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“Take it; this is my body.” ...

[And] he said to them,

*“This is my blood of the covenant,
which will be shed for many.”*

Mark 14:22, 24

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 7, 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.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMUNDI



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 Samantha Kurtz
 Thomas LaBianca
 Nicole Lallier
 Christina Larson
 Jacqueline Lawrence
 David Laziuk
 Patrick Lesniak
 Sandra Lesniewski
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PASTOR'S PAGE

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also referred to as *Corpus Christi*. What a beautiful feast this is, as it gives us the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate that the Eucharist is the center of our life and of our 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 the Body and Blood of Christ. 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 ability to transform our weakness and sufferings into life and joy.

As always, the meaning and spirituality of the Solemnity 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.

I hope you have been reading the column giving catechesis on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist which we have been running each week for the past fourteen weeks. This series has been designed to conclude with today's Solemnity. You can read past columns by going to our website and accessing past bulletins on the internet. This series has been a wonderful addition to our bulletin and a contribution to adult faith formation. I am grateful to Alice Vozzo, a member of our Liturgy Committee, for handling the weekly submission of this series of articles.

If you are attending Mass earlier than the 12:30 this Sunday, keep in mind that we are having a special Eucharistic Procession at the end of the 12:30 Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and then Benediction at 3:00 p.m. Do consider honoring the Lord's Presence in the Blessed Sacrament by joining us for the Procession and for Exposition and Benediction.

Proposed Options for New Mass Schedule

There is some important parish information printed as a separate three-page insert elsewhere in this bulletin, and I ask you to take the time to read it carefully. We are presenting to you, for your consideration and your opinion, two options for new Mass schedules which would begin the first weekend in 2016, January 2-3. The document explains that I am looking for your input in order

to make a determination on which change to make.

The immediate reason for the change is to be found in the reduction of priests which OLPH will be experiencing with the transfer of Fr. Ethel on June 24 of this year. However, there are other cogent and compelling reasons why a change in the Mass schedule is a good idea, and these are explained in the text. Again, I ask you to read the information carefully.

The final point I would ask you to take note of is that these proposals were devised and discussed by the Pastoral Staff, the Pastoral Council and the Liturgy Committee and they are the result of collaboration and dialog; I did not come up with them. We should be grateful for and proud of the leadership shown by these three parish bodies.

A Word About Finances: Super 72 Raffle and Summer Appeal

I would like to bring to your attention some important points concerning our finances. To be perfectly frank, the question of money is one of the most vexing aspects of my ministry as your Pastor. The simple fact is that the need for money is a reality. The parish has bills to pay; ministries and programs cost money; employees deserve their pay and benefits. These are non-negotiables and, despite what people sometimes think, the money to pay for these things does NOT come from the Diocese. (Quite the opposite; we have to regularly pay bills to the Diocese for one reason or another!) Therefore, it's an age-old dilemma: how much do I ask for and talk about money? I'm not being a proper shepherd and administrator if I don't bring it to your attention from time to time, yet whenever it is mentioned it seems as though some people feel "all he does is talk about money; that's all the Church is interested in." The simple truth is, though, that the parish needs your continued financial support. We are managing to pay our bills each month, but just barely; we still owe approximately \$700,000 from unpaid bills accrued before my arrival as Pastor; and the new boilers for the church and rectory will cost us \$415,000 (yes, you read that correctly).

With those thoughts in mind, I ask you to take to heart these points:

- Your generosity in the Catholic Ministries Appeal has been and continues to be extraordinary. Because you have helped us to go over goal again this year, we can once again count on a sizable rebate (close to \$40,000) as part of our income if all pledges are fulfilled. Please fulfill your pledges, and please continue to be generous with the Catholic Ministries Appeal in future years.

- I cannot state emphatically enough the importance of weekly collections. We count on this income as our bread-and-butter. However, I ask everyone to seriously and prayerfully examine how much they are giving each

week. Compare what you give to the parish with what you spend on other things each week, and then compare priorities. Many people are very generous and are giving a substantial amount, but, unfortunately, many more people give very little. Remember, your weekly offering is not a "donation" to "them," but rather it is an offering, a gift, a sacrifice that you give for YOUR community.

- Every six months we launch a new Super 72 Raffle, and the tickets for the July-through-December game have been mailed out. Please consider buying the raffle tickets. This is an important fund-raiser and we count on this income.

- Finally, I ask you to be generous with this year's **Summer Appeal**. Letters went out this week and I must earnestly ask for your participation in making an offering to this Appeal. Again, we count on this income to help us meet our bills. The response to the Summer Appeal has been great in the past, and I ask you to keep it up and to once again make this Appeal a success.

Farewell to Fr. Ethel Next Week

I hope you'll be able to attend the 12:30 Mass next week, and the hospitality afterward, as our farewell celebration to Fr. Ethel. He will actually continue to work in the parish until his transfer date of Wednesday, June 24, but next Sunday, June 14, will be our opportunity to pray with and for him and to express our gratitude and best wishes to him.

What a Great Concert It Was!

Finally, I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to offer words of gratitude to all who performed in our Spring Sing Concert a week ago Friday (May 29). We should be so proud of our Music Ministry, under the direction of our Director of Music Chris Ferraro. The musicians displayed extraordinary musical talent and presented a program dedicated to the glory of God that lifted our spirits and nourished our souls. A true communal spirit and sense of parish pride was in the air and was palpable, and if you were not there you missed another great "OLPH moment." Thanks to all who made the evening so wonderful! If you were not there, you missed something special; make a note to yourself to make sure you attend next year.

