

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

John 3:16

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 14, 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

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.

LITURGY AND MUSIC

Do you find yourself humming certain hymns well after Mass is over? Do you like being with people? Are you interested in getting more involved with your faith? Maybe the OLPH Music Ministry is for you? New choir members are welcome at the beginning of the new choir year. It was St. Augustine who once said, "Those who sing pray twice." Please read below for the different opportunities to join one of our parish's music ensembles and help us "make a joyful noise to our God."

Adult Choir

The Adult Choir sings at the 11:00am Mass most Sundays (September to June) and for other special liturgies during the year. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the Church. Members are high school aged or older. Reading music is not a requirement, just a desire to praise God in song and the ability to carry a tune. Please call in advance if you are interested in joining or would like more information.

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



Youth Choir

The Youth Choir sings at the 9:30am Mass three times a month (September to June) and at other special liturgies during the year. Rehearsals are held on Thursday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 pm in the school building. Members are in grades 3 through 12.

Contact:
Amy Keller
mrs.amykeller@yahoo.com



Youth Band!

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

Contact:
Dan Volpe
(917) 468-9584

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Part of Your Life



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THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, a feast which is in a liturgical category such that this celebration replaces the Sunday in Ordinary Time. Notice the title of the day: **Exaltation** of the Holy Cross. The meaning of the feast rests in the Cross as a symbol of hope and victory because it is the instrument of our salvation: Christ rose from the dead. For the Christian, salvation rests in God bringing new life out of death; the heart of Christian spirituality is to be found in the transformation that God brings about in us when we go to the Cross with the Lord. As always, the words of the liturgy sum up best for us the meaning of what we celebrate; these are the words of the Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer for this feast day: *For you [God] placed the salvation of the human race on the wood of the Cross, so that, where death arose, life might again spring forth and the evil one, who conquered on a tree, might likewise on a tree be conquered, through Christ our Lord.*

The imagery is rich: Adam and Eve eating of the fruit of the tree forbidden by God brought sin and death into the world, but out of another tree — the tree of obedience, love and total selfless offering, namely, the tree, or wood, of the Cross — came forgiveness, redemption and new life. As we celebrate this feast today, take some time to reflect on how, in the words of the Preface, God has made life “spring forth” in your life when you have embraced a Cross. It is to that trust and confidence in the power of God to bring new life that all Christians are called.

Reminder: Maintenance Position Open at OLPH

I remind everyone that we have a part-time maintenance position open here at OLPH. The job is for 24 hours per week and it's perfect for someone who is looking for a second job or who is a young and healthy retiree. You would be doing light maintenance of our buildings and grounds and general cleaning up. If you have some handyman skills, it would be helpful. If you are interested, or if you know someone who is interested, please contact our Business Manager, Deacon Tom Bast, at tbast@oloph.org for more information and/or to arrange an interview.

Summer Appeal Final Total...

and a Word about Money

The final total is in for the 2014 Summer Appeal: through your generosity, we were able to take in \$20,976.15. **I express my deep gratitude and appreciation to all who contributed to this year's Summer Appeal! THANK YOU for the tremendous help you have given us in keeping things afloat here at OLPH!**

Interestingly, this year's total is \$4,837.85 less than last year's total of \$25,814. I know that times are extremely difficult for everyone. Salaries have not kept us with increasing costs, at least for those fortunate enough to have jobs. Many people find themselves either unemployed or underemployed; the economic situation is extremely precarious for many people. Added to that overall situation in which many people find themselves is our own local situation in Lindenhurst where many people sustained great loss as a result of Superstorm Sandy, and they are still feeling the economic results of that.

I continue to be extremely grateful for the way that so many of you, week after week, offer your financial support to the parish. I have promised to be always completely up-front and honest with you about the situation of the parish, and so that leads me to say a word about money. This is one of those topics where a Pastor feels like he is in a no-win situation. Certainly any Pastor would prefer to focus only on the ministerial aspects of leading the parish, as it is no fun, as you know from managing your own household, to have to worry about money. Yet, it is an inescapable fact that money is necessary to maintain our buildings and grounds, to pay the necessary salaries, and to support our many ministries and programs. It is necessary to talk about money and to try to raise revenue in a responsible way. Of course, sometimes people don't want to hear that, and we've all heard the complaint about Pastors that “all he's interested in is money” or “all he ever talks about is money.” I hope that's not the case with me. It would be irresponsible of me, however, and neglectful of my responsibility as a Pastor, if I did not bring these concerns to your attention from time to time.

