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**ASH WEDNESDAY**



BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

February 17, 2021

Even now, says the Lord,  
return to me with your whole heart...

Joel 2:12

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

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Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):  
5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (live-streamed), 12:00 p.m.

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday at 4:00 p.m.,  
each Sunday at 7:00 p.m., and

Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

on the Zoom video platform. Click on the Zoom link  
on the home page of our website.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

Confessions are being heard in classrooms  
in the “new school annex” near High Street.

See inside bulletin for safety protocols.

Also available by individual appointment  
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### OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

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

First Saturday: 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

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Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco  
Pastor

Ash Wednesday, 2021

Dear Parishioners, and Dear Visitors to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish,

How different is the world in which we find ourselves as we celebrate Ash Wednesday this year! The coronavirus pandemic has affected all of us in ways big and small, in some ways obvious and in some ways more subtle, the effects of which we will be feeling for a long time to come.

Perhaps, because of all that, we might say that we need Ash Wednesday and Lent all the more this year. With all that has fallen apart around us over the past year, this Lent can be a time of returning to the Lord to trust in Him alone, and to rediscover that true security is found in depending on God alone, and not on anything of this world. Let's allow this holy season to be that kind of a grace-filled opportunity for us.

The way we have received ashes this year is different, due to the pandemic. We're used to having a very visible sign smeared on our forehead, but this year they were sprinkled on the top of the head. While unfamiliar to us, receiving ashes this way is actually the way it was done in the ancient Church, and it is still common in Europe and elsewhere. Receiving ashes this way can be a powerful reminder that the outward sign is not the important thing; the outward sign is meant to be just that — simply an outward sign of **interior conversion**. Maybe the unfamiliarity of our gesture this year can itself be a reminder that it's the **interior conversion** that we should all be focused on.

As we journey through Lent and celebrate Easter this year, things will be somewhat different due to the pandemic, and some information will be developing as we go along. Full information can always be found in our weekly Sunday bulletins and on our website, [www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com). Please be sure to keep abreast of the most current information. You are invited to participate in as many of our Lenten spiritual activities as you are able, either in person or virtually, through our website or YouTube channel.

Also, let me announce now: **TICKETS WILL BE NEEDED** in order to attend the **Palm Sunday Masses**, the **Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper**, the **Good Friday liturgies**, and all **Easter Masses (Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday)**. It will be a process similar to what we did at Christmas, where you will be able to make your reservations directly online, or by calling the rectory, but **ticket reservations will be necessary for all those liturgies**, as that will be the best way for us to ensure that all proper safety protocols are maintained. **TICKET RESERVATIONS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE; WE WILL ANNOUNCE WHEN THE RESERVATION SYSTEM OPENS**. Keep watching the bulletin and website, or call the office for details.

May this Lent be for you a time of true holiness, conversion and renewal!

Sincerely,

Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco  
Pastor



## **ASH WEDNESDAY—FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

### ***THE MEANING OF ASHES***

The ashes with which we begin Lent remind us of fundamental truths about ourselves. The dust of the ashes reminds us that death is inevitable for each of us. The ashes speak of repentance, of our need to convert our lives, and of the need to repent and believe in the Gospel. The ashes speak of a fire that has grown cold, a fire that needs to be rekindled within us by the time we light the new fire at the Easter Vigil. We seek to rise from the ashes of our sinfulness to a fuller life with Christ.

But before we can embrace the new life of the resurrection, we must embrace the cross. Before coming to the font of life-giving water, we must travel the desert. To embrace new life, we must be willing to embrace death. To become our true selves, we must leave the false selves behind which we have been hiding. Though it sounds negative, the dying to self to which we are called is the only way to fullness of life, and thus it is a profoundly positive step in our spiritual life, a step that begins with being signed with ashes.

### ***SPRINKLED ASHES THIS YEAR***

This year, in keeping with safety precautions necessitated by the coronavirus pandemic, ashes will be sprinkled on the head instead of smeared on the forehead. This modification has been mandated by the Catholic Church's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in Rome. While receiving ashes this way is unfamiliar to us here in the United States, receiving ashes this way is actually the way it was done in the ancient Church, and it is still common in Europe and elsewhere.

Receiving ashes this way can be a powerful reminder that the outward sign is not the important thing; actually, the outward sign is meant to be a sign of interior conversion. It is that interior conversion of reforming our life, dying to self, and embracing more deeply the way of the Cross and the way of Christ that is the important part; that's where the true meaning of Lent is to be found. Let's focus on this interior journey so that our heart is truly conformed to Christ, instead of focusing only on the outward sign, a sign which in and of itself is not even mandatory. We are not necessarily required to receive ashes, but we are required to embark on the Lenten journey of conversion!

### ***COMMUNAL MEANING OF ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT***

We make our Lenten journey through the desert in the company of the catechumens preparing for the initiation sacraments at Easter. This is the origin of Lent.

