

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

-Psalm 8

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 26, 2013

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton

Parochial Vicars: Rev. Moise Aime + Rev. Ignace Lolecke + Rev. John Sureau

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Director of Religious Education: Thomas J. Acemoglu **Music Director:** James R. Kendall

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday

8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 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.

Masses for Holy Days are as announced and published.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst

Monday- Friday: 9 am - 5 pm

**EVENING OFFICE HOURS, AT THIS TIME,
ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday – Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 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: 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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

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

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES' CELEBRATION

Last Friday, our parish prayed with and for married couples celebrating their wedding anniversary. The couples renewed their vows at Mass in the presence of our parish community. Then, the celebration continued with a wonderful reception prepared for and hosted by our Christian Mothers.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Pentecost Vigil

Last weekend we celebrated the special Vigil of Pentecost at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass. This was a joyous, Spirit-filled celebration in which the assembly joined in fervent and urgent prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit. We celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults and older teens completing their initiation into the Church, and we congratulate Jake Behr, Russell Benson, Lyric Blauberg, Nicholas Matsis, Jessica Probst, Michael Sciara and Michael Taveras as our newly-confirmed who received the Gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation through the laying on of hands and the anointing with the Sacred Chrism. We also highlighted the gifts of the Spirit in sacramental initiation in our processions through the presence of newly-baptized infants, new first communicants and recently-confirmed teens.

With Easter Time completed, we have returned to Ordinary Time, and on this first Sunday after Pentecost the Church celebrates the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity. This Solemnity is an opportunity for us to reflect on the Holy Trinity not merely as some esoteric doctrine, but on how our belief in God as a Triune community of Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reveals to us the very meaning of self-emptying love.

New Director of Music

As he announced in last week's bulletin, Jim Kendall, our Director of Music, has made the decision to retire from his position as Director of Music as of this Fall, something that he had first mentioned to me some months ago. I wish to take this opportunity to thank Jim for the many, many years he has served the OLPH Parish family in his ministry. As we all know, he has served with exemplary commitment and dedication and a true love for the parish and the parishioners. We who have worked with him have all been the recipients of his gentleness, friendliness and cooperation. Jim has been extremely helpful, supportive and accommodating with the direction we have been setting at OLPH, and I am personally grateful to Jim for all his hard work. While we will certainly miss him, I understand and respect his desire to retire at this

time, and I am very pleased that he will continue to have a presence in the OLPH music ministry as a fill-in musician on a regular basis. We wish Jim many blessings and happy years as he looks forward to his retirement. Jim's actual retirement date will be in September, and at that time we will have a farewell celebration for him. More details on that will follow as the date approaches.



It is my pleasure to announce to you that **Mr. Christopher Ferraro** has been hired as our new Director of Music. Chris brings a wealth of talent and experience in the fields of both liturgy and music, and I know he will help us to continue to grow in the new direction we are setting and in the new enthusiasm we are experiencing. Most recently Chris has been Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Spirituality and Director of Music at Christ the King Church, Commack, NY. He is currently the director of the Rockville Centre Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians and serves as an organist, adjunct instructor and director of the Liturgical Music Institute at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception. He is a member of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission and the Belong More Deeply Committee, is a consultant and presenter for the Office of Worship and the Office of Faith Formation, and was a member of the Roman Missal implementation team for the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Chris holds Masters Degrees in Theology and Pastoral Studies as well as an Advanced Certificate in Pastoral Liturgy from the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington. He also attended the SummerSong program and studied in the liturgical studies program at the University of Notre Dame. His articles on liturgical theology have been published by *AIM: Liturgy Resources*. He recently led a webinar on the Rite of Marriage for the National Association of Pastoral Musicians.

We take this opportunity to welcome Chris as we prayerfully wish him a successful and fruitful ministry at OLPH, which will officially begin in September.

Sacrament of Confirmation

This Tuesday, May 28, we will welcome Bishop Nelson J. Perez, Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre and Vicar of the Eastern Vicariate of the diocese, who will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to over 170 of our young people at two liturgies, at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Please keep all our young people in your prayers this week, and especially on Tuesday, as they receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands and through anointing with the Sacred Chrism. Let us pray that this completion of their sacramental initiation into the Catholic faith will truly be a moment of deeper union with Christ and more complete conversion into His life as they seek to conform their lives more closely to His.

My 25th Anniversary of Ordination

Next weekend I'll be celebrating my 25th anniversary of ordination, and, has been announced, I'll be celebrating a special Mass of Thanksgiving at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. I take this opportunity to invite all parishioners to this liturgy. Hospitality will follow in our school auditorium.

