

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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## “Hosanna!

## Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

Mark 11:9

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

March 29, 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.

# HOLY WEEK BEGINS

**Monday, March 30, 2015**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass &  
3 P.M.— 9:00 P.M.

**Tuesday, March 31, 2015**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass

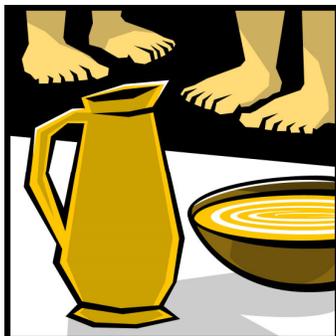
**Wednesday, April 1, 2015**

Mass

6:30 A.M. + 12:15 P.M.

Confessions

After the 12:15 Mass &  
7:30—9:00 P.M.



## **HOLY THURSDAY, April 2, 2015**

9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

11:00 a.m. — Chrism Mass in St. Agnes Cathedral,  
Rockville Centre

7:30 p.m. — Mass of the Lord's Supper

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, following the Mass, until 11:00 p.m. Selected readings from the Gospel of John will be proclaimed at 10:00 p.m.*

## **GOOD FRIDAY, April 3, 2015**

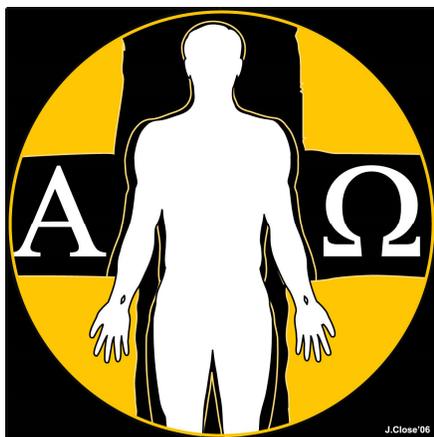
9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon — Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. — The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 p.m. — The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord, *repeated*

*Please note: 7:30 is the correct time for the Good Friday evening liturgy repeated from the afternoon. The incorrect time was printed in the flyer mailed home in your package of envelopes.*



## **HOLY SATURDAY, April 4, 2015**

9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

3:00 P.M.—5:00 P.M.— Confessions

## **THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT**

Saturday, April 4

8:00 p.m.

*Note: There is NO 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 4.*

## **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

Sunday, April 5

6:30, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

*Note: There is NO 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.*

## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

Holy Week begins with today's celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord! This is it — our holiest week of the year! The *Roman Missal* tells us: "On this day the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery." This week we are asked to enter deeply into the mystery of His dying and rising, making that Paschal Mystery our own mystery; we are called to embrace it more fully and really make it the heart of the way we live.

We take this opportunity to welcome parishioners who are not regular participants but who have come for Palm Sunday. We are very happy to have you with us and you have enriched our worship through your participation. We extend to you a warm invitation to come more frequently on Sundays, indeed, to come weekly! We want you to share in the richness and the blessings that come from regular participation in Sunday Mass, and we want you to know you are a valued part of our community. We need you with us, because as the Body of Christ we are diminished when all the members of the Body are not together. We hope to see you again next Sunday, Easter Sunday, and every Sunday thereafter. If there is anything at all that I as your Pastor, or that any of the other priests, can do to facilitate your participation in the life of the parish, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to make the time to meet with you and talk things over.

### *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Cards*

Remember that all the Masses on Easter Sunday will be for the intentions of the Easter Spiritual Bouquet Cards. If you would like to participate in this meaningful custom and have your intentions prayed for at Easter Sunday Masses, please use the cards and envelopes available and be sure to return them before Easter Sunday to the rectory.

### *Little White Books*

The *Little White Book* contains daily meditations for each day of Easter Time, and books will be available on the pew ledges starting this Wednesday, April 1. Be sure to look for them and to take one, but be warned: they go quickly! Get yours while you can! Parishioners continue to find these "little books" (blue for Advent, black for Lent and white for Easter Time) to be very helpful in praying during a liturgical seasonal and in marking liturgical time,

and so we are happy to once again provide them for you.

### *Reconciliation Monday*

Tomorrow, Monday, March 30, is our annual Diocesan Day of Reconciliation. Priests will be continuously available in the church from 3:00-9:00 p.m. to hear Confessions. What a great opportunity this is to come and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation! You are especially encouraged to come if you have been away from the Sacrament for a long time; we love to welcome back those who have not come in 10 or 20 years! I promise you will receive a warm greeting and it will be an uplifting experience. If the door to a Confessional is open and the light is on inside, that means the priest inside is "open for business" — come on in! Make your plans for coming to Confession on "Reconciliation Monday," March 30.

### *Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday*

As you know, in accord with the ancient tradition of the Church, the only Mass celebrated on Holy Thursday is the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, there is no Mass whatsoever on Good Friday, and the only Mass on Holy Saturday is the great Easter Vigil in the evening. Thus, the usual weekday Masses are not celebrated those days. However, the **daily prayer of the Church IS celebrated: the Liturgy of the Hours!** We will be celebrating **Morning Prayer** at 9:00 a.m. each of those days, and I strongly urge everyone to attend.

Even though there is no weekday Mass, it is especially important for us to gather as the Church. The *General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours* reminds us of the importance of parish communities gathering to pray the Liturgy of the Hours as a means of carrying out the mission to pray unceasingly: "In the Holy Spirit Christ carries out through the church 'the task of redeeming humanity and giving perfect glory to God,' not only when the Eucharist is celebrated and the sacraments administered but also in other ways and especially when the Liturgy of the Hours is celebrated. There [in the Liturgy of the Hours] Christ himself is present — in the gathered community, in the proclamation of God's word, 'in the prayer and song of the Church.'" (#13)

If you usually come to one of the weekday Masses, you should come to Morning Prayer. If you don't usually come to weekday Mass, you should

come to Morning Prayer also, as a special observance of these holy days. We are already familiar with the Liturgy of the Hours as we have been gathering to pray Evening Prayer after the 5:00 p.m. Masses on Saturdays and Sundays.

It is important that we as a parish come together to pray Morning Prayer on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. I hope you will be able to join us as these liturgies provide the structure for a rhythm of daily prayer that will set these days aside as holy and as “outside of time.” Do join us!

