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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**JUNE 17– 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FATHER’S DAY**

- 6:30 Mass for the People of the Parish
- 8:00 Book of the Faithful Departed
- 9:30 James & Marjorie Santdi (For the Living)
- 11:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mother’s & Guild
- 12:30 Father’s Day Novena
- 5:00 Gertrude Mattes
- 6:30 Polish Mass

MONDAY: JUNE 18— Weekday

- 8:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 12:00 Retired K of C OLPH Knights Council 794
- 7:00 Thomas & Mary McAlarney
- 7:30 Devotions (Novena)

TUESDAY: JUNE 19– Weekday—St. Romuald, Abbot

- 8:00 Michael Kielczewski
- 12:00 Melchiorre, Elizabeth & Thomas Carchiara
- 7:00 Father’s Day Novena

WEDNESDAY: JUNE 20— Weekday

- 8:00 Margaret & Joseph Kosarek
- 12:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 7:00 Rosalie Gandarillas

THURSDAY: JUNE 21—St. Aloysius Gonzaga

- 8:00 Ann & John Millett
- 12:00 Catherine Savage Marko & Joshua
- 7:00 Father’s Day Novena

**FRIDAY: JUNE 22—St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop;
Sts. John Fisher, and St. Thomas More, Martyrs**

- 8:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 12:00 Carmela Proscia
- 7:00 Fr. Jim Stachacz — 1yr. as Pastor (Living)

SATURDAY: JUNE 23—

- 8:00 Father’s Day Novena
- 9:00 William J. Biscardi

VIGIL MASS –

- 5:00 Arlene Ann Sredniawski
Mass for Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
(patron saint of Haiti)
- 7:00 Mass followed by a procession

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam



Mission Statement

“Trusting in God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and, motivated by Christ’s Life, Death and Resurrection, we, the people of God, under the protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, accept as our mission, the evangelization of our parishioners both active and inactive. We accept the call to bring all to a personal, Covenant relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior, to live the Paschal Mystery and to promote the spiritual health and growth of everyone in our parish community.”

- The OLPH Pastoral Council



**June 23
Feast Day of
Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

From the Pastor's Desk – May this day be a day of Peace and Rest for all Fathers, young and old.

This has been a great couple of weeks with the announcement from the Vatican selecting two new Auxiliary Bishops for our Diocese, **Msgr. Robert Brennan** (left in photo), the Vicar General for our Diocese, who grew up here in Lindenhurst with his family and graduated from OLPH School. His appointment is a blessing to our parish and to our school. As we approach the final day of School and its closing we should be proud of all our students who have been taught by dedicated teachers, both lay and religious over the almost 99 years of its existence. The joy of the Church on Long Island continues with the selection of **Msgr. Nelson Perez** (on the right in photo) who is presently the pastor of St. Agnes Church in West Chester, Pennsylvania. He is the first Latino Bishop of our Diocese and will do much for the growth of the spirituality of the Latino people here in our Diocese. This is an exciting time for both "Bishops-Elect" who will be ordained Bishops together at St. Agnes Cathedral on July 25, 2012.



As you all know, on Wednesday, June 27th, **Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco** will become the new Pastor of OLPH Church. Msgr. Joe is looking forward to his new assignment and anxious to begin ministry with his new team of priests who are being assigned to the Parish. The new priests will be:

1. **Fr. John Sureau** -- newly-ordained, ordained Dec. 3, 2011. Full-time associate pastor, assigned for 5 years.
2. **Fr. Ignace Lolecke**, a priest from the Diocese of Tsumbe in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Full-time associate pastor, assigned for 1 year.

3. **Fr. Michael Holzmann**, will be a resident, helping with weekend Masses and occasionally weekday Masses; his full-time assignment is Chaplain at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School.

