

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope...

1 Peter 3:15

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2014

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco

**Parochial Vicars:** Rev. Ethel Anarado + Rev. John Sureau

**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton

**Deacons:** Deacon Frank A. Odin + Deacon William Crosby + Deacon Douglas G. Smith

**Facilities Manager:** Deacon Donald A. Stamm    **Business Manager:** Deacon Thomas J. Bast

**Coordinator of Faith Formation:** April Kleinlaut    **Music Director:** Christopher Ferraro

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

**Sunday Masses:** 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

**Holy Day:** 6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday and Sunday after the 5 P.M. Mass.

We pray Daytime Prayer each Wednesday at 1:50 P.M.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday – Friday following the 12:15 p.m. Mass.  
Saturday: 4:00 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 to 2:00 p.m.

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

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

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst

**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.

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

*Last Friday, hundreds gathered to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony as couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary renewed their vows at Mass. Couples celebrating their first anniversary to their sixty-sixth anniversary attended the Mass and the reception afterward. May God's blessings remain on them and their families for years to come!*

*Pictures continue on page 23.*



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Fifty Days of Easter Time continue; let's not tire of reflecting on and celebrating the great gift we have been given as people who share in the death and resurrection of Christ. *Alleluia!* Our Collect (Opening Prayer) for today's Mass sums up well what and why we continue to celebrate, as it speaks of our joy in memorializing Christ's resurrection, our celebrating that resurrection in the liturgy, and our asking that the grace-filled effects of Christ's resurrection will permeate every aspect of our life: *Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son...*

### Deacon Don Stamm retiring



Members of the Pastoral Staff gather with Deacon Don and his wife for a retirement celebration.

It is with mixed emotions I announce that as of this Saturday, May 31, Deacon Don Stamm will be retiring and will therefore no longer be working as Facilities Manager here at OLPH. Deacon Don has been at OLPH for seven years as Business Manager and, most recently, as Facilities Manager. Deacon Don

exercised his diaconal ministry in his home parish of St. Agnes in Rockville Centre and was a valued member of the Pastoral Staff here at OLPH from Monday through Friday.

My mixed emotions come about because on the one hand, I am happy that Don, in his retirement, will now have the time to relax more and enjoy things like golf and spending more time with his family; he has earned it! On the other hand, we will miss his presence here very much. Don was always a very pleasant and cheerful presence here in the parish. He made a significant contribution to the life of OLPH. Deacon Don was with the parish through some difficult times, and he has been a part of its renaissance as well. We all should be very grateful to Deacon Don for the service and good work he has given us. We will continue to benefit from the fruits of his labors for many years to come.

Deacon Don and his wife Priscilla are moving out to Jamesport on the East End of Long Island to enjoy what I'm sure will be many happy years. We wish you the best, Deacon Don; may your retirement years bring you many, many blessings! Know that you will always be a part of the OLPH family and that you are welcome here any time.

### Hospitality Ministry

I'm happy to share with you the news of a new ministry that has formed here at OLPH, a **Hospitality Ministry**. Although hospitality has been offered in the parish for many, many years by groups such as the Christian Mothers and the Family Life Committee, this new Hospitality Ministry offers an innovative approach that I think affords us even greater opportunities. The fact is that over the past two years there has been a significant increase in the number of occasions at which we want to have hospitality (namely, food!) at or after some parish event. As Pastor, I LOVE that this has happened! It shows how we are growing, and what a vibrant community we are. It shows how much we enjoy spending time together as parishioners, getting to know one another and building each other up as the Body of Christ.

However, this has meant an increase of work and has created a need for greater coordination of these types of things. Thus, emerging from discussions among the Pastoral Staff, the idea of a Hospitality Ministry was born.

The idea of the Hospitality Ministry is that there is a central group — a “clearing-house” or “core team,” so to speak — who bring together different individuals and ministries when hospitality is needed. Notice the emphasis we are giving here: **“bring together.”** This new Hospitality Ministry is another avenue for us to build up the unity of the parish, to get folks to know each other better and work together better for the common good, and to reinforce the idea that ministry does not belong to any one person or group, but is the responsibility of all of us working TOGETHER. The members of the Hospitality Ministry will coordinate the details and the bringing together of the people and groups that will be responsible for a particular hospitality event.

There's one other thing the Hospitality Ministry will have responsibility for, and that is organizing the supplies and materials related to hospitality in our parish. Members of the Hospitality Ministry will help to maintain the kitchen (located in the basement of the school) and our new Hospitality Cart in the new building of the school. They will take inventory, follow up on cleanliness, *etc.* As a part of this, all the supplies, which do not belong to any one group but rather belong to the parish, are being consolidated together into one; it's more cohesive this way, and it's more cost efficient if we purchase as one.

I am very grateful to Peggy McCloud and Chris Ferris who head up this new Hospitality Ministry, and to Fr. John who coordinates things as the Pastoral Staff liaison. This is yet one more example of how the great parishioners at OLPH make us a model parish for the diocese! If you would like to offer yourself in working

as part of the Hospitality Ministry, please come forward and say so! We would love to have you.

### **Memorial Day**

This Monday, May 26, is Memorial Day. How important it is for us to take the time to honor those who have given their life fighting for our country and who have made the ultimate sacrifice so that we may enjoy the freedoms we have and which we hold so dear in our beloved United States of America. Although the day is associated with the unofficial start of the summer season and we will be enjoying the day with family and friends at barbecues and other gatherings, let's be sure to take some time to offer a prayer for those who have died in the cause of freedom. Printed elsewhere in this bulletin is a prayer you can use.

I will be marching in the Lindenhurst Memorial Day Parade with our OLPH Knights of Columbus. As their Chaplain, I think it's appropriate that I march with them.

