

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
has eternal life,  
and I will raise him on the last day.*

John 6:54

## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 14, 2020

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Reverend Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco

**Parochial Vicars:** Reverend Fidelis Ezeani, Reverend Frank Zero

**Deacons:** Deacon William Crosby, Deacon Douglas G. Smith, Deacon Robert A. Becker

**Business Manager:** Mr. Thomas Crennan

**Director of Faith Formation:** Mrs. April Kleinlaut

**Music Director:** Mr. Christopher Ferraro

Deacon Frank Odin, Retired

### COME 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.

**Face covering and social distancing required.**

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday – Friday:** 6:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

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

**Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):** 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Masses:**

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.\*

\*5:00 Mass may not be held; decided on a week-to-week basis.

Call the rectory during the week to confirm.

### LITURGY OF THE HOURS

We pray Evening Prayer

each Saturday and Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and

Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

on the Zoom video platform. Click on the Zoom link  
on the home page of our website.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Confessions are being heard in classrooms  
in the “new school annex” near High Street.

See inside bulletin for safety protocols.

Also available by individual appointment  
with one of the priests

### OLPH NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Suspended until further notice.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Suspended until further notice.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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## FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



### PRESENCE

The Story of the Eucharist

Jesus' teachings and actions throughout his ministry prepare for the moment he offers himself for, and to, each of us, fulfilling his promise that "My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed" (John 6:55).

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**Q: How do new parishioners register for an account?**

A: Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

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Register with your name and email address  
Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

**Q: Do parishioners still need to use our parish code or custom registration URL?**

A: Registering has become a lot easier and parish codes and

custom registration urls are no longer needed for your parishioners to register for FORMED through your parish! Now, parishioners simply need to go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and find your parish to register.

**Q: Will parishioners user emails and passwords still work?**

A: Passwords are being phased out. Parishioner emails will still work. Parishioners do not need to re-register to sign in.

## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

What an unbelievable, incredible gift we have been given this year on this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ — and what an appropriate day it is to resume public Masses! This day was made by the Lord! Let us rejoice and be glad!

Without a doubt, these past 12 weeks of suspension of public Masses, doing without communal celebrations of the Eucharist and your fasting from receiving Holy Communion, have been incredibly difficult and challenging. They have been challenging for us priests, too. We didn't become priests because we wanted to celebrate private Masses; we became priests to be with our people. We missed you as much as you missed us!

At the same time, we could also look at these past weeks in some ways, believe it or not, as a spiritual gift, in the sense that we were given an opportunity to learn what it means to really hunger for and appreciate the gift of the Eucharist, a gift we should never take for granted. Remember, we're actually very spoiled; there are many parts of the world where Catholics go for a long time without the Eucharist, and even in some parts of the United States Mass is not available as frequently or conveniently as it is in our area.

In particular, I hope we have come to appreciate the mystery of the Body and Blood of Christ as being more than just simply about what happens to the bread and wine at Mass, as miraculous and important as that is. It's also about the mystery of us gathering as the Body of Christ to celebrate and enter into the Paschal Mystery together; then, the high point and culmination of being one with Christ and with each other in the Paschal Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection is our sharing in the banquet — our reception of the Body and Blood of Christ. Yes, it has been painful for you to not receive the Body and Blood of Christ all these weeks, but, as so many of you have told me, it has been just as painful for you to not gather with your brothers and sisters, to not offer praise and worship to God through the ritual of the Mass, and to not express your faith in and union with Christ by being physically present at the

prayers, gestures and music of the Mass. But now, thanks be to God, all that is returning to us.

So, what a wonderful liturgical day this is for us — the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. As a result of what we have been through, this year we especially acknowledge and celebrate the Eucharist as the center of our life and as the center of our liturgical worship as Catholics. We can never exhaust the richness or the depths of the mystery that at Mass the offerings of bread and wine really and truly become the Real Presence of Christ, His Body and Blood. Through this covenant of love at the Sacred Banquet, God draws us into His divine life and offers us food for our earthly pilgrimage. We can be confident in God's nourishment transforming our weakness and sufferings into life and joy. At every celebration of Mass, the work of our redemption is accomplished.