As you know from celebrating the special milestones and anniversaries in your own life, it becomes difficult to put into words the thoughts and feelings one has regarding such an important event. What I can say for sure is that at this time I am overwhelmed with a tremendous sense of **joy** and **gratitude** to God for such an unbelievable gift of being able to serve Him and serve His people, all of you, as a priest. I feel that I have been blessed in ways I never imagined, and certainly never earned or deserved. As I said last week, I am absolutely thrilled to be sharing this special anniversary with all of you, my beloved OLPH parishioners, and I think I was meant to be here at this time for this. Please consider joining me for this special Mass and celebration.

New Church Restroom on North Side of Lobby

Deacon Don Stamm, our Facilities Manager, has written about this, but I wanted to take a moment to reiterate that we now have a brand new restroom for the church. It is located in what used to be known as the "library" or "book room" and now is sometimes referred to as a "multi-purpose room." It is the room behind the glass door on the side of the lobby directly across from where the old

restrooms were located. The old restrooms will be out of use for a time while they are being renovated, and then, when complete, we will have two new restrooms there, for a total of three. We ask all parishioners to discontinue using the restroom in the sacristy and to now use the new restroom on the north side of the lobby entrance.

New Confessionals

We now have a total of three newly-renovated confessionals available for use, and renovation on the last one will begin. The new confessionals are beautiful and inviting spaces for the celebration of the beautiful Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation).

Using the new confessionals is very easy. If the door is open and the lights are on, then the priest is in there waiting for you to come in; if the door is closed and the lights are on, someone is inside celebrating the sacrament. Obviously, if the door is closed and the confessional is dark, then no one is inside.

We have received many positive comments on the newly-renovated confessionals, which of course provide both options for celebrating the sacrament, either anonymously or face-to-face. We hope this encourages our parishioners to make greater use of this wonderful sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness.

Alternating Communion Stations

Permit me to offer this reminder concerning the flow of our Communion Procession. Remember that there are two ministers with hosts at the front, one in the center and one "around the corner" in front of the pew. As you come forward in procession, you should alternate, with one person going to the minister directly in front, and the next person going to the minister at the side. It is everyone's cooperation with this flow that will allow the procession to move smoothly and reverently.

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,



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

FIRST FRIDAY AND FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

First Friday Devotions— in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus - will be conducted Friday, **June 7** at 7:45am and after the 12 noon Mass.

First Saturday Devotions—in honor of Our Lady of Fatima—will be conducted Saturday, **June 1** beginning with the rosary at 7:40am, Mass at 8am and continued devotion. A continental breakfast will follow in the cafeteria.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION SOCIETY

Each month, all are invited to join the members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society for Eucharistic Adoration on



**Saturday, June 1
from 8 - 11 P.M.**

Reflecting the diverse community present at OLPH, each hour of the evening is celebrated in different languages (8-9pm in Spanish, 9-10pm Polish then in English 10-11). The evening concludes with Benediction at 11:00 P.M.

Father's Day Novena

The Father's Day Novena is a beautiful and meaningful way for you to include your father, grandfather, godfather, the father-to-be you know or any father you wish to remember in the intentions of the Novena of Masses for Father's Day.

Simply take an envelope, write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation, either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer. Thank you.

ALTERNATING COMMUNION STATIONS

Those who receive Holy Communion using the center aisle are asked to remember that there are two (2) Communion stations, one directly ahead and one to the side in front of the front pew. Communicants should alternate, with one person going to the minister directly ahead, and the next person making the turn to the minister in front of the pew. By alternating this way, the procession will continue to move smoothly. Thank you for your cooperation.

CLEANLINESS.... NEXT TO GODLINESS!

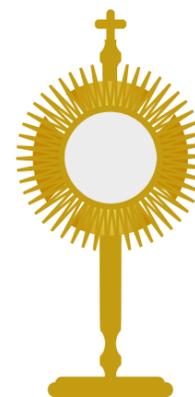
Help us to keep our church looking neat. Please be sure to return your hymn books to the rack in the pew, and please place the card with the Mass responses in the rack behind the book. Thank you.

EXPOSITION CHANGES

Wednesday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the *Convent Chapel from 12:30 to 4:30 P.M.* This will allow work to continue on the confessionals without interruption.

This will only be a temporary placement. Once our confessionals are completed, Exposition will return to the Church.

Please consult the bulletin for updates.



SUMMER @ OLPH!

OLPH Vacation Bible Camp

An Epic Adventure Awaits You!!!!

New friends + Amazing experiments

+ Wild games + Lip-smacking snacks + Surprising adventures

Monday, July 22 – Friday, July 26, 2013

9 A.M. to 12 Noon



CAMPER REGISTRATION FORM

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

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

Please make checks payable to OLPH.

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

Child's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Grade Level (in September 2013) _____

Full Names of Parents/Guardians

Family Address (Street, Town, Zip): _____

Home E-mail _____@_____

Phone # _____

Cell # _____

Parish (if not OLPH) _____

Emergency Contact Person

Name _____ Phone # _____

Please indicate any health problems, food allergies and special situations that might be helpful for the camp staff to know about your child in a separate note attached to this form.. You will receive a letter with more specific information on or about July 15, 2013.

