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Jesus said, "Whoever is not against us is for us."

Mark 9:40

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 30, 2018

PASTORAL STAFF

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Pastor Emeritus: Reverend Monsignor Daniel S. Hamilton

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

COME IN 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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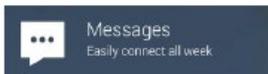
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In order to prepare for the upcoming Sunday Mass, click on the video under the "Featured Content and Discussion Groups" section of our community website. Once there, we recommend watching the video which is only a few minutes in duration, along with viewing the materials under the "Participant Material" and "Leader Material" sections listed below the video.

For technical support, click on "Help" at the bottom of the website where you will find frequently asked questions along with contact information.

PASTOR'S PAGE

October is Respect Life Month

Every October the Catholic Church observes "Respect Life Month," so, since the month of October begins this week, I wanted to draw your attention to this observance. This year, the Respect Life theme is "Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent."

It is vitally important for every Catholic to understand and appreciate the necessity for us as Christians to do our part to build a culture that cherishes every human life, especially since assaults on the dignity of life, from conception until natural death, are so prevalent in our society today. Although sponsored by and supported by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and diocesan Respect Life Offices throughout the country, including right here in our own Diocese of Rockville Centre, the work of the Respect Life Program is mainly carried out through grassroots parish efforts.

I'm proud to say that OLPH has a very active Respect Life Committee, headed by Louise Perrotta. The work of the committee involves every aspect of life, which is the most precious gift from God. Included in these areas are chastity, natural family planning, pregnancy issues, Catholic teachings on reproductive technologies, dealing with the trauma of abortion and post-abortion (including abortion's impact on the father as well as the mother), Safe Haven residences for babies and Maternity Residences, end-of-life issues, Catholic teaching about the death penalty, and more. Our Respect Life Committee, through prayer and information gathering and dissemination, has a presence in the parish and at Village of Lindenhurst functions, and at other places.

Respect Life members attempt to inform everyone about the problems and concerns in the areas I mentioned above, presenting the Church's teachings on them. They are also involved in various action endeavors such as writing to newspapers, legislators, and, on occasion, approaching the legislators in person to give support to the Catholic moral position on those issues. Of course, presence at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. is a well-known example of one of these action items.

Perhaps most visible in our parish is the amazing Baby Bottle Campaign which we undertake each year, which is always highly successful and which has begun this weekend. This campaign benefits the Life Center of Long Island.

As you can see, our Respect Life Committee deals with a wide range of issues that in one way or another affects us all. I am very grateful for the wonderful work done, and witness given, by our Respect Life Committee, and I urge you to consider joining the committee — new members are always welcome — if you are interested in giving a Catholic voice and Catholic witness to these issues.

Blessing of Animals — St. Francis of Assisi

This Thursday, October 4, is the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. The beloved St. Francis is famous for his humility and his embrace of poverty. He 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.

As announced elsewhere in this bulletin, we are holding our annual Blessing of Animals on Thursday, October 4, at 5:30 p.m., on the rectory lawn (weather permitting; otherwise, we're in the auditorium). Be sure to bring your pet of any kind — dog, cat, bird, iguana, ferret, horse, chicken, turtle, snake...whatever! (I'm not really thrilled with snakes, but...bring them anyway!) As I always say, though: remember, this is a *blessing*, not an *exorcism* — we cannot make your pet behave! (Also...watch where you step when you come for the blessing, if you know what I mean...)

In order to enter into the spirit of St. Francis, 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 pages; please be sure to bring this offering to the Blessing of Animals.

FORMED

Have you signed up for FORMED yet? If not, what are you waiting for? There is such great Catholic content of all kinds available on-line, just waiting there to be accessed by you,

for your own, and your family's, ongoing spiritual growth and formation. There's so much to learn and so much to see! See the information elsewhere in our bulletin to create your own account. 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 those resources regularly to continue our understanding of, and our participation in, our Catholic faith.