As always, the meaning and spirituality of what we celebrate can be found in the liturgical texts. The Collect (Opening Prayer) notes that in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, God has "*left us a memorial of your Passion.*" Our celebration of the Eucharist always immerses us in the Paschal Mystery of Christ's Death and Resurrection. The prayer goes on to ask that because of our revering of "*the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood,*" we may "*always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption.*" Those fruits are expressed in a life of self-emptying love; our participation in the Paschal Mystery must be a means of being transformed by God so that we live out the mystery of love being celebrated.

The Prayer over the Offerings for today's Mass reinforces the idea that worship of the Eucharist must be expressed in the practical living out of our lives. This prayer reinforces that one of the chief results of Eucharistic celebration must be unity: as the "one bread" and "one cup" are prayed over at the one altar around which is gathered the one Body of Christ, we see in those signs the mystery of what we are to become — "one body, one spirit in Christ," in the words of Eucharistic Prayer III.

Finally, the Prayer after Communion points to the important but often-overlooked eschatological dimension of the Eucharist, as it

reminds us that the reception of the Body and Blood of the Lord in this present age is a foreshadowing of sharing in God's divine life for all eternity.

All these Mass prayers remind us that we must never just simply passively receive the Body and Blood of Christ, but rather, as we reverence the great mystery of the Lord's Real Presence in the Eucharist, we must, through our participation in Mass, always (to borrow from St. Augustine) **become what we receive**. Indeed, I'm sure that this year we all have a renewed and deepened appreciation of that!

### *Slowly but surely...*

So, our long nightmare is finally beginning to end! We're not 100% there yet, and I won't consider us as being fully back and whole until we are all able to gather together without any restrictions on attendance, and without any social distancing or other special procedures. Until then, though, we will do what we have to do and adapt as necessary.

I want to thank you for your patience and understanding as we phase everything back in, slowly and in a step-by-step process. We will look at things on a week-to-week basis to see if and when it is feasible to bring back the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays. Devotional experiences such as the Monday afternoon Novena and Wednesday afternoon Exposition are not back yet, but will be. Confessions will be in the school for a while, so we can follow proper safety protocols with that sacrament. Evening Prayer on Saturday and Sunday nights in the church is not back yet, but will be.

Most of all, though, I want to thank you for your support and generosity during the past three months. Yes, financial support — as I have said on many occasions, you have been amazingly generous in keeping up with your financial offerings. (Yet, even so, in a week-to-week comparison, we have to date lost a total of over \$110,000 in income.) Beyond financial support, though, has been the spiritual support: all the ways you have kept the faith alive in your Domestic Church at home; all the ways you have stayed connected with the parish through our website and social media and YouTube page; and your participation in our events such as the House Blessings in April, the Procession of Eucharistic Blessings in early May, and the

recent Pentecost Event: Blessings for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit experience.

It will take us time to put everything back together again, and we do not yet have a timeline or definite answers; for many of these things, we still have to await further instructions and guidelines. Over the upcoming weeks and months we will have to figure out the rescheduling of First Holy Communion, Confirmation for our teens and our adults, and the initiation of the unbaptized who would have received the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Our groups and societies have to begin to meet and become active again; when the time comes, you'll be hearing from me about that.

I promise you, though, it will happen, and, when it does, we will be **Stronger Than Before** (*look up the Olivia Newton-John song of the same name; you'll find it very inspirational!*). Besides, our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year is coming up, scheduled to start this November (November 2020 through November 2021) — there's much to celebrate indeed!

### *Father's Day Novena of Masses*

Allow me to remind you that cards and envelopes for our Novena of Masses for Father's Day are available on the pew ledges throughout the church. You can also use the envelope that was included in package of offering envelopes that was mailed to your home. The Father's Day Novena of Masses is a beautiful way to remember and pray for your father, grandfather, godfather, or that father-to-be you know. Be sure to join in this spiritual remembrance so that your intention will be remembered in the Father's Day Novena of Masses.