Office Use Only
Date Received _____
Amount Received: _____
Ck # _____
Cash _____

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 30, 2013



OLPH Vacation Bible Camp

OFFERER SIGN UP FORM

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

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____ @ _____

For Youth Offerers:

Grade in school _____

Name of school _____

Youth offerers must attend each day of camp (July 22 -26).

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

For Adult Offerers:

Are you VIRTUS TRAINED?

___ YES ___ NO

What areas can you specifically help us in?

___ Arts and Crafts

___ Fun and Games

___ Hospitality

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

___ First Aid

___ I'll do whatever is needed.

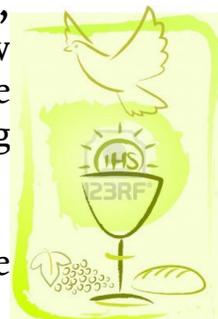
OFFERER APPLICATION DEADLINE:
June 30, 2013

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Our next Adult Education Course at OLPH will be "Understanding the Theology of the Mass."

It will be given by Msgr. Joe and we'll cover topics such as the *Eucharistic Prayer, Sacrifice, Real Presence*, and we'll take a look at the *norms and regulations for celebrating Mass*. Don't let the title or the topics scare you! It will be an interesting and informative exploration of what the Mass means and it will help everyone to enter more deeply into the celebration of the Mass. As always, we'll have some fun while we learn!

It will be offered on five consecutive Tuesday evenings, **June 11, 18, 25, July 2 and 9**, 7:45 p.m.-9:45 p.m. in Room 14 in the school annex ("new building"). Pre-registration is requested; you can register by returning the coupon below to the Rectory, or in the collection basket, or by e-mailing pchavis@oloph.org or by leaving a message at (631) 226-7725, ext. 206.



Those who are working toward a diocesan Advanced Certificate can use this course as credit towards that.

Come and learn more about the meaning of the Mass!

Yes, I want to take Msgr. Joe's course, "Understanding the Theology of the Mass."

Name _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail _____

FACILITIES UPDATE

Church Restroom



A new restroom is now available for use on the north side of the church, in the room accessible through the glass door, directly opposite across from the former restroom, on the other side of the lobby. Additional restrooms are under construction at the former location and will be open when they are complete. We ask *all parishioners* to use this new restroom located off the north side of the lobby and to *no longer use the sacristy restroom*.

Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY @ OLPH

High School Youth Ministry: Brittany Marie Evans (olph.yfia@gmail.com)

Middle School Youth Ministry: Peggy Harnisch (olphedge@gmail.com)

Youth Service Corps: Fr. John Sureau (jsureau@oloph.org)

Attention high schools students....

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

NEXT SUNDAY, June 2nd

Messy Game Night!!

All newly confirmed & 8th graders welcome!

June 9th - After mass join us for a BBQ to send off Father Michael and our Seniors!! We are looking for donations for this. Please contact Brittany (olph.yfia@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping!

Remember, all teens 8th grade though 12th are welcome to any of our events! If you have never been, come see what we are about...if you've been, it's different now, so give it a try! Stop by an event or contact a youth ministry leader for more information!



Last Sunday, members of Youth Ministry celebrated Pentecost. First, we prayed at the Sunday night 5 P.M. Mass. Then we celebrated after at our June Social Night. What is the best place to celebrate Pentecost— **RED Mango!**

Each month, we try to do at least one social, community-building, fun gathering at Youth Ministry. Hope you'll be part of our June night!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Thursday, May 30, 2013

GAME NIGHT

7:30 to 8:45 P.M.

There will be different games and ice cream, of course!



What a great way to relax before end of the year tests start!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Let us, my sisters (and brothers), cherish the poor as our masters, since Our Lord is in them, and they are in Our Lord. -St. Vincent de Paul

Food Pantry Shopping List

Canned Meats
Canned Meals
Cereal
Canned Juice
Pudding
Jello
Jelly or Jam
Shelf Stable Milk
Canned Fruit
Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup

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

272 S. Wellwood Avenue - The "Grey House"

631.225.5531

The office is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9 A.M. —12 noon

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

In the month of May, through your gifts and prayers, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able bring the love of God to the poor by assisting families and individuals by providing the help needed. Thank You!

STORM RELIEF @ OLPH

DO YOU NEED FURNITURE?

As you rebuild, a number of parishioners have come forward to offer gently used furniture. For more information, contact Ruth Huber at 631.957.8808.

If you have furniture in good condition that you would like to donate to a family in need, please contact Mrs. Ruth Huber at 631.957.8808.

