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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 6– 32ND SUNDAY**

- 6:30 - Living & Deceased Members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society
- 8:00 - Respect Life
- 9:30 - All Souls Intentions
- 11:00 - Book of the Faithful Departed
- 12:30 - Mass for the People of the Parish
- 5:00 - Tree of Life
- 6:30 - Polish Mass–

**MONDAY: NOV. 7–Weekday** (*Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6*)

- 8:00 - All Souls Intentions
- 12:00 - Edward Mikoleski, Sr.
- 7:00 - Gregory Kienle
- 7:30 - Devotions (Novena)

**TUESDAY: Nov. 8 - Weekday** (*Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10*)

- 8:00 - All Souls Intentions
- 12:00 - Frank Stancati
- 7:00 - Kristy Lynn Schwartz

**WEDNESDAY: Nov. 9 - Weekday** (*Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22*)

- 8:00 - Giuseppe Lentini
- 12:00 - All Souls Intentions
- 7:00 - Vincent Trotta

**THURSDAY: Nov. 10 -Weekday** (*Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25*)

- 8:00 - Gaspare & Maria Piazza
- 12:00 - MaryAnn Mathes
- 7:00 - All Souls Intentions

**FRIDAY: Nov. 11– Weekday** (*Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37*)  
*Veteran's Day* **RECTORY CLOSED**

- 8:00 - Deacon George Connolly
- 12:00 - All Souls Intentions
- 7:00 - Anna Cuoco

**SATURDAY: Nov. 12–Weekday** (*Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8*)

- 8:00 - All Souls Intentions
- 9:00 - Pearl Levine

**VIGIL MASS –**

- 5:00 - Alexis Polanco

*Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*



**Mission Statement**

“Trusting in God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and, motivated by Christ’s Life, Death and Resurrection, we, the people of God, under the protection of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, accept as our mission, the evangelization of our parishioners both active and inactive. We accept the call to bring all to a personal, Covenant relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior, to live the Paschal Mystery and to promote the spiritual health and growth of everyone in our parish community.”

*- The OLPH Pastoral Council*





From the Pastor's Desk:

PART OF MASS	PRESENT TEXT	NEW TEXT
<b>Suscipiat Dominus</b>	May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.	May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his <b>holy</b> Church.
<b>Preface Dialogue</b>	<p><b>Priest:</b> The Lord be with you.  <b>People:</b> And also with you.  <b>Priest:</b> Lift up your hearts.  <b>People:</b> We lift them up to the Lord.  <b>Priest:</b> Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  <b>People:</b> It is right to give him thanks and praise.</p>	<p><b>Priest:</b> The Lord be with you.  <b>People: And with your spirit.</b>  <b>Priest:</b> Lift up your hearts.  <b>People:</b> We lift them up to the Lord.  <b>Priest:</b> Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  <b>People: It is right and just.</b></p>
<b>Sanctus</b>	Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.	Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
<b>Mystery of Faith (formerly the Memorial Acclamation)</b>	<p><b>Priest:</b> Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:  <b>People:</b>  <b>A</b> – Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.  <b>or B</b> – Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.  <b>or C</b> – When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.  <b>or D</b> – Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. You are the Savior of the World.</p>	<p><b>Priest:</b> The mystery of faith.  <b>People:</b>  <b>A</b> – We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.  <b>or B</b> – When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.  <b>or C</b> – Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.</p>

*Let us pray and worship with deep faith in the reality of God's Presence among and within us. May we believe more deeply and become that which we believe. May God +bless you and yours today and forever,*

*Fr. Trapani*

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

*Second Time:*

*Adrian Draguc (St. Rose of Lima) & Magdalena Mieczkowska (OLPH)*

*Joseph Marchese (St. Ignatius, Long Beach) & Coleen Bohan (OLPH)*

*Donna J. Burke & Andrew A. Wanczowski (Both of OLPH)*

*First Time:*

*Paul Pisano (OLPH) & Jessica Goldin*



**Baptisms**

*Dagmara Julia Krzal  
Giulianna Marie Irvine*

*We Welcome you, with love,  
to our parish family!*



*We have had 93 Baptisms  
so far this year.*

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

*John Bertone Elaine Tejera  
Roccio Brady Jim Kendall  
Rita Padilla Helen Kane  
Rose McDermott  
Timothy Robert Smith  
Diane Smalling*

