

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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“Behold, the Lamb of God.”

John 1:36

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 18, 2015

### PASTORAL STAFF

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

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

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

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

**Business Manager:** Deacon Thomas J. Bast

**Coordinator of Faith Formation:** April Kleinlaut

**Music Director:** Christopher Ferraro

### COME IN AND PRAY...

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

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday – Friday**

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

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

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

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

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer each Saturday and Sunday after the 5 p.m. Mass.

We pray Daytime Prayer each Wednesday at 1:50 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday – Friday following the 12:15 p.m. Mass.

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

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

### OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

(unless otherwise announced)

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Monday Evening:** after OLPH Novena Devotions

**Wednesday:** 12:45 to 2:00 p.m.

**First Sunday:** 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

210 S. Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst

**Monday- Friday:** 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## CELEBRATING THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Last Sunday, at the 9:30 A.M. Mass, our parish celebrated the Blessing of the New Font and the baptism of Dominic Mason Vargas. The font, donated and constructed by Gus Garofalo, was delivered to the church by Gus and his family last Thursday night.

*Grant, O Lord,  
that the people  
who are reborn from this font  
may fulfill in their actions  
what they pledge by their faith  
and show by their lives  
what they begin  
by the power of your grace.  
Let the people of different  
nations and conditions  
who come forth  
as one from these  
waters of rebirth  
show by their love  
that they are brothers and sisters  
and by their concord  
that they are citizens  
of the one kingdom.  
Make them into  
true sons and daughters  
who reflect their  
Father's goodness,  
disciples who are faithful  
to the teaching of their  
one Master,  
temples in whom  
the voice of the Spirit resounds.  
Grant that they may be  
witnesses to the Gospel,  
doers of the works of holiness.  
Enable them to fill  
with the Spirit of Christ  
the earthly city where they live,  
until they are welcomed home in  
the heavenly Jerusalem.  
Through Christ our Lord.*



## THE PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Liturgical Year: Ordinary Time*

As of last Monday, the Monday after the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the Church returned to the liturgical season known as "Ordinary Time." We are deep into winter now and have been feeling the effects of the cold weather! The hustle and bustle of the Christmas and New Year's holidays are over and for the most part we have returned to the routines governed by work and school schedules.

Liturgically, we are in a period of time in between Christmas Time (which ended with last week's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord) and Lent (which begins with Ash Wednesday, on February 18). This period of time is somewhat-brief, as Ash Wednesday and Easter fall a little more on the earlier side this year. There are five Sundays in this time period, the Second through Sixth Sundays in Ordinary Time, but let's not be misled: the designation "Ordinary" does not mean it is commonplace or mundane or dull; rather, the word "ordinary" (as in "ordinal") simply refers to the counting off of the weeks, since no particular liturgical season is being celebrated. In fact, the call to discipleship during these weeks is as demanding and powerful as ever!

We have in the weeks ahead, before Lent, an opportunity to reflect on the origins of our call to be followers of Christ and on what accepting that call means for the way we live in the world. Just as much as during any other liturgical season, we need to be aware of what God is doing through Christ in us and we must constantly challenge ourselves to be sure we are offering God the best response possible. We must always seek to know who Jesus, as our Messiah, really is, and we must make sure we are always deepening our relationship with Him.

### *Blood Drive Today*

I take this opportunity to remind you that our OLPH Blood Drive is being held today (Sunday), 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in our auditorium. Please consider donating blood if you are able; it is vitally important to do so, and this is a tremendous witness that we are giving as a parish by holding this drive. Let's make it a huge success!

### *Telecare Telethon*

I'm sure you're familiar with Telecare, the television station of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, and you are aware that once a year Telecare holds a telethon to raise money for its ministry. I will be co-hosting the telethon Sunday evening from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., so perhaps you can tune in and watch. Fr. John is scheduled to stop by Sunday evening around 9:00 p.m. If you call in a pledge, be sure to mention OLPH and what a great parish it is — and how much you love your priests!

### *Guest Columnist: April Kleinlaut, Coordinator of Faith Formation*

As I have been doing from time to time, it is my pleasure to turn over a large portion of my column to a guest writer, so you can hear from another member of the Pastoral Staff and learn about that person's ministry. This time, I asked April Kleinlaut, our Coordinator of Faith Formation, to be the guest writer, so...

### *Take It Away, April...*

Thank you, Msgr. Joe, for allowing me to write about the Religious Education Program here at OLPH. My name is April Kleinlaut and I am the Coordinator of Faith Formation. As the Coordinator, it is my job to oversee the students' faith formation for children in Levels One through Eight.

An important part of the Religious Education Program is the formation of the students. Receiving the sacraments is not the only goal of the Religious Education Program. We are here to instill in the children that our spiritual development is an important part of our life, as well as who we are as God's creation. It is also important not just to learn the facts about our faith, but to experience it through attending Mass, through prayer and through serving God's people in the community. With the help of Msgr. Joe, Fr. John and Fr. Ethel, our moderators, the program is supported and strengthened.