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,




Fr. Ethel's Farewell Celebration

Next Sunday, Sunday, June 14
12:30 PM Mass



Join our parish community as we give thanks for Fr. Ethel's presence among us over the past two years and wish him well as he begins his ministry at St. Joseph's R.C. Church in Babylon.

A reception will follow on the Rectory lawn after Mass.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM MSGR. JOE

CONCERNING THE SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Introduction

As you know from reading a recent edition of my Pastor's Column (5/17/15), OLPH will experience a reduction in the number of full-time priests as of June 24, 2015, when Fr. Ethel is transferred from OLPH to be assigned to St. Joseph Parish in Babylon. That will leave only two full-time parish priests assigned to OLPH, Fr. John and me. Fr. Alfred will continue to assist us as a part-time priest, but we must keep in mind that he completes his studies in a few months and will be returning home to Nigeria before too long. Although the Vicar for Clergy Personnel has indicated that he will do his best to arrange for another priest for OLPH, at this point we have no idea how or even if that will pan out — we can hope for another full-time Associate Pastor, but it's possible we might have just a part-time priest.

A Change in Our Mass Schedule is Now Necessary

The time has come for us to make changes in our weekend Mass schedule. The simple fact is that our parish, like virtually every other Catholic parish in the Diocese (and it would not be too much of an exaggeration to say virtually every other parish in the country—we are far from alone in facing this situation) cannot continue to operate as though it were still the age of days gone by. This is not a cause for lament; it is not a reason for despair; it is not an excuse to make it seem like it's the end of the world or the end of the Church! It's simply a fact. If we truly believe that the Lord never abandons His Church, and that the Holy Spirit guides us, then we face the future with hope and with courage, realizing that parish life has gone through many changes throughout the Church's long history, and will always continue to change to meet the realities of any given age.

In my Pastor's Column of 5/17/15 mentioned above, I wrote this:

"I would like to suggest to you that it is in a situation just such as this that a parish's spiritual fortitude is tested. Change is hard for everyone, to be sure. However, dealing with situations such as this are the opportunity for us to come together as a united Body of Christ for the greater good of all — *"Together, let's bring out the best in each other. Together, let's be the best we can be in Christ,"* as I write each week. Here's the chance for us to get beyond the discomfort we all feel about change, and to look beyond our own personal convenience and beyond the way we personally and individually would like things to be, and instead look to the greater common good and the larger questions that have to be dealt with on a parish level. The greatest gifts we can give to one another are the gifts of patience, understanding and accommodation."

Rationale

While it is true that this change in the Mass schedule is precipitated by the reduction of priests at OLPH, there are actually sound liturgical and pastoral issues why this change would make sense even if the number of priests were not being reduced. Over and over again Church documents teach us that the celebration of Mass is an occasion for the People of God to be called together into one body; participation in the Eucharist manifests, expresses and deepens not only each person's union with Christ, but also with each member of Christ's Body, the Church. Celebrating the memorial of the Eucharistic

Sacrifice immerses us more deeply into the life of the Church, our common life of discipleship; the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy reminds us that the celebration of the Eucharist should build up “a lively sense of community within the parish, above all in the shared celebration of the Sunday Mass.” (#42) That same document teaches us that the whole purpose of Mass is that all of us should learn to offer ourselves, so that through Christ we “...should be formed day by day into an ever more perfect unity with God and with each other, so that finally God may be all in all.” (#48)

A correct understanding of Mass, then, moves beyond any notion of “my” Mass or Mass as something “performed” by the priest “for” the people. Any hint of what might be called a “movie time schedule” mentality must be discarded — gathering for Eucharist is more than just showing up as a spectator for something that is being performed. Instead, the model to be followed is that of a family gathering. Think about the last time you planned or attended a special gathering such as a family wedding, a 25th or 50th anniversary party, a family picnic or a birthday party. The thinking for such occasions was not, “Let’s do this five or six times and people can pick and choose when they want to come;” instead, there was **one** occasion so that all could gather as **one** family and **one** group to share life, joy and celebration. So too with gathering for the Eucharist: we should not approach it with a “movie time schedule” mentality (and even less so with a “personal convenience” attitude) but rather with the generosity of spirit that acknowledges that Sunday Mass is supposed to be not only the center of our week, but also the center of our life; it is something we must **offer** ourselves to in a spirit of gift-giving and sacrifice.

Our liturgical celebrations are not as fulfilling or enriching as they should be when the church building is half-or-more empty; instead, our liturgical celebrations are enhanced and they deepen our faith when they are true celebrations of the parish community as Church that are alive and vibrant with all participating as one body, giving witness to each other of our worship of God. The rationale for determining a Mass schedule should not be, *What is the maximum number of Masses we can offer*, but rather, it should be, *Given the number of people our church can accommodate, what is the minimum number of Masses we can have to accommodate everyone so that, as much as possible, we can express that we are “one body, one spirit in Christ” — that is, one family — as Church?*

The Proposed New Schedule: Two Options

After much discussion by and in consultation with three of the main leadership and consultative bodies in the parish — the Pastoral Staff, the Pastoral Council, and the Liturgy Committee — we have arrived at two options for a revised Mass schedule. These two options have been devised and approved by these three groups, and the options meet with my approval as well. We believe both of these options are realistic in terms of the number of priests who will be assigned to OLPH. We also believe that these options represent responsible stewardship going into the future. Note too how both options have the added benefit of at least two (2) hours between Masses, a schedule which will help alleviate the parking problems we often encounter.

