

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*“Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world”*

John 1:29-34

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 19, 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 Carbaugh **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.

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.

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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday Evening: after OLPH Novena Devotions

Wednesday: 12:45 to 4:30 p.m.

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

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

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 OF THE HOURS

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

OLPH MINISTRY FAIR

Last Saturday, our parish's second graders and their parents attended a Ministry Fair in the Auditorium. Nearly 30 ministries welcomed the second graders and invited them to consider getting involved in their ministries. Thanks to all of our ministry leaders for your presence and to our Office of Faith Formation for organizing this day!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Return to Ordinary Time

Last Monday we returned to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. Technically speaking, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which we celebrated last Sunday, is the First Sunday in Ordinary Time, and so this weekend we celebrate the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time continues until the Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, this year on March 5.

By "Ordinary Time" we do not mean "ordinary" in the sense of commonplace or banal; rather, the word refers to "ordinal," *i.e.*, we are counting the Sundays throughout the year. During Ordinary Time, we do not focus on any single particular aspect of the mystery of Christ, but rather on the Paschal Mystery in its entirety. The Sunday Scriptures continue to unfold for us the mystery of Jesus Christ as we continue to be challenged with the meaning of His mission and His ministry.

We have these weeks of winter Ordinary Time, then, to enter into the mystery of the Lord's death and resurrection as that Paschal Mystery is made real and present and effective for us at every liturgy. We should use these weeks well and enjoy a certain routine and "normalcy," for when Lent comes, we will have to be about the serious business of deeper prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Solemn Entrance at the Presentation of the Lord

One special celebration during winter Ordinary Time occurs on a Sunday this year, and that is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, always commemorated on February 2, and this year replacing the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Forty days after his birth, the child Jesus was brought to the Temple in Jerusalem in accord with the Law of Moses. It was here that Simeon, a just and righteous man inspired by God's Holy Spirit, recognized Jesus as the Anointed One, the light of revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Israel.

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is also called Candlemas Day, because of Jesus being declared by Simeon as "light" and "glory" for the people. The day is associated with the blessing of candles and with processions with candles.

Here at OLPH we will mark the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2 by using the Solemn Entrance described in the Missal as the form of entrance at all the Masses Saturday night and Sunday. The assembly will hold lighted candles for a special introduction to the Mass and blessing of candles, and blessed candles will be available to take home at the end of Mass. Taking these candles would be another great example of linking your prayer at home with the prayer of the Church, the Body of Christ, at the com-

munal gathering.

A fuller explanation of the meaning of the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, or Candlemas, will be given in next week's bulletin as a special insert; please look for it. We hope you enjoy celebrating this special liturgical day in this way. We are continually trying at OLPH to open up the richness and fullness of our liturgical celebrations and of the liturgical year, and in this way we hope to become more deeply immersed in the mystery of Christ.

Leaving Mass Early

I have been asked to address the issue of people leaving Mass early, and I am happy to do so.

First, let me define "leaving early." To my mind, leaving any time before the assembly has finished singing the closing hymn is leaving early; after all, the Body is engaged in an action of communal singing, so to leave before then is to leave too soon. Yes, as a liturgist, I know that technically speaking Mass is over as soon as the priest or deacon gives the dismissal, but in terms of the ritual, a closing hymn takes place, and is therefore part of the action. To leave before that action is complete is to leave too soon.

Now, let's ask some really "bottom-line" questions. I suppose it's possible that someone may have a legitimate reason for leaving early, but, other than a medical emergency (your own or a loved one's you have been called to), I really can't think of too many. So here are the questions: *Is leaving Mass early REALLY necessary? Does it REALLY save you that much time?*

I think that people who leave Mass early misunderstand the nature of Mass as a communal action where everybody is called to enter into the ritual actions TOGETHER. Mass is not about "Jesus and me" and simply "getting what I want;" that represents a consumerist, if not a selfish, mentality whereby once a person gets what he or she came for — *i.e.*, Holy Communion — it becomes OK to leave. Especially reprehensible is the practice of partaking of Holy Communion and then going right out the door; again, other than a sudden emergency, I can see no excuse to justify that.

So, if you'll allow me to be blunt, leaving Mass early is just plain rude: it's rude to the Lord, and it's rude to one's brothers and sisters who are entering into the act of worship. It's not the best we can do, and it's not the best we can be. Mass is supposed to be the center of our week and the most important thing we do in life as Catholics. Waiting until it is completely over is really asking very little. We need EVERYONE — ALL OF US — to give 100% to our worship, so that we can inspire one another, lift each other up, and give each oth-

er the witness of our faith.

