

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*The people said of Jesus,  
“He has done all things well.  
He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”*

Mark 7:37

## THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 9, 2018

### 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

**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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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### September 11

Tuesday of this week is September 11, and it was seventeen years ago that our world changed forever with the terrorist attacks on the Twin Towers in Manhattan, the collapse of those buildings, and the resultant inconceivable loss of life. (It was a Tuesday back in 2001, too). It's a day forever seared into our hearts, souls and minds for those of us old enough to remember it. I will never forget how the events of that day and the days and weeks afterward had a surreal quality about them, when everything seemed to be outside of time in some way. They were intense days of grief, shock, anger, loss, horror, disbelief and even numbness.

As Tuesday brings another anniversary of this event, let's continue to pray for all those who lost their life, for their families, and for all the many brave, brave first responders and others who rushed to the scene on that day, and who continued to labor at Ground Zero in the days, weeks and months afterward. We continue to see the terrible price being paid by many of the first responders and by many who worked cleaning up the site — various health problems, especially respiratory issues, and other difficulties such as PTSD. We owe these heroic men and women a debt which cannot be repaid. We must continue to be united as Americans and take pride in our country and in our way of life. Most of all, we must never, ever forget the thousands of innocent people who lost their life on that tragic day. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

### Our Lady of Sorrows Mass

On Saturday of this week, September 15, the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, I will have the privilege of once again presiding at our special Sorrowful Mother Mass, where we pray especially for children and teens who are terminally ill, or in remission, or who have serious illnesses, or who have special needs. Our celebration of this Mass at OLPH always includes the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for these children.

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

representing the seven sorrows of tradition and the prophecy of Simeon.

If you have a child or grandchild with a serious illness, or who is in remission, or who has special needs, I urge you and your family to attend this Mass and have them anointed. I know this Mass has special meaning for those who have a particular devotion to the Blessed Mother under this title. It is always a very beautiful and meaningful experience of prayer and of communal support. I am grateful to Linda Setti who organizes this Mass for us each year. Full details can be found in the ad elsewhere in the bulletin. Especially since it's on a weekend this year, do plan on joining us!

### Re-screening of all parish offerers

I bring to your attention something that continues to be a vital part of parish life today, something which is unfortunately necessary; it concerns maintaining a safe environment for our children.

As you know, the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires that any adult who offers his or her time and services in a parish ministry, society or organization must be compliant with the mandated Safe Environment procedures, which have three components: the Virtus Training Class, a signed Code of Conduct Form, and a Background Release Form, which permits a background check to be performed. Whenever anyone joins a ministry or organization, these procedures must be followed, with the appropriate paperwork completed, so that a background check can be performed on that person.

However, in the interest of continued due diligence, the Diocese of Rockville Centre is requiring that **updated** Background Release Forms be received, and an **updated** background screening be done, **every five (5) years** for all parish offerers. It's important to do this due diligence as a part of the Church's ongoing commitment to protect the vulnerable populations we serve, particularly children and young people. Therefore, all parish offerers should be aware that from this point forward, it will be necessary for all our offerers to be re-screened once every five (5) years. This means that starting this year, all offerers at OLPH will be contacted once every five years, depending on when your last background check was done, and will be asked to sign another Background Release Form, so that another background check can be done. Sometime within the next month or two, all those who were screened for the first time in 2013 and prior will receive a letter from me, asking them to sign and return another Background Release Form so that another background check can be done. Then, next

year, in 2019, the same will be done for those screened five years prior to that (i.e., in 2014), and so on each year, so that, on an ongoing basis, we have a new form signed and a new background check done on all offerers once every five years (by the way, this applies to clergy, too — I myself, for example, have recently had an updated background check done, per diocesan mandate).

Please be clear that you will be asked to re-do only that one component, signing and returning the Background Release Form; you will NOT be asked to re-take the Virtus class or to update any other forms. However, when you are notified, you will have to return that form in order to continue in the ministry, and, as with any new offerer, you will not be allowed to continue if you do not comply. I understand that it can be bothersome for you to have to deal with this, but it is required by the Diocese and therefore it is a necessity. Again, please note that this is nothing new, but rather simply doing again what has been done in the past, for purposes of updating.