### ***See you at the Sacred Paschal Triduum!***

These are the words of the Entrance Antiphon for the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, the antiphon and call to worship that inaugurates the Sacred Paschal Triduum: *“We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.”* That antiphon sums up the mystery we should be contemplating and immersing ourselves in all this week. Holy Thursday into Good Friday, Good Friday into Holy Saturday, and Holy Saturday into Easter Sunday are our three holiest days, and everyone should come to the special liturgies for those days. They are meant for everyone!

So, we look forward to seeing you at the liturgies of the Sacred Paschal Triduum: the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday evening, April 2 at 7:30 p.m.; the Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday, April 3, at either 3:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.; the Solemn Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night, 8:00 p.m. on April 4; and, of course, Morning Prayer on each of those days, as I have already mentioned.

In addition, don’t forget that there is the diocesan celebration of the **Chrism Mass** at 11:00 a.m. on Holy Thursday morning at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, to which everyone in the diocese is invited. This is not a “ticketed” event; it is open to everyone!

These days, the heart of our liturgical year and the holiest days of all, should not be business as usual, but rather should be days set apart and days “outside of time” as we enter deeply into the Lord’s Paschal Mystery. Make the most of these days; you will be glad you did.

Read more about these holy days in a special insert section elsewhere in this bulletin.

### ***New Ambry and Paschal Candle Stand***

Our new baptismal font, designed and built by Gus Garofalo, has brought grace and beauty to our

liturgical environment and has truly enhanced our celebration of baptisms. I am thrilled beyond words to announce to you that Gus has done it again—twice! Gus has constructed and donated a new **Ambry** and a new **Paschal Candle Stand**.

An Ambry is a kind of “safe” or “housing” or dignified and elegant “cabinet” which houses the three Holy Oils used in the sacraments — the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick, and the Sacred Chrism. You have probably already noticed it affixed to the wall on the left side of the sanctuary. It is important to give prominence to the Holy Oils, something we have not been able to do until this point (up until now they have simply been stored in the sacristy). The new Holy Oils, blessed and consecrated at the Chrism Mass by the Bishop on Holy Thursday morning, will be brought back to the parish and “enthroned” in our ambry at the beginning of the evening Mass on Holy Thursday. The vessels kept there will be the vessels used when the Oils are needed for the celebration of the sacraments.

The Paschal Candle Stand is important because the Paschal Candle is the prominent and central candle in the church, since it signifies for us Christ’s Resurrection. A new lighted Paschal Candle is brought into the darkened church at the Easter Vigil, proclaiming to us Christ’s light-filled victory over the darkness of sin and death.

Both the Ambry and the Paschal Candle Stand have been constructed to match and echo our baptismal font, which is appropriate since the Holy Oils and the Paschal Candle are so closely associated with the Sacraments of Initiation.

Once again the entire parish is indebted to Gus and to his wife Rose for their generosity and thoughtfulness. They have dedicated the Paschal Candle Stand in memory of their baby son, John Francis Garofalo, September 12, 1963-January 30, 1965, and the Ambry “In Memory of all the Innocent Aborted Babies.” These two memorials join the baptismal font which is in memory of PFC Vito Garofalo, USMC, killed in action in World War II on June 4, 1945. Gus and Rose, you have my gratitude and the gratitude of the entire parish for these exquisite additions to our liturgical environment!

### ***Our Paschal Candle***

Speaking of the Paschal Candle, allow me to highlight the beauty and importance of this candle as one of our central liturgical symbols. This year’s candle, made of 51% beeswax, has been hand-made by experienced artisans and ornamented with hand-carving. The *Exsultet*, chanted at the Easter Vigil,

extols the beauty and importance of this candle in the Church's worship: "On this, your night of grace, O holy Father, accept this candle, a solemn offering, the work of bees and of your servants' hands, an evening sacrifice of praise, this gift from your most holy Church. But now we know the praises of this pillar, which glowing fire ignites for God's honor, a fire into many flames divided, yet never dimmed by sharing of its light, for it is fed by melting wax, drawn out by mother bees to build a torch so precious."

Keep these words of prayer in mind whenever you see the light of the Paschal Candle shining brightly.

**Brittany-Marie Evans, Our Youth Minister**

Many of you know and have worked with Brittany-Marie Evans, our Youth Minister. For many years now Brittany has given tireless and faith-filled service to the youth of our parish by running many different programs of Youth Ministry. She has been a great witness to our young people of someone truly committed to the Lord Jesus and of someone who enjoys bringing others to know Him.

Brittany recently informed me of her desire to step down as Youth Minister. I reluctantly accept her resignation, as it is understandable that Youth Ministry is a very intensive ministry and it is common for people to need a break from it after a good number of years. Brittany will continue to serve in this capacity until the end of May, and at that time we will arrange an expression of farewell in gratitude for her years of ministry. Know, Brittany, that we are all grateful for the ways that you have ministered to the youth of our parish for so many years!

**Needed and Wanted: Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers!**

**WE WANT YOU! WE NEED YOU!** We are continuing to recruit new Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ushers. This is a special **gift** you can give to your fellow parishioners by serving the liturgical assembly in one of these ministries. All you need is a **desire to serve**, a **will- ingness to give**, and a **wish to have our liturgical celebrations be all they can be**.

I strongly urge YOU to consider offering your time and talent as a Reader, an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or an Usher. Those who are currently in those ministries: convince someone to join! Serving in this way is not just "window dressing" to the liturgy; it's an important expression of who we are as Church. The laity must take their proper responsibility as co-workers in the Church and as having co-responsibility for the life of the Church, and that includes the liturgy. **We want you, and we need you!**

**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,



**FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

**FAMILIES IN SERVICE ACTIVITY**

**Saturday, April 11, 2015 + 1:00 P.M.**



Families are invited to come and prepare plants and decorate pots for the members of our parish who are homebound. After designing the pots and planting the plants, families will be asked to deliver their plants directly to some of our homebound parishioners. This is a wonderful way to bring Easter joy to those who are homebound in our parish.

If you would like information on becoming part of Family Life Ministry and the wonderful events they help with throughout the year please call 631.226.7725 or email to [familylife@oloph.org](mailto:familylife@oloph.org). We are always looking for new members.