### *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,



## 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, **all school-aged children who are parishioners of OLPH, regardless of where they attend school, must be registered with our Religious Education Office for all years of religious formation (not only for sacrament-preparation years).**

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

- Children **in all grades** 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. These children celebrate the sacraments here at OLPH, not at the parish of their elementary school.

- Children **in all grades** 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. These children celebrate the sacraments here at OLPH.

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.

### **IF YOU CANNOT YET COME BACK TO MASS...**

*Participate virtually in Sunday Mass online celebrated by your OLPH priests!*

*You can participate in Morning and Evening Prayer too,*

*Go to the website: [www.olphlindenhurst.com](http://www.olphlindenhurst.com)*

*Click on the link to Livestream the Mass and watch it live each Saturday at 5:00 p.m.*

*You can also click the link for our YouTube page*

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*to watch the video of the Mass anytime.*

*There are daily spiritual reflections and more on the parish YouTube page.*



### **Father's Day Novena of Masses**

*Even if we are not yet celebrating public Masses, the priests will still offer private Masses for the intentions of the Father's Day Novena of Masses. The Father's Day Novena is a beautiful and meaningful way for you to include your father, grandfather, godfather, the father-to-be you know or any father you wish to remember in the intentions of the Novena of Masses for Father's Day. You can use the envelope for this which was included in the package of offering envelopes mailed to you; write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation. If you stop by the church for a visit, you can take one of the envelopes available on the pew ledges, write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation either by mailing it to the rectory or by dropping it through the mail slot of the front door of the rectory on Wellwood Avenue. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer if appropriate. You can also simply make your own envelope—just make sure it is clearly marked FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES, write the name to be remembered on it, and enclose your donation and return it. Thank you.*

## **SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR BEING IN CHURCH**

### **FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE, ALL IN THE CHURCH MUST:**

- ▶ **WEAR A FACE MASK OR FACE COVERING – NO EXCEPTIONS**
- ▶ **REMAIN AT LEAST SIX (6) FEET APART, SIDE-TO-SIDE AND IN FRONT OF AND BEHIND YOU**
- ▶ **FOLLOW THE TRAFFIC PATTERNS ON THE FLOOR**
- ▶ **ENTER ONLY THROUGH WELLWOOD AVENUE DOORS**
- ▶ **EXIT ONLY THROUGH SIDE DOORS ON NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE**

## **THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Confessions are being celebrated in the school building,  
in classrooms in the “new school” annex along High Street  
every Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
until further notice.**

**Each priest will be in his own classroom.**

**These are the protocols that must be followed for going to Confession:**

- ▶ **Entry is only via the blue doors at the north end of the hallway (off of the small parking lot)**
- ▶ **Exit is only via the doors at the south end of the hallway (into the large parking lot)**
- ▶ **Everyone – priests and penitents – is required to wear face masks or face coverings**
- ▶ **Lines on the floor will indicate a 6-foot social distance between those waiting on line outside each classroom**
- ▶ **Signs on easels outside the classroom will indicate the name of the priest who is in the classroom**
- ▶ **Social distancing and plexiglass dividers will keep a safe distance between priest and penitent, whether the penitent celebrates anonymously or face-to-face (both options are available)**



**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**

Located in the Rectory  
 Phone # 631.226.7725 x. 253  
 Email: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
 Director: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 ([akleinlaut@oloph.org](mailto:akleinlaut@oloph.org))

**OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION  
 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday: 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
 Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED

**All Levels:**

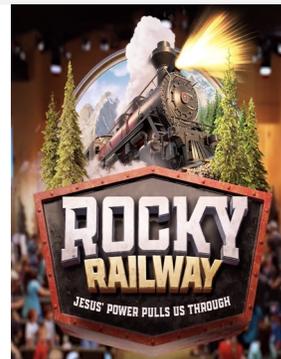
Please be sure to register for the 2020/21 academic year! You can mail in your registration fee to us at any time. Make sure to read through our new Parking Policy and hand in the signed form so we know you've read it. All time switches and teacher requests can be mailed in as well. Please let us know if you have any changes for your contact information.