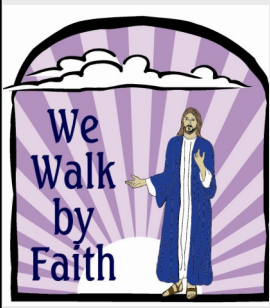
*Dear God,  
We place our worries in Your hands  
and ask that You restore Your servant to  
health again.*



**PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

*Mary Pulaski  
John J. O'Connor  
Allen Conlon  
Patricia Tyrie  
Frank Pinghera, Jr.*

*We ask you, O God,  
to be our quiet strength  
and consolation.*



**As Christian Stewards in Today's World, We "Walk by Faith."**

**November 6, 2011— 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Like the sensible bridesmaids in today's parable, good stewards make sure they, and whatever gifts are theirs to share, are ready to serve when the Master calls.**

*We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who recognize that God's gifts are present in all facets of our life and should be used in service to our neighbor and the wider community.*

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

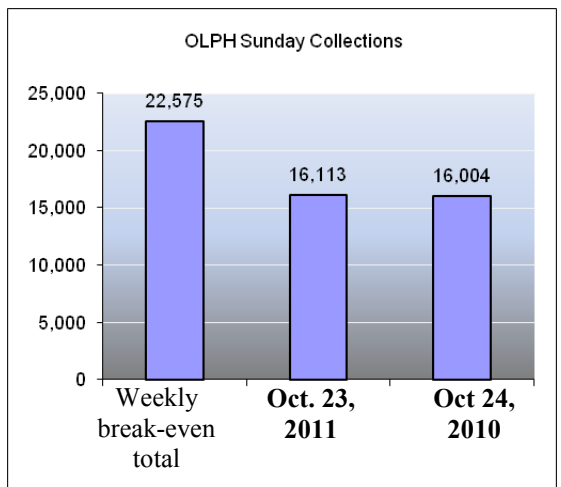
Your Parish Finance Council has suggested that this simple bar graph be added to our weekly bulletin to illustrate the gap between the Sunday collection and the amount needed to achieve a balanced parish budget. Since the beginning of our fiscal year, September 1, 2011, we have experienced a weekly shortfall in collections. It is urgent that we begin to reverse this trend.

**OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH  
DEPENDS ON YOUR GENEROSITY  
HELP CLOSE THE GAP!**

*All envelopes, including children's envelopes, must have your account number and offering amount indicated in order for your account to be credited for weekly and special donations.*

*The account number, after the #267, is located under the date. Remember you must be registered in the parish in order to receive envelopes. Thank you.*

**We now have 83 parishioners/families enrolled in Faith Direct!**



### PARISH NEWS

➤ *Congratulations to our November "1000 Club" Winners:*

\$1000— Mr. & Mrs. Nick Cianciotta  
 \$250—Ann S. Messina  
 \$150—Eileen Whittaker  
 \$100—Thomas Kelly

- **Holy Name Turkey Raffle 2011:** Members of The Holy Name Society will be at the doors of the church after all the Masses selling chances for it's *annual Turkey Raffle* the weekends of **November 5&6 and 12&13**. The drawing will be held on **Nov. 13** after the 12:30 Mass.
- **Please be advised of street closures Sunday, Nov. 13 from 9am—11:30 am for the "10K, 5K and 1 mile walk/run for the warriors"**. Check the bulletin boards at the doors of the Church for streets affected by the route or call Babylon Town Hall at 631-957-3072 (DO NOT CALL THE RECTORY)
- **VENDORS WANTED** for the *K of C Annual Holiday Gift and Craft Fair*. Tables starting at just \$40. For more information and for an application contact Sal @ 516-410-1205 or [kofccraftfair@yahoo.com](mailto:kofccraftfair@yahoo.com)
- **THANKSGIVING/CHRISTMAS ADOPTIONS:** Anyone wishing to adopt a family for the Holidays, please contact the *St. Vincent de Paul Office* at 225-5531 or Rectory 226-7725 **by Nov. 9, 2011**.
- **Knights of Columbus:** Annual Memorial Mass at K of C Hall, to be said by Fr. Trapani on **Nov. 18**, at 8pm will be said for all members who have passed away this year. Everyone is welcome—Family members are invited. Refreshments after the Mass.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- The **30th Annual Adoption Conference** will take place on Sunday, **November 20**, at *Saint Francis College in Brooklyn*, New York. The conference lasts from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Mr. Joe Kroll, Executive Director North American Council on Adoptive Children (NACAC) is the keynote speaker. For further information call, 212-304-8479; or [www.adoptiveparents.org](http://www.adoptiveparents.org)
- **BIOLOGY OF THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY November 8th and 9th** workshops will be offered at three parish locations. The Respect Life Office of the Diocese invites you to a fascinating workshop on the Biology of the Theology of the Body. This presentation is designed to further one's understanding on the bio-chemistry of sex, the sexual revolution and the science of attraction. The Respect Life Office of the Diocese invites you to a fascinating workshop on the Biology of the Theology of the Body. This presentation is designed to further one's understanding on the bio-chemistry of sex, the sexual revolution and the science of attraction. This important study on sexual morality and theological data show the Church's teaching is not an out-dated philosophy. Go to [drvc.org](http://drvc.org) and look in the upcoming events section for **more information and registration form**.
- **Holiday Help for the Bereaved:** St. Mary's Church, E. Islip, is offering a special program for all who have suffered the death of a loved one and are struggling to cope with the upcoming holidays. **Wed., Nov. 16**, 7:30 –9 pm in the Sacred Heart Hall. Guest Speaker is Marianne Esolen, LMSW. A free-will offering is appreciated. Please **RSVP** to St. Mary's 631-581-4266 X 0 by **11/12**, as refreshments will be served.
- **Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy**—provided by NYS licensed therapists available to our parish and 102 other parishes. Services provided by Catholic Counseling Center. Most insurance policies, including Medicare, are honored. Confidential information and appointments: call Dr. Giuliani 631-243-2503 or go to our website [thecatholiccounselingcenter.com](http://thecatholiccounselingcenter.com).