The GOLDEN TICKET

Our GOLDEN TICKET sales continue to do well, but we have a big task ahead of us to make this important fund raiser a complete success — selling all 500 tickets — so we all need to continue to work hard and push forward with this. Please consider buying one or more tickets if you have not already done so.

Also, let me suggest something to you that would be a big help: would you be willing to take a batch of, say, five or ten tickets, and commit to selling them yourself — for example, among family members, or at work? This would be a great way for all of us to do our part to get all 500 tickets sold. We would have to ask you to make sure to follow through on the commitment to get the tickets sold — it would be disastrous if one week before the event we found out we had all these unsold tickets we thought were sold — but if you think you could do this, please let Ticket Coordinators Bob Meade or Meg Danaher know (their contact information is in this bulletin, on the GOLDEN TICKET page), and they'll be more than happy to work with you.

Also, don't forget that the Cocktail Party at which we will do the actual drawing will be a fun evening and a great time for all who attend. Let's make The GOLDEN TICKET a huge success for us!

Children's Liturgy of the Word begins next Sunday

It's that time of year again: we are resuming the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:00 a.m. Mass, and we could not be happier about it! It begins again next Sunday, October 7, and, if you're unfamiliar with it, a full explanation of what it's all about is again in the bulletin today.

What a great experience this is for the

children of our parish! I always get such joy and delight in seeing the children who participate in this week after week as they process to and from their special chapel used for the Children's Liturgy of the Word (and parents, remember that our commitment is to be at Mass **every week**, so make sure you fulfill that responsibility with your children!). The Children's Liturgy of the Word is intended for children **first-grade and older**, so it's not for the toddlers and pre-schoolers, but there's also no upper age limit, so even fifth- and sixth-graders should feel free to join in. I hope all parents will encourage their children to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word starting next Sunday.

I must offer words of **THANKS** to the offerers who, week after week, as homilists, shepherds, cantors, and junior readers, work so efficiently to make it all happen, with special thanks going to Jenine Jimenez, the overall coordinator for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Thanks to all! Always remember what an important contribution to the spiritual life of our children you are making through your work in this ministry!

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,





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Our Lady of Perpetual Help

THE GOLDEN TICKET

Saturday, November 17, 2018

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.

- 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 13th and November 3rd 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

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PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Feast of St. Francis Blessing of the Animals

Thursday, 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.



The Diocese of Rockville Centre



Golden Wedding Celebration



*Couples celebrating 50 years or more
will be honored at Mass*

at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 21

**The Church of Christ the King,
Commack**

Registration forms and complete instructions are available at the rectory and must be returned to the Office of Worship by *October 12*.

For more info call: 516-678-5800 X 207.

PRAYER & 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. 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, October 1—7:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 8—
No devotions due to Columbus Day**

Monday, October 15—7:00 p.m.

Prayer for Peace

Please join us for a special Holy Hour devoted to praying for world peace within our own country and throughout the world. **This Holy Hour for Peace, with prayers focusing on the intention of peace, will be held on the second, third and fourth Sunday evenings of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** The Holy Hour of Reparation which has been held on the first Sunday of the month will continue every first Sunday evening as usual, with the prayers that are usually said for that first Sunday Holy Hour.



Evening Prayer

All are invited to pray Evening Prayer on Saturdays and Sundays after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Here we pray the psalms, listen to the Word of God and give thanks to God for the blessings of the day. Evening Prayer is usually about ten to fifteen minutes in length. So come and pray...



**Saturdays
and Sundays
After the 5:00 p.m. Mass**

“The Liturgy of the Hours is intended to become the prayer of the whole People of God. In it Christ himself ‘continues his priestly work through his Church...Pastors of souls should see to it that the principal hours, especially Vespers (Evening Prayer) are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and on the more solemn feasts.’”