**Levels 6, 7 and Service Corps:**

- Write a letter to a pen pal in Haiti or draw them a picture. Mail or e-mail the letter to us for one (1) hour of service.
- There are Residents at Maria Regina in Brentwood who are lonely and looking for some comfort. Write them a letter or a card for one (1) hour of service and send it to us.
- Pray a Rosary at home. There is nothing stronger in our time of need than the power of prayer!

**New Date!**

Vacation Bible Camp  
August 10th-August 14th  
 Now until 7/10/2020  
 register online for a  
 summer of faith and fun!  
*Follow the link below  
 to register:*  
<https://forms.gle/x9skup2cA8nKzJzr9>

**Level 2:**

Communion have been postponed. We are hoping to have them in the summer but no official date has been decided. We will contact you once we know the rescheduled dates. In the meantime, please continue to practice receiving the Eucharist at home with a cracker. Keep watching our Masses on YouTube to learn the Mass. Make sure to say your prayers and have your banner completed!

**Level 8:**

Confirmation has been postponed. We are tentatively planning to celebrate the sacrament sometime in the summer. In the meantime, please snail mail or e-mail to us as soon as possible any Workbook Projects or Mass Reflections that are due. Complete your letter to Msgr. Joe requesting Confirmation, if you have not already done so;  
*he is eagerly awaiting your letters!*

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Bereavement Ministry: Linda Arpino—631.592.1062—forubabe77@gmail.com
- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.561.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Kathy Feldman—631 225-9864— cdefeldman@optonline.net
- † Community Meal: Mary Leon— mleon719@yahoo.com
- † Homeless Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com—Peggy Pannullo—631. 921.5994—justin97@aol.com
- † Hospital Visitors: Peter O'Neill—631-226-6340—oneillp@optonline.net
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- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Vincent de Paul Society: Deborah Deasy—631.226.7725, x. 234
- † Senior Moments/Spirituality: Virginia Beyrer—631-226-6635
- † Special Needs Ministry: Jessica Becker Paolo—631.226.6175—jbecker@oloph.org

## **NEW Food Pantry List!**

**CANNED TUNA**  
**CANNED CHICKEN**  
**SOUP WITH MEAT**  
**PASTA SAUCE**  
**SMALL PACKAGES OF RICE**  
**CANNED CARROTS**  
**CANNED FRUIT**  
**SHELF STABLE MILK**  
**DESSERTS**  
**COOKIES, SNACKS**

*The pantry is in great need at this time.*

*Please bring items to the SVdP office:*

*Wednesday and Friday 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.*

*and on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.*

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

**Located in the School Building**  
**Use Parking Lot located on corner of**  
**Gates & High Streets**

**631.226.7725 x. 234**

*During the COVID-19 closings, all donations can be dropped off at the St. Vincent de Paul Office only on:  
**Wednesday and Friday 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**  
**and on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.***

Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are hungry.

## **† AN EXPANSION OF OUR MEMORIAL CARD PROGRAM**

*The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is happy to announce an expansion of our Memorial Card program. In addition to updated *Living Memorial* cards, we are now able to offer *Special Occasion* cards. These are a great way to commemorate a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, get well, thank you, holiday, etc.) while supporting SVDP's efforts to provide not just food, but also financial, material and spiritual aid to our neighbors.*

*Memorial/Special Occasion card envelopes are available on the pew ledges, in the SVDP Food Pantry or at the Rectory. The Memorial or Special Occasion Card acknowledging your donation will be sent to the person/family indicated on the form.*

Please contact Janet Hume at the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725 X 234 for more information.



# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Directory of Phone Extensions

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Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor	206	msgrjoe@oloph.org
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Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Director of Faith Formation	257	akleinlaut@oloph.org
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@oloph.org
Fr. Frank Zero, Associate Pastor	203	fzero@oloph.org

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism ceremonies are held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents wishing to have a child baptized must attend a baptism preparation session before the baptism; these sessions are held on the first and third 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.