# GETTING READY FOR HOLY WEEK!

## **IMPORTANT CALENDAR CHANGES**

- ✠ The OLPH Novena is *cancelled* this Monday due to the Diocesan Day of Reconciliation.
- ✠ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, traditionally held on Wednesday afternoons, is *cancelled this Wednesday, April 1, 2015* so the Church may be prepared for the Triduum liturgies. Exposition will resume as usual on Wednesday, April 8.
- ✠ All First Friday, First Saturday and First Sunday devotions are *cancelled* as we celebrate the Sacred Paschal Triduum.

*Holy Thursday April 2, 2015*

## **SPECIAL NOTE CONCERNING OFFERINGS FOR THE POOR ON HOLY THURSDAY**



All who attend the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper are asked to bring an offering of food for the poor. Insofar as one of the principal mysteries commemorated on Holy Thursday is the Lord's command to love one another, as also ritualized in the Washing of Feet, this ritual expression of bringing offerings for the poor reminds us that "where true charity is dwelling, God is present there." Check the shopping list for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry printed elsewhere in this bulletin and bring one or more of those items. **REMEMBER, THOUGH: DO NOT BRING YOUR GIFT TO THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY BEFORE MASS BEGINS! HOLD ON TO IT — YOU WILL CARRY IT UP IN PROCESSION AT THE USUAL TIME OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS, AS DIRECTED BY THE USHERS.** This offering of food for the poor is the "collection" for that Mass. Thus, these offerings of food for the poor and the bread and wine for the celebration of the Eucharist will powerfully symbolize the offerings of ourselves and of our love for one another as we participate in the offering of the Mass.

*Good Friday, April 3, 2015*

## **SPECIAL NOTE CONCERNING GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Your Good Friday Holy Land Offering envelope should be placed in one of the baskets as you enter or leave the church on Good Friday. Due to the unique nature of the liturgy, no collection will be taken up. Your offering may be made using one of the baskets that will be placed around the church. Thank you for your attention to this, and for your generosity in supporting the churches in the Holy Land.

## **ABSTINENCE AND FASTING ON GOOD FRIDAY**

All Catholic who have reached their fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on Good Friday. All Catholics between the ages of eighteen (18) and fifty-nine (59) inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Good Friday. This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse, but keep in mind that a serious reason is required to excuse oneself from Good Friday fast and abstinence.

This Paschal Fast is to be considered sacred and, if at all possible, consideration should be given to prolonging it through Holy Saturday as a way of coming, with spirit uplifted, to the joys of the Lord's Resurrection.



# LENT — EASTER 2015

## **LENTEN ENVIRONMENT: COVERING STATUES AND IMAGES**

We have taken the opportunity to observe the custom of covering (or removing, where possible) crosses and images throughout the church, a practice permitted starting the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Crosses will remain covered until the end of the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, but images remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil. Since the environment perceived by our senses is an important part of our worship, we hope this custom facilitates your entrance into and spiritual participation in these last days of Lent, as we approach the Sacred Paschal Triduum and the fifty days of Easter Time.



## **Holy Week SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION**

### Monday, March 30

After the  
12:15 P.M. Mass  
3:00 P.M.—9:00 P.M.

### Tuesday, March 31

After the  
12:15 P.M. Mass



### Wednesday, April 1

After the 12:15 P.M. Mass  
7:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

### Holy Saturday, April 4

3:00 P.M.—5:00 P.M.

## *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Cards*

Easter Spiritual Bouquet cards are now available throughout the church. These cards are a meaningful way for you to have your intentions prayed for in the Masses of Easter Sunday. Take an envelope, fill out your prayer intention, and return the envelope with your donation. Envelopes may be returned either in the collection basket or at the rectory. Keep the card to send as an expression of your prayer. All the Masses offered on Easter Sunday will be for the intentions of the Easter Spiritual Bouquet.

## **LITTLE WHITE BOOK FOR EASTER TIME**

Continuing with the popular "Little Book" series, OLPH is happy to provide for you the **LITTLE WHITE BOOK** for Easter Time. The Little White Book contains brief daily reflections for each of the 50 days of Easter Time, new for 2015. Many people have enjoyed the *Little Black Book* for Lent, and it is important to not stop with the end of Lent, but rather to continue to explore the richness of the Paschal Mystery by continuing our daily reflections throughout all of Easter Time. The books will be available starting Wednesday, April 1. Please look for the *Little White Book* on the pew ledges in church starting on Wednesday of Holy Week and during the Sacred Paschal Triduum.

## **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS DURING THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM**

Please note these special hours for the rectory reception desk on the following days this week:

Holy Thursday, April 2 — 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; closed for remainder of afternoon and evening

Good Friday, April 3 — 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; no evening hours

Holy Saturday, April 4 — 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5 — Closed

# GETTING READY FOR HOLY WEEK!

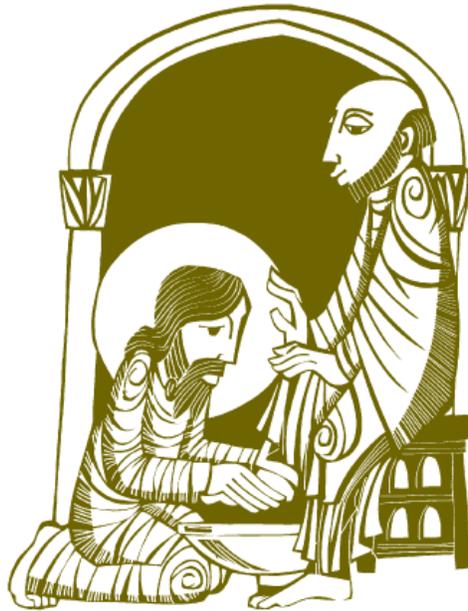
## Why Are Feet Washed on Holy Thursday?

Kristopher W. Seaman

During a very blustery winter, my family and I were carefully trying not to slip on the ice as we made our way through a crowded parking lot to the church. Upon entering the worship space, the pastoral associate and pastor asked me to fill in for a person who was frightened to leave the house during the snow storm. I responded with enthusiasm, “I would love to help out! What do you need?” The priest said, “Someone to have their feet washed.” Later on, I remember myself being the one inviting people to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday. One person I asked, because of her profound sense of service on behalf of the parish, responded by saying, “Oh! I don’t know. I would gladly wash people’s feet, because I know how to serve others. I am not very good at people doing things for me.” Both stories embody a sense of service, helping out others by invitation.

