

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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**Jesus said to his disciples:  
“Do not think that I have come to  
abolish the law or the prophets.  
I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.”  
-Matthew 5:17**

## **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**February 16, 2014**

### **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

**Facilities Manager:** Deacon Donald A. Stamm    **Business Manager:** Deacon Thomas J. Bast

**Coordinator of Faith Formation:** April Carbaugh    **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.

### **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.*

### **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.

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Monday Evening:** after OLPH Novena Devotions

**Wednesday:** 12:45 to 4:30 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.

**CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

**2014 OLPH Goal  
\$108,800**

*As of February 6, 2014:*

**Amount Pledged: \$33,788**

**Needed to Reach Goal:**

**\$75,012**

**Payments Received:**

**\$20,073**

**Number of Donors: 105**

**Thank you to all who have  
participated!**

**2014 CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

**SERVING GOD BY SERVING OTHERS**



*Our Lord is grateful  
to those who sacri-  
fice in His name to  
build the Kingdom of  
God.*

*No gift is too small  
when it is offered  
with love to serve*

***A Place to Call Home***

Marion lived with her mom through her early adult life. Her family was anxious about who would care for Marion, who is developmentally disabled, when mom passed away.

They believed it would be best if she lived with one of them when the time came. But mom wanted a fuller life for Marion and she worried that her daughter wasn't living the life that God had planned for her; she knew she was capable of great things.

Her mother turned to Catholic Charities' home for people with developmental disabilities—then, wonderful things did happen to Marion.

*"I saw my sister changing," explains Richard, Marion's brother. "She started working and became really independent. She gained a sense of responsibility and there was camaraderie in her new home. She not only had people that she could depend on, but more importantly, she had friends that depended on her."*

Catholic Charities has been operating residences for the developmentally disabled for over 35 years, providing people like Marion with a sense of belonging and a place to call home. Your support helps Marion live a full and happy life.

Pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Down Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Balance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Donor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Place in weekly collection basket, drop off at the Parish Office or*

*Visit [www.olphlindenhurst.org](http://www.olphlindenhurst.org) to make your donation.*

*Make Checks Payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### Thank You for Your Work on the Video!

I take this opportunity to thank **John Keller** for all his great work and assistance with the Catholic Ministries Appeal video we showed at all the Masses last weekend. John is a member of the Pastoral Council and this is the second year in a row he has offered his time and talent in preparing the DVD and in assisting with showing it at the Masses on the weekend. Thank you, John, for your offering which will help to make the Catholic Ministries Appeal a success once again at OLPH! It was a great help to me personally.

### Catholic Ministries Appeal

The Appeal is well underway here in the parish, and we will begin publishing results in the bulletin from time to time. I offer a sincere and heart-felt **THANK YOU** to all who have already participated in the Appeal, and I urge those who have not yet done so to please join in with a pledge or a one-time gift. You will be supporting the great work of the Catholic Church on Long Island, and you will also be helping OLPH as we share in the monies once we reach and surpass our goal.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

You've been hearing about it and reading about it — our Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 a.m. Mass is beginning in just two short weeks, on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Children's Liturgy of the Word Committee has been working very hard to bring this to fruition, and I thank everyone who has given of themselves so generously to make this a reality. We have been training homilists to preach to the children, and we have been training shepherds who will assist in guiding the children to and from the separate chapel and who will provide supervision during the experience itself. We have been working hard to refurbish the north sacristy so that it can double as an appropriate chapel space for the Children's Liturgy of the Word, and we have been recruiting musicians to provide appropriate liturgical song. Thanks to all who have been offering themselves in these endeavors!

We're using this as our focus to enhance the celebration of the liturgy for children, and the Children's Liturgy of the Word is geared for children in first grade and older. Read more about it in the separate insert in this bulletin. Next week we will

have a special "Open House" after the 9:30 a.m. Mass for families who want to see the chapel where the children will go and for those who might want to find out more about it.

### New Liturgical Ministers

We are continuing our push for new liturgical ministers — ushers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and readers. How important these ministries are to the reverent and full celebration of our liturgies! What a gift you would be giving to the parish by offering yourself in one of these roles! What an opportunity it is for you to deepen your spirituality and your relationship with the Lord by offering yourself in this way! The time is NOW for YOU to say, "YES, I will do this!" It's easier than you think, and the rewards are...out-of-this-world!!!

### Enough Already!!!

About a week ago I reached the limit. That's it... I've had it. *I am done with winter!!!* Most people I talk to feel the same way too! I have always been a warm-weather person and I will never complain about 90-degree heat in the summer.

I like to think that each winter there's a spiritual lesson for me to learn. Whether it has to do with perseverance, or entering into the mystery of the death-like aspects of winter so as to be able to experience the resurrection of springtime and summer, or using the darkness and grayness of winter to deepen my trust in the abiding light and presence of Christ, I find these days spiritually challenging. What about you?

I wait with longing for Ash Wednesday and the beginning of our Lenten season, since those days begin to mark time in a significant way toward the renewal and rebirth that comes with Easter.

### Topics to Address?

In case you didn't realize it, I would like everyone to know that parishioners are welcome to send me questions or ideas for topics they would like me to address in these Pastor's Columns. I'll be up front and tell you I cannot promise I will address every idea that is sent to me; the selection process will be very subjective. As you have seen, I am especially interested in using this space to do education and formation about liturgy, so questions and

suggestions for topics about our celebration of the Eucharist and the other sacraments would be especially welcome. The purpose, of course, is not to turn this into a “respond to griping” column, but if there are questions or insights or topics or clarifications you would like to see addressed, I’d be happy to entertain your suggestions. As you know, I consider this column to be a major and important vehicle of communication between you and me, as your Pastor, and so I would like to make the most of it that is possible.

### ***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,



*Our next Adult Faith Formation Class coming soon...*

## **Historical Development of the Mass**

**Thursdays,  
March 6, 13, 20, 27 & April 10  
7:30–9:30 p.m.**

**Instructor: Msgr. Joe**

This course will trace the historical development of the Mass from its institution at the Last Supper down to our present day. We will look at relevant texts of the Mass to understand what it means to say “the Church makes the Eucharist and the Eucharist makes the Church” at different historical periods. We will see how the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council restored a patristic understanding of the Eucharist and how the post-Vatican II liturgy is in direct continuity with the authentic whole tradition, restoring a more integrated connection between the theology of the Eucharist and the theology of the Church. Advanced credit is available for those who attend at least 8 out of the 10 hours (4 out of the 5 sessions).

