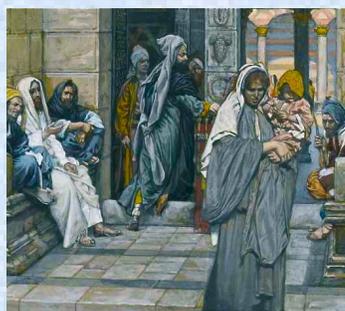


# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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*“Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty.”*

Mark 12:43-44

## 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 8, 2015

### PASTORAL STAFF

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

**Parochial Vicars:** Rev. John Sureau, Rev. Fidelis Ezeani

**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 5:00 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 p.m. 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 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 7:00 p.m. 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.

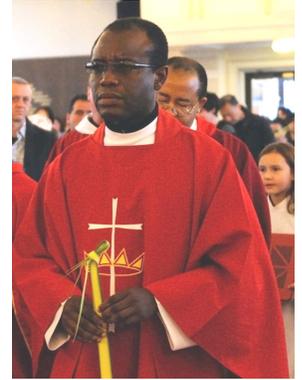
**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## “LET US GIVE THANKS”



# Fr. Alfred's Farewell Celebration



**Sunday, November 15  
12:30 p.m. Mass**

*Join our parish community as we give thanks for Fr. Alfred's presence among us and wish him well as he returns to Nigeria to serve in the seminary and in his diocese.*

*A reception will follow in the School Auditorium after Mass.*

*Put that turkey in the oven and bring your family to the...*

## Thanksgiving Day Mass



# Thursday, November 26th 9:00 a.m.

Our entire parish family joins together to give thanks to God for the many blessings in our lives. At this liturgy, we

- give thanks to God for his many blessings in our lives
- invite parishioners to bring non-perishable food items for our Food Pantry
- distribute bread for all to share at their Thanksgiving table
- seek God's blessing upon the food we will use for our Thanksgiving meals. *(Please bring something from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed.)*

**(Please note: This will be the *only* Mass celebrated on Thanksgiving Day.)**

## PASTOR'S PAGE

### *Some Words from Fr. Alfred*

I am very pleased to once again have the opportunity to have a guest writer take over for a major portion of my weekly Pastor's Letter. Since Fr. Alfred, as has been announced, will be leaving us in a little over a week from now, I thought it would be very appropriate to have him share his thoughts and reflections with you. He even came up with a great title for his essay (*hmmm...I wonder where he got the idea for the title?*), and so, without further ado, allow me to present to you what Fr. Alfred has written and would like to share with all of you...

### *OLPH, the place to be and a wonderful learning curve*

The wise author of the book of Ecclesiastes reminds us that there is a time for everything: a time to come and a time to move on (Eccl. 3:1). And so it is that for me, that time has finally come. It is time for me to move on to my next assignment as a Catholic priest.

It all seems like yesterday. I recall that September night, a Friday, two years ago, when I flew in from Italy to begin my program at St. John's University, Queens campus. Since my abode, at that point temporarily, was to be here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Monsignor Joe deployed two wonderful members of the parish who graciously picked me up from JFK International Airport. He was also at hand to welcome me despite the fact that my flight was late in arriving, having been delayed for two extra hours in Amsterdam. The next morning, I was in this beautiful Church for the 8:00 am Saturday morning Mass, concelebrating with Fr. John.

As strange as it might now sound, I was not initially so very keen to come to the United States. By the time my Archbishop came up with the idea, I felt I needed some break from books, from school. That is, considering the fact that at that time, I had already spent eight years grappling, in Rome, with studies in the Italian language. The opportunity to study in Rome was for me a privilege. Born and raised in Nigeria, I was ordained to the sacred priesthood in the Jubilee Year 2000 (August 19). By the time I was sent to Rome, I had only served as an Associate Pastor in our Cathedral parish for one year (2001–2002). After that, for three years, I was the Secretary to our Archbishop (2002–2005). Thus, by the time I got to Rome, I was just barely five years ordained.

While studying in Rome, I served as the PRO (2005–2006), and then, the President of the Nigerian Priest, Religious and Seminarians (2007–2012). In the last three years of my studies (after five

years living in the Eternal City of Rome), I was fortunate to serve as an Associate Pastor in a small Italian city known as Fossato di Vico in the diocese of Assisi-Nocera Umbria-Gualdo Tadino. I also doubled as the Chaplain to a small group of Nigerians living in that area. It was from there that I traveled to New York, and to Lindenhurst, to be specific. In all, I have been away for ten years (July 1, 2005 to July 1, 2015 and counting) and have clocked fifteen years as a priest.

Reflectively looking back, I cannot but state clearly that it was Divine Providence that brought me to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. After studying, theoretically, the sacred liturgy of the Church, my arrival and stay here has afforded me the opportunity to observe and learn the practical aspect of the worship of the Catholic Church within a parish community. So, I do very well agree with Monsignor Joe that OLPH is the place to be. Not because of the structures and environment, but most of all, because of the wonderful people who make up this community of faith and love.

There might be some difficulties and challenges which, in my opinion, are constant reminders that we are still very much human. It has always been a thing of joy, for me, to preside at liturgical celebrations. Think of the active participation evidenced in the responses and singing. Think of the number of persons who come in for liturgical celebrations. Think of all those who contribute to the liturgical life of the community: our deacons, our music director, our cantors and choirs, our lectors, catechists, extraordinary ministers of communion, ushers, and altar servers. Think of the wonderful rectory staff: the secretaries, the receptionists, the maintenance crew, the house-keepers and the cook. Think of those who are involved in all the social/religious ministries. Surely, OLPH is the place to be and I am grateful to God for the opportunity to have spent time here among you.

