

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced;  
I have set my face like flint,  
knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

Isaiah 50:7

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 13, 2014

### PASTORAL STAFF

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

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

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

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

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

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

### COME IN AND PRAY...

Our church is open **6:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.** seven days a week, except for Thursdays when it closes after the 12:15 p.m. Mass for cleaning. Come in and spend some time in prayer.

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday – Friday**

6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

**Saturday Morning:** 8:00 a.m.

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

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

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

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

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

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday – Friday following the 12:15 p.m. Mass.  
Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available by making an appointment with one of our priests.*

### 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.

# HOLY WEEK 2014

**Monday, April 14, 2014**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass &  
3 P.M.— 9:00 P.M.

**Tuesday, April 15, 2014**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass

**Wednesday, April 16, 2014**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass &  
7:30—9:00 P.M.



## HOLY THURSDAY, April 17, 2014

Morning Prayer—9:00 AM

Chrim Mass—St. Agnes Cathedral—11:00 A.M.

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper—8:00 PM

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight*

*In the Auditorium*

Night Prayer—11:45 P.M.



## GOOD FRIDAY, April 18, 2014

Morning Prayer—9:00 A.M.

Stations of the Cross —Noon

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—3:00 P.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—8:00 P.M.



## HOLY SATURDAY, April 19, 2014

Morning Prayer—9:00 A.M.

Confessions—3:00—5:00 P.M.

Easter Vigil —8:00 P.M.

*(NO 5:00 P.M. Mass)*

## EASTER SUNDAY, April 20, 2014

**Masses: 6:30 A.M. + 8:00 A.M. +  
9:30 A.M. + 11:00 A.M. + 12:30 P.M.**  
*(NO 5:00 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY)*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Week begins with today's celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord! This is it — our holiest week of the year! Today we have recalled the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. This week we are asked to enter deeply into the mystery of his dying and rising, making that Paschal Mystery our own mystery; we are called to embrace it more fully and really make it the center of the way we live. Take a few moments to reflect on the Entrance Antiphon for the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the antiphon and call to worship that inaugurates the Sacred Paschal Triduum: *We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.* That antiphon sums up the mystery we should be contemplating and immersing ourselves in all this week.

We take this opportunity to welcome to our Palm Sunday Masses those parishioners who are not regular participants but who have come for Palm Sunday. We are very happy to have you with us and you have enriched our worship through your participation. We extend to you a warm invitation to come more frequently on Sundays, indeed, to come weekly. We want you to share in the richness and the blessings that come from regular participation in Sunday Mass, and we want you to know you are a valued part of our community. We need you with us, because as the Body of Christ we are diminished when all the members of the Body are not together. We hope to see you again next Sunday, Easter Sunday, and every Sunday thereafter. If there is anything at all that I as your Pastor, or that any of the other priests, can do to facilitate your participation in the life of the parish, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to make the time to meet with you and talk things over.

### Easter Spiritual Bouquet Cards

I take this opportunity to remind you that all the Masses on Easter Sunday will be for the intentions of the Easter Spiritual Bouquet Cards. If you would like to participate in this meaningful custom and have your intentions prayed for, please use the cards and envelopes available and be sure to return them before Easter Sunday to

the rectory.

### Reconciliation Monday

This Monday, April 14, is our annual Diocesan Day of Reconciliation. Priests will be continuously available in the church from 3:00-9:00 p.m. to hear Confessions. What a great opportunity this is to come and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation! You are especially encouraged to come if you have been away from the Sacrament for a long time. If the door to a Confessional is open and the light is on inside, that means the priest inside is "open for business" — come on in! We might even have a priest just sitting somewhere in the church...if that's the case, go right up to him! Plan now on coming to Confession on "Reconciliation Monday," April 14.

### Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday

In accord with the ancient tradition of the Church, the Mass celebrated on Holy Thursday is the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, there is no Mass whatsoever on Good Friday, and the only Mass on Holy Saturday is the great Easter Vigil in the evening. Thus, the usual weekday Masses are not celebrated those days.

However, the **daily prayer of the Church IS celebrated: the Liturgy of the Hours!** We will be celebrating **Morning Prayer** at 9:00 a.m. each day and I strongly urge everyone to attend these liturgies. The *General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours* reminds us of the importance of parish communities gathering to pray the Liturgy of the Hours as a means of carrying out the mission to pray unceasingly: *"In the Holy Spirit Christ carries out through the church 'the task of redeeming humanity and giving perfect glory to God,' not only when the Eucharist is celebrated and the sacraments administered but also in other ways and especially when the Liturgy of the Hours is celebrated. There [in the Liturgy of the Hours] Christ himself is present — in the gathered community, in the proclamation of God's word, 'in the prayer and song of the Church.'"* (#13)

We are already familiar with the Liturgy of the Hours as we have been gathering to pray Evening Prayer after the 5:00 p.m. Masses on Saturdays and Sundays. It is important that we as a parish come together to pray Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. I

hope you will be able to join us as these liturgies, in addition to the other celebrations, are important avenues for entering into the spirituality of the days, and because they provide the structure for a rhythm of daily prayer that will set these days aside as holy and as “outside of time.”

### **Procession with Gifts for the Poor on Holy Thursday**

There is a rubric in the Missal for the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday that says: *“At the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, there may be a procession of the faithful in which gifts for the poor may be presented with the bread and wine.”* Insofar as one of the principal mysteries commemorated on Holy Thursday is the Lord’s command to love one another (as ritualized in the Washing of Feet), we can see how this procession with gifts for the poor fits right in with what we are celebrating.