### **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord—Holy Day of Obligation**

This Thursday, May 29, is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and it is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Notice the word "obligation" — that means we are required to participate in Mass this day, the same as every Sunday. Consult elsewhere in the bulletin for the Mass schedule.

With the Ascension we celebrate something not apart from the Easter mystery, but rather something deeply rooted in it, as we acknowledge that the Risen Christ has taken his place in the highest heavens. As one of the Prefaces of this Mass tells us, the Lord Jesus, the King of glory, the conqueror of sin and death, ascended "not to distance himself from our lowly state but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before." What a beautiful aspect of the Easter mystery is presented to us with the Solemnity of the Ascension!

### **Novena to the Holy Spirit**

After the Solemnity of the Ascension, the Church begins a period of time which is the original Novena — we begin nine days of intense prayer to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. I am so pleased that our parish will be praying a Novena to the Holy Spirit; look for details elsewhere in the bulletin, and be sure to join in this urgent and fervent prayer.

### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Speaking of the Holy Spirit, it is with great joy that we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this Saturday, May 31. Bishop Robert Brennan, Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, will be here to administer the sacrament to our 8<sup>th</sup>-

graders. These young people have worked hard to prepare for their Confirmation. This past year we instituted a new process of preparation for Confirmation involving special "workbooks" with requirements for various formation experiences. The point of this was to form the young people into a deeper engagement in parish life in particular and the Christian life in general. Remember, readiness for a sacrament involves not only knowledge and intellectual preparation, but also growth in Christian living and continued participation at Mass.

Part of the candidates' requirements was to write a letter to me as their Pastor requesting to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. I read each and every one of those letters and responded to each one. I was edified to read what the young people wrote and I was pleased to see that so many of them felt they had grown in their relationship to the Lord because of the Confirmation preparation process.

Please take some time this coming Saturday to pray for all the young people who will be confirmed.

### **Update on Repaving of Parking Lot**

Work on the repaving of the south parking lot, and on resealing the other blacktop areas on campus, continues, although not as quickly as we were originally planning. Although we have not encountered any disasters, as always with these types of projects there have been a few unexpected developments that delay progress. I thank you for your continued patience and good humor. I assure you we are keeping on top of things to get the work done as quickly as possible and to minimize your inconvenience.

### **Meeting for Ushers**

All ushers are reminded that mandatory meetings for all ushers are being held Monday, June 2 at 7:45 p.m. and Tuesday, June 3 at 3:00 p.m.; you choose ONE meeting to attend. This meeting will afford the opportunity for spiritual formation for all ushers, and business items will also be discussed. We look forward to seeing you there. Please be sure to contact Mike Williams if you cannot attend to let him know the reason you cannot be there. Thank you.

### **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,



## A Prayer for Memorial Day



*God of power and mercy,  
you destroy war and  
put down earthly pride.  
Banish violence from our midst  
and wipe away our tears,  
that we may all deserve to be called your  
sons and daughters.  
Keep in your mercy those men and women  
who have died  
in the cause of freedom  
and bring them safely  
into your kingdom of justice and peace.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **ASCENSION THURSDAY**

*“Grant, we pray,  
almighty God, that  
we, who believe that  
your Only Begotten  
Son, our Redeemer,  
ascended this day to  
the heavens, may in  
spirit dwell already in  
heavenly realms.”*



## **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, May 28th**  
5 P.M.

**Thursday, May 29th**  
6:30 A.M.  
12:15 P.M.  
7:30 P.M.

## **Father's Day** **Novena of Masses**

Father's Day Novena of Masses cards and envelopes are now available throughout the Church. The Father's Day Novena is a beautiful and meaningful way for you to include your father, grandfather, godfather, the father-to-be you know or any father you wish to remember, living or deceased, in the intentions of the Novena of Masses for Father's Day. Simply take an envelope, write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation, either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer if appropriate. Thank you.

### **MEETING FOR ALL USHERS**

All Ushers are reminded to attend ONE (1) of the upcoming meetings for Ushers on **Monday, June 2 at 7:45 p.m.** or **Tuesday, June 3 at 3:00 p.m.** Both meetings will be in the church. This mandatory meeting will focus on both spiritual formation and business items.  
*All Ushers are required to attend. Thank you.*

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### *Novena to the Holy Spirit*

The novena in honor of the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas since it was first made at the direction of Our Lord Himself when He sent His apostles back to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost. It is still the only novena officially prescribed by the Church. We will pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit beginning on the Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter (Friday, *May 30th*) until Saturday of the Seventh Week of Easter (Saturday, *June 7th*).



Here's how it will work:

You can pick-up Novena Booklets at anytime this week in the Church (on the pew ledges).

Then we will gather at the following times, each day, to pray the Novena prayer. If you are unable to attend at Church for the prayers, simply pray the prayers when you are able.

**Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**—after 12:15 P.M. Mass

**Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**—6:15 P.M.

*(After Evening Prayer)*

**Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**—6:15 P.M.

*(After Evening Prayer)*

**Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**—after OLPH Novena

**Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**—after 6:30 A.M. Mass

**Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**—after Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (2 P.M.)

**Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**—7:00 P.M.

**Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**—after 12:15 P.M. Mass (before Sacred Heart Devotions)

**Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**—after 8 A.M. Mass

*Come, Holy Spirit!*

### NEW LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Over the past few weeks, we have commissioned and installed our parish's newest Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

#### Readers

Fiona Buckley

Tricia Buckley

Christine Donovan

Nora Dorso

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Susan Arena

Gennaro Chille

Caroline Grogan

Bob Meade

Marie Melara

Carol Sloane

Wilma Thibault

Adele Venezia

We give thanks to God for these women and men who have offered themselves to these vital parish ministries.