If you can be part of our delivery crew—mostly done on Saturdays and Sundays—let us know! We provide the van, you provide the labor. It's the best!

CLOTHING BINS



The St. Vincent De-Paul Clothing Drop Bins are being relocated to the parking lot on the south side of the school annex. This will allow better accessibility to the handicap parking spaces near the annex entrance. The relocation should be in the works now.

PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

OLPH Christian Mothers & Guild



THIS FRIDAY, May 31st!

TIME: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

LOCATION: OLPH Parish/School Auditorium

COST: \$15.00 includes

*(salad, bread, entree ,
soda, tea, coffee & dessert)*

For tickets please contact:

Laurie Gregg- 957-9657

Debbie McDonough- 957-0765

**BRING A FRIEND
& ENJOY A FUN
EVENING OUT!**

If you would like to donate a food item or raffle prize please contact the above numbers.

OLPH Christian Mothers & Guild Ladies Night Out

Raffle: Kindle Fire 8 GB
\$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

Drawing May 31, 2013

For Raffle Tickets Contact;
Laurie @957-9657
or Debbie @ 957-0765

Winner Need Not Be Present

New Mothers' Meal Ministry

Bringing home a new baby is an exciting and wonderful experience, but it may also be overwhelming. The New Mothers' Meal Ministry would like to alleviate some of this anxiety by providing a delicious meal and delivering it to your home on a pre-agreed date, sometime during the first month or two when your baby is brought home.

Also, if you have a premature baby in the hospital and are running back and forth from the hospital to home for a quick meal, we would love to serve you as well.

If you are, or if you know of, a new mother who could benefit from this lovely ministry, please contact Carol Stysiack at 631 255-3506 or e-mail her at carolstys@verizon.net with Meal Ministry in the subject line. The only requirement is that the new mother be a Catholic residing within the OLPH Parish boundary in Lindenhurst. She does *not* have to be a first time mother.



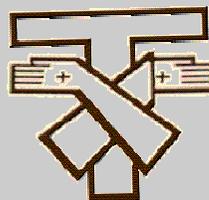
SECULAR FRANCISCANS

Is St. Francis of Assisi a great role model for us?

Our Holy Father thinks so!

If you do, too,

the Secular Franciscan Order may be for you.



Secular Franciscans commit to bring the spirit of St. Francis to a world in need. Taking from his example, Secular Franciscans learn more about the life of St. Francis, the teachings and the work of the

Franciscans and bring this spirit to the Church and to the world.

To find out more, call Dan Volpe at 631.842.8551 or Carl D'Angelo at 631.884.0562.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

SPECIAL NEEDS

MASS

NEXT

Saturday, June 1st

4 P.M.

School Auditorium

All Are Welcome!

Looking for...

SOCCER SHOES

Fr. Ignace is collecting gently used soccer shoes for the youth and adults of his diocese in the Congo and he needs our help!

Can you....

....go through the closets?

....Talk to fellow friends and parents?

....steal a pair from a friend (just kidding!)?

Boxes are available in the Library (in the back of the Church) to collect your used soccer shoes. Maria Fischer has generously offered to help Fr. Ignace with his project. She can be reached at 631-893-3432 or mpfischer725@aol.com.



Fr. Ignace will bring the shoes with him to the Congo this Fall.

Together we are helping those in need throughout the world! Thank you!

EVERY CATHOLIC'S VOICE NEEDED to

STOP ABORTION EXPANSION

As we enter the final days of the New York State legislative session, we need continue to do all we can to stop Governor's Cuomo's abortion expansion legislation. Senator Skelos, the Senate Co-Majority Leader, has promised his support in preventing the bill from coming before the Senate. That is a good sign for all who support the gift of life!

Now, we need to continue our efforts during these final weeks. Here are four easy things every Catholic can do throughout the next few weeks. It's as easy as 1...2...3...4:

1. Pray. Take time each day to pray for the gift of life and for the conversion of hearts to support life at each and every stage. Pray for those political leaders, like Senator Skelos, who have taken a courageous stand for life.
2. Go www.nyscatholic.org and click "Take Action". We must let the Governor know of our adamant opposition to his abortion expansion plans.
3. While at www.nyscatholic.org, thank and encourage those who have made their opposition known about abortion expansion, including Senators Skelos, LaValle, Flanagan, Fuschillo, Hannon, Marcellino, Zelden, Martins and Boyle. The pressure from other groups, including NARAL and Planned Parenthood, will be intense in the weeks ahead. They need to know they have our support. Consider calling their offices directly.
4. Please take action and send letters to *Newsday* and our local papers using the New York State Catholic Conference website.

Let's continue to pray for one another and in thanksgiving to God for the gift of life.

from the editor

Gosnell and Cuomo

Most appalling about the video “Inhuman: Undercover in America’s Late-Term Abortion Industry” (<http://youtu.be/eipSI72hsm1>) is the callousness of the staff at a Bronx abortion mill as they discuss a late term abortion with a prospective “patient” who is six months pregnant.