As always, anyone should feel free to contact our Parish Coordinator for this process, Helene Calabrese, at hcalab2@optonline.net or through the rectory, if there are any questions. I thank everyone in advance for your support of, and cooperation with, this ongoing process which, as I said, is unfortunately a part of the world we live in today.

### ***Brick memorializations***

Take a look — our latest batch of memorialized bricks has been installed! The bricks have been installed in the remaining spaces on the Walkway to the Blessed Mother, from Wellwood Avenue (this completes that Walkway to the statue — all the spaces are filled in front of the statue) and in our new “Let the Children Come to Me” Prayer Garden. If you memorialized a brick in this most recent batch, look for it! We’ll be having a blessing for this second set of bricks sometime in the near future; those who donated a brick will be notified by letter.

I wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Joe Artusa, who continues to be so generous to OLPH by donating the labor to install the bricks. Thank you, thank you, thank you, Joe — it is a big, big help to us!

Keep in mind that our brick memorialization program is ongoing, so I ask you to donate a brick if you have not done so, or to consider taking another one at some point. We receive free shipping when we send 100 or more to the engraver, so we will wait until we have 100 orders before we send the next batch. Let’s see how soon we can achieve that, OK? The proceeds from this help us to meet our ongoing expenses, so your participation is greatly appreciated.

### ***Parish App***

Have you downloaded our Parish App yet? I

have (I’m so “hip” and “with it,” aren’t I?). It’s great to have, and information about downloading it has been, and continues to be, in the bulletin. Make sure you do so if you haven’t already, and spread the word about it so that others can get it too.

### ***The Golden Ticket***

Well, we’re officially under way with **THE GOLDEN TICKET**, our big money raffle that is also a lot of fun! This will be an important fund raiser for the parish for the fall season, and we need everyone to participate — we need to sell all 500 tickets. If all tickets are sold, we stand to make a great deal of money for the parish — plus, ticket holders have the chance to win some big, big money prizes! Purchase as many tickets as you want! Purchase one or more tickets as a family or with friends! Your support is very much appreciated...and needed.

By the way, next weekend, September 15-16, **GOLDEN TICKETS** will be sold after all the Masses. It will be an easy way to buy one. You can stop at the rectory any time, or purchase one as you leave Mass next weekend. Come prepared! See the details elsewhere in the bulletin.

### ***OLPH Golf Outing***

With September comes our annual OLPH Golf Outing, this year our 8th, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. It’s always a wonderful day and I have enjoyed being a part of it every year that I have been at OLPH — not as a golfer, of course (it’s best not to discuss my abilities — more precisely, lack of them — when it comes to sports, athletics, or anything requiring coordination!), but as a participant in the day nonetheless. It’s being held a week from Monday, on September 17, and it’s not too late to sign up if you have not already done so.

In addition to enjoying a great day of golf and a great day of fellowship and fun, you’ll be helping both OLPH parish and our Knights of Columbus Council, since proceeds will be split between the two. If you can’t golf, then support the outing through the raffle tickets being sold or one of the sponsorships. You can also just come to the great dinner. Check out the ad in today’s bulletin for more information. I’ll look forward to seeing you on “the links!” (*Does that make me sound like a sophisticated golfer?*)

### ***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,



**PLAY OUR NEW "GOLDEN TICKET" DRAWING!**

**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.

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



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

**499<sup>th</sup> Ticket drawn - \$2,500**

**500<sup>th</sup> 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 go on sale beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> at the rectory during regular office hours. Tickets will also be available after all Masses the weekend of Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> 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."*

## OUR LADY OF SORROWS

### *The Feast of the Sorrowful Mother*

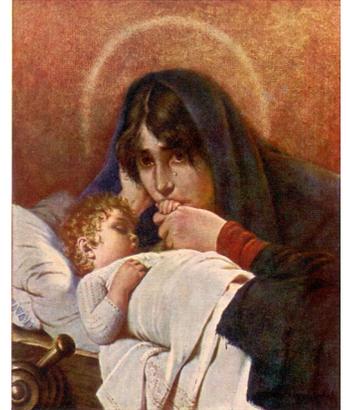
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

**Devotions begin at 12:45 p.m. + Mass begins at 1:30 p.m.**

**At OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH**

*The schedule for the afternoon will be:*

- *Chanting the Stabat Mater*
- *The Seven Sorrows of our Blessed Mother*
- *The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass*
- *Reception of the Anointing of the Sick at Mass*
- *The presentation of a rose to each child*