In the Religious Education office, there are many various tasks that must be completed on a weekly, monthly and yearly basis. Working in the office to assist me with these tasks are Kristine Doyle, Christine Graham and Jessica Becker.

Tasks include entering attendance into the computer, sending important information out by mail and e-mail, photocopying, and many organizational tasks, especially for the sacraments.

One of my major roles as the Coordinator of Faith Formation is to be the leader of all the catechists. We are honored to have 145 catechists who offer their time and talent to our ministry. A catechist gives many hours a week to accomplish the tasks necessary to help the program run smoothly. Some of the things they do include planning lessons to engage the children, and encouraging their participation in Church and in the community. Without the catechists the faith formation program could not be successful. We are grateful for their time and talent, and I ask the OLPH community to pray for all our catechists. We ask all parishioners to discern if this ministry is something they would like to become involved in. There are many different ways you can help in this ministry.

As part of our program we have many interactive parent and student meetings which enrich the faith journey of our families. Topics of these meetings include different areas of theology such as Social Justice, Prayer, Church, Liturgical Year, and Morality. According to the *National Directory for Catechesis*, "Catechesis that involves the whole family is a particularly effective method of catechesis for young children because it helps parents to become more confident in sharing their faith with their children and encouraging their children's emerging faith." It is important for the parents to be involved in the formation of their child's religious education, as it is known that the parents are the first educators of the faith to the children.

Currently, we are preparing for many things including First Communion and Confirmation. We are introducing a new policy regarding registrations for the next school year. There is a lot of work to prepare for the students in the coming year and we will begin the process in the spring of 2015. Early registration is important due to the fact that so much has to be accomplished before the students' arrival to the classroom. Just a few of the tasks that must be completed before the fall include:

- reaching out to catechists, who have a deep faith, to educate our students
- obtaining important information to set up the

- classes
- receiving sacramental information
- evaluating and assessing curricula
- ordering books and classroom supplies
- decorating classrooms

Our goal is to see all students registered before May 29, 2015 to allow enough time to properly prepare for the upcoming school year.

There have been some differing opinions about when students come to learn about their faith. Faith Formation is a life-long journey and students should not come to learn only when it's time to receive the sacraments. There is a requirement that at least two years of faith formation must be completed in order to make the sacrament of First Eucharist and at least three years for Confirmation. However, all the years in between these two sacraments are equally vital to the student to enrich their life's journey and to grow deeper in their faith in a positive way, where they see faith as a fundamental part of their life. As parents and educators we must inspire our children to be disciples of Jesus.

*"Jesus, however, called the children to himself and said, 'Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.'" (Luke 18:16)*

#### ***Back to Msgr. Joe***

Thanks, April! Allow me to publicly offer words of gratitude and appreciation for the great work you do, and particularly for your generosity with the many extra hours you put in "above and beyond" when it's important for you to be here at OLPH. It is greatly appreciated, and you continue to do a wonderful job with the program as you constantly seek ways to make it better and to make it grow.

#### ***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,



# OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

located in the school building  
 Phone # 631.226.2384  
 E-mail: religioised@oloph.org  
 Coordinator: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 (acarbaugh@oloph.org)

## OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
 TUESDAY: 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.  
 WEDNESDAY: 3:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.  
 THURSDAY: 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.  
 FRIDAY: 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon  
 SATURDAY: 8:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Week of 1/18/2015

Religious Education Office Updates  
 & Reminders

### Class Schedule for the week

**Wednesday:**  
 5:30- 6:30pm— Class for Level 6  
 7:30- 8:30pm— Class for Level 7  
**Saturday:**  
 8:30- 9:30 am—Levels 1-5  
 10:00-11:00 am—Levels 1-5 & Special Education  
 11:30-12:30 pm—Levels 1-5

## NO CLASS FOR LEVEL 8

No Class for Level 8 this week due to  
 Martin Luther King Day

## MIDTERMS

Midterms this week for Levels 3-7 (No test for Levels 1, 2 or 8)

Levels 6 & 7  
 January 21

Levels 3- 5  
 January 24

## STUDENT-ONLY MEETING

Saturday, January 24

Level 2 students will be viewing a video on Communion.

WRAPPING UP LAST WEEK

Congratulations to all students who made their  
 First Penance this month.

We ask everyone to take a moment to offer a prayer for all the children who celebrated First Penance this year. Pray that they always stay close to the Lord through this beautiful Sacrament, and that their families will teach them and form them to celebrate this Sacrament frequently, throughout their entire lives.



## FAITH FORMATION

### IMPORTANT NOTICE AFFECTING ALL CHILDREN OF THE PARISH

As required by the Diocese of Rockville Centre, Sacraments of Initiation are to be celebrated in the home parish of the child. Therefore, all families of OLPH with children celebrating First Communion and Confirmation are to have their children celebrate those sacraments at OLPH. As Catholics, our faith identity is centered in our Eucharistic identity, namely, the Sunday worshipping community we belong to (where we celebrate Mass Sunday after Sunday). This community is our primary community and the community in which our faith is lived, day in and day out.