All items, notices and announcements for the bulletin must be received by the church office **no later than Tuesday noon** to appear in that week's bulletin. **Any large articles or announcements, etc., i.e. 1/4 page or more should be received no later than Thursday of the preceding week.** We need this time to get approval from Fr. Trapani to run the item, assemble and edit the bulletin. Your cooperation to this end is necessary and greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Ministry of Praise

November 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In our Profession of Faith that we make at Mass, we say we believe in the Communion of Saints. This is a belief that the prayers of those who have gone before us into the Lord's presence and the prayers of us believers still on our journey here on earth are connected.

Those faithful who have gone before us are not dead but living in Christ. God reveals to us that he is a God of the living as he tells Moses at the burning bush that he is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Exodus 3:6a Then God said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob."

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob had long since passed from earthly life before the time of Moses. Still, God says to Moses, "I am their God," not, "I was their God", thus indicating that in God they still live and have their being.

You also, along with all the faithful of the living body of Christ, who make up the Church, are saints in the sight of God. In 2 Cor 1:1, St. Paul writes, "I Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the church of God in Corinth, together with all the saints throughout Achaia."

St. Paul's reference in this scripture passage, along with many other references to saints in his other epistles, he is referring to the church members still on the earthly journey to the heavenly Kingdom of God.

You who have undertaken this mission to praise God and pray for the needs of God's people, the Church, are the saints of today present in the midst of the world. Your prayers are connected with the prayers of Mary, our blessed mother, and all the saints who have gone before us. Your prayers with theirs form the communion of saints which we profess we believe in.

Each November 1st. we begin the celebration of the Mass by offering it for all the saints who have gone before us into the presence of God. On the 2nd. day of November we offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass that we celebrate for the souls of all our deceased members, family, friends and acquaintances. Most especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

For the month of November please continue to pray for these intentions. Also include in your prayers the sick and dying members of our parish along with those persons who are in the R.C.I.A. program as well as those who experienced the Life in the Spirit Seminars this year. May you always experience the peace of Jesus.

Your brother in Christ,

*Frank*

Deacon Frank Odin

In Honor of All Saints Day the following children dressed as their favorite Saint; Saint Anne



- Arianna Pentecost, Saint Therese of Lisieux - Jamie Pentecost, Santa Rosalia - Elena Marie Zuca and Saint Francis - Danny Haubenreich. During Fr. Opoku's homily the children participated and gave information about the Saint they represented. They explained why they picked their particular Saint, the Saints feast day and the reason the Saint is remembered.



On Oct. 30th, OLPH Christian Mothers went on their annual retreat to the Cenacle located in Ronkonkoma. We were greeted by Sr. Judy and given a tour of the new building. We were guided in prayer and reflections by Sr. Barbara. We reflected on the Saints and Holy Souls. The questions we were asked to ponder were; How did you learn about the Saints and Holy Souls as children and How do you experience them now. The day was inspirational to us all.