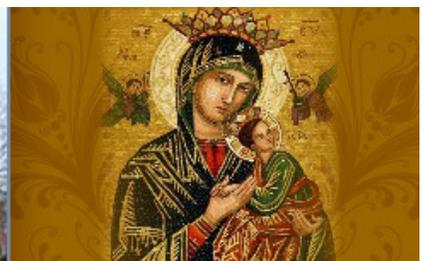
Msgr. DeGrocco will be speaking at all the Masses the first weekend to introduce himself. His first Pastor's Column will start the following weekend.

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Final Days of School - As of this writing, we are preparing for the Mass and Graduation Ceremony of the last graduating class of OLPH School. It is indeed sad to see the school close, but as we look around the Island, across the State and across the Country we see the Church in many Dioceses going through the same painful decisions with the closing of Catholic Schools and Parishes. The demographics and economy has drastically changed throughout the Nation, but this has not changed the intense desire of the Church to continue to develop and offer sound, faith filled Catholic identified Schools and Religious Education programs across the Nation. As in the civilian sector, times and circumstances have called for restructuring and regrouping in many areas including Education. This is not an indication of failure. Rather, it indicates the need for a change in focus and change for the better for our parishes, our schools and for the Church in general.

On behalf of the Parish, I thank the Staff and Teachers of OLPH School for their dedication over the years and for your success in preparing our children for their future academic needs and their personal and social needs. For all you have done, we give thanks to God. We also acknowledge the many Religious Sisters and lay teachers who have served our school and give thanks to God for all they did to promote Catholic Education and to strengthen our Catholic Faith in the lives of so many people.

May God +bless you, and yours, today and forever. - Father Anthony



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Third Time:

*Salvatore Falcone (OLPH) & Jacquelyn Birkel
Patrick Tennant & Megan Meade (OLPH)*

Second Time:

*Michael Pinto & Ann Marie Romeo Patrick Tennant & Megan Meade (OLPH)
Robert Kalinowski & Monika Kosakowska*

First Time:

*Piero LaRocca & Teresa Oliverio (Both of OLA, Copiague)
Patrick Lambert & Christine Keller (Both of OLPH)
Anthony DiAngelis (OLPH) & Marieann Vitello (OLG, West Babylon)
John Ashcroft & Ashley Kienle (OLPH)
Keith Annunz (St. Rose of Lima, Mass. Park) & Elizabeth Alessi (OLPH)*



PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Connie Bulzomi
Herb Otten*



*Dear God,
We place our worries in
Your hands and ask that You
restore Your servant to health again.*

Baptisms

*Alexandria Gonzales Bird Kellen Ryan Crosby
Tyler John Crosley Matthew James Gelshion
Nicholas Patrick Karas Jack Warren Lanning
Aiden Henry Soyack*

*We Welcome you, with love, to our parish
family!*



PRAY FOR THE DEAD

*Peter J. Farranto, Jr.
Gilda Moonan
Richard Paladino
Jon S. Ippolito*

*We ask you, O God,
to be our quiet strength
and consolation*

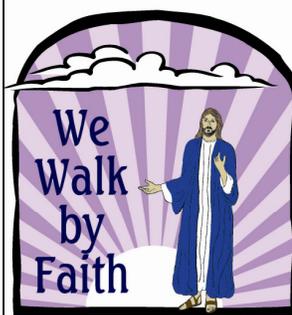


As Christian Stewards in Today's World, We "Walk by Faith."

June 17, 2012 — 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Father's Day

Like the sower in today's Gospel, I scatter as seed my gifts of time, talent and resources; and I trust that, by God's grace and in God's time, these small gifts of myself

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to be the good seed mentioned in the Gospel story and that their example inspires others to become good stewards, too!