Now, returning to Nigeria, to the Archdiocese of Onitsha, I return to join the faculty of one of our major seminaries – Blessed Iwene Tansi Major Seminary – and to serve as the Archdiocesan Director of Sacred Liturgy and the Liturgical Office. The seminary is newly erected and struggles with the challenges associated with new and upcoming institutions. Nonetheless, I feel greatly honored to have been considered and found worthy to contribute to the formation of future priests for the local churches within our Ecclesiastical Province as well as the Universal Church. The Liturgical Office of the Archdiocese is a very time-consuming assignment. I know I

## PASTOR'S PAGE

will be really busy and must have to hit the ground running. Even at that, I look forward to these new challenges and I am counting on your prayers.

My short but eventful stay among you has been and will continue to be a blessing for me, and a wonderful learning curve in my ongoing journey of formation to becoming a better priest. I remain ever grateful to God (whose will for me it was), my Archbishop (through whom this will of God was made known), the bishops of the Catholic diocese of Rockville Centre, especially Bishop Robert Brennan (who accepted to provide me with a place to stay while here in New York), Monsignor Joe (who welcomed and took me in as a brother), Monsignor Daniel Hamilton (from whose wealth of experience I tapped), Fr. John Sureau (who took it upon himself to teach me the American way), Fr. Ethel Anarado and Fr. Fidelis Ezeani (who, in their own individual ways, made sure I never missed home), the deacons – Frank, Bill and Doug – who were always there to assist. I am in very many ways grateful to you, all the parishioners of OLPH for your warmth, acceptance and encouragement.

*Thank you, Fr. Alfred!*

What a beautiful reflection; thank you, Fr. Alfred! Let me remind everyone that our **farewell celebration for Fr. Alfred** will be at the **12:30 Mass, next Sunday, November 15**, followed by hospitality in our auditorium. Please make every effort to attend so we as a parish family can thank Fr. Alfred for being with us, for sharing his gifts as a priest, and so we can send him forth with our love, prayers and support.

*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,




**TO OLPH**  
**October 2015!**

*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Corrado*

*Ms. Zoila Alicia Barrios*

*Dina Love & James Taylor*

*Victoria Rivera*

*Ms. Danielle Manuzzi*

*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Matthews & Family*

*Nancy Theresa Kunis*

*Patricia Mary Kunis*

*Mr. & Mrs. Brian Joyce & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Duzant & Family*

*Mr. Norberto Cruz & Julia Ramos & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. William Koehler*

*Mr. & Mrs. Mariusz Ptak & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Pronesti & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Paul Furnari*

*Mr. Arthur Kacprzycki & Michelle Campbell*

*Mr. & Mrs. Javier Lamar & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Paul Pascuzzi & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ferrarelli & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Dodge & Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Edward Millar*

*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Zoeller*

*Mr. Armando Moreno & Ms. Aneta Gorazda*

*Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Demczuk*

*Ms. Carol Salatti*

*Mr. Robert Suschinsky*

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD



Beginning November 1st a special book will be placed in the Divine Mercy Chapel for members of our parish community to write down the names of loved ones who have died. The names in this book will be remembered at our Masses throughout the month of November.

*(PLEASE NOTE: This is not the Book of Intentions and only the names of the deceased, without any intention, should be written in this book when it is placed in the Chapel.)*

### ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE

During the month of November, we remember in a special way our loved ones who have died.

This year, our Liturgy Committee will prepare a special Altar of Remembrance in the Divine Mercy Chapel. **Beginning November 1st, you are invited to place a picture on the altar so that we may remember your loved ones and pray for each other.** Please limit the size of your photo (perhaps no larger than 4 x 6) so that there is room for everyone who wishes to participate. You may place the picture in a small frame.

Write your name and phone number on the back of the picture.

We ask you to pick up your picture by Wednesday, November 25.



### BRINGING FORWARD THE OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE

If the announced intention at Mass is for your intention, or if you have memorialized the bread and wine, and you would like to carry those offerings forward at the Presentation of the Gifts during Mass, please be sure to let the ushers know this before the Mass begins. They will be happy to have you do this. If no one steps forward to specifically request this, then they will select people from the assembly.

### THE NEW SUNDAY'S WORD YEAR C FOR 2016



The new *Sunday's Word* book for the new liturgical cycle, Year C (2016) which begins with the First Sunday of Advent (November 29, 2015) is now available at the rectory and may be purchased for \$2.00.

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

### *Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help* **Mondays**



The Monday night Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help has been a longstanding OLPH tradition. Each Monday, parishioners pray to seek the help and assistance of the Lord for healing, family, children and the needs of the world, seeking the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Following the Novena prayers, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place. The evening concludes with veneration of a relic of St. Catherine Laboure. Take some time each Monday to join in the OLPH Novena.

**Monday, November 9**—7:00 p.m.

**Monday, November 16**—7:00 p.m.

**Monday, November 23**—7:00 p.m.

**Monday, November 30**—7:00 p.m.

### **Evening Prayer**

All are invited to pray Evening Prayer on Saturday and Sundays after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Here we pray the psalms, listen to the Word of God and give thanks to God for the blessings of the day. Evening Prayer is usually about ten to fifteen minutes in length.

So come and pray...

