

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

210 South Wellwood Avenue + Lindenhurst, New York 11757 +
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September 16, 2012 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

Our parish Church is here for you physically and pastorally. Our Church building is open every day 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.

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

In Residence: Rev. Michael Holzmann

Deacons

Rev. Mr. Frank A. Odin
Rev. Mr. William Crosby (Baptismal Preparation)
Rev. Mr. Douglas G. Smith
(RCIA/Adult Faith Formation)

Pastoral Associate for Administration

Deacon Donald A. Stamm

Director of Religious Education

Thomas J. Acemoglu

Music Director

James R. Kendall

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.

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 p.m. (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.*

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 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 at the Parish Office.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

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: 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. (*Please note change in time.*)

MINISTRIES AND CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Vincent de Paul 225-5531

272 Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY

President: Joseph Illuminato

Religious Education 226-2384

260 Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY

Youth Ministry 226-6239

High School Coordinator

Brittany Marie Evans

Middle School Coordinator

Peggy Harnisch

Catholic Youth Organization

Program Coordinator:

Phil Amico

516-732-8520/olphcyophil@optonline.net

Altar Bread and Wine

The wine used at our Masses during this week, September 16th-22nd is offered in loving memory of

Sean Leahy

Requested by

Lynn & Vincent Corrigan

To memorialize the altar bread and wine for a particular week, please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, September 17 –

**Saint Robert Bellarmine,
Bishop & Doctor of the Church (optional)**

8:00 Frank Stancati

12:00 Michael Lennon

7:00 Judy Riggio

TUESDAY, September 18—

Weekday in the 24th Week of Ordinary Time

8:00 Guiseppi Lentini

12:00 Domenico Antonacci

7:00 William Hinderliter, Sr.

WEDNESDAY, September 19—

Saint Januarius, Bishop & Martyr (optional)

8:00 John Beal

12:00 Thomas S. De Luca

7:00 Assunta "Sue" Caropreso

THURSDAY, September 20—

**Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong
Ha-sang, Companions & Martyrs**

8:00 Carol Boehm

12:00 William A. Scorzari

7:00 Gustavo Richter

FRIDAY, September 21—

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

8:00 Thomas Paul Kelly

12:00 Ron Mazza

7:00 Tamara Mikaly

SATURDAY, September 22—

Weekday in the 24th Week of Ordinary Time

8:00 Michael Grimaldi

9:00 Angelo Giordanella

VIGIL MASS –

5:00 Maria Francavilla

SUNDAY, September 23—

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 Mass for the People of the Parish

8:00 Book of the Faithful Departed

9:30 Cosmo Licameli

11:00 Edith Merle Zimms

12:30 George Mullins

5:00 Patrick Brady

6:30 Mass in Polish

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our Religious Education Program

This Sunday is **Catechetical Sunday**, a time for us to focus on the important work done in our Religious Education Program. Bishop Murphy's letter for Catechetical Sunday appears elsewhere in this week's bulletin. Allow me to call to your attention some information that will help us to appreciate not only the importance, but also the large scope of the program here at OLPH.

Last year 167 people offered the gift of themselves and their service in the Religious Ed. program (*remember, they're not volunteers — they're "offerers"*), with the majority of them serving as catechists. There were 107 classes encompassing 7 regular sessions of religious education as well as special sessions for high school Confirmation preparation, special First Confession and Communion classes, and the like. We have a Special Education program that ministers to 29 students; because of the special needs of these students, these have to be very small classes, often with two catechists. (*Commercial: we are still in desperate need of Special Ed catechists — can you offer yourself in this important ministry???*) Tally it all up and our program formed in the faith approximately 1,400 children and teens. *Wow!*