What we have come to call Lent developed in the fourth century, when three intersecting movements coalesced. The first was a paschal fast that gradually developed from two days into a forty-day observance. The second was the pattern of initiation that gradually developed into a full catechumenate with an intense period of spiritual formation leading to the sacraments at Easter. The third was the order of penitents, which sought a second conversion for those who sinned seriously after baptism. Modeled on the catechumenate, this process of the order of penitents culminated with reconciliation just before Easter.

Thus the forty-day fast was understood as the final stage of preparation for those called to baptism and also as a time for reconversion for those already baptized. As the whole community accompanied the elect and the penitents through this season, it came to be seen as a time for baptismal renewal for all the members of the church.

In subsequent centuries, however, both the catechumenate and the order of penitents gradually disintegrated. Lent was still seen as a penitential season, but the emphasis was on individual works of self-denial and on personal identification with the passion and cross of Christ. Lent was still a preparation for Easter, but the baptismal focus was largely lost, and the communal nature of conversion was ignored. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving were held up as Lenten activities, but they became private rather than corporate. The liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council called for a recovery of the ancient tradition of a communal understanding of Lent.

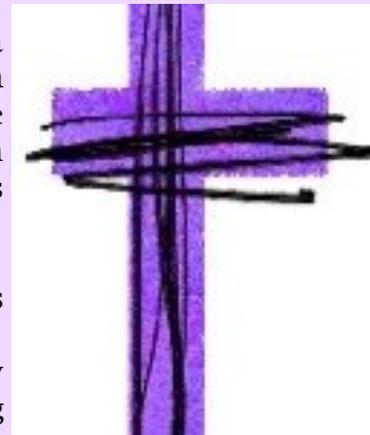
We are to journey through Lent together, then, as though we were all catechumens. We are to listen to the readings and pray the prayers as though we were approaching the waters of life for the first time. We seek to understand and thus to enter into the experience of the elect, those called to enter into the paschal mystery of Christ Jesus through the waters of the font. Thus we all prepare together to come to the water again, to be more deeply converted to Christ and to renew our baptismal promises with conviction.

## LENT: ITS MEANING, STRUCTURE, AND OUR CHURCH ENVIRONMENT

### THE MEANING OF LENT

We're going on retreat! True, we may not physically be traveling to a far-off place, but we are nonetheless going on retreat. The solemn season of Lent may be seen as a time of retreat for the entire Church, as we prepare to celebrate Easter and the new life which comes to us through Jesus' death and resurrection. In fact, three focal points can form the basis for our Lenten spiritual journey:

- focusing on the mystery of Jesus' death and resurrection;
- final preparation of those in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults to receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist;
- rediscovery of and recommitment to Baptism by those already baptized, through their penance, spiritual renewal, and ongoing conversion.



The *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* of Vatican II explains:

*The two elements which are especially characteristic of Lent — the recalling of baptism or the preparation for it, and penance — should be given greater emphasis in the liturgy and in liturgical catechesis. It is by means of them that the Church prepares the faithful for the celebration of Easter, while they hear God's word more frequently and devote more time to prayer. More use is to be made of the baptismal features which are proper to the Lenten liturgy....The same may be said of the penitential elements. But catechesis, as well as pointing out the social consequences of sin, must impress on the minds of the faithful the distinctive character of penance as a detestation of sin because it is an offense against God. The role of the Church in penitential practices is not to be passed over, and the need to pray for sinners should be emphasized. During Lent, penance should be not only internal and individual but also external and social.*

### THE STRUCTURE OF LENT

Most people know that Lent is 40 days long, but they think that the 40 days are the six weeks plus the four days of the week of Ash Wednesday (which totals 46 days) minus six Sundays, which equals 40 days. But Lent does not end on Holy Saturday; it ends on Holy Thursday evening. The Triduum, or Three Days, beginning with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and concluding with evening Vespers on Easter Sunday, is a three-day season unto itself, and not merely the final three days of Lent. The span of days from Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday is 44 days, but the ancient fathers of the Church calculated 40 days by beginning the count with the First Sunday of Lent, and continuing until Holy Thursday. This practice has been kept to the present time, hence the 40 days of Lent.

At least four phases of the season can be discerned:

1. *Ash Wednesday and the next three days:* These four days form a solemn preview of the season; the Scriptures and Mass prayers announce the major aspects of the observance and call us to enter into the season. The First Sunday of Lent begins the period of 40 days, with the Rite of Election for the catechumens being one expression of this.

2. *The 28 days from the First Sunday until the Saturday of the Fourth Week:* Scripture readings and penitential rites provide the structure for these days. Penance services and the first two scrutinies for the elect on the Third and Fourth Sundays are all a part of this time. Two feast days — the Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle (February 22) and the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (March 19) — break this violet period in 2021. The Fourth or *Laetare* Sunday (March 21) brings its own nuances, and rose-colored vestments may be worn that day.