**Saturdays  
and Sundays  
After the  
5:00 p.m. Mass**



*“The Liturgy of the Hours is intended to become the prayer of the whole People of God. In it Christ himself ‘continues his priestly work through his Church....Pastors of souls should see to it that the principal hours, especially Vespers (Evening Prayer) are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and on the more solemn feasts.’”*

**-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1175**

### **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 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** 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 al-  
ways over us all. AMEN*

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



## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

### 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.



### 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  
**Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**  
at 8 pm in the school cafeteria.

**Guest Speaker**  
**Deacon Frank Odin**  
**Community of Praise**

Refreshments served after meeting.

For additional Information please contact:  
Deb Duffy, 631 956-3202,  
or Marianne Santorelli, 631 587-1520  
Come and See what we are all about.



### COMMUNITY OF PRAISE

The OLPH  
Community of Praise Prayer Group  
meets Tuesday evenings at 8:00 p.m.  
in the Room 16 in the school.

**All are  
welcome!!!**

### *Holy Name Society*

will be outside the church

**Nov. 14/15**

selling

**“Turkey Raffles”**

Please stop by and  
support their annual  
fundraiser!



### In observance of

**Veterans’ Day**

**Wednesday, November 11**

**All parish offices will be closed  
& all parish activities cancelled.**

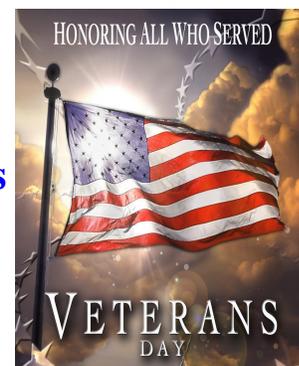
The rectory office will reopen

**Thursday,**

**November 12**

at 9:00 a.m.

**The weekday Masses  
will be celebrated as  
usual at 6:30 a.m.  
and 12:15 p.m.**



# RCIA

## MOVING TO NEW STAGES

We are preparing for members of our parish's community to enter more fully into the formation process for initiation.

Today, November 8, we will welcome two young people from our parish desiring baptism as they participate in the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. They will now be part of the catechumenate, meeting weekly to study God's word and learn more about the faith. Please pray for **Noel Leonard Ruiz** and **Sofia Ruiz** as they join with **Noel Andrade** in continuing their journey to baptism, and for Rebecca Rama and Joanne Domanico who will help to lead this process.

Now....

*What about you?*

**Do you want to be baptized?**

**Do you want to become a member of the Catholic Church?**

*What are you waiting for?*

**We offer a beautiful and life-giving process to join the Catholic Church and would love for you to be a part of it! You will join with other women and men interested in becoming part of the Catholic faith. Together, led by members of our parish community, you will discover God's call for you!**

We are hoping to form a new group of those interested in joining the Catholic Church. **We need you to reach out and invite someone you know who might be considering this and have them contact us here at OLPH!**

If you or someone you know is not baptized or was baptized in another Christian faith, please contact Fr. John Sureau at 631.226.7725, x. 203 or e-mail to [jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) to find out more about the process.

*Would you like to share your faith with those discerning God's call in their own hearts? To accompany another in this process not only aids those in this process of formation but transforms you as well. For more information about adult process, contact Rita Pugh at 631.991.7680 or e-mail to: [ritapugh351@yahoo.com](mailto:ritapugh351@yahoo.com). For information about becoming part of our children's process, contact Rebecca Rama at 631.226.0505 or e-mail to [g.btimes72@gmail.com](mailto:g.btimes72@gmail.com).*



## MUSIC NOTES

### An Invitation to Sing with the Choir for Special Events

Would you like to sing with the adult choir for special events but can't commit to sing every Sunday? We'd love to have you sing for some upcoming special events like the Thanksgiving Day Mass (November 26), Advent Lessons and Carols (December 11) or Christmas Midnight Mass (December 25).

College students are especially welcome. Call Chris Ferraro at 226-7725 ext. 210 or email [cferraro@oloph.org](mailto:cferraro@oloph.org) for more information or to discuss what the commitment might entail. Reading music is not required.



## FAMILIES COMING TOGETHER!

# FAMILIES IN SERVICE

Sunday, November 15th —  
After the 9:30 a.m. Mass

Our Family Life committee is always seeking ways to bring together families for times of fellowship and service. This month, we will gather together to make sandwiches for our Homeless Ministry and local shelters.

Here's how this works...

- † Over the next few weeks, as a family, save your change or allowance or any extra monies you receive.
- † On Saturday the 14th or early the 15th, go to the store and buy the makings of a good sandwich—cold cuts, bread, toppings, etc.
- † Bring that all with you to Mass on November 15th (you can leave it in your car, bring it to Mass, or drop it off in the Café before Mass).
- † Gather in the Cafeteria after Mass and put together the sandwiches with other families in service!
- † Then we'll deliver them either on Sunday or early the following week!



If you have any questions, or can help with donations (always helpful!), contact Jessica Ladolcetta or Ann Marie Wagner at [familylife@oloph.org](mailto:familylife@oloph.org).

# OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Located in the school building  
 Phone # 631.226.7725, x. 253  
 E-mail: [religioused@oloph.org](mailto:religioused@oloph.org)  
 Coordinator: Mrs. April Kleinlaut  
 ([acarbaugh@oloph.org](mailto:acarbaugh@oloph.org))

## NEW OFFICE HOURS:

**MONDAY:** 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
**TUESDAY:** 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:** 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
**THURSDAY:** 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**SATURDAY:** 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



## October Recap!



October flew by here in Faith Formation! We welcomed our Level 1-5 classes, and we love seeing all the smiles on our students' faces on weeknights and Saturday mornings! We have already had several parent meetings. Thanks to all our families for your dedication to your children's relationship with Christ! On October 28th, we had a very special guest: The Culture Project! This missionary group spoke to some Level 6, 7, and 8 students about human dignity. The students loved it. They also had a service opportunity afterwards. Check out the back page for pictures! As we get into November, let's be sure to thank God for the many blessings He provides.