This year at OLPH we will use this option. **Therefore, all who attend the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday should bring some item for the poor.** I suggest you check the shopping list for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry printed elsewhere in this bulletin and bring one or more of those items. **THEN, DO NOT BRING YOUR GIFT TO THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY BEFORE MASS BEGINS! HOLD ONTO IT — YOU WILL CARRY IT UP IN PROCESSION AT THE USUAL TIME OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS, AS DIRECTED BY THE USHERS.** What a beautiful ritual enactment this will be, announcing that “where true charity is dwelling, God is present there.”

### **Good Friday Adoration of the Holy Cross**

In keeping with the rubrics of the Roman Missal we will again be using only one Cross for adoration on Good Friday. **As the congregation comes forward to show reverence to the Cross, they should do so coming forward three (3) people at a time, following the direction of those who will be ushering the assembly.** Please keep in mind that this is a communal adoration of the Cross, and not a time for individual adoration. Personal reverence and adoration may take place after the liturgy ends, but during the liturgy itself is not the time for each person to have their few individual moments of “private time” for adora-

tion; it is not necessary for each person to make a sign of reverence individually. Your cooperation of following the direction of the assistants is greatly appreciated.

Also, a collection is usually taken up on Good Friday, in support of the churches in the Holy Land. However, given the unique nature of the liturgy on Good Friday, which is not a Mass, the taking up of a collection in the way usually done on Sundays becomes somewhat problematic. Because of this, we will not actually be taking up a collection on Good Friday. Instead, baskets will be available throughout the church. You are asked to leave your Good Friday Holy Land Offering envelope in one of those baskets as you either enter or leave the church. Thank you for your attention to this.

### **See you at the Sacred Paschal Triduum!**

So, we look forward to seeing you at the liturgies of the Sacred Paschal Triduum: the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday evening, April 17; the Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday, April 18, at either 3:00 p.m. or 8:00 p.m.; the Solemn Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night, 8:00 p.m. on April 19; and, of course, Morning Prayer on each of those days. In addition, don’t forget that there is the diocesan celebration of the Chrism Mass at 11:00 a.m. on Holy Thursday morning at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, to which everyone in the diocese is invited. These days, the heart of our liturgical year and the holiest days of all, should not be business as usual, but rather should be days set apart and days “outside of time” as we enter deeply into the Lord’s Paschal Mystery. Make the most of these days; you will be glad you did.

### **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,



# HOLY WEEK 2014 Notes

## Monday, April 14, 2014—NO NOVENA

Due to the Diocesan Day of Reconciliation, the OLPH Novena will not be celebrated on Monday, April 14, 2014. The Novena will be prayed next on Monday, April 21, 2014.

## Holy Thursday, April 17, 2014

### **OFFERINGS FOR THE POOR ON HOLY THURSDAY**

All who attend the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper are asked to bring an offering of food for the poor. Insofar as one of the principal mysteries commemorated on Holy Thursday is the Lord's command to love one another, as also ritualized in the Washing of Feet, this ritual expression of bringing offerings for the poor reminds us that "where true charity is dwelling, God is present there." Check the shopping list for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry printed elsewhere in this bulletin and bring one or more of those items. **REMEMBER, THOUGH: DO NOT BRING YOUR GIFT TO THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY BEFORE MASS BEGINS! HOLD ONTO IT — YOU WILL CARRY IT UP IN PROCESSION AT THE USUAL TIME OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS, AS DIRECTED BY THE USHERS.** Thus, these offerings of food for the poor and the bread and wine for the celebration of the Eucharist will powerfully symbolize the offerings of ourselves and of our love for one another as we participate in the offering of the Mass.



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## Good Friday, April 18, 2014

### **HOLY LAND COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY**

Your Good Friday Holy Land Offering envelope should be placed in one of the baskets as you enter or leave the church on Good Friday. Due to the unique nature of the liturgy, no collection will be taken up.



Your offering may be made using one of the baskets that will be placed around the church. Thank you for your attention to this, and for your generosity in supporting the churches in the Holy Land.

## **ABSTINENCE AND FASTING**

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

This Paschal Fast is to be considered sacred and, if at all possible, consideration should be given to prolonging it through Holy Saturday as a way of coming, with spirit uplifted, to the joys of the Lord's Resurrection.

## Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014

### **EASTER SUNDAY**

On Easter Sunday, a special hymn, called the Sequence, is added to the Liturgy of the Word after the second reading, before the Gospel Acclamation. Known by its Latin title, *Victimae Paschali Laudes*, the Easter Sequence announces the praise of the Paschal Victim, Jesus, who has conquered sin and death. This Easter Sequence, which is one of four sequences that is sung throughout the liturgical year, has been part of the Mass of Easter Sunday since the eleventh century. It was composed by Wipo, a prolific hymn writer from Burgundy, France.

### **EASTER SPIRITUAL BOUQUET**

*Easter Spiritual Bouquet* cards are now available throughout the Church. These cards are a meaningful way for you to have your intentions prayed for in the Masses on Easter Sunday. Take an envelope, fill out your prayer intention, and return the envelope with your donation. Envelopes may be returned either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer. All the Masses offered on Easter Sunday will be for the intentions of the Easter Spiritual Bouquet.

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

## LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY AND REFLECTION

### Monday of Holy Week

After the 6:30 A.M. Mass  
(facilitated by Father Ethel)

and the 12:15 P.M. Mass  
(facilitated by Father Alfred)

In Room 14—OLPH School

*Let's gather and pray  
with the upcoming Sunday readings.*



## MUSIC NOTES

### Adult Choir

The Adult Choir sings at the 11:00am Mass on Sundays. They rehearse on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the Church. Members are high school aged and older.

