

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

210 South Wellwood Avenue + Lindenhurst, New York 11757 +  
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**July 22, 2012 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## Welcome to our Parish!

Our parish Church is here for you physically and pastorally. Our Church building is open everyday from 7:30 AM until approximately 8 PM on most evenings. Come for Mass or some quiet time whenever you can. You are most welcome here.

If you are new to our parish, please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 so we can welcome you and help you to join our community.

### CLERGY

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

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

Rev. Moise Aime + Rev. Ignace Lolecke +  
Rev. John Sureau

**In Residence:** Rev. Michael Holzmann

### Deacons

Rev. Mr. Frank A. Odin + Rev. Mr. William Crosby  
Rev. Mr. Douglas G. Smith

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst

**Monday:** 1-5 pm (no morning hours)

**Tuesday - Friday:** 9 am - 12 noon and 1-5 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.

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday – Friday

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

**Saturday Morning:** 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 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., and 6:30 (Mass in Polish).

*Masses for Holy Days are as announced and published.*

### 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:** 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. for the Reparation of  
Souls (*Resumes in the Fall*)

**First Saturday:** 9:00 p.m. to Midnight

### DEVOTIONS TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**Monday Evenings:** Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help - 7:30 P.M.

**First Saturday:** Our Lady of Fatima Devotion - 7:40  
a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**Rosary:** Every weekday morning at 8:30 a.m.

### OREMOS A DIOS EN ESPAÑOL

The Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group meets every  
Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sundays: 2:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

*Please contact the Parish Office for more information.*

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

### 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.

**P A R I S H   S T A F F**

**PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR ADMINISTRATION**  
Deacon Donald A. Stamm

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 226-2384**

**Director of Religious Education:** Thomas J. Acemoglu

**RCIA / Adult Formation:** Deacon Douglas G. Smith

**Baptismal Prep:** Deacon William Crosby

**YOUTH MINISTRY 226-6239**

**Youth Ministry Coordinator**

Brittany Marie Evans

**MUSIC DIRECTOR**

James R. Kendall

**SACRISTAN**

Mark Costantino

**PLANT MAINTENANCE**

Vito Cudia

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES**

**St. Vincent de Paul 225-5531**

**President:** Joseph Illuminato

**Catholic Youth Organization : [olphcyophil@optonline.net](mailto:olphcyophil@optonline.net)**

**Program Coordinator:** Phil Amico

516-732-8520

**Altar Bread and Wine**

This week the bread and wine used at our Masses is offered in loving memory of

*Reginald T. Sowinski*

by Anne Sowinski

*To memorialize the altar bread and wine for a particular week, please contact the parish office at 631.226.7725.*



**PLEASE NOTE!**

Beginning with next Sunday's bulletin, we will publish the Mass intentions from **Monday to Sunday of each week**. This will allow you to know the Intentions for the upcoming Sunday when you read the bulletin.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF**

**JULY 22— 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 6:30 Mass for the People of the Parish
- 8:00 Book of the Faithful Departed
- 9:30 Anthony Gallo
- 11:00 Joao Marques
- 12:30 Martha Mullan
- 5:00 Louis Poveromo
- 6:30 Mass in Polish

**MONDAY, JULY 23—Saint Bridget, religious (optional)**

- 8:00 Josephine & Alfred Pentenrieder
- 12:00 Rosa Sancilio
- 7:00 Gilda Moonan
- 7:30 Devotions (Novena)

**TUESDAY, JULY 24 - Saint Sharbel, Makhluf, Priest**

- 8:00 Frank Pecere
- 12:00 Carmela Criscuolo
- 7:00 Helen Maureen Hoffman

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 25—Saint James, Apostle (Feast)**

- 8:00 George & Margaret Seiler
- 12:00 Ron Mazza
- 7:00 Michael Funyak

**THURSDAY, JULY 26— Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin**

- 8:00 Cosmo Licameli
- 12:00 James B. Ruic
- 7:00 Joan McCowan

**FRIDAY, JULY 27—Friday of the 16th week**

- 8:00 Mikoleski Family (Living & Deceased)
- 12:00 Lucille Knapp
- 7:00 Enthronement of Jesus Christ the King in Poland & all over the world.