-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1175

PERPETUAL HELP MASS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018 8:00 A.M. MASS

The Lang & Munz Families	Requested by Catherine Lang
Anthony Suppa & Dominick Ciuffini	Requested by The Family
Frances R. Zirk	Requested by R. Flesher & Family
Dominick M. Barone	Requested by Josephine Lopresti
Joseph Juliano	Requested by Marie Peretta
Joseph Di Filippi	Requested by Karen Medina
Mark Kenny	Requested by The Family of Mark Kenny

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Taizé Prayer Around the Cross

Thursday, October 11

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.

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



DEVOTIONS

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

First Friday Devotions will take place **October 5** 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 6** 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 6 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 (English, Spanish, Polish). The evening concludes with Benediction at 11:00 p.m.

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



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

Please join us on **Saturday, October 6th** 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 (number below) 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@olph.org

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD at 10:00 a.m. MASS BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7!

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 NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7.**

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 worshiping 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.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday: CLOSED
 Saturday: By Appointment

**Levels 1-5**

**There are NO CLASSES on Saturday, October 6,
 due to the Columbus Day Weekend**

Levels 7 & 8 —**Wednesday, September 19**

We had a great Commitment Service for the beginning of the year, as students handed in Mass Journals and received their Workbooks. Let us all pray for them as they work towards their Confirmation, to receive the Holy Spirit to help them spread the Word of God through their life and their actions.

**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.

- 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 home-school 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.

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.

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 with you when you go shopping!

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9:00 a.m.—12 Noon

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

In today's gospel Jesus tells his disciples: “Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward.” On September 27, the Church celebrated the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor; they are among the first to know their real needs.

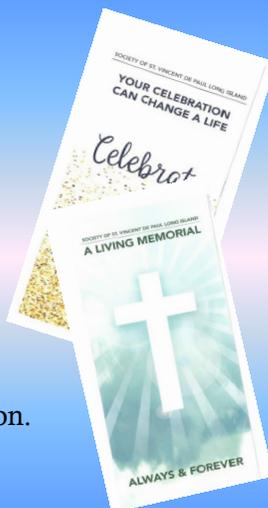
This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families by providing food, shelter or other help they may need. God Bless You!

† 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 items most often needed.

We are in need of the following:

- T-shirts (plain)
- Jeans (mostly 30's, 40, 42)
- New women's underwear (5, 6, 7)
- New men's underwear (S, M, XL, 2X, 3X)
- Hoodies
- Clean, gently used sneakers

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 gathering is
Tuesday, October 2
7:00 p.m. in Room 24 of the school
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 9
at 9:00 a.m. in Room 24

Don't Forget Your Baby Bottle!

This weekend, September 29 & 30, Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish is hosting a *Baby Bottle Fundraiser* to benefit The Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a crisis pregnancy center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide:

- free pregnancy tests
- maternity housing with eligibility requirements
- medical care, referrals
- Cribs, car seats
- diapers

...and all other baby items that may be needed



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 3rd & 4th**

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle.

The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors at The Life Center 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.*



**TO OUR
NEW OLPH
PARISHIONERS**

September

*Jeffrey, Tina Marie, Gabriella & Nathan Lindstrom
Michael & Linda Flannery
James Faulkner
Victor Garcia & Melissa Martinez
Raymond, Ana & Derek Torres
Timothy, Jacqueline, Sebastian & Rafael Lewis
Angelo Buono
George and Denise McCoun
Antonia Baez, Rubelina, Russelly & Rudelin Valerio
Robert, Christine & Robert Bennett*

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Directory of Phone Extensions

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Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
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St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

Eileen Corticchia (Chair)
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
 Jeffrey Gaab
 Gregory Guido
 Sonia Hansen
 Joselyn Kalt
 Mary Leon
 Melissa McLaughlin
 Kevin Sabella, Jr.
 Kevin Sabella, Sr.
 James Totino
 Adele Venezia