If you know someone who leaves Mass early, maybe a gentle reminder to them about the importance of staying to the end would be helpful. It can be a reminder that **we are responsible to and for one another as members of the Body of Christ**. Let's help each other be the best we can be in Christ; let's help each other be the best we can be at liturgy together!

VIRTUS Training

With the new year upon us, OLPH is making a concerted effort to be in 100% conformity so that everyone who offers himself or herself in service at OLPH in any ministry, society or organization has completed the diocesan-mandated VIRTUS training course. This is something that is to be taken with the utmost seriousness. VIRTUS training teaches adults about the hallmarks of a safe environment for children and helps adults to recognize the warning signs of an unsafe environment.

At OLPH we are instituting a **deadline of April 1** as the time by which all offerers at OLPH will have been expected to take the training. This involves those in ALL ministries, organizations and societies that in any way might need to do this training because they might in some way be near or around children, even if they do not work with children or if children are not part of the group or its work. I thank everyone involved for their cooperation with this undertaking, which is mandated by the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Also, I wish to give a special **THANK YOU** to Jean Bjork, who is graciously offering her time and talent as the Coordinator of VIRTUS for the parish. It is a monumental task with much record-keeping and much interaction with all the heads and leaders of the parish groups. Jean does a wonderful job with it and is totally committed to keeping OLPH where we should be in this regard. Great work, Jean, and thank you!

March for Life

Allow me to give a special push to our parish's participation in the March for Life, which is this week, on Wednesday, January 22. OLPH always attends, and I would like to ask you to consider attending if at all possible.

The March for Life is an important witness given to our government and our society about the sacredness of all life from the moment of conception. With prayer and faithful witness we stay confident that one day all will come to understand the sacredness of life and that abortion will become a thing of the past. We can be proud of and grateful to the OLPH parishioners who offer their time and their presence to be part of this crucial event.

Further details and information about how you can

participate in the March for Life can be found elsewhere in this bulletin.

Telecare Telethon

This weekend I will again be participating in the annual Telecare Telethon. I will be on Telecare from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday night, and I have been told that during that time, probably around 7:30 p.m., we'll be highlighting and showcasing the show I currently co-host with Bishops Brennan and Pérez, *Insight*. Be sure to tune in if you get the chance.

On the subject of television, I wish to thank everyone who has mentioned that they have seen my show *Insight* and enjoyed it; I appreciate your support and I'm glad you find the show to be pleasing and entertaining.

9:30 a.m. Mass: Get ready for the Children's Liturgy of the Word!

We've teased you with its arrival, but it really is coming soon: current plans call for the Children's Liturgy of the Word to begin on March 2nd. We hope to be able to stick to that date. The Children's Liturgy of the Word will provide a means for children from first-grade and up to participate in the Liturgy of the Word (the readings and the homily) at Mass in a way that is geared toward their understanding. So, hang in there...it will be here before you know it, and more detailed explanations of the Children's Liturgy of the Word will be appearing in the bulletin in a few short weeks. Watch for it!

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,



Liturgy of the Hours

EVENING PRAYER

At Evening Prayer, we give thanks for the day just past and make an evening sacrifice of praise to God (see Psalm 141:1). Join our parish for the celebration of Evening Prayer on **Saturday and Sunday evenings** at approximately **6:15 P.M.** (after the 5 P.M. Evening Mass).

All are welcome!!!!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

"It is horrific even to think that there are children, victims of abortion, who will never see the light of day..."
 - Pope Francis

Food Pantry

New Shopping List

- Canned Tuna Fish
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Peanut Butter
- Mixed Canned Vegetables (no corn)
- Mashed Potatoes
- Canned Meats
- Canned Meals
- Bath Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste

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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the "New" School Building
 Use Parking Lot on corner of Gates and High Streets
Our NEW phone # 631.226.7725 x. 234

The office is open:

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

In the Gospel today, John testifies that Jesus is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. The revelation of Jesus's identity—how he is made known in the world—is mediated by the way we live our lives every-day.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

MINISTRY TO THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

OLPH is blessed to have a wonderful Special Needs Ministry and a wonderful Special Education program. Each Saturday morning, catechists and other offerers share their time and talent with our parish's young people. Before Christmas, they sponsored a beautiful "Nativity Museum and Play" for all to see. Thanks to all who minister in our Special Education program and our Special Needs Ministry.