We present these schedules to you this week. NEXT WEEK, AT ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES, WE ARE GOING TO ASK FOR YOUR INPUT AS TO WHICH SCHEDULE YOU THINK MIGHT BE PREFERABLE. We will take a poll giving you the opportunity to offer your opinion as to which schedule you think is preferable **for the needs of the parish**. The Pastoral Staff will then take this information into consideration and will carefully think through and discuss which one should become the new OLPH Sunday Mass schedule. The decision will be announced once it is made.

THE NEW SCHEDULE WILL GO INTO EFFECT THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 2-3, 2016. Why has this date been chosen for the new schedule to go into effect? It’s because Mass intentions

have been booked using the current Mass schedule through the end of 2015, and it would be burdensome and complicated to rearrange those intentions. Why are we doing this process now and not waiting until closer to January of 2016, for example, in the Fall? We're doing this now because we want to be able to open the 2016 Mass Book for Mass intentions with the new schedule without waiting too long, and also because it will help us in terms of planning events and occasions connected to Sunday Masses if we can have this settled as soon as possible.

Please take the time to peruse both options and to pray about which option you think should become the new Mass schedule here at OLPH as of **January, 2016**.

Option A

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:00 Noon

5:00 p.m.

Notes for Option A:

- *Children's Liturgy of the Word would be at 10:00 a.m.*
- *Children's Choir would be at 10:00 a.m. approximately three times a month*
- *Adult Choir would be at 12:00 Noon*
- *Youth Band would be at 5:00 p.m. approximately twice a month*

Option B

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

Notes for Option B:

- *Children's Liturgy of the Word would be at 9:00 a.m.*
- *Children's Choir would be at 9:00 a.m. approximately three times a month*
- *Adult Choir would be at 11:00 a.m.*
- *Youth Band would be at 1:00 p.m. approximately twice a month*

Please note the following for both options:

- The Special Needs Mass would continue every first Saturday of the month, at 4:00 p.m.
- At this time, there would be no change in the weekday and Holy Day Mass schedules, although there might have to be changes in the future
- At this time there is no change foreseen in the times for Funeral Masses
- The schedule for Sunday Baptisms and Weddings will have to be adjusted if Option B is selected
- The schedule for Confessions is under review and a change may be announced in the future

**THE OPINION POLLING WILL TAKE PLACE AT ALL MASSES
NEXT WEEKEND, JUNE 13-14**

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

The Eucharist: *Making All Things New*

The Catholic Church professes that in the celebration of the Eucharist the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. What does it mean that Jesus Christ is present in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine? How does this happen? The presence of the risen Christ in the Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery that the Church can never fully explain in words. In order to foster a deepening of faith among our parishioners, OLPH is beginning a series of columns to respond to fifteen questions that commonly arise with regard to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. These questions and answers are reprinted and adapted from the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, www.usccb.org, with permission. This series concludes today, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

What do the Sacred Scriptures tell us about the Eucharist and the Real Presence?

As the New Testament writers and the Church Fathers tell us, numerous Old Testament accounts prefigure (point to something that will happen or exist at a future time) the Blessed Sacrament and the Holy Eucharist. The earliest shadow of the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood was in the aftermath of Cain's murder of his brother Abel. The Lord told Cain, "The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground" (Genesis 4:10), with the Book of Hebrews reminding us of "... [Christ's] sprinkled Blood that speaks more graciously than the blood of Abel" (Hebrews 12:24). Moses, the first Israelite priest, read the Torah to the whole people assembled at the foot of Mt. Sinai, and threw the blood of sacrificed oxen on them, saying, "Behold the blood of the covenant which the Lord has made with you" (Exodus 24:8). God commanded Moses to "Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst" (Exodus 25:8) and also instructed Moses and the priests, "You shall set the bread of the Presence on the table before Me always" (Exodus 25:30).

By His Real Presence in the Eucharist, Christ fulfills His promise to be with us "always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). The Lord Himself also tells us through John's Book of Revelation, that "God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be His people, and God Himself will always be with them" (Revelations 21:3).



With this gift of Christ's presence in our midst, the Church is truly blessed. As Jesus told His disciples, referring to His presence among them, "Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it" (Matthew 13:17). In the Eucharist, the Church both receives the gift of Jesus Christ and gives grateful thanks to God for such a blessing. This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of Himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine, Christ gives us the gift of eternal life.

“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. . . . Just as the living Father sent Me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on Me will have life because of Me” (John 6:53-57).

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MEETING FOR ALL USHERS

All parish Ushers are reminded to attend ONE (1) of the upcoming meetings for Ushers: **Monday, June 8, at 7:45 p.m.** OR **Tuesday, June 9 at 2:30 p.m.** Both meetings will be in the church. This mandatory meeting will include time for prayer and time to address important business items. *All Ushers are required to attend* as part of your ongoing formation as a liturgical minister. Thank you.

Father's Day Novena of Masses

Father's Day Novena of Masses cards and envelopes are now available throughout the church. 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, living or deceased, in the intentions of the Novena of Masses for Father's Day. Simply take an envelope, write in the name, and return the envelope with your donation, either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer if appropriate. Thank you.

PRAYER AND SOCIAL GATHERING FOR THE MINISTERS OF CONSOLATION DAY HAS BEEN CHANGED!