The biblical basis for the washing of the feet occurs in the Last Supper narrative, and is only found in the Gospel according to John. At the moment when we expect Jesus to take bread and wine and transform them, as he does in the Gospel accounts of Mark, Matthew, and Luke, Jesus in John’s Gospel account gets up and begins to wash feet. Peter first refuses to allow Jesus to wash his feet; it should be, as Peter reasoned it, Peter washing Jesus’s feet. Jesus rebukes Peter: “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you” (John 13:12-15).

Jesus serves his disciples, and then instructs them to imitate his practice of washing feet. There is a sense of humility. A disciple is to serve others. Because of the context of the washing of the feet in John’s Gospel, there is also a sense of transformation. As disciples, our model, *par excellence*, is Jesus Christ. His practices in scripture provide a model for our



practices as disciples. Jesus knew he was going to be crucified, and gave this practice as a sign for disciples to serve one another. Pope Francis has been receiving a lot of press since his election, and part of this is his profound sense of humble service to all people. He models service in his daily actions.

During his Homily on Holy Thursday evening, Pope Francis remarked that this rite is “a caress of Jesus.” Feet stink, feet were callused and blistered from long walks. In Jesus’s day proper hospitality required the servants to wash the guests’ feet. Jesus, as the host, turns this practice upside down. He bends low and washes the feet of the lowly. He caresses, an act of love. True service wells up from a profound love and faith that seeks to help others daily. The rite of washing feet is called

the *mandatum*, Latin for “commandment.” Jesus summed up the law by saying there are two fundamental commandments: Love God and love one’s neighbor. Loving the neighbor is acting humbly and in service.

Jesus, in John’s Gospel account, offers a meaning of Eucharist: The encounter with Christ Jesus has implications in one’s life. What Jesus did and does for us, we are to do for one another. As Pope Francis remarked: “because this is the real reason why Jesus came: to serve, to help us.”

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## 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](http://www.usccb.org), with permission. This series will conclude on June 7, 2015, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

#### *Do the consecrated bread and wine cease to be the Body and Blood of Christ when the Mass is over?*

No. During the celebration of the Eucharist, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, and this they remain. They cannot turn back into bread and wine, for they are no longer bread and wine at all. There is thus no reason for them to change back to their "normal" state after the special circumstances of the Mass are past. Once the substance has really changed, the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ "endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist" (*Catechism*, no. 1377).

Against those who maintained that the bread that is consecrated during the Eucharist has no sanctifying power if it is left over until the next day, St. Cyril of Alexandria replied, "Christ is not altered, nor is his holy body changed, but the power of the consecration and his life-giving grace is perpetual in it" (*Letter 83, to Calosyrius, Bishop of Arsinoe* [PG 76, 1076]). The Church teaches that Christ remains present under the appearances of bread and wine as long as the appearances of bread and wine remain (cf. *Catechism*, no. 1377). The appearances of bread and wine remain until these are changed, as happens to all food, through digestion. Christ is then no longer present under the appearances of bread and wine, but is present, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, in us.



## OLPH Confraternity of Christian Mothers & Guild

*We are a parish Spiritual and Social Organization,  
open to all Christian women, married, widowed or single.*



**Our next meeting will be held on  
Wed, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm  
in the school cafeteria.**

**Guest Speaker:**

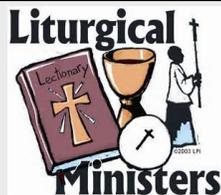
**Fr. Michael Duffy**

Assoc. Pastor, St. Kilian's R.C. Church

Refreshments served after meeting.

Please contact Deb Duffy, 631 956-3202, or Marianne Santorelli, 631 587-1520

# LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING



## WE NEED YOU! WE WANT YOU! OLPH IS RECRUITING NEW READERS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION and USHERS!

### What do Extraordinary Ministers do?

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priests and deacons in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Those who wish can also go on for extra training to bring Holy Communion to our homebound sisters and brothers.

### How Do I Become An Extraordinary Minister?

1. You must contact Barbara McPhail at 631.226-1354 or e-mail to [gospa254@gmail.com](mailto:gospa254@gmail.com).
2. You must send a letter to Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office or e-mail to [msgrjoe@olph.org](mailto:msgrjoe@olph.org) requesting to become a minister.
3. You must meet with Msgr. Joe for an interview.
4. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions. If you wish to also bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, you must attend a separate "Part B" training session. Information about that session can be obtained in your interview with Msgr. Joe.

### Diocesan Training Schedule

**Saturday, April 18:** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Kellenberg Memorial HS, Uniondale

**Saturday, April 25:** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
McGann-Mercy High School, Riverhead

**Wednesday, May 6:** 7:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.  
St. Elizabeth, Melville

### What do Readers do?

Readers proclaim the Scriptures and sometimes the Intercessions at Sunday and daily Mass and at other liturgies.

### How Do I Become A Reader?

1. You must contact Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 or email to [rabecker@optimum.net](mailto:rabecker@optimum.net)
2. You must attend one of the diocesan training sessions.

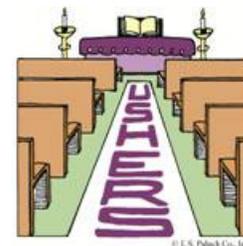


**What do Ushers do?** Ushers serve an important role in the liturgy! First and foremost, they are ministers of hospitality who welcome all those who come to liturgy. They help create an environment conducive to worship by the way they greet people with warmth and friendliness. Ushers also serve by guiding the movement of the assembly during processions such as the reception of Holy Communion and at other times. Taking up the collection is another way Ushers serve the assembly.

**Who Should Become an Usher?** Anyone, including teens who have received Confirmation, can become an Usher. This is a great ministry for **families to do together...the young ones can do this with parents and older children!**

### How Do I Become an Usher?

You should contact Mike Williams at [olphushersministry@gmail.com](mailto:olphushersministry@gmail.com) or, if you don't have e-mail, leave a message for Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office, (631) 226-7725 and he will pass the message along to Mike.



All liturgical ministers must complete a Volunteer Registration Form, have Virtus training and be a registered parishioner. For information about becoming Virtus compliant: Contact Jean Bjork at [jean.bjork@gmail.com](mailto:jean.bjork@gmail.com).