3. *From the Fifth Sunday and following:* Attention becomes focused on the Passion of Christ during this period of Lenten time. The Third Scrutiny for the elect is celebrated on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Also, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (March 25) brings a festive feast day in the midst of this section of Lent.

4. *The last days, called Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:* These days are given the highest liturgical precedence so the Church will not be distracted from final preparations for the Triduum. Focus on the Passion of Christ becomes intensified.

Remembering that Lent is primarily about baptismal preparation and conversion, let us be aware of the structure and movement of this season as we journey toward Easter.

### CHURCH ENVIRONMENT AND OTHER RITUAL ELEMENTS DURING LENT

Our church environment will look different during the Lenten season. The environment in which we worship helps us to enter into a Lenten spirituality — what we see (and don't see) and smell and hear is all a part of the way we pray. Here are some things you will notice during Lent:



**THE ASHES USED ON ASH WEDNESDAY WILL BE ON DISPLAY ALL DURING LENT, in the Divine Mercy Chapel area.** This will be an ongoing reminder of the spiritual journey of Lent, a journey of dying and rising, a journey of changing our lives to be closer to Christ. The ashes come from burned palms saved from the previous year's Palm Sunday.

**THERE WILL BE NO FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH.** The Roman Rite is specific about flowers for this penitential season: they are not allowed! The only exceptions this year are the feasts mentioned above and "*Laetare*" Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

**OUR BAPTISMAL FONT WILL HAVE A "LENTEN LOOK" TO IT.** Our baptismal font will be decorated with purple bands, as a reminder that these forty days of penance and conversion lead to a renewal of our baptismal promises at Easter. We are thirsting for the new Easter water which will flow at the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection!

**MUSIC WILL BE MUCH SIMPLER DURING LENT.** For example, the organ will be used only to accompany singing, which means there will not be any prelude or postlude instrumental music, except on *Laetare* Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), when the liturgy has a more joyful tone. In a sense, then, you could say that we are fasting with our music. Don't worry, though; we'll make up for it in the exuberance and joy of Easter Time!

**ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, WE WILL KEEP THE CHURCH'S ANCIENT TRADITION OF SINGING THE LITANY OF THE SAINTS AS WE BEGIN OUR LENTEN PILGRIMAGE.** We invoke the names of the saints who accompany us on our journey to Jerusalem.

**ON THE OTHER SUNDAYS OF LENT WE WILL SING THE ENTRANCE ANTIPHON.** In place of an Entrance Hymn, we will sing the proper (or assigned) text for the Entrance Antiphon as found in the *Roman Missal*. These antiphons set the tone for the liturgy and express the theology of the particular Sunday being celebrated. The antiphon and the accompanying psalm verses will be sung to a Lenten psalm tone.

**FOR THE PENITENTIAL ACT AT ALL SUNDAY MASSES DURING LENT WE WILL RECITE THE *CONFITEOR* (“I CONFESS TO ALMIGHTY GOD...”) AND THEN SING THE *KYRIE ELEISON* (“LORD, HAVE MERCY”).** This will highlight for us the penitential nature of the season and help us to more intently “acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.” It also gives us the chance to use the *Confiteor* (“I confess to almighty God...”) which is not often heard at Sunday Masses.

**WE WON’T BE HEARING “ALLELUIA!”** Instead of singing “Alleluia” before the Gospel, we sing instead: “Praise and honor to you, O Lord, O Lord. Praise and honor to you, Lord Jesus Christ.” Also, we won’t sing the word “alleluia” in any of our hymns. We look forward to Easter Time when we celebrate the newness of life and will again sing the “alleluia” with new joy and praise.

**WE WILL USE THE APOSTLES’ CREED INSTEAD OF THE NICENE CREED.** The *Roman Missal* tells us, “Instead of the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed, especially during Lent and Easter Time, the baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church, known as the Apostles’ Creed, may be used.” So, to highlight the sacredness of the season, we will use the Apostles’ Creed instead of the Nicene Creed, the one we usually use, for all of Lent and Easter Time. This will highlight for us the baptismal character of both the Lenten and Easter seasons.

**THERE WILL BE NO SINGING OR INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AT THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS DURING LENT.** This will help create a mood of prayerful quiet and reflection appropriate to the season. The Priest may continue to pray the preparation prayers silently, or he may recite them out loud, giving the people the opportunity to respond, “Blessed be God forever.” The exception to this will be *Laetare* Sunday (the Fourth Sunday of Lent), when the liturgy has a more joyful tone.

**SIMPLE CHANT TONES WILL BE USED FOR THE EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS.** The *Holy, Holy*, the *Mystery of Faith*, and the *Great Amen* will be sung to very simple chants, without accompaniment. Also, the *Lamb of God* chant will be sung using the Latin text (“*Agnus Dei...*”).

**CROSSES AND IMAGES IN THE CHURCH WILL BE COVERED STARTING THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT.** This custom becomes yet another stark visual reminder of the seriousness of Lent and helps us to truly experience heavenly joy and resurrected life when the images of the saints, who are in heavenly glory, are seen once again come Easter.