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

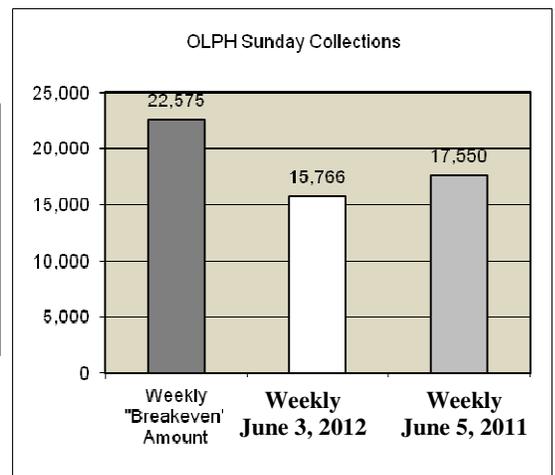
Your Parish Finance Council has suggested that this simple bar graph be added to our weekly bulletin to illustrate the gap between the Sunday collection and the amount needed to achieve a balanced parish budget. Since the beginning of our fiscal year, September 1, 2011, we have experienced a weekly shortfall in collections. It is urgent that we begin to reverse this trend.

**OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH
DEPENDS ON YOUR GENEROSITY**

All envelopes must have your account number and offering amount indicated in order for your account to be credited (for taxes) those weekly and special donations. Separate checks in each envelopes, please.

The account number, after the #267, is located under the date. Remember you must be registered (filled out an information card) in the parish in order to receive envelopes. Thank you.

**PLEASE HELP CLOSE THE GAP!
JOIN FAITH DIRECT
YOUR DESIGNATED OFFERING IS MADE AUTOMATICALLY!**



PARISH NEWS

- Next weekend, **June 23/24**, our diocese will take up the **Peter's Pence Collection**, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.
- **Both Fr. Trapani and Fr. Anselm will be leaving for their new assignments on June 27 and will concelebrate their last Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Sunday, June 24 at 12:30 pm. A farewell reception, hosted by the Christian Mothers, will follow in the auditorium. All are welcome to come.**
- **The OLPH Community of Praise Prayer Group** meets Tuesday evenings at 7:45pm in the Convent Meeting Room. Please enter through the front Convent door. *All are welcome.*
- **FACE THE TRUTH PRE-INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENT** Sat. **June 30** - 1:00 – 2:30 PM Exit 70 S of the Long Island Exwy. & Cty. Rd. 111, Manorville, Long Island. Join us as we stand united before the anniversary of our Nation's Independence to show that everyone has an inherent right to life, including the unborn. Sponsored by the *L.I. Coalition for Life and Peconic Respect Life Assn.* Call Bill Matthews at 631-288-3263 or LICL at 631-243-1435. Signs will be provided at site.
- **Applications for Catholic Sports Camp** to be held at OLPH **July 23-27**, from 9am—1pm, can be picked up at the rectory. The Sports Camp is open to all Elementary School children in Kindergarten & up. Contact: Terry Hirten 631-957-6069 for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **American Polish Council of Long Island** will hold its Annual "*Polish Day Picnic*" **June 17th**, at Eisenhower Park, East Meadow from *9 am until dusk* at the Cherry Section, parking lot 5. *Admission and parking is free!*
- **Special Marian Mass for Our Lady of Medjugorje**, Monday, **June 25** 7pm Rosary / 7:30 pm Mass. *St. Mary's Church, 110 Bryant Ave., Roslyn*, refreshments afterwards. Come join us and pray for world peace. Contact: Dolores Santangelo 516-903-6630, Deacon Ed Case 516-621-1172 for more information.
- **Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty member Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ, Machu Picchu & The Land of the Inca**, January 8-16, 2013. For a detailed brochure call Sister Grace 631-654-0199 or email growland@sjcny.edu
- **Summer Sing!** The **Diocesan Choir** hosted by **John Buckel**, under conductor **Michael Wustrow**, Tuesday, **July 17** at 7:30 pm at St. Rose of Lima Church Massapequa. Come and join singers from all over Long Island. (Must be able to climb stair to the loft) Seating is limited. RSVP with your name and voice part to 516-678-5800 X 504 or choir@drvc.org.
- **Our Lady of Consolation** in West Islip, a 450-bed Nursing Home & Rehabilitation Facility, is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to help distribute communion to our bed-bound residents each day. If anyone wishes to volunteer or has any questions please contact the Pastoral Care Department at 631-587-1600 X 8297.
- **Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy**—provided by NYS licensed therapists available to our parish and 102 other parishes. Services provided by Catholic Counseling Center. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. Confidential information and appointments: call Dr. Giuliani 631-243-2503 or go to our website thecatholiccounselingcenter.com.
- **THE 2013 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN ON OR ABOUT JULY 10— THE EXACT DATE WILL BE PUBLISHED AT THE APPROVAL OF OUR NEW PASTOR.**