As will probably be no surprise to you, money continues to be very tight here at OLPH. We have worked very hard to submit a responsible and reasonable budget to the diocese for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. We will have to replace the boilers in the

church, which service both the church and rectory, next year, which of course is a major expense. We have to pay an assessment to support Catholic schools. We still owe hundreds of thousands of dollars to the diocese from the past. We want to maintain a proper level of ministerial programs and we want to be able to keep up with the repairs and maintenance of our buildings and grounds. Being able to rent out the Convent would make a huge difference, but, while we have had plenty of interest, nothing has come to fruition, including the time we almost had counseling offices here, an effort that was sabotaged by fear and misinformation. Yet, while money is tight, we are making it and, of course, we are in much better shape than in recent history. With your continued and consistent support, we will make it.

However, I don't want us to only "make it;" I want us to continue to grow and move forward. The people of OLPH deserve the best. I don't want us to become stagnant again, and, with your continued help and commitment, I'm convinced we can continue to grow and expand and take on projects that will further enhance both the spiritual/ministerial life of the parish and our buildings and grounds. It will take commitment on your part, but I have confidence. You will be hearing more about this in my annual report to the parish in October. In the meantime, I ask you to do all you can, in whatever way, to continue to assist us through your regular and generous financial contributions to the parish.

Golf Outing: Golfers Still Needed!

We're still looking for more golfers for our 4th Annual OLPH Golf Outing on Monday, September 22nd at Rock Hill Country Club in Manorville. It's not too late for you to sign up! As you know, this Golf Outing is an important fund raiser for the parish, so come on out and join us for what is always a very enjoyable day. Full information about the Golf Outing is found elsewhere in the bulletin. I will join in for part of the day, and I look forward to seeing you there. Join us for a day of great golf, great friendship and great fun on September 22.

Recommitment of Liturgical Ministers

Allow me to remind all our liturgical ministers about the special prayer service which will take place on Thursday night, September 25 for the Recommitment of Liturgical Ministers. I ask every minister who serves in connection with the liturgical life of the parish to make attendance at this service a priority. The evening will give us the opportunity to

prayerfully reflect on what it means for all of us to be "imbued with the spirit of the liturgy."

New Liturgical Ministers Still Needed

As the dates for the required diocesan training session approach, we're nearing the deadline for being able to accept new liturgical ministers. Our response this time around has been rather underwhelming, and so we continue to be in need of parishioners to join the ranks of our Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ushers. If you are not currently serving in one of these ministries, consider this an official "guilt trip" from your Pastor: come forward to offer yourself in one of these ministries NOW!!!

Immigration and the Question of New Peoples

In last week's bulletin we ran an important article written by Bishop Murphy, "No Place for Racist Groups on Long Island." It was a thought-provoking, well-written and timely piece and I hope you took the chance to read it. If not, make sure you do so if you still have last week's bulletin; if not, you can go to <http://licatholic.org/no-place-for-racist-groups-on-long-island/> to read the article.

Bishop Murphy makes some salient points that should give us all pause for thought and input for prayer. The question of immigration is a complex one. Simple solutions and emotion-fueled half-truths will not serve us well. There are legal issues to consider as well as issues of hospitality and welcome that are demanded by our Christian faith. We must all be careful of NIMBY-ism ("Not In My Back Yard") which is always driven by fear and never serves the common good (as mentioned before, OLPH has been hurt by NIMBY-ism in the difficulty with the counseling offices). The point to be made is that as Catholics we should continue to stay informed of the issues and be aware not only of the complexities involved, but also of how our Catholic faith should inform our perspective on this issue.

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,



FAITH FORMATION



Our next Adult Faith Formation Course begins soon...

CHRISTOLOGY

Who is Jesus Christ?
What do we know?
What does the Church teach us about Jesus?
How does this impact my prayer and my faith life?

Instructor

Fr. Ethel Anarado
Associate Pastor, OLPH

Classes to be held

THURSDAYS in October
October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Room 8 + OLPH School + 7:30pm—9:30pm

To register, contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or e-mail jsureau@oloph.org or complete the form below:

OFFERING
To help offset the cost of materials, maintenance, etc., we are requesting a \$20.00 offering per person per course. (This totals \$4.00 a class for most courses!)

If there is a financial issue for you, please let the course instructor know.

CERTIFICATION
Completion of this course can count toward Diocesan Basic Certification.

CHRISTOLOGY Sign Up

Name _____
Phone # _____
E-Mail _____@_____



VIRTUS TRAINING CLASS

TUESDAY, SEPT. 30 AT 7:00 PM IN ROOM 1

TRAINING IS **REQUIRED** FOR **ALL** PARISH OFFERERS IN ALL MINISTRIES.