There are other ritual aspects that go into the celebration of Lent:

- the omission of the *Glory to God in the highest* at the beginning of all Sunday Lenten Masses;
- traditional Lenten practices such as prayer, fasting, and almsgiving;
- Lenten devotions such as Stations of the Cross, which can be prayed either in person or virtually, on our website;
- our *Living the Eucharist* program, which is taking the place of our usual Parish Lenten Mission this year.

As we journey through the days of Lenten springtime together, let us enter into its spirit by anticipating the new life which comes to us through Jesus’ resurrection at Easter.



## SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR BEING IN CHURCH

**FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE, ALL WHO ENTER MUST:**

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Confessions are being celebrated in the school building, in classrooms in the “new school” annex along High Street every Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. until further notice.**

**Each priest will be in his own classroom.**

**These are the protocols that must be followed for going to Confession:**

- ▶ **Entry is only via the blue doors at the north end of the hallway (off of the small parking lot)**
- ▶ **Exit is only via the doors at the south end of the hallway (into the large parking lot)**
- ▶ **Everyone – priests and penitents – is required to wear face masks or face coverings**
- ▶ **Lines on the floor will indicate a 6-foot social distance between those waiting on line outside each classroom**
- ▶ **Signs on easels outside the classroom will indicate the name of the priest who is in the classroom**
- ▶ **Social distancing and plexiglass dividers will keep a safe distance between priest and penitent, whether the penitent celebrates anonymously or face-to-face (both options are available)**

## IF YOU CANNOT YET COME BACK TO MASS...

### LIVE-STREAM MASS

We live-stream the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass each week.

You can join us virtually using one of the following:

- The link at the top of the OLPH website:  
[www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)
- OLPH Facebook page: @olphlindenhurst
- OLPH YouTube Channel:  
OLPH Church Lindenhurst



**PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

**Stations of the Cross**

**Fridays**

February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26  
 at 7:30 p.m. in the church  
 April 2, Good Friday, 12:00 Noon



We are continuing the custom of having different groups from the parish lead the Stations of the Cross on the Friday nights during Lent as a great way to highlight the traditional Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross.

February 19 will be led by the Liturgy Committee.

*Due to COVID restrictions you must remain in the pews, be socially distant, retain booklets to re-use each week and wear a mask.*



**CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays: February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20  
 4:00 p.m.– 4:45 p.m.  
 Saturday March 27: 3:00 p.m.– 4:30 p.m.  
 Monday of Holy Week, March 29:  
 3:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m.

**PALM SUNDAY & EASTER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES:**

*PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULES FOR THESE DAYS*

**Palm Sunday**

**Saturday, March 27:**

**5:00 p.m. Vigil**

*(due to COVID-19, this will not include our usual procession; it will be a regular Mass.)*



**Sunday, March 28:**

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
 12:00 Noon  
 and 3:30 p.m. Word Service  
 with blessing  
 & distribution of palms

**Easter Sunday Masses**

**Saturday, April 3:**

**8:00 p.m. only**

**The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

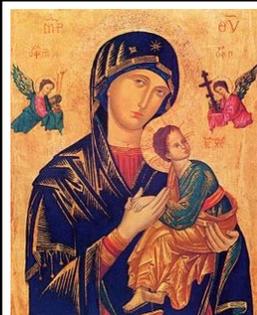


**Sunday, April 4:**

7:00 a.m.,  
 8:30 a.m.,  
 10:00 a.m.,  
 11:30 a.m.  
 & 1:00 p.m.

*Tickets will be required for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and all Easter Sunday Liturgies. Information about obtaining tickets will be coming soon via mail and on our website.*

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP



### *Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother, Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

**Every Monday at 12:45 p.m.  
unless otherwise noted**



### **SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY**

*Mass for People  
with Special Needs*

This vital ministry offers experiences for those with special needs and their families, including special Masses, various activities and opportunities to come together as a parish community.

**1st Saturday of each month**

**4:00 p.m. School Auditorium**

*Special Needs Mass is suspended  
until further notice due to Covid.*

Contact Jessica Becker Paolo at 631.226-7725 X 252  
or email to [jbecker@oloph.org](mailto:jbecker@oloph.org).

### **LITTLE BLACK BOOKS FOR LENT ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK  
2021

Six-minute meditations on the  
Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle C)

Please take home a *Little Black Book* which contains daily reflections for the Lenten season. This book, following on the *Little Blue Book* which was so popular for Advent, will provide the opportunity for prayerful sacred reading for every day of Lent. Let God speak to you during this special and holy time of the liturgical year by taking a few minutes for quiet reflection using the *Little Black Book*.