## 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 Jeffrey Gaab at (631) 965-0076 or e-mail at [jsg375@gmail.com](mailto:jsg375@gmail.com) 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 Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or e-mail to [DeaconRobert@oloph.org](mailto:DeaconRobert@oloph.org).

## THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Vincent Boccanfuso  
Eileen Corticchia (Chair)  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Jeffrey Gaab  
Joselyn Kalt  
Mary Leon  
Rachelle Louis-Jacques  
Carlton Mitchell  
Kevin Sabella, Jr.  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.  
Adele Venezia

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Gerry Chille  
John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett  
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Thomas Crennan  
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Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Christine Donovan  
Marie Gagneron  
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Bob Meade  
Bob Mehm  
John Reynolds  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.

*Please feel free to speak to any member of the Finance Committee with any questions you might have.*

## YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Fauvette Auguste  
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Mark Costantino  
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco  
Chris Ferraro  
MaryAnn Haas  
Jenine Jimenez-Spina  
Denise Martinez  
Barbara McPhail  
Deacon Doug Smith  
Mike Williams

*Please feel free to speak to any member of the Liturgy Committee with any questions you might have.*

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## **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**

***Thomas Paul Fischer***



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

## **WE BELIEVE**

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

***Janet Novotny  
Angela Pagnotta***

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. **Please make sure the person is aware the request has been made and that they are agreeable with their name printed in the bulletin.** The name will remain on the list for about four weeks.

## **TELEHEALTH EMOTIONAL SUPPORT**

Fellow parishioners,  
In the midst of the coronavirus pandemic I know that many are feeling the anxiety of uncertainty and even fear. As a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who specializes in trauma, I understand how this impacts us not only personally but as a community as well. As part of the OLPH community I would like to offer my support to anyone who is struggling with the emotional impact of what is happening to, and around, us. While my office is in Lindenhurst, and I would love to meet you face to face, I am practicing social distancing and using a Telehealth platform. This allows us to video conference in a safe, secure way. Should you want to take advantage of the support (at no charge), please feel free to contact me at 631-450-2404 or [mgrafflcsw@gmail.com](mailto:mgrafflcsw@gmail.com) to schedule a 15-20 minute session. Should you feel as though you may need ongoing support I will be happy to help you navigate your behavioral health insurance benefits to link you to a clinician that is in your network.

Wishing You Peace,  
Michelle Graff-Schmittberger, LCSW

*“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Matthew 5:4*

If you are mourning the loss of a loved one, the support of your Catholic faith community should be a source of comfort and strength. A bereavement group run by trained facilitators helps grieving people learn skills for navigating their loss and opportunities to share their stories of loss. The **Bereavement Support Group** is a parish-based ministry responding to the needs of the recently bereaved by offering emotional, and sometimes practical, support as they learn to cope with their loss.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and would like to know more about the **OLPH Support Group Program**, please contact Linda Arpino at 631-592-1062 or Marige Reyes at 631-608-3658. You may also leave your name and contact information with the receptionist in the rectory.

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Peter James Grebinger Sr.  
Irma Parisi  
Gerald Lourenco  
Virginia Lee***

*“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.”*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>MONDAY, June 15—</b> <b>Weekday</b> <i>(Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time)</i>		<b>FRIDAY, June 19—</b> <b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	
6:30	Terence McCormick	6:30	Madeline Middleton
12:15	Bertha Wagner	12:15	Margaret F. Sorahan
<b>TUESDAY, June 16—</b> <b>Weekday</b>		<b>SATURDAY, June 20—</b> <b>The Immaculate Heart</b> <b>of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	
6:30	Irwin Botto	8:00	Lucy Luciano
12:15	Helen Minella	<b>Saturday Afternoon (Sunday Anticipated):</b> <b>TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY, June 17—</b> <b>Weekday</b>		5:00	Tom & Rita Aloisi <i>(65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Ann.)</i>
6:30	Margaret Brogan	<b>Sunday, June 21</b> <b>TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	
12:15	MaryAnn Scaraglino	8:00	For the People of the Parish
<b>THURSDAY, June 18—</b> <b>Weekday</b>		10:00	The Fathers Enrolled in the Father's Day Novena
6:30	For the Repose of the Souls of the McCarthy Family	12:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mother's & Guild
12:15	Rev. Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton	5:00*	Margaret Joan O'Neill
		*May not be celebrated publicly; if not, intention will be fulfilled in a private Mass by one of the priests.	