For more information, contact: Chris Ferraro at 631.226.7725, ext. 210 or email him at cferraro@oloph.org



### Youth Choir

The Youth Choir leads the music at the 9:30am Mass three times a month. They rehearse on Thursday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30pm in the school. Singers are in grades 3 through 12.

For more information, contact Mrs. Amy Keller, mrs.amykeller@yahoo.com.



### YOUTH BAND!

Members of the Youth Band lead the music at the Sunday 5:00pm Mass twice a month. The Teen Music Ministry needs young musicians: piano, flute, cello preferred.

If you'd like to try out or want some more information, Contact: Dan Volpe @ 917-468-9584.



*"More than the preacher's word, it is the musician's touch that brings the young to God again. Heart speaks to heart in mysterious ways, and it is the artist that holds the key to the mystery."*  
- Pedro Arrupe, S.J.

### Wedding Rehearsal Ministry

Our Wedding Rehearsal Ministry serves couples preparing to get married by assisting at their rehearsal and with their wedding liturgy. If you like to help others feel organized and prepared—and love weddings—this is the ministry for you!

We are in the process of training and preparing for the upcoming months. Our training meetings will be on Monday, April 28, 2014 and Monday, May 5, 2014.

For more information, contact Fr. John at jsureau@oloph.org or Carmel Becker at cbecker@oloph.org.



WEDDING MINISTRY

# GETTING READY FOR HOLY WEEK!

## Why Are Feet Washed on Holy Thursday?

Kristopher W. Seaman

During a very blustery winter, my family and I were carefully trying not to slip on the ice as we made our way through a crowded parking lot to the church. Upon entering the worship space, the pastoral associate and pastor asked me to fill in for a person who was frightened to leave the house during the snow storm. I responded with enthusiasm, "I would love to help out! What do you need?" The priest said, "Someone to have their feet washed." Later on, I remember myself being the one inviting people to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday. One person I asked, because of her profound sense of service on behalf of the parish, responded by saying, "Oh! I don't know. I would gladly wash people's feet, because I know how to serve others. I am not very good at people doing things for me." Both stories embody a sense of service, helping out others by invitation.

The biblical basis for the washing of the feet occurs in the Last Supper narrative, and is only found in the Gospel according to John. At the moment when we expect Jesus to take bread and wine and transform them, as he does in the Gospel accounts of Mark, Matthew, and Luke, Jesus in John's Gospel account gets up and begins to wash feet. Peter first refuses to allow Jesus to wash his feet; it should be, as Peter reasoned it, Peter washing Jesus's feet. Jesus rebukes Peter: "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you" (John 13:12-15).

Jesus serves his disciples, and then instructs them to imitate his practice of washing feet. There is a sense of humility. A disciple is to serve others. Because of the context of the washing of the feet in John's Gospel, there is also a sense of transformation. As disciples, our model, *par excellence*, is Jesus Christ. His practices in scripture provide a model for our



practices as disciples. Jesus knew he was going to be crucified, and gave this practice as a sign for disciples to serve one another. Pope Francis has been receiving a lot of press since his election, and part of this is his profound sense of humble service to all people. He models service in his daily actions.

During his Homily on Holy Thursday evening, Pope Francis remarked that this rite is "a caress of Jesus." Feet stink, feet were callused and blistered from long walks. In Jesus's day proper hospitality required the servants to wash the guests' feet. Jesus, as the host, turns this practice upside down. He bends low and washes the feet of the lowly. He caresses, an act of love. True service wells up from a profound love and faith that seeks to help others daily. The rite of washing feet is called

the *mandatum*, Latin for "commandment." Jesus summed up the law by saying there are two fundamental commandments: Love God and love one's neighbor. Loving the neighbor is acting humbly and in service.

Jesus, in John's Gospel account, offers a meaning of Eucharist: The encounter with Christ Jesus has implications in one's life. What Jesus did and does for us, we are to do for one another. As Pope Francis remarked: "because this is the real reason why Jesus came: to serve, to help us."

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# FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

*Family Life invites you to our*



## *Easter Season Family Fun Day*

Saturday, April 26, 2014  
(rain or shine)

**Cost: \$1.00 per person**

Join us as we celebrate the beauty of the Easter Season and the joy of the Resurrected Jesus.

Children's egg hunt, games, prizes and of course a visit from the Easter Bunny!! Hot dogs, snack, chips & beverage included!

To participate fill out and return the form below & return it to OLPH Rectory, 210 South Wellwood Ave. Attn: Family Life by Wednesday, April 23rd.



### **Easter Season Family Fun Day**

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

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

# of adults \_\_\_\_\_

# and ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: Cash \_\_\_\_\_/Check \_\_\_\_\_



*For more information: contact Rocio Gragnano (592-8944) or Jane Aaron (662-8881)  
or e-mail [olphfamilylife@aol.com](mailto:olphfamilylife@aol.com)*

# 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.
- ✝ 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: Joe Illiumato—631.226.7725, x. 234
- ✝ Senior Moments/Spirituality: Fran Grasso - 631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- ✝ Special Needs Ministry: Fr. John Sureau— 631.226.7725—jsureau@oloph.org
- ✝ Widows/Widowers: Rita Gardell— 631.252.5494/Denise Segreto 631.220.0888

## NEW Food Pantry List!

- CANNED VEGETABLES—CORN
- CANNED FRUIT
- PORK AND BEANS
- PEANUT BUTTER
- JELLY OR JAM
- CAKE MIXES
- DESSERTS
- COFFEE
- TOILET PAPER
- PAPER TOWELS
- SHELF STABLE MILK

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 & High Streets  
**Our NEW phone # 631.226.7725 x. 234**

*The office is open:*

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

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

Please support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor as they carry their cross of suffering and pain.