**SATURDAY: JULY 28—Saturday of the 16th week**

- 8:00 Filomena Mancini
- 9:00 Rev. Denis Sheridan & Rose Ann Stanton

**VIGIL MASS -**

- 5:00 James Campion

**JULY 29— 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 6:30 Mass for the People of the Parish
- 8:00 Book of the Faithful Departed
- 9:30 Living and Deceased Members of the K of C #794
- 11:00 Reginald T. Sowinski
- 12:30 Casper Tuminaro
- 5:00 Patricia Donovan
- 6:30 Mass in Polish

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

## *The family is all together now...*

Last weekend you had the chance to meet Fr. Ignace, our other new full-time Associate Pastor, who thankfully has finally arrived! I am very pleased to welcome him, and his friendly disposition and warm smile, to our OLPH community.

It is good for us to have the full complement of priests that we are supposed to have, and now we can begin to settle in to the patterns and routines that will help us to be maximally effective in the various responsibilities each of us will have...*almost!* There is one more hurdle for us to get over, and that's summer vacations.

Just after I arrived in the parish I was informed that the summer helping priest who was supposed to come from July through September this year ran into a visa snafu and won't be able to come at all. At this late date it is practically impossible to obtain a replacement for him. There will be a period of six days in August when Fr. John, Fr. Moise and Fr. Michael will all be away, and then I will be away for one week toward the end of August. This is just one of those unavoidable "bumps in the road" that happen from time to time, especially in this time of transition with all the new priests. With patience, your cooperation and understanding, and a sense of humor, we will get through it. We are working to put systems in place that avoid these bumps in the future: now that we are all here, we will work to better coordinate schedules next summer, and even now I am working on putting things in place to be sure that we have adequate summer replacement coverage for next year.

## *Bishop-elect Robert J. Brennan*

This week marks a special week in our diocese and a cause of great joy for our parish, as on this Wednesday, July 25, the Feast of St. James the Apostle, two new auxiliary bishops will be ordained for our diocese: Nelson J. Perez and Robert J. Brennan. The ordination of both of these exemplary priests to the Order of Bishops is a blessing for the diocese, and we are pleased to welcome Bishop-elect Perez. However, I must take a moment to focus on Bishop-elect Brennan since, as you know, he is a native son; he grew up here in Lindenhurst, attended OLPH school and worked in the parish before entering the seminary.

I am proud to say that Bishop-elect Brennan and I have been good friends since our days as seminarians; he was one year behind me, and we hit it off from the first time we met with his arrival in First Theology. The two of us remained friends throughout our seminary years and throughout the years of our priesthood, even often going on retreats together; he was the Acolyte at my first Mass. I

had the privilege of working closely with Bishop-elect Bob when I was Secretary to Bishop Murphy (succeeding him in that position) as he was then, and still is, Vicar General. I cannot think of a better priest who has exemplified the virtues of selflessness, generosity, compassion and tireless zeal and love for the Church than Bishop-elect Brennan. This is a tremendous gift to our diocese and to the Church. Elsewhere in the bulletin you will find a special congratulatory note from the parish.

Congratulations must also be extended to his parents, Robert and Patricia Brennan, and to the Bishop-elect's entire family. The Brennan family has been and continues to be part of what makes OLPH such a great parish!

I do hope you will watch the ordination on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., and the special Evening Prayer the night before at 7:30 p.m., on our diocesan television station Telecare. As part of my work in liturgy on the diocesan level, I will have the privilege of being the M.C. to the two Bishops-elect during the liturgy, which is a special thrill for me given my long friendship with Bishop-elect Brennan.

## *Divine Intervention*

Many of you have mentioned that you watch my game show on Telecare, *Divine Intervention*. I thank you for your support; the times the show can be seen will always be printed in the bulletin. Some of you have even indicated you would like to be contestants on the show, and that's wonderful! I would love to have a big showing of OLPH parishioners. We used to tape all the shows for the entire season in about six days over the summer, but this summer, with my transition into OLPH as a first-time Pastor, I chose not to take the time out to do that. Plans currently call for us to tape new shows later in the year, probably during January. It will definitely be advertised here in the bulletin when we are looking for contestants, so keep watch here, and be ready to "come on down" — oh, wait a minute...that's that *other* game show!

## *Liturgical Ministries*

As I have alluded to before, over the course of the next few months we will begin assessing our liturgical celebrations. We will review our procedures in light of the norms given in official Church documents such as *The General Instruction of the Roman Missal* and we will work to "open up" our enactment of the liturgy so that full participation by all can be enhanced.