#### *Now....what about you?*

Are you interested in being a reader? Want to find out more information? Contact Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or e-mail to [rabecker@optimum.net](mailto:rabecker@optimum.net)

Are you interested in learning more about Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion? Contact Barbara McPhail at 631.226-1354 or e-mail to [gospa254@gmail.com](mailto:gospa254@gmail.com) for information.

New trainings will take place in the Fall.

*Liturgy is like a strong tree whose beauty is derived from the continuous renewal of its leaves, but whose strength comes from the old trunk, with solid roots in the ground.*

—Pope Paul VI

## MUSIC NOTES

### Friends of Music

St. Cecilia: Ms. Joan Baffa

St. Gregory the Great:

Mrs. Joan Hosey - In Memory of Philip Hosey

St. Augustine:

Donna & John McAteer—

In Memory of Lucia Salvatore Baylis

### We're On Facebook

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Music Ministry now has its own Facebook page.

Be sure to check out our page and "like" us.



### First Communions

Thank you to the adult and youth choir members who took time out of their busy schedules to sing for First Holy Communions on Saturday, May 3 and Saturday, May 10.



## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

**Do you have a green thumb or just like to mess in the garden?**

**OFFERERS are needed**

**Next Saturday,**

**May 31—**

**after the 5 PM Mass**

**to help plant all plants from the Sanctuary.**

**NO NEED TO CALL!**

**JUST COME TO**

**THE CHURCH GROUNDS**

**AFTER THE 5 PM MASS. BRING A SHOVEL, BUCKET & GLOVES!**



## 4th Annual OLPH Golf Outing

Monday, September 22, 2014

*Rock Hill Golf & Country Club*

*105 Clancy Road, Manorville, NY*

Full Breakfast & Lunch  
Full round of golf  
Beverage cart on course  
3-hour Cocktail Party  
Buffet Dinner (10 hot dishes)

GOLF AWARDS...  
AND SO MUCH MORE!

WATCH FOR DETAILS!

For details contact:

Bob Dobres at 631-592-8697

or by email: boca461@verizon.net

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- ✠ **Catholics for the Freedom of Religion:** Marie Foster—631.592.1509-ripalda@optonline.net
- ✠ **Driving Ministry:** Maureen Russo - 631.226.4182—princessmorge@optonline.net
- ✠ **Golden Age Society:** Dolores Barone—631.957.3432
- ✠ **Hospital Visitors:** Peter O’Neill - 631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net.
- ✠ **Middle Ages:** Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- ✠ **New Mother’s Meal Ministry:** Carol Stysiack - 631.255 3506 -carolstys@verizon.net
- ✠ **Nursing Ministry:** Regina Muir - 631.226.2709 - rmuir11@aol.com.
- ✠ **Respect Life Committee:** Louise Perrotta - 631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net.
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- ✠ **St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Joe Illuminato—631.226.7725, x. 234
- ✠ **Senior Moments/Spirituality:** Fran Grasso - 631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- ✠ **Special Needs Ministry:** Fr. John Sureau— 631.226.7725—jsureau@oloph.org
- ✠ **Widows/Widowers:** Rita Gardell— 631.252.5494/Denise Segreto 631.220.0888

## NEW Food Pantry List!

CANNED VEGETABLES—CORN

CANNED FRUIT

PORK AND BEANS

PEANUT BUTTER

JELLY OR JAM

CAKE MIXES

DESSERTS

COFFEE

TOILET PAPER

PAPER TOWELS

SHELF STABLE MILK

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the “New” School Building

Use Parking Lot on corner of Gates & High Streets

**631.226.7725 x. 234**

*The office is open:*

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**9 A.M. —12 Noon**

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments... Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

**This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting families, providing food and attending to their most basic needs. Thank You!**

If it’s Tuesday, you should be having

## SENIOR MOMENTS

Senior Moments is one of our parish’s newest ministries. Designed for *women and men*, single or married, **age 55 and over**, this group is a place for you to grow in the spiritual life.

**Our Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday, May 27, 2014 + 9:00—10:30 A.M. + Room 14**

Avail yourself, men and women, 55 years +, of the opportunity to strengthen your relationship with God and with our parish community. Each time this group meets there will be times for formation, spiritual growth, friendship and community building.

**For more information, contact:  
Mrs. Fran Grasso at 631.956.3003  
or e-mail to sixfingers13@gmail.com.**

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

### Catholics for the Freedom of Religion JOIN US IN THE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The OLPH Catholics for Freedom of Religion group will be joining our vets and neighbors for our *Village of Lindenhurst Memorial Day Parade* on Monday, **May 26th**. Take this opportunity to thank all our vets – past and present – for their contribution in protecting our freedoms and to raise awareness to important issues of religious freedom. Our group will meet at 8:30 A.M. at Breslau Cemetery.

#### Golden Age Society

*A place for seniors to socialize and spend time with one another!*

1st & 3rd Thursday of the month,  
11:30am—3:00pm  
at K of C Hall, South Broadway,  
Lindenhurst.

#### Senior Moments

*A place of prayer, spirituality and fellowship for men and women 55+.*

Next Meeting—THIS TUESDAY,  
May 27th—9:00 A.M.—Room 14

### Craft Sale for Justice

HandCrafting Justice (HCJ) will be coming to share its mission with the parishioners of **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** next weekend, **Saturday, May 31st & Sunday, June 1st, 2014**. This fair trade economic justice project of the *Sisters of the Good Shepherd* will be selling fair trade handcrafts made by women in 20 countries throughout the developing world. Your support of HCJ's partners makes a tremendous difference in their lives, supporting their efforts to live a dignified life and provide food, education and shelter to their families. Please join us in promoting fair trade at this sale, following all masses.