## DRIVING MINISTRY

Our Driving Ministry seeks to assist parishioners in need of a ride to a doctor’s appointment or to another serious appointment when needed. If and when possible, a member of our Driving Ministry will assist you (or your family member in our parish).

If you or someone you love is in need of a ride contact Maureen Russo at 631.226.4182—princessmorge@optonline.net



## Supporting St. Vincent de Paul

There are many ways to support St. Vincent de Paul and our parish’s ongoing work in directly assisting those in need. It’s as easy as 1....2....3....

1. **Clothing:** Drop clothing in the clothing bins in the High Street/Gates Street Parking Lot.
2. **Food:** Look above for what is needed each week and bring it with you to Church.
3. **Donations:** St. Vincent de Paul relies entirely on the generosity of parishioners. Please consider placing money in the Poor Boxes each week. Donations can also be made in memory of a loved one. Visit St. Vincent de Paul during office hours or leave a donation in the Parish Office.

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

### Golden Age Society

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

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

Everyone is welcome. Please join us.

### Parish Social Ministry Leadership Meeting

Thursday, April 24, 2014  
7:30 P.M.—St. Lucy Meeting Room

### Senior Moments

Next Meeting—Tuesday, April 22, 2014  
9—10:30 A.M.

Room 14/OLPH School  
All seniors of our parish are welcome!

### Special Needs Ministry

Next Special Needs Mass  
Saturday, May 3, 2014  
OLPH School Auditorium  
4:00 P.M.

## New Mothers' Meal Ministry

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

**Who is eligible?** This is available for (Catholic) new mothers in the OLPH Parish.

Here's what some of the new mothers have said in their thank you notes:

*"Thank you so much for cooking us dinner last week. It was delicious and a great break! Thanks again! Love, Liz..."*

*The meal was delicious and I was able to use the bones to make chicken soup! "- from Colleen*

*We wanted to send a note thanking you for preparing us such a delicious meal. My husband and I enjoyed the Chicken Picata and the Manicotta, while my son Jason, gobbled up his chicken cutlet! The carrot cake was moist and yummy....Hope to see you in church! Love, Danielle...."*



If you had a baby in the last few months and could use a break, you may contact: Carol Stysiack at 631-255-3506 or e mail [carolstys@verizon.net](mailto:carolstys@verizon.net) and put Meal Ministry in the subject line.

## RESPECT LIFE 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 impact life from natural conception to natural death.

### Pregnancy

LI Life Center—631-243-0006

### Sulcide 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

Overeaters Anonymous 631-475-5965

SA Anonymous 516-218-1336

Do you want to know the latest about public policy issues and how you can make a difference?

Then, join the

**CATHOLIC  
ACTION  
NETWORK**  
by going to  
[www.nyscatholic.org](http://www.nyscatholic.org)  
and signing up today!



In addition, you can "LIKE" the New York State Catholic Conference on Facebook and follow them on Twitter.

# THE THREE DAYS

## THE MEANING OF THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

We are about to enter into the holiest days of the Church year, the Sacred Paschal Triduum. Triduum means “Three Days,” and it refers to the three days that begin on Holy Thursday evening (April 17) and end on Easter Sunday evening (April 20). These three days form one observance that is its own unique and central part of the liturgical year. The Three Days are not part of Lent, since Lent ends on Holy Thursday before the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper. Indeed, the Sacred Paschal Triduum is a season set apart, three full days lived as one central moment in the life of every Christian and of the Christian community as a whole.

During these days, we are called to enter into a period of prayer, fasting, and vigiling, a period which reaches its climax at the Easter Vigil. There is a unity to the Triduum days that is manifested even in the way the different liturgies begin and end: on Thursday, there is no dismissal or conclusion; on Friday, we gather and leave with no introductory or concluding rites; and at the Vigil we begin around the new fire without the usual introductory rites of the Mass. We begin on Thursday and don’t conclude until after the Vigil, as Easter Sunday is a kind of extension of the Vigil celebration.

These days are the focal point for the entire liturgical year, the central moment around which all else revolves. These days are central because they draw us into the heart of our identity as Church, as a people who have died and risen with Jesus Christ. We celebrate our dying and rising in Christ today. We are all called to re-enter the mystery of dying more fully to self and rising in the Lord.

## SETTING SPECIAL TIME ASIDE

Because the Triduum leads us powerfully into the core of who we are in Christ, these days should be observed as fully as possible. Our activities during the Three Days should be something other than “business as usual.” As far as possible, Christians should abstain from normal activity on these days. We should free ourselves from the usual routines of work, meals, household tasks and entertain-

ment; these should give way to keeping these days as a time of “retreat,” a special time set apart for intense involvement with the mystery we celebrate. We should give ourselves the luxury of allowing these days to look and feel different from other days of the year, entering into a sense of timelessness so that these days stand apart. There should be nothing in our schedule that distracts us from the proper spirit of these days.

One central focus which can help us enter into the proper spirit is **fasting** during these days. The Second Vatican Council issued this appeal for the **Paschal Fast** in its *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, paragraph #110: *Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be observed everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged through Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.*



This fast is not penitential in nature, like the Lenten fast; instead, it is preparatory, in anticipation of the coming feast. It is the fasting of those who are too excited to eat, the fasting of

those who are so engrossed in something that they simply forget to stop for a meal. It is a powerful way of marking these days as unique — nothing as usual prevails, not even our habits of eating and drinking. Of course, this fast can involve more than food and drink. The purpose of the fast is to focus our life on the mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection, so it may be just as or more important to fast from television, the internet, our iPhones and iPads, shopping, and all the other distractions that usually fill our life. The challenge is to find ways to keep these days special, to keep them holy, to keep ourselves focused on the Lord and the meaning of our life in Him.