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION

### **NEW CATHOLICS WANTED and NEEDED!**

*What about you?*

**Do you want to be baptized?**

**Are you already baptized in another Christian church and want to become Catholic?**

*What are you waiting for?*



We offer a beautiful and life-giving process to join the Catholic Church and would love for you to be a part of it! You will join with other women and men interested in becoming part of the Catholic faith. Together, led by members of our parish community, you will discover God's call for you!

We are looking to form the next group of those interested in joining the Catholic Church. **We need you to reach out and invite someone you know who might be considering this and have them contact us here at OLPH!**

*Would you like to share your faith with those discerning God's call in their own hearts? Accompanying another in this process not only aids those in the process of formation, but transforms you as well. For more information about adult process, contact Jeffrey Gaab at (631) 965-0076 or e-mail at [jsg375@gmail.com](mailto:jsg375@gmail.com). For information about becoming part of our children's process, contact Mrs. April Kleinlaut at 631-226-7725 X 253 or at [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)*

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### LENT 2021

#### ABSTINENCE AND FASTING



All Catholics who have reached their fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of eighteen (18) and fifty-nine (59) inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse. A more serious reason is required to excuse oneself from Ash Wednesday and Good Friday fast and abstinence.

### FIRST FRIDAY, FIRST SATURDAY

#### & FIRST SUNDAY DEVOTIONS

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



**First Friday Devotions** will take place **March 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, **March 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 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (Spanish, Polish, English). The evening concludes with Benediction at 9:30 p.m. *Please note: A mask MUST be worn by all who attend First Saturday Adoration. Anyone not wearing a mask will be asked to leave.*

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

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

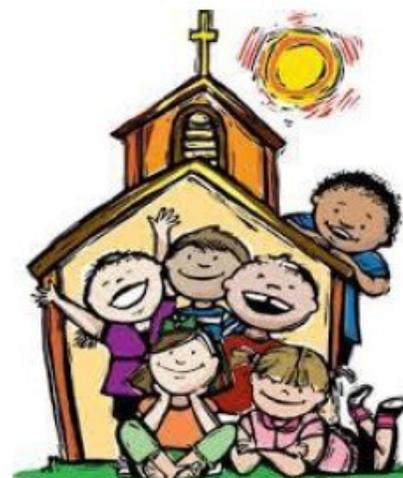


EVERY SUNDAY ON YOUTUBE - [OLPH CHURCH LINDENHURST](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

LOOKING FOR ANOTHER WAY TO ENGAGE YOUR CHILD IN THEIR FAITH FROM HOME?

JOIN US WEEKLY TO BREAK OPEN THE GOSPEL AND LISTEN TO A REFLECTION ON THE OLPH YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

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



# How to Go to Confession...

May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all  
the saints,  
whatever good you do and suffering you endure,  
heal your sins,  
help you grow in holiness,  
and reward you with eternal life.  
Go in peace.

—*Rite of Penance*, no. 93

- 1 PREPARATION:** Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions—neglected to live Christ’s commands to “love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,” and to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this “examination of conscience,” you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).
- 2 GREETING:** The priest will welcome you; he may say a short blessing or read a Scripture passage.
- 3 THE SIGN OF THE CROSS:** Together, you and the priest will make the Sign of the Cross. You may then begin your confession with these or similar words: “Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been [*give days, months, or years*] since my last confession.”
- 4 CONFESSION:** Confess all your sins to the priest. If you are unsure what to say, ask the priest for help. When you are finished, conclude with these or similar words: “I am sorry for these and all my sins.”
- 5 PENANCE:** The priest will propose an act of penance. The penance might be prayer, a work of mercy, or an act of charity. He might also counsel you on how to better live a Christian life.

- 6 ACT OF CONTRITION:** After the priest has conferred your penance, pray an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to sin no more. A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God,  
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
In choosing to do wrong  
and failing to do good,  
I have sinned against you  
whom I should love above all things.  
I firmly intend, with your help,  
to do penance,  
to sin no more,  
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.  
Our Savior Jesus Christ  
suffered and died for us.  
In his name, my God, have mercy.  
(*Rite of Penance*, no. 45)

- 7 ABSOLUTION:** The priest will extend his hands over your head and pronounce the words of absolution. You respond, “Amen.”
- 8 PRAISE:** The priest will usually praise the mercy of God and will invite you to do the same. For example, the priest may say, “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.” And your response would be, “His mercy endures for ever” (*Rite of Penance*, no. 47).
- 9 DISMISSAL:** The priest will conclude the sacrament, often saying, “Go in peace.”

If it has been a while since your last confession, remember, “Do not fear” (Is 41:10). The priest will help guide you. And feel free to take this how-to guide with you! (For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/confession](http://www.usccb.org/confession).)

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## 2020/2021 ANNIVERSARY JOURNAL PRICING

**BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE ANNIVERSARY YEAR AND SUPPORT OLPH!  
PLACE AN AD IN OUR COMMEMORATIVE JOURNAL!**

One of the highlights of the Anniversary Year will be a **Commemorative Journal**, available in conjunction with our Anniversary Year Dinner Dance on April 23, 2021.