Join Us for "Family Life"  
Advent Project Night



Advent- A Time of Waiting for Jesus

Come share and explore the meaning of Advent and the Nativity Wreath with your families, friends and neighbors as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the coming of Jesus, our Savior and Lord.

Date: Friday, November 18, 2011

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Place: OLPH Parish/School cafeteria

Costs: \$3.00 per family

- Parents & grandparents bring your children or grandchildren for an activity that centers on Advent as a season of preparation and joy.
- There will be short presentation of the Mass changes which will begin on the First Weekend of Advent by Deacon Doug. Each family will be provided with a resource booklet; What's New about the Mass to help your family understand the changes.
- Meet with friends and neighbors for an evening of prayer, fun, crafts, and light refreshments.

Mail or drop this form and \$3.00 in an envelope marked Attention

Family Life to the Rectory:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help 220 South Wellwood Ave. Lindenhurst 11757

Questions?: Call, Debbie 957-0765

Please RSVP by: Monday, November 14, 2011

**DUE TO LIMITED SEATING RESERVATION ARE REQUIRED**

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Money amt. cash \_\_\_\_\_ check \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you would like to bake \_\_\_\_\_ or Help \_\_\_\_\_ at this event



Upcoming  
Family Life  
activities:

Friday, December

2nd: Saint Nicholas Story time.

Christmas Eve Pageant

Practices:

Fri. Dec. 9th, Tues. Dec. 13 &

Fri. Dec. 16th.

All children age 4 and up are accepted!

(must attend all practices to participate)

Details later for sign up and further information.



Father Trapani asks that EVERYONE be aware of the spreading of germs.

If you have a cold or are susceptible to colds use common sense during the Sign of Peace. A "Sign of Peace" does not have to be a handshake or an embrace. It can be a sincere "Smile" and or a "Wave of the hand". Do not be offended if someone does not shake your hand. Just say, "Christ peace be with you".



Society of St. Vincent de Paul :

"THE HUNGRY ARE ALWAYS HUNGRY"

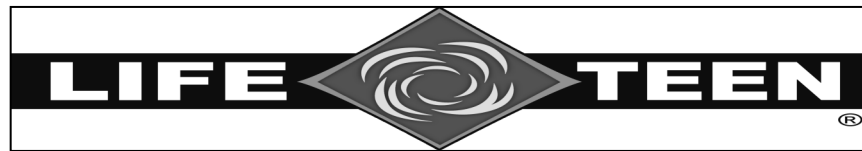


**CEREAL, CANNED MEATS, CANNED FRUIT, POWDERED & SHELF MILK, GRANULATED SUGAR, CHICKEN & BEEF BROTH, JUICES, SOUP CONTAINING MEAT, CANNED STEW, CANNED CARROTS, CANNED SPINACH, PEANUT BUTTER, PORK & BEANS, SPAGHETTI SAUCE, PASTA, PUDDINGS & JELLO, RICE, COFFEE (REG. & INSTANT), TEA, CANNED POTATOES, INSTANT POTATOES, MACARONI & CHEESE, TUNA, PANCAKE MIX & SYRUP, JELLY, JAM, TOILET TISSUE, TOOTHPASTE, SOAP & SHAMPOO, RAZORS & SHAVING CREAM.**

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED ANSWERING THE CALL OF "COME AND FOLLOW JESUS" BY JOINING THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL?**

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry is located at 272 South Wellwood Ave.

The office is open ONLY on *Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 am—12 noon.* Call 631-225-5531.



## Leading Teens Closer To Christ

**2011**

**Life Night TONIGHT 11/6- Blindsided**

**Friday 11/11 - DODGE BALL! Meet at the van at 6!**

**Interested in joining our Core Team? Shoot us an email at [olphlifeteen1@gmail.com](mailto:olphlifeteen1@gmail.com) We are always looking for young adults to lead our teens closer to Christ.**

**Are you in high school? Check out one of our Life Teen events! Fun, Faith, and Food. What more could you ask for?**

**Meet us for 5pm mass, the Life Night starts at 6:15, in the convent basement.**

**CHECK US OUT! <http://lifeteenolph.weebly.com/>**

We as a Life Teen community need YOUR HELP! We are looking for the following:

- An alternate driver for the 15 passenger van
- We are still looking for donations of chairs, couches, rugs, games, party decor, water bottles, snacks, anything that is in good condition and you are willing to part with!
- Also looking for parents to help make food for the Life Nights.