Because of this, and because each year of religious formation builds on the prior one, it is important that **all children who are parishioners of OLPH, regardless of where they attend school, be registered with our Religious Education Office for all years of religious formation, not only for sacrament-preparation years.**

- Children who attend **public school** attend our Religious Education Program, and they and their parents participate in various non-classroom religious formation experiences.

- Children who attend a **Catholic elementary school** need not attend the Religious Education classes, but they must be registered with us, and they and their parents participate in all the non-classroom religious formation experiences, especially but not only in sacrament-preparation years.

- Children who are **homeschooled** must also be registered with the Religious Education Office; they may or may not be required to attend the Religious Education classes, depending on their homeschool curriculum, but regardless, the homeschooled children and their parents are to attend the various non-classroom formation experiences, especially but not only in sacrament-preparation years.

If you are a parishioner with children in a Catholic elementary school or who are homeschooled and you are not yet on record with our Religious Education Office, please contact the office immediately. If you know of anyone who should be registered, please let them know of this policy. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Check the bulletin each week for more information about **upcoming Adult Faith Formation classes, including...**

### **INTRODUCTION TO THE CHURCH**

*Come to learn more about how the Church "works" through a study of its history, structure and function.*

Instructor: Fr. Alfred

5 Tuesdays: February 24— March 24;  
7:30-9:30 P.M.

### **INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY**

*This course covers a basic understanding of the study of the Church's theology of liturgy. The course will also cover a basic understanding of the Liturgical Year, and will include an examination and discussion of key points from Vatican II's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy.*

Instructor: Msgr. Joe

5 Thursdays—April 9 through May 7;  
7:30—9:30 P.M.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Soon we will be beginning classes in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are an adult who is baptized and has received first Holy Communion but has not been confirmed, please let us know.

Classes will begin in the next few weeks!

For more information, contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org).



# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Marie Foster—631.592.1509—ripalda@optonline.net
- † Driving Ministry: Maureen Russo—631.226.4182—princessmorge@optonline.net
- † Golden Age Society: Dolores Barone—631.957.3432
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
- † Middle Ages: Gail Tonnessen—631.957.1449—gtonness@optonline.net
- † New Mother's Meal Ministry: Carol Stysiack—631.255.3506—carolstys@verizon.net
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Bernard League: The Consi Family—631.226.7725
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Deborah Deasy—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Fran Grasso—631.956.3003—sixfingers13@gmail.com
- † Special Needs Ministry: Fr. John Sureau—631.226.7725—jsureau@oloph.org
- † Widows/Widowers: Rita Gardell—631.252.5494 & Denise Segreto—631.220.0888

## **NEW Food Pantry List!**

**CANNED FRUIT**

**COFFEE**

**SHELF STABLE MILK**

**SOUP WITH MEAT**

**JELLO & PUDDING**

**PASTA SAUCE**

**PORK & BEANS**

**TUNA**

**SHAMPOO & SOAP**

**PAPER TOWELS**

**Cut out this list and bring it with you when you go shopping!**

## **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

**Located in the "New" School Building**

**Use Parking Lot located on corner of  
Gates & High Streets**

**631.226.7725 x. 234**

*The office is open:*

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**9 A.M. —12 Noon**

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for?" Often we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

## **HELP IS NEEDED!!!!**

**Do you desire to serve those in need in our community?**

**We hope so—because they need YOU!**

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of offerers to assist the most vulnerable in our community. Many of our present Vincentians are getting a little older and we are in need of women and men in our parish to come forward.

This is a wonderful ministry for those with free time during the day (perhaps who work part time or at night) and those who are actively retired. Maybe a great ministry for you???

While the food pantry is part of our work, offerers are needed to work with individuals and families to assist them in identifying resources, linking them to other places of support and more. Training is provided.

Interested? Think you might be interested? Contact our St. Vincent de Paul Office and speak with Deborah Deasy, our President, at 631.226.7725, x. 234 or e-mail to [stvincentdepaul@oloph.org](mailto:stvincentdepaul@oloph.org)

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, January 22, 2015



Our parish is attending the *Annual March for Life* on Thursday, January 22, 2015. We will gather at OLPH at 5:00 A.M. for Mass in the Church and depart immediately after.

To RSVP to this event, contact Kathy Feldman of our Respect Life Committee at 631.225.9864. A Free Will Offering of \$20.00 is requested to assist with the cost of the bus.

## EVENING PRAYER AND HOLY HOUR

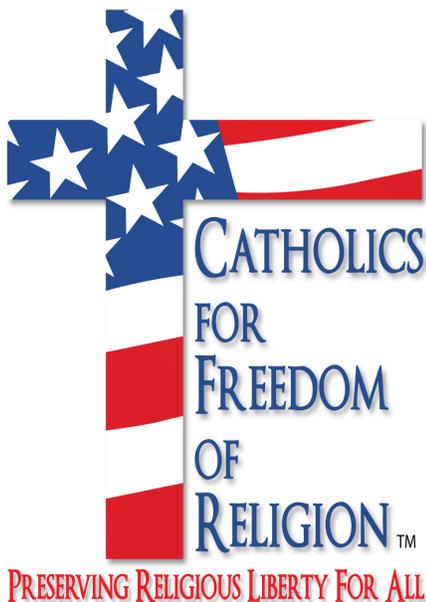
This Thursday, January 22, 2015—5:00 P.M.—Church

For those unable to attend the March, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Evening Prayer in the Church as we pray for those returning from the March for Life and for a greater respect and dignity for all human life.