**Support the parish by placing an ad in our journal!** An ad can be taken in the name of your family, or your business, and can include congratulatory wishes to the parish, or it can be a memorialization of deceased loved ones, or an expression of gratitude to God. Honor that special priest, family members living or deceased, or just say thanks for the memories. If you're creative, prepare your own ad; if you're not that creative, just send us your message and our team will create the ad for you! There are many possibilities!

Note the deadline date of March 15, 2021!

**Don't miss out! Send in your ad copy and payment TODAY!**

If you need additional information, or have questions, contact Bob Dobres 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney 631-560-0451.

### PLEASE INDICATE AD SIZE AND TYPE

- GOLD FULL PAGE \$350
- B/W FULL PAGE \$150
- B/W HALF PAGE \$100
- B/W 1/4 PAGE \$75

For more information call Bob Dobres at 631-592-8697 or Mike Hearney at 631-560-0451

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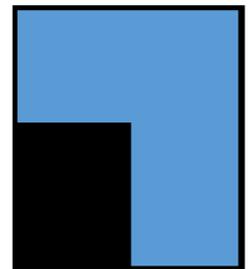
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Please submit payment along with ad materials no later than March 15, 2021.

Mail hard copy to rectory address above and attach copy of ad or materials (ad text, photos, images) to this form or write copy on back.

Email electronic version to 150thjournal@oloph.org. Please email a .pdf or .jpg file format.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Celebrating 150 Years*

2021

Use this form to order great 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorabilia!

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorabilia of  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (cell/home) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for celebrating with us! Bring this form & hand it in to the rectory with precise payment of either cash (in a ziplock bag) or check. You will be notified when your order is ready for a pickup date.

You may also check the website for a closer look at these products!

<http://olph150th.com>

Item	Price	Quantity	Item	Price	Quantity
 Keychain	\$10.00		 Tote bag	\$10.00	
 T-Shirt	\$15.00	S _____ M _____ L _____	 Pen with Stylus	\$3.00	
 Sweatshirt	\$40.00	M _____ L _____ XL _____	 Playing cards	\$12.00	
 Tumbler	\$15.00		 Magnet	\$ 3 2 for \$5	

**For Office Use Only**

Total Price: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of items: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Order Placed: \_\_\_\_\_ Order Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Pickup date: \_\_\_\_\_ Notified Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Picked up by: \_\_\_\_\_



## IMPORTANT NOTICE AFFECTING ALL CHILDREN OF THE PARISH

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

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

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

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

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

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

## YOUTH MINISTRY @ OLPH

**Do you want to help others in need in our local community?**

**Would you be up for helping with projects right here in our own parish? If so—**

### YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

*Here's how it works....*

When a need for help comes in, we'll contact everyone who has signed up for the Service Corps. If you can help with a particular project, great! If not, no problem. We'll contact you next time. If you'd like to join, fill out the form below or contact April Kleinlaut by e-mail at: [akleinlaut@oloph.org](mailto:akleinlaut@oloph.org).

### YES!!! Sign me up for the Youth Service Corps at OLPH!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Presently I am in (check one)

\_\_\_\_ Middle School    \_\_\_\_ High School

\_\_\_\_ College

## CAMP SERVICE HELP WANTED

Camp Service is our Annual Middle School summer camp focusing on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. We need a ton of help and donations. This year's camp is

**July 19—July 23**

If you can help or are in need of help, or have an idea for a service project please contact:

**Bridget Jordan at  
[bjordan@oloph.org](mailto:bjordan@oloph.org) or call  
the Religious Ed. office  
631-226-7725 X 253.**



**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**

Located in the Rectory  
 Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253  
 Email: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 ([akleinlaut@oloph.org](mailto: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 6, 7, 8 and Service Corps*****Looking for service hours?***

Join us for our  
*Lenten Mission Service Series!*  
 Serve your community through the  
 Corporal Works of Mercy!

**During the Season of Lent:**

- Feed the hungry by collecting spare change in your rice bowls at home.
- Ask to do extra chores around the house and donate your money.

**Easter Food Drive:**

Check the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry List found towards the back of the bulletin. Choose a few items and bring them in to Religious Ed no later than Wednesday, March 24.

**Vacation Bible Camp Needs You!**

Planning Meeting **Saturday, March 6 at 12:00 p.m. in the school Auditorium.** Please consider being a part of our Adventure Crew!  
 Contact April for more information.

**Save the Date:**

**Vacation Bible Camp**  
**July 19—July 23**

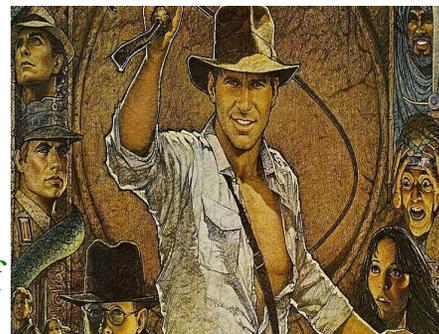
**Early Registration**

*Are you looking to save BIG?!*

Get the early bird special!