To register, contact Mrs. Patti Chavis at 631.226.7725 X 206 or e-mail [pchavis@oloph.org](mailto:pchavis@oloph.org).

Fee: A \$20 offering is requested to cover administrative and other related costs.



## **Historical Development of the Mass**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_



# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

*Proclaiming God's Word...*

## READERS

Readers prepare and proclaim the Scriptures and the Intercessions at Sunday and daily liturgy. Women and men—from middle school to older adult—are welcome to be involved in this ministry. Lectors would serve approximately once or twice a month.

You must attend ONE of these training sessions:



**Saturday, March 1, 2014**

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
McGann Mercy HS

**Wednesday, March 12, 2014,**

7:30 – 10:00 p.m.,  
St. Elizabeth Parish, Melville

**Saturday, March 29, 2014,**

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Kellenberg Memorial HS

For more information, contact:  
Robert Becker at 631-226-6175 .

*In considering the Church as “the home of the word”, attention must first be given to the sacred liturgy, for the liturgy is the privileged setting in which God speaks to us in the midst of our lives; he speaks today to his people, who hear and respond. Every liturgical action is by its very nature steeped in sacred Scripture.*

-Benedict XVI,  
*Verbum Domini*, 52

*Serving the Body of Christ...*

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Soon the Diocese of Rockville Centre will be sponsoring training and formation days for women and men interested in being **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**.

### What does it take to be an Extraordinary Minister?

- Participation in Sunday Eucharist
- Commitment to serve two or three times a month
- Attendance at a Diocesan Training and parish training

You must attend ONE of these training sessions:

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Kellenberg Memorial HS

If you have other questions or are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister, please contact Barbara McPhail at 631.226-1354 or e-mail to [gospa254@gmail.com](mailto:gospa254@gmail.com). You must also send a letter to Msgr. Joe at the Parish Office or e-mail to [msgrrjoe@oloph.org](mailto:msgrrjoe@oloph.org) requesting to become an EM and briefly stating why you would like to do this.

## USHERS

Ushers serve an important role in the liturgy! They assist with taking up the collection, guiding people for the reception of Communion and welcoming those who visit our Church.



USHERS

**New ushers are welcome! If you are interested in becoming an usher we will get you started!**  
**You must attend ONE of these training sessions:**

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**Wednesday, March 12, 2014**, 7:30 – 10:00 p.m., + St. Elizabeth Parish, Melville

**Saturday, March 29, 2014** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. + Kellenberg Memorial HS

**Men, women, teenagers and families are all welcome!** For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 631.226.7725 or send an e-mail to [olphushersministry@gmail.com](mailto:olphushersministry@gmail.com).

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP



## STEWARDS OF THE TRADITION

*Fifty Years After Sacrosanctum Concilium*

COMMITTEE ON DIVINE WORSHIP

*The Committee on Divine Worship marked the 50th Anniversary of Sacrosanctum Concilium with the publication of Stewards of the Tradition. This week, we publish the next sections of the document.*

**4. Liturgical Song** (*SacCar*, no.42) Liturgical song has a preeminent place in the *ars celebrandi*, for not only is it a means of active participation, but it is another source of beauty that can lift hearts and inspire worship. We commend those who have dedicated themselves as composers and pastoral musicians who enrich our worship and enable our songs of praise. The development of a repertory of vernacular music for the Liturgy over the past fifty years is a gift for which we are grateful and which we continue to promote. We also seek to improve the quality of our celebrations in light of the 2007 USCCB guidelines *Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship*. To rely only on the music of a single genre or style for the celebration of the Liturgy is to diminish the breadth and depth of our liturgical heritage and to risk the exclusion of the legitimate contributions of particular cultures and composers. We wish to underscore the importance of the words set to music for the Liturgy, and that they must accurately reflect the theology of the Liturgy or be drawn from the liturgical texts themselves.

### Living What We Celebrate

Having been gathered in the Lord Jesus, the Church participates in the saving mysteries of our faith. The Sacred Liturgy enables us to live more committed to the Lord who sanctifies us in a privileged way through sacramental signs. The Constitution also reminds us that the Church's mission moves from worship to charity and evangelization: "For all these works make it clear that Christ's faithful, though not of this world, are to be the light of the world and to glorify the Father in the eyes of all" (no. 9). This perennial challenge to go forth from the Liturgy as witnesses of the risen Lord was taken up by Pope Benedict XVI when, in response to the 2005 Synod on the Eucharist, he added two texts for the dismissal to the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*, linking the Liturgy with the living of the Christian life each day: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord," and "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

There must be an intrinsic link between what we do

in the Liturgy and what we do in the world. In the Eucharist, we partake of the Bread of life and share in the Chalice of salvation in order to strengthen our union and to become a leaven—a source of unity and healing—for a world wounded by sin and division and hungry for the holy. At the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Church does two things that illustrate the relationship between the Eucharist and the Christian life: washing of feet and collecting gifts for the poor. The ritual gesture of service leads to the work of charity. Christ is present in the liturgical act and in the charity that flows from it: "Where true charity is dwelling, God is present there" (antiphon for Offertory Chant, Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper). Christ's command, "Do this in memory of me," is therefore not only a call to partake of the Eucharist, but also a summons to charity and service.

### Conclusion

As we commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of Sacrosanctum Concilium. . . , we thank you for your ongoing, sustained, and ever-deepening contribution to liturgical ministry. We offer these reflections as an encouragement and an exhortation to continue the work you have undertaken so faithfully for the Church. It is our fervent hope and daily prayer that we might live in the Word proclaimed and the sacraments enacted. "What we have received we hand on to you" (see 1 Cor. 11:23). In the Liturgy we celebrate the dying and rising of Christ, and through him our own dying and rising in the *communio* of the Church. The words of the Prayer over the Offerings for December 20 ring true; we pray together that:

by participating in this mystery, we may possess at last the gifts we have awaited and for which our faith bids us hope.

In the meantime we celebrate the Liturgy as both privileged and humble *stewards of the tradition*.

# CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

The **Children's Liturgy of the Word** will begin at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **March 2, 2014**. Next Sunday, February 23, after the 9:30 Mass, we'll introduce you to it at an "Open House" after Mass.

## *Where does the idea of the Children's Liturgy of the Word come from?*

It comes out of the *Directory for Masses with Children* which tells us in paragraph 17, "Sometimes, if the place itself and the nature of the community permit, it will be appropriate to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word, including a homily, with the children in a separate, but not too distant, room. Then, before the Eucharistic liturgy begins, the children are led to the place where the adults have meanwhile celebrated their own Liturgy of the Word."

## *How does the Children's Liturgy of the Word work?*

After the Collect (the Opening Prayer of the Mass), children **first-grade and older** are invited to come forward to the sanctuary to receive a special dismissal. They are then escorted to a separate chapel set up in the north sacristy of the church, where they listen to that Sunday's readings as proclaimed from the *Lectionary for Masses with Children*. These are the same readings everyone else is hearing in the church, but in a slightly different translation that is easier for children to understand. A special homily is then given to the children to help them understand the readings. This Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Prayer of the Faithful, as the children pray intercessions together. Meanwhile, the Liturgy of the Word has continued as usual in the church. The children return to the church at the beginning of the collection/presentation of the gifts, and participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist as usual.

## *What is the purpose of the Children's Liturgy of the Word?*

The purpose of this is not to offer a babysitting service, nor is it to isolate the children or to make them feel unwelcome. Rather, it is actually an act of hospitality to them: they will be given the chance to listen to the Sunday readings and participate in a homily that will be on their level, and yet still be a part of the worshiping assembly, since they participate in all other parts of the Mass. It does require a certain maturity level and ability to focus, so it is intended for **first-grade children and older**, not kindergartners, pre-schoolers or toddlers.

Participating in the Children's Liturgy of the Word continues to teach children how to participate in Mass, since they do the same things as are being done in the main body of the church.

Ideally, parents and children then talk to each other on the ride home or later in the day about what they heard in their respective homilies. In this way, God's Word continues to be alive and active in the family's faith life.

## *Suppose I want my child to stay with me in the main body of the church?*

That's fine; parents are in no way required to send their children to the Children's Liturgy of the Word, and no child is forced to participate. Children are welcome to stay in the main body of the church and to participate in the Liturgy of the Word there, where the usual readings and homily will take place. Since we think this is a great opportunity for children, though, we do hope you will encourage your child to participate.

## *Come and get a better idea of what it will look like!*

We're having an **"OPEN HOUSE"** next Sunday, February 23, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Come and see the chapel space which will be used. People from the Children's Liturgy of the Word Committee will be present to explain how things will work and answer any questions you might have.

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

## Become an Altar Server!

### ATTENTION BOYS AND GIRLS OF THE PARISH FOURTH GRADE AND OLDER

We are in the process of **recruiting new Altar Servers!** Being an altar server is a great way to be involved at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. You make an important contribution to the life of the parish and you perform an important ministry. Besides, it's fun!!! You serve at weekend Masses and other special events, attend some meetings throughout the year, and have fun parties!

*Why not become an altar server?* We would love to have you, and we will provide plenty of training — no prior experience is necessary!! If you are a boy or a girl who is in the **4<sup>th</sup> grade or older (it's o.k. if you are in 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade, or even older!)**, you are invited to become an altar server. Parents, why not mention it to your daughter or son to get them interested? Training will start soon, so sign up now. If you are interested, **mail or drop off the coupon below to Monsignor Joe at the Rectory, 210 South Wellwood Avenue** (no phone calls, please; you must let me know in writing! It's OK to scan this page and send it electronically with all the info to [msgrio@oloph.org](mailto:msgrio@oloph.org)).

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE RESPOND BEFORE MARCH 11, SINCE THE FIRST TRAINING MEETING WILL BE SOON AFTER THAT** (you will receive a letter giving you specific information).

**Sorry...no responses can be accepted after March 11!**

*We hope to hear from YOU!!!*

Yes! I am interested in becoming an Altar Server!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (month/day/year) \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Family Envelope/Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_ **\*\*\*Required: Your family must be registered parishioners of OLPH as of January 2014.**

Year You Received First Holy Communion \_\_\_\_\_

Grade you are in right now \_\_\_\_\_

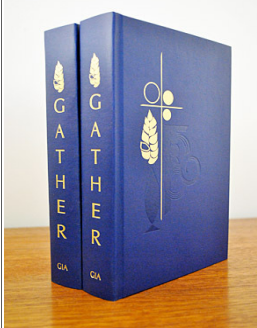
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\_\_\_\_\_ I go to Catholic school; Name of School \_\_\_\_\_



## MUSIC MINISTRY



# GATHER HYMNAL MEMORIALS

*"Those who sing pray twice."*

*St. Augustine*

I/We wish to help defray the cost of our new hymnals by offering the following memorial for \$35:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Bookplate Inscription (*choose only one per book*):

For a Deceased Person: In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

For a Living Person: In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Simple Donation: Gift of \_\_\_\_\_

*If you wish to memorialize more than one book, make copies of this form as needed.*

## A WORD ABOUT LITURGICAL PRACTICES AND GOOD HEALTH

As we continue through the winter days of cold and flu season and long for the warmer days of Spring to arrive, it's a good time to review some common-sense liturgical practices and issues, to help everyone stay healthy and to care for one another as we gather each week for Mass.

**Holy Communion:** Priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion should be especially encouraged to wash and sanitize their hands before Mass begins. If Communion ministers need to clean their hands during Mass, it must be done discreetly. The best way for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to clean their hands during Mass is to use a sanitizing liquid in the pew before they come into the sanctuary (sanitizing liquids have no place on the altar or among the Communion vessels and other sacred items on the credence table).

**Communion from the Chalice:** The faithful should refrain from drinking from the chalice when one has a cold or is fearful of being infected.

**Receiving on the Tongue:** Faithful who normally

receive Holy Communion on the tongue should refrain from receiving on the tongue and instead receive in the hand when one has a cold or is otherwise contagious. Do not spread your saliva to the hand of the Communion minister if you are sick; receive Communion in the hand instead.