For more information, visit  
[www.handcraftingjustice.org](http://www.handcraftingjustice.org).

*From...*

### Catholics for the Freedom of Religion

*The following article was published on The Long Island Catholic website.*

Ongoing religious discrimination and censorship in our schools, churches, workplaces, military and public square should concern all Americans who cherish their freedoms. Catholics For Freedom of Religion (CFFR) has been working around the diocese to educate and empower all Catholics on issues concerning religious freedom.



“Being educated and passing along education to others is the antidote to powerlessness,” said Thomas Renker, General Counsel for the Diocese of Rockville Centre, who has been speaking at many CFFR events.

“Even when swimming against a popular and secular anti-religious tide, we’ve got to keep our heads above water, never giving in and never giving up,” said Renker, “passing our messages along to our peers and, more importantly, to our children.”

“The incremental nature of the current erosion of religious liberties that is taking place is its most troubling feature,” he added. “Silence is the ally of this incremental erosion. Education and information is the enemy of incremental erosion. This is why, in a sense, the HHS Mandate was a blessing. It has mobilized thousands of people, and many courts, to come to the defense of religious freedom.”

### CLOTHING BINS



Our St. Vincent de Paul clothing bins are now located in the Gates Street/High Street Parking Lot **BETWEEN the Convent and the School buildings**. They are not initially visible if you enter from High Street.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CLOTHES OR OTHER ITEMS IN ANY OTHER PLACES ON THE OLPH CAMPUS.**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## FAITH FORMATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AT OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH

Registration for public-school students who will participate in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Religious Education Program for the 2014-2015 academic year will be held on:

<b>Monday, June 16</b>	<b>9:00 am – 1:00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 18</b>	<b>2:00 pm – 8:00 pm</b>
<b>Thursday, June 19</b>	<b>9:00 am – 1:00 pm</b>
<b>Saturday, June 21</b>	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 noon</b>

Parents with a child now in Kindergarten who will be in the first grade in September 2014 should register the child for religious instruction at this time.

All students entering first grade in any of the Lindenhurst Public Schools and residing within the parish boundaries who wish to make First Communion at the regular time in the second grade must be registered (if they have not already done so) on one of the dates mentioned above and must regularly attend both the first and second grade of the Religious Education Program. Students entering grades 2-8 who did not attend the OLPH program in the past academic year (2013-2014) must also register on the above dates.

Parents registering their children for the first time must bring the original copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate as a requirement for registration.

For further information, please call the OLPH Religious Education Office at 226-2384 or e-mail to [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org).



**CATECHISTS  
NEEDED!  
IS GOD CALLING YOU?**

**Offerers are needed on *all levels* to teach, assistant teach, and assist with many aspects of the Religious Education program.**

**How about you?**

*If you are interested, please contact the Faith Formation Office at (631)226-2384 or email [ReligiousEd@oloph.org](mailto:ReligiousEd@oloph.org)*

# FAITH FORMATION

## Adult Faith Formation Course

### *The Joy of the Gospel*

Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation calls us to live the Gospel with great joy and happiness. Francis' writings have received tremendous attention over the past year. What change, if any, is Pope Francis calling the Church to? Is there anything different here? How does this letter show us to be more joy-filled?

Find out these answers and much more!

**Wednesdays**

**June 4, 11, 18, 25 and July 2**

**7:30—9:30 P.M. + Room 24, OLPH School**

*Instructors: Fr. Alfred and Fr. John*

Advanced credit is available for those who attend at least 8 out of the 10 hours (4 out of the 5 sessions).

To register, contact Fr. John at [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) or call 631.226.7725 or fill out the form below. A \$20 Offering is requested to cover administrative and other related costs.



## The Joy of the Gospel

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

*Return this form in the collection basket or to the Parish Office.*

## SUMMER 2014

We are getting ready for

*Summer Evening Prayer 2014...*

and we need you!

Our first meeting will be

**TUESDAY, June 3, 2014 + 7:15 P.M.**

*(after the Novena to the Holy Spirit in the Church)*

in the St. Lucy Meeting Room.

If you're interested, please contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725. x 203 or e-mail to [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) or

## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

### HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Our parish's newly formed Hospitality Ministry is up and running. So far, nearly 30 parishioners have come forward and offered their gifts and talents for this ministry of welcome and evangelization.

So far, members of the ministry have cleaned out and re-organized our parish kitchen (next to the Cafeteria), set up a Hospitality Cart for the new building of the school, communicated with other ministries to explain some ways we are going to work together and much more! *(MINISTRY LEADERS: Make sure you have reviewed your letter and packet!)*

The Hospitality Ministry has worked together with other ministries to coordinate our receptions for Holy Communion catechists and helpers, the St. Bernard League reception and the Wedding Anniversaries' Reception.

Thank you to all who have offered their time and energy to this new ministry.

### What about you????

- Are you someone who wants to use your gifts and talents, but can't make a commitment to a monthly meeting?
- Are you great at throwing together a little reception (with a little help)?
- Can you bake a dessert? Help with coffee? Shop at Costco?

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!

For more information, contact Peggy McCloud or Chris Ferris at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to mom031@verizon.net or slwwh152@optonline.net.

*Sign up today!!!!*

## SOMETHING NEW @ OLPH

September 2014

Pre-School Classes

Pre-Nursery (2 years old)

T & TH 9-11 am or 11:30-1:30 pm

Nursery - (3 years old)

MWF 9-11:30 am or 12:15-2:45 pm

Pre-K - (4 years old)

MWF 8:45-11:30 am or 12-2:45 pm

### Tender Garden II

### Early Childhood Learning Program

We are excited to help our little seeds grow and blossom by offering enrichment programs as an extension to our preschool classes.