One of the things that will help us work toward that is a greater participation of people in liturgical ministries. We will be looking to increase our number of readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, cantors and altar servers for Sunday Masses, weekday Masses, and

weddings and funerals. More information will follow, but for now I would simply like to say this: *think and pray about stepping forward to serve in one of those ministries. As you read and hear about the necessity of people who are willing to OFFER themselves in ministries as part of their CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP, recognize that in a certain sense it is not “optional” — we are all called to give of ourselves in some way for the common good of the life of the parish.*

#### *Liturgy Committee*

In light of what I just wrote, I am looking to form a LITURGY COMMITTEE. The charge of this committee will be to work with me in being responsible for the overall liturgical life of the parish. Certain people will be invited to be on the committee automatically, for example, those who coordinate certain liturgical ministries in the parish. It is good to have others on the committee as well, and I am inviting you to consider applying for a position on it. It will be a *working committee* with involvement in many aspects of the liturgical life of the parish. Look for more information in next week’s bulletin.

#### *Liturgy Notes*

This week in my letter I begin the “Liturgy Notes” section, giving you information and explanations about celebrating liturgy.

**Communion Hymn:** You may have noticed that we now begin singing the Communion hymn as the priest is receiving the Sacrament. This is in keeping with #86 of *The General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. The singing begins immediately as soon as the priest receives Communion because **there is one Communion rite** which expresses our unity with Christ and with one another in Christ. The purpose of the Communion hymn is “to express the spiritual union of the communicants by means of the unity of their voices, to show gladness of heart, and to bring out more clearly the ‘communitarian’ character of the procession to receive the Eucharist.” The singing con-

tinues for as long as the Sacrament is being administered to the faithful. Notice that there is a strong emphasis on **unity**.

The Communion Procession/reception of Holy Communion is **not private time; it is a communal action**. That is why **all should join in the singing, and continue singing until the hymn ends**. Then, in the silence after Communion, we offer our private and individual prayer. This leads to a second liturgy note for today.

**Silence:** We are seeking to bring about a greater sense of silence as part of our celebration of the liturgy. Silence should be a part of the rhythm and flow of the way we celebrate so we can absorb the sacred words we have just heard and the sacred actions in which we have just engaged. Liturgical celebration is not just doing one thing after another in sequence, but rather a unified flow that reveals to us the meaning of the sacred actions and the presence of Christ throughout the entire liturgical action. So, we’re going to allow for a pace that includes pauses for silence, rather than jumping from one thing to the next.

Here are examples of times when a sacred silence should be observed: after the priest introduces the Penitential Act, as we quietly acknowledge our sins; in between each of the readings; after the Homily; and after all have received Holy Communion and the Communion Procession has ended.

**Your silence during these times should not just be quietly waiting for the next thing to happen, but rather spiritually focusing on the meaning of what is taking place and encountering the Lord’s presence.**

#### *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,

*Msgr. Joe*

### *Readings for the Week—July 22—July 28 2012:*

<b>Sunday, July 22:</b>	Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18/ Mark 6:30-34
<b>Monday, July 23:</b>	Micah 6:1-4, 6-8/ Matthew 12:38-42
<b>Tuesday, July 24:</b>	Micah 7:14-15, 18-20/ Matthew 12:46-50
<b>Wednesday, July 25:</b>	2 Corinthians 4:7-15/ Matthew 20:20-28
<b>Thursday, July 26:</b>	Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/ Matthew 13:10-17
<b>Friday, July 27:</b>	Jeremiah 3:14-17/ Matthew 13:18-23
<b>Saturday, July 28:</b>	Jeremiah 7:1-11/ Matthew 13:24-30
<b>Sunday, July 29:</b>	2 Kings 4:22-24/Ephesians 4:1-6/John 6:1-15



# EPISCOPAL ORDINATIONS—THIS WEEK!



This week is a special week for our Diocese and for our parish. The Diocese of Rockville Centre rejoices at the Ordination of **Bishop-elect Nelson Perez** and **Bishop-elect Robert J. Brennan**. For the parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bishop-elect Brennan holds a special place in our hearts. As his home parish and that of many members of his family, we can take pride in the great foundation provided for him (and many others) by his own family and by so many here in his OLPH family.