## EL MINISTERIO HISPANO

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Para más información llamar a la rectoría (631) 226-7725. En español a Alejandro Campos teléfono (631) 671-9257 correo electrónico [saitjoseph98@gmail.com](mailto:saitjoseph98@gmail.com).



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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,919.30</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>\$17,416.54</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>\$314.25</b>
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**PREPARING FOR**  
**Sunday, June 21, 2020**  
**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord,*  
*for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!*

Jeremiah 20:13

**Jeremiah 20:10-13**

Jeremiah was a prophet in Jerusalem during the time King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon captured and then later destroyed the city (587 BC.) For calling on Jerusalem's King Zedekiah to trust in the Lord for protection rather than the Egyptian Pharaoh as his counselors advised, Jeremiah was mocked, abandoned, beaten, and imprisoned. The prophetic mission that God gave him resulted in intense suffering and persecution. Today we hear him lamenting, or praying while in agony and torment, about those who are trying to harm him. But the prayer ends on an extraordinary note of confidence and praise. Since the Lord is with him "like a mighty champion," his persecutors will not succeed. What wonderful words for all who feel downtrodden and in despair: "Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!"

**Romans 5:12-15**

While Paul's writings can sometimes be hard to understand, his message can also be pretty simple and straightforward, as it is today. He contrasts Adam and Jesus. Beginning with Adam, sin and death spread throughout the world like a virus because of his actions. But the grace of God is far more powerful than sin. Because of Christ's actions we receive something so much greater: redemption. "For if by the transgression of the one (Adam) the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many." How good it is that we are among the "many!"

**Matthew 10:26-33**

Three times today we hear Jesus tell his disciples not to be afraid as he instructs them for their mission to preach the Good News to the world. Though many people will oppose them, just as they did Jeremiah, he reassures them that their heavenly Father will take care of them. Just as God takes care of the sparrows and all of his creation, how much more will he take care of those people who acknowledge him. He knows us so intimately and loves us so well that even the hairs on our heads are counted. Who can stand against him? No one, so rejoice and don't be afraid!

## Readings for the Week

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

**Monday, June 15, 2020:**

1 Kings 21:1-16 + Matthew 5:38-49

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020:**

1 Kings 21:17-29 + Matthew 5:43-48

**Wednesday, June 17, 2020:**

2 Kings 2:1a, 6-14  
 + Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday, June 18, 2020:**

Sirach 48:1-14  
 + Matthew 6:7-15

**Friday, June 19, 2020:**

Deuteronomy 7:6-11  
 1 John 4:7-16 + Matthew 11:25-30

**Saturday, June 20, 2020:**

1 Chronicles 24:17-25  
 + Luke 2:41-51

**Sunday, June 21, 2020:**

Jeremiah 20:10-13  
 + Romans 5:12-15  
 + Matthew 10:26-33

### Gospel Reflection

*After reading next Sunday's readings take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass. Use the questions below to aid your reflection.*

1. If Christ says to "speak in the light" that which he has said in darkness, is that speaking meant to dispel the darkness? What statements in this reading show that Jesus wants to establish a dynamic reality? Can you "proclaim" the Good News today "from the housetops?" What does that mean?

2. Why is there risk involved in proclaiming the Word? How many times does Jesus tell you not to fear in this reading? What does he say about the hairs on your head that reinforce the "no fear" concept?



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