**Greeting of Peace:** Use your own discretion and best judgment when invited to exchange the greeting of peace during the liturgy; limit physical contact with others if necessary. If a handshake is not advisable, a simple bow of the head is acceptable. Do not be insulted if someone prefers to avoid shaking your hand.

**Mass Attendance:** **MOST IMPORTANTLY, IF YOU ARE SICK, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO MASS!** There is no obligation to attend Mass if you are sick; it is not a sin to miss Mass for this reason. (Also, there is no need to go to Confession if you miss Mass because you are sick.) Personal prayer and reflection on the Sunday Scripture readings is encouraged; many people also enjoy viewing the Mass on television.

## GETTING READY FOR LENT 2014

### BRING PALMS TO BE BURNED FOR USE AS ASHES



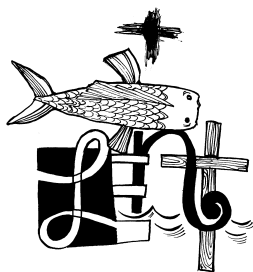
We are all familiar with the practice of receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday, which this year is March 5. The ashes are a sign of the public penance to which we are all called during the Lenten season. As we promise to repent and believe in the Gospel, the ashes brand us with the sign of the cross — a sign of our commitment to the journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, a journey which ends with the new life of baptism and baptismal renewal during the Easter season. Penitential acts are undertaken as a community, as together we journey to the cross and resurrection.

What you may not know is where the ashes come from. Very simply, the ashes used on Ash Wednesday are the ashes from palms saved from Palm Sunday the previous year, which have been burned.

This year we once again invite you to share in our communal celebration of Ash Wednesday in a special way. **We ask you to bring old palms from your home and deposit them in the baskets which will be available. These palms will then be burned at our Mardi Gras celebration on March 4 and used as ashes on Ash Wednesday.**

Please join in this meaningful gesture of community and solidarity as together we embark on our Lenten disciplines.

### PARISH LENTEN MISSION



*Save the dates...*

**Monday, March 23rd + Tuesday, March 24th +  
Wednesday, March 25th  
7:30 P.M. + Church**

This year our parish Lenten Mission will be led by **Msgr. Charles Fink**, Director of Spiritual Formation at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie.

Each night of the mission will focus on our journey during Lent—one on which we are never alone, for the Lord always accompanies us. Learn more about the journey and some good tools that will carry us the rest of the way.

### WEDNESDAY EXPOSITION CHANGE



Over the past few months, our Pastoral Staff and Liturgy Committee have discussed our experiences of Wednesday Exposition. Presently, the Eucharist is exposed from 12:45 to about 4:30 P.M. Unfortunately, at times, there are only one or two people praying before the exposed Blessed Sacrament making the prayer less of a communal celebration.

**Therefore, beginning March 12, 2014, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will conclude at 2:00 P.M. with the celebration of Daytime Prayer and Benediction.** Our hope in making this change is that some will be able to remain during the entire time of exposition. Additionally, our praying of Daytime Prayer more powerfully unites us with

the global Church.

**PLEASE NOTE: Exposition will not take place on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2014.**

# 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
- ✠ **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:** Joe Illiumato—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

## Food Pantry

Canned Tuna Fish  
 Macaroni and Cheese  
 Peanut Butter  
 Mixed Canned Vegetables  
 (no corn)  
 Mashed Potatoes  
 Canned Meats  
 Canned Meals  
 Bath Soap, Shampoo,  
 Toothpaste

Cut out this list and bring it with  
 you when you go shopping!  
 Thank you and God bless you!

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Located in the "New" School Building  
 Use Parking Lot on corner of Gates and High Streets

**Our NEW phone # 631.226.7725 x. 234**

*The office is open:*

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**9 A.M. —12 Noon**

In the Gospel Jesus says: "Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God."

**By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.**

Do you want to know the latest  
 about public policy issues and  
 how you can make a difference?  
 Then, join the



**CATHOLIC ACTION  
 NETWORK**

Visit **www.nyscatholic.org**  
 and sign up today!

Save the date...

**CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL**  
**Wednesday, March 19, 2014**



Join with Catholics throughout New  
 York State for our annual day of  
 prayer, reflection and political wit-  
 ness in Albany, NY.

To register, go to  
[www.olphlindhurst.org](http://www.olphlindhurst.org)

"A just society cannot be built without the poorest and not forgetting them, using them, ignoring what their expectations are...let us put them at the center and look at the world with their eyes, from their perspective."

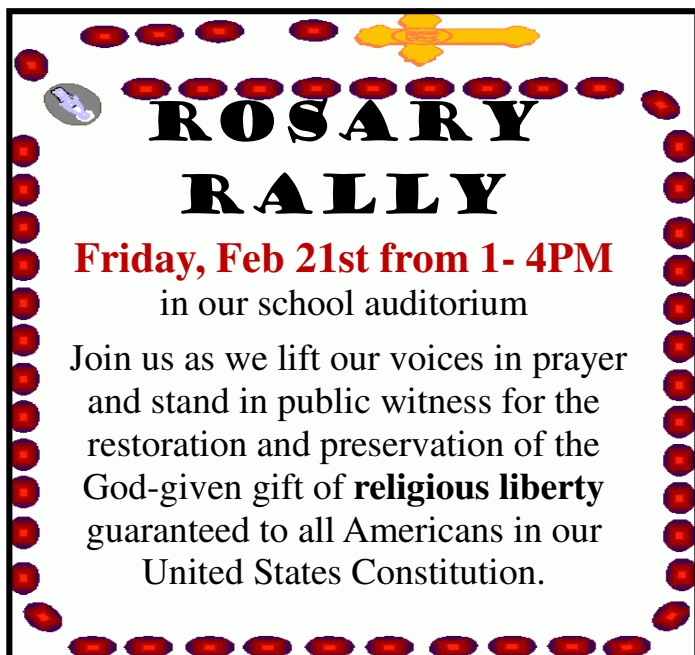
Michel Roy, General Secretary of Caritas Internationalis

# PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

## CATHOLICS FOR THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION

*"It is a freedom of religion battle. It is not about contraception. It is not about women's health.... We're talking about an unwarranted, unprecedented, radical intrusion into a church's ability to teach, serve and sanctify on its own."*

Cardinal Timothy Dolan



**ROSARY  
RALLY**

**Friday, Feb 21st from 1- 4PM**  
in our school auditorium

Join us as we lift our voices in prayer and stand in public witness for the restoration and preservation of the God-given gift of **religious liberty** guaranteed to all Americans in our United States Constitution.