More than just the numbers, however, we at OLPH should be very proud about the philosophy and direction of the entire program, and for that I am most grateful to our Director of Religious Education, Mr. Tom Acemoglu. He continues to move the program toward a more family-integrated approach to catechesis. As he stated to me one time, "The idea is not to get to the parents through the kids, but to get to the kids through the parents." I think this is correct. Children will be most effectively formed in the faith when their religious formation at the parish — **including both formal classes and participation at Sunday Mass** — stems from the **entire family's** faith commitment and living out of Catholic values. So, we are very concerned about forming the entire family. **Parent participation is not an "add-on" or "something nice" to do as an extra; rather, it is required because it is the heart of formation. Children can only be adequately formed in the faith when their parents are committed, involved and on-board 100%.**

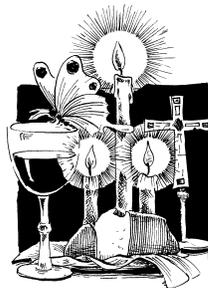
Because of that, Tom has worked very hard — and I am behind this 100% — to increase the number of parent sessions (*i.e.*, sessions that parents must attend either alone or with their children). The goals of these sessions are many: to continue the faith formation of the parents as adults — remember, our faith formation does not stop with Confirmation; to assist families in

participating in the life and worship of the parish; to help parents live the joys and challenges of being Catholics in the modern world; and to energize them to realize that their "domestic church" at home is the first school of catechesis and formation — that they are that important.

Our Religious Education program is obviously a high priority in our parish as a vehicle for evangelization, catechesis and formation on so many levels, and not just of the children, but of the entire family. Fr. John, Fr. Ignace and I are all committed to giving a great deal of time and presence to the children and families in Religious Education. I myself am a product of Religious Education, never having gone to Catholic school. Tom and I consult frequently about the ongoing needs and direction of the program. One of the first things I asked him to do upon my arrival here was to review with me the textbooks used, and we will continue to do assessments to make sure we are using the most appropriate and fruitful resources for the children.

Please pray frequently for all those involved in our Religious Education program: the catechists, all the offerers who give of themselves in any way, the children and their families.

Ministry of Consolation



We are continuing our push to begin the Ministry of Consolation in our parish. Information about it appears in the bulletin again this week, and I invite anyone who would like more information to contact me about it. It is a very important ministry that brings many spiritual benefits not only to the families in mourning, but also

to those who minister in it, and to the entire parish. *Please consider offering yourself in some way.*

Father John Kwon

Among the many charitable works that are done by the Knights of Columbus is the work of financially supporting seminarians during their years of seminary formation. Since during their time as seminarians the men have very little opportunity to work in paying jobs due to the demands of the program (academics, pastoral work in parishes and diocesan institutions, and responsibilities for the communal life of the seminary), they often find themselves in need of financial support, and the Knights of Columbus have a long history of supporting seminarians in that way. That support is espe-

cially needed for seminarians from other countries who come here to study on scholarship.

How proud we can all be that our own OLPH K of C Council participates in this support of seminarians. As it turns out, our council supported for a number of years a seminarian who I not only taught, but for whom I was also Formation Advisor (a kind of mentor and guide) for his entire time in the seminary. This seminarian is from Korea and was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Daejeon this past summer, and is now working in St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in Queens.

I am thrilled to say that this seminarian-now-priest, **Father John Kwon**, will be coming here to OLPH **next Sunday, September 23, to preside at the 12:30 p.m. Mass**. Shortly after I was assigned to be pastor here, Fr. John and I, even before he was ordained, discussed how it would be great for him to come to OLPH to celebrate Mass as a thank you to the Knights of Columbus and to the parish for supporting him during his years in the seminary. I am really glad we were able to work this out, and the Knights will be hosting a small hospitality for Fr. John Kwon in the Brady Room of the K of C Hall after the Mass; this will be an opportunity for the Knights and their families to meet Fr. John Kwon and for him to personally thank them. I am grateful to Grand Knight John Reynolds for his kindness and openness in arranging this.



Fr. John Kwon (left) and our Fr. John enjoy a delicious Korean dinner. Fr. John journeyed to Korea for Fr. John Kwon's Ordination in June 2012. And yes, they are sitting on the floor!