Registration **MUST** be done online in advance of the date at www.drvc.org under Protecting God's Children

O.L.P.H. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOOK PICK-UP

Book pick-up for children in levels 1-8 already registered in Our Lady of Perpetual Help's Religious Education Program for 2013 - 2014 will continue this week. One parent *must* come to the Religious Education Office to pick up the child's book and pay the annual family fee.

LAST DAY
Monday, SEPTEMBER 15th 3:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE: NO BOOK PICK-UP ON OPENING DAY OF CLASSES.

LITURGY

Proclaiming God's Word...

READERS

Are you...

Jesus asked twelve men to spread his teachings by relaying his words to others. From those twelve, hundreds of millions of believers have followed. Today, in our parish, three dozen men and women bring the Word of God to the OLPH community by offering their time to serve as readers at Mass. Because of the number of daily and Sunday Masses offered at OLPH, we should have nearly twice that number. *I believe we can find twelve people to enter the ministry of reader this fall.* If you enjoy reading Scripture, and are at least 15 years old, won't you consider serving God by becoming a reader for OLPH? We will provide training, support materials and spiritual development; you need to supply your voice. Pray on this invitation.

One of the twelve?

For more information about becoming a reader, contact Robert Becker at rabecker@optimum.net or by calling 631-226-6175. You may also leave your name and contact information with any priest, or at the rectory.

Training sessions will take place on:

Saturday, September 20 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

McGann Mercy HS

Saturday, September 27 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Kellenberg Memorial HS

Wednesday, October 15 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Parish, Melville

Serving the Body of Christ...

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Soon the Diocese of Rockville Centre will be sponsoring training and formation days for women and men interested in being **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**.

What does it take to be an Extraordinary Minister?

- Participation in Sunday Eucharist
- Commitment to serve two or three times a month
- Attendance at a Diocesan Training and parish training

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If you have other questions or are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister, please contact Barbara McPhail at 631.226-1354 or e-mail to gospa254@gmail.com and send a letter to Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office or e-mail to msgrrjoe@oloph.org.

USHERS

Ushers serve an important role in the liturgy! They assist with taking up the collection, guiding people for the reception of Communion and welcoming those who visit our Church.

New ushers are welcome! If you are interested in becoming an usher we will get you started! Men, women, teenagers and families are all welcome! For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or send an e-mail to olphushersministry@gmail.com



USHERS

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

RECOMMITMENT OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Thursday, September 25,
7:30 p.m.

Recommitment of All Liturgical Ministers: Priests, Deacons, Readers, Altar Linen Crew, Environment Crew, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Cantors, Choir, Instrumentalists, Sacristans, Children's Liturgy of the Word Homilists, Readers and Shepherds, Ministry of Consolation EM's and Greeters, Wedding Rehearsal Ministry, RCIA.

Are you looking for a closer relationship with God?

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Given by:
Deacon Frank and Team



Receive the Holy Spirit
John 20:22

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be Witness in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

Spiritual Gifts

Every Tuesday beginning October 7, 2014 - November 25, 2014

Meeting held at:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

210 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, New York 11757

School Classroom 16

7:30 pm sharp - 9:15 pm each week

"The Life in the Spirit Seminars" (LSS) are commonly used by the Catholic groups in the context of spiritual renewal. They are an instrument for bringing people into a deeper experience of the work of the Holy Spirit. The seminars offer: a presentation of the Gospel message; and basic teaching about what the Lord is willing to do for all who come to him.

Experience "The Fruit of the Spirit"

*Joy - Love - Generosity - Peace - Patience - Kindness
Faithfulness - Gentleness - Self Control*

For information and/or registering call Deacon Frank at (631) 226-0967

Feast of St. Francis

Blessing of the Animals



SATURDAY, October 4
1:30 P.M.
Convent Lawn

The Church celebrates the Feast of St. Francis. St. Francis has contributed so much to the life of our Church, in so many ways. One of the things he is noted for is recognition of God's presence in all of creation, including animals.

We invite all members of our parish community (even those that crawl, fly and have four legs) to come for a special prayer service and blessing.

This year, in the spirit of St. Francis, we ask all who attend the prayer service to bring a food or non-food donation for our food pantry. Please see page 11 for specific needs.



Liturgy of the Hours EVENING PRAYER

Every Saturday and Sunday

What can any one of us accomplish on our own in 10 minutes? Probably not much.

What can *God* accomplish in 10 minutes? More than we could ever imagine!