Let's pray this week for Bishop-elect Perez and our own Bishop-elect Brennan as the rise to the Order of the Episcopacy and begin their ministry as Auxiliary Bishops in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

*The following prayer is prayed during the Ordination Liturgy. Perhaps it can be our prayer this week.*

**O God,  
who care for your  
people with mercy  
and rule them with love,  
give the Spirit of wisdom  
to those you have charged  
with the duty of governing,  
that from the growth  
of a holy flock,  
eternal joy may come  
to the shepherds.  
AMEN.**

*I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD.*

**-Jeremiah 23:4**

Because of the large number of guests expected at this event, tickets are required. Therefore, the best way for many of us to participate in these events will be through Telecare (Cablevision Channel 29, Verizon FiOS Channel 296 or watch live at [www.telecaretv.org](http://www.telecaretv.org)) :

## **Evening Prayer**

Tuesday, July 24, 2012

7:30 P.M.

*(Coverage begins at 7:00 P.M.)*

## **Episcopal Ordination**

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

2:00 P.M.

*(Rebroadcast at 9:00 P.M.)*

# HELP WANTED!!!



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **DESPERATELY** NEEDS VOLUNTEERS—How about you???

Volunteers are need on all levels to teach, assistant teach, and assist with many aspects of the program.

Help is also needed in our Special Education program as well!

PLEASE CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE  
at 631 226-2384 or e-mail to [kdoyle@oloph.org](mailto:kdoyle@oloph.org)!

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

*“Marriage is an act of will that signifies and involves a mutual gift, which unites the spouses and binds them to their eventual souls, with whom they make up a sole family - a domestic church.”*

- Blessed John Paul II

### Thrd Time

*Michael Incandela & Desiree Annucaro (Both of OLPH)*

### First Time

*Kenneth C. Kramer (St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa)*

*& Keri Ann Chambers (St. Helena's, Bronx)*

*Wojciech Kosakowski (St. Stanislaw, Greepoint)*

*& Viola Proscio (Our Lady of Assumption, Copiague)*

### WE REMEMBER

*Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11:28

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

John James Patsalos

Bozena Poznanska

Thomas J. Fitzgerald

Mildred Lloyd

### 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....**

Frank Lent Frances Eng

Heather Calamia

*To have your name or the name of a loved one listed in our parish bulletin, please call the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or e-mail [checker@oloph.org](mailto:checker@oloph.org).*

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING UPDATE

**Our parish's financial health depends on your generosity! Thank you for your support!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** All envelopes must have your account number and offering amount indicated in order for those weekly and special donations to be credited on your account. Please place separate checks in separate envelopes.

### Sunday Collection

July 8, 2012

\$13, 846.45

July 10, 2011

*Not available at time of publication*

### Sunday Attendance

July 8, 2012

2,098

July 15, 2012

2,249

July 10, 2011

2,068

July 17, 2011

2,135

# SUMMER SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE!

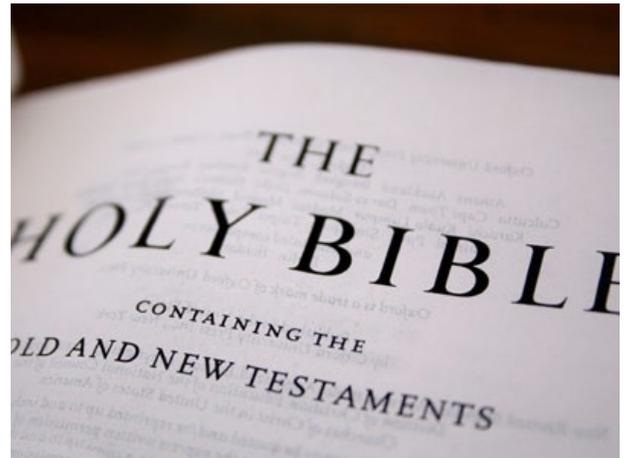
*Back by popular demand!....*

## Get to KNOW the Bible...for free!

OLPH Religious Education is once again offering courses on the Bible! This course is FREE and open to EVERYONE in the Parish...

**especially YOU!!!!**

Catechists will receive credit towards BASIC CERTIFICATION through the Diocese of Rockville Centre.