Readings for the Week—June 17—June 23 2012:**Sunday, June 17:** Ex 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10/ Mk 4:26-34**Monday, June 18:** 1 Kgs 21:1-16 / Mt 5:38-42**Tuesday, June 19:** 1 Kgs 21:17-29 / Mt 5:43-48**Wednesday, June 20:** 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18**Thursday, June 21:** Sir 48:1-14 / Mt 6:7-15**Friday, June 22:** 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 / Mt 6:19-23**Saturday, June 23:** 2 Chr 24:17-25 / Mt 6:24-34

O Faithful St. Joseph,
Guardian of the Redeemer,
to whom the Child Jesus
lovingly called out "Abba",
Pray for all our Fathers!

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul: "WE HELP PEOPLE"**

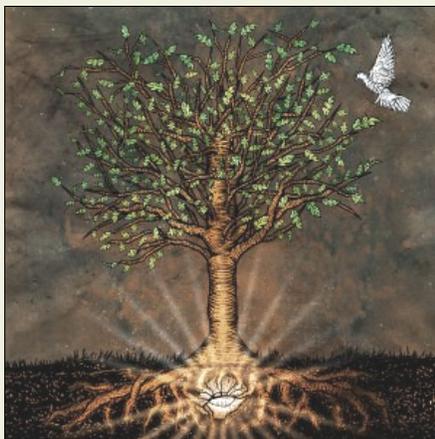
CANNED TUNA, CANNED MEATS, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, COFFEE, CANNED MEALS/SOUPS WITH MEAT, PORK & BEANS, CANNED PEAS, CARROTS, CANNED FRUIT, PANCAKE MIX, SYRUP, CAKE MIXES, DESSERTS, ANY PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOOS, SOAPS, TOILET TISSUE, PAPER TOWELS.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY!

In the Gospel, Jesus says: "This is how it is with the reign of God. A man scatters seed on the ground. He goes to bed and gets up day after day. Through it all the seed sprouts and grows without his knowing how it happens."

Through your almsgiving you are sowing seeds that grow far greater than you know. The coins placed in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box bring Christ love and compassion to the poor.

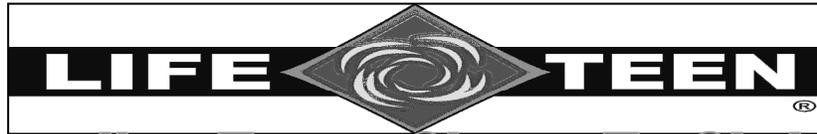
The office is open: *Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 am—12 noon. Call 631-225-5531.*

**Stewardship Bulletin Reflection:****June 17, 2012 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time****Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34**

In today's readings, we hear how the Lord takes what is small and makes it great – a branch from the cedar, which, when planted will "put forth branches and bear fruit. It will become a majestic cedar;" and a mustard seed, the smallest of the seeds, which becomes a huge plant. And so He builds up His kingdom. He calls all of us to be His disciples, and though, in the eyes of the world, we may be insignificant, His call is great. When we answer the call and give ourselves to Him completely – offering Him all that we are – He will use us for great

things – to bring others to Him, to make disciples of all nations, to build the Kingdom of God.

It is our responsibility to listen to His call, to recognize the gifts He has given us, and, using them for His greater glory, to answer the call by surrendering ourselves to the Lord. Without Him we are nothing, completely insignificant, but with Him we are called to greatness.