In just 10 minutes, you can pray the same prayer the entire Church all over the world prays at the end of each day, thanking God for all His blessings, and praying for His peace to reign in our hearts, in our families, and in the world.

Join us for 10 minutes, for Evening Prayer, every Saturday and Sunday after the 5 pm Mass.

PILGRIMAGE TO NEW YORK



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014 **PILGRIMAGE TO NEW YORK** **“A SPIRITUAL DAY”**

Reservations are on a first come, first serve basis and cannot be taken until payment is received. Please make check payable in the amount of \$130.00 to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, and drop it off at the Rectory, 210 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 11757, Attn: Pilgrimage into New York. Please include your phone number and email address on the check. Contact the Rectory at 631-226-7725 for more information.



The cost of the trip includes Bus transportation, dinner, snacks, all tips and fees -
Departing from OLPH at 8:00 AM and will Return at 8:00 PM
\$130 per person

Mass at
Mother Cabrini Shrine
Tour of the Cloisters
(The Metropolitan Museum)

Free Time
In
Midtown Manhattan

Dinner at 4:30 PM at
Carmine's Restaurant
200 West 44th Street
New York

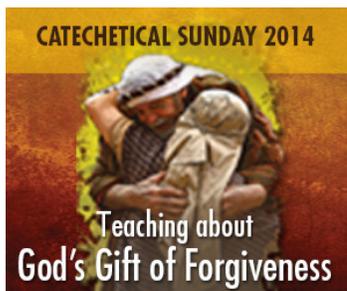
Coordinated by
Monsignor Joe DeGrocco
Chris Ferraro
Suzanne Richards

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2014

Next Sunday, the Church in the United States celebrates Catechetical Sunday. Here at OLPH we are blessed with many women and men who share their gift of faith with our parish's children. Next Sunday, we will pray for God's blessing to come upon them as they begin another year of ministry.

FAITH WORSHIP WITNESS

To learn more about how you as catechists, teachers and all the baptized can grow in knowledge and faith, go to the USCCB Web site:
www.usccb.org/catecheticalsunday/



PRAYER FOR CATECHISTS

Father of all families, you have called me to serve the family in truth and love as a catechist. May I be faithful to this call, rooted in your Word, and open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

May I use these gifts, especially the gifts of faith, hope, and love, to serve the family as a witness to you, who are love and life and the source and destiny of all families.

Let your Spirit enlighten my mind and strengthen my heart so that I can be a path of Christ's love to families, especially those in need, the homebound and aged, the disabled and disheartened.

Through the intercession of Mary and Joseph, I pray for the Church, the Bride of Christ, whose mission to build a civilization of love passes through the family.

Amen.

-United States Conference
of Catholic Bishops

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Welcoming the Candidates

"This optional rite welcomes baptized but previously uncatechized adults who are seeking to complete their initiation through the sacraments of confirmation and eucharist or to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church."

-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, 411

Our parish's Rite of Christian Initiation process is always ongoing. Over the past year, two candidates—**Christina Lamont** and **Alice White**—have prayed and discerned about God's call in their lives. As a parish we have come to know them each Sunday when they are sent forth to study God's Word. Throughout the past year they have gathered weekly for faith sharing with members of our RCIA team and learned about some of the basics of the Catholic faith.



Their journey continues as they will be dismissed each week from Mass and learn more about the faith of the Church. Please pray for them and those from our parish who are privileged to accompany them on this journey.

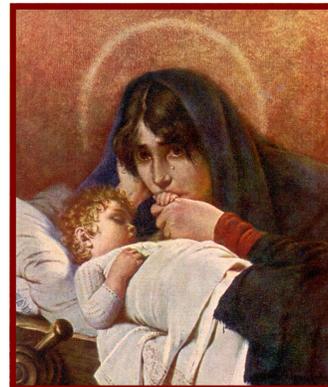
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Pray for Us!

Our 11th Anniversary Celebrating The Feast of the Sorrowful Mother

THIS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

AT 6:30 P.M.

At OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH



The Schedule for the Evening will be:

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

Our pastor, Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, will be the celebrant at this special Mass.

The intentions of this Mass will be for

CHILDREN WHO ARE TERMINALLY ILL AND CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

This beautiful devotion is for everyone and especially all mothers and all children in our parish and in our diocese. It helps us contemplate on how much our dear Mother Mary suffered and sacrificed for us all. It strengthens us in our own sufferings and teaches us how to unite our sufferings with Mary who will lead us into total union with her Son Jesus Christ.