*"Defense of unborn life is closely linked to the defense of each and every other human right. It involves the conviction that a human being is always sacred and inviolable, in any situation and at every stage of development."*

-Pope Francis

# CATHOLICS FOR FREEDOM OF RELIGION



Almost 20 years ago, the U.S. Department of Education directed the public schools to tell students what their religious freedoms are. Gateways to Better Education published the pamphlet, "Free to Speak," to help students and teachers know their civil liberties. Director Eric Buehrer said, "We want our young people to be bold in their faith. We have let them know they can be. That it's perfectly legal for them to be bold."

**"Free to Speak"** guidelines from U.S. Dept. of Education:

1. You can pray, read your Bible or other religious material, and talk about your faith at school.
2. You can organize prayer groups and religious clubs, and announce your meetings.
3. You can express your faith in your classwork and homework.
4. Your teachers can organize prayer groups with other teachers.

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY *Happenings*

### HOMELESS VAN MINISTRY

#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who have so generously donated to our Homeless Van Ministry. We are overwhelmed with clothes (a good thing)! Parishioners, each week, have provided sandwiches and soup for those we serve. Members of the community have overwhelmed us with financial blessings allowing us to purchase some needed items.

Our Homeless Van Ministry presently operates on Wednesday evenings and serves the homeless in the local area. As the homeless population do not live in a consistent place, the work of the ministry varies each week. Some nights we have ministered up to ten or so individuals, other nights no one is outside (a good sign during some of these cold nights). We are coming to know the local homeless and where they stay (behind certain stores, in cars, at train stations, etc.). That relationship is key as we seek to be a reminder of God's love each night to those we meet.

Any food that remains after a van run is donated on Thursday mornings to the Trinity soup kitchen in Wyandanch.

Prayer and reflection is an essential part of our work. Last Wednesday, all of the members of the ministry gathered together for prayer and theological reflection always re-centering our work on the words of the Gospel. Following that part of our gathering, some of the details and practicals are always discussed. As we're new, we're learning each time we make a van run!

#### *How can you help?*

We are in need of donation of **waterproof/low temperature sleeping bags** and **hand warmers** (that skiers might use). **NO OTHER CLOTHING DONATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AT THIS TIME.**

If you're interested in offering your time to assist with this ministry, please contact Denise Redfern at [dredfern@oloph.org](mailto:dredfern@oloph.org). Beginning in Lent, we will be ready to welcome parishioners and ministries who are interested in making a van run.

If you would like to make a food (already prepared) donation, please contact Regina Muir at [rmuir11@aol.com](mailto:rmuir11@aol.com).

### DRIVING MINISTRY

Our Driving Ministry assists parishioners in need of a ride to a doctor's appointment or to another serious appointment when needed. Over the past few months we have been able to help many parishioners!

For more information, contact Maureen Russo at 631.226.4182—[princessmoge@optonline.net](mailto:princessmoge@optonline.net).

**Do you know how you can be a driving minister?** *Invite a neighbor, particularly someone you know who is home-bound or cannot drive to come to Mass with you!*

### GOLDEN AGE SOCIETY

Meets every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month,  
11:30am—3:00pm

Join us **February 5, 2015**  
in Room 24 (NEW LOCATION!)

Everyone is welcome.

Any questions call President,  
Dolores Barone 631-957-3432.

### SENIOR MOMENTS

*Avail yourself, men and women, 55 years +,  
of the opportunity to strengthen your relationship  
with God and with our parish community.*

*Each time this group meets there will be times for for-  
mation, spiritual growth, friendship  
and community building.*

**Our next meeting will take place**

**TUESDAY - January 27**

**9:00 A.M. - Room 24**

## GET INVOLVED!

### CATHOLIC ACTION NETWORK

Sign up to receive instant information from the bishops of New York state, easy ways to send letters to local legislative leaders and local organizations and much more!

All you need to do is go to [www.nyscatholic.org](http://www.nyscatholic.org) and click on the link: "Join the Catholic Action Network"

**SIGN UP**

**TODAY!!!**



Join the  
**Catholic  
Action  
Network**

## YOUTH MINISTRY @ OLPH

High School & Middle School Youth Ministry:

Brittany Marie Evans (youth@oloph.org)

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

Catholic Youth Organization: Mr. Dave Reid (dreid88@optonline.net)

CYO Website: [www.leaguelineup.com/olphcyo](http://www.leaguelineup.com/olphcyo)

Boy Scouts: Mr. Al Damone (1203@optonline.net)

K of C Squires: Mr. Frank Nicosia (happynicosias@yahoo.com)

### Middle School -

Our next event is **January 27th** at 7:30pm in the Auditorium. Games, skits, and a ton of laughs are in order as we discuss our faith.