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

### RESOURCES

Our Respect Life Committee has put together a list of helpful numbers and resources for those in need of information and support about significant issues impact life from natural conception to natural death.

#### **Suicide Prevention/Crisis Intervention Hotline**

Response of Suffolk County (631) 751-7500

#### **Addiction/Recovery/Self-Help**

Alcoholics Anonymous 631.669.1124

Al-Anon 631.669.2827

Families Anonymous(800) 736-9805

Gambler's Anonymous (855) 222-5542

Narcotics Anonymous 631-689-NANA

Overeaters Anonymous 631-475-5965

SA Anonymous 516-218-1336

## SENIOR MINISTRY

*Coming soon ....*

### OLPH SENIOR MOMENTS

Beginning in  
March 2014!



Aging is not "lost youth," but a new stage of opportunity and strength.

Avail yourself 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.

For more information, contact Mrs. Fran Grasso at 631.956.3003 or e-mail to [sixfingers13@gmail.com](mailto:sixfingers13@gmail.com).

## OLPH Golden Age Society

The OLPH Golden Age Society meets every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month,  
11:30am—3:00pm  
at K of C Hall, South Broadway,  
Lindenhurst.

Everyone is welcome. Please join us.  
Any questions call President,  
Dolores Barone 631-957-3432.

#### **What is the Golden Age Society?**

It's a place for our parish's seniors to come together in a social setting for community building, games, and good times.

All "Golden Ager" are welcome!



# YOUTH MINISTRY @ OLPH

High School & Middle School Youth Ministry: Brittany Marie Evans (olph.yfia@gmail.com)

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

Catholic Youth Organization: Mr. Phil Amico (olphcyophil@optonline.net)

Boy Scouts: Mr. Tom Duffy (baggage25@hotmail.com)

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

K of C Squelettes: Ann Marie Perullo (amp1761@hotmail.com)

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

OLPH's high school youth ministry is open to all 8th graders and high school students. Led by young adults of our parish community, high school youth ministry seeks to bring young people together for times of service, community and friendship.

### Upcoming High School Youth Ministry Events...

**Sunday, February 16, 2014**—2:45 P.M.

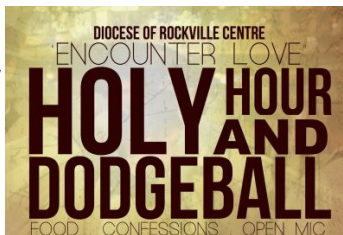
Ice Cream Social/Movie Afternoon

Enter by Room 14 in the New Building of the School

**Friday, February 21, 2014**—6:15 P.M.

### Dodgeball/ Holy Hour

Meet at the van at 6:15 as we head to Hicksville with other members of our diocese for food, fun, and fellowship! Contact Brittany (olph.yfia@gmail.com)



ASAP to book your spot in the van!

**Sunday, February 24, 2013** - 3:00 P.M.

### *Peanut Butter and Jelly Gang*

All are invited to join members of youth ministry and help us to help those most in need. We'll be making Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches to be donated to local homeless shelters.

**WE NEED TONS OF  
PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY,  
BREAD, PLASTIC BAGGIES AND  
PLASTIC GLOVES.**

All ages and families welcome!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle school youth ministry is open to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders. Each middle school night features time for fun games, community life and/or service to the local community.

### Upcoming Middle School Youth Ministry Events...

**Tuesday, February 25, 2014**—7:30 P.M.

Am I My Brother's Keeper??? Why?

What's so great about community service anyway?

7:30 –8:45 P.M.—Auditorium

Enter through the blue Auditorium doors.

## Squires Family and Friends Buffet



**Friday, February 28, 2014**

**6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

*OLPH Knights of Columbus Council +  
400 Broadway + Lindenhurst NY*

Come and join the young men who make up the Knights of Columbus Squires for a special fundraiser!

Cost is \$10 pp;  
\$30 (family up to 5 people)  
\$5 each (after 5th person)

## PARISH LIFE AND MINISTRY

*Cake bakers and drink makers  
NEEDED!*

OLPH is looking to form a new

### HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

- Are you someone who wants to use your gifts and talents, but can't make a commitment to a monthly meeting?
- Are you great at throwing together a little reception (with a little help)?
- Can you bake a dessert? Help with coffee? Shop at Costco?

One of the ways we unite as parish is to come together for times of fellowship and hospitality. We are looking to form a ministry that will help to coordinate and organize these events. This will be a great ministry for those who are not involved in the life of our parish and it can easily work around your schedule. This might also be good for some who are already involved. It's yet another way to share your gifts!

Our first (and one of the very) in-person meeting will be on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

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

*Sign up today!!!!*

### *Staying Connected...*

One way to pray for and support one another is through communication. Thanks to our Social Media Committee, OLPH will soon have a new website that will allow for more information sharing and communication.



We have started a Parish Facebook page....so "LIKE"

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Church  
Lindenhurst.**

Youth Ministry and Music Ministry at OLPH also have Facebook pages.

Our next parish Social Media Ministry meeting will be on  
Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 8:00 P.M.  
in the Rectory Meeting Room!

### *New Mothers' Meal Ministry*

**Who are we?** A group of like-minded women who want to give a new Mom (and Dad) a break by cooking and delivering a delicious meal to your home. We keep the new family in our prayers.

**Who is eligible?** This is available for (Catholic) new mothers in the OLPH Parish.



If you had a baby in the last few months and could use a break, you may contact:  
Carol Stysiack at 631- 255 3506 or e-mail [carolstys@verizon.net](mailto:carolstys@verizon.net) and put Meal Ministry in the subject line.

### LISTENING DEVICES AT MASS

Did you hear?



For some in our parish community, hearing can be difficult at Mass.

We also know there are some of us who struggle to hear in everyday life. We now offer listening devices for those who are need of hearing assistance.

#### Here's how it works...

1. Come to the sacristy before Mass and ask the Sacristan for a listening device.
2. Leave a license, car keys or some form of ID. *(We want to make sure they all get returned!)*
3. Enjoy hearing while you pray the Mass.
4. Return the listening device at the end of Mass.