***Our Pastor, Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, will preside at the special Mass.***

*The intentions of this Mass will be for*

***CHILDREN & TEENAGERS WHO ARE TERMINALLY ILL OR IN REMISSION  
AND FOR CHILDREN & TEENAGERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS***

*This beautiful devotion is important and open to all mothers and all children especially because it is the 101<sup>st</sup> anniversary of when Our Lady appeared at Fatima. During her last apparition to the children she performs the Miracle of the Sun. While this miracle is occurring she also appears as Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Our Lady of Sorrows to Servant of God Lucia, Saint Jacinta and Saint Francisco showing them the importance of Mary's Sorrowful & Immaculate Heart.*

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

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### 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, 2018**

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, September 10—7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, September 17—7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, September 24—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.

*Lord Jesus Christ,  
who are called the Prince of Peace,  
Who are yourself our peace  
and our reconciliation,  
Who so often said 'Peace to you',  
Grant us peace!  
Make all men and women witnesses  
of truth, justice and brotherly love.  
Banish from their hearts  
whatever might endanger peace.  
Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee  
and defend the great gift of peace.  
May all peoples of the earth  
become as brothers and sisters.  
May longed-for peace blossom forth  
and reign always over us all. AMEN  
Mary, Queen of Peace, Pray for us!  
(Pope Saint John XXIII)*

### **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**

### **REMINDER REGARDING THE COMMUNION FAST**

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

## WE REMEMBER 9/11

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

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

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

*Joseph Angelini Sr.*

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

*Geoffrey E. Guja*

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

*Joseph John Angelini Jr.*

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

*Gary H. Lee*

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

*Susan Marie Clyne*

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

*Laurence F. Nedell*

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

*Tara Debek*

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

*Michelle Lee Titolo*

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



**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**

Located in the Rectory  
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Email: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
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**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

Are you ready  
for classes to begin?

Our Catechists  
had a great first meeting  
and we are all excited to  
welcome everyone back  
to a fun-filled program  
full of faith!



INTERESTED IN OFFERING YOUR TIME AS A CATECHIST OR HALL MONITOR?  
WE NEED YOU!

Our program relies on the generous time and talent offered by our dedicated teachers and hall monitors. At this time, we are in need of the following:

**Level 5 teacher, Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.**

**Hall Monitors, Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.**

**Hall Monitors, Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Assistants/Hall Monitors for other times always welcome!

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



Saturday, September 15th  
is the Catechetical Congress  
at St. John the Baptist H.S.  
in West Islip,  
from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Doors open at 8:00 a.m.

Catechetical Sunday is  
September 16th!  
Come to Mass at 10:00 a.m.  
and join us for Hospitality  
in the auditorium after.  
R.S.V.P. to the F.F. Office

## 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 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.

If you are a parishioner with children in a Catholic elementary school or who are home-schooled 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.

## VIRTUS TRAINING



**VIRTUS TRAINING**  
**THURSDAY,**  
**SEPTEMBER 13**  
**6:30 p.m. in Room 1**  
**TRAINING IS REQUIRED**  
**FOR ALL PARISH OFFERERS**  
**IN ALL MINISTRIES.**

*Registration **MUST** be done online.*

Simply go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org),  
Protecting God's Children to the Virtus training schedule. Find the date and OLPH to register.

# 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
- † Golden Age Society: Dolores Barone—631.957.3432
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com—Peggy Pannullo—631.921.5994—justin97@aol.com
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- † Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Bernard League: Deacon Doug Smith—631-226-7725—dsmith4475@aol.com
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Deborah Deasy—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Fran Grasso—631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org—Caroline Grogan—631.225.7688—straightclaw@optonline.net

## NEW Food Pantry List!

**PASTA SAUCE**  
**MACARONI & CHEESE**  
**INSTANT POTATOES**  
**CANNED MIXED VEGETABLES**  
**CANNED GREEN BEANS**  
**CANNED FRUIT**  
**JELLY OR JAM**  
**COFFEE**  
**CHILDREN'S SNACKS**  
**JUICE BOXES**  
**TOILETRIES**

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.