All 6th through 8th graders are welcome. We are asking for those who are able to, to donate \$1 to St. Vincent de Paul. We will have a collection basket at the front door.



Members of our high school youth group got into the spirit of the Christmas season when they went ice skating during Christmas week. Check out OLPH Youth Ministry's Facebook page and the bulletin for the latest activities of high school youth ministry at OLPH.

### High School -

Leadership team meeting is **January 18th** at 3:30pm in the youth office!

Sunday **January 18th** join us for the 5pm Mass followed by fellowship in the auditorium. We are going to play some games, talk about New Year's resolutions, and of course, have refreshments. All 8th through 12th graders are welcome!

All are welcome (families too!) to participate in a PB&J gang after the **12:30 Mass on January 25th** in the cafeteria. Please help us make sandwiches for the Hospitality Too Soup Kitchen. We are in need of donations of peanut butter, jelly, bread, latex gloves, and sandwich bags!



## The Saint Bernard League

### We REALLY NEED Saint Bernards!

Over the past few days, we have received three more requests for help with snow shoveling. Would you consider assisting some of our elderly and disabled parishioners? We have requests from individuals who live on North Jefferson, South 3rd, North 6th and North Delaware. If you can give us a hand (or a shovel), please e-mail Fr. John at [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) and he will connect you with the St. Bernard League coordinators.

## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

The *Holy Name Society of OLPH* would like to thank all of the children who participated in our annual *Christmas Poster Contest*. We would also like to congratulate all the winners, and those receiving honorable mention listed below.

Keep up the good work! We are looking forward to your entries this year. All entries this year have an opportunity to be included in the Diocesan-wide poster contest.

**2nd Grade:** 1st Place: *Giovanni Calamia*, 2nd Place: *Layla Ferazzoli*, 3rd Place: *Madison McCormack*, Honorable Mention: *Darcey Greene, Isabella Mercedes*.

**4th Grade:** 1st Place: *Emilia Karolczuk*, 2nd Place: *Michaella Joshyn*, 3rd Place: *Sabrina Kilfoil*, Honorable Mention: *James Hennig, Mia Hennig, Matt Kennedy, Tatum Kennedy, Gwendolyn Rose Ihm, Kaitlyn Truncali*.

**5th Grade:** 1st Place: *Natalia Wojciechowski*, 2nd Place: *Taylor Ferazzoli*, 3rd Place: *Angela Marie Sessa*.

**Best in Show:** *Emilia Karolczuk*

### *Legion of Mary*

**YOU ARE INVITED:** At this time of year the Church recognizes the important role of the Blessed Mother as OUR mother - our intercessor.

Why not become even closer to Our Lady by doing what our Mother asks of us—to **say the Rosary**? You can become part of her "Prayer Warriors" by joining the Legion of Mary.

All that is required (as an "auxiliary" of the Legion) is that you **say the Rosary** daily plus a few extra prayers (taking about 5 minutes). You do NOT have to say the Rosary as one unit but may break it up during your day.

If you'd like to be even closer to Our Lady, you are most welcome to join as an "active" Legionaire. This has the same prayer requirements as above BUT ALSO you would attend a weekly meeting and do a "spiritual work" each week.

Our meetings are on Wednesdays at 2:30PM in room 24 of the new school. You are welcome to visit us with no obligation to join.

For more information contact Louise (412-3831) or Marie (884-0562).

The Rectory and all parish offices will be closed  
**THIS MONDAY,**  
**January 19**

due to the  
**Martin Luther King,**  
**Jr. Holiday.**  
Devotions will NOT  
take place Monday evening.  
The Rectory office will  
open 9am Tuesday.



### **SUPER 72 RAFFLE**

Have you purchased your Super 72 Raffles for this season?

The next game drawing is this month and runs from January through June, 2015. (If you have tickets from last year's game, they are no longer valid.)

SO....you must purchase tickets for the new game to be in it. Remember, the new game is **BBTE** (*Bigger, Better, Than Ever*) with two extra \$500 drawings, one in April in honor of the Lord's rising and one in May for Memorial Day remembering all veterans who have died.

It's still \$40 per ticket BUT if you purchase two for \$80 you get a third for *free*. Tickets can be purchased at the Rectory office or at Johnston's Funeral Home.

# EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

El grupo de oración "Jesús es el camino la verdad y la vida". Te invita a alabar y glorificar a DIOS todos los jueves a las 7:00 PM en la cafetería. Comenzando con el Santo Rosario. Únete a nosotros en oración, Alabanzas y reflexión de la palabra de DIOS.

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**El sacramento del bautizo.** Las ceremonias bautismales se llevan a cabo cada segundo y cuarto domingo del mes. Los padres que necesiten bautizar a sus hijos deben atender alas sección de charlas, estas charlas son cada primer y tercer lunes del mes.