Thus, while the fast is only strictly required on Good Friday, the Second Vatican Council and subsequent documents have called for its extension through Saturday. As such, the fast becomes a focus for preparing to approach the Easter Vigil on Saturday night; the Church gets ready for that night. Each individual should create his or her own routine of prayer and reflection and fasting for these days.

## WHAT HAPPENS DURING THESE THREE DAYS

Everyone is invited to share in celebrating the Triduum liturgies! Whether you are young or old, currently active in the parish or not, please set these days aside. All of us should know that we are needed at these liturgies; all of us need our whole community together on these greatest days in our year.

During the three days of the Sacred Paschal Triduum, we gather a number of times. Together we hear some of the Church's most beautiful prayers and Scriptures, and we make some of our finest music. Described below is the parish schedule and brief explanation of each of the liturgies. Make plans to take part in the various liturgies and other gatherings of Holy Thursday night, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday; above all, come on Saturday night for the Vigil.



the Church and to the world.

The Mass continues with the celebration of the Liturgy of the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is transferred to a separate place, where we will transfer the Blessed Sacrament to a special chapel set up for this purpose. We are invited to enter into the quiet and peace and glory of the Sacrament, after which the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed.

Parishioners are also invited to attend **Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday**. We will **attend the Chrism Mass at 11:00 a.m. at St. Agnes Cathedral**. The Holy Oils of the Sick and the Anointing Oil of the Sick will be blessed, and the Sacred Chrism will be consecrated. We will also have a special Mass for the parish as part of the evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

## FRIDAY OF THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

On this day "when Christ became our paschal sacrifice," the Holy Cross is venerated. The origin from the side of the dead Christ on the cross, and interceded for us.

The principal liturgy for this day is the **Celebration of the Holy Cross**. We are **able to attend at 3:00**. At this liturgy, we gather quietly to listen to the Gospel from St. John's Gospel. We pray at length for all the world's needs. This is a once-a-year event: the Holy Cross is held up in our midst, and we adore it in prayer.

The liturgical norms in the *Roman Missal* clearly tell us that we are to be directed by ushers to come forward to venerate this one Cross in prayer. **the same time (the cross will be large enough to do this)**; please do not have a communal veneration, not a moment of private adoration. The Cross will be venerated, not only adore the Cross. Also, a Cross will be used rather than a crucifix. We are adoring, as the liturgical text tells us, "the wood of the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

In the third part of the liturgy, Holy Communion is distributed. We are to receive since no Mass is celebrated today.

We leave the liturgy in silence, continuing in fasting and prayer. We will also gather to pray **Morning Prayer together at 9:00 a.m.**

# HOLY THURSDAY

into this Sacred Paschal Triduum together with the **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, at 8:00** we do something strange: we wash feet. Jesus himself gave us this image of what the Church is like. The humble service of washing feet reminds us of the humble service which is the heart of includes dying to ourselves as the Lord gave his life for us.

The rite of washing feet, also called the *mandatum*, by pointing out that the principal and traditional function of Christian charity: Christ's disciples are to love one another. Because the Gospel of the depicts Jesus as the "Teacher and Lord" who humbly serves his disciples by performing this ex- the laws of hospitality, the element of humble service has accentuated the celebration of the foot the last three decades and more. In this regard, it has become customary in the vast majority of to be participants in this rite in recognition of the service that should be given by all the faithful to

of the Eucharist, but the evening liturgy has no ending. The are invited to remain in prayer until 12:00 Midnight. At OLPH up in the school auditorium. In that special place parishioners are ed Paschal Triduum. **Night Prayer will be prayed at 11:45 p.m.,**



**on Holy Thursday morning, which will be at 9:00 a.m., and to 11, Rockville Centre. At the Chrism Mass the Oil of Catechu- m will be consecrated. These oils, used in the sacraments throughout the year, will be presented**

## THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)

The Church reflects on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, adores his cross, commemorates her own for the salvation of the entire world.

**Passion of the Lord at 3:00 p.m.** This liturgy will be repeated at 8:00 p.m. for those who are un- able to Scripture, particularly the chanted proclamation of the Passion with special solemn prayers of intercession. Then there is another ve come forward to do reverence with a kiss or a bow or a genuflec-

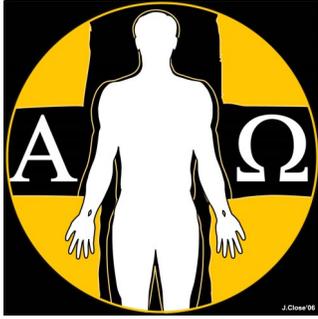
that only one Cross is to be used for veneration. Parishioners will be in a steady flow, **with two or three people reverencing the cross at** use follow the direction of the ushers. This rite is meant to be a com- will remain on display after the liturgy for those who wish to private- fix, since we are not reverencing the dead body of Christ, but rather on which hung the salvation of the world."



tributed; it is bread that was consecrated on Holy Thursday evening,

prayer and vigil, in rest and quiet through Saturday.

**m. on Good Friday. Also, Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 12:00 Noon.**



# HOLY SATURDAY

Holy Saturday for us is like God's rest at the end of creation; it is Christ's repose in the tomb. It is a day of profound silence as the Church waits at the Lord's tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on his Passion and Death and awaiting his Resurrection. We will gather to pray **Morning Prayer at 9:00 a.m.**

## THE EASTER VIGIL

Our parish celebration of the great Three Days culminates with the celebration of the **Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m.** The Vigil is the heart of our worship; it is the essence of what we have been preparing for during Lent and will celebrate during the great Fifty Days of Easter. **Four elements make up the celebration of the Easter Vigil:**

*The Service of Light:* The image of the struggle between light and darkness, before us since Ash Wednesday, reaches its climax. A new fire is blessed, the Easter Candle is lit, light fills the darkened worship space, and the candle is honored in the Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*). During this prayer, we bless, praise, and thank God for the light of His Son's resurrection overcoming the darkness of sin and death.