All who offer their time and talent in ANY capacity in the Ministry of Consolation are invited to an evening of prayer and fellowship on **Thursday, June 25**, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the church. This will be a great opportunity for all ministers of consolation to pray together, to socialize, to renew their commitment to the ministry and to be inspired once again as they are reminded of what an important ministry this is at OLPH. All ministers of consolation are urged to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

HOLY HOUR FOR PEACE

In response to Bishop Murphy's call for parishes to urgently pray for peace because of all the unrest in the world, please join us for a special Holy Hour devoted to praying for world peace within our own country and throughout the world. **This Holy Hour for Peace, with prayers focusing on the intention of peace, will be held on the second, third and fourth Sunday evenings of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.** The Holy Hour of Reparation which has been held on the first Sunday of the month will continue every first Sunday evening as usual, with the prayers that are usually said for that first Sunday Holy Hour.

Prayer for Peace

Following Bishop Murphy's request, we are asked to pray this prayer privately, and we are encouraged to use this prayer as a part of all meetings and gatherings held here at OLPH.

*Lord Jesus Christ,
who are called the Prince of Peace,
Who are yourself our peace
and our reconciliation,
Who so often said 'Peace to you',
Grant us peace!*

*Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice
and brotherly love.*

*Banish from their hearts
whatever might endanger peace.*

*Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and
defend the great gift of peace.*

*May all peoples of the earth
become as brothers and sisters.*

*May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always
over us all. AMEN*

Mary, Queen of Peace, Pray for us!
(Pope Saint John XXIII)



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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.

- **ALL CHILDREN WHO ARE PARISHIONERS OF OLPH must be registered with the Religious Education Program.** This applies to **Public School children, all Homeschooled children and all Catholic School children.**
- **ALL NEW REGISTRATIONS AND RE-REGISTRATIONS** are now taking place.
- **New registrants are: ALL CHILDREN, Public School, Homeschooled, or Catholic School,** who will be in 1st grade in September 2015; **AND all Public School students, all Homeschooled children, and all Catholic School students** currently in grades 1-7 who have not previously registered with the Religious Education Office. **Remember that sacraments are celebrated at the home parish of OLPH as mandated by the Diocese of Rockville Centre. *A baptismal certificate is required!***
- **All Families intending to have their children continue with OLPH need to submit payment. This is a change from previous years where we had “book pick-up” throughout the month of September.**
- Payment will be taken in the forms of check, cash or debit card. Payments must be made in person. The Religious Education office is located at 240 S. Wellwood Ave. in the Faith Formation Center (formerly the OLPH School building).
- **At this point, we can no longer accept teacher or time change requests unless there are extenuating circumstances.**
- Re-registrations will not be taken after **July 1, 2015.**
- The **non-refundable** registration fees, which includes the \$25 late fee for the 2015/2016 year will be:

\$145 for one child	\$175 for two children	\$200 for three or more children
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Our office hours are:

Mondays	9:00-5:00 p.m.
Tuesdays	9:00-1:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	3:00-8:30 p.m.
Thursdays	9:00-2:00 p.m.
Fridays	9:00-12:00 p.m.
Saturdays	8:00-12:30 p.m.



Insist That Your Legislators Enact the Education Tax Credit

In the final days of this legislative session in Albany, Governor Cuomo and key legislators are leading the fight to enact the Education Tax Credit. The governor's plan, called the Parental Choice in Education Act, will help keep Catholic schools affordable. The Act provides \$150 million in education tax credits annually that will provide:

- Tax credits directly to low-income families who send their children to Catholic and other schools;
- Scholarships to students from low- and middle-income families to attend a school of their choice;
- Donations to public schools for enhanced educational programming;
- Tax credits to teachers for their out-of-pocket classroom expenses.

Please **ASK** Assemblyperson Kimberly Jean Pierre—640 West Montauk Highway, Lindenhurst, NY 11757 631-957-2087—to support this bill.

Please **THANK** Senator Phil Boyle—69 West Main Street, Bay Shore, NY 11706—631.665.2311 for co-sponsoring this bill.

You can also e-mail them both by going to nyscatholic.org.

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- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Marie Foster—631.592.1509—ripaldal@verizon.net.
- † Driving Ministry: Maureen Russo—631.226.4182
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- † Homeless Van Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com/Tony Spina—516.473.4021
- † 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: 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

NEW Food Pantry List!

CANNED FRUIT
COFFEE
CEREAL
GRANOLA BARS
HONEY
SMALL PKGS. INSTANT RICE
INSTANT POTATOES
JELLY & JAM
SUGAR—ONE LB. BAG
PAPER TOWELS

Thank you for your continued generosity.

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

Saturday 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.



SUPPORT THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

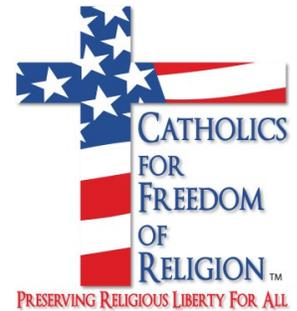
The OLPH Conference of the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is pleased to announce that **Memorial Cards** are now available. These Memorial Cards are a wonderful way to honor the dearly departed while benefitting the less fortunate in our community. A beautiful "Living Memorial" Card will be sent acknowledging your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Donation forms are available on the pew ledges, in the SVDP Food Pantry (9am –12noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday) or at the Rectory.