Para más información sobre los sacramentos del bautizo matrimonio y servicio pastorales. Unción de los enfermos y la Eucaristía, Contacto Padre Juan Sureau - 631.226-7725 x. 224 o email: [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) o en español, Irma González 631 620-2401 o correo electrónico: [lanegra628@yahoo.com](mailto:lanegra628@yahoo.com).

## Preparándonos para el domingo 25 de Enero del 2015.

**Primera Lectura (Jonás 3,1-5. 10):** También los Paganos Son Llamados a la Conversión

El profeta Jonás, pensando que la salvación estaba reservada sólo a los judíos, predica de mala gana la conversión a los paganos. Éstos escuchan la palabra de Dios y se alejan del mal.

**Segunda Lectura (1 Corintios 7,29-31):** El Estilo de Vida Imparcial de los Cristianos

Ya que los cristianos se convierten y vuelven a Dios, se espera que vivan para el reino. Por lo tanto, habrían de usar las cosas de este mundo sin apegarse a ellas.

**Evangelio (Marcos 1,14-20):** Arrepiéntanse y Crean en la Buena Nueva de Salvación

La Buena Nueva de salvación proclamada por Jesucristo exige conversión y compromiso de fe. Los apóstoles responden con total generosidad y lanzarán sus redes al mundo para reunir a todos y cada uno en Cristo.

"No dejes para mañana lo que puedes hacer hoy", reza un viejo proverbio. Desgraciadamente, hacemos lo opuesto, diciendo que mañana tendremos tiempo suficiente. Sin embargo la palabra de Dios sigue urgiéndonos. Ahora es el tiempo propio para hacer las cosas de Dios. Nos urge el tiempo para cambiar. Arrepiéntanse ahora, conviértanse ahora, Dios y su reino están ya aquí y ahora con ustedes. – Con el Señor en medio de nosotros le pedimos la gracia de escuchar ahora su Buena Noticia.)

Nuestro Señor está aquí en medio de nosotros y nos dice:

"Ha llegado el tiempo, y el reino de Dios está al alcance de la mano.

Arrepiéntanse y crean en la Buena Nueva de salvación".

Que ojalá estén ustedes atentos a sus palabras. Él nos sigue llamando. Aun es tiempo.



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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, January 19— Weekday

6:30	Dorothy Tibball
12:15	For all the Souls in Purgatory
7:00	<i>No Evening Devotions</i>

### TUESDAY, January 20— Weekday *(Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr)*

6:30	Pauline Micovsky
12:15	Juan Jose Irisarri Lacuey

### WEDNESDAY, January 21— St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

6:30	John D. Hopkins, Jr.
12:15	Pasquale Grottola
12:45-2:00	Exposition

### THURSDAY, January 22— Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:30	Fannie Caliendo
12:30	Kathleen Worth

### FRIDAY, January 23— Weekday *(St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin)*

6:30	Joseph Micovsky
12:15	Megan E. Garofolo (Living)

### SATURDAY, January 24— St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00	John Russo
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### Vigil for THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00	George Cologeras McKasty
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### Sunday, January 25 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30	Clive Baril
8:00	Fannie Caliendo
9:30	Jill Rogan
11:00	For the People of the Parish
12:30	Angelina Castelli
5:00	Concetta Perrotta

## MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, January 19, 2015

ALL PARISH OFFICES ARE  
CLOSED & ACTIVITIES  
CANCELLED

### Tuesday, January 20, 2015

7:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Rooms 13/14
4:15 PM	Altar Server Training	Church
6:15 PM	Pastoral Staff Meeting	St. Lucy
7:00 PM	Teen Confirmation Class	Room 4
7:45 PM	Community of Praise Prayer	Room 15
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

### Wednesday, January 21, 2015

8:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Room 14
10:30 AM	Adult Faith Formation-Morality	Room 16
12:45 PM	Adoration	Church
1:50 PM	Daytime Prayer	Church
2:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Room 24
5:30 PM	Level 6 Religious Education	School
7:30 PM	Level 7 Religious Education	School
8:00 PM	Christian Mothers	Cafeteria
8:30 PM	Homeless Van Ministry	Sci. Lab

### Thursday, January 22, 2015

5:00 AM	Respect Life Pre-March Mass	Church
7:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Room 13/14
1:30 PM	Church Cleaning	Church
4:00 PM	CYO Cheerleading	Auditorium
4:30 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
5:00 PM	Evening Prayer-Holy Hour	Church
7:00 PM	Virtus Training	Room 1
7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:00 PM	K of C Bingo	Auditorium
7:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
8:00 PM	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

### Friday, January 23, 2015

8:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Room 13/14
9:00 AM	OLPH Home School Group	Rooms 1 & 2
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous (Young People)	Room 24

### Saturday, January 24, 2015

8:30 AM	Levels 1 -5 Religious Education	School
12:00 PM	Parish Social Ministry Coordinators Meeting	St. Lucy
1:30 PM	CYO Basketball	Auditorium
1:30 PM	Altar Server Training	Church
6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Church
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