*The Liturgy of the Word:* The basic stories of our faith are proclaimed. This is meant to be, and will be, a lengthy word service which retells the story of our salvation as nine (9) readings are proclaimed: seven from the Old Testament, a New Testament Epistle, and a Gospel. The Word provides the foundation leading to the Liturgy of Baptism.



*The Liturgy of Baptism (Initiation):* The adults who have been preparing for initiation into the Church now receive the sacraments of new life. This year, unfortunately, we at OLPH do not have any elect who are being initiated. We can look forward to future years when we will add to our numbers by giving birth to new Christians at the womb of the Church, the baptismal font, in the Easter sacraments of initiation. However, as is always done at the Easter Vigil, we as a community will renew our own baptism, as a reminder of our call to on-going conversion in the Lord.

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist:* All present share in the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation. There is nothing greater for us to do as Christians than to share in the Eucharist.

The Easter Vigil, then, is more than just another Saturday evening Mass. It is the celebration of who we are as people who have died and risen with Christ, proclaimed with fire and candle light, readings and songs, water and oil, bread and wine. The Vigil runs longer than the usual Mass, but those who enter into the spirit of prayer and celebration often experience a sense of timelessness as they encounter the holy.

## EASTER TIME

The Triduum ends on Easter Sunday evening, and the days of Easter Time begin. The fifty (50) days of Easter Time, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, even as one "great Sunday." The things we do during the Triduum need fifty days to play themselves out; the mysteries celebrated at the Vigil need to be unfolded. This is the period of *mystagogia*, reflecting on the mysteries, for those initiated into the Church. It is the time for all of us to reflect on the meaning of our baptism and the meaning of living the resurrected life of Christ.

# 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)

## High School Youth Ministry

Sunday, April 13th—TODAY!

Youth Faith in Action

3:15 P.M.—OLPH Gym/Cafeteria

We need help putting together our Wash Up Kits for the homeless...and we'll have some fun too!

Next Meeting

Sunday, April 27, 2014

Youth Faith In Action

3:15 P.M.—OLPH Gym/Cafeteria

## Middle School Youth Group

Tuesday, April 22, 2014

7:30—8:45 P.M. -OLPH Gym

Open Gym Night

(and fun for others who don't like gym too!)

Thursday, May 8, 2014

7:30—8:45 P.M. -OLPH Gym

Celebrating Mother's Day (and Mary!)

## OLPH Boy Scout Troop 54

Scouting is a great way for young men in our parish to get together and help their community - while also enjoying fun, outdoor activities.

Meetings are held Mondays at 7:30 pm in the school cafeteria. The troop is actively involved with the community and parish. We help out with St. Vincent de Paul and also served the community during super storm Sandy. Many of our scouts are active with the OLPH Service Corp.



For more information about Scouting at OLPH, contact Tom Duffy at 631 956-3202.

## OLPH YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

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. The Service Corps is one way to make this connection.

Last year, over 50 middle and high school teens and college young adults assisted on projects ranging from Storm Relief, Parish Gardening, helping parishioners in need at their homes, assisting parishioners in need and more!

### 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 (You do not need to already be any OLPH existing Youth Ministry groups.)
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 or e-mailing Fr. John at jsureau@oloph.org

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_  
 In September, I will be in (check one) \_\_\_\_\_ Middle School  
 (Grade \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ High School (Grade \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ College

# FAITH FORMATION

240 South Wellwood Avenue + Lindenhurst, NY 11757

631.226.2384

Mrs. April Kleinlaut, Coordinator of Faith Formation (acarbaugh@oloph.org)

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

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

**Monday, April 21 - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**  
**Wednesday, April 23 - 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm**  
**Thursday, April 24 - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**  
**Friday, April 25 - 8:00 am – 12:00 noon**

The Religious Education Office is located at 240 South Wellwood Avenue.  
(now located in the school building)

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

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

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

For further information, please call the OLPH Religious Education Office at 226-2384.

Mondays and Thursdays: 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.



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## VIRTUS TRAINING

**TUESDAY, APRIL 22,  
7:00 PM  
ROOM 1**

**TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL  
PARISH OFFERERS IN ALL MINIS-  
TRIES.**

*Registration MUST be done online.* Simply go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org), then Protecting God's Children and to Virtus training schedule.

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP



Are you ready to go

*wild* at the  
**Wilderness  
Escape????**

**SAVE THE DATES**

**July 21 – July 25,  
2014**

*More info coming soon!*

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

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

**First Time:**

*Jonathan Anson & Megan Bryan*

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Rose Emily Lott  
Maria Galazzo  
Renate De Michele***

*“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.

## **GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS**

Gluten-free hosts are available for those with Celiac Disease who cannot receive Holy Communion using the usual bread. If you need to receive Holy Communion using a gluten-free host, please stop in the sacristy before Mass to discuss this with the priest. We will be happy to accommodate you.