Describing the two-day procedure, a staffer explains that “seaweed” implanted the first day “kills the heartbeat.”

Asked the size of “it” (the baby), the staffer says, “It’s six months, it’s full grown.”

“You mean it has all the parts and stuff?”

“Yeah.”

Will it “come out” intact?

“No, it starts falling apart” during the procedure. But “if it does come out in one piece it’s very small.”

“What if it’s like twitching” when it “comes out?”

Well, the staffer explains, it’s put in a “toxic” solution, and “the solution will make it stop. That’s the whole purpose of the solution. It won’t be able to breathe anymore.”

So, according to this staffer — an 11 year employee of the euphemistically named Dr. Emily Women’s Health Center — seaweed is used “to kill the heartbeat” and a toxic solution to stop the breathing (*after* an infant has been *born alive* during an attempted abortion); and yet, another staffer pointedly corrects the “patient” when she asks how “it” is “killed”:

“We don’t use the word

‘kill’; we say ‘terminate.’”

“What if it just kind of pops out?” while she as at home between the procedure’s first and second day, the “patient” asks.

“If it comes out, it comes out. Just flush it!”

Just as appalling is the confirmation that this and other undercover work by the pro-life organization LiveAction provide, that the horror house run by Pennsylvania abortionist Dr. Kermit Gosnell is no aberration. (As we went to press, Gosnell was awaiting a jury’s verdict on charges he murdered a woman patient and several children born alive during his attempts to abort them.)

“The gruesome and inhuman practices exposed in Gosnell’s ‘House of Horrors’ (the term used by the grand jury that indicted him) are business as usual for the abortion industry in America,” said LiveAction president Lila Rose.

For those of us who are pro-life, this is hardly surprising. As the intent of every abortion is to end a pre-born human life, questions of “early or late term,” or whether death

occurs pre-or post-natal, seem a distinction without a difference. While it may be more excruciatingly painful for babies to be killed late-term or after being born, the end result is the same: they are dead.

For those, however, who insist that there is a moral distinction between early and late-term abortions — and who continue, as President Obama did recently, to recite Bill Clinton’s “safe, legal and

and regulations; and just as LiveAction’s undercover operations were exposing similar conditions in abortion mills here in New York and elsewhere, Gov. Cuomo was pushing for legislation that would *expand* late-term abortion; that would further *endanger women* by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions; and that would undermine state programs that offer alternatives to abortion.

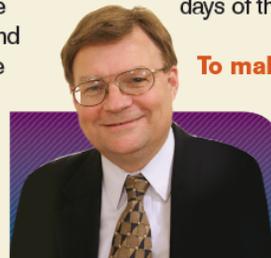
Safe, legal and rare? Well, if our governor has his way, abortion in New York will certainly be legal — at any time, for any reason, absent virtually *any* restrictions; it certainly *won’t* be rare, with no restrictions and a dearth of state-provided alternatives; and it certainly won’t be made safer for women with non-doctors doing abortions and without any apparent intent to enhance state oversight of abortion clinics.

As we went to press, Gov. Cuomo was still pressing for radical expansion of abortion in our state. Thankfully, state Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos has strongly and publicly denounced the governor’s extremist pro-abortion agenda. We need to thank Sen. Skelos, and urge him, and your own state Senator, to stand firm lest the governor succeed in ramming his bill through in these waning days of the legislative session.

To make your voice heard, visit the N.Y. State Catholic Conference website at nyscatholic.org.

rare” abortion mantra — one would expect to find them in the forefront of promoting laws and policies — and upholding and enforcing *existing laws* — to protect women; to provide alternatives to abortion; to restrict late term abortion; and to *at least* prohibit the killing of babies *after they are born*.

Yet here in New York, Gov. Andrew Cuomo wants to move us in exactly the *opposite direction*. Just as the Gosnell trial was exposing abortion clinic horrors perpetrated against women and newborn children — horrors that the Pennsylvania grand jury charged were a direct result of pro-abortion Gov. Tom Ridge’s refusal to enforce existing laws



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>> Rick Hinshaw is the editor of *The Long Island Catholic Magazine*.

PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY



*You are cordially invited to a
 Mass of Thanksgiving
 celebrating the
 25th Anniversary of Ordination
 of
 Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco*

*Sunday, June 2, 2013 + 11:00 a.m.
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church*

*Parish Hospitality to follow the Mass
 (No RSVP necessary)*

Buffet breakfast
Full round of golf
BBQ Dinner
GOLF AWARDS...
 Closest to the Pin
 (all par 3's)
 Longest Drive
 (one for men and one for ladies)
 Complimentary Driving
 Range
 50/50 Raffle
 ...and more!!!!