# THE THREE DAYS

## THE MEANING OF THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

We are about to enter into the holiest days of the Church year, the Sacred Paschal Triduum. Triduum means “Three Days,” and it refers to the three days that begin on Holy Thursday evening (April 2) and end on Easter Sunday evening (April 5). These three days form one observance that is its own unique and central part of the liturgical year. The Three Days are not part of Lent, since Lent ends on Holy Thursday before the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper. Indeed, the Sacred Paschal Triduum is a season set apart, three full days lived as one central moment in the life of every Christian and of the Christian community as a whole.

During these days, we are called to enter into a period of prayer, fasting, and vigiling, a period which reaches its climax at the Easter Vigil. There is a unity to the Triduum days that is manifested even in the way the different liturgies begin and end: on Thursday, there is no dismissal or conclusion; on Friday, we gather and leave with no introductory or concluding rites; and at the Vigil we begin around the new fire without the usual introductory rites of the Mass. We begin on Thursday and don’t conclude until after the Vigil, as Easter Sunday is a kind of extension of the Vigil celebration.

These days are the focal point for the entire liturgical year, the central moment around which all else revolves. These days are central because they draw us into the heart of our identity as Church, as a people who have died and risen with Jesus Christ. We celebrate our dying and rising in Christ today. We are all called to re-enter the mystery of dying more fully to self and rising in the Lord.

## SETTING SPECIAL TIME ASIDE

Because the Triduum leads us powerfully into the core of who we are in Christ, these days should be observed as fully as possible. Our activities during the Three Days should be something other than “business as usual.” As far as possible, Christians should abstain from normal activity on these days. We should free ourselves from the usual routines of work, meals, household tasks and entertainment; these should give way to keeping these days as a time of “retreat,” a

special time set apart for intense involvement with the mystery we celebrate. We should give ourselves the luxury of allowing these days to look and feel different from other days of the year, entering into a sense of timelessness so that these days stand apart. There should be nothing in our schedule that distracts us from the proper spirit of these days.

One central focus which can help us enter into the proper spirit is **fasting** during these days. The Second Vatican Council issued this appeal for the **Paschal Fast** in its *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, paragraph #110: *Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be observed everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged through Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.*

This fast is not penitential in nature, like the Lenten fast; instead, it is preparatory, in anticipation of the coming feast. It is the fasting of those who are too excited to eat, the fasting of those who are so engrossed in something that they simply forget to stop for a meal. It is a powerful way of marking these

days as unique — nothing as usual prevails, not even our habits of eating and drinking. Of course, this fast can involve more than food and drink. The purpose of the fast is to focus our life on the mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection, so it may be just as or more important to fast from television, the internet, our iPhones and iPads, shopping, and all the other distractions that usually fill our life. The challenge is to find ways to keep these days special, to keep them holy, to keep ourselves focused on the Lord and the meaning of our life in Him.

Thus, while the fast is only strictly required on Good Friday, the Second Vatican Council and subsequent documents have called for its extension through Saturday. As such, the fast becomes a focus for preparing to approach the Easter Vigil on Saturday night; the Church gets ready for that night. Each individual should create his or her own routine of prayer and reflection and fasting for these days.



## WHAT HAPPENS DURING THESE THREE DAYS

Everyone is invited to share in celebrating the Triduum liturgies! Whether you are young or old, currently active in the parish or not, please set these days aside. All of us should know that we are needed at these liturgies; all of us need our whole community together on these greatest days in our year.

During the three days of the Sacred Paschal Triduum, we gather a number of times. Together we hear some of the Church's most beautiful prayers and Scriptures, and we make some of our finest music. Described below is the parish schedule and brief explanation of each of the liturgies. Make plans to take part in the various liturgies and other gatherings of Holy Thursday night, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday; above all, come on Saturday night for the Vigil.



On Holy Thursday evening we enter at 7:00 p.m. After listening to the Scriptures, the Rite of Foot Washing is performed, a rite supposed to look like, feel like, and act like the washing of feet in the Gospel of John. This is a Christian life, a humble service which is a sign of love. The United States Bishops explain the meaning of this rite is the biblical injunction to love one another. The *mandatum* read on Holy Thursday also is an extraordinary gesture which goes beyond the ordinary washing rite in the United States over the centuries. Many parishes have begun to place places to invite both men and women to participate in the Church and to the world.

The Mass continues with the celebration of the Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist. The Blessed Sacrament is transferred to a separate place, where we will transfer the Blessed Sacrament to a special chapel set up in the parish. We are invited to enter into the quiet and peace and glory of the Sacred Sacrament, after which the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed.

Parishioners are also invited to attend **Morning Prayer** at 8:00 a.m. **attend the Chrism Mass at 11:00 a.m. at St. Agnes Cathedral.** The Chrism, the Holy Oils, and the Oil of the Sick will be blessed, and the Sacred Chrism will be distributed to the parish as part of the evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

## FRIDAY OF THE PASSION

On this day "when Christ became our paschal sacrifice on the cross, commemorates her own origin from the side of the dead Christ."

The principal liturgy for this day is the **Celebration of the Holy Cross** at 7:00 p.m. for those who are unable to attend at 3:00. At this liturgy, the Passion of Christ is read from St. John's Gospel. We pray at length for the Holy Cross. Then there is another once-a-year event: the Holy Cross is honored with a bow or a genuflection.

The liturgical norms in the *Roman Missal* clearly tell us to venerate this one Cross in a steady flow, with two or three people following the direction of the ushers. This rite is meant to be a celebration of the liturgy for those who wish to privately adore the Cross. A person who adores Christ, but rather are adoring, as the liturgical text tells us, "the Cross of Christ."

In the third part of the liturgy, Holy Communion is distributed to the faithful today.

We leave the liturgy in silence, continuing in fasting and prayer. We will also gather to pray **Morning Prayer** together at 9:00 a.m.

# HOLY THURSDAY

into this Sacred Paschal Triduum together with the **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, at 7:30** we do something strange: we wash feet. Jesus himself gave us this image of what the Church is like. The humble service of washing feet reminds us of the humble service which is the heart of includes dying to ourselves as the Lord gave his life for us.