During the month of April, you can sign

up early for Bible/Service Camp. Keep an eye out for our Google Doc coming soon.  
 Space is limited!



New registrants may begin registering **as of now**. This includes all students who will be in 1st grade in September 2021, all students in grades 1-7 who wish to begin religious instruction, and all homeschooled or Catholic school students who have not registered with the Office and must receive their sacraments at their home parish of OLPH.

**New registrants MUST make an appointment to register, and a baptismal certificate is required at the time of registration, no exceptions.**

**Returning Families:**

Families will be receiving a letter shortly regarding registration to continue their child's religious education; registration will begin in April 2021.  
 Please call our office for more information on re-registering.

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Bereavement Ministry: Linda Arpino—631.592.1062—forubabe77@gmail.com
- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864—cdfeldman@optonline.net
- † Community Meal: Mary Leon—mleon719@yahoo.com
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com—Peggy Pannullo—631. 921.5994—justin97@aol.com
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- † Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Bill Stysiack—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Virginia Beyrer—631-226-6635
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

## NEW Food Pantry List!

**PANCAKE MIX**  
**SOUPS WITH MEAT**  
**CANNED POTATOES/CARROTS**  
**GRAVY**  
**CEREAL**  
**SHELF STABLE MILK**  
**CANNED FRUIT**  
**JUICES (APPLE ETC.)**  
**SHAMPOO**  
**PAPER TOWELS**

*Please bring your donations  
to the SVdeP office:*

*Monday, Wednesday or Friday  
9:00 a.m.—12:00 Noon  
or 1st & 3rd Saturday  
1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.*

**Thank you**  
for your continued generosity.  
**Cut out this list and**  
**take it with you to the store!**

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in Room 24 of the School

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.—12:00 Noon

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

St. Vincent de Paul is our parish's primary way to reach out to those in need in our local community. Our incredible offerers do all they can to assist those in our local community.

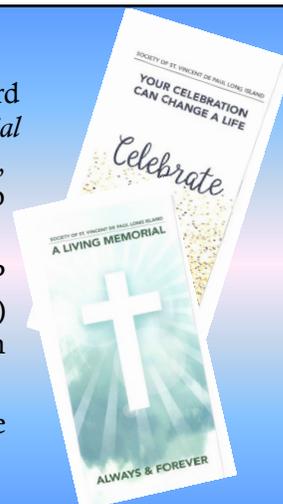
Please share your abundance by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings from your generosity.

## † 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

### THE BLUE DOOR

#### WE'VE MOVED & WE'RE REOPENING



The Blue Door Thrift Boutique will re-open with limited hours of operation, in our new location. We will only open on **Wednesdays, from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**We have moved into the basement of the school; entrance is off the small school parking lot near the gym and cafeteria doors. Due to Covid-19 pandemic, The Blue Door can only accept clothing donations of CLEAN clothes, bagged and tied up in plastic bags. All shoppers will be expected to wear masks and we may limit the number of shoppers in the store due to social distancing. Please note, we also have a new phone number: 631-226-7725 extension 248.**

**THE**  
*blue*door  
**BOUTIQUE**

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**  
WEDNESDAY  
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

### Family Life Ministry

OLPH has a strong tradition of an active and vibrant Family Life Ministry. Over the past years, hundreds of families have been impacted by the events and efforts of our Family Life Ministry.

Family Life Ministry works to serve the parish community by:

- ✦ Connecting families to the life of the parish community and the Church.
- ✦ Building community among families.
- ✦ Providing and increasing family spirituality among families in the parish.

Would you like to help plan events and opportunities for families to come together? Would you like to find out more?

Contact Eileen Corticchia at 631-412-3903 or email to [kencort36@gmail.com](mailto:kencort36@gmail.com).



### GET INVOLVED AT OLPH!



Be sure to get a copy of our **MINISTRY DIRECTORY!** This Directory lists all the ministries, activities and organizations at OLPH, describing what they do and who they are, and telling you

how you can become involved. Joining one of these ministries or groups is a great way to deep your relationship with the Lord, to serve your brothers and sisters, and to find fulfillment and satisfaction in offering your gifts, talents and presence. Copies of the booklet are available at the rectory office — stop by and pick one up! The Directory is also available on-line on our parish website: go to [www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com) and then click on the “Get Involved” tab, and then click on the picture of our Ministry Directory. We want YOU to be an active part of OLPH!

# PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY



## Getting Married @ OLPH

It brings great joy to our parish community when a man and a woman come to the Church to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. Whenever we respond to God's call, the entire Church rejoices!

If you want to get married at OLPH, we ask you to contact the Parish Office at least six months before the desired date of your wedding. Before making any other arrangements, please call the rectory at 631-226-7725 to meet with one of our priests or deacons first. At least one of the parties should be a parishioner of OLPH.