Want to get involved?

For more information about our Saturday program, contact the Religious Education Office.

For information about our Special Needs Ministry (which hosts our monthly Mass and plans other events), contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to jsureau@oloph.org.

MARCH FOR LIFE



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Wednesday, January 22, 2014

Our parish is attending the Annual March for Life on **Wednesday, January 22, 2014**. We will gather at OLPH at 5:00 A.M. for Mass in the Church and depart immediately after.

If you are unable to join in the March for Life, please consider

- ✠ gathering with our pilgrims at the 5:00 A.M. Mass,
- ✠ praying for them at one of our Masses and/or
- ✠ joining in time of prayer and adoration during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday afternoon.

Respect



RESOURCES

Our *Respect Life* Committee has put together a list of helpful numbers and resources for those in need of information and support about significant issues that impact life from natural conception to natural death. Please cut out this page from the bulletin and keep it in a place that is easily accessible.

Help for Expectant Parents and Child

The Life Center Hotline 516.243.0066/631.243.2373
 Baby Safe Haven 877.796.4673
 Bethany House 516.868.6866
 Momma's House 516.781.8637
 Perinatal Hospice 631.666.6863
 Regina Residence 516.223.7888

Post Abortion Counseling for Women and Men

Rachel's Vineyard 516.523.0586
 DRVC Hotline 1.888.456.HOPE

Suicide Prevention/Crisis Intervention Hotline

Response of Suffolk County (631) 751-7500

Addiction/Recovery/Self-Help

Alcoholics Anonymous 631.669.1124
 Al-Anon 631.669.2827
 Families Anonymous (800) 736-9805
 Gambler's Anonymous (855) 222-5542
 Narcotics Anonymous 631-689-NANA

HEALING AFTER ABORTION



The Church's teaching on abortion is clear. Our adamant opposition to abortion never removes our call to compassion and ministry to those who have had an abortion.

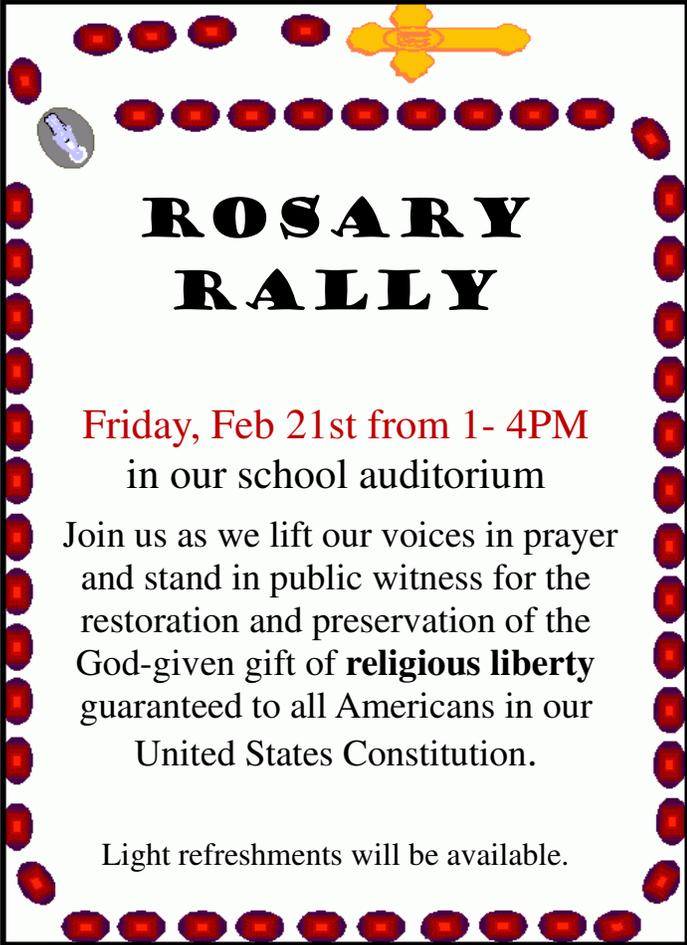
Project Rachel is the name of the Catholic Church's healing ministry to those who have been involved in abortion. Project Rachel operates as a network of healing composed of specially-trained caregivers which may include priests, deacons, sisters, lay staff and volunteers, mental health professionals, spiritual directors, mentors, chaplains and others, such as medical personnel. These individuals, often working as a team, provide direct care to women, men and adolescents who have been touched by an abortion loss, enabling them to grieve, receive forgiveness, and find peace. For more information about Project Rachel and other ministries for those who have had an abortion you can contact: 1 (888) 456-HOPE or go online to hopeafterabortion.com.