2 year olds - add on Mondays

3 & 4 year olds- add on Tuesday & Thursdays

9-11:30 am

Science, Math, Nutrition, Social Studies & Creative arts

Physical Fitness classes will be offered at 11:00 am by The Fun Bus Soccer Shots

On Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 - 5:00 and Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 - 2:00, Tender Garden will be having an open house in school room #14. Tender Garden is renting space from OLPH for their early childhood development program. Stop by, visit, check them out, and ask questions. This is a wonderful opportunity for young children.

Located at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School  
Please call our Levittown School for further information &  
(516) 731-4322 Website - tendergarden.net

# YOUTH MINISTRY @ OLPH

High School & Middle School Youth Ministry:  
 Brittany Marie Evans (olph.yfia@gmail.com)  
 Youth Service Corps: Fr. John Sureau (jsureau@oloph.org)  
 Catholic Youth Organization: Mr. Dave Reid (dreid88@optonline.net)  
 CYO Website: www.leaguelineup.com/olphcyo  
 Boy Scouts: Mr. Tom Duffy (baggage25@hotmail.com)  
 K of C Squires: Mr. Frank Nicosia (happynicosias@yahoo.com)

## High School Youth Ministry — Youth Faith in Action

Last Sunday, High School Youth Ministry organized our Peanut Butter and Jelly Gang. With the donations of so many and the help of nearly 30 people, over 600 sandwiches were made for the Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen in Brentwood. Great job everyone!



## Planning Meeting:

All newly confirmed and high school students, come and help us plan a new year of high school youth ministry.

**Sunday, June 8, 2014**  
**4:00 P.M.—YM Office**

....and then stay for the 5 PM Mass and help us with our Church cleaning project!

## Middle School Youth Ministry

Our middle school youth group welcomes all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders the 2nd Thursday and 4th Tuesday 7:30pm until 8:45pm in the auditorium. Games, open gym nights, and fun is had by all! Come check us out!! **(NOTE: Always, always, always, check the Facebook page (OLPH Youth Ministry) and the bulletin as times and locations may change!)**

### Tuesday, May 27th-

A night about PERCEPTION. Come see what it's all about! Snacks will be served and there will be plenty of time to hang out with your friends! Be sure to bring them!

7:30—8:45 P.M.—Enter through Wellwood Avenue entrance ONLY.

### Friday, May 30, 2014

### **Middle School Movie Night**

Come and join friends for another movie night at OLPH! 7:30—8:45 P.M.— Enter through the Wellwood Avenue doors ONLY.

Some middle schoolers having a good time at our last Middle School Youth Ministry night. Come—join them and others on May 27th and May 30th!



**"Do not wait for leaders; do it alone, person to person."  
 -Mother Teresa**

# VACATION BIBLE CAMP

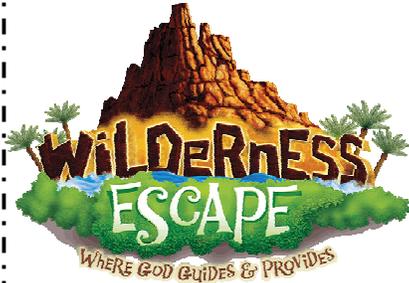
## OLPH Vacation Bible Camp

*An Epic Adventure Awaits You!!!!*

New friends + Amazing experiments

+ Wild games + Lip-smacking snacks + Surprising adventures

**Monday, July 21 – Friday, July 25,  
9 A.M. to 12 Noon**



### **CAMPER REGISTRATION FORM**

(Camp is for Nursery age -approximately age 4 - through Grade 5)

**Return form to Parish Office with a check for \$65 per child.**

**Please make checks payable to OLPH.**

**(Two children: only \$120; Three children: \$165)**

Child's First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level (in September 2013) \_\_\_\_\_

Full Names of Parents/Guardians \_\_\_\_\_

Family Address (Street, Town, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Parish (if not OLPH) \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Person**

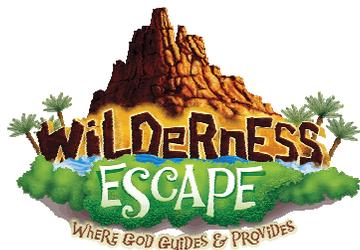
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any health problems, food allergies and special situations that might be helpful for the camp staff to know about your child in a separate note attached to this form. You will receive a letter with more specific information on or about July 14, 2014.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 15, 2014**

*(Less than a month away!!!)*

# VACATION BIBLE CAMP



## OLPH Vacation Bible Camp OFFERER SIGN UP FORM

*We need offerers of all ages – from middle school to high school to young adult to adult!*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

### For Youth Offerers:

Grade in school \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size:

Adult Youth

S M L XL

*Offerers must attend each day of camp (July 21-26).*

*There is a **\$15 fee** for all youth offerers/camp counselors to cover the cost of supplies!*

### For Adult Offerers:

*Are you VIRTUS TRAINED?*

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

*(If no, please sign up today!!!)*

T-shirt size: S M L XL

*What areas can you specifically help us in?*

\_\_\_ Arts and Crafts

\_\_\_ Fun and Games

\_\_\_ Hospitality

\_\_\_ Set Up/ Decorating (Would take place prior to camp beginning)

\_\_\_ First Aid

\_\_\_ I'll do whatever is needed.

## DONATIONS AND OFFERERS NEEDED!!!

✠ We are in need of donations for this year's Bible Camp. Check the bulletin for more information. Right now, we are in need of **Lowe's and Home Depot gift cards**...no amount too small. You can leave them in the Parish Office for VBC! Thanks to those who have already made donations.