Finance Committee Meeting

We had our first meeting of the newly-constituted and reactivated Finance Committee on September 6th, and it was a very productive meeting. I am grateful to Mr. Genarro Chille for accepting the position of Chair of the committee. I know that under his leadership and guidance, the Committee will offer me the appropriate counsel and wisdom that will bring the parish back to financial health.



Msgr. Joe with Fr. John Kwon and his parents in December 2011.

Liturgy Note: *It matters that you're here*

It matters that you're here. We probably don't say that enough, and we should probably say it to one another. It matters that you're here: it matters that you are at Mass every week, it matters that you are involved in the life and of the parish, and it matters that you belong here. It matters not just for you and your own spiritual life, but it matters to everyone else. **You are important.**

We need to remember that when we gather for worship, we do not gather as a group of individuals who happen to be in the same place at the same time, simply for convenience. No, **we gather as the Body of Christ**. So, when someone from our community is missing, we are impoverished; it's like a body missing a limb or an appendage — we are incomplete and not all we can or should be when the family is not all together. You know how you are missing something when a family member is not at an important occasion? Well, the same is true for our parish family at the important occasion each and every Sunday when we gather for Eucharist.

Belonging is one of the most basic and important needs we have as human beings, and feeling like we belong and that our presence matters is vital to our quality of worship. Mass is not something done "to" people "by" others. It is an action of the Body of Christ that involves human interaction as we all engage in the ritual together. Mass expresses not only our union with Christ, but also our union with one another. The quality of our celebration depends not only on the competence of the liturgical ministers, but most importantly on the sense of belonging that each and every person in the assembly feels.

Do you understand your participation at Mass that way, as a way of expressing **and deepening** your connectedness and belonging to the Body of Christ, the Church?

Would you ever consider inviting someone back to Mass with you, telling them about the goodness of belonging, and how we are impoverished because we are lacking their presence? *Have you ever told someone that we need them at Mass in order to be whole, and all we should be? Have you ever made someone feel important by reminding them that it is important that they are here with us?*

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.

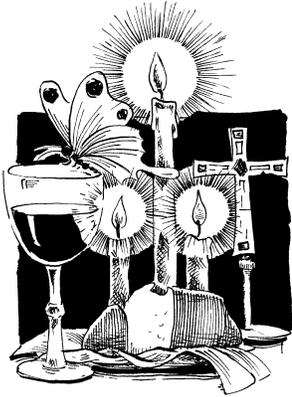
Sincerely, 

THE MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

A New Ministry Beginning at OLPH — and YOU are Needed!!!

“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

Matthew 5:4



From the very words of Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount comes this important ministry *to* the people of our parish *by* the people of our parish. Jesus taught that those mourning the loss of a loved one needed the care and concern of his disciples, who are now the Christian community — all of us. The *Order of Christian Funerals* tells us:

In the face of death, the Church confidently proclaims that God has created each person for eternal life and that Jesus, the Son of God, by his death and resurrection, has broken the chains of sin and death that bound humanity. Christ “achieved his task of redeeming humanity and giving perfect glory to God, principally by the Paschal Mystery of his blessed passion, resurrection from the dead, and glorious ascension.” (#1)

When a member of Christ’s Body dies, the faithful are called to a ministry of consolation to those who have suffered the loss of one whom they love. (#8)

YOU are invited to be a member of the Ministry of Consolation. We will minister to families at the time of the Funeral Mass. There are many ways to become involved — either working with the family to prepare options for the Funeral Mass, or being present at the Funeral Mass as a liturgical minister, a greeter, etc., or preparing a simple booklet for the Mass, or baking a cake for the family...and many other ways!

COME AND FIND OUT WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT! SEE HOW YOU CAN OFFER YOURSELF IN THIS WONDERFUL, LIFE-GIVING MINISTRY!

Msgr. Joe will be offering five training sessions

Thursday afternoons,

Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 18, 25 and Nov. 1

1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Pastor’s Meeting Room in the Rectory

Please register in advance so we can have enough materials prepared.

Use the tear-off below to register or e-mail Msgr. Joe at msgjrjoe@oloph.org or call at ext. 256 for more information.