Join with the United States Bishops for Nine Day for Life. Surrounding the March for Life, the novena began on Saturday, January 18 and continues for nine days.

Visit our parish's Facebook page or www.usccb.org for more information.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY



ROSARY RALLY

Friday, Feb 21st from 1- 4PM
in our school auditorium

Join us as we lift our voices in prayer and stand in public witness for the restoration and preservation of the God-given gift of **religious liberty** guaranteed to all Americans in our United States Constitution.

Light refreshments will be available.

SENIOR MINISTRY

Coming soon

OLPH SENIOR MOMENTS

Beginning in March 2014!

Aging is not "lost youth," but a new stage of opportunity and strength.

Avail yourself 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, follow the bulletin and/or contact Fran Grasso at 631-956-3003
Or e-mail: sixfingers13@gmail.com.

A WORD ABOUT LITURGICAL PRACTICES AND GOOD HEALTH

As we continue through the winter days of cold and flu season and long for the warmer days of Spring to arrive, it's a good time to review some common-sense liturgical practices and issues, to help everyone stay healthy and to care for one another as we gather each week for Mass.

Holy Communion: Priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion should be especially encouraged to wash and sanitize their hands before Mass begins. If Communion ministers need to clean their hands during Mass, it must be done discreetly. The best way for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to clean their hands during Mass is to use a sanitizing liquid in the pew before they come into the sanctuary (sanitizing liquids have no place on the altar or among the Communion vessels and other sacred items on the credence table).

Communion from the Chalice: The faithful should refrain from drinking from the chalice when one has a cold or is fearful of being infected.

Receiving on the Tongue: Faithful who normally receive Holy Communion on the tongue should refrain from receiving on the tongue and instead receive in the hand when one has a cold or is otherwise contagious. Do not spread your saliva to the hand of the Communion minister if you are sick; receive Communion in the hand instead.

Greeting of Peace: Use your own discretion and best judgment when invited to exchange the greeting of peace during the liturgy; limit physical contact with others if necessary. If a handshake is not advisable, a simple bow of the head is acceptable. Do not be insulted if someone prefers to avoid shaking your hand.

Mass Attendance: **MOST IMPORTANTLY, IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO MASS!** There is no obligation to attend Mass if you are sick; it is not a sin to miss Mass for this reason. (Also, there is no need to go to Confession if you miss Mass because you are sick.) Personal prayer and reflection on the Sunday Scripture readings is encouraged; many people also enjoy viewing the Mass on television.

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. Phil Amico (olphcyophil@optonline.net)

Boy Scouts: Mr. Tom Duffy (baggage25@hotmail.com)

K of C Squires: Mr. Frank Nicosia (happynicosias@yahoo.com)

K of C Squirettes: Ann Marie Perullo (amp1761@hotmail.com)

For High School Students....

YOUTH FAITH IN ACTION (YFIA)

January is Social Justice Month for
High School Youth Ministry!

Sunday, January 19th—TODAY!

All 8th - 12th graders are welcomed to join us in the cafeteria for **Charity vs. Justice** our second afternoon on Social Justice. 3:15 in the cafeteria!

Sunday, January 26th

Our final high school social justice night: Filling the Gap, the Church's concern and our awareness. Get ready for zombie tag! 3:15 in the cafeteria!

Present and new youth group members are always welcome.
Come and bring a friend!

For Middle School Students...

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Come down to the Church for some fun and exciting activities for our parish's 6th, 7th and 8th graders!

Friday, January 24, 2014

Join us in the gym for My Brother's Keeper, a night where we will learn how being active members in our community can help promote good everywhere!

7:30 P.M. + Auditorium

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

Middle school night! Join us in the gym at 7:30 for Sticks and Stones, a night on bullying and the dignity of the human person.

7:30—8:45 P.M. + Auditorium

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

NEXT SUNDAY AFTERNOON — February 2, 2014

OLPH Youth Ministry sponsors the....