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille
 John Reynolds

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett
 Bill Bendernagel
 Gerry Chille (Chair)
 Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
 Bob Meade
 Frank Pokorney
 John Reynolds

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

YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Fauvette Auguste
 Deacon Robert Becker
 Lynn Bergin
 Mark Costantino
 Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
 Chris Ferraro
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 Jenine Jimenez-Spina
 Barbara McPhail
 Deacon Doug Smith
 Rosaleen Walters
 Mike Williams

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

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Third Announcement:

*Anthony D'Angelo III & Lindsay Pipion
James Bortolotta & Nicole Lyman
Justin Hartley & Jaclyn Ciccossillo*

Second Announcement:

*Nicholas Afanasewicz & Brianne O'Leary
Andrew Cordell-Carey & Erica Kreppein*

First Announcement:

*Daniel Kavanaugh & Patricia Mehm
Kevin McCall & Arnie Bernales*

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Fred Sawyer</i>	<i>Alyssa Drenkalo</i>
<i>Tom Jordan Jr.</i>	<i>Marissa Gerardo</i>
<i>Natalie & Lewis Yugel</i>	<i>Jeffery Magnuson</i>
<i>Peter Masak</i>	<i>Sam Mangieri</i>
<i>Loretto Dinardo</i>	<i>Anthony Calise</i>
<i>Florence Shea</i>	<i>David Udkow</i>
<i>Peggy McCloud</i>	<i>Rich Conti</i>
<i>Cheryl Cleaver</i>	<i>Joseph Casale</i>
<i>William D. Hinds</i>	<i>Carol Stysiack</i>
<i>Robert Shields</i>	<i>Angelina Fiorenzo</i>
<i>Bunny Rieger</i>	<i>Tom Willomsen</i>
<i>Nettie Deasy</i>	<i>Lisa Bravo</i>

WE CELEBRATE

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

-Rite of Baptism



*Arielle Pearl Amador
Addison Kathleen Eddy
Ryan John Jackson
William Michael Petrowitz
Callie Rose Wharry*

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

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.

WE REMEMBER

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

*Nicholas Caldararo
Antonino Corticchia
Elaine Marion Massey Caridi
Teresa Amoruso
Frank Peluso
Teresa Grasso*

"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."

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, October 1— SAINT THÉRÉSÉ OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH	
6:30	William Shaughnessy, Sr.
12:15	Vincent Romeo
TUESDAY, October 2— THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS	
6:30	Juana Pacheco
12:15	Frank Crisuolo
WEDNESDAY, October 3— WEEKDAY	
6:30	Joseph Ierardi
12:15	Ana Delia Ayala
THURSDAY, October 4— SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI	
6:30	Robert Kaminski
12:15	James Leighton
FRIDAY, October 5— WEEKDAY <i>(Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest)</i>	
6:30	Frank Pagliaro
12:15	Giuseppe Lentini
SATURDAY, October 6— WEEKDAY <i>(Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin)</i>	
8:00	Concepcion Marasigan Abrigo
Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
4:00	Evelyn Stein Henry <i>Special Needs Mass—Auditorium</i>
5:00	Harold Smith
Sunday, October 7— THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
8:00	Perpetual Help Mass (Listing on p. 8)
10:00	For the People of the Parish
12:00	Melchior Cucchiara
5:00	Gilda Gillette

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, October 1, 2018		
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 2, 2018		
1:00 p.m.	SVdP Christmas Committee	Room 24
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Middle Ages	Room 24
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise	Room 16
Wednesday, October 3, 2018		
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 Meeting	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 4, 2018		
1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
5:30 p.m.	Blessing of Animals	Lawn
7:00 p.m.	Respect Life Meeting	Room 18
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Baptismal Prep Class for Parents	Room 16
7:30 p.m.	RCIA	Room 3
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24
Friday, October 5, 2018		
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
3:00 p.m.	Wedding	Church
7:30 p.m.	CFFR Meeting	Room 18
Saturday, October 6, 2018		
No Religious Education Classes Due to Columbus Day Holiday		
1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
1:30 p.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
4:00 p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
7:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
8:00 p.m.	Adoration	Church
Sunday, October 7, 2018		
All Masses	K of C Membership Drive	Outside
9:15 a.m.	RCIC Baptism Meeting	Room 18
11:00 a.m.	RCIA	Room 16
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour for Peace	Church
7:00 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.