In today's Gospel we hear how Jesus “makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!” In living the Gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God's presence known, especially to those who are poor and suffering. On September 9, the Church also celebrates the feast of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic heard the call of Jesus to love and serve those who are suffering.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can “make God's presence known” to those who are suffering and poor.

## † 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 are in need of the following:

- T-shirts (color/no wording or decorations)
- Sun screen
- Insect repellent (wrist bands, etc.)
- Shorts (30's)
- Jeans (mostly 30's)
- Deodorant (roll on)
- New women's underwear (sizes 5,6,7)
- New men's underwear (L - XXL)

*If it is easier, we can always use gift cards or financial donations, and we'll do the shopping.*

*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, September 18  
7:00 p.m. in Room 24 in the school**

Call for details.

Call Gail Tonnessen at 631-957-1449  
or email her at [gtonness@optonline.net](mailto: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, September 11  
9:00 a.m. in Room 24**

**Welcome back!**

There is a  
place for  
you at  
our table...



### COMMUNITY MEAL MINISTRY

OLPH's **Community Meal Ministry** has served hundreds of meals to members of our parish community. Generally held on one Sunday each month, the Community Meal seeks to provide a place of good food, good fellowship and good times for all who come!

**Our next Community Meal is  
Sunday, September 16.  
Come and pray with us at the  
12:00 p.m. Mass  
& then join us for  
"Sunday Dinner" at 1:00 p.m.**

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WALK



HAND IN HAND, HEART TO HEART, HOPE ON THE MOVE

### FRIENDS OF THE POOR® 5K WALK / RUN

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

BETHPAGE COMMUNITY PARK

(1001 STEWART AVENUE, BETHPAGE, NY 11714- LOOK FOR THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY SKATING CENTER)

7:30 AM CHECK-IN / 9 AM RUN/WALK

EACH STEP BRINGS HOPE TO FAMILIES IN POVERTY.

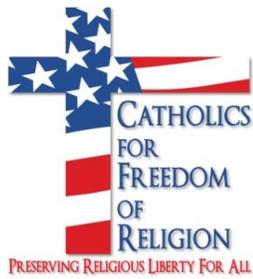
REGISTER TO WALK/RUN FOR YOUR CONFERENCE TODAY AT

[WWW.FOPWALK.ORG](http://WWW.FOPWALK.ORG)

QUESTIONS? CALL (516) 822-3132

CAN'T JOIN US? DONATIONS CAN BE SENT TO: SVDP FOP WALK / C/O YOUR RECTORY

# CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION



## FOCUS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

### School is Open!!

And... YES, Students May Express Their Faith (Part 1)

However, many Americans incorrectly believe that any mention of God by students in school is forbidden. This belief is false! Why do so many Americans believe this? How did we get here?

**School-sponsored prayer was removed from the public education system through a number of court cases over several decades.** In 1963, the Supreme Court ruled on two cases that were brought by Madalyn Murray O'Hair in Maryland and the Schempp family in Pennsylvania. The Supreme Court ruling stated that school-sponsored prayer and/or Bible reading by a representative of the State (teacher, etc.) was a violation of the establishment clause of the First Amendment. Justice Hugo Black, writing for the majority, said, "It is no part of the business of government to compose official prayers ..." **This ruling did not stop school prayer or Bible reading completely, since voluntary student prayer was still permitted and protected.**

**The widespread misinterpretation of the Supreme Court decision was caused by the news coverage and overly cautious school boards.** While news services claimed prayer and Bible reading were expelled from public schools, Justice Tom Clark criticized their coverage, insisting the public was wrong to think the court had "outlawed religious observance in public." Prof. Deckman of the Public Religious Research Institute said, "School boards got so paranoid about dealing with religion [expression and speech] that they just said, 'We shouldn't do any of that at all!'"

So, although the Supreme Court decisions did ban school-sponsored prayer and Scripture readings, scholars agree that the court didn't ban religion from public schools or prohibit students from praying or expressing their religious beliefs. Nevertheless, for over 50 years, the misunderstanding and misrepresentation of the 1963 Supreme Court ruling has led to countless cases that deny our children their First Amendment free exercise rights. ([supreme.justia.com/cases](http://supreme.justia.com/cases); [allabouthistory.org](http://allabouthistory.org); [free2pray.info](http://free2pray.info); [historynet.com](http://historynet.com))

**\* ACTION! Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and watch "It's OK to Pray" (9 minute video)**

## 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.

Our Lady of Mercy Academy	- Saturday, September 22 - 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Sacred Heart Academy	- Saturday, September 29 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
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>.