2nd Annual OLPH Youth

Super Bowl

SUPER BOWL II



ALL YOUTH of OLPH are welcome – whether you're involved a youth ministry or not!
Come one, come all

MORE INFO NEXT WEEK and on FACEBOOK (OLPH Youth Ministry)!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Squires Family and Friends Buffet



Friday, January 24, 2014

6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

OLPH Knights of Columbus Council +
400 Broadway + Lindenhurst NY

Come and join the young men who make up the Knights of Columbus Squires for a special fundraiser!

Cost is \$10 pp;
\$30 (family up to 5 people)
\$5 each (after 5th person)

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

Te invita a alabar y glorificar a Dios todos los Jueves a las 7:00PM en la cafetería Comenzando con el Santo Rosario, únete a nosotros en oración por ti y por tu familia en 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 at (631) 885-3673.

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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Soon we will be beginning classes in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are an adult who is baptized and has received first Holy Communion but has not been confirmed, please let us know.

Classes will begin in the next few weeks!

For more information, contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to jsureau@oloph.org.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Congratulations to the 2013 Holy Name Society's Christmas Poster contest winners.

Thank you all for your participation, all the entries were greatly appreciated.

1st Grade: 1st Place--Giovanni Calamia

2nd Place--Layla Ferazzoli

2nd Grade: 1st Place--Gia Lohse

2nd Place--Lily Horan

3rd Place--Michael Fiocco

Honorable Mention--

Brianna Loverde

Mark Lauletta

Alyssa Kulish,

Sebastian Zieba

3rd Grade: 1st Place--Sinead Buckley

2nd Place--Sabrina Marie Roberts

3rd Place--Heather Neumar

Honorable Mention-

Brianna Rella

Taylor Lupo

4th Grade: 1st Place--Taylor Ferazzoli

5th Grade: 1st Place--William Rella

7th Grade: 1st Place--Julita Wiechowski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Monday, January 20, 2014:

1 Samuel 15:16-23 + Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 21, 2014:

1 Samuel 16:1-13 + Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 22, 2014:

1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 + Mark 3:1-6

Thursday, January 23, 2014:

1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7 + Mark 3:7-12

Friday, January 24, 2014:

1 Samuel 24:3-21 + Mark 3:13-19

Saturday, January 25, 2014:

Acts 22:3-16 + Mark 16:15-18

Sunday, January 26, 2014:

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 8:23-9:3 + 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
+ Matthew 4:12-23

After reading next Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 4:12-23) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass.

1. As soon as Jesus heard that John was arrested he immediately moved into Herod's territory and began an intense program teaching, healing and preaching repentance. What would cause Jesus to make such a dangerous move? Are you able to stand up for what is right when you know you will suffer pain or loss when you do? What do you think of Jesus when he acts like this?

2. Do you think Jesus needed friends? "At once they left their nets and followed him." How long did it take Peter and Andrew to respond to his invitation? What do you think was going on in their heads and hearts?



PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN



**VIRTUS
TRAINING
HERE**

**TUES., JANUARY 21
7 PM IN ROOM 1**

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

*Registration **MUST** be done online.*
Simply go to drvc.org,
then Protecting God's Children
and to Virtus training schedule.

*Cake bakers and drink makers
NEEDED!*

OLPH is looking to form a new

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

- 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?

One of the ways we unite as parish is to come together for times of fellowship and hospitality. We are looking to form a ministry that will help to coordinate and organize these events. This will be 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!

The time commitment is up to you! You will be able to help as much or as little as you'd like.

For more information, contact Father John at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to jsureau@oloph.org.

Sign up today!!!!

MUSIC NOTES

A Few Good Men And Women Needed for the Adult Choir

Won't you join us and help make beautiful music on Sunday mornings? We rehearse on Thursdays at 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the choir loft. Reading music is not a requirement, just the ability to carry a tune and a willingness to offer your time and talent to our music ministry. Call Chris Ferraro at 226-7725 ext. 210 or email him at cferraro@oloph.org for more information.

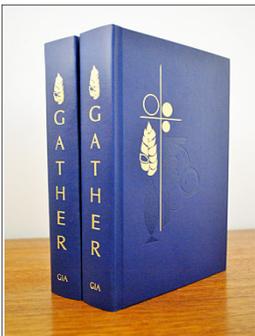


We're On Facebook

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Music Ministry now has its own Facebook page. Be sure to check out our page and "like" us.