### Sunday, January 25, 2015

9:30 AM	RCIA/RCIC	Church/ Room 16/18
1:30 PM	HS Youth Ministry PB& J Gang	Cafeteria
1:30 PM	CYO Basketball	Auditorium
6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Church
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Nancy J. Hughes  
Dennis Krulder  
Thomas Niblock***

*“O God, who through the ending of present things open up the beginning of things to come, grant, we pray, that the soul of your servant may be led to you to attain the inheritance of eternal redemption.”*

## **WE BELIEVE**

*Almighty and Eternal God,  
You are the everlasting health of those  
who believe in You.*

*Hear us for Your servants  
for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy,  
that being restored to bodily health,  
they may give thanks to You in Your Church.  
Through Christ our Lord.*

**We pray for the sick of our parish...**

<b><i>Peggy Curran</i></b>	<b><i>Roberta Chaplin</i></b>
<b><i>Marjorie Hildemann</i></b>	<b><i>Patricia Grasso</i></b>
<b><i>Theresa Caltabiano</i></b>	<b><i>Vincent Treanor</i></b>
<b><i>Josephine Senatore</i></b>	<b><i>Bernatte Sinnott</i></b>
<b><i>Frank Raffanilli</i></b>	<b><i>Richard Brosan</i></b>
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<b><i>Vincenzo Rao</i></b>	<b><i>Kathy Bonarewicz</i></b>
<b><i>Joan Coffee</i></b>	

## **MASS MEMORIALS...**

...a beautiful way to remember a loved one!  
Memorializing the altar bread and/or wine is  
one way to do this.



A listing is included in this  
space in the bulletin for any  
memorials.

Please contact the Parish Office at  
631.226.7725 for other options for memorials.

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, x. 200.

## *Liturgy of the Hours* **EVENING PRAYER** **Every Saturday and Sunday**

What can any one of us accomplish on our own in 10 minutes? Probably not much.

What can *God* accomplish in 10 minutes? More than we could ever imagine!

In just 10 minutes, you can pray the same prayer the entire Church all over the world prays at the end of each day, thanking God for all His blessings, and praying for His peace to reign in our hearts, in our families, and in the world.

Join us for 10 minutes, for Evening Prayer, every Saturday and Sunday after the 5 pm Mass.

## **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**

***Giuliana Grace Costa  
Miabella Olivia Roberts  
Dominic Mason Vargas***



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

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Parish Office:** 631.226.7725

**Religious Education:** 631.226.2384

**St. Vincent de Paul (Parish Outreach) :**

631.226.7725 X 234

**Parish Website:**

[www.olphlindenhurst.org](http://www.olphlindenhurst.org)

**Facebook:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help



## 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 Thursdays of the month excluding holidays. Contact the Parish Office to begin the process of having your child baptized.

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

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

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

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Fr. John Sureau  
Alice Vozzo

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## OFFERING UPDATE

**January 10/11, 2015**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 P.M.	378	147	\$3,117.00
6:30 A.M.	90	34	973.00
8:00 A.M.	205	88	2,381.00
9:30 A.M.	416	100	2,080.00
11:00 A.M.	437	116	2,620.00
12:30 P.M.	355	108	2,403.00
5:00 P.M.	273		1,169.50
<b>Total coin:</b>			<b>27.68</b>
<b>Mail-ins:</b>			<b>396.00</b>
<b>Children's Env.</b>			<b>122.50</b>
<b>Faith Direct</b>			<b>3,163.78</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,154</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>\$18,453.46</b>
<b>2014 TOTAL</b>	<b>2,059</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>\$17,002.11</b>
<b>Candles</b>			<b>\$957.68</b>
<b>Poor Box</b>			<b>\$245.16</b>

## TELECARE TELATHON

The Telecare Telethon is this weekend Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> from 12PM to 10PM. Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137 or Verizon FiOS channel 296 to support our Diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest "stars" including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Additionally, visits from some celebrity chefs, musical groups and New York sports teams will help fuel the enjoyment. Join Msgr. Jim Vlaun for the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Telecare Telethon and consider making a donation by phone or a secure donation over the internet at [www.TelecareTV.org](http://www.TelecareTV.org).

## OLPH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dear Parishioners,

The OLPH Finance Committee wishes everyone a Healthy and a Blessed 2015. Over the past 18 months we have placed some information about Planned Giving in the Bulletin. We know that Planned Giving has financially benefitted other Parishes and we see it as an opportunity for OLPH as well. At our last meeting the OLPH Finance Committee discussed the importance of offering our Parishioners more information on Planned Giving and other related financial topics that we all deal with over the course of time. We are still working out the specific details but currently we are discussing setting up an Information Session where a few different key topics are covered. Some of the topics being considered are Social Security, Estate Planning and Long Term Care Planning. We will have the specific details worked out over the next few weeks and you should see them announced in a future Bulletin. More to come shortly.

Respectfully,  
The OLPH Finance Committee

### RELIGIOUS GOODS GIFT SHOP AVAILABLE AT OLPH

A Gift Shop with religious goods is available at OLPH. The shop is open Sunday mornings starting after the 9:30 a.m. Mass and will remain open until 2:00 p.m. Stop by and browse and shop for those religious items you have been looking for! The gift shop is accessible off of the small parking lot on High Street between the rectory and the school.