3rd Annual
OLPH Golf Outing
Monday, September 23, 2013
The Links—Cherry Creek

Looking for a great Father's Day gift?

Members of the Knights of Columbus will be outside the Church June 8 & 9 selling a special \$140 *Father's Day Package* (\$155 with bus) or contact Bob Dobres at 631-592-8697 or by email: boca46@optonline.net

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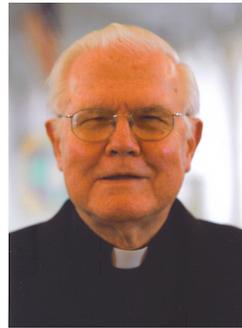
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A NOTE FROM MSGR. HAMILTON



Some of you have mentioned that you haven't seen me for a while. Near the end of April I was struck with a severe case of Spinal Stenosis, a disorder of some spinal vertebrae and associated nerves that cause severe pain, for me, down the right side of my body from the hip to the foot. Several days elapsed before a proper diagnosis was made and then I received a “set of injections” in my lower back which relieved things slightly but not substantially. I am about to receive a second set. It is difficult for me to stand and to walk. But I am hoping for a full improvement over time. I rejoice in the saying of Pope John Paul II: “I don't think with my feet.”

Thank you, dear parishioners, for your prayers and concern.

Sincerely,
Msgr. Hamilton

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Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit...
-Acts 2:4

Pentecost Sunday
May 19, 2013

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MASS SCHEDULE
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.
Sunday 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.
Masses for Holy Days are announced and published.

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Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Monday - Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.
Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available by making an appointment with one of our priests.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Monday Evenings: after OLPH Novena Devotions
Wednesday: 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Sunday Nights: 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
First Saturdays: 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Third Time:

*Christopher Viverito & Margaret McDonald
(OLPH)*

Second Time:

Steven Peterson & Christina Gindele (OLPH)

First Time:

*Thomas Napolitano & Marie Galante (Both
OLPH)*

Patrick Smith & Renee Lettow (OLPH)

WE REMEMBER

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

Tony DiPalo

Frank Verdino

Anthony Palladini, Jr.

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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...

Jeanette Russo	Melissa Hrubsa
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Calvin Nostrom	Rev. Anthony Trapani
Turro Family	Denise Kaminsky
Joseph Bulin	Elsa Gewanter
Lee Martin	Barbara Bornn
Eileen Quinn	Mary Schatzle
Sister Janet Scheiner	Frank Alsani
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Anthony Kercelius	Peggy Curran
Rosemary McTernan	Kevin Curran
Mario Lotito	Stephen Kozlowski
Mary Mark	Madeline Bonanduci

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.

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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: 631.226.7725

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St. Vincent de Paul (Parish Outreach) :

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Youth Ministry: 631.226.6239

Parish Website:

www.olphlindenhurst.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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, May 27— Weekday in the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time (Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop <i>optional memorial</i>)	
8:00	Enthronement of Jesus Christ King of Poland & All Nations
12:00	Boze & Berta Pesa (Living)
7:00	<i>NO EVENING MASS— Memorial Day observed</i>
TUESDAY, May 28— Weekday	
8:00	Diane Bythrow
12:00	<i>NO NOON MASS—Confirmation</i>
7:00	Joseph Aliano
WEDNESDAY, May 29— Weekday	
8:00	Roy Mulhauser
12:00	James Barry
7:00	Josephine Meade
THURSDAY, May 30— Weekday	
8:00	William & Genevieve Gladd
12:00	Joseph Aliano, Sr.
7:00	Rev. Robert Milanja & Ivanica Milanga
FRIDAY, May 31— The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
8:00	Joan McCarthy
12:00	Dolores Soboul
7:00	Kazimierz Wegrzynowski
SATURDAY, June 1— Saint Justin, Martyr	
8:00	Hedwig M. & John E. Yuliano
4:00	Special Needs Mass—Auditorium
Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	
5:00	Lena & Ronnie Jennings
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	
6:30	Michael P. Killela
8:00	Ann Sanna
9:30	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
11:00	Mass for the People of the Parish
12:30	Mary Bradley
5:00	Marion Ierardi

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Monday, May 27, 2013: Memorial Day

Sirach 17:20-24 + Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 28, 2013:

Sirach 35:1-12 + Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 29, 2013:

Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17 + Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 30, 2013:

Sirach 42:15-25 + Mark 10:46-52

Friday, May 31, 2013:

The Visitation of the blessed Virgin Mary

Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16
+ Luke 1:39-56

Saturday, June 1, 2013:

Sirach 51:12cd-20 + Mark 11:27-33

Sunday, June 2, 2013:

**The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
Corpus Christi Sunday**

Genesis 14:18-20 + 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
+ Luke 9:11b -17

After reading next Sunday's Gospel, take some time pray with these questions, before you come to Mass.