## 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. Unete 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. Interesados favor llamar a Virginia Constantino al (631) 957-1149

**Lecturas de domingo 16 de febrero del 2014**

### **Primera lectura del libro del eclesiástico (15, 16-21)**

Dios no mando a pecar al hombre.

### **Segunda lectura la primera carta del apóstol San Pablo a los corintios (2, 6-10)**

Dios predestino la sabiduría antes de los siglos para nuestra gloria

### **Lectura del santo evangelio según san Mat (5, 17-37)**

Jesús dijo no crean que he venido a abolir la ley y los profetas: he venido a darle plenitud.

Para las ofrendas de pan y vino en el altar, favor llamar a la oficina parroquial

Al 631-226-7725.

Adoración al santísimo Sacramento del altar, en español. El primer sábado de cada mes

Marzo 1 es 8-9: PM Recuerda Cristo siempre te espera.

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

email [jsureau@drvc.org](mailto:jsureau@drvc.org) En español Irma González 631 620-2401

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

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

Classes will begin in the next few weeks!

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



### **DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO BE BAPTIZED?**

### **DO YOU WANT TO BE BAPTIZED? Interested?**

### **Want more information?**

For more info, please contact Fr. John ([jsureau@oloph.org](mailto:jsureau@oloph.org) or 631.226.7725) or Deacon Doug (631.226.7725)

### **FACES OF THE PARISH**

When you visit our parish offices you'll notice some new pictures depicting parish life here at OLPH. Now, we need your help!

Please submit a 4 x 6 picture (preferably electronically) to Tricia Buckley ([buckleyt@optonline.net](mailto:buckleyt@optonline.net)) or drop it off in the Parish Office. These photos will be hung in different places throughout the parish.

Thanks!

*Liturgy of the Hours*

## **EVENING PRAYER**

### **Every Saturday and Sunday**

At Evening Prayer, we give thanks for the day just past and make an evening sacrifice of praise to God (see Psalm 141:1). Join our parish for the celebration of Evening Prayer on **Saturday and Sunday evenings** at approximately **6:15 P.M.** (after the 5 P.M. Evening Mass). **All are welcome!!!**

# SERVING AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Parish Office:** 631.226.7725

**Religious Education:** 631.226.2384

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

631.226.7725 X 234

**Parish Website:**

[www.olphlindhurst.org](http://www.olphlindhurst.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 Mondays of the month excluding holidays. Contact the Parish Office to begin the process of having your child baptized.

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

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

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

## YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jean Bjork

Tricia Buckley (Chair)

Lori Byron

Marie Foster

Greg Guido

Sonia Hansen

John Keller

Kevin Sabella

Christina Taparata

James Totino

Pete Triolo

Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

## YOUR PARISH TRUSTEES

Robert Dobres

John Reynolds

## YOUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Barrett

Deacon Tom Bast

Gerry Chille (Chair)

Ed Cirella

Meg Danaher, CFP®, CLU®

Bob Dobres

Bob Meade

John Reynolds

Deacon Don Stamm

Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

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

## YOUR PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Robert Becker

Mark Costantino

Debbie McDonough

Barbara McPhail

Rosaleen Walters

Mike Williams

Msgr. Joe DeGrocco

Chris Ferraro

Deacon Doug Smith

Fr. John Sureau

Alice Vozzo

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



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, February 17 —**  
**Weekday in Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**  
*(The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order)*

6:30	John Giancola
12:15	Christine Faye Malloloy
	NO EVENING DEVOTIONS

**TUESDAY, February 18 —**  
**Weekday in Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

6:30	Michael Cavanagh
12:15	James Lynn

**WEDNESDAY, February 19 —**  
**Weekday in Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

6:30	Gerard John Gillia
12:15	Maria Francavilla

**THURSDAY, February 20—**  
**Weekday in Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

6:30	Gregory Policer
12:15	Paul Gregis

**FRIDAY, February 21—**  
**Weekday in Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**  
*(Saint Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)*

6:30	Special Intention
12:15	Kyli Abbinanti

**SATURDAY, February 22 —**  
**The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle**

8:00	George Wagner
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**Vigil Mass for  
 THE SEVENTH SUNDAY  
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00	For the People of the Parish
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**February 23  
 THE SEVENTH SUNDAY  
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

6:30	Jillian Capodiferro (Living)
8:00	Eleanor & Henry Zuber
9:30	Eileen McDonough
11:00	Dominick DeGivolamo
12:30	Charles Moore
5:00	Josephine Trezza

**MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, February 17, 2014**

**RECTORY CLOSED  
 NO ACTIVITIES**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2014**

5:30 P.M.	CYO Cheerleading	Auditorium
7:30 P.M.	Virtus Training Protecting God's Children	Room 1
7:30 P.M.	Rehearsal for Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church
7:45 P.M.	Community of Praise	Room 14
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

**Wednesday, February 19, 2014**

1:30 P.M.	Legion of Mary	Room 24
8:00 P.M.	Christian Mothers	Cafeteria

**Thursday, February 20, 2014**

4:30 P.M.	Music—Youth Choir	Room 14
5:30 P.M.	CYO Cheerleading	Auditorium
7:00 P.M.	Spanish Prayer Group	Cafeteria
7:30 P.M.	Music —Adult Choir	Church
8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous NA	Room 24
8:00 P.M.	Mothers Prayer Group	Room 16

**Friday, February 21, 2014**

1:00 P.M.	Catholics for Freedom of Religion—Rosary Rally	Auditorium
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**Saturday, February 22, 2014**

1:00 P.M.	CYO Basketball	Auditorium
8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

**Sunday, February 23, 2014**

10:30 PM	Pre-Cana	St. Lucy
12:30 PM	RCIA	Church
1:00 P.M.	CYO Basketball	Auditorium
3:00 P.M.	Youth Ministry	Cafeteria
8:00 P.M.	Alcoholics Anonymous	Cafeteria

## PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Just as the life of the Church is strengthened through more frequent celebration of the Eucharistic mystery, similarly we may hope for a new stimulus for the life of the Spirit from a growing reverence for the word of God, which "lasts forever" (Is. 40:8; see 1 Peter 1:23-25). -*Dei Verbum*, 26

### Sunday, February 23, 2014: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### *Scripture Background for next Sunday's Readings...*

**Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18:** "Because *I* said so!" What parent has not made this statement to assert his or her authority over a child who does not understand the reason for being told what to do? The very first commandment God spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai—that "You shall have no other gods beside Me"—is preceded by a similar assertion: "I am the Lord your God." Before we can even begin to understand God's ways, we must first make the decision to serve God, to submit to His ultimate authority. But here is where the similarity between God and humans ends. Unlike us, He would never instruct His children as we in our weakness might: to "Do as I say and not as I do." Rather, as the Lord tells all the Israelite people through Moses, "Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy." That is to say: "Imitate Me in your dealings with one another. Do as I say AND as I do!"