For further information, please contact Janet Hume at the SVDP Office at 631-226-7725, x. 234.

4TH ANNUAL FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

★ JUNE 21 to JULY 4, 2015 ★
FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM **FREEDOM TO BEAR WITNESS**
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www.CFFOR.org 631-896-8331

4th Annual Fortnight For Freedom: Freedom to Bear Witness Designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

In 1953, Pope Pius XII stated, *“We belong to the Church militant; and She is militant because on earth the powers of darkness are ever restless to encompass Her destruction.”*

It is evident in our time that we are the Church militant as we battle the ravages of laws and regulations enabled by a culture hostile and intolerant toward moral beliefs and religious practices. The increasing rejection of any limits on personal behavior puts religious liberty, the foundation of our civil society, at grave risk.

Unfettered personal satisfaction and convenience, putting man’s wishes ahead of God’s law, is reflected in the destruction of life allowed by *Roe v Wade*. The Supreme Court may soon issue an opinion redefining marriage which will deny the truth of the fundamental belief that the family formed in the union of one man and one woman is the basic unit of our society.

Robert P. George, the keynote speaker at the upcoming June 25, 2015, Rally for Religious Freedom, asks if we are willing to follow the Gospel today, *“So for us there is no avoiding the question: Am I ashamed of the Gospel? Am I unwilling to stand with Christ by proclaiming His truths? Oh, things were easy on Palm Sunday. Standing with Jesus and His truths was the in thing to do. Everybody was shouting “Hosanna.” But now it’s Friday, and the days of acceptable Christianity are over. Jesus is before Pilate. The crowds are shouting “crucify him.” The Lord is being led to Calvary. Jesus is being nailed to the cross.”* *“And where are we? Where are you and I? Are we afraid to be known? Are we afraid to be known as his disciples? Are we ashamed of the Gospel?”*

To preserve America’s rights of conscience and religious liberty, Catholics in every diocese and parish will come together in prayer, education and action during this Fortnight For Freedom. We claim our constitutionally protected right to a robust freedom of religion and we exercise that right by bearing witness to the truth of the Gospel in our lives, schools, work and in the public square. For if we do not know our freedom...and if we do not exercise that freedom, it is already lost.

**Fortnight Opening Mass. St. Agnes Cathedral, June 21, 11am*

**Rally for Religious Freedom. Robert P. George, Keynote speaker.*

Darby Auditorium of Chaminade H.S, 340 Jackson Ave, Mineola. June 25, 7:30pm

To register for rally call: 516-766-0161 or 631-896-8331

**Fortnight Closing Mass. St. Agnes Cathedral, July 4, 9am*

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY *Happenings*

DRIVING MINISTRY

Our Driving Ministry seeks to assist parishioners in need of a ride to a doctor's appointment or to another serious appointment when needed. If and when possible, a member of our Driving Ministry will assist you (or your family member in our parish).

If you or someone you love is in need of a ride contact Maureen Russo at 631.226.4182.

GOLDEN AGE SOCIETY

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

Join us for a time of Bingo, socializing and fun!

June 18, 2015

in Room 24. Everyone is welcome.

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

NEW MOTHERS' MEAL MINISTRY

Do you need a dinner and a break?

If you had a baby in the last couple of months, are a member of OLPH and reside in Lindenhurst, then let us know who you are. We will be happy to cook and deliver a delicious dinner to you.

Please contact Carol Stysiack via e mail at carolstys@verizon.net and put Meal Ministry in the subject line, or call 631.255.3506.

RESPECT LIFE

Life Center of LI is need of the following donations:

Diapers-Formula -Baby Bottles -Clothes Newborn to 2T - Diaper Bags -High Chair - Bouncy Seat - Play Mat - Car Seat --Babies R Us Gift Cards- Wishing Well

For more information about how to make a donation, contact Louise Perrotta at 631.412.3831—
louiseperrotta@optonline.net

SENIOR MOMENTS

GIVE YOURSELF A CHALLENGE

The Senior Moments Ministry is a committed spiritual family who meet every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month. All are welcome!

June 9 at 9:00 am in Room 24 of the school

Our next meeting on **June 23rd** is at Venetian Shores Beach for readings by the bay.

ST. BERNARD LEAGUE

Our St. Bernard League is looking for someone who is a good coordinator! Skills needed: energy, organization, persistence, some computer skills and a great desire to help the seniors and disabled in our community.

Contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725 or
e-mail to jsureau@oloph.org for more info.

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? Join us

YOUTH SERVICE CORPS

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.

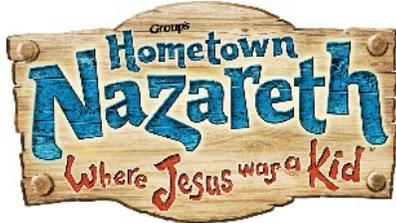
Members of the Service Corps work behind the scenes (setting things up and cleaning things up), at major events (our reception for the Spring Concert this past Friday, for example) and in direct assistance to parishioners and community members in need.

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@oloph.org

Name _____ Address _____
Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____
E-mail _____@_____ I will be in Grade _____ or College Level _____.

SUMMER 2015!!!!

OLPH Vacation Bible Camp



Take your kids back to Hometown Nazareth where they'll spend a week at OLPH of fun, faith, friendship and family!