The rite of washing feet, also called the *mandatum*, by pointing out that the principal and traditional function of Christian charity: Christ's disciples are to love one another. Because the Gospel of the depicts Jesus as the "Teacher and Lord" who humbly serves his disciples by performing this ex- the laws of hospitality, the element of humble service has accentuated the celebration of the foot the last three decades and more. In this regard, it has become customary in the vast majority of to be participants in this rite in recognition of the service that should be given by all the faithful to

of the Eucharist, but the evening liturgy has no ending. The we are invited to remain in prayer until 11:00 p.m. At OLPH we in the school auditorium. In that special place parishioners are in- d Paschal Triduum. **Night Prayer will be prayed at 11:00 p.m.,**



on Holy Thursday morning, which will be at 9:00 a.m., and to ral, Rockville Centre. At the **Chrism Mass** the Oil of Catechu- m will be consecrated. These oils, used in the sacraments throughout the year, will be presented

## OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)

," the Church reflects on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, adores his Christ on the cross, and intercedes for the salvation of the entire world.

the **Passion of the Lord at 3:00 p.m.** This liturgy will be **repeated at 7:30** rgy, we gather quietly to listen to Scripture, particularly the chanted procla- length for all the world's needs with special solemn prayers of intercession. eld up in our midst, and we come forward to do reverence with a kiss or a

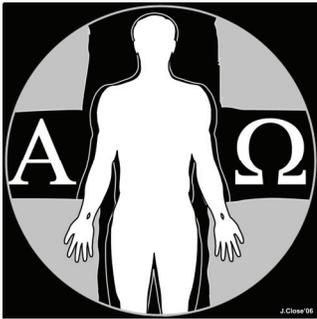


that only one Cross is to be used for veneration. Parishioners will be directed to come forward to eople **reverencing the cross at the same time (the cross will be large enough to do this)**; please ommunal veneration, not a moment of private adoration. The Cross will remain on display after Also, a Cross will be used rather than a crucifix, since we are not reverencing the dead body of e wood of the Cross on which hung the salvation of the world."

tributed; it is bread that was consecrated on Holy Thursday evening, since no Mass is celebrated

l prayer and vigil, in rest and quiet through Saturday.

a.m. on **Good Friday**. Also, **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed at **12:00 Noon**.



# HOLY SATURDAY

Holy Saturday for us is like God's rest at the end of creation; it is Christ's repose in the tomb. It is a day of profound silence as the Church waits at the Lord's tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on his Passion and Death and awaiting his Resurrection. We will gather to pray **Morning Prayer at 9:00 a.m.**

## THE EASTER VIGIL

Our parish celebration of the great Three Days culminates with the celebration of the **Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m.** The Vigil is the heart of our worship; it is the essence of what we have been preparing for during Lent and will celebrate during the great Fifty Days of Easter. **Four elements make up the celebration of the Easter Vigil:**

*The Service of Light:* The image of the struggle between light and darkness, before us since Ash Wednesday, reaches its climax. A new fire is blessed, the Easter Candle is lit, light fills the darkened worship space, and the candle is honored in the Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*). During this prayer, we bless, praise, and thank God for the light of His Son's resurrection overcoming the darkness of sin and death.

*The Liturgy of the Word:* The basic stories of our faith are proclaimed. This is meant to be, and will be, a lengthy word service which retells the story of our salvation as this year seven (7) readings are proclaimed: five from the Old Testament, a New Testament Epistle, and a Gospel. The Word provides the foundation leading to the Liturgy of Baptism.



*The Liturgy of Baptism (Initiation):* Those who have been preparing for initiation into the Church now receive the sacraments of new life. This year, OLPH gives birth to three new Christians at the womb of the Church, the baptismal font, as we welcome our three elect, Jazmin Aguilar, Joshua Aguilar and Jennifer Feeney into the life of Christ and of the Church as they receive the Easter sacraments. Also, as is always done at the Easter Vigil, we as a community will renew our own baptism, as a reminder of our call to ongoing conversion in the Lord.

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist:* All present share in the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation. There is nothing greater for us to do as Christians than to share in the Eucharist.

The Easter Vigil, then, is more than just another Saturday evening Mass. It is the celebration of who we are as people who have died and risen with Christ, proclaimed with fire and candle light, readings and songs, water and oil, bread and wine. The Vigil runs longer than the usual Mass, but those who enter into the spirit of prayer and celebration often experience a sense of timelessness as they encounter the holy.

## EASTER

The Triduum ends on Easter Sunday evening, and the days of Easter Time begin. The fifty (50) days of Easter Time, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, even as one "great Sunday." The things we do during the Triduum need fifty days to play themselves out; the mysteries celebrated at the Vigil need to be unfolded. This is the period of *mystagogia*, reflecting on the mysteries, for those initiated into the Church. It is the time for all of us to reflect on the meaning of our baptism and the meaning of living the resurrected life of Christ.

# CHRISTIAN INITIATION

## THE JOURNEY CONTINUES!

As we enter Holy Week, the elect of our parish—Jazmin Aguilar, Joshua Aguilar and Jennifer Feeney—continue in this period of Purification and Enlightenment. This week they will participate in all of the Triduum of the liturgies and participate in a special retreat time prepared for them on Good Friday afternoon and Holy Saturday morning in preparation for the Easter Vigil.

Our parish’s candidates for reception into full communion into the Catholic Church are entering the final stages of their long journey. Over the past weeks, they have intensified their faith sharing sessions and have met other members of our parish community who have come to share their journey of conversion. They will be received into the Catholic Church and confirmed on the second Sunday of Easter, April 12, 2015, at the 11:00 A.M. Mass.



### OFFERERS NEEDED

New groups are forming for the Christian initiation of adults and children and will begin meeting in May. We are looking for men and women of our parish to accompany those who are seeking to become Catholic and complete their initiation.

For more information, contact Father John at 631.226.7725, x. 203 or e-mail to [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org).

Save the Dates....

## Vacation Bible Camp July 20–24, 2015

*Plans are underway....look for more information soon!*



Right now, we are in need of someone to serve as our Environment Coordinator. Can you work with a TEAM of people to help decorate the various areas of VBC? If so, contact Chris Volpe at 917.468.9584 or Mary Ellen Barrett at 631.884.2960 or e-mail to [vbc@oloph.org](mailto:vbc@oloph.org).

Our next Adult Faith Formation course...