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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  
 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  
 MaryAnn Haas  
 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.*

### **Second Announcement:**

***Conor Butler & Amanda Farmer  
Joseph D'Antona & Nicole Cassano***

### **First Announcement:**

***Michael Farrugia & Lauren Greese***

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Mildred Rocco  
Ellen Toomey  
Frances A. Rohm***

*“O God, who through the ending of present things open up the beginning of things to come, grant, we pray, that the soul of your servant may be led to you to attain the inheritance of eternal redemption.”*

## **WE BELIEVE**

**We pray for the sick of our parish...**

<b><i>Theresa Paolo</i></b>	<b><i>Fran Grasso</i></b>
<b><i>Nicholas Evans</i></b>	<b><i>Alyssa Drenkalo</i></b>
<b><i>Jillian Egan</i></b>	<b><i>Florence Shea</i></b>
<b><i>Dana Sikorsky</i></b>	<b><i>Peggy McCloud</i></b>
<b><i>Fred Sawyer</i></b>	<b><i>Cheryl Cleaver</i></b>
<b><i>Patricia Amato</i></b>	<b><i>William D. Hinds</i></b>
<b><i>Kathy Stanton</i></b>	<b><i>Robert Shields</i></b>
<b><i>Ann Curtin</i></b>	<b><i>Bunny Rieger</i></b>
<b><i>Tom Jordan Jr.</i></b>	<b><i>Nettie Deasy</i></b>
<b><i>Natalie &amp; Lewis Yugel</i></b>	<b><i>Alyssa Drenkalo</i></b>
<b><i>Peter Masak</i></b>	
<b><i>Loretto Dinardo</i></b>	

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.

## **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.

## **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.

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.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, September 10— WEEKDAY

6:30	Danielle Draizen
12:15	Pelligrino Fellicardi

### TUESDAY, September 11— WEEKDAY

6:30	Walter Anderson
12:15	Giuseppe Lentini

### WEDNESDAY, September 12— WEEKDAY *(The Most Holy Name of Mary)*

6:30	Nicholas Paris
12:15	Stefano Tetro

### THURSDAY, September 13— SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

6:30	Roseann Gueli
12:15	Arvo Padrang

### FRIDAY, September 14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

6:30	Nancy Versace
12:15	Joseph Pezzano

### SATURDAY, September 15— OUR LADY OF SORROWS

8:00	Sue Sullo
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### Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated): THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00	Steven Shipsey
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### Sunday, September 16 THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00	Jillian Capodiferro (Living—Birthday)
10:00	Jack Cannizzaro
12:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mothers & Guild
5:00	For the People of the Parish

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Monday, September 10, 2018

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Room 24
10:00 a.m.	Blue Door Boutique	Convent
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent Business Meeting	Room 24
7:00 p.m.	Rel. Ed. Safety Meeting –Parents	Auditorium
7:00 p.m.	Devotions	Church

### Tuesday, September 11, 2018

9:00 a.m.	Senior Moments	Room 24
6:45 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Board Meeting	Room 18
7:30 p.m.	Squires	Room 19
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise	Room 16

### Wednesday, September 12, 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
6:00 p.m.	Van Run	Room 12
6:30 p.m.	Rel. Ed. Hall Monitor Meeting	Room 24
7:30 p.m.	Family Life Ministry	Cafeteria

### Thursday, September 13, 2018

1:00 p.m.-on	Church closed for cleaning	Church
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
6:30 p.m.	Virtus Class	Room 1
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	CYO Pre-Season Meeting	Room 16
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 p.m.	Blue Door Quarterly Meeting	Room 18
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

### Friday, September 14, 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.	Holy Name Society	Room 10

### Saturday, September 15, 2018

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

### Sunday, September 16, 2018

10:00 a.m.	Blessing of the Catechists	Church
11:00 a.m.	Hospitality	Auditorium
12:00 a.m.	RCIA	Church
1:00 p.m.	K of C Installation of Officers	Church
1:00 p.m.	Community Meal	Cafeteria
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](mailto:saitjoseph98@gmail.com).