### Confirmation Workbook Tips:

A lot of our Level 6, 7, and 8 students have asked how they can stay on top of their workbook assignments. Here are some ideas!

- ⇒ Highlight all the deadlines. Write the dates in your school planner!
- ⇒ Get things done early—you'll thank yourself later.
- ⇒ It's better to do the Mass reflections right after Mass, when it's fresh in your head.
- ⇒ Be sure to bring your workbook to class every week. Ask the staff if you have questions about an assignment!
- ⇒ Parents: take a look at the workbooks. You are your child's first teacher!

Remember: we are here to help you!

### New Text Codes!

Our new classes now have their own Remind codes!

Text **81010** the following:

Teen Confirmation: **@olophteen**

Special Penance/Communion: **@olophspc**

Catch-up Class: **@olophcuc**

Stay updated with our text messaging system :)

## Happy Veteran's Day!

**There will be NO class on  
 Wednesday, November 11th.**



Why not thank a veteran for their service to our country?

### Save The Dates!!

Saturday 11/14

Level 5 Parent Meeting/Open House

Saturday 11/21

Level 3 Parent Meeting/Open House



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# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

- † Blue Door Thrift Boutique: Tricia Buckley—631.567.5790—thebluedoor@oloph.org
- † Catholics for the Freedom of Religion: Marie Foster—631.592.1509—cfr@oloph.org
- † Community Meal: Gigi Gracey—631.943.0095—gigigracey1962@gmail.com—Deborah McDonald -516.662.2529—Dnk875@aol.com
- † Driving Ministry: Maureen Russo—631.226.4182
- † Golden Age Society: Dolores Barone—631.957.3432
- † Homeless 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
- † Nursing Ministry: Regina Muir—631.226.2709—rmuir11@aol.com
- † Respect Life Committee: Louise Perrotta—631.412.3831—louiseperrotta@optonline.net
- † St. Bernard League: Kristine Doyle—631.804.3466—Kristine Kelly—631-412-5629—stbernardleague@oloph.org
- † 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: Caroline Grogan—(631)225-7688—straightclaw@optonline.net
- † Widows/Widowers: Rita Gardell—631.252.5494

## NEW Food Pantry List!

PEANUT BUTTER  
 JELLY OR JAM  
 CANNED BEANS  
 CANNED MEAT  
 CANNED FISH  
 CHILI  
 PASTA (SPAGHETTI, ZITI)  
 SHELF STABLE MILK  
 TOOTHPASTE  
 TOOTH BRUSHES

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**  
**9:00 a.m.—12 Noon**

**Saturday 1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.**

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us: “I want you to observe that this poor widow contributed more than all the others who donated to the treasury. They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on.”

Ask yourself “Am I only giving from my surplus wealth?” and then put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box so that those who are suffering will be able to know God's love and care.



The OLPH Conference of the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul Memorial Cards** are now available. The 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 (9:00 a.m. –12:00 noon 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

Re-Introducing the...

# Saint Bernard League

*(Saint Bernards are known for bringing people to safety in hazardous weather conditions!)*

If you are in need of help when it snows, members of our parish community will come to your home and shovel you out! If you think you can use this help, call the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 and leave a message.

**DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE. All sign ups must be received by November 29, 2015.**



## We also need more Saint Bernards!

Can you and/or your family shovel, snow blow or clear out another family or two in need within our parish community? A number of our "St. Bernard's" from last year have moved on to college.

We'd love to have all families matched up before the first snow of the season. If you can help with this, call the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or e-mail to [stbernardleague@oloph.org](mailto:stbernardleague@oloph.org). This is a great way to help those in need (do some tremendous community service!)

### HOMELESS MINISTRY...IN NEED!

Our Homeless Ministry ministers each Wednesday evening to local homeless. Each week, we meet, serve and minister to between 15 and 20 individuals in our local community.

#### **CLOTHING DONATIONS**

As the cooler (and wetter) weather is coming, our Homeless Ministry is in need of:

MEN: briefs/underpants all but especially size small;

T-shirts -medium

WOMEN: underwear - socks

If it is easier, we can always use Kmart gift cards (and the like) or financial donations, and we'll do the shopping.

Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office from 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. daily and 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. on the week-ends.

#### **FOOD DONATIONS**

Can you or your ministry help to make sandwiches or soup for one of our van runs? If so, contact Regina Muir at [rmuir11@aol.com](mailto:rmuir11@aol.com).

### THANK YOU!!!

Thanks to Scout Troop # 60 for donating a truck load of food to our Food Pantry. Thanks, too, to some of our Level 4 students who helped to move it all in!



## CHECK OUT THE BLUE DOOR!

### THE *blue*door BOUTIQUE

#### Current Hours of Operation:

Monday: 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday: Closed  
 Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
 Thursday: Closed  
 Friday: 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
 Saturday: 1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.  
 Open Sunday, November 22nd  
 1:30—3:00 p.m.