**Each session runs 5 classes. A minimum of 4 must be attended for course credit! You can take ONE OR BOTH classes.**

### CLASS DATES

#### Old Testament (5 classes)

Saturday July 28 10am  
 Monday July 30 7pm  
 Wednesday August 1 7pm  
 Wednesday August 8 7pm  
 Saturday August 11 10am

#### New Testament (5 classes)

Wednesday August 15 7:30pm  
 Saturday August 18 10am  
 Monday August 20 7pm  
 Wednesday August 22 7pm  
 Saturday August 25 10am

*Courses will be taught by the our parish's Director of Religious Education, Thomas Acemoglu, B.A. (Religious Studies, Siena College), M.A. (Theology, Franciscan University of Steubenville)*

*"...through the reading and study of the sacred books 'the word of God may spread rapidly and be glorified' (2 Thess. 3:1) and the treasure of revelation, entrusted to the Church, may more and more fill the hearts of (people)."*

**-Dei Verbum, Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, 23**

Please register for either or both classes by Wednesday, July 25th!  
 E-mail at

t.acemoglu@gmail.com

or call the Religious

Education Office at 631-226-2384.

**Space is limited! Register today!**



# PARISH HAPPENINGS!!

## BOOK OF INTENTIONS

Our parish Book of Intentions, located in the Divine Mercy Chapel (to the left of the sanctuary), has been redesigned to make it easier to use.

Whenever you come to our Church, consider taking some time to write your own prayer intentions in our book. We pray for these intentions each Sunday at Mass. This book is a sign of our community's commitment to pray for and with one another.

## COMMUNITY OF PRAISE



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!!!**

**2012  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**



## ONE FAITH, ONE HOPE, MANY GIFTS

As stewards, we choose to live our lives in thanksgiving to our generous God. The CMA allows us to share our gifts in many different ways; through prayer, through gifts of time and talent and by sharing our financial resources. More than 550,000 of our sisters and brothers receive support and assistance from funds shared through the CMA each year.

Feeding the hungry, providing religious education for thousands of students, educating our seminarians, deacons, and lay people for service to the Church and her people, housing the homeless, caring for the sick in hospitals and helping people prepare for the Sacraments are among the vital ministries the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports.

**OLPH Goal: \$117,900.00**

**Pledges: \$72,573.00 #of Donors: 317 Payments: \$55,373.00 (62% of Goal)**

*Under: \$45,327.00*

**Help us to reach our goal!!!**

To make a pledge fill out a pledge card at the back of the Church or go online to <https://www.drvc.org/make-donation.html>

# LOVING AND SERVING ONE ANOTHER!

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

272 Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY + 631.225.5537

*The office is open: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 am—12 noon.*

*All are welcome!*

### **PLEASE HELP OUR FOOD PANTRY BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**



APPLESAUCE, CANNED TUNA, CANNED MEATS (CHICKEN), PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY, COFFEE, TEA, HOT COCOA, CANNED MEALS/SOUPS WITH MEAT, PORK & BEANS, CANNED PEAS/CARROTS, TOMATO SAUCE, CANNED FRUIT, PANCAKE MIX, SYRUP, CAKE MIXES, DESSERTS; ANY PERSONAL CARE ITEMS: SHAVERS, TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO, SOAP, TOILET TISSUE, DIAPERS, PAPER TOWELS.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### **Scriptural Reflection:**

*In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Vincent de Paul, a great man of action was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor.*

**Please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten, as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.**

**WE HELP PEOPLE!**

## *Spiritual Adoption Program*

### **MONTH 5 – Developing Baby – “Mommy felt me kick today!”**

Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now, and his mother can feel his movement. Before this time he was too small for her to feel. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside wall and dent it - - the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.



**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: ALL MATERIALS FOR BULLETIN PUBLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE THURSDAY A FULL WEEK BEFORE THE DESIRED BULLETIN DATE.** This extra time is needed for approvals, editing and proofreading. All approved submissions by approved organizations should be emailed to: checker@oloph.org. All materials should be sent as a camera-ready Word document and will be included as space permits. Thank you. Editor.

# OLPH YOUTH MINISTRY



## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

TONIGHT 7/22 - Movie Night

® Next Week 7/29- Live the Light

*A night of prayer, praise and Eucharistic Adoration in the Convent Chapel.*

August 3 -5, 2012: *Life Teen Lock In* - **INSANCTITY**

\$25 - Sign up today by visiting our website or seeing one of our CORE members.