Yes! I want to come to the sessions to find out about the Ministry of Consolation.

Name _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

e-mail _____

Drop in the Sunday collection basket or return to the Rectory c/o Ministry of Consolation

WINTER CRUISING!!!

Travel with OLPH and Fr. Michael (our New Resident Priest) on a wonderful

Winter Get-Away Cruise

February 14 – 23, 2013 ~

Aboard NCL's "Gem"

Round-trip from New York City

(Manhattan Cruise Terminal)

San Juan (Late afternoon/evening visit)

St. Maarten (Day visit)

St. Thomas (Day visit)

Dominican Republic (Day visit ~ Tender Service to Shore)

4 Full Days at Sea

*In addition to the fun of cruising,
we will gather each day for
prayer and a spiritual reflection
will be offered.*



Price Includes:

Round-trip Motorcoach Transfer to and from pier.

10 Day/9 Night Cruise with all meals and activities included.

Group Cocktail Hour

All Taxes and Port Fees

(Fuel Surcharge may still be imposed)

ALL SHIPBOARD GRATUITIES INCLUDED !!!!

Fares: (All fares are per person based on double occupancy)

Inside Cabin: \$1,425

Outside Cabin: \$1,525

Balcony Cabin: \$1,975

Mini Suites and Suites available upon request.

Additional Cost for Insurance: \$89 Inside/
\$99 Outside/\$129 Balcony



Yes, I'm interested! What should I do?

Pick up an information packet in the rectory . . . or

Come to the information meeting on

Tuesday, September 25 in the Rectory . . . or

call Rosemary at Anderson Travel of Babylon, 631 587 7844

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Are you seeking Baptism?

Do you want to be confirmed or receive Eucharist?

Have you been baptized in another Christian faith and now desire to become Catholic?

If you're answer is YES to any of these questions, we want to hear from you.

The Church gives us a beautiful process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those who seek to become fully initiated in the Catholic Church. We are in the process of putting together plans for this process at OLPH to begin in the upcoming weeks. If you're interested and would like additional information, please contact Deacon Doug Smith 631.226.7725. We will begin meetings very soon!

In the sacraments of Christian initiation we are freed from the power of darkness and joined to Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. We receive the Spirit of filial adoption and are part of the entire people of God in the celebration of the memorial of the Lord's death and resurrection.

Christian Initiation, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, 1



Pastoral Formation Institute

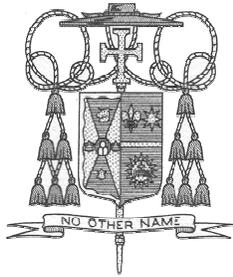
The Pastoral Formation Institute (PFI), a two year process of personal, intellectual, spiritual and pastoral formation, for adult Catholics might just be for you!

PFI is for you if you desire:

- to serve God as a ministerial leader in the Catholic Church
- to expand and deepen your knowledge of the Catholic Faith
- to deepen your understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church and discover how they connect to your life and the world today
- to acquire the skills and tools necessary to lead others into the Catholic Faith
- to understand the true meaning of living the Gospel in your daily life
- to learn about the rich traditions of the Catholic Faith and foster an understanding of the renewed vision of Vatican II and its impact upon the world
- to gain knowledge and skills to help bring about justice and peace in our broken world as a well-formed disciple of Jesus to make a significant contribution to the Church in today's world

For more information, logon to www.drvc-faith.org or contact Mrs. Estelle Peck at 516.678.5800 or e-mail to epeck@drvc.org

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Catechetical Sunday
September 16, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In union with the Church throughout the country, we gather today with gratitude to celebrate Catechetical Sunday. How timely that the theme for this Catechetical Sunday is: *Catechists and Teachers as Agents of the New Evangelization*. During this past year our energies have gone to renew our Sunday Celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy using the new translation of the Roman Missal. Our efforts to assist our parishioners to Belong More Deeply as they celebrate the liturgy together are bearing fruit.