1. Which would be the more impressive miracle, an actual multiplication of loaves and fish or thousands of people sharing their food with each other? Whose work makes it possible that Jesus' gift of his passion, death and resurrection are limitlessly multiplied in every Eucharistic celebration?



2. The reading says, "They ate and were satisfied." What or who would you encounter in a person if s/he were Eucharist to you? Would you be satisfied? Does Jesus come into us in the Eucharist or do we enter into him?

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING UPDATE

May 18/19, 2013

Mass Time	Weekly Collection	# of Envelopes	Attendance
5:00 P.M.	\$2,662.00	138	445
6:30 A.M.	1,464.00	NA	130
8:00 A.M.	2,120.00	96	241
9:30 A.M.	1,187.00	72	223
11:00 A.M.	2,681.00	115	415
12:30 P.M.	2,700.00	98	315
5:00 P.M.	888.00	30	178
Total coin:	21.14		
Faith Direct	1,938.00	85	
Mail In	366.00		
TOTAL	\$16,027.14		1947
2012 Totals	\$15,883.00		2153



Working on your spring cleaning list?

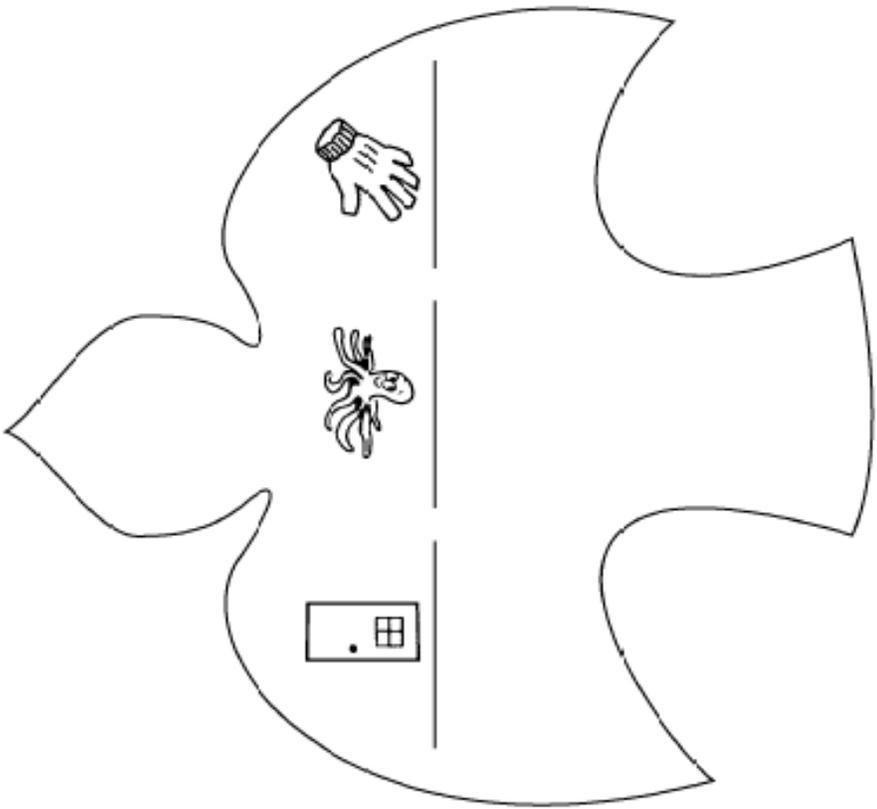
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Enrollment forms are available in the church office or you can visit *Faith Direct's* secure web site at www.faithdirect.net to enroll online. Our parish code is: NY286.

As always, know that your generosity is truly a gift from God.

The Spirit would help the disciples know about God.

Write the beginning sound for each picture.



Children's Worship Bulletin 

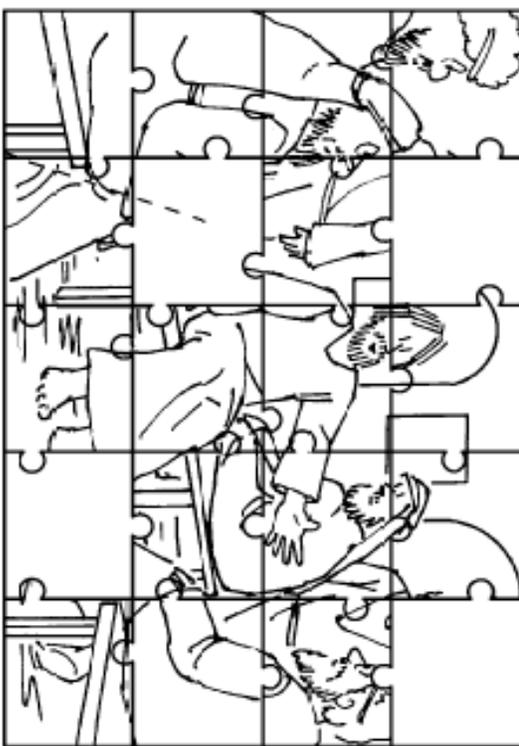
Ages 3-6

May 26, 2013 • John 16:12-15

The Spirit of Truth

Jesus spoke to His disciples to comfort them.