Pianist/Keyboard Player Needed

In March we will begin having a Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30am Mass on Sundays. We are in need of a person willing to offer themselves as a keyboard player to play two simple songs. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Chris Ferraro at 226-7725 ext. 210 or cferraro@oloph.org. You must be able to read music and have some proficiency in playing.



GATHER HYMNAL MEMORIALS

*"Those who sing pray twice."
St. Augustine*

I/We wish to help defray the cost of our new hymnals by offering the following memorial for \$35:

Name(s) _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Bookplate Inscription (*choose only one per book*):

For a Deceased Person: In Memory of _____

For a Living Person: In Honor of _____

Simple Donation: Gift of _____

If you wish to memorialize more than one book, make copies of this form as needed.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP



STEWARDS OF THE TRADITION

Fifty Years After Sacrosanctum Concilium

COMMITTEE ON DIVINE WORSHIP

The Committee on Divine Worship, a standing committee of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, marked the 50th Anniversary of *Sacrosanctum Concilium* with the publication of *Stewards of the Tradition*. This week, we publish the next section of the document.

Liturgical Reform and the Renewal of the Church

Sacrosanctum Concilium was the first text to be promulgated at the Second Vatican Council. In setting out a broad agenda, its opening paragraph stated:

“This Sacred Council has several aims in view: it desires to impart an ever increasing vigor to the Christian life of the faithful; to adapt more suitably to the needs of our own times those institutions that are subject to change; to foster whatever can promote union among all who believe in Christ; to strengthen whatever can help to call the whole of mankind into the household of the Church. The Council therefore sees particularly cogent reasons for undertaking the reform and promotion of the liturgy. (no. 1)

We want to underscore that the reforms in the Liturgy, which were the result of the Council's deliberations and decisions, are for nothing less than the increased spiritual vigor and ongoing renewal of the Church. It was judged that the visible rites of the Church had to undergo reform for the sake of interior renewal of the faithful.

At the Extraordinary Synod on the twentieth anniversary of Vatican II in 1985, and ever since, a key term surfaced for interpreting both the documents of Vatican II and the nature of the Church: *communio*. This is fittingly applied also to the Sacred Liturgy, which builds up and expresses the Church. Used in a variety of ways and contexts in subsequent Church documents, the term *communio* often refers to the relationship of the baptized as incorporated into the Trinity of persons who is the one true God. This is what constitutes the Church: that we are rooted in the very life of our Trinitarian God, experiencing most profoundly in the celebration of the Eucharist the reality of being "many parts, yet one body" (1 Cor. 12:20).

Liturgy is always the public prayer of the Church, aptly called "the pilgrim Church on earth" (Eucharistic Prayer III). It has always been an ideal that the Church become who she is through the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. St. Augustine admonishes his listeners: "[I]t is your sacrament that you receive. To that which you are you respond 'Amen' ('yes, it is true!') and by responding to it you assent to it" (Sermon 272, *On Pentecost*, PL 38, 1247). Thus it is that the Church prays, "[G]rant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son, and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ" (Eucharistic Prayer III).

As we give thanks for the great work of reform of the Liturgy and renewal of the Church that has borne such abundant fruits, we must also continually strive to deepen this renewal that was begun under the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit. This ongoing renewal is the pilgrim journey of the Church toward the "holy city Jerusalem" (Rev. 21:10). Liturgy is the privileged time and place when our words and deeds cede to communion, ultimately leading to final (comm)union when we see God face to face. In other words, the Church's Liturgy is always oriented toward the heavenly Liturgy. In the meantime, our communal engagement and incorporation into Christ's Paschal Mystery must always lead to our witnessing to the world what we have celebrated and what we hope for. This Prayer after Communion in Easter Time expresses well our communion with "God-with-us" and our pilgrim journey to his heavenly Kingdom:

*“Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.”*

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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.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, January 20—****Weekday***(St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr)*

6:30 Pauline Micovsky

12:15 Leonard Vicciardo

NO EVENING DEVOTIONS**TUESDAY, January 21—****Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr**

6:30 Benjamin Greene

12:15 Mark Lang

WEDNESDAY, January 22—**Day of Prayer for the
Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

6:30 Barbara Stewart

12:15 Dominick O'Neill

THURSDAY, January 23—**Saint Vincent, Deacon & Martyr
(Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children)**

6:30 Joseph Micovsky

12:15 Gail Connors

FRIDAY, January 24—**St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

6:30 Josephine Rizzo

12:15 John Russo, Sr.