As we prepare to enter into the *Year of Faith* we look to our catechists to be agents of the New Evangelization as we encourage all to Belong More Deeply. On this Sunday we recognize all who are involved in catechetical ministry. We recognize those who teach children and those who prepare parents bringing their infants for Baptism. We recognize those involved in marriage preparation as well as those who help our youth to come to know Christ. We include those who prepare our catechumens as they seek to be one with us. We pray that each of these catechists might become more deeply in love with Christ and His Church.

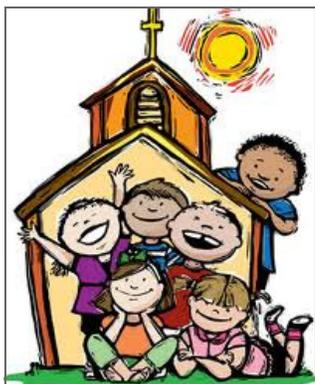
The writings of our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI and the agenda for the Synod on New Evangelization set for Rome in October make it very clear that the catechetical mission of the Church is shared by every member. This mission is advanced by the many committed catechists who witness to the faith as they teach others. As chief catechist of this Diocese of Rockville Centre I thank you for sharing your faith and I encourage you to begin the *Year of Faith* with me on the weekend of October 13 – 14. As each of us strives to Belong More Deeply may our prayer for each other bear much fruit as we together carry on the great mission which Christ left to us, His Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "William Murphy".

Bishop of Rockville Centre

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY



BLESSING OF STUDENTS

Sunday, September 23, 2012

9:30 A.M. Mass

At this Mass, we will seek God's blessing on all our students as they begin a new year in school and in Faith Formation.

Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass, all are welcome to join us in the school cafeteria for a free hospitality breakfast. A craft will be provided for the children. Here parishioners can meet fellow parishioners while enjoying a cup of coffee and some homemade goodies.

All are welcome!

If you would like to help with our breakfast or can make a homemade goodies, contact Debbie McDonough at 957-0765 or e-mail to olphfamilylife@aol.com.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Take time each day to read the daily readings of the Church. When we do this we are more closely united to the Church and better prepared to participate in the Celebration of the Eucharist. Actual texts—audio and visual - can be found at <http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm>. A number of apps, including Ibreviary, also contain the daily readings.

Monday, September 17, 2012: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 + Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 18, 2012: 1 Cor 12:12-14,27-31a + Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 19, 2012: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 + Lk 7:31-35

Thursday, September 20, 2012: 1 Cor 15:1-11 + Lk 7:36-50

Friday, September 21, 2012: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 + Mt 9:9-13

Saturday, September 22, 2012: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 + Lk 8:4-15

Sunday, September 23, 2012 + 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20 + Jas 3:16-4:3 + Mk 9:30-37

**OLPH's 11th Annual
Atlantic City Columbus Day
Excursion**



**Monday,
Oct. 8, 2012**

\$39 p. p.
(includes tip to driver)

You will receive a
\$25 Casino Package
(Photo ID required to receive this package)

**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 **THIS FRIDAY, Sept. 21st**

**ONLY 5
SEATS
REMAIN!**



OLPH YOUTH MINISTRY

CYO Registration 2012-2013



Note: Mail-in registration is now open. Please see below for in-person dates & location. If there is a shortage of coaches or gym space, first registered get preference.

You are advised to register early.

Cheerleading

Is open to girls in grades 4-8. The girls practice during the week 1x or 2x per week at the OLPH School Gym. A showcase takes place in early March.

Fee: \$75 (plus a refundable uniform deposit \$50 due once the program starts).

Registration Deadline: Oct 1, 2012
(late fee \$25-accepted if space allows)

Intramural Basketball

Is open to boys and girls in grades 1-12. Our Intramurals are geared for all players. Learning and teamwork is emphasized and all players play equally. The season runs from November through March.

Fee: Grades 1-3 \$45, Grades 4-8 \$90, Grades 9-12 \$115 (includes a 2-sided blue/white jersey).