Monday, July 20 – Friday, July 24, 2015
9 A.M. to 12 Noon

**NEW
 MIDDLE SCHOOL
 COMPONENT
 JUST ADDED
 BELOW!**

CAMPER REGISTRATION FORM

(Camp is for Nursery age—approximately age 4 — through Grade 5)

Return form to Parish Office with a check for \$65 per child.

Please make checks payable to OLPH.

(Two children: only \$120; Three children: \$165)

Child's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Grade Level (in September 2015) _____

Full Names of Parents/Guardians _____

Family Address (Street, Town, Zip): _____

Home E-mail _____@_____

Phone # _____

Cell # _____

Parish (if not OLPH) _____

T-Shirt Size XS S M L XL

Emergency Contact Person

Name _____ Phone # _____

Office Use Only

Date Received

Amount Received:

Ck # _____

Cash _____

Please indicate any health problems, food allergies and special situations that might be helpful for the camp staff to know about your child in a separate note attached to this form. You will receive a letter with more specific information on or about June 30, 2015.

NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPONENT For students entering Grade 6, 7 and 8

This part of Bible camp is just for you! You will enter into a special week of fun, faith, service and sharing your gifts with the larger camp. You will not be a counselor but will help, at times, with the younger kids. The fee for this part of Bible Camp is only \$15.00 as you will work at part of the camp. Fill out the form above for students entering Grades 6, 7 and 8.

OLPH Vacation Bible Camp**OFFERER SIGN UP FORM**

We need offerers of all ages – from middle school to high school to young adult to adult – to make Hometown Nazareth come alive!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____ @ _____

For Youth Offerers:

Grade in school (Sept.) _____

Name of school _____

T-shirt size:

Youth OR Adult

S M L XL

Youth offerers must attend each day of camp (July 20-24). There is a **\$15 fee** for all youth offerers/camp counselors to cover the cost of supplies!

For Adult Offerers:

Are you VIRTUS TRAINED?

___YES ___NO

T-shirt size: S M L XL

What areas can you specifically help us in?

___Arts and Crafts

___Fun and Games

___Hospitality

___Set Up/Decorating (Would take place prior to camp beginning)

___First Aid

___I'll do whatever is needed.

OFFERER APPLICATION DEADLINE: June 30, 2015

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.

Todos los martes llevamos el Santo Rosario a los hogares para orar en familia. Lleva la bendición a tu casa. Interesados favor llamar a Virginia Constantino al (631) 957-1149.

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 o en español, Irma González 631 620-2401 o correo electrónico: lane-gra628@yahoo.com.

Lecturas previas de la santa palabra de Dios para el domingo 14 de junio del 2015.

Mi Cuerpo y mi Sangre para Ustedes

Admiramos grandemente a hombres y mujeres que dedicaron sus vidas para el bien de otros e incluso estuvieron dispuestos a morir por ellos. Esto es precisamente lo que celebramos siempre que nos congregamos juntos para la eucaristía. Celebramos la vida y la muerte de Jesús por nosotros; pero también celebramos su resurrección, porque él está vivo aquí entre nosotros, en su Iglesia, en nuestro mundo. Pero cuando hacemos lo que él nos mandó -“Hagan esto en conmemoración mía”-, tenemos que aprender a entregarnos a nosotros mismos a Dios y a los hermanos, como Cristo se entregó. En esta eucaristía él quiere regalarnos esta disposición interior.

Primera Lectura /Éxodos 24,3-8)

Como Parientes de Sangre de Dios escoge para sí un pueblo y comparte su destino. Lo une a sí mismo con lazos como de sangre, comiendo y bebiendo con ellos.

Segunda Lectura (Hebreos 9:11-15)

El Nuevo Pueblo de Dios en la Sangre de Cristo, quien desramo su sangre por nosotros, Cristo ha hecho transfusión de vida nueva al pueblo de Dios. Ahora somos capaces de ser libres del pecado y de ser fieles a Dios con fidelidad duradera.

Evangelio (Marcos 14:12-16, 22-26) “tomad, comed: este es mi cuerpo”, dice Jesús a los doce el que coma y tome su cuerpo tiene parte en su vida: se vuelve hijo del Padre y hermano de los otros este es el fruto.

La comida de Nuestra Alianza es Cristo en la Eucaristía, Jesús renueva la Alianza con nosotros cuando comparte su cuerpo y su sangre en cada celebración eucarística.

Muchos cuerpos son destrozados hoy por el uso de la fuerza bruta y de la tortura; se derrama mucha sangre de gente inocente y de niños. La violencia lleva al odio y a más violencia. Hoy, en esta fiesta del Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo, oiremos de Alguien cuyo cuerpo quebrantado nos trajo paz, y cuya sangre derramada nos trajo el perdón y el amor de Dios. “Este es mi cuerpo entregado por ustedes. Esta es mi sangre de la Alianza eterna.” Cada eucaristía nos trae un mensaje de esperanza de que el amor de Dios está con nosotros ahora y para siempre. Demos hoy gracias al Padre por el gran regalo de Jesús Eucaristía

SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Phone: (631) 226-7725 Parish Fax: (631) 225-9597

Directory of Phone Extensions

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Carmel Becker, Bulletin	246	cbecker@oloph.org
Patti Chavis, Parish Secretary	212	pchavis@oloph.org
Linda Coppola, Business Office Assistant	214	lcoppola@oloph.org
Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco, Pastor	206	msgrojoe@oloph.org
Brittany Marie Evans, Youth Minister	200	youth@oloph.org
Faith Formation Office	253	religioused@oloph.org
Christopher Ferraro, Director of Music	210	cferraro@oloph.org
April Kleinlaut, Coordinator of Faith Formation	257	acarbaugh@oloph.org
Rectory Reception Desk	200	
St. Vincent de Paul	234	stvincentdepaul@oloph.org
Fr. John Sureau, Associate Pastor	203	jsureau@oloph.org
Josephine Vagelatos, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor	206	jvagelatos@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 Fr. John at the Parish Office to begin the process.