✠ In the weeks ahead, we'll be asking for juice boxes, snack items (goldfish, pretzels, etc..), wire hangers (for constructing leaves), pop up tents, blankets and sheets. See the bulletin for more info!

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

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

### **Third Time:**

*Matthew DeMattia (St. Sylvester, Medford)  
& Jaclyn Rose Nauronis (OLPH)*

## **MASS MEMORIALS**

A beautiful way to remember a loved one!  
Memorials used during the Masses for week of  
May 25-31:

### **Altar Bread & Wine**

In Memory of

***Henry Alfano***

Requested by

***The OLPH Rectory Staff***

*Please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725  
for other options for memorials.*

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Violet Massie***

***Thomas Kennedy***

***Frieda Catherine Wislocki***

*"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**

*Almighty and Eternal God,  
You are the everlasting health of those  
who believe in You.*

*Hear us for Your servants  
for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy,  
that being restored to bodily health,  
they may give thanks to You in Your Church.  
Through Christ our Lord.*

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

**Peggy & Kevin Curran**  
**Lisa Eberhardt**  
**Vincent Malito**  
**Catherine Tamburino**  
**William Sullivan**  
**Dominick Barone**  
**Rocco Meiners**  
**Reynold Ruiz**  
**Agostino Pecoraro**  
**Linda Martin**  
**Charles Gomes**  
**Angelica Francavilla**  
**Carol Gilroy**  
**James Mahaney**  
**Salvatore Ferraro**  
**Regina Khezri**  
**Constance Panessa**

**Margaret Gargenti**  
**Jane Aaron**  
**Robert Little**  
**Al Wikenhauser**  
**Caroline Bonanno**  
**Regina Khezri**  
**Karen Warnetski**  
**David Casper**  
**Marisol Rodriquez**  
**Ronald Demuth**  
**Vanessa Bauman**  
**Patricia Berke**  
**Linda Crapado**  
**Carmela Campanelli**  
**Patrick Orlando**  
**Richard Brosan**

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 at 631.226.7725, x. 0.

## **From the Nursing Ministry.....**

### **May is Skin Cancer Awareness Month**

According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, 1 in 5 Americans will develop a form of skin cancer.... 75,000 will develop melanoma and 9500 will die annually. What can we do to protect ourselves?

- Protect your skin from the sun and other damaging rays by wearing sunscreen, limiting sun exposure and avoiding tanning beds.
- Know your risks. Anyone of any age or skin type can develop skin cancer, but light skinned, light haired, light eyed persons have a higher incidence. Incidence also increases with age. Family history of skin cancer increases your risk.
- Early detection is the key. See a dermatologist regularly for screenings.

Also know the signs of skin cancer: **A**-asymmetry of lesion, **B**-borders are ragged and irregular, **C**-color is uneven or multicolored, **D**-diameter. If it is larger than a pencil eraser. **E**-evolving. Is the lesion changing?

If any of these signs are present see your dermatologist as soon as possible.



## PREPARING FOR

*Sunday, June 1, 2014: Seventh Sunday of Easter*

“All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.”  
—Acts 1:14

### Acts 1:12-14

In this short passage, and in the text following in verses 15-20, Luke precisely and concisely tells us who belonged to the first Christian community in Jerusalem (about 120 persons all together). They were the closest followers of Jesus during His earthly ministry. He lists by name the 11 Apostles (whose first mission is to select Judas' replacement, Matthias). The unnamed “some women” are likely those who Luke names in his gospel account, as those who accompanied Jesus and the Apostles on their journeys (see Luke 8). Mary, the mother of Jesus, is given singular honor as the only woman named, and then is interestingly grouped together by Luke with the unnamed “*adelphois*,” here translated as “his [Jesus'] brothers.” However, in the Greek New Testament, this word was consistently used, not to describe the relationship of those persons born of the same mother, or even those of the same tribe, or those who are neighbors, but rather, those who are brothers and sisters in Christ: that is, spiritual siblings in the family of God. In grouping Mary with these persons, Luke is therefore telling us that she is *their* mother as well!

### 1 Peter 4:13-16

The suffering to which the author has already frequently referred throughout this letter is presented here in more severe terms. This has led some scholars to see these verses as referring to actual persecutions.

### John 17:1-11A

Chapter 17 in the Gospel of John has been called the “high priestly prayer” of Jesus. He speaks as intercessor, with words addressed directly to the Father and not to the disciples. The prayer is one of petition, for immediate and future disciples. Many phrases are reminiscent of the Lord's Prayer.

## Readings for the Week

*Take time each day to read the daily readings of the Church.  
You can access the readings through our parish website.*

### Monday, May 26, 2014:

Acts 16:11-15 + John 15:26–16:4a

### Tuesday, May 27, 2014:

Acts 16:22-34 + John 16:5-11

### Wednesday, May 28, 2014:

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 + John 16:12-15

### Thursday, May 29, 2014:

Acts 1:1-11 + Ephesians 1:17-23  
+ Matthew 28:16-20

### Friday, May 30, 2014:

Acts 18:9-18 + John 16:20-23

### Saturday, May 31, 2014

Zephaniah 3:14-18 + Luke 1:39-56

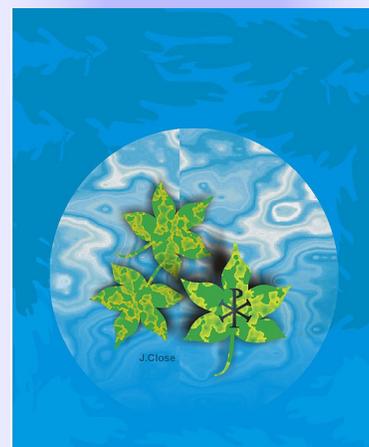
## Gospel Reflection Questions....