## Legion of Mary

Why not become even closer to Our Lady by doing what our Mother asks of us—to **say the Rosary**? You can become part of her "Prayer Warriors" by joining the Legion of Mary.

All that is required (as an "auxiliary" of the Legion) is that you **say the Rosary** daily plus a few extra prayers (taking about 5 minutes). You do NOT have to say the Rosary as one unit but may break it up during your day.

If you'd like to be even closer to Our Lady, you are most welcome to join as an "active" Legionaire. This has the same prayer requirements as above BUT ALSO you would attend a weekly meeting and do a "spiritual work" each week.

For more information contact Louise Perrotta at 631-412-3831 or [louiseperrotta@optonline.net](mailto:louiseperrotta@optonline.net).

### "Baby Problems?"

Don't give up...there  
is always HOPE.



For example – Shellie & Greg Tucker were expecting twins. Suddenly the doctor recommended "termination" because the babies would not survive since they were "co-joined" and shared a diaphragm and liver. As the doctor was saying this, the mother felt her babies kicking inside of her. They refused abortion and searched for another doctor. Four years later they have two separated happy "normal" little girls, climbing and getting into "trouble." They were separated at 8 months after a 7 hour operation. If you know ANYONE considering abortion or who has been advised to abort, do NOT be silent. Offer them hope and direct them to doctors who believe in life – **Gianna Center/Gabriel's Courage** at Good Samaritan Hospital or the **Life Center** or **Birthright**. Call our Respect Life Committee for more information – Louise 631-412-3831.



## HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

One of the ways we unite as parish is to come together for times of fellowship and hospitality. Our Hospitality Ministry works to bring people from all different walks of life in our parish together. This is a great ministry for those who are not involved in the life of our parish and it can easily work around your schedule. This might also be good for some who are already involved. It's yet another way to share your gifts!

*Come and join the team!*

For more information, contact Chris Ferris at 631-957-2321 or email at [Slwwhl52@optonline.net](mailto:Slwwhl52@optonline.net)



Let mutual love continue.  
Do not neglect hospitality,  
for through it some have  
unknowingly entertained  
angels. -Hebrews 13:2

## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Bereavement Ministry assists anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one by helping the grieving person grow through her or his grief. The OLPH Bereavement Support Group, guided by trained facilitators, helps grieving persons strengthen their faith in themselves and in God. Through reading, self-discovery, and group discussions, members find a new and meaningful way to cope with their losses.

Contact: Linda Arpino  
631-592-1062 or Forubabe77@aol.com



### 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 PM 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.

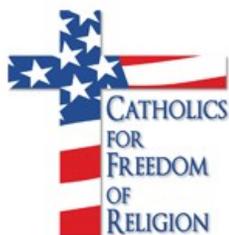
Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia. Familias interesadas favor llamar a Virginia Constantinou al (631) 957-1149

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)

### Catholics for Freedom of Religion Mission Statement



America's First Amendment guarantees its citizens five freedoms, the first of which is Freedom of Religion. Freedom

of Religion includes the freedom to worship according to one's beliefs as well as the freedom to practice that faith in everyday life according to one's conscience.

Catholics for Freedom of Religion offers resources

- To educate and advocate for Freedom of Religion
- To remain non-partisan, advocating for no candidate or party
- To invite and include other faith communities
- To recognize and oppose attacks on Freedom of Religion from any source.

*For more information about CFFR at OLPH, contact*

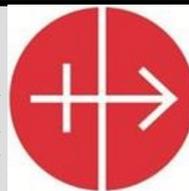
*Kathy Feldman at [cdefeldman@optonline.net](mailto:cdefeldman@optonline.net)*

*To learn more about the larger CFFR movement visit their website at*

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

### THE CHURCH IN NEED

On February 21, 2021 a collection will be taken for “The Church in Need.” The monies collected at this time will be shared among three areas of the world where there is a particular need for help:



**Church in Central and Eastern Europe** - the funds collected provide support for pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region.

• **The Church in Latin America** - your support of the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ.

• **The Church in Africa** – the fund supports pastoral projects that strengthen communities in their faith and foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension.

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Phone: (631) 226-7725 Parish Fax: (631) 225-9597

Directory of Phone Extensions

Name	Ext	Email
Carmel Becker, Bulletin	246	cbecker@oloph.org
Carole Carrano, Parish Secretary	212	ccarrano@oloph.org
Linda Coppola, Business Office Assistant	214	lcoppola@oloph.org
Thomas Crennan, Business Manager	204	tcrennan@oloph.org
Msgr. Joseph DeGrococo, Pastor	206	msgjrjoe@oloph.org
Fr. Fidelis Ezeani, Associate Pastor	226	fadaprincedchrist@yahoo.com
Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
Fr. Emmanuel Okonkwo	223	emmaokons@yahoo.com
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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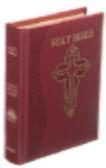
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