*The entrance to the Thrift Boutique is on the south side of the parish campus, next to the St. Vincent de Paul bins. Park using the Gates Street/High Street Parking Lot.*

## THE BLUE DOOR BOUTIQUE... Now open!

The Blue Door Thrift Boutique is our parish's latest effort to serve the poor and vulnerable in our parish community—and a great way to get a deal for our parishioners! In just two weeks, we have ministered to many who are supported by our Homeless Ministry and Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

### COME AND SUPPORT OUR MINISTRY!

Take note of our store hours and visit the Blue Door. It is a wonderful place that has many wonderful items—from clothing to cooking ware, from religious items to rare finds—you might find helpful. Meet the wonderful offerers who make it such a place of welcome. When you shop at The Blue Door, you not only get a great deal but help support our parish's ongoing work and ministry.

*Want to get involved in the Blue Door? E-mail to [thebluedoor@oloph.org](mailto:thebluedoor@oloph.org) for more information! We need greeters, sorters and floor workers!*

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY *Happenings*

### MIDDLE AGES

*Are you in your late 40s, 50s, or early 60s?  
 Are you looking to meet other women and men your  
 age for times of spirituality,  
 socializing and social action?*

**Our next meeting: Wed. November 18  
 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 10**

Projects include: Van lunches, Thanksgiving Meal donations to St. Vincent de Paul, and Veterans' Christmas Wreaths.

For information, call Gail Tonnessen at 631.957.1449 or email to [gtonness@optonline.net](mailto:gtonness@optonline.net).

### SENIOR MOMENTS GIVE YOURSELF A CHALLENGE

*The Senior Moments Ministry is a committed spiritual family who meet twice a month on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday from September to June and on the 4th Tuesday only in July and August.*

Our next meeting will be  
**9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 10  
 in Room 24**

### SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

*Are you interested in being a part of our Special Needs Ministry? If so, come and find out more about our ministry. Our next meeting will be:*

**Monday, November 9, 2015  
 4:30 p.m.—Room 16**

*Want to help prepare for our monthly Mass and other special needs events? Contact Caroline Grogan at (631) 225-7688 or email to [straightclaw@optonline.net](mailto:straightclaw@optonline.net).*

### WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

*Widows and Widowers provides a comfortable, social setting for men and women who have lost a spouse to support and encourage one another.*

Our next meeting will take place on  
**Thursday, November 12  
 6:00 p.m. in Room 16**

*For information call Rita Gardell at 631.252.5494*

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- *Marian Healing Ministry of Fr. Dennis Kelleher CSsR, Healing Mass* at St. Anastasia's Church, 45-14 245th Street, Douglaston—Little Neck, Tuesday, **November 10** at 7:00 p.m.. For more information call 718-631-4454.
- *St. Joseph Renewal Center Adult Formation Retreat Weekend for Men & Women* "What does it mean when we say: 'I believe'?" **Nov. 13-15**. Offering: \$190 includes all accommodations & meals; *Men 2 Men Gathering* **November 14**, 8:00 a.m.—9:30 a.m. \$20 includes breakfast; 11th step Prayer Support for 12 Steppers, A Journey to Spiritual Wholeness, **November 15**, 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Free will offering; *Wellness Program*, Wednesdays 11:00a.m.—1:00 p.m. **Nov. 18, Dec. 16, Feb. 3, & Mar. 9** Offering \$25 per session. Call 631-273-1187 X 123 registration & more information.
- *You Can Help Heal Your Marriage! Retrouvaille* helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on **Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help. website [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org)
- *Molloy College Fall Open House* Sunday, **November 15** at 1:00 p.m. at Molloy College, Rockville Centre. For information call 516-323-4000.
- *The Sisters of St. Dominic* of Amityville invite you to join them for *Vespers* at 4:00 p.m. in St. Albert's Chapel at the Queen of the Rosary Motherhouse at 555 Albany Ave., Amityville, on: **November 15—Youth Vespers; December 13; January 17; March 13; April 17 & May 15**. For more information call 631-842-6000.
- *St. Thomas Aquinas College Undergraduate Open House* Saturday, **November 21** at 11 a.m. For high school and transfer students. Register online at [www.stac.edu/events](http://www.stac.edu/events); call 845-398-4100 or email [admissions@stac.edu](mailto:admissions@stac.edu).
- *Vendors Wanted!* Christmas Craft & Gift Fair, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. on Sunday, **December 6** at St. John the Baptist DHS, West Islip. Call Cathy Quinn 516-241-1294 or email [Gunga196@yahoo.com](mailto:Gunga196@yahoo.com) for information.
- *Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy*—provided by New York State licensed therapists, are available in the diocese for the convenience of parishioners. It is provided by the Catholic Counseling Center, a proprietary professional corporation, which is independent of and not controlled or supervised by the parish or diocese. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. For confidential information and appointments, please call Dr. Giuliani at the Catholic Counseling Center, at 631-243-2503 or go to the website at [www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com](http://www.thecatholiccounselingcenter.com).
- *Free cardiac screenings*, held once a month during the school year, at *St. Francis Hospital* for student athletes in grades 9-12. All needed forms can be found at [www.stfrancisheartcenter.com](http://www.stfrancisheartcenter.com) (enter "cardiac screening" on home page). Pre-registration & appointments, 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. at Cardiac Imaging Dept., are required. Call 516-629-2013.

# 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 p.m. 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 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:

[lanegra628@yahoo.com](mailto:lanegra628@yahoo.com).

