ambiente familiar. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Le ofrecemos el cuidado de los niños, también les enseñamos la doctrina de la iglesia.

Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia. Familias interesadas favor llamar a Virginia Constantino al (631) 957-1149.

Para información sobre los sacramentos de El bautizo, Matrimonio y servicios pastorales, tales como llevarle la Eucaristía los enfermos, la última unción de los enfermos.

Las charlas de bautizo se llevan a cabo cada segundo y cuarto domingo del mes, los padres interesados en bautizar a sus hijos deben atender a una serie de charlas. Estas charlas son cada primer y tercer lunes del mes

Para más información llamar a la rectoría (631) 226-7725. En español a Alejandro Campos teléfono (631) 671-9257 correo electrónico saitjoseph98@gmail.com.

el camino la verdad y la vida

Lecturas del Domingo 27° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo C

Preparándonos para el Domingo 6 de Octubre del 2019

Guarden vivo en ustedes

el amor y la fe en Cristo Jesús.

Que el Espíritu Santo que inhabita en ustedes

les ayude a guardar las riquezas de su fe

y esté siempre con ustedes.

Primera Lectura (Habacuc 1,2-3; 2,2-4): El Creyente Vivirá

El pueblo de Dios, en medio de sus pruebas, tiene que seguir confiando, ya que su fe le salvará. La fe es entendible aquí como germen de una nueva realidad del hombre que aceptado a Dios y su mensaje. Es el principio de una vida superior runa incoación a una existencia divina. Algo que comienza aquí, en esta vida pero que madura en la eterna, no es algo expectativo o mental sino una realidad que penetra toda la persona

Segunda Lectura (2 Timoteo 1,6-8.13-14): Den Testimonio de su Fe

Debemos guardar la fe que Dios nos ha dado, dar testimonio de ella, y hacerla crecer.

Evangelio (Lucas 17,5-19): ¡Si al menos Tuvieran Ustedes Fe!

Jesús quiere que sus discípulos tengan fe absoluta en Dios. Y, sin embargo, incluso una vida llena de fe no nos da derecho a privilegios, ya que la fe es un don de Dios.

Afirmaciones bonitas sobre nuestra fe pueden impresionar a otros y quizás a nosotros mismos, por un momento, pero no nos cambian. La inspiración para cambiar y convertirnos al evangelio procede de testigos vivientes, que nos inspiran sobre todo por la forma como viven. Con frecuencia los discípulos ni siquiera entendieron a Jesús en su predicación, pero veían lo que hacía, y cómo vivía. Ellos le admiraban, y por eso le pidieron: “¡Señor, aumenta nuestra fe!”. La gente nos considera a nosotros cristianos practicantes, pero el meollo de la cuestión es a ver si de verdad somos creyentes, personas de fe, cercanos a nuestro Señor, que vivimos con coherencia conforme a lo que creemos. Pidamos también nosotros: “¡Señor, aumenta nuestra fe!”.

(Auméntanos la fe) hemos de repetir siempre. Si la recibimos como un don en el Bautizo y exige comunión íntima con Dios y adhesión con el, la participación en esta celebración, con la comunión del cuerpo de Jesucristo es la forma muy importante para el aumento de nuestra fe.

OFFERING UPDATE September 21/22, 2019

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	279	119	2663.00
8:00 a.m.	255	122	3396.00
10:00 a.m.	416	122	3179.00
12:00 p.m.	340	94	2601.50
5:00 p.m.	171	37	1553.50
Coin			13.43
Mail-ins:			1549.00
Children's Env.		12	60.10
Faith Direct			2319.50
TOTAL	1461	506	17,335.03
2018 total	1601	543	\$16,953.56
Candles			1021.03
Poor Box			287.65

DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN

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

October 6—passed
October 13—October 4
October 20—October 11

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 6 is *Respect Life Sunday*. As we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, we are reminded that the assaults on human dignity come in many forms. The Respect Life Office is charged with deepening our already strong commitment to pro-life activities and parish education. Please support this vital work through participation in the special Respect Life envelope collection. Your prayers and assistance are greatly appreciated.



Lindenhurst Oktoberfest

Wellwood Avenue Closed
Next Sunday, October 6
10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

No car traffic will be allowed on Wellwood Avenue between John Street & West Gates Ave. due to vendors. Remember to add extra travel time to arrive at church in order to obtain a parking spot and be on time for Mass on Sunday.

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PREPARING FOR
Sunday, October 6, 2019
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice
but rather of power and love and self-control.”*

2 Timothy 1:7

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Habakkuk prophesied in Judah in the years prior to the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians early in the sixth century B.C. The government in Judah had become very corrupt and the people had turned away from God to foreign idols. Abuse of the needy was rampant and life for the poor was hard. Where was God in all this? Hadn't he promised to take care of his people? Didn't he care? Why does evil occur right before his eyes and he does nothing? These, of course, are timeless questions. The Lord responds not with a solution but a promise, a splendid vision of deliverance and restoration. But it will take faith and patience to reach that day, one that only the just, not the rash, will see. Faith is always the mark of those who find favor with God and who can endure without losing heart.

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

These words that Paul wrote to Timothy, a bishop whom he had ordained, were meant to encourage him to find again the faith that first flamed in him when he was baptized. Timothy is urged not to let the sufferings of Christ or even of Paul be a source of embarrassment. The success of Jesus is not a worldly success. Even Timothy will have to bear his share of hardships for the sake of the faith. But Paul reminds him, and us today, that we have the Holy Spirit to strengthen us, a Spirit not of fear but of power. That same Spirit fills us with love and gives us the self-control to endure hardships with confidence and peace.

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. But such a request could only come from ones who already have a substantial faith. Jesus responds by saying that what is needed and sufficient is only “faith the size of a mustard seed” which is small indeed. That's comforting to hear when we reflect on how much faith we have. But Jesus goes further by explaining how this faith takes on the form of service. Faith changes us into servants who do what's necessary – love, give witness, repent, forgive – no matter how hard the task, without expecting anything in return, simply because it's what we're supposed to do. Discipleship is its own reward.

Gospel Reflection Questions....

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

1. *Is quantity an issue when it comes to faith? Would an infinitely small amount of faith (a mustard seed's-worth) fulfill what Jesus promised to the apostles?*

2. *Do you know people, as Pope Francis suggests here, who, with incredibly strong faith, have moved mountains, or as this reading suggests, “uprooted mulberry trees”? Who are they? What have they accomplished? Can your faith help you do the kinds of things they did? Can it help you overcome obstacles?*

“The mustard seed is very small, but Jesus says that it is enough to have a faith like this, small, but true, sincere to do things that are humanly impossible, unthinkable. And it is true! We all know people who are simple, humble, but with an incredibly strong faith, who truly move mountains!”

*Pope Francis, Angelus Message,
October 6, 2013*

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, September 30, 2019:

Zechariah 8:1-8 + Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday, October 1, 2019:

Zechariah 8:20-23

+ Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday, October 2, 2019:

Nehemiah 2:1-8

+ Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Thursday, October 3, 2019:

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12

+ Luke 10:1-12

Friday, October 4, 2019:

Baruch 1:15-22 + Luke 10:13-16

Saturday, October 5, 2019:

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29

+ Luke 10:17-24

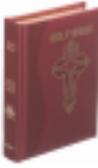
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Hebrews 1:2-3, 2:2-4

+ 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

+ Luke 17:5-10



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