*After reading next Sunday's Gospel (John 17:1-11A) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass.*

Did you receive the Holy Spirit once for all time at Confirmation? Or is the Spirit dynamic and new all the time? Discuss.

If you had your choice would you avoid all suffering? The Holy Spirit is sometimes called The Comforter. How does the Spirit comfort you when you suffer? Do you let comfort come in?

The Father entrusted the good news of salvation to Jesus and he in turn entrusted it to his disciples. What are the implications for you?



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****MONDAY, May 26—****Saint Philip Neri, Priest**

6:30 Charles Romanoe

12:15 John Benyo

7:00 NO EVENING DEVOTIONS

**TUESDAY, May 27—****Easter Weekday***(St. Augustine of Canterbury)*

6:30 Margaret Bente

12:15 John Benyo

**WEDNESDAY, May 28 —****Easter Weekday**

6:30 Michael &amp; Neal Valiante

12:15 Ellin Cromarty

12:45  
-2:00 NO EXPOSITION

5:00 Josephine Noto

**THURSDAY, May 29—****Ascension of the Lord**

6:30 For the People of the Parish

12:15 Rose Cappiello

7:30 Evelyn &amp; Robert J. Little

**FRIDAY, May 30—****Easter Weekday**

6:30 The Savastano Family

12:15 Grace Vellia

**SATURDAY, May 31—****Easter Weekday**

8:00 Anthony V. Graziano

10:00 Confirmation

2:00 Confirmation

**Vigil for****SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

5:00 Peppe Petrillo

**JUNE 1****SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

6:30 Angela Pica

8:00 Sanctity of Life

9:30 Conrad Caputo

11:00 Michael Murphy

12:30 Mary Bradley

5:00 For the People of the Parish

**MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK****Monday, May 26, 2014**

RECTORY CLOSED

**Tuesday, May 27, 2014**

9:00 AM	Senior Moments	Room 14
2:30 PM	Ministry of Consolation	St. Lucy Rm
4:15 PM	Altar Server Training	Church
7:30 P.M.	Middle School Youth Group	Auditorium
7:30 PM	Pre-Cana Reconciliation/ Prayer	Church
7:45 P.M.	Community of Praise Prayer Group	Room 14
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

**Wednesday, May 28, 2014**

2:30 P.M.	Legion of Mary	Room 24
7:00 P.M.	Rel. Ed. - Confirmation Rehearsal	Church
7:30 P.M.	Boy Scouts	Cafeteria

**Thursday, May 29, 2014**

	RECTORY OFFICES CLOSED—Reception open	
4:15 P.M.	Altar Server Training	Church
4:30 P.M.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Rm. 14
7:00 P.M.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous NA	Room 24
8:30 P.M.	Music Ministry—Adult Choir	Church

**Friday, May 30, 2014**

7:30 PM	Middle School Youth Group	Auditorium
8:00 P.M.	Young People's AA	Room 24

**Saturday, May 31, 2014**

10 A.M. and 2 P.M.	Sacrament of Confirmation	Church
6:15 P.M.	Evening Prayer	Church/Front Lawn
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

**Sunday, June 1, 2014**

12:00PM	Pre-Cana Final Blessing	St. Lucy Rm.
2:00 PM	CYO Volleyball	Auditorium
3:30 PM	Youth Group Planning Meeting	Youth Ministry Office
6:15 P.M.	Evening Prayer	Church/ Front Lawn
7:00 PM	Holy Hour/Adoration	Church
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Parish Office:** 631.226.7725

**Religious Education:** 631.226.2384

**St. Vincent de Paul (Parish Outreach) :**

631.226.7725 X 234

**Parish Website:**

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

**Facebook:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help



## 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 Mondays 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.

## RITE OF 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 Deacon Doug or Fr. John at the Parish Office 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 Doug or Fr. John at the Parish Office.

## THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jean Bjork  
Tricia Buckley (Chair)  
Lori Byron  
Marie Foster  
Greg Guido  
Sonia Hansen  
John Keller  
Kevin Sabella  
Christina Taparata  
James Totino  
Pete Triolo  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Robert Dobres  
John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
Deacon Tom Bast  
Gerry Chille (Chair)  
Ed Cirella  
Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®  
Bob Dobres  
Bob Meade  
John Reynolds  
Deacon Don Stamm  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

## YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Robert Becker  
Mark Costantino  
Debbie McDonough  
Barbara McPhail  
Rosaleen Walters  
Mike Williams  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Chris Ferraro  
Deacon Doug Smith  
Fr. John Sureau  
Alice Vozzo

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

## OFFERING UPDATE

**May 17/18, 2014**

Mass Time	Weekly	# of Envelopes	Attendance
5:00 P.M.	\$2,887.00	134	366
6:30 A.M.	1,445.00	61	120
8:00 A.M.	2,277.00	109	269
9:30 A.M.	2,197.00	109	425
11:00 A.M.	2,145.00	108	392
12:30 P.M.	1,918.00	78	302
5:00 P.M.	865.00	31	180
<b>Total coin:</b>	16.88		
<b>Mail-ins:</b>	323.00		
<b>Children's env.</b>	16.10	13	
<b>Faith Direct</b>	1,835.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$15,924.98	643	2,054
<b>2013 Total</b>	\$16,027.14		1,947
<b>Candles</b>	\$779.77		
<b>Poor Box</b>	\$253.12		
<b>Catholic Comm.</b>	\$1,980.00	253	

## **SUPER 72 RAFFLE** **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR** **May Winners**

- \$1000 -Mr. & Mrs. Stanislaw Siwik
- \$250 - Deborah McDonough
- \$100 - Mr. Richard Kaminski
- \$100 - Tom & Linda Martin
- \$100 - Frank Trotta
- \$100 - Hosey/Unterschuetz

Our first game is coming to a close with the final drawing being held mid-June. The mailing for the next game which runs from July – December is being prepared. Look for the tickets in the mail if you are registered in the parish. If you are not registered you can still get tickets at the rectory office and at Johnston's Funeral Home who sponsored the ticket printing.