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 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

Jean Bjork
Tricia Buckley (Chair)
Lori Byron
Marie Foster
Greg Guido
Sonia Hansen
John Keller
Mary Mullan
Kevin Sabella
Christina Taparata
James Totino
Pete Triolo
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Robert Dobres
John Reynolds

YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett
Deacon Tom Bast
Gerry Chille (Chair)
Ed Cirella
Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®
Bob Dobres
Bob Meade
John Reynolds
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Robert Becker
Mark Costantino
Barbara McPhail
Rosaleen Walters
Mike Williams
Msgr. Joe DeGrocco
Chris Ferraro
Deacon Doug Smith
Fr. John Sureau
Alice Vozzo

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

PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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

Third Time:

Jamie Wittke & Alana Bernagozzi

Terence Mulholland & Jill Marie Lucente

Second Time:

Bryan Little & Jaqueline Tighe

Stephen Archer & Bridget DeBardeladen

Timothy Gesner & Aileen Catherine Johnson

WE REMEMBER

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

NONE AS OF YET THIS WEEK

"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."

PERPETUAL HELP MASS

8:00 AM MASS SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2015

Alexander & Family Truskowski

*Requested by
Family Kondraciuk*

Dallie Villella

*Requested by
Zaida & Hito Garcia*

James Dolan

*Requested by
Dunstan Bradley*

Mary Bonura

*Requested by
Vincent Melita*

Rita Clark

*Requested by
Dee Beltrami*

WE BELIEVE

We pray for the sick of our parish...

<i>Christine Foster</i>	<i>Josephine Ferraro</i>
<i>Margaret Girgenti</i>	<i>Felica Losdon</i>
<i>Barbara LaPersonniere</i>	<i>Gary Levitt</i>
<i>Catherine Koster</i>	<i>Mary Doran</i>
<i>Bernadette Sinnott</i>	<i>Dorothy Hritsko</i>
<i>Lydia Correa</i>	<i>John Hritsko</i>
<i>Jean Kowenhoven</i>	<i>Victoria Trachte</i>
<i>Florence Shea</i>	<i>James Rigney, Jr</i>
<i>Salvatore Rizzolo</i>	<i>Michelle Biehn</i>
<i>Carol Gilroy</i>	<i>Gordon Hinds</i>
<i>Lambert Fuechtmann</i>	<i>Donna Catlan</i>
<i>Colleen Ullmer</i>	<i>Aileen Passanisi</i>
<i>Alice Weckerle</i>	<i>Peggy Curran</i>
<i>Richard Brosan</i>	<i>Patricia Grasso</i>
<i>Joan Cox</i>	<i>Robert Santiago</i>
<i>Stephen Knapp</i>	<i>Theresa Cultabiano</i>
<i>Marie Haack</i>	<i>Leo Yackavage</i>
<i>Peter Masak</i>	<i>Alyssa Drenkalo</i>
<i>Charles Lovascio</i>	<i>Anthony Calise</i>

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.

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.

If you or a family member are ill and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office. One of our parish priests will come visit you and an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will then visit each week.

We pray for the sick and the homebound of our parish at each and every Mass.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, June 8—

Weekday
(Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)

6:30 Nicholas Cuomo

12:15 Knights of Columbus Retired

7:00 Devotions

TUESDAY, June 9—

Weekday
(Saint Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church)

6:30 Porzio Twins

12:15 Leopold A. Feitzinger

WEDNESDAY, June 10—

Weekday

6:30 Margaret O'Neill

12:15 Giuseppe Lentini

12:45 Exposition

THURSDAY, June 11—

Saint Barnabas, Apostle

6:30 The Savastano Family

12:15 Rose Agnello

FRIDAY, June 12—

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:30 Catherine Geldermann

12:15 Jonathan Schmidt

SATURDAY, June 13—

Weekday
*(The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary;
Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church)*

8:00 Lena Bohm

4:00 –
4:45 Confessions

Vigil for

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 Dominick DeGirolamo

Sunday, June 14

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30 Nicholas Cuomo

8:00 Holy Name Society

9:30 Jeanne Garbarino

11:00 For the People of the Parish

12:30 James, Muriel, James, Jr Farrell

5:00 Robert Horan

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, June 8, 2015

2:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 24
6:30 PM	Widows & Widowers	Room 18
7:00 PM	Devotions	Church
7:00 PM	Level 7 Parent Meeting	Auditorium
7:45 PM	Ushers Meeting	Church

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

7:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Rooms 13/15
9:00 AM	Senior Moments	Room 24
10:30AM	Level 7 Parent Meeting	Auditorium
2:30 PM	Ushers Meeting	Church
7:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	Room 24
7:00 PM	Venture Crew Meeting	Room 15
7:00 PM	Reader Orientation & Training	Church
7:30 PM	Youth Ministry Middle School	Auditorium
7:30 PM	Summer Evening Prayer Meeting	Room 18
7:45 PM	Community of Praise Prayer	Room 16
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria
8:00 PM	Youth Ministry Coordinators Meet	St. Mark's