**1 Corinthians 3:16-23:** Paul established a Christian community in Corinth about the year 51, on his second missionary journey. While Paul was in Ephesus on his third journey (1 Cor 16:8; Acts 19:1–20), he received upsetting news about Corinth. The community there was fraught with division, as certain members were identifying themselves exclusively with individual Christian leaders, and interpreting Christian teaching as a superior wisdom only for the initiated few (1 Cor 1:10–4:21). Paul reminds the Corinthians that they are all one in Christ, and that each of them, as holy temples of the Spirit of God, possesses the fullness of the true wisdom that can only come from God.

**Matthew 5:38-48:** Explaining what is at the heart of Law with the authority of God Himself, Jesus teaches the people that they are not true children of God unless they imitate their Father in their dealings with one another, even to the point of showing mercy and doing good to their enemies.

#### *Gospel Reflection Questions....*

*After reading next Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 5:38-48) take some time to pray on it before you come to Mass.*

1. Who loves like that? Did Jesus show us a new revolutionary kind of acting when he showed us how to love our enemies? How far was he willing to go for them with his radical self-emptying? How far was the Father, "who makes the sun shine on the evil and the good," willing to go for his children?

2. Is it easy to love your enemies? What might help? What do you think praying for those who persecute you might do for you? "If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well." So Jesus tells us to give more than is asked of us. How did he give us an example of this?

## Readings for the Week

*Take time each day to read the daily readings of the Church. You can access the readings through our parish website.*

**Monday, February 17, 2014:**

James 1:1-11 + Mark 8:11-13

**Tuesday, February 18, 2014:**

James 1:12-18 + Mark 8:14-21

**Wednesday, February 19, 2014:**

James 1:19-27 + Mark 8:22-26

**Thursday, February 20, 2014:**

James 2:1-9 + Mark 8:27-33

**Friday, February 21, 2014:**

James 2:14-24, 26 + Mark 8:34-9:1

**Saturday, February 22, 2014:**

1 Peter 5:1-4 + Matthew 16:13-19

# PRAYING FOR AND SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

## MASS MEMORIALS

A beautiful way to remember a loved one!  
 Memorials used during the Masses for week of  
 Feb. 16-22:

### *Altar Bread & Wine*

*In Loving Memory of*

*Sean, John, Kevin & Terence Kennedy*

*From*

*Peggy & Family*

*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:

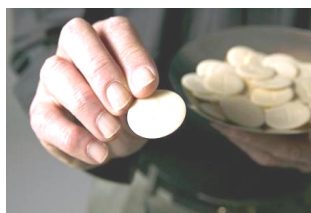
*Michael Gregory, Jr. &  
 Christina Ventrella (OLPH)*

## WE REMEMBER

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

*Angelina Glass  
 Marie MacDougall  
 Mario Lauria  
 Elinor Cunningham*

*“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.”*



## GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS

Gluten-free hosts are available for those with Celiac Disease who cannot receive Holy Communion using the usual bread. If you need to receive Holy Communion using a gluten-free host, please stop in the sacristy before Mass to discuss this with the priest. We will be happy to accommodate you.

## WE BELIEVE

*The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?  
 The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? - Psalm 27*

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

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Joan Weremeichek       | Michael Cummo     |
| Ann Marie Nuss         | Julia Cicala      |
| Dorothy Vogt           | Anthony Kercelius |
| Mary Armbruster        | Bill Maher        |
| William Delena         | Kevin M. Curran   |
| John Manning           | Dominick Barone   |
| Joan Woelfel           | Robert Horan      |
| George Walters         | William Sullivan  |
| Baby Liam Michael Snow | William Trigg     |
| Vincent Malito         | Maria Rymdiak     |
| Salvatore Cicala       | Natalie Boscia    |
| Herb Otten             | Graham Jansen     |
| Bernard Celestine      | Nanette Ringle    |
| Patricia O'Shea        | Lorraine Schmidt  |
| Richard Brosan         | Mary King         |
| Gloria Licameli        | Bernard Lang      |
| Baby Alexandra Digiamo |                   |
| Christopher Ditalia    |                   |

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.

As has been our practice, after the fourth week, the name will be removed from the sick list in the bulletin. If you wish to have your name or the name of a loved one to remain in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Office to let us know.

## PRAYING FOR THE SICK AT MASS

We pray for the sick by name during the Universal Prayer at Mass. Any name requested to be listed in the bulletin will be announced for the first week only at Mass and will remain in the bulletin for the following three weeks.



# OFFERING UPDATE

**Feb. 8/9, 2014**

Mass Time	Weekly Collection	# of Envelopes	Attendance
5:00 P.M.	\$2,748.00	1219	335
6:30 A.M.	1,137.00	46	100
8:00 A.M.	2,056.00	93	219
9:30 A.M.	1,657.00	92	326
11:00 A.M.	2,637.00	124	473
12:30 P.M.	2,573.00	114	338
5:00 P.M.	1,772.00	34	335
<b>Total coin:</b>	36.07		
<b>Mail-ins:</b>	480.00		
<b>Children's env.</b>	66.47	24	
<b>Faith Direct</b>	2,143.25		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$17,305.79	656	2,126
<b>2013 Totals</b>	\$14,782.92	459	1,501
<b>CANDLES</b>	881.02		
<b>POOR BOX</b>	250.71		

# Knights of Columbus



**LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO  
BOOK YOUR  
NEXT PARTY?**

Try the

**OLPH Knights of Columbus #794 Hall  
400 South Broadway, Lindenhurst NY**

We are open to all types of parties:

Birthdays, Sweet 16's, Anniversaries,  
Communions, Graduations & Fundraising

We offer both catered &  
non-catered parties.