SATURDAY, January 25—**The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle**

8:00 Loretta Damone

Vigil Mass for**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 Thanksgiving for Guylda Richard

January 26**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

6:30 Lillian LaSala

8:00 Mary Barone

9:30 For the People of the Parish

11:00 Catherine Araujo

12:30 Marie Picherero

5:00 Joseph Totino

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK**Monday, January 20, 2014**

7:30 PM Liturgical Committee St. Lucy

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

5:30PM CYO Cheerleading Auditorium

5:45PM Pastoral Staff Meeting St. Lucy

7:00PM Community of Praise Room 14

7:45PM Youth Ministry Auditorium

8:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

6:00AM Respect Life March for Life Bus to DC

1:00PM Legion of Mary Room 24

4:00PM Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 7 Auditorium
& School

7:30PM Boy Scouts Cafeteria

Thursday, January 23, 2014

4:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal Room 14

5:30 PM CYO Cheerleading Auditorium

7:00PM Spanish Prayer Group Cafeteria

7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal Church

7:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous NA Room 24

7:30 PM Adult Faith Formation—
Christology Room 14

7:45PM Youth Ministry Auditorium

8:00 PM Mothers Prayer Group Room 16

Saturday, January 25, 20148:30 AM Rel. Ed. Grades 2-6 School Rms
10:00 & School Rms & Library
11:30AM as usual

1:00PM CYO Basketball Auditorium

5:00PM CMA 2014 Pledges School
Vestibule

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

Sunday, January 26, 2014

6:30 AM CMA 2014 Pledges School

1:00PM CYO Basketball Auditorium

2:00PM Baptisms Church

2:00 PM Youth Ministry Cafeteria

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Cafeteria

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WE CELEBRATE

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

-Rite of Baptism

Ryan James LaFlare

Natalia Liszka

Ava Nicole Ortiz

Emily Tochluk

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



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

First Time:

Darius Sileikis (Holy Family, Flushing) &

Jessica McMahon (OLPH)

WE REMEMBER

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

Philip Hosey

Henry Ortiz

Alfred Sazinger

Arthur Giorgini

Denise Kaminsky

William Nagle

“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.”

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 BELIEVE

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? - Psalm 27

We pray for the sick of our parish...

Joan Weremeichuk	Richard Brosan
Ann Marie Nuss	Gloria Licameli
Dorothy Vogt	Baby Alexandra Digiamo
Mary Armbruster	Christopher Ditalia
William Delena	Michael Cummo
John Manning	Julia Cicala
Joan Woelfel	Anthony Kercelius
George Walters	Bill Maher
Baby Liam Michael Snow	Kevin M. Curran
Vincent Malito	Jenette Russo
Salvatore Cicala	
Herb Otten	
Bernard Celestine	
Patricia O'Shea	

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.

As has been our practice, after the fourth week, the name will be removed from the sick list in the bulletin. If you wish to have your name or the name of a loved one to remain in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Office to let us know.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK AT MASS

We pray for the sick by name during the Universal Prayer at Mass. Any name requested to be listed in the bulletin will be announced for the first week only at Mass and will remain in the bulletin for the following three weeks.



OFFERING UPDATE

JAN. 11/12, 2014

Mass Time	Weekly Collection	# of Envelopes	Attendance
5:00 P.M.	\$2,524.00	97	325
6:30 A.M.	899.00	38	110
8:00 A.M.	2,123.00	105	224
9:30 A.M.	1,849.00	114	362
11:00 A.M.	2,715.00	89	447
12:30 P.M.	2,809.00	144	345
5:00 P.M.	1,288.00	29	246
Total coin:	32.77		
Mail-ins:	746.00		
Children's env.	45.34	22	
Faith Direct	1,971.00		
TOTAL	\$17,002.11	638	2,059
2013 Totals	\$17,131.82	643	2,182
CANDLES	718.21		
POOR BOX	260.44		

CHRISTMAS 2013

2013	\$73,328.35	3,849
2012	\$74,736.60	3,755
Flowers 2013	\$3,740.00	
Flowers 2012	\$3,595.00	



The Rectory
will be closed
MONDAY,
January 20

The office will reopen
9am Tuesday

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Hospitality Breakfast

Sunday, February 9, 2014
After the 9:30 A.M. Mass

Look for more information in the upcoming editions of the bulletin.