Registration Deadline: Oct 1, 2012
(late fee \$25- accepted until rosters are set)

How to Register

Visit our website- <http://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=olphcyo>—fill out our registration form, print it and mail along with your registration fee in the form of a check or money order (paid to OLPH) to the mailing address (OLPH CYO 210 S. Wellwood Ave Lindenhurst, NY 11757) by the deadlines.

IN PERSON:

Sat. Sept 29

1:30-3:30 PM

OLPH School Gym

Enter Blue Door on High Street.

OLPH YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

CHECK THE MAIL!

All members of our high school youth ministry and their families should check the mail this week for information about some exciting things “in the works” for Youth Ministry at OLPH!

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 or Fr. John at 631.226.7725/jsureau@drvc.org

Do you want to help others in need in our local community? Would you be up for helping with projects right here in our own parish? If so—

YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

is for you!

Open to all middle school and high school students and young adults, this group of young people will help throughout our community.

Here's how it works....

When a need for help comes in, we'll contact everyone who has signed up for the Service Corps. If you can help with a particular project, great! If not, no problem. We'll contact you next time.

If you'd like to join, fill out the form below or contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725, x. 224 or e-mail to jsureau@drvc.org.

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

Name _____

Home Phone # _____

Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____@_____

In September, I will be in (check one)

Middle School High School

College

EDGE: MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY SAVE THE DATE!!!

Sunday, September 30, 2012

12:30 P.M. Mass

Followed by

Ice Cream Social

Come to Church as we “kick off” a new year of Middle School Youth Ministry at OLPH! Following Mass we'll gather for a “Make Your Own Sundae” Social. Check the bulletin for more information!



The Edge is for all middle school age kids – no matter where you go to school—this is the place for you!

We are taking some time off in September as school begins and Faith Formation classes get underway. Look for more information about new EDGE activities in upcoming editions of the bulletin.

If you have any questions, e-mail olphedge@gmail.com (best way to reach us) or call 226-6239 if you have any questions call and leave a message for Peggy.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**FAITH ON TAP****Wednesday, September 24th****7:00 P.M.****Wantagh Inn,****3264 Railroad Avenue, Wantagh****Guest Speaker: John Gonzalez**

John Gonzalez is a Parish Social Ministry Developer at Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Rockville Centre and adjunct instructor at Molloy College. John's goal is to serve the Catholic American community by promoting and advocating the social teachings of the Catholic faith through new social media communications and by promoting opportunities for being actively engaged in social ministries. In this election year, John will be speaking about an important topic: "Who Would Jesus Vote for ... How Not To Vote for the "lesser evil" For more information contact Marianne Sheridan at msheridan@drvc.org.

Interested in something for young adults at OLPH? Contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725, x. 224 or e-mail to jsureau@drvc.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
STILL NEEDS
"OFFERERS"**

**PLEASE HELP!**

**Volunteer teachers are needed
To teach YOUR children!**

**Grade 3, 4, 8, Special Education
program and Hall Monitors are in
particular need.**

No teachers—No Class!

**PLEASE CALL THE
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

631 226-2384

or e-mail kdoyle@oloph.org.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

Given by: Deacon Frank and Team

Starting: October 2, 2012 for eight (8) consecutive weeks ending Nov. 20, 2012.

Meeting: In the OLPH Convent Meeting Room at 7:45 pm for 1 1/2 hours per week.

The Life in the Spirit Seminars (LSS) are commonly used by Catholic groups in the context of spiritual renewal. They are an instrument for bringing people into a deeper experience of the work of the Holy Spirit. The seminars offer: (1) a presentation of the Gospel message, and (2) basic teaching about what the Lord is willing to do for all who come to him.

Experience "The Fruits of the Spirit" -

Joy – Love – Generosity – Peace – Patience – Kindness

Faithfulness – Gentleness - Self Control

(Gal. 5:22-23)

For info and/or registering call:

Deacon Frank at (631) 226-0967 or Pete & Mary at (631) 226-6050

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

272 Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 631.225.5531

The office is open:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday + 9 am—12 noon.