## Evangelio del domingo 15 de noviembre del 2015

**Primera Lectura (Daniel 12,1-13):** Dios Resucitará a Sus Fieles

A los judíos fieles, disgustados por las persecuciones, el profeta les anuncia un mensaje de esperanza: Dios les salvará a ustedes. Incluso si pierden su vida, Dios les dará vida eterna.

**Segunda Lectura (Hebreos 10,11-14.18):** El Único Sacrificio de Cristo Nos Salva

Al ofrecer su sacrificio de una vez para siempre, Jesús venció al pecado y recibió el poder de vivir la vida de Dios.

**Evangelio (Marcos 13,24-32):** Vean los Signos de la Venida del Señor

Con misteriosas palabras, Jesús habla de la difícil venida de su reino realizado completamente en este mundo. Jesús lo llevará a perfecto cumplimiento en nosotros. Por eso tenemos que estar preparados para que cuando el señor venga nos encuentre limpios y sin mancha bien ocupados en la misión que nos ha encomendado, siguiendo su ejemplo de entrega total

Esperanza en un Mundo Nuevo

Algunas partes de la Sagrada Escritura, como las lecturas de hoy, hablan de calamidades y desastres, como signos de un mundo viejo ya que se desmorona, y de Jesús que viene como juez. La televisión de hoy y otros medios de comunicación traen a nuestros hogares los desastres, la violencia y el sufrimiento del mundo entero; y la gente se pregunta: ¿A dónde nos va a llevar todo esto? Estos son para nosotros hoy signos de que el mundo en el que vivimos está en decadencia, pero no deberíamos pasar por alto los signos positivos: deseos y esfuerzo de paz y de un mundo más justo, razonable y unificado, el derrumbe de tiranías a diestra y siniestra. Éstos son como brotes de nuevas ramas en un árbol, signos de esperanza en un mundo nuevo que está creciendo, y de esperanza en la venida de Dios entre nosotros, su pueblo. Celebremos esa esperanza en esta eucaristía.

## Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios



### SPANISH VIRTUS TRAINING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

at 7:00 p.m. in ROOM 8

**TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL PARISH OFFERERS IN ALL MINISTRIES.**

**Registration *MUST* be done online.** Simply go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org), then to the Virtus training schedule.

Find the date and OLPH to register.

## Congratulations to the Newly Ordained!



Steve Maddaloni



Daniel Rivera



Jiha Lim

### Vocation Awareness Week November 1-7, 2015

National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

We ask you to pray for these 3 who were ordained Deacons on November 7th who will continue their spiritual journey and become Priests this coming June for the Diocese.

Please pray for the increase in vocations! For more information: <http://www.longislandpriest.com>  
Or contact Fr. Joe Fitzgerald at the Vocation Office, 516.678.5800 x214 - [Vocations@drvc.org](mailto:Vocations@drvc.org)

**KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE IN A DIGITAL WORLD**



## THE DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE PRESENTS INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN WHAT EVERY ADULT NEEDS TO KNOW! **ROBERT J. FARLEY, MS**

Robert Farley, an internationally recognized expert, consultant and instructor in the area of child abuse will be presenting four workshops in the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Mr. Farley has conducted training seminars for the F.B.I., the U.S. Department of Justice, in 22 countries for Interpol and the first seminar on child abuse for clergy at the Vatican. You will recognize Mr. Farley as one of the experts in the Safe Environment Program, Virtus-Protecting God's Children. These workshops are free and open to all.

For more information e-mail Office of Child Protection: [cprotection@drvc.org](mailto:cprotection@drvc.org)

**Tuesday: 12/1/15 - 7:00 PM - St. Agnes Parish Center - Rockville Centre**  
**Wednesday: 12/2/15 - 7:00 - McGann Mercy High School - Riverhead**  
**Thursday: 12/3/15 - 1:00 PM - St. Matthew - Dix Hills**  
**Friday: 12/4/15 - 7:00 pm - Notre Dame, New Hype Park**

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Directory of Phone Extensions

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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  
Msgr. Joe DeGrococo  
Marie Foster  
Greg Guido  
Sonia Hansen  
John Keller  
Kevin Sabella, Jr.  
Kevin Sabella, Sr.  
Christina Taparata  
James Totino  
Pete Triolo

*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®  
Msgr. Joe DeGrococo  
Bob Dobres  
Bob Meade  
John Reynolds

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

### YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Robert Becker  
Lynn Bergin  
Mark Costantino  
Msgr. Joe DeGrococo  
Chris Ferraro  
Jenine Jimenez-Spina  
Amy Keller  
Barbara McPhail  
Deacon Doug Smith  
Fr. John Sureau  
Mike Williams

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

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## MASS MEMORIALS

A beautiful way to remember a loved one! Memorials used during the Masses for week of

**November 8-14:**

### *Candle & Oil*

*In Memory of*

***Victoria Rean***

*Requested by*

***The Renna Family***

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

## WE BELIEVE

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

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Jennifer Vacca-Campbell</i> | <i>Theresa Caltabiano</i>   |
| <i>John Gusmano</i>            | <i>Patricia O'Shea</i>      |
| <i>Theresa Cording</i>         | <i>Tony Gallo</i>           |
| <i>Herbert Otten</i>           | <i>Carol Gilroy</i>         |
| <i>Carol Ann Alma</i>          | <i>Juliette Fredericks</i>  |
| <i>Bernadette Sinnot</i>       | <i>Donna Russo</i>          |
| <i>Vita Pierno</i>             | <i>Laura Ann Jacobsen</i>   |
| <i>Antoinette Ryan</i>         | <i>Mary Pellegrino</i>      |
| <i>Stephen Nocella</i>         | <i>Theresa Peragine</i>     |
| <i>Joan Cox</i>                | <i>Laura Kercelius</i>      |
| <i>Margaret Girgenti</i>       | <i>Antoinette Jean Ryan</i> |
| <i>Annie Maes</i>              | <i>Dorothea McGowan</i>     |
| <i>Nancy Didio</i>             | <i>Tesera Smith</i>         |
| <i>Bette LeVasseur</i>         | <i>Patricia Grasso</i>      |
| <i>Dorothy Catena</i>          | <i>Teresa Grasso</i>        |
| <i>Jordan Manning</i>          |                             |