Please let us know if you plan on attending this Mass with your child
Call Linda Setti at 631-884-6892

Holy Name Society & Knights of Fatima ROSARY RALLY FOR PEACE

October 11

10am—12 noon

At the Village Square (Gazebo)

Please bring your own chairs!

**ENGLISH, SPANISH & POLISH MYSTERIES
ALL GROUPS & INDIVIDUALS
ARE WELCOME.
FREE ROSARIES!**

**REPAST IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
FOR INFO CALL 631-226-3575**



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

We gather each Monday night to pray the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

*Monday, September 15—replaced by
the Sorrowful Mother Devotions.*

Monday, September 22 —6:30 P.M.

Monday, September 29—7:00 P.M.

Monday, October 6—7:00 P.M.

*Monday, October 13, Columbus Day—
OLPH Novena will not be celebrated.*

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.
- † St. Bernard League: The Consi Family—631.226.7725
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Deborah Deasy—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Fran Grasso - 631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- † Special Needs Ministry: 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!

JAR PASTA SAUCE
 CANNED FRUIT
 PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP
 COFFEE
 SUGAR
 SHELF STABLE MILK
 SOUP WITH MEAT
 SMALL PKGS. RICE
 JUICES
 BATH SOAP, SHAMPOO
 PERSONAL ITEMS
 TOILET PAPER
 WATER

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the "New" School Building

Use Parking Lot located on corner of
 Gates & High Streets

631.226.7725 x. 234

The office is open:

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday
 9 A.M. —12 Noon**

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (x. 234) ...we want to help!

New Mothers' Meal Ministry

Who are we? A group of like-minded women who want to give a new Mom (and Dads) a break by cooking and delivering a delicious meal to your home. We also keep the new family in our prayers.



We can use some help!!!

Are you Retired or work part-time and would like to offer yourself to this ministry? Can you cook a dinner, once in a while, for a family in our parish?

Please contact: Carol Stysiack at 631-255-3506, or e-mail carolstys@verizon.net and let us know if you can help!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

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Happenings

Catholics For Freedom of Religion



JOIN US FOR OUR SECOND MOVIE NIGHT

OLPH/Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Friday, September 26 at 7PM.

The movie is "tremendous" and challenging. It is the movie "God's Not Dead."

Everyone enjoyed our first movie which was more "educational" but this will be even better!! There is NO COST for the movie and nosh. Sodas will be available for 50 cents.

DRIVING MINISTRY

Our Driving Ministry assists parishioners in need of a ride to a doctor's appointment or to another serious appointment when needed. Over the past few months we have been able to help many parishioners!

For more information, contact
Maureen Russo at 631.226.4182—
princessmorge@optonline.net.

OLPH Golden Age Society

Meets every

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

400 South Broadway, Lindenhurst.
Everyone is welcome. Please join us.

Middle Ages

Tuesday, September 30th: Middle Ages group will meet in Room 22 of the OLPH New School at 7:00PM. There will be a guest speaker discussing how we as a parish can help Veterans in our community. All are welcome. Call Gail Tonnessen, 631-957-1449 or e-mail: gtonness@optonline.net for information. Refreshments will be served.

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR SENIORS....

EPIC

New York State Senior Prescription Plan

P.O. Box 15022

Albany, NY 12212-5022

1-800-332-3742

The Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) program is a New York State program for seniors administered by the Department of Health. It helps more than 250,000 income-eligible seniors aged 65 and older to supplement their out-of-pocket Medicare Part D drug plan costs. Seniors can apply for EPIC at any time of the year and must be enrolled or eligible to be enrolled in a Medicare Part D drug plan to receive EPIC benefits and maintain coverage.

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GET INVOLVED!

We ask all parishioners at OLPH to sign up to become part of the

CATHOLIC ACTION NETWORK

By signing up, you will receive instant information from the bishops of New York state, easy ways to send letters to local legislative leaders and local organizations and much more!

All you need to do is go to
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PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

*Parish Social Ministry
Mass of Thanksgiving &
Communion Breakfast*

Sunday, September 28, 2014

11:00 A.M. Mass

followed by a Communion Breakfast in the School Auditorium.

\$10 Offering Per Person

Guest Speaker

Ms. Jan Jamroz

Jan is the Director of Parish Social Ministry for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. She will both challenge and engage us on the importance of this ministry in the life of our parish.



ALL ARE WELCOME

(especially those in any of our parish social ministries as we remember the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul—celebrated on September 27th)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

E-mail _____

Number Attending _____

Amount enclosed _____

Checks made payable to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Please return the Parish Office or via envelope in the collection basket by Wednesday, September 24th



BECOME A FRIEND OF THE POOR!
Saturday, Sept. 20 – Reg. at 9am – Walk at 11am
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5K Walk With US!