## INTRODUCTION TO LITURGY

Instructor: Msgr. Joseph DeGrocco

5 Thursday Nights - April 9, 16, 23, 30 & May 7

Time: 7:30—9:30 P.M.

Place: Room 18, OLPH School

*This course covers a basic understanding of the study of the Church’s theology of liturgy. Foundational themes such as ritual process, anamnesis, symbols, and sacramentality which are essential to understanding the theology of worship will all be discussed. 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. To register, contact Josephine Vagelatos at [jvagelatos@oloph.org](mailto:jvagelatos@oloph.org) or call at 631.226.7725.*



Sign me up for **Introduction to Liturgy**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

A \$20 per person free will offering to cover the costs of materials is requested.

# 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
- † 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: 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

## **NEW Food Pantry List!**

CANNED FRUIT  
 READY TO EAT PUDDING  
 MAC & CHEESE  
 CEREAL  
 INSTANT MASHED POTATOES  
 PANCAKE MIX  
 PANCAKE SYRUP  
 COFFEE  
 DISH SOAP  
 TOILET PAPER

**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**

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

During Lent, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the mercy of Jesus into the hearts of the poor by assisting families, providing food, shelter, and in many other ways. Thank you for your continued generosity!

## **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 & Friday) or at the Rectory.

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

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## 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—[princessmorge@optonline.net](mailto:princessmorge@optonline.net).

## HOMELESS VAN MINISTRY

Our Homeless Van Ministry continues to grow—both in the numbers of those we serve as well as the generous offerings of time and talent given on behalf of the poor and vulnerable in our community.

### Are you interested in joining the ministry?

All are always welcome!!!! If so, please contact Tony Spina at 516.473.4021 and he will get you started. All members must complete a parish background check and participate in VIRTUS training.

### Thrift Shop

This past week, interested members of the parish came together to explore the possibility of beginning a thrift shop ministry on the grounds of OLPH. The next few weeks are dedicated to learning more about how this works in other parishes. Our next planning meeting will take place on April 14, 2015 at 2:00 P.M. in Room 24.

### Community Meal?

The Homeless Van Ministry is considering the possibility of providing a regular or semi-regular community meal for those in our local community. Are you interested in working on a project like this? Are you a cook, caterer, great waiter or waitress, cleaner, organizer? Let us know! Contact Fr. John at 631.226.7725, x. 203 or e-mail to [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org).

## 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](mailto:carolstys@verizon.net) and put Meal Ministry in the subject line, or call 631.255.3506.

## NURSING MINISTRY

Our parish nursing ministry provides resources and information for parishioners in need and organizes events for our parish community. The next meeting of the Nursing Ministry is

**TUESDAY, April 7, 2015 in  
7:00 P.M.—Room 18**

## 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 formation, spiritual growth, friendship and community building. Senior Moments is looking for new men and women to join our spirit-filled group! All are welcome!*

**Tuesday, April 14, 2015  
9:00 A.M. - Room 24  
(Park in the Gates Street Parking Lot)**

## SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

The next Mass for People with Special Needs (and those who love them!) will take place on

**Saturday, April 11, 2015  
(Note: The 2nd Saturday of April)  
4:00 P.M. - School Auditorium**

## WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

*This ministry is a gathering of widows and widowers of all ages to get together once or twice a month for a prayer and mingling over cake and coffee.*

Join us at our next gathering on  
**Tuesday, April 14, 2015  
6:30-8:30 PM—Room 18**

# 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 a las secciones de charlas, estas charlas son cada primer y tercer lunes del mes.

Para más información sobre los sacramentos del bautizo matrimonio y servicios 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).

## Lecturas previas de la santa palabra de Dios para el domingo 5 de abril del 2015.

**Primera Lectura (Hechos 10: 34, 37-42):** *Este nuevo discurso de Pedro sigue el esquema del puente costero se inicia con el escándalo que fue el suplicio y demuestra que Dios transforma el mal en bien.*

**Segunda lectura del apóstol san Pablo a los Colosenses (3,1-4):** *Ya que habéis resucitado con Cristo, buscad los bienes de allá arriba, donde está Cristo, sentado a la derecha del Padre; aspirad a los bienes de arriba, no a los de la tierra. Porque habéis muerto al pecado, y vuestra vida está con Cristo escondida en Dios.*

**Evangelio (Juan 20, 1-9): ¡El Señor Está Vivo y Resucitado!** *El segundo día después de la sepultura los discípulos se encuentran ante el hecho de la tumba vacía y comienzan las apariciones.*



17th Annual Celebrate Life  
Fundraiser



### Pasta Dinner & Chinese Auction

(Benefit for the Life Center of LI)  
Presented by  
The Knights of Columbus Councils  
of the 8th New York District  
&  
The Life Center of Long Island

**Date:** Sunday, April 12th, 2015 1:00 - 5:00PM  
**Place:** Our Lady of Grace ~Fr. Patrick Shannon Hall  
 666 Albin Avenue  
 West Babylon, NY 11704  
**Guest Speaker-** Fr. Stephen Donnelly St. Patricks Huntington  
**Tickets:** \$13/pp or \$25 per Couple~ Includes Dinner, Beer, Wine/Soda  
 For tickets Make Check Payable to  
**The Life Center of LI & Mail to:**  
 Carmine Soldano  
 179 West 17th St  
 Deer Park N.Y. 11729

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Our Lady of the Rosary Council #4428~ Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal #6556  
 Our Lady of Grace #11968 ~ St. Joseph the Carpenter #14771

For more info on Pasta Dinner please contact Carmine (631) 586-0883  
 For more info on Chinese Auction please contact Margie (631) 839-2854

# K of C Bingo

every Thursday night  
in the school auditorium.  
Doors open at 6:15 pm  
First game starts at 7:30 pm.  
Over \$1,500.00 in prize money!  
Specials, jackpots, and line bingo.  
Coffee and cake are available.  
*Note: No Bingo on Holy Thursday, April 2.*



# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## **MASS MEMORIALS**

A beautiful way to remember a loved one!  
 Memorials used during the Masses for week of  
**March 29-April 4:**