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

12:45 PM	Adoration	Church
1:50 PM	Daytime Prayer	Church
2:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Room 24
7:30 PM	Boy Scouts	Cafeteria

Thursday, June 11, 2015

7:00 AM	Tender Gardens Pre-K	Rooms 13/15
1:30 PM	Church Cleaning	Church
7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
8:00 PM	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

Friday, June 12, 2015

9:00 AM	OLPH Home School Group	Rooms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	Holy Name Society	Cafeteria
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous (Young People)	Room 24

Saturday, June 13, 2015

1:30 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Open	Room 24
2:00 PM	CYO Volleyball	Auditorium
6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Church
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

Sunday, June 14, 2015

11:00AM	Mass for the Homebound	Church
1:30 PM	Farewell Reception—Fr. Ethel	Auditorium
6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Church
7:00 PM	Holy Hour for Peace	Church
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

May 30/31 2015			
Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 P.M.	290	149	\$2,935.25
6:30 A.M.	95	43	1,552.00
8:00 A.M.	259	102	2,363.00
9:30 A.M.	356	92	1,786.00
11:00 A.M.	380	125	2,929.00
12:30 P.M.	377	82	1,988.00
5:00 P.M.	193	44	1,506.00
Total coin:			28.21
Mail-ins:			128.00
Children's		9	36.00
Faith Direct			2,206.80
TOTAL	1,950	646	\$17,458.76
2014 TOTAL	1,997	684	\$16,403.96
Candles			\$1,029.26
Poor Box			\$403.48



MSGR. JOE
ON WGBB RADIO,
SATURDAY, JUNE 13

On Saturday, June 13, Msgr. Joe will be a guest on the radio show *“Listen Up, Jesus Is On The Air”* on WGBB radio. The station is found at 1240 AM, or on the internet at <http://www.am1240wgb.com>. The show will air 10:00-11:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Tune in to hear Msgr. Joe!



Evening Prayer 2015
First Meeting
Tuesday, June 9
7:30PM in Room 18



Interested in being a part of the committee of parishioners who plan and organize our Summer Evening Prayer? If interested contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725, x. 203 or e-mail to jsureau@oloph.org

ALTAR SERVER PARTY

All our young people who serve as Altar Servers at weekend Masses are reminded to return their permission slips to attend the Altar Server Party at *Monster Mini-Golf on Tuesday, June 23*. Permission slips must be returned before Thursday, June 18. Don't miss out on the fun! Questions? Contact Msgr. Joe. We look forward to seeing you there!



PREPARING FOR June 14, 2015 ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God,
or what parable can we use for it?”*

*It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground,
is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth.*

Mark 4:30-31

Ezekiel 17:22-24

This chapter in the Book of Ezekiel begins with an allegory depicting the actions of the rulers of Israel which finally brought the kingdom to destruction and its people to exile. In 597 B.C., the Babylonian king Nebuchadnezzar removed Jehoiachin from the throne in Jerusalem; in his place he set Zedekiah, Jehoiachin's uncle, to govern, and received from him the oath of loyalty. But Zedekiah, too, was persuaded to rebel by Pharaoh Hophra of Egypt and thus deserved punishment. But now the Lord promises that He will undo the actions of the Babylonian king by rebuilding the Davidic dynasty, so that the nations will realize that only Israel's God can restore a people's destiny.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Paul characterizes this present life for the believer as a time of exile from our homeland. The Lord is the distant homeland, believed in but unseen. But it is our faith and our faithful service to God while in exile that transforms our time of longing into a hopeful journey homeward.

Mark 4:26-34

In these parables of the sower and of the mustard seed, Jesus teaches the people that the kingdom of God, initiated by His coming, will develop quietly yet powerfully until it is fully established by Him at the final judgment.

Gospel Reflection Questions....

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

1. What is the farmer's job in both of these parables? What is God's job? Could you ask yourself the same two questions about your ministry ... your job and God's job? Can you trust God to do God's job?

2. How does what Pope Francis says below relate to the words below from this reading? "To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? ... It is like the mustard seed. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ..."

The Church, he said, is "something else." The disciples do not make the Church—they are the messengers sent by Jesus. And Christ was sent by the Father: "The Church begins there," he said, "in the heart of the Father, who had this idea ... of love. So this love story began, a story that has gone on for so long, and is not yet ended. We, the women and men of the Church, we are in the middle of a love story: each of us is a link in this chain of love. And if we do not understand this, we have understood nothing of what the Church is.

... But how does it increase? Jesus said simply: like the mustard seed, it grows like yeast in flour, without noise.

Mass in the Chapel of the Casa Santa Marta,
Vatican Radio, April 24, 2013

Readings for the Week

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

Monday, June 8, 2015:

2 Corinthians 1:1-7 + Mark 5:1-12

Tuesday, June 9, 2015:

2 Corinthians 1:18-22
+ Mark 5:13-16

Wednesday, June 10, 2015:

2 Corinthians 3:4-11
+ Mark 5:17-19

Thursday, June 11, 2015:

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3
+ Mark 5:20-26

Friday, June 12, 2015:

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9
+ Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19
+ John 19:31-37

Saturday, June 13, 2015:

2 Corinthians 5:15-21
+ Matthew 5:33-37

Sunday, June 14, 2015

Ezekiel 17:22-24
+ 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
+ Mark 4:26-34

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