Match the puzzle pieces.



Jesus told them about the help they would get from the Holy Spirit.

Trace the numbers and count some of the ways they would be helped.



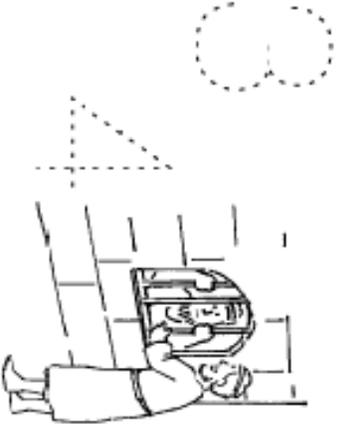
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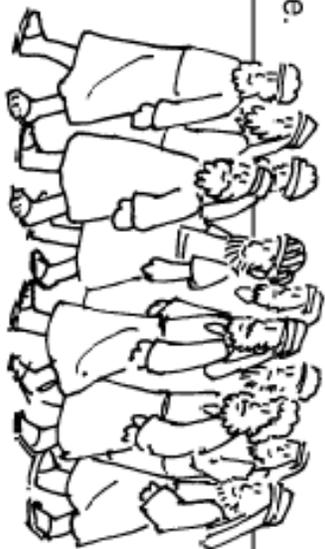
healing



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Jesus explained how the Spirit of Truth would guide them.

Follow the maze.



SPIRIT OF TRUTH

TRUTH

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on **Friday, June 7th** at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, call 1-800-470-2230 to be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.
- Continuing the Marian Healing Ministry of Fr. Dennis Kelleher CSsR, there will be a *Healing Mass* at the Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston Pkwy, Douglaston, on Tuesday, **June 4** at 7pm—Rosary, Mass & Healing Service. For info contact the IC Center 718-229-8001.
- *Montfort Spiritual Center, Bay Shore* - "**Quiet Day of Prayer**" - **One-Day Retreat-Saturday, June 15**, 9:30am—3:30pm. Bishop John Dunne, D.D. of Rockville Centre, & Father Gerald Fitzsimmons, SMM, Montfort Missionary Assistant Provincial will be the conference speakers. This will be an opportunity to listen to Jesus' story of a father and his two sons opening our hearts to possible change and conversion. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Rosary and the celebration of the Eucharist. Requested donation: \$35. Call 631-666-7500 for registration and info.
- **Catholic Charities** has a 21 hour Eligibility Specialist *position available* at our Wyandanch Commodity Supplemental Food Program at \$12.17 per hour. Computer experience a must. Call Hugo at 631-491-4169.

IMPORTANT NOTICES for MONDAY & TUESDAY



Monday, May 27, 2013

On Monday, May 27th all Rectory offices will be closed. The 7:00 P.M. Mass and the OLPH Novena will **NOT** be celebrated in observance of

Memorial Day. Mass will be celebrated at 8 A.M. and 12 Noon.

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

On Tuesday, May 28th, Bishop Perez will be celebrating Confirmation at 11 A.M. and at 2 P.M. Therefore, the 12 Noon Mass will **NOT** take place. Mass will be celebrated only at 8 A.M. and 7 P.M.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012
2013

In celebration of the Year of Faith, the Diocese of Rockville Centre offers this Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, D.C.

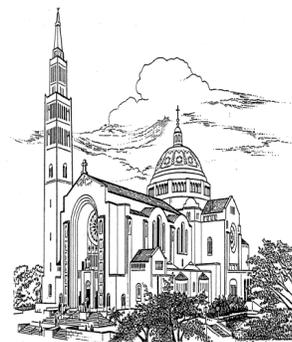
Please save the date and join us, together with faithful from all across our diocese, on

Saturday, September 28, 2013

for a day-long experience filled with opportunities for prayer, reflection, reconciliation and fellowship.

More information will be coming soon from the Office of the Bishop and the Office of Worship.

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THE VIGIL OF PENTECOST



Last Saturday, we celebrated the Vigil of Pentecost. The liturgy began with a procession of those who have received the sacraments throughout the past year. We also confirmed teens and adults in our parish who have been in a time of formation for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. It was a beautiful celebration of the Spirit and the spirit present in our parish community.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

On Pentecost Sunday, our Family Life Ministry hosted a wonderful breakfast for our entire parish family. We welcomed, in a special way, some members of our parish who received First Holy Communion for the first time. Thanks to all who prepared this wonderful celebration and to all who attended!



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