Liturgia Viva del Domingo 26° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B domingo 9/30/18

Primera Lectura (Números 11:25-29): No Monopolio sobre los Dones de Dios

El Espíritu de Dios inspiró no solo a Moisés, sino también a otros. Los dones de Dios son para el bien de todos, no para que sean guardados celosamente por unos pocos.

Segunda Lectura (Santiago 5:1-6): Las Riquezas son una Responsabilidad

En términos bien claros Santiago advierte a los ricos en bienes materiales y en talentos espirituales que en el día del juicio sus posesiones darán testimonio contra ellos si no las han usado bien en favor de los otros.

Evangelio (Marcos 9,37-42.44.46-47): Aprecien el Bien que Otros Hacen

Jesús enseña a sus discípulos a apreciar el bien hecho por los otros, sean quien sean. Qué fácilmente desconfiamos de los que son diferentes a nosotros, particularmente gente de otras religiones. Él es musulmán o judío, o protestante, o extranjero. Para algunos, quizás para muchos, eso es bastante para desacreditar a esa persona o el bien que ella hace. --- Pero aquí viene Jesús, cuyo corazón late para todos, y nos dice que tenemos que ser de mente abierta y sin prejuicios, y reconocer todo lo bueno que hay en los demás y en sus obras, sean ellos quienes sean. El mismo Espíritu es quien trabaja en nosotros y en todos los que hacen el bien. Que el Señor abra hoy nuestra mente y nuestro corazón. El evangelio de hoy nos presenta un ejemplo bonito y actual de la pedagogía de Jesús. Nos muestra que él ayudaba a sus discípulos a percibir y a superar la "levadura de los fariseos y de Herodes".

- Marcos 9,38-40: La mentalidad de cerrazón: "no viene con nosotros". Alguien que no era de la comunidad usaba el nombre de Jesús para expulsar los demonios. Juan, el discípulo, ve y prohíbe: Tratamos de impedirlo, porque no viene con nosotros. ¡En nombre de la comunidad impide que el otro pueda hacer una buena acción! Por ser discípulo, él piensa tener el monopolio sobre Jesús y, por esto, quiere prohibir que otros usen el nombre de Jesús para realizar el bien. Era la mentalidad cerrada y antigua del "¡Pueblo elegido, Pueblo separado!". Jesús responde: "No se lo impidáis, pues no hay nadie que obre un milagro invocando mi nombre y que luego sea capaz de hablar mal de mí. Pues el que no está contra nosotros, está con nosotros." (Mc 9,40). Difícilmente es posible encontrar una afirmación más ecuménica que esta afirmación de Jesús. Para Jesús, lo que importa no es si la persona forma o no forma parte de la comunidad, pero si hace o no el bien que la comunidad debe realizar.

- Un retrato de Jesús como formador de sus discípulos. Jesús, el Maestro, es el eje, el centro y el modelo de formación dada a los discípulos. Por sus actitudes, es una muestra del Reino, encarna el amor de Dios y lo revela (Mc 6,31; Mt 10,30; Lc 15,11-32).

- ¿Qué significa hoy, en el siglo XXI, para mí, para nosotros, la afirmación de Jesús que dice: Quién no está contra nosotros, está por nosotros?"

- ¿Cómo acontece la formación de Jesús en mi vida? *** DE REGRESO ALA ESCUELA***

Mi mamá me animaba a mantener el enfoque en los estudios. Padres cristianos tienen mucho que ver con el éxito del estudiante. Nuestros hijos son el futuro de mañana. Ellos tienen gran potencial de cambiar la nación y el mundo.