Save the date!

MARDI GRAS

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

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bulletin for
details!*

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CHILDREN'S BULLETINS

Children's Bulletins are available at the end of the 9:30 a.m. Mass. These special Children's Bulletins are handed out by children and families at the end of the 9:30 a.m. Mass, along with the regular bulletins handed out by the ushers.

We are in need of families to assist with distributing these bulletins. Can your family help? If so, contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or send an e-mail to: olphfamilylife@aol.com.

Beginning March 2014—

Children's Liturgy of the Word
at the 9:30 A.M. Mass....get ready!!!!

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- ◆ **Church of St. Joseph, Babylon “Moving ON” Group** - An After Bereavement group for widows and widowers will present “Building a New Norma: on Friday, **January 24, 2014** at 7:30 P.M. Registration and \$10 membership fee required. For more information, call Geri Olson at 631.661.8944 or Mike Goodwin at 631.422.0957.
- ◆ **American Sign Language Classes**—*Cleary School for the Deaf* is offering evening Adult Ed. classes in American Sign Language, levels 1, 2, 3 & Immediate/Advanced beginning **January 29-April 30** (age 12 & up). Call Carolyn Kelly 631-588-0530 or email ClearyASL@hotmail.com for more information.
- ◆ **Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center**, in conjunction with **Good Shepherd Hospice**, will host lecture, *Bridge to Hope: Hospice for the Grieving Heart* this Valentine’s Day on Thursday, **February 6**, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the hospital’s Patio Café. The workshop is free but registration is required due to limited seating. Good Shepherd Hospice staff will present the program, with Bereavement Specialist Maribeth McKeever, LCSW-R, offering tips, advice and coping mechanisms. Please call Maribeth McKeever at (631) 465-6386 by February 4, to reserve your seat.
- ◆ **MAGNIFICAT Retreat:** You are invited to attend a Retreat sponsored by Magnificat - a ministry to *Catholic women* starting on **Friday, February 28th through Sunday, March 2nd**, which will be held at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY. Our speaker is Sister Miriam James, who is gifted and anointed to teach and to bring healing to the hearts of women. Sister Miriam James travels around the country speaking and sharing her testimony, leading women to walk as true Daughters of the King! The cost is \$230 per person and reservations are required, as space is limited. For more information, call Angela Rizzo at (516) 763-1739.
- ◆ **ATTENTION All Parents/Guardians in Need of Day Care!!!** Our Lady of Grace now offers Day Care to children ages of 6 weeks to kindergarten ready. The daily hours of operation are: Monday – Friday, 7:00am – 6:00pm. What sets Our Lady of Graces’ Day Care apart from other programs? The program is located on the parish grounds on the first floor of the Parish Center. If you or someone you know is interested, please call 631-422-4681 and schedule a tour.
- ◆ The Franciscan Missions collects cancelled stamps at our Fraternity gatherings and send them to Franciscan Missions, Inc. For their work in over 800 missions throughout the world building churches, schools, homes for poor families, feeding the poor and helping with their education. Cancelled stamps provides non-monetary donations to assist in their ministry with the poor.



**Saturday,
February 1**

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*For information and reservations, contact:
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& Sunday, January 19th 12PM to 10PM**

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CHRISTMAS 2013

The Christmas season ended last Sunday on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Here are some pictures from our parish's work during the last days of the Christmas season!

EMHC Christmas Party

The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion held their first Christmas party on January 10th in the school auditorium. We all came to spend time together for some holiday cheer, not only as a ministry, but as a community of worshipers and friends! A good time was had by all!

This was the first of many more to come!



Thanks to all who attended and took the time to cook and bake. You are wonderful!

Christmas Clean Up

On the final day of the Christmas season, many came forward to offer their time in cleaning up our parish grounds and returning our Church environment to Ordinary Time.



CELEBRATING BAPTISM

On Sunday, January 12, 2014, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we invited families who had a child baptized in the past year to the 9:30 A.M. Mass. Here, our community prayed for them and they received a blessing at Mass. Following, our Family Life Ministry hosted a breakfast for them and for our entire parish community! Our next hospitality breakfast is February 9th. Look for more information in upcoming editions of the bulletin.



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