PLEASE HELP OUR FOOD PANTRY BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

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, SHELF STABLE MILK, DESSERTS; ANY PERSONAL CARE ITEMS: SHAVERS, TOOTH-PASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO, SOAP, TOILET TISSUE, DIAPERS, PAPER TOWELS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who break illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Each year, members of our parish St. Vincent de Paul join in the "Walk A Mile in my Shoes" Walk-A-Thon to raise needed monies for this vital ministry.

In addition, members of St. Vincent de Paul will be at the doors of the Church after all Masses to collect donations for the work of the ministry here at OLPH **NEXT WEEK-END.** Please do what you can to support the work of our parish's St. Vincent de Paul who do so much for the most vulnerable among us.



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

DON'T FORGET YOUR BABY BOTTLE!



On the weekend of September 29/30, Our Lady of Perpetual Help will once again be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit The Life Center of Long Island. The Life Center is a crisis pregnancy center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. They provide maternity housing, medical care, referrals, cribs, car seats, diapers and ALL other baby items that are needed. We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your change. Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle.

The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the counselors at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth.

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

¡Bienvenidos a la parroquia!

El grupo de Oración- "Jesús Es El Camino La Verdad y Vida" se reúne todos los días Jueves a las 7:00 P.M. en la cafetería. Para información, llamar a Irma Gonzalez a 631.241.5606.

La Hora de Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento del altar, en Español es todos los primeros sábados del mes. Para Octubre 6 la hora es de 9:00 P.M. a 10:00 P.M. en la Iglesia.

Para más información sobre los sacramentos de el Bautizo y el Matrimonio y Servicio de Pastoral Unción de los Enfermos y la Eucaristía, contacto Padre Juan Sureau – 631.226.7725, x. 224 - jsureau@drvc.org

Para ofrendas de pan y vino en el altar, favor llamar a la oficina parroquial al 631.226.7725.

Los días martes de cada semana llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares a 7:30 P.M. Para información, llamar Virginia Constantinou a 631.957.1149.

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

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	Laura Fischer
Frances Eng	James Coffin
Heather Calamia	Walter Keicher
Segundo Cedeno	Mary Doray
Linda Matera	Joseph Ayers
Nicholas Polo	Kevin Curran
Roberta Caristo	Steven Presinzano
Chaplin	Linda Labriola
John Bertone	Steven Brion Meisels

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 at 631.226.7725 or e-mail cchecker@oloph.org.

PLEASE NOTE: We will keep each name of the sick listed in the bulletin for four weeks. If you would like the name of your loved one to remain in the bulletin, just let us know after the fourth week.

WE REMEMBER

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

Gloria DelVecchio & June Golden

WE CELEBRATE

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

-Rite of Baptism

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

*Olivia Sobolewski
James Anthony Lubeck*

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Second Time

*Gary Volence (OLPH)
& Deborah Delano (Our Lady of Grace, West Babylon)*

*Thomas P. Schaefer
& Jessica M. Volpe (Both OLPH)*

*Matthew Vigliotta (Mary Immaculate, Bellport)
& Hannah Leary (Our Lady of Lourdes)*

First Time

Ryan Springer & Michele D'Altorio (Both of OLPH)

Joseph Vaillancourt (St. Frances of Assisi, North Ville, NY) & Kristie Gaeding (OLPH)

MASS INTENTIONS

While we have already begun taking Mass intentions for 2013, the following Masses are still available for 2012 intentions in November and December:

Tuesday, November 20—7 P.M.	Tuesday, December 4—8 A.M./7 P.M.	Thursday, December 13—ALL MASSES
Saturday, November 24—9:00 A.M.	Wednesday, December 5—7:00 P.M.	Friday, December 14—12 Noon.
Monday, November 26—12 Noon	Thursday, December 6—8:00 A.M.	Saturday, December 15— 9:00 A.M.
Tuesday, November 27—7:00 P.M.	Fri., December 7—8 A.M., 5 & 7 P.M.	Sunday, December 16—5:00 P.M.
Wednesday, November 28—8:00 A.M.	Saturday, December 8—8:00 A.M.	Monday, December 17—8 A.M./12 Noon
Thursday, November 29— 12 Noon	Monday, December 10—7:00 P.M.	Tuesday, December 18—8 A.M.
Friday, November 30—7:00 P.M.	Tuesday, December 11—7:00 P.M.	Weds., December 19 —8 A.M./7 P.M.
Monday, December 3—8:00 A.M.	Wednesday, December 12— 8/12 Noon	

If you would like have a Mass offered for a loved one's intention, please visit the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- **Christian Mothers and Guild Meeting**—Wed., Sept. 19 8pm in the School Cafeteria. We welcome ALL women of the parish. Please consider visiting and joining us this month. For information call Marge Little at 226—1235.
- **Our Lady Queen of Martyrs** is seeking a Director of Parish Social Ministry. The Director will lead the ministry by remaining attentive to the needs of the community and coordinating the programs of service and support that provide care for the parish community. The Director will also oversee the funding of the programs and allocation of resources in alignment with the pastor. For more information, call (631) 757-8184.
- **The Institute for the Study of Religious in Community Life** of St. Joseph's College is presenting the series: *Vatican II Revisited: Perspectives from Fifty Years Later*. Thurs., Sept. 20 at 7:30pm. McGann Conference Room on the Patchogue campus. Speaker: Dr. William Marrin, STL,SSL, whose topic is *Vatican II: Unfinished Pentecost*. Talk is *FREE* and open to the public. For info contact Prof. Paul Ginnetty at 631-687-2681 or pginnetty@sjcny.edu. (Next speaker, Msgr. John Strykowski, Thurs., Nov.1 at 7:30.)
- **Knights of Columbus HOB0 Dance & Show**, Saturday, September 22 - Members of the Council & Ladies Auxiliary will put on a Review of songs. Hobo food and drinks. Basket raffles and prizes for best costume . \$20 pp. Call Bob Dobres 631-592-8697 for tickets.
- **The Christina Renna Foundation**, Inc. is sponsoring a Walk-A-Thon and Blood Drive on **Sunday, September 23, 2012** at the Lindenhurst Middle School beginning at 10:00 A.M. For more information contact Mr. Lombardo (Walk-A-Thon) at 631.867.3700 or RJ Renna (Blood Drive) 631.942.2835 or Mrs. Renna (Blood Drive) 631.225.2074 or visit their website at www.crf4acure.org.
- **Gennesaret Retreat** for those facing serious illness...This retreat designed especially for persons who live with a serious illness is planned for **September 21, 22 and 23** at the Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, NY. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, His forgiveness, and His faithfulness. To register or receive more information about this weekend, please call Colette Fanelli—631.665.7052
- When someone is in the hospital, it is a blessing to stay connected with their parish. We are seeking volunteers to visit our parishioners at **Good Samaritan Hospital**. You do NOT have to be an Extraordinary Minister or a Pastoral Visitor to be part of this program. The times and days for visiting are flexible. The next Pastoral Visitor Training Program will be held at Good Samaritan Hospital **on September 26th** from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. If you are interested contact the Pastoral Care office at 631.376.4103.
- **Supporting Survivors of Suicide Loss**—American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), dedicated to understanding and preventing suicide through research, education, support and advocacy by reaching out to people with mental disorders and those impacted by suicide, will hold a Suicide Seminar at **St. Matthew's R. C. Church**, Dix Hills. **FREE—Oct. 17th, 7:30—9:30pm**. Call *Sister Anthony Therese, 631-499-8520 X 120* to register. Deadline Oct. 15.
- **Tools for Caregivers**—a 6-week program designed to better enable you to take care of yourself. Wednesdays, **Oct. 17 – Nov. 21, 6-8:30 pm** at **Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center**, Patio café, \$25 suggested donation to help defray cost of the Caregiver Handbook (but not required to take class). For info call the Pastoral Care Department at 631-376-4444.