***Altar Bread & Wine***

*In Memory of*

***Filippo Pecoraro***

*Requested by*

***Liz & Agostino Pecoraro***

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

## **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

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

### **Third Time:**

*Adam Volpe & Kimberly Royen*



*Jason Kalt & Joselyn Mirabal*

### **First Time:**

*Trevor Bailey & Edyta Suchoicha*

## **WE REMEMBER**

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

***Marie Roeper***

***Jane Petti***

***James Patrick Mahaney***

***Rita Berthold***

***Eileen Durney***

***Charles Muller***

*“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**

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

*Julia Cicala  
 Jose M. Cevallos  
 Thomas Curtin, Sr.*

*Bernard Celestine  
 Roberta Pollacek  
 Carol Gilroy  
 Marie Foster  
 Dolores Otten  
 Carmela DeFilippo*

*Whitey Rieger  
 Resurreccion Zulueto  
 George Wagner  
 Joseph Pezzano  
 Sal Rizzolo*

*Dorothy Hritsko  
 Bette LeVasseau  
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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY, March 30—**

**Monday of Holy Week**

6:30	Paddy Lonergan
12:15	Anthony Galgano, Sr.
3:00 – 9:00	Confessions—No Devotions

**TUESDAY, March 31—**

**Tuesday of Holy Week**

6:30	The Savastano Family
12:15	Robert Longiaru

**WEDNESDAY, April 1—**

**Wednesday of Holy Week**

6:30	In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Perpetual Help for Ahrael Joy Mayas (Living)
12:15	Perrotta Family & Brancata Family
12:45	No Exposition

**THURSDAY, April 2—**

**Thursday of Holy Week**  
*(Holy Thursday)*

9:00	Morning Prayer
7:30	Mass of the Lord's Supper
11:00	Night Prayer

**FRIDAY, April 3—**

**Friday of the Passion of the Lord**  
*(Good Friday)*

9:00	Morning Prayer
12:00	Stations of the Cross
3:00	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
7:30	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

**SATURDAY, April 4—**

**Holy Saturday**

9:00	Morning Prayer
3:00 – 5:00	Confessions

**Vigil for**

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION  
OF THE LORD**

8:00	Easter Vigil—For the People of the Parish
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**Sunday, April 5**

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION  
OF THE LORD**

6:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
8:00	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
9:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
11:00	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
12:30	Easter Spiritual Bouquet
	No 5:00PM Mass

## OFFERING UPDATE

**March 21/22, 2015**

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	397	173	\$3,529.00
<b>6:30 A.M.</b>	85	27	865.00
<b>8:00 A.M.</b>	215	94	2,111.00
<b>9:30 A.M.</b>	353	93	1,796.00
<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	440	131	2,802.00
<b>12:30 P.M.</b>	329	113	2,544.50
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	242	42	1,559.00
<b>Total coin:</b>			26.57
<b>Mail-ins:</b>			648.50
<b>Children's Env.</b>		18	40.00
<b>Faith Direct</b>			2041.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,061</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>\$17,963.07</b>
<b>2014 TOTAL</b>	<b>2,254</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>\$17,278.89</b>
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### 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.

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# PREPARING FOR

Sunday, April 5, 2015

## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

*“For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.”*

John 20:9

### Acts 10:34a, 37-43

This speech made by Peter follows accounts of two separate visions experienced by Peter and a Roman centurion named Cornelius, through which the Holy Spirit reveals that God’s plan of salvation as accomplished through Christ is for both Jew and Gentile alike. Peter’s speech proclaims the essential message of the Gospel, known as the Christian kerygma: that Christ has been crucified, died and is risen; and that through Him is accomplished “our full and authentic liberation from evil, sin and death; through Him God bestows new life that is divine and eternal” (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Missio* 44).

### Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Paul’s teaching here to both the Colossian and Corinthian communities of believers focuses on how we are called to respond to the Good News that the risen Christ is our source of salvation: that is, because in our baptism we have died and risen with Christ, we must now embrace and live the new life He has given us, putting to death our sinful and selfish natures.

### John 20:1-9

John’s account of Jesus’ empty tomb captures how the disciples only gradually came to understand what they saw. As John observed, both the presence of the burial cloths and their neat, orderly arrangement attest that this was no grave robbery. “The empty tomb and the linen cloths lying there signify in themselves that by God’s power Christ’s body had escaped the bonds of death and corruption. They prepared the disciples to encounter the Risen Lord” (Catechism of the Catholic Church 657). The empty tomb is the first of the Church’s seven logical proofs that Jesus did in fact rise from the dead.

### Gospel Reflection Questions....

*After reading next Sunday’s Gospel (John 20:1-9) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass. Use the questions below to aid your reflection.*

1. The same women who came to anoint his body in the morning had been with Jesus when he died. Were they deterred from their task by fear or an immovable stone? Compare and contrast their behavior with the actions of some of Jesus’ other disciples. Think about events like the Selma march, Isis beheadings, and people like Gandhi and Dorothy Day. Were they stopped by fear? Where is your own courage on a scale of 1 to 10?
2. What is it that allowed John to “see and believe,” to have this kind of clarity? Does love give you knowledge about a person, or insights into their behavior? In John, Jesus said “Whoever loves me ... I will love him (her) and reveal myself to him (her)” (John 14:21). Is there a connection between Jesus’ statement and John’s “seeing and believing”?

## Readings for the Week

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

### Monday, March 30, 2015:

Isaiah 42:1-7 + John 12:1-11

### Tuesday, March 31, 2015:

Isaiah 49:1-6 + John 13:21-33, 36-38

### Wednesday, April 1, 2015:

Isaiah 50:4-9a + Matthew 26:14-25

### Thursday, April 2, 2015:

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 + Corinthians 11:23-26 + John 13:1-15

### Friday, April 3, 2015:

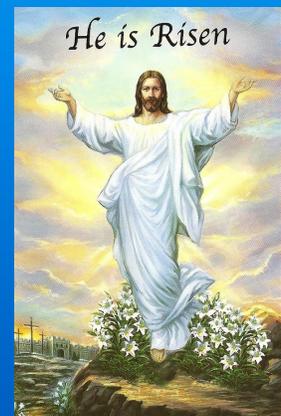
Isaiah 52:13—53:12 + Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 + John 18:1—19:42

### Saturday, April 4, 2015: Vigil

Genesis 1:1—2:2 + Genesis 22:1-18 + Exodus 14:15—15:1 + Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18, 28 + Romans 6:3-11

### Sunday, April 5, 2015: Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 + Colossians 3:1-4 + John 20:1-9



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