### Liturgia Viva del Domingo 23° del Tiempo Ordinario - Ciclo B

**Domingo, 9 de septiembre de 2018**

**Primera Lectura (Isaías 35:4-7a):** Los Oídos del Sordo se Abrirán

A un pueblo sordo y ciego para con Dios, el profeta anuncia la alegría de la salvación: verán y oirán, y así llegarán a ser nuevos.

**Segunda Lectura (Santiago 2:1-5):** ¡No doble Estándar! Dios Ama a los Pobres

Es una traición al sentido cristiano de comunidad honrar a los ricos y humillar a los pobres, dice Santiago. Dios ama a los pobres y los hace ricos en la fe.

**Evangelio (Marcos 7:31-37):** ¡Ábrete!

El sordomudo representa a los que se cierran a Dios. Jesús vino a hacer que la gente se abra a Dios, de forma que puedan alabarle por sus grandes obras. Su atención a los pobres es la señal de que el reino ha llegado ya.

#### 1. ¡Señor, Abre Nuestros Oídos y Nuestros Labios!

Vivimos en una era de explosión en comunicaciones: fax, E-mail, Internet o web, y así sucesivamente. Y al mismo tiempo vivimos en una edad de aislamiento y de soledad de tanta gente. Lo que la gente tiene de sobra es información, y lo que va perdiendo progresivamente son relaciones personales. En esta eucaristía le pedimos al Señor que abra nuestros oídos, para que de nuevo sepamos escucharnos unos a otros y también a Dios, que constantemente nos están hablando. Y que también aprendamos a hablarnos unos a otros, de persona a persona, cordialmente, de corazón a corazón.

#### 2. ¡Éfeta! ¡Ábrete!

La señal de que Jesús es el Salvador prometido es que se acerca con preferencia a los pobres, a los enfermos, a los marginados, porque le necesitan más que nadie. No solamente nos referimos a la pobreza material. Nosotros somos los sordos y los mudos, los tartamudos y los que tenemos oído duro, porque nos encerramos en nosotros mismos, cerrados con frecuencia a Dios y a los otros. Jesús viene a abrir nuestros oídos y nuestros corazones a las palabras y acciones de Dios, para que escuchemos su mensaje y respondamos a su amor, y para que también oigamos a los pobres y les hablemos por medio de nuestro servicio y ayuda. --- Que Jesús en la eucaristía nos cure y nos dé la gracia de entregarnos generosamente a él y a su

Señor Dios nuestro, Padre misericordioso: Tú preparas la mesa de tu Hijo para ricos y para pobres, sin discriminación. Por la fuerza de este pan de vida, no permitas que permanezcamos sordos a tu voz que nos grita desde las necesidades de los pobres y oprimidos. Enséñanos y ayúdanos a hablarles no solamente verbalizando palabras de compasión, sino realizando obras reales de justicia, dignidad y amor.

Y que éste sea el signo de que tu Hijo está vivo entre nosotros, él que es nuestro Señor y Salvador ahora y por los siglos de los siglos.

Con un solo corazón y una sola voz demos gracias y alabanza a Dios nuestro Salvador. Él mostró el poder de su amor en Jesús, su Hijo, quien "todo lo hizo bien". Él nos ha abierto nuestros oídos a su Buena Noticia de salvación y nos ha capacitado para alabar a Dios en nombre de todo lo que vive.

**OFFERING UPDATE  
Sept. 1/2**

Mass Time	Attendance	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	301	\$3,830.00
8:00 a.m.	285	3,296.00
10:00 a.m.	386	2,572.00
12:00 p.m.	425	2,725.00
5:00 p.m.	161	1,035.00
<b>Total coin:</b>		<b>9.94</b>
<b>Mail-ins:</b>		<b>245.00</b>
<b>Children's Envelopes</b>		<b>19.50</b>
<b>Faith Direct</b>		<b>2,372.75</b>
<b>Special Needs</b>	40	515.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>\$16,620.19</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>1,638</b>	<b>\$17,155.13</b>
<b>Candles</b>		<b>\$1,050.26</b>
<b>Poor Box</b>		<b>\$389.65</b>

*National Collection for  
The Catholic University of America*



The Catholic University of America is unique among universities in the United States—even among Catholic universities. Established by Pope Leo XIII and the U.S. bishops in 1887, it is the national university of the Catholic Church. In addition to alumni who hail from this diocese, Catholic University claims **one third of the U.S. bishops and 12,000 priests and religious as alumni.** This weekend, **September 8/9**, is the *National Collection for The Catholic University of America*. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

**UPDATE YOUR PARISH  
CENSUS INFORMATION!**

We are continuing the process of updating our Parish Census Database with “Phase II” of the process. If you have not already done so, **please complete an updated Census Form and return it as soon as possible.** It is vitally important that we keep our census information as accurate and up-to-date as possible.

Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about whether or not you have updated your records, you can always call the parish office and ask. Please use the new form that was mailed to you some time ago. You can also stop down and pick up a new Census Form at the rectory any time during normal business hours. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

**DEADLINES FOR  
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All requests for items printed in the bulletin must first have approval from Msgr. DeGrocco or the ministry moderator. *All material must be submitted as a Word document* no later than the dates listed below to Carmel Becker at [cbecker@oloph.org](mailto:cbecker@oloph.org).

*Editing and sizes are at the discretion of the editor.*

**September 16 —passed**

**September 23 —September 14**

**September 30 —September 21**

# PREPARING FOR

## Sunday, September 16, 2018

### THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Mark 8:35

**Isaiah 50:5-9a**

“The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.” Whether those words apply to an individual in ancient times, to the entire Israelite community, or even to us today, they are encouraging. In the midst of being insulted, beaten, and put to shame, we can be confident of the Lord’s help. Think of how Jesus suffered torture and execution for our sake without protest. Yet he rose again on the third day for our salvation. If God is for us, we will ultimately win. Good news indeed!

**James 2:14-18**

James addresses a central question that has been the source of much discussion and dissention over the ages: are we saved by faith or works? That is, is it enough to say that we believe in Jesus as our Lord and Savior or is something more needed? James says that the two are inextricably linked – faith without works is dead. As he puts it, when someone is hungry or naked, is it enough to say “Have a nice day?” Indeed, it is our faith in Christ that compels us to act to help our brothers and sisters.

**Mark 8:27-35**

We hear today about a turning point in Jesus’ ministry. Up until now, popular opinion regarded him as a great prophet who could work mighty miracles. But when Jesus asks who the disciples believe him to be, Peter announces that he is something more – the Messiah. Yet Jesus has to teach them that he will not be like the Messiah that they expect, a powerful warrior to overthrow the Roman government. He will be a Messiah who has to undergo pain and death for the sake of the whole world, something that Peter finds hard to believe. Jesus teaches them, and us, that we need to share in this hardship if we are to follow him and receive the rewards of eternal life: “Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.”

**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.*

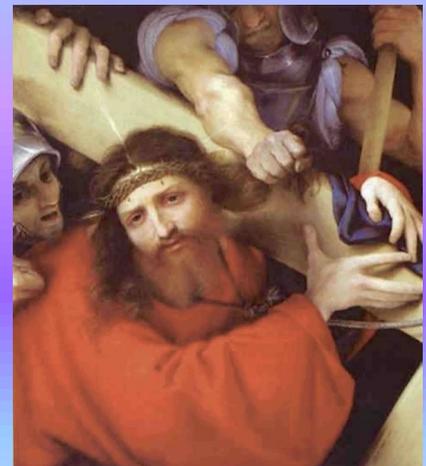
1. Do you want people you love to know you well? Do you think Christ wants you to know him well? He asks the apostles, “Who do you say that I am?” What if he asked you that question? Do you answer it differently at different times in your life?
2. “The Son of Man must suffer greatly ... ” In these words Jesus is telling the apostles what discipleship is all about. How does Peter handle this new message? How do you? Can “losing your life” be a means to gaining life? Can you desire to follow him in such a way?

## Readings for the Week

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

**Monday, September 10, 2018:**

1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018:**1 Corinthians 6:1-11  
+ Luke 6:12-19**Wednesday, September 12, 2018:**1 Corinthians 7:25-31  
+ Luke 6:20-26**Thursday, September 13, 2018:**1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13  
+ Luke 6:27-38**Friday, September 14, 2018:**Numbers 21:4b—9 Phil 2:6-11  
+ John 3:13-17**Saturday, September 15, 2018:**1 Corinthians 10:14-22  
+ John 19:25-27**Sunday, September 16, 2018:**Isaiah 50:5-9a  
+ James 2:14-18  
+ Mark 8:27-35

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



### **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 794 Installation of Officers**

Join us, as we gather to install  
**Grand Knight Stephen Strigaro**  
and all the newly elected Officers.