El ambiente secular influye mucho en la vida de los estudiantes. Presiones de otros estudiantes a veces desvían a nuestros hijos. Muchos no se imaginan la intensidad de estos esfuerzos. He visto jóvenes radicalmente cambiar la manera de vestir, caminar, reaccionar y ser otra persona en un periodo de semanas. ¿Cómo podemos ayudar a los estudiantes al empezar este nuevo año escolar?

Primero, orar por ellos para que Dios les de protección, sabiduría e inspiración en los estudios. No se olvide que "...la oración eficaz del justo puede mucho." (Santiago 5:16). También pedir a Dios que bendiga los maestros y los demás colaboradores escolares. Segundo, recuerden que los padres son los primeros maestros de estos estudiantes. No podemos dejar toda la educación a los maestros de las escuelas. Tenemos una gran responsabilidad de ayudar a nuestros hijos a empezar bien.

Tercero, participar en las actividades escolares para los padres, así demostrando intenso interés en sus hijos. Pidiendo a los maestros sus direcciones electrónicas para estar en contacto con ellos. Es importante conocer personalmente a los maestros y líderes de las escuelas. Muchas veces nos olvidamos de la importancia de participar en las actividades escolares que impactan a nuestros hijos



**OFFERING UPDATE
September 22/23**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	338	145	\$3,331.00
8:00 a.m.	270	137	3,489.00
10:00 a.m.	368	110	2,605.00
12:00 p.m.	430	106	2,956.00
5:00 p.m.	195	28	1,154.00
Total coin:			18.31
Mail-ins:			995.00
Children's Envelopes		17	32.50
Faith Direct			2,372.75
TOTAL	1,601	543	\$16,953.56
2017	1,576	532	\$17,405.12
Candles			\$1,064.97
Poor Box			\$353.03
St. Pius X			\$2,260.00

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 7 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
Sunday, October 7
10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.**

No 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.



Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NY286

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. DeGrococo or the 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 7 —passed
October 14 —October 5
October 21—October 12**

PREPARING FOR

Sunday, October 7, 2018

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female.
For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife,
and the two shall become one flesh.*

Mark 10:6-7

Genesis 2:18-24

We hear today how God came to create men and women as partners for each other. First the Lord God created man out of the dust of the earth and set him in the Garden of Eden. God realized that it was not good for man to be alone so he created animals as companions. Seeing these were not enough, God created woman as a suitable partner. We learn from this that it is good for humans to be in supportive and nurturing relationships with each other rather than alone. We also learn that man and woman are partners of equal dignity and worth. We will later hear Jesus in the Gospel refer to this partnership of man and woman as the basis of marriage.

Hebrews 2:9-11

Suffering, sacrifice, and glory are all designed for humans because Christ died to make us what we are today. He died to rid us of frustration, bondage, and weakness, and to restore our dignity to what it was meant to be from the beginning, as we heard in the first reading. Jesus is our leader on our journey through life as we make our way to perfection through the way of the Cross.

Mark 10:2-16

We hear two different episodes in the Gospel today. First, we hear about marriage and divorce. The Pharisees tried to trap Jesus by asking about whether divorce was lawful. Mosaic law had allowed it but Jesus said that this was only because of our human weakness and that lifelong monogamous marriage is the ideal. This is the partnership that we heard about in the first reading. In the second episode we hear about children being models for how we should behave as disciples of Christ. "Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." We can only truly follow Jesus if we recognize our dependence on God for all we have and all we are, just as a child is dependent on his or her parents.

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. In Mark's Gospel the Pharisees and the disciples ask Jesus about divorce. In the light of family problems that still exist, Pope Francis called a Synod on the Family. Below is a section of Francis' address at the conclusion of the Synod. What are the challenges in today's world to which we should respond with boldness and mercy? Name a challenge that needs mercy.