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OLPH YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

**ATTENTION:
TEENS AND
PARENTS!**

There is such a great need for service in the life of our parish and often a huge number of young people who want to help those in need. This new Service Corps is one way to make this connection.

Here's how it works:

1. **ANY** middle school, high school and college aged students send their contact information to Fr. John at jsureau@oloph.org.

2. As requests for help come from or come into our parish, you'll be contacted to see if you can help.

3. If you can help with a particular project, great! If not, no problem. You'll be contacted for the next one!

It really is that easy!!!

This is also a great way to **meet high school and middle school service requirements** as you are reaching out to those within our own local and parish community. By serving through the OLPH Youth Service Corps, you are also connecting and building relationships within our own OLPH community.

SIGN UP TODAY by completing the form below and returning it to Church or e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@oloph.org. Projects are always ongoing—so get involved today!

What have we done so far?

- ◆ Helped to continue our St. Bernard League
- ◆ Assisted with many Family Life events.
- ◆ Helped our Special Needs Ministry
- ◆ Assisted Parish Outreach with various drives and efforts.
- ◆ Helped to organize many parish events—up front and behind the scenes...
- ◆ Helped parishioners in need
- ◆ ...and more!!!

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

Name _____

Address _____

Town/State/Zip _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____@_____

I am in (check one) ___ Middle School (Grade ___) ___ High School (Grade ___) ___ College

(Please list grade or school status for September 2014)



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8:00 AM Shotgun Start

All for \$140/golfer

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And mail to:

Bob Dobres
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Lindenhurst, NY 11757

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at the Races**



Sunday, October 5, 2014

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PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BRINGING FORWARD THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE

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



WE REMEMBER

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

John (Giovanni) Tedesco

Patricia Shannon

Fred Hehline

Sister Cora Marie Sprolle, O.P.

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

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

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



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

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...

Bunny Rieger	Debbie Lazinsky
Rev. Hoppenjans	Kevin Curran
Donna Sheehan	Peggy Curran
Ro Kane	Dorothy White
Grace Sottile	Phyllis Schry
Josephine Palazzolo	Donna Falciglia
Geraldine Romeo	Marjorie Bass
Richard Brosan	Margaret Girgenti
Catherine Tamburino	Marvin Frichter
Adam & Josie Whiston	
Dolores Otten	
Marisa Florio	

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. 200.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Second Time:

David Schwietzer & Gina LiFrieri

+

Vincent Pira & Nicole Brett

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, September 15— Our Lady of Sorrows

6:30	Michael De Cosimo
12:15	Rita Fasanello
6:30	Sorrowful Mother Meditations & Mass

TUESDAY, September 16— Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

6:30	Roger George Guerrier
12:15	Ray & Kay Marko & Joshua

WEDNESDAY, September 17— Weekday in the 24th week in Ordinary Time (St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

6:30	Renee De Michele
12:15	Frank Stancati
12:45-2:00	Exposition

THURSDAY, September 18 Weekday in the 24th week in Ordinary Time

6:30	Giuseppe Lentini
12:15	James Anastasio

FRIDAY, September 19— Weekday in the 24th week in Ordinary Time (St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr)

6:30	The Savastano Family
12:15	Ken Mantell

SATURDAY, September 20— Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang, Companions & Martyrs

8:00	Sally Curran & Walter
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Vigil for THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00	Anna Conway
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Sunday, September 21 THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30	For the People of the Parish
8:00	John Benyo
9:30	Father Anthony Trapani
11:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mothers
12:30	Lawrence Lanza
5:00	Josephine Trezza

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 15, 2014

3:00 PM	Religious Ed.—Book Pick	Room 4
7:00 PM	Grade 6 Parent “Make Up” Meeting	Auditorium

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

4:00 PM	CYO—Cheerleading	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
7:00 PM	Pastoral Staff Meeting	St. Lucy Rm
7:45 PM	Community of Praise	Room 16
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

12:45 – 2:00 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
1:50 PM	Daytime Prayer	Church
2:30 PM	Legion of Mary Prayer	Room 24
7:30 PM	Christian Mothers	Cafeteria

Thursday, September 18, 2014

4:00 PM	CYO—Cheerleading	Auditorium
7:00 PM	Finance Committee	St. Lucy Rm
7:00 P.M.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 PM	Parent Baptismal Prep	Room 16
7:30 P.M.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