*For more information or to book your party please call  
and ask for Philip & Katherine Renna 631-226-3240.*

## 2014 Golf Outing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help's  
Annual Golf Outing date for 2014....  
**Monday, September 22nd**

We are in need of  
parishioners to serve on  
our Golf Committee. If  
you're interested, please  
contact Bob Dobres at  
631.592.8697.



### Help Needed to Maintain Photos of Those in the Military



As you know, OLPH has the custom of displaying the photographs of parishioners who are serving in the military, so that we might pray for them. However, our display is in need of some ongoing tender loving care: photos are outdated (some have left the service, for example) and in general the display needs ongoing oversight. We are looking for someone who would offer themselves to oversee this. The time and work involved would be very minimal.

If you would like to offer to take on the responsibility of maintaining the corner where we keep photographs of our parishioners in the military, please contact Msgr. Joe at [msgjrjoe@oloph.org](mailto:msgjrjoe@oloph.org) or 226-7725, ext. 206. Thank you.




**The Rectory will be  
closed Mon, Feb. 17 &  
will open for regular  
hours on Tuesday.**



# DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- ◆ **Good Samaritan Hospital** offers a free lecture series, “*Good Sam University.*” The format features a monthly lecture in three categories: “*Food For Thought,*” showing the impact of nutrition on a person’s health at every stage of life; “*Women’s Wellness,*” addressing women’s health issues; and “*Aging Gracefully,*” providing expert advice on topics related to health and wellness in the senior years. The next lecture in the Food For Thought series is Healthy Meals for Healthy Hearts on Tuesday, **February 25** at 6:00 pm at West Islip Fire Department, 309 Union Blvd. with Nutritionist Gerard Mure, MS, RD.
- ◆ **The Opening Word Program**, Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church, Wyandanch, (631-920-0916) provides classes for women who want to improve their English language skills. Classes will be held Monday—Friday 9:00am—2:00pm. Registration: Feb. 25, Feb. 27, March 4, & March 6 from 9:30am - 11:30am in the Parish Hall. Please bring identification and registration fee of \$20 (cash please).
- ◆ **MAGNIFICAT Retreat:** You are invited to attend a Retreat sponsored by Magnificat - a ministry to *Catholic women* starting on **Friday, February 28th through Sunday, March 2nd**, which will be held at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington, NY. Our speaker is Sister Miriam James, who is gifted and anointed to teach and to bring healing to the hearts of women. Sister Miriam James travels around the country speaking and sharing her testimony, leading women to walk as true Daughters of the King! The cost is \$230 per person and reservations are required, as space is limited. For more information, call Angela Rizzo at (516) 763-1739.
- ◆ **Catholic Homeschool Conference—March 21.** *The Immaculate Heart of Mary Long Island Homeschool and Parent Conference* will be held at the Cure of Ars Roman Catholic Church, Merrick, Friday, March 21 from 12noon—8:00PM. Admission is free. For information visit [www.ihmconference.org](http://www.ihmconference.org) or call 540-622-5543.
- ◆ **The Case For Life-Pro-Life Apologetics Training Weekend.** The LI Coalition For Life Educational Trust invites you to hear Scott Klusendorf, President, Life Training Institute. Learn how to persuasively defend the pro-life position in the public square. Friday, **March 28th**, 7PM-9PM: The Case for Life- understanding and articulating pro-life truths Saturday, **March 29th**, 9AM-Noon: Handling modern day relativism; Effective tactics; Credibly responding to abortion advocates. In the *Joseph Barry Knights of Columbus Hall* (45 Heitz Pl. Hicksville) *Weekend Registration* donation: \$20; \$10 for students (covers both days). Registration includes presentation notes plus a copy of “*Stand for Life: Answering the Call, Making the Case, Saving Lives*” (co-authored by Klusendorf) Light refreshments served. RSVP requested (for book count and refreshments) to [FORTYD-FLLI@gmail.com](mailto:FORTYD-FLLI@gmail.com) Sponsored by LICL Educational Trust: 631-243-1435; [www.prolifeLI.org](http://www.prolifeLI.org).
- ◆ **2014 Long Island Catholic Men's Conference “For God and Country”** “*Long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!*” Join over 600 proud Catholic American men of the diocese on **Saturday, March 29, 2014** at Holy Trinity Diocesan High School for an amazing day that will inspire you to live everyday as a Catholic Patriot! Topics include: “*The Miracle of Fr. Kapaun*” the story of a future saint who was a WWII and Korean War chaplain, martyr and Medal of Honor Recipient; *John Gonzalez* of Catholic Charities will talk to us about “Faithful Citizenship;” “*The Light of Faith and the Joy of the Gospel*” by “Seize the Day” radio show host Gus Lloyd. Join us as we honor Lt. Michael Murphy as our 2014 Msgr. Kissane Award Recipient! Register online at [www.catholicmensministry.net](http://www.catholicmensministry.net) or call Gregory Guido at 631-789-4008 (limited seating available).
- ◆ The **Long Island Coalition for Life** is sponsoring an Oratory Contest for 11th and 12th graders. Those interested must present a five to seven minute speech on a topic related to abortion, euthanasia or cloning/stem-cell research. For more information contact Louise Perrotta at [louiseperrotta@optonline.net](mailto:louiseperrotta@optonline.net).
- ◆ **JOIN US ON OUR PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, September 27-October 13. Lago Maggiore, Venice** (Doge Palace, St. Mark’s Basilica, Murano Glass Factory), **Padua, Florence** (Michelangelo’s “David,” Giotto’s Bell Tower, Baptistery of St. John, Church of the Holy Cross), **Assisi** (Basilica of St. Francis, Cathedral of s. Chiara, San Damiano), **Rome** (Audience with Pope Francis, Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter’s Basilica), **San Giovanni Rotondo** (St. Padre Pio birthplace and burial place). Land portion (excluding airfare) \$5200-\$5600 based on number of people. Includes 15 nights in all 4-star hotels; all breakfasts and dinners; wine, mineral water and coffee with dinner; all tours and guides; all portage and tips; motorcoach transportation; welcome cocktail party in Stresa/Lago Maggiore. For more information and to sign up, contact Roseanne and Tony at [roto26@optonline.net](mailto:roto26@optonline.net) or call (516) 541-7844.

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