### **CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS...YOU ARE NEEDED!!!**

Are you in 8th - 12th grade? Looking to meet great people and make a difference in the life of the Church and the world? Come to the Sunday 5 P.M. Mass and our Life Night that starts at 6:15 in the convent basement. 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, Sports Nights, and a retreat every year. To find out more contact, Brittany Evans, at [OLPHlifeteen1@gmail.com](mailto:OLPHlifeteen1@gmail.com)!

### **OFFERERS NEEDED!**

Are you an adult 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 more information contact Brittany Evans at [OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com](mailto:OLPHLifeteen1@gmail.com) or Fr. John at 631.226.7725/[jsureau@drvc.org](mailto:jsureau@drvc.org)

Pics from our recent Sports Night!



For more information about Youth Ministry at OLPH, visit [www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com](http://www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com) or visit our Facebook page — Search OLPH Life Teen.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

We just finished planning an epic summer for Edge!

**If you are going into 6th grade through 8th grade EDGE is for you!**

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 9:00 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!

Email [olphedge@gmail.com](mailto:olphedge@gmail.com) (best way to reach us) or call **226-6239** if you have any questions call and leave a message for Peggy.

**July Dates—**

**July 26th—Movie night**

**Summer means games, food and fun at Edge!!!**



# FAMILY LIFE MNISTRY

We have begun our "**Hunger Does Not Take a Vacation**" program (7/1- 7/29) at the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass. The children pick a flower or summer symbol with the name of a needed food item for our **St. Vincent de Paul Pantry**.



**Feeding the Community**

The item needs to be returned the following week with the flower or summer symbol attached and placed in the baskets located on the sanctuary steps.

The "**Back-to-School**" Supplies Drive for needy children of our community will begin on Sunday, **August 5th through August 26th**.

Please watch for sales on the following needed items: marble composition notebooks, 2" & 3" three ring binders, Crayola crayons 24 ct., colored magic markers (fat), Crayola fine line markers, hi-liters, dry erase markers, zipper pencil case, small plastic supply box, Fiskar scissors, Elmers bottle glue, glue sticks, colored pencils, subject dividers, laminated colored folders, plastic folders, calculators, small packages of colored construction paper, protractors,



rulers 12 inch—inch/centimeters, blue or black erasable pens, post it notes, small pencil enclosed sharpener, tissues, baby wipes, antibacterial liquid soap, Spanish/English dictionaries, multiplication/division flash cards, backpacks, lunch boxes. All parishioners are welcome to participate. *(Due to the past generosity to this collection we do not need spiral notebooks, pens & pencils).*

*Save the dates...*

## Summer Evening Prayer @ **OLPH**

**Mondays + August 13, 20 and 27, 2012**

**7:30 P.M.— on the Convent Green**

*(in front of the Covent)*

Bring your beach chair or a blanket and let's gather together giving thanks and praise to God for the gift of summer! Of course, there will also be food and fellowship for everyone. These will be great nights for you and every member of your family!

**Interested in helping??** We can use help with sound, donations, planning, etc. For more information, contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725, x. 224 or e-mail to [jsureau@drvc.org](mailto:jsureau@drvc.org).

WELCOME TO



Hosted By The Squelettes Of Mary



When: Saturday, August 4, 2012

7:00 - 11:00 pm

Where: Knights of Columbus Hall  
400 South Broadway, Lindenhurst, NY

Cost: \$25 per person

D.J., Buffet Dinner, Beer, Wine, Soda & Dessert  
Bring your dancing shoes and dance the night away!

For Tickets Call:

Ann Marie Perullo - 631-225-1165

K. of C Hall - 631-226-3240

Proceeds to Benefit:



Are you ready for a....

# DIVINE INTERVENTION

Divine Intervention, hosted by OLPH's own, Msgr. Joe De-Grocco, can be seen on Telecare, the television station of the diocese of Rockville Centre, on the following days and at these times:



Sundays, 10:30 p.m.

Mondays, 1:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays, 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays, 8:00 p.m.

And, for the insomniacs, Monday-Saturday, 4:30 a.m.!

Watch on Cablevision Channel 29, Verizon FiOS Channel 296 or watch live at [www.telecaretv.org](http://www.telecaretv.org)

OLPH's 11th Annual Atlantic City Columbus Day Excursion

# SHOWBOAT ATLANTIC CITY

Monday, Oct. 8, 2012

\$39 p. p.