Friday, September 19, 2014

8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous for Young Adults	Room 24
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Saturday, September 20, 2014

1:30—5:00 P.M.	CYO Basketball 1st & 2nd Grade	Auditorium
6:15 P.M.	Evening Prayer	Church
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

Sunday, September 21, 2014

9:30 AM	RCIA: Rite of Welcoming the Candidates	Church
11:00 AM	Blessing of Catechesis	Church
12:00 PM	Catechetical Sunday	Auditorium
6:15 P.M.	Evening Prayer	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

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
Mary Mullan
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

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John Reynolds

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

YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

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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

September 6/7, 2014

Mass Time	Weekly	# of Envelopes	Attendance
5:00 P.M.	\$3,854.00	161	378
6:30 A.M.	1,119.00	44	101
8:00 A.M.	2,481.00	117	280
9:30 A.M.	2,193.00	99	302
11:00 A.M.	2,136.00	114	358
12:30 P.M.	1,838.00	82	295
5:00 P.M.	1,177.00	22	190
Total coin:	27.97		
Mail-ins:	206.00		
Children's env.	20.00	10	
Special needs	279.00	13	52
Faith Direct	2,179.00		
TOTAL	\$17,509.97	662	1,956
2013 Total	\$17,789.31	596	1,832
Candles	\$730.02		
Poor Box	\$353.45		

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 work.

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

Staying Connected...

We have started a Parish Facebook page....so "LIKE"



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Lindenhurst.

Youth Ministry, Religious Education, CYO and Music Ministry at OLPH also have Facebook pages.

St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility

"Caring for Those who Cared for Us"



The special collection for retired priests, living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility, will take place next weekend, *September 20/21.*

Our Priests, at retirement, often have given forty years or more to the mission of our Church and bringing people closer to Christ. The St. Pius X Residence enables these dedicated men who need extra care and attention to live at a facility that provides them with that special care, while still enabling them to serve as active fully engaged members of the community.

The Catholic Church of Long Island is blessed and privileged to be able to care for our senior priests - men who have dedicated their lives to serving God and our community.



We welcome your support of this important endeavor.

For more information or to donate online go to www.drvc.org/stpiusx

Or

Call 516-379-5210 ext 229 for more information.

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 21 DE SEPTIEMBRE DEL 2014

Primera Lectura (Is 55,6-9): Busca los Caminos del Señor. Dios está muy cerca de nosotros. Deberíamos buscarle y aprender a pensar y a obrar al modo de Dios. Mi meta y mis oración es que en este mensaje usted que cree en Cristo aprenda a buscar al señor continuamente para mantenerse en el amor de Dios (**Jude 21**) y los que no creen necesitan buscar del señor con una firme decisión para que puedan salvarse. No ay una persona para la que este texto sea irrelevante, la salvación es para todo el que crea en DIOS y en su hijo Jesucristo y si tomamos en serio la decisión de buscar a Dios, también tenemos que tomar en serio la decisión de apartarnos del pecado. Que nuestra conducta y nuestros pensamientos sean agradables a Dios. Porque no podemos vivir en Dios si practicamos o planeamos el pecado. Cuantas beses tenemos que hacer decisiones y rápido y nunca le preguntamos al señor. Nunca es tarde para comenzar.

Segunda Lectura (Fil 1,20c-24, 27a): Para Mí, “Vida” Significa Cristo. Para Pablo no tiene mucha importancia vivir o morir. Si vive, sirve a Cristo; si muere, estará con Cristo. Pero está dispuesto a seguir trabajando generosamente al servicio del evangelio. La muerte para un hombre carnal y mundano es una gran pérdida por que pierde todas sus comodidades de este mundo y todos sus sueños y metas; pero para el verdadero discípulo del señor es una ganancia porque al morir se al liberado de todas sus debilidades y miserias humanas, de todos los males de esta vida, y lo lleva a poseer el bien principal.

Evangelio (Mt 20,1-16a): Dios Es Generoso para con Todos. La generosidad de Dios sobrepasa nuestro razonamiento humano. Da a todos una oportunidad para entrar en su reino; nos permite participar en su vida, no porque lo merezcamos, sino porque él es bueno. Tenemos tendencia, como dice la parábola a envidiar o a resentirnos por lo que otros reciben de Dios. El dueño de la viña pregunto a los que habían trabajado por más tiempo y más fuerte “que no puedo ser generoso con lo que es mío. El punto es que la gracia, la misericordia, el amor, el perdón son de Dios y la da a quien él le parece. Su amor y su misericordia es para todos sin límites y el regalo que nos ofrece el la salvación de nuestra alma.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Loss of a Spouse 8-week bereavement program, Fridays **Sept. 19-Nov. 7** at 7:30pm at St. Joseph Parish Center, Babylon. Call Valerie Stone 631-617-9246 to register.