#### **Schedule of events:**

- 12:00 p.m. Mass at OLPH Church
- 1:15 p.m. Installation Ceremony at OLPH Church
- 2:30 p.m. to Installation Banquet and Celebration
- 6:30 p.m. at American Legion Hall

**Date: Sunday, September 16, 2018**

**Cost: \$40.00 per Ticket**

**Dinner includes:** salad, buffet dinner, beer, wine, soda, dessert, coffee, and music

**Location:** American Legion Hall, 80 Herbert Ave. Lindenhurst NY 11757

**For Tickets call:** John Reynolds 631-495-8578,  
Bill Crosby 631-988-3068 or Mike Hearney 631-560-0451

## **8th Annual OLPH Golf Outing Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at Rock Hill CC**

### **Schedule of Events**

- 7:00 a.m. Registration and full hot breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start, lunch (hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage & peppers) at the turn
- 1:00 p.m. Cocktails, Buffet Dinner & Awards, 3-hr open bar
- 4:00 p.m. Bus departs for OLPH school lot.

**All for \$150/golfer**

For additional information contact: **Mike Hearney** 631-560-0451  
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## DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide *Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3–September 28*. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at [www.usccb.org/pray/](http://www.usccb.org/pray/)!

**Eucharistic Retreat Day:** Sunday, **September 9**, 2018. The Missionaries of The Most Holy Eucharist. Join us for a day which includes hot breakfast & lunch, Spiritual Meditations, Holy Mass, Confession, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. To register, please e-mail [MostHolyEucharist@gmail.com](mailto:MostHolyEucharist@gmail.com) or call Alison Ferrara at 631-896-0870. Include your name, e-mail address, home address, parish, & phone number. Advance registration is required and registration by e-mail is preferred. \$35 donation, cash or check made out to The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, will be collected at the door.

**Bereavement Support Group** at St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 week support group for adults who are coping with the death of a loved one. Registration is required; this group which begins on Wednesday, **September 12**, from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. In order to participate in this group the death must have occurred prior to June 12, 2018. For more information and or registration please contact the rectory at 631-581-4266 ext. 100.

**Long Island Admissions Information Night for Regis High School of Manhattan**, an all-scholarship Jesuit school for gifted and talented Catholic boys on Wednesday, **September 12** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church, 110 Anchor Ave., Oceanside. For info contact: Eric Di Michele, Dir. of Admissions (Regis H.S., 55 East 84th St. NY), 212-288-1100 X 2057; [edimichele@regis.org](mailto:edimichele@regis.org). **Open House** on Monday, **October 8** from 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

**The Junior Catholic Daughters Bishop McDonnell Court 1403** is inviting girls ages 10-18 to our next meeting, Tuesday, **September 18**, at the St. Joseph's of Babylon Parish Center in room 258 at 7:00 p.m. for refreshments, and the meeting, including a mini-retreat hosted by the NYS JCDA Chair Kathy Knott, will begin promptly at 7:30. After the retreat, we will discuss our upcoming events and service projects. For more information, please contact Laura at 516-356-3399.

**Eighth Graders: Catholic High School Entrance Exam Prep Course** offered at Holy Trinity High School, Hicksville. Five 2 1/2 hour Saturday a.m. sessions, each including review in English and Math with practice tests. Course begins **Sept. 15**. \$250 fee covers instruction and materials. For information call 516-433-2900 or visit [holyltrinityhs.org](http://holyltrinityhs.org).

**Shrine of St. Anne's Columbiettes** is holding *Surprise Bingo* Saturday, **September 15** from 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. at the K of C, 96 Second Ave. Brentwood, NY. \$10 donation includes: admission, game card, coffee/tea & dessert. Extra game cards and 50/50 raffles available. For info call Viviana Garamy 631-231-1859 or Carol Ercole at 631-291-9167.

**Long Island Job Finder Job Fair** Tuesday, **September 18**, 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel Hauppauge, 110 Vanderbilt Motor Pkwy., Hauppauge, NY. Free admission for job seekers! Wear proper attire and bring plenty of copies of your resume.



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