"And this is the Church, the vineyard of the Lord, the fertile Mother and the caring Teacher, who is not afraid to roll up her sleeves to pour oil and wine on people's wound; who doesn't see humanity as a house of glass to judge or categorize people. This is the Church, One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic and composed of sinners, needful of God's mercy. This is the Church, the true bride of Christ, who seeks to be faithful to her spouse and to her doctrine. It is the Church that is not afraid to eat and drink with prostitutes and publicans. The Church that has the doors wide open to receive the needy, the penitent, and not only the just or those who believe they are perfect! The Church that is not ashamed of the fallen brother and pretends not to see him, but on the contrary feels involved and almost obliged to lift him up and to encourage him to take up the journey again and accompany him toward a definitive encounter with her Spouse, in the heavenly Jerusalem.

This is the Church, our Mother! And when the Church, in the variety of her charisms, expresses herself in communion, she cannot err: it is the beauty and the strength of the *sensus fidei*."

Pope Francis, Synod of Bishops, 18 October 2014

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, October 1, 2018:

Job 1:6-22 + Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday, October 2, 2018:

Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23
+ Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday, October 3, 2018:

Job 9:1-12, 14-16
+ Luke 9:57-62

Thursday, October 4, 2018:

Job 19:21-27 + Luke 10:1-12

Friday, October 5, 2018:

Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5
+ Luke 10:13-16

Saturday, October 6, 2018:

Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
+ Luke 10:17-24

Sunday, October 7, 2018:

Genesis 2:18-24
+ Hebrews 2:9-11
+ Mark 10:2-16

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES!

Our diocese is blessed to have wonderful Catholic students in high school. The best way to learn about a particular school is to visit their *Open House*. Here are the dates and times for the high schools in our diocese; feel free to visit during these times.

St. Anthony's High School	-	Sunday, September 30 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Kellenberg Memorial High School	-	Saturday, October 13 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Chaminade High School	-	Saturday, October 13 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
St. Mary's High School	-	Sunday, October 14 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Diocesan High School	-	Saturday, October 20 - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School	-	Sunday, October 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
St. Dominic High School	-	Sunday, October 21 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sands

BETHLEHEM

Knights of Columbus BUS TRIP to

SANDS CASINO

Thursday, October 18th

COST: \$40.00 pp

**REBATE \$30.00 Free Play
PLUS \$5.00 meal voucher**

**OUR POLICY: First Pay—First Board
Bingo & Stop prizes**

Leave High St. Parking lot at 8:00 a.m.

Call Bob Dobres at 631 592-8697

JOIN THE COLUMBIAN SQUIRES!



HELP THE COMMUNITY!
PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES
AND EVENTS TO HELP BETTER
OUR COMMUNITY AS
CATHOLIC CHRISTIANS!

FUNDRAISERS!
HELP OUT IN SQUIRE SPONSORED
EVENTS TO RAISE MONEY FOR
VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS OR
INDIVIDUALS IN NEED! THESE EVENTS
ARE ALWAYS FUN AND ENJOYABLE
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Meetings at Panera Bread
the 2nd and 4th Wednesday
of every month (may also
be at OLPH School - RM 19)

1025 W Montauk Hwy.
West Babylon, NY 11704
**Contact Chief Counselor
Tom Romano PGK**
E-mail: tomonli@aol.com
Phone: 631-561-7052

WORK AS A TEAM!
OUR VOLUNTEERING COUNSELORS
ARE DEDICATED TO HELPING SQUIRES
LEARN TO MEET THEIR GOALS OF
SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING BY
WORKING AS A TEAM! TEAMWORK CAN
CREATE FRIENDSHIPS AND GIVE
EXPERIENCE AS A SQUIRE AND BEYOND!

Contact Chief Squire Nick Artusa
E-mail: Nartusa10@gmail.com
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