## **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...**

<b>Carol Gilroy</b>	<b>Josephine Palazzolo</b>
<b>Rev. Terence Hoppenjans</b>	<b>Richard Brosan</b>
<b>Henry Alfano</b>	<b>Lisa Eberhardt</b>
<b>Charles Gomes</b>	<b>Vincent Malito</b>
<b>Peggy &amp; Kevin Curran</b>	<b>Catherine Tamburino</b>
<b>Salvatore Cicala</b>	<b>William Sullivan</b>
<b>Amante &amp; Betty Caruana</b>	<b>Dominick Barone</b>
<b>Angie Mirabile</b>	<b>Rocco Meiners</b>
<b>Eileen Lambre</b>	
<b>Natalie Boscia</b>	
<b>Eileen Henry</b>	

If a family member or close friend is ill, please let us know so our community can pray for them. To have your name or the name of a loved one listed in our parish bulletin, please call the Parish Office.

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.

## **Parking Spaces**

Parking spots on the north and south sides of the Church have been repainted and, in some cases, transformed into parking spaces for those who are physically handicapped. These spots are close to the doors of the north and south side of the Church. Soon, the curbs will be cut to make it easier for those with wheelchairs and walkers to enter the Church.



*A note for all about parking...*

Many of us choose to park on High Street for Mass each week. Usually, our school parking lot on High Street is empty. **Please consider using the school parking lot on Gates and High Streets.**

# 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.olphlindhurst.org](http://www.olphlindhurst.org)

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

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

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

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Adults who wish to be baptized, or who have been baptized in another Christian faith and wish to become Catholic, or who have been baptized Catholic and wish to be confirmed and receive Holy Communion, are invited to join the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please contact Deacon Doug or Fr. John at the Parish Office to begin the process.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who have been baptized Catholic and who have received Holy Communion but who still need the Sacrament of Confirmation should enroll in our Adult Confirmation Classes. Please contact Deacon Doug or Fr. John at the Parish Office.

## THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Robert Dobres  
John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

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

## YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

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

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

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, April 14— Monday of Holy Week	
6:30	Rose, Carmine & Judy Tullo
12:15	Benedict Barbera
TUESDAY, April 15— Tuesday of Holy Week	
6:30	Giuseppe Lentini
12:15	Maria Francavilla
3:00-9:00	Confessions (NO NOVENA)
WEDNESDAY, April 16, — Wednesday of Holy Week	
6:30	The Savastano Family in Memory of Msgr. Savastano
12:15	Lidia Spinnicchia (NO EXPOSITION)
7:30 – 9:00	Confessions
THURSDAY, April 17— Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)	
9:00	Morning Prayer
8:00	Mass of the Lord's Supper
FRIDAY, April 18— Friday of the Passion of the Lord	
9:00	Morning Prayer
12:00	Stations of the Cross
3:00	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
8:00	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
SATURDAY, April 19— Holy Saturday	
9:00	Morning Prayer
3:00-5:00	Confessions
NOTE: THERE IS NO 5:00 P.M. Mass	
Easter Vigil	
8:00	Easter Vigil— For the People of the Parish
April 20 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	
6:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
8:00	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
9:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
11:00	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
12:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
NOTE: THERE IS NO 5:00 P.M. Mass	

## MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 14, 2014		
7:00 A.M.	Lenten Scripture Sharing After the 6:30 Mass	Room 14
12:45 PM.	Lenten Scripture Sharing After the 12:15 Mass	Room 14
2:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 14
6:30 P.M.	Adult Confirmation Class	Rectory Meeting Rm.
Tuesday, April 15, 2014		
6:45 P.M.	Music Ministry—Youth Choir	Church
7:30 P.M.	Music Ministry—Adult Choir	Church
7:45 P.M.	Community of Praise	Room 14
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Did you know OLPH has a Facebook page?



Please go to  
[https://  
www.facebook.com/  
olphlindenhurst](https://www.facebook.com/olphlindenhurst)  
And "LIKE US".

This is a great way (and an efficient way) for us to communicate important information about parish life, the life of the Church and much, much more!

### OFFERERS NEEDED

We are also looking for some "tech" people to help with our new website (coming soon), our Facebook page, pictures and much more. If you have experience in these areas, we need you!

Contact Brittany Evans at [olph.yfia@gmail.com](mailto:olph.yfia@gmail.com) or Fr. John at [jsureau@olph.org](mailto:jsureau@olph.org).

### Remembering Our Military

OLPH is in the process of updating the pictures of the service men and women that are on display in the front of the church. If you had a picture already displayed and your loved one is no longer in the service, or you would like to have a picture of a loved one who is currently in the military added to the display, please contact us at: [Rememberthesoldiers37@gmail.com](mailto:Rememberthesoldiers37@gmail.com).

## OFFERING UPDATE

April 5/6 2014

Mass Time	Weekly	# of Envelopes	Attendance
<b>1st Saturday</b>	\$222.00		
<b>Special Needs</b>	217.00	10	50
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	3463.50	181	378
<b>6:30 A.M.</b>	1053.00	44	95
<b>8:00 A.M.</b>	2394.00	106	253
<b>9:30 A.M.</b>	1856.00	93	364
<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	2504.00	130	353
<b>12:30 P.M.</b>	2083.00	90	364
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	1587.00	45	270
<b>Total coin:</b>	23.10		
<b>Mail-ins:</b>	398.00		
<b>Children's env.</b>	12.82	11	
<b>Faith Direct</b>	1572.60		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$17,164.02	710	2127
<b>2013 Total</b>	\$16,769.61	512	2,062
<b>Candles</b>	856.19		
<b>Poor Box</b>	437.72		

### Where there is a Will, there is a way to be an angel for our Parish.

When you next update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to our Parish.

**For more information, or to receive a copy of an informational brochure please call 516-379-5210 ext. 229 or email [bkilarjian@drvc.org](mailto:bkilarjian@drvc.org).**

## MINISTRY OF PRAISE

We come together each Tuesday at 7:45 P.M. in Room 14 of the New School Building. (You can park in the High Street Parking Lot.)