## WE REMEMBER

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

***Agatha Margie Cosenza***

***Michael DeLeo***

***Barbara Gorrie***

*"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."*

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. Names remain in the bulletin for three weeks.

### Attention All Parish Ministry Leaders

### PLEASE NOTE THE UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES

Publication Date	Bulletin Submissions Due By:
November 22 <sup>rd</sup>	November 13 <sup>th</sup>
November 29 <sup>th</sup>	November 16 <sup>th</sup> (change because of Thanksgiving and earlier deadline)
December 6 <sup>th</sup>	November 27 <sup>th</sup> (change because of the earlier deadline)
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	December 4 <sup>th</sup>
December 20 <sup>st</sup>	December 11 <sup>th</sup>
Christmas Bulletin	December 11 <sup>th</sup>
December 27 <sup>th</sup>	December 18 <sup>th</sup> (change because of the earlier deadline)

# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

## MONDAY, November 9— The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

6:30	Kristy Schwartz
12:15	All Souls Novena
7:00	Devotions

## TUESDAY, November 10— Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

6:30	All Souls Novena
12:15	Patricia A. Cicileo

## WEDNESDAY, November 11— Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

6:30	The Savastano Family
12:15	Victoria Rean
12:45	Exposition

## THURSDAY, November 12— Saint Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

6:30	Josephine & Alfred Pentenrieder
12:15	Esther Guardino

## FRIDAY, November 13— Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

6:30	Maryann Colletti
12:15	Josephine Cartiglia

## SATURDAY, November 14— Weekday

8:00	James & Marjorie Santoli (Living)
4:00 – 4:45	Confessions

### Vigil for 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00	Victoria Giordano
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### Sunday, November 15— 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30	Marie Healy
8:00	Frank & Bernadette Chironno
9:30	For the People of the Parish
11:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Christian Mothers & Guild
12:30	Josephine Cartiglia
5:00	Antoinette Desronvil

## Monday, November 9, 2015

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 24
2:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 24
4:30 p.m.	Special Needs Ministry	Room 16
6:00 p.m.	Homeless Van Ministry	Room 10
7:00 p.m.	Devotions	Church
7:15 p.m.	Level 8 Classes	School

## Tuesday, November 10, 2015

9:00 a.m.	Senior Moments	Room 24
4:00 p.m.	CYO Cheerleading	Auditorium
6:00 p.m.	New Extraordinary Minister Training	Church
7:00 p.m.	Junior Legion of Mary	Room 24
7:00 p.m.	Scouting Ministry—Planning	Room 15
7:30 p.m.	Strengths Leadership Meeting	St. Mark
8:00 p.m.	Community of Praise Prayer	Room 16
8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## Wednesday, November 11, 2015

***ALL PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED & ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED FOR VETERAN'S DAY***

## Thursday, November 12, 2015

2-6:00p.m.	Church closed for cleaning	Church
4:00 p.m.	CYO Cheerleading	Auditorium
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Room 16
6:00 p.m.	Widows & Widowers	Room 16
6:30 p.m.	Virtus Training—Spanish	Room 8
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 p.m.	Adult Formation— Msgr. Joe: Liturgy, Prayer & Spirituality	Room 18
7:30 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	Community Meal—Planning	Room 10
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous	Room 24

## Friday, November 13, 2015

9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 24
7:00 p.m.	Holy Name Society	Auditorium
8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Young People)	Room 24

## Saturday, November 14, 2015

8:00 a.m.	Levels 1—5 Classes	School
1:30 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Room 24
1:00 p.m.	CYO Basketball	Auditorium
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## Sunday, November 15, 2015

9:30 a.m.	RCIA/RCIC Dismissal	Church
10:30 a.m.	Families in Service	Auditorium
12:00 p.m.	Community Meal	Room 20
1:30 p.m.	Fr. Alfred Farewell Reception	Auditorium
1:30 p.m.	Junior Legion of Mary	Room 24
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Church
7:00 p.m.	Prayers for Peace	Church
8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## WEEKLY OFFERING UPDATE Oct. 31/Nov. 1, 2015

Mass Time	Attendance	# of Envelopes	Weekly Collection
5:00 p.m.	295	225	\$3,938.00
6:30 a.m.	105	81	2,014.00
8:00 a.m.	270	149	3,074.00
9:30 a.m.	386	153	2,681.00
11:00 a.m.	380	170	3,088.00
12:30 p.m.	310	93	2,257.00
5:00 p.m.	216	83	1,613.00
<b>Total coin:</b>			20.47
<b>Mail-ins:</b>			1,343.00
Children's Envelopes		4	55.50
<b>Faith Direct</b>			1,979.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,962	958	\$22,063.22
<b>2014 TOTAL</b>	2,199	657	\$19,199.75
<b>Candles</b>			\$1,355.07
<b>Poor Box</b>			\$434.58

### **Special Collection to Defray the Cost of the New Boilers**

All parishioners are reminded to kindly return their donations in the special envelopes for the special collection to help defray the cost of the new boilers, as Msgr. Joe discussed in his report to the parish. These new boilers will provide heat for the church and rectory. You may wish to consider taking some extra envelopes to share with your children or other family members who were parishioners of OLPH at one time and who may wish to help this parish which they still carry close in their heart. Thank you for your generosity in helping us defray this extraordinary expense of \$415,000.