(includes tip to driver)



8:30 am departure from the OLPH High Street School yard.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF SEATS \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: OLPH and return to rectory, Attn: Ann Messina no later than *Sept 14th*

COME JOIN US!

Casino package details to be published later.

## MAY WE SEE YOUR PHOTOS, PLEASE?



We are in the process of making some style changes to our bulletin and website and would like to form a crew of parish photographers to help us with these and other projects.

Are you good with a camera?

Do you know just the right shot to take?

Are you good at matting and framing photos?

If your answer to any of these is YES—contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to [jsureau@drvc.org](mailto:jsureau@drvc.org).

# THANKS FROM FR. ANSELM!!!!

## Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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201 North Central Avenue  
Valley Stream, New York 11580

July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish  
c/o the Pastor  
Lindenhurst

Dear brothers and sisters,

### A Note of Thanks

"Gratitude is a duty to be paid, but which none have a right to expect." - Rousseau. Although expecting gratitude is not a right as noted, it is a personal duty or at least something that is worth doing for the one who receives some good to say 'thank you!' I so much believe too that an ingrate is one of the most difficult persons to deal with. At my departure, your generosity in both cash and kind was highly remarkable. I remain grateful.

I seize this opportunity to express my unalloyed appreciation to you all for welcoming me to the OLPH parish in the first place which has now become my second home although it was only an eight-month stay. It was a well fulfilled mission where your love for me was very outstandingly awesome. The responses I got from the parish evidently showed that the gospel of Jesus was really taking root in your hearts and lives.

Finally, I thank the pastor emeritus, Fr. Trapani, Msgr. Hamilton and Fr. Moise with whom I served for being everything to my well-being and for trying to the best of their abilities to bring the gospel to live in the flesh among you. I solicit your support for your incumbent noble dynamic pastor and other new priests coming in with him to make the parish the pride of all. Do always stand by them and the church at all times, and always go with your catholic faith. Always remember that public opinion can never be a yardstick for measuring morality.

I will keep you all posted on my wellbeing. I miss you all.

Thank you once again and God bless you all. Amen!

Fr. Anselm Dilio Okeke, Ph.D.

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*Fr. Anselm Dilio Okeke* - 7/9/12

## DIOCESAN NEWS

- Tune into “*RELIGION AND ROCK*” with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7-8 am on **WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM** on Long Island’s East End. Listen on Saturdays at **11PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and 11 PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117.** To listen online or receive more information regarding “*Religion and Rock*” go to [www.ReligionandRock.com](http://www.ReligionandRock.com) or at “*Religion & Rock*” on ITUNES.
- *The Beginning Experience*—weekend **August 17-19** at the Monfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore, helps grieving single-again persons emerge from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning to move forward. Info and reservations call John: 516-822-0635; Jim: 718-474-3779; Karen: 201-736-8200 or email: [BeginningExperienceLI@hotmail.com](mailto:BeginningExperienceLI@hotmail.com).
- *Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy*—provided by NYS licensed therapists available to our parish and 147 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: <http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.com>.

### COMING SOON!

OLPH is forming a **Liturgy Committee** (see Msgr. Joe’s letter on pages 3 and 4). Take some time this week think about being a part of this very important ministry in the life of our parish?



You might be asking, is it for me?? Here are some initial qualifica-

tions/characteristics for Liturgy Committee members...

- Committed OLPH parishioners who attend Mass every week and all special occasions
- Energetic and generous people who are willing to work on tasks in between meetings
- People with an open mind who are excited by learning more about the Church’s liturgy and what the documents say
- People who are committed to helping to make our parish liturgical celebrations all that they can be

**LOOK FOR MORE INFO IN NEXT WEEK’S BULLETIN!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Save these important dates for our parish community look for more information in upcoming editions of the bulletin.

**Sunday, September 23 and**  
**Sunday, October 21**

Diocesan Golden Wedding Celebrations

**Monday, September 24, 2012**  
2nd Annual OLPH Golf Outing

**Saturday, October 20, 2012**  
**5:00 P.M. Mass**

**Installation of our new Pastor,**  
**Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco**

*Bishop Murphy will join us as we officially welcome and seek God’s blessing on Msgr. Joe as he begins his ministry here at OLPH!*