*Some statistics* – Five months so far—30 winners to date with June yet to come

*Total winnings*—\$ 8,250, with June yet to come  
Remember....buy two tickets for \$80 and get a third ticket free.

## EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

El grupo de oración- "Jesús es el camino, La verdad y la vida" te invita a alabar y glorificar a DIOS todos los Jueves a las 7:00 PM en la cafetería. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Unete a nosotros en oración, alabanzas y reflexión de la palabra de DIOS.

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

Para las ofrendas de pan y vino en el altar, favor llamar a la oficina parroquial al 631-226-7725. Adoración al santísimo Sacramento del altar, en español. El primer sábado de cada mes. Recuerda Cristo siempre te espera.

Para más información sobre los sacramentos del bautizo matrimonio y servicio pastorales Unción de los enfermos y la Eucaristía, contacto Padre Juan Sureau - 631.226-7725 x. 224 email jsureau@oloph.org o en español Irma González 631 620-2401 o correo electrónico: lanegra628@yahoo.com

### **Lecturas del domingo 25 de Mayo**

**Primera Lectura** (Hch 8,5-8.14-17): **Recibieron el Espíritu Santo**

Cuando se fundó en Antioquía una comunidad no-judía, el Espíritu Santo confirmó este paso importante en la vida de una Iglesia universal, ya que descendió sobre los samaritanos.

**Segunda Lectura** (1 Pe 3,15-18): **Sufrir con la Mentalidad y Actitud de Cristo**

Pedro anima a los cristianos que sufren incomprensión y persecución. Den testimonio de su fe, dice, y acepten los sufrimientos con la actitud y mentalidad de Cristo. Entonces vencerán con él.

**Evangelio** (Jn 14,15-21): **El Padre les dará a Ustedes el Espíritu**

Cristo promete su Espíritu Santo para ayudarnos a creer y a vivir nuestra fe, y así vivamos en el amor del Padre y del Hijo.

## PARISH NEWS

Memorial Day



### Monday, May 26, Memorial Day

On Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> all **Rectory offices will be closed.** The evening devotions will NOT be celebrated in observance of **Memorial Day.** Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 am. and 12:15 pm.

### Thursday, May 29, Ascension Thursday

On Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> all parish offices will be closed. The reception desk, at the Rectory, will remain open. Mass will be celebrated on the Eve of the Holy Day at 5:00pm and on Thursday at 6:30am, 12:15pm and 7:30pm.

### REMEMBER OUR PARISH

Please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to our Parish.



A gift to us in your Will or Trust affirms your everlasting commitment to our Parish's life and works.

**For more information about remembering our Parish in your will please contact Barbara Kilarjian, Director of Development at 516-379-5210 x 229.**

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- ◆ Please consider donating the gift of life on **Thursday, May 29, 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.** Registration will be held the day of the event in Good Samaritan Hospital's Patio Cafe, located at 1000 Montauk Highway, West Islip. In addition, *New York Blood Center* mobile unit will be available in the main, front parking lot for the convenience of donors. Each time you save lives by making a blood, platelet or plasma donation you earn Advantage points redeemable for a wide variety of gifts, gift cards or New York Blood Center branded merchandise. For more information visit [www.mydonoradvantage.com](http://www.mydonoradvantage.com) or call 1-800-933-2566.
- ◆ *FULL TIME POSITIONS AVAILABLE*—St. Charles Cemetery Office, Farmingdale, Customer Service/ Reception—Administrative support. Fax resume and salary requirements—718-326-2033.
- ◆ *Married Couples! Are you looking for the perfect way to start your summer?* Would you attend a seminar to enhance your job or to increase your salary? Why not give your marriage the same attention? Enhance your good marriage by attending a *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!* Weekends are scheduled throughout the Metro New York area. The next weekend on Long Island is scheduled for **June 6-8** at The Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore, NY. For more information about the weekends or to apply, call 1-877-697-9963 or visit our web site at <http://www.wmme.org>.
- ◆ *FREE MOVIE NIGHT* hosted by Christ the King RCC Respect Life Group Friday, **June 6th, @ 7:00 pm** (doors open at 6:30) 2 Indian Head Rd, Commack, NY. *Gimme Shelter*, An inspirational movie based on a true story. *Free will offering* taken up to benefit The Life Center of LI. Call 631-754-9141 or 631-839-2854 if any questions.
- ◆ *"Celebrate Marriage"* will be held on **Saturday, June 21,** at *Shrine of Our Lady of The Island*, 258 Eastport-Manor Rd, Manorville (631) 325-0661. Sign-in and Breakfast at 9:00 A.M. Presentations start at 10:00 A.M. Renewal of Wedding Vows will take place at 4:30 P.M. \$50.00 per couple includes continental breakfast, lunch and materials. To register, forward your \$50.00 check made payable to *"Shrine of Our Lady of The Island"* include your first names (husband and wife), last name, address and phone number, to Shrine of Our Lady of The Island, 258 Eastport-Manor Rd., Manorville, NY 11949. Register no later than Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. For additional information, please contact John & Toni Torio (631) 728-4165.

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