Leading Teens Closer To Christ

“So be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid and do not panic before them. For the Lord your God will personally go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor abandon you. “

-Deuteronomy 31:6

No Life Night TONIGHT - Happy Father's Day!!

Next Week - THE RETURN OF LIVE THE LIGHT!!

Congrats to our seniors!! James, Joe, Mike, Chris, Sara, Hannah, Mary, and Becca!! We will miss you guys!!

Stay tuned for more events www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com



Are you in 8th - 12th grade? Bored on Sunday nights? Come to the Life Teen mass and our Life Night that starts at 6:15 in the convent basement. You won't be sorry, we have a group of 25-30 teens each week growing closer to Christ and making tons of friends along the way. Each week we have a different activity and theme, Summer BBQ's, and a retreat every year. Come once and I guarantee you will be hooked! Contact Brittany or Tom at OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com

Are you an adult 20-35 interested in leading our teens closer to Christ and being an active part in our community here at OLPH? We are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to apply please contact Brittany or Tom at OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com

**** Remember Life Teen is still running a food drive for the poor until July 15th. Please contact the Life Teen office or drop off food between 4-6:30 on Sunday nights at the Life Teen office.**

We are looking for the following:

Peanut butter, rice, beans (pinto, black, kidney), canned fruit, canned vegetables, cake mixes, canned meats, cereal, baby food, diapers, coffee, tea **



The Edge is for all middle school age kids—no matter where you go to school—this is the place for you! We meet in the basement of the Convent. Look for the blue door on the south side of the Convent. We meet from 7:30 til 8:45 pm. It's a great place to come, hang out, play great games and learn about our faith. **Just come on down**, no need to sign up!

Edge will be taking a break for the rest of June

Any 5th graders who would like to join us are also invited to come to Edge! Open to anyone in 6th, 7th and 8th grade! No cost! Just let us know you'll be here so we can plan food!

Email olphedge@gmail.com or call 226-6239 and leave message to let us know you'll be here!

Any questions call and leave a message for Peggy.



Thank You, Fr. Trapani
From the Knights of Columbus Council 794
And many of your friends at OLPH. We will miss you!
God Bless You & Good Luck at St. Patrick's!



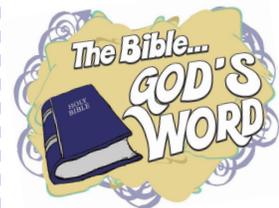
SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL—GRADUATE FROM OLPH
STEVEN ERIC ZELTMAN

KELLENBERG MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL—GRADUATES FROM OLPH

LISA ABRAMSKI
KAITLYN MCALVIN
MATTHEW SEAMAN

**RELIGIOUS ED
NEEDS VOLUNTEERS
TO TEACH ALL GRADES
(EXCEPT GRADE 2)
AND ALL SESSIONS**



And Student Assistant Teachers (ages 13-18)

PLEASE CALL THE *Rel. Ed. Office*—631 226-2384



Family Life: Fathers Day, June 17 We invite all Dad's, Grandfathers and Godfathers to join us at the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass. At the conclusion of the Mass we will be giving out vegetable plants.

July: We begin our "No Vacation for the Hungry".

August: *Back to School Time* Collection.

PARISH SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

MONTH 3 – Developing Baby -- "I can suck my thumb!"

Your baby is quite active in the womb now -although her mother won't feel her for another couple of months. If her mother's womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move her tongue. She can make a tight fist if you touch her palm. She is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although she obtains the oxygen her body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce.



A word from Pope John Paul II to those suffering because of abortion:
"Do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope... The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."
(*The Gospel of Life*, no. 99)

**Haitian-American Apostolate Ministry (HAAM)
Diocese of Rockville Centre (DRVC)**



Save the Date!!! Nap tann ou !!!