The evening begins with songs of praise and worship. After this some will, if so inclined, share some Scripture reading or some Christ-centered event in their life. This is followed by prayer for individual needs. Deacon Frank then presents a pastoral teaching related to Scripture or church life. The meeting closes about 9:30 P.M. with a song and then fellowship.

## 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.

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### Lecturas del domingo 13 de Abril

**Primera Lectura (Is 50,4-7): Dios Vendrá en Mi Ayuda.** El Siervo de Dios, Sufriente, permanece fiel a su misión, incluso cuando es perseguido, ya que confía plenamente en Dios.

**Segunda Lectura (Flp 2,6-11): Jesús se Humilló a Sí Mismo y así Llegó a Ser Señor Nuestro.** El Hijo de Dios se humilló a sí mismo para hacerse uno de nosotros y para servirnos. Por eso Dios lo resucitó y le hizo Señor de todo.

**Proclamación de la Pasión (Mt 26,14-27,66, o más breve: 27,11-54): Jesús, el Siervo Sufriente de Dios.** En su pasión y muerte Jesús es el Salvador anunciado por las Escrituras. Su muerte vencerá a la muerte y traerá vida a todos.

## Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 27, 2014

Come and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on the afternoon of April 27th. The afternoon will include Confessions, Benediction, the Rosary and more.

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**It is important us to update our census records.**

In 1987, our parish census consisted of 6,000 families. At that time, each family was recorded with the head of the household's name, along with names and ages of family members. This census is what we rely on today as our parish directory. Twenty-seven years later, our records are out-of-date. Even for our newer parishioners, we may not have any information beyond the head of household's name.

The time has come to update our records. We want to know who you and your family members are. Do you have any special needs? Are there any family members who are shut-ins? We're here to serve you, and we can't do that unless we know what your needs are.

Within the next few months, we will be launching our 2014 Parish Census Project. Eventually, probably in the Fall, you will receive our census materials. When you receive them, please take the time to complete them. We promise it won't take too much of your time. There'll be an option to answer on the internet; you can drop it in the collection boxes, or return it to us by mail.

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## PREPARING FOR

Sunday, April 20, 2014:

*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

### Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Beginning with the day of Pentecost, as the apostles began the work of preaching and proclaiming Christ, first to the Jews and then to the world, they proclaimed a message that was creed-like: compact and containing all the basics of the Faith. More extended teaching or instruction would come later, after baptism. But the apostles' initial proclamation of Christ was simple, and to the point, as was Jesus' own proclamation made at the beginning of His public ministry: "Repent and believe in the Gospel" (Mark 1:15). All that occurs before and after this particular speech made by Peter demonstrates the marvelous ongoing work of the Holy Spirit for the continual and deeper conversion of the individual believer and the growing Christian community as a whole, finally leading them to understand the Church as catholic: universal, that is, for all peoples who would put their trust in Jesus for their salvation.

### Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

The second reading for Easter Sunday will be either one or the other of these two excerpts from Paul's letters, both containing the same message of exhortation made to the new believer, differing only in their focal points: In the death and resurrection of Christ, we who believe in His saving work are new creatures, and this newness should be reflected and realized in a radical re-orientation of both our thoughts and actions.

### John 20:1-9

The story of the empty tomb is also found in both Matthew's and the Luke's Gospel accounts; John's version seems to be a fusion of the two. In John's account of Jesus' disciples' discovery of the empty tomb, notice that everyone is running to both proclaim and witness the event for themselves, and details provided by John, such as the state of the burial cloths, would seem to make clear that the grave had in fact not been robbed, as Mary Magdalene in her initial shock and haste had supposed. Directed to the new or unsettled convert is the clear message that one does not have to understand in order to believe.

## 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, April 14, 2014:

Isaiah 42:1-7 + John 12:1-11

### Tuesday, April 15, 2014:

Isaiah 49:1-6 + John 13:21-33, 36-38

### Wednesday, April 16, 2014:

Isaiah 50:4-9a + Matthew 26:14-25

### Thursday, April 17, 2014:

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 +  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26 + John 13:1-15

### Friday, April 18, 2014:

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 +  
Hebrew 4:14-16; 5:7-9 +  
John 18:1-19:42

### Saturday, April 19, 2014:

#### Easter Vigil:

Genesis 1:1-2:2 + Genesis 22:1-18  
Exodus 14:15-15:1 + Isaiah 54:5-14;  
55:1-11 + Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4 +  
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28 +  
Romans 6:3-11 + Matthew 28:1-10

## Gospel Reflection Questions...

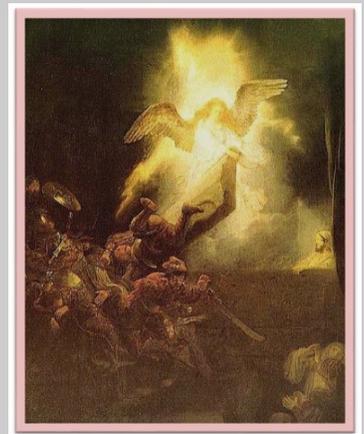
*After reading next Sunday's Gospel take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass.*

Easter Vigil: Matthew 28:1-10

Easter Sunday: John 20:1-9

1. The same women who were with Jesus when he died came to anoint his body in the morning. Were the women deterred from their task by fear or an immovable stone? Compare and contrast their behavior with the actions of some of Jesus' other disciples. Does it take courage to bear witness to the truth? Give some examples.

2. What is it that allowed John to "see and believe," to have this kind of clarity? Does love give you knowledge about a person, or insights into their behavior? In John, Jesus said "Whoever loves me ... I will love him/her and reveal myself to him/her." (John 14:21). Is there a connection between Jesus' statement and John's "seeing and believing"?



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