### REMINDER

**ALL 2014 pledges for  
the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*  
must be paid by  
January 31st, 2015  
to ensure that OLPH receives  
the benefit of the rebate.  
Thank you for your cooperation.**

**PREPARING FOR**

**Sunday, January 25, 2015**  
*3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

“Jesus said to them,  
 ‘Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.’”

Mark 1:17

**Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

Among the prophets, Jonah was unique. He is the only one called by God to minister to a people outside of the borders of the kingdoms of Judah and Israel, to the Ninevites. Until his own repentance, Jonah was a reluctant prophet who ran from his calling, who would prefer that the people of Nineveh be destroyed rather than call them to serve the Lord. For this reason, Jonah is often viewed as a symbol of the entire rebellious nation of Israel, whom the Lord called to Himself in order that they might in turn serve as a light to the Gentile nations, whom Israel regarded as their enemies.

**1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

Paul advises the believers in Corinth to go about the ordinary activities of their lives, but always with the realization that this life and all of its activities are transitory.

**Mark 1:14-20**

In the plan of God, Jesus was not to begin to proclaim the good news of salvation until the Baptist's active mission had ended. Jesus Himself is “the good news of salvation.” He is the fulfillment of all of God's promises. While Jesus calls all at once (“the people”) to believe in His words, His call to particular service, to follow Him as a disciple, is made personally, to each individual.

## Gospel Reflection Questions....

*After reading next Sunday's Gospel (Mark 1:14-20) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass. Use the questions below to aid your reflection.*

1. Must you be called as a missionary and go to Africa, or could you be called to bring the Good News wherever you are and in whatever you do? How does Jesus call you?
2. According to Pope Francis's statement below, do you have to be perfect to be called? Is the Lord with you when you make mistakes? How does he show his eternal love?

“When things are not going well, He (the Lord) gets Himself involved in history, he sorts the situation, and goes forward with us. Think of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, of that list: this one begets that one, and that one begets this one, and so on. ... In that story there are men and women who are sinners. How did the Lord work it all out? He stepped in, He straightened the path, He put things right. Think of the great David, a great sinner, and then a great saint. The Lord knows. When the Lord tells us: ‘With eternal love, I have loved you,’ He is referring to this. The Lord has been thinking of us for many generations—of each and every one of us.”

*Pope Francis Vatican Radio/  
 VIS Posted: ICN  
 Tuesday,  
 Jan. 14, 2014*



## Readings for the Week

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

**Monday, January 19, 2015:**

Hebrews 5:1-10 + Mark 2:18-22

**Tuesday, January 20, 2015:**

Hebrews 6:10-20 + Mark 2:23-28

**Wednesday, January 21, 2015:**

Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17 + Mark 3:1-6

**Thursday, January 22, 2015:**

Hebrews 7:25—8:6 + Mark 3:7-12

**Friday, January 23, 2015:**

Hebrews 8:6-13 + Mark 3:13-19

**Saturday, January 24, 2015:**

Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14 + Mark 3:20-21

**Sunday, January 25, 2015:**

Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
 + 1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
 + Mark 1:14-20

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# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## Advent Giving Tree

Thanks, again, to everyone who participated in the Advent Giving Tree project last month. We received the following letters of gratitude and some pictures too!

**From Deacon James McLaughlin, Director of the Office of Prison Ministry and Criminal Justice Affairs:**

*"On behalf of our chaplains and volunteers and the families of the men and women incarcerated in the county jails of our Diocese, I want to thank you for the outpouring of generosity and love you showed during the Christmas season. You greatly helped make our annual toy distribution to the families of inmates and former inmates an unqualified success...."*

*"For a child, a loved one in jail can be a stressful experience. Visiting at Christmas, a time of hope and joy for most of us, can be very sad. You helped to make the season at least a little brighter for many, many people."*

**From Carmen Maquilon, Director, Catholic Charities Immigrant Services:**

*"On behalf of Catholic Charities and in particular Immigrant Services, we want to give our most sincere thank you, to you and the parishioners of OLOPH. Over 200 children received presents, all the children were so happy and the parents were so grateful. I am sharing some photos with you and also to let you know that as tomorrow we celebrate Three Kings day and many of the unaccompanied minors will be at our office receiving legal orientation, we plan to distribute some more presents."*

*Christmas is a time of sharing and no one does this better than the parishioners of Our Lady Of Perpetual Help.*



**From Donna Crean, Deer Park Center Director of the Life Center of Long Island**

*Dear Msgr. DeGrocco, Respect Life Committee and the People of the Parish,*

*Thank you so much for all the wonderful gifts that you donated to the Life Center to assist our clients. All the baby items that you collected were beautiful. All of us at the Life Center, and those receiving your gifts are so grateful for your generosity.*



Save the date...get ready for...



# MARDI GRAS

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

5:45 P.M.—Church

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