Samedi 23 Juin 2012/Saturday, Juin 23, 2012 - 7:00pm

Sanctuaire Notre Dame du Perpétuel Secours - Lindenhurst

Shrine of "Our Lady of Perpetual Help"

**210 S WELLWOOD AVE,
LINDENHURST, NY 11757
TEL: 631-226-7725**

**Celebration of the Eucharist In Honor of the Patroness of Haiti,
"Our Lady of Perpetual Help"**

**Selebrasyon Ekaristik nan okazyon fèt Patwòn Peyi DAYITI,
"Maman Pepetyèl Sekou"
(7:00pm.)**

**Presider/Celebrant: Most Rev. Bishop John C. Dunne, D.D.
Homilist: Father Eden Jean Baptiste**

Choir: "La Lumiere du Monde" from St Boniface, Elmont

Candles w/ Holders for street procession will be available for \$1.00 Donation.

For Information/pou enfòmasyon Call: 516-678-5800 xs/233/407 or

email: HAAM@drvc.org

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

understanding the basics ▪ defending a right

Defending Freedom: Everyone's Task (7 of 7)

Discussing the current debate surrounding religious liberty kindled by the HHS mandate, Cardinal Dolan says, "This has not been a fight of our choosing. We'd rather not be in it. We'd prefer to concentrate on the noble tasks of healing the sick, teaching our youth, and helping the poor, all now in jeopardy due to this bureaucratic intrusion into the internal life of the church." While the Church would rather be about her works of charity, she has nevertheless stood on the front line of the battle for religious freedom, and her shepherds have been in the forefront. Individually and as a conference, the bishops have taken the lead and drawn the nation's attention to the seriousness of the threat that the HHS mandate imposes on America's rich heritage of religious freedom. They have illustrated for us the magnitude of the challenges that lie ahead if religious liberty is treated as a lesser right. But this battle for religious freedom cannot rest with the bishops alone, and they are the first to admit it.

In their recent document, *Our First, Most Cherished Liberty*, they say: "As bishops we seek to bring the light of the Gospel to our public life, but the work of politics is properly that of committed and courageous lay Catholics. We exhort them to be both engaged and articulate in insisting that as Catholics and as Americans we do not have to choose between the two. There is an urgent need for the lay faithful, in cooperation with Christians, Jews, and others, to impress upon our elected representatives the importance of continued protection of religious liberty in a free society."

Professor Glendon echoes the bishops. She says that as faithful Catholic Americans we too must "embrace our responsibility for bringing Christian principles to life in the secular sphere." The Second Vatican Council made clear that every Catholic – from the Pope right down to the person in the pew – has an obligation, by virtue of their baptism, to "remedy the customs and conditions of the world, if they are an inducement to sin, so that [everyone] may be conformed to the norms of justice and may favor the practice of virtue rather than hinder it" (Lumen Gentium 36).

Archbishop-designate Lori expresses that sentiment more concretely: "It's not enough for the bishops and leaders of Church institutions to clearly state our teaching; the government needs to hear from the lay faithful. The more [government leaders] see a unity and resolve on the part of the whole church, the less likely they are to try to impose such unjust and illegal rules."

History, Professor Glendon reminds us, has shown that successful resistance can in fact be "mounted by concerned citizens and courageous bishops...[so] religious leaders and citizens need not roll over and play dead when their basic freedoms are attacked." The fight has not been of our choosing, but it is every Catholic's duty to respond and speak what we know to be the truth.

For further information visit www.usccb.org and www.drvc.org

"As a community of faith, we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail and religious liberty may be restored."

Bishop William Murphy

PRAYER

Almighty God, Father of all nations, for freedom you have set us free in Christ Jesus (Gal 5:1).

We praise and bless you for the gift of religious liberty, the foundation of human rights, justice, and the common good. Grant to our leaders the wisdom to protect and promote our liberties; By your grace may we have the courage to defend them, for ourselves and for all those who live in this blessed land.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, our patroness, and in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.