Protecting Religious and Civil Rights Conference at Nassau Community College Center for Catholic Studies **Sept. 20th** from 11AM—2:30PM. Among the guest presenters are Msgr. Robert J. Batule; William A. Donohue, President, Catholic League; Rick Hinshaw, Editor, *The Long Island Catholic*. *All are invited free but registration and one-day parking pass are required.* Call 516-572-7472 for info.

PREPARING FOR

*Sunday, September 21, 2014:
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call him while he is near.—Isaiah 55:6

Isaiah 55:6-9

Understanding the concept of sin as conveyed to us by Scripture, its effects upon us and on our relationship with God, is basic to our understanding of this text. Through the specific words used in the Hebrew language, sin is described as a deviation from an acceptable standard of behavior or path, engaging in either deliberate acts of rebellion against God's authority or else acting in ignorance, the mind having been clouded as to what is right and why, and results in one entering into a state of uncleanness, and is therefore unworthy of fellowship with God. It is both the clouding of the mind and the sense of uncleanness that can keep the sinner from turning back to God.

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

While imprisoned, Paul earnestly debates his prospects of martyrdom or continued missionary labor. While he may long to depart this life and thus be with Christ, his overall and final expectation is that he will be delivered from this imprisonment and continue in the service of the Philippians and of others. In either case, Christ is central; if to live means Christ for Paul, death means to be united with Christ in a deeper sense.

Matthew 20:1-16a

This parable is peculiar to Matthew. In terms of its context, it seems to echo the message of the preceding parable in Chapter 19: that all who faithfully respond to the call of Jesus, at whatever time (first or last), will all inherit the kingdom of God, and not out of merit, but of God's mercy.

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, September 15, 2014:

1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33
+ John 19:25-27

Tuesday, September 16, 2014:

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a
+ Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 17, 2014:

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
+ Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, September 18, 2014:

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 + Luke 7:36-50

Friday, September 19, 2014:

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 + Luke 8:1-3

Saturday, September 20, 2014:

1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49
+ Luke 8:4-15

Sunday, September 21, 2014:

Isaiah 55:6-9
+ Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
+ Matthew 20:1-16a

Gospel Reflection Questions....

After reading next Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 20:1-16a) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass. Use the questions below to aid your reflection.

1. Does the First Reading explain the Gospel? How would grace be handed out if people made the rules? How would you feel about God's ways if they were like our ways, if God's bountiful generosity did not exceed the level of simple distributive justice? Are any of us, first hour worker or eleventh, ever worthy of grace, no matter what?

2. This Gospel reading must be about outrageous generosity, if it is not about strict justice. What is the message of this parable? What is the message for you in your everyday life?



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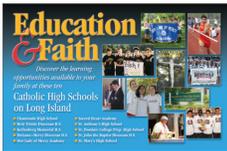
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Last Saturday, members of our parish's youth ministries joined together to serve and assist at the Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen in Brentwood. Here they prepared foods, served lunch, made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and carried out many activities "behind the scenes". Thanks to our Youth Ministry leaders for organizing the day and for all who attended!



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Our diocese is blessed to have wonderful Catholic students in high school. One of the best ways to learn about a particular school is to visit their Open House. Take note of the following dates and times for the high schools in our Diocese and feel free to visit during these times.

- Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Syosset - Saturday, September 27- (11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)
- St. Dominic High School - Saturday, September 27 - (1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.)
- Holy Trinity DHS - Sunday, September 28 - (12 noon - 2:30 p.m.)
- Sacred Heart Academy, Hempstead - Saturday, October 4 - (11 a.m.- 2p.m.)
- Kellenberg Memorial HS, Uniondale - Saturday, October 4- (10 a.m.- 1 p.m.)
- Chaminade High School, Mineola - Saturday, October 4 - (2 p.m. - 4 p.m.)
- St. Anthony's HS, South Huntington - Sunday, October 5 - (10 a.m.- 1 p.m.)
- St. Mary's High School, Manhasset - Sunday, October 5 - (2 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.)
- McGann-Mercy DHS, Riverhead - Saturday, October 18 - (9:00 a.m.- 12 p.m.)
- St. John the Baptist DHS, West Islip - Sunday, October 19- (10:30 a.m. -2 p.m.)

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