## Are you watching... **INSIGHT?**

Msgr. Joe's television show **INSIGHT**, which he co-hosts with Bishop Robert Brennan and Bishop Nelson Pérez, can be seen airing weekly on Telecare, channel 29 on Cablevision, on these days:



**Mondays at 8:30 p.m.**  
**Tuesdays at 10:00 p.m.**  
**Wednesdays at 11:00 p.m.**  
**Fridays at 9:00 p.m.**  
**Saturdays at 10:00 p.m.**



With the busy times of Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent right around the corner, enrolling in *Faith Direct* today is a great way to ensure your gifts of treasure to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish are received even if you may be out of town. Please pick up an enrollment form from the parish office today or enroll online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) - our Church Code is NY286. Already using *Faith Direct*? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account this fall.

Thank you in advance for your support and for using *Faith Direct*!

God Bless,

*Msgr. Joe*

**PREPARING FOR**  
**November 15, 2015**  
**33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.*

Mark 13:31

**Daniel 12:1-3**

The Book of Daniel was composed during the bitter persecution carried on by the Greek king Antiochus IV Epiphanes (167–164 B.C.) and was written to strengthen and comfort the Jewish people in their ordeal. Chapters 7-12 present a series of visions promising deliverance and glory to all who remain faithful. The great nations of the ancient world have risen in vain against the Lord; his kingdom shall overthrow existing powers and last forever; and in the end the dead will be raised—for eternal reward or punishment.

**Hebrews 10:11-14, 18**

The Levitical priesthood offered daily sacrifices that were ineffectual in remitting sin, but Jesus offered a single sacrifice that won true atonement. Forever at God's right hand, Jesus has only to await the final outcome of his work. He has brought into being in his own person the new covenant prophesied by Jeremiah and has rendered meaningless all other offerings for sin.

**Mark 13:24-32**

In the passage immediately before today's Gospel, Jesus spoke about the fall and destruction of Jerusalem. For the Jews, Jerusalem and its Temple was the very dwelling place of God. But Christ, God with us, was to be found in God's people and not in a building, with the "new Temple" living on in the members of the Body of Christ. For us, the end of this world, or the end of our individual lives, should not be dreaded, but welcomed as the fulfillment of Christ's promises, when we will enter into His eternal kingdom. "This generation" refers to the new race of the newly born in Christ, and even though many should die under persecution, the Church will be sustained on earth until we are all victoriously gathered to Himself.

**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. "My words will not pass away." What do you take along with you when you die? Is there any correlation between love and the Word of God that does not pass away? Is there anything you can do to stretch your capacity to love?

2. In his homily, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away," Pope Francis discusses our final destination. What does he consider the job of the Church or the People of God while we are here on earth? How are we to be the leaven in humanity?

What is the destination of this People? Our destination is the Kingdom of God, ... full communion with the Lord, familiarity with the Lord, entry into his own divine life, where we will live in the joy of his love beyond measure, a full joy. Dear brothers and sisters, being the Church, to be the People of God, in accordance with the Father's great design of love, means to be the leaven of God in this humanity of ours. It means to proclaim and to bring God's salvation to this world of ours, so often led astray, in need of answers that give courage, hope and new vigor for the journey. May the Church be a place of God's mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the Church must be with doors wide open so that all may enter. And we must go out through these doors and proclaim the Gospel.

Pope Francis, homily,  
November 29, 2013

*Readings for the Week*

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

**Monday, November 9, 2015:**

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12  
 + 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17  
 + John 2:13-22

**Tuesday, November 10, 2015:**

Wisdom 2:23—3:9 + Luke 17:7-10

**Wednesday, November 11, 2015:**

Wisdom 6:1-11 + Luke 17:11-19

**Thursday, November 12, 2015:**

Wisdom 7:22b—8:1 + Luke 17:20-25

**Friday, November 13, 2015:**

Wisdom 13:1-9 + Luke 17:26-37

**Saturday, November 14, 2015:**

Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9  
 + Luke 18:1-8

**Sunday, November 15, 2015**

Daniel 12:1-3  
 + Hebrews 10:11-14, 18  
 + Mark 13:24-32

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On Thursday, October 29th, the Culture Project came to OLPH. This group speaks throughout the country about the importance of human life and dignity and how young people can bring about a transformation of a greater respect for human life. After the presentation in the Church, students completed service projects to support human life by working with our Respect Life Ministry, our Homeless Ministry and our Community Meal Ministry.

To learn more about the Culture Project, go to <http://www.restoreculture.com/>.



### *Celebrating our Catechists!*



On Wednesday night, October 28, Bishop Robert Brennan awarded the Pope Paul VI pin to catechists who have been serving for five to ten years. Three of our parish recipients were able to attend and are pictured here with Msgr. Joe: left to right: Tina Marie Hutter, Jenine Jimenez-Spina and Michele Crosby. Congratulations to all our catechists who received recognition this year as listed in a previous bulletin!

To see more photos and to keep up on other ministries check out the OLPH Facebook page.



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