To help in anyway please email us here: [OLPHLIFETEEN1@gmail.com](mailto:OLPHLIFETEEN1@gmail.com) OR call 631-226-6239  
*Also, we are still looking for young adults interested in leading our teens closer to Christ. Contact Brittany @ [olphlifeteen1@gmail.com](mailto:olphlifeteen1@gmail.com)*

We are praying for you all but if you have a specific prayer request email it here:  
[olphlifeteen1@gmail.com](mailto:olphlifeteen1@gmail.com)

PARENTS: Don't forget to check our website weekly [www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com](http://www.lifeteenolph.weebly.com)



The Edge is for all middle school age kids - no matter where you go to school—this is the place for you! We meet in the basement of the Convent. Look for the blue door on the south side of the Convent. We meet from 7:30 til 8:45 pm. It's a great place to come, hang out, play great games and learn about our faith. **Just come on down**, no need to sign up!

**NEXT EDGE—NOVEMBER 22**

Check out the EDGE website @ [www.olphym.com](http://www.olphym.com) or call 226-6239 and leave a message for Peggy

### PARISH SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

**“Here I am!” HAPPY BIRTHDAY SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!**

Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month - - nine months after her mother conceived her. The only change at birth is a change in the external life support system of the baby. She is no different now than she before birth except that she breathes and eats differently. She is truly a miracle. She began as a 46-chromosome cell and has grown over the past nine months into this unique human baby we now can see. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is exactly like your spiritually adopted baby. Your prayers saved her life. Thank you on behalf of all of the little babies and their mothers for your loving prayers that helped to bring them to birth “so that they might have life and have it to the full!”



## Building a Stronger Catholic Elementary Education Ongoing Series on the Strategic Plan: Vision for the Future

The Diocese of Rockville Centre released a Strategic Plan for Catholic Elementary Education on September 22, 2011, outlining the goals and actions that will provide a future for Catholic elementary schools on Long Island that is fiscally secure, academically excellent and fully engaged in promoting the Catholic faith and values. This is one in a series of ongoing articles to acquaint you with the essence of the Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan may be accessed through the diocesan website, [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org).

### Challenges

The Strategic Plan was initiated in response to several distinct challenges beyond the control of our Diocese that confront us today and require us to examine ways to preserve and enhance our elementary schools for future generations of students and their families.

- Changing demographics: The aging population of Nassau and Suffolk counties is producing fewer children, leading to enrollment declines not only in Catholic schools but also in public, independent, and religious schools.
- Rising costs: Rising operating costs have strained the budgets of parishes and the Diocese at the same time as the economic downturn has strained the budgets of families, making tuition more difficult to afford.
- Societal trends: Continuing secularization of society has diminished interest in religious education.
- Government policy: The state government does not grant tuition tax credits to parents who send their children to Catholic schools, despite saving hundreds of millions of dollars by not having to spend state funds to educate Catholic school students.

Taken together, these factors go a long way to explain why fewer parents are choosing to send their children to our elementary schools. In the 1960s, our Diocese of Rockville had 92 elementary schools with 78,000 students. Last year, we had 55 elementary schools with 19,000 students.

To address these challenges, Bishop William Murphy empanelled a special Bishop's Advisory Committee on Catholic Education, which has produced a Strategic Plan that provides a framework for preserving and enhancing our elementary schools. The Strategic Plan is about renewing and transforming our schools. We are at once renewing our commitment to our elementary schools and transforming them in ways that will make them better through high academic standards, faith-based learning, and programs that reflect the best practices in education today. By addressing our challenges together, we will overcome them and continue to offer outstanding primary education for our children.

Each week we will be providing more information about the Strategic Plan and our vision for the future of Catholic elementary schools in our Diocese. To access the Strategic Plan and previous articles on the Plan, go to [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org).

With the busy Holiday Season right around the corner, enrolling in Faith Direct is a great way to take one item off your weekly to-do list. Pick up an enrollment form from the parish office today or enroll online at **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 You,

*Father Anthony*

I am interested in volunteering at OLPH Parish (indicate choice)

- Family Life Ministry     Wedding Rehearsal     Usher     Lector     Other

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

*Return to **Linda McLellan** at the Rectory - A Volunteer Form will be sent to you & you will be contacted.*

**Squires  
Holiday Fish Fry  
Tired of turkey?!?!  
Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
400 South Broadway  
6 - 8 pm**



**\$8.00 pp or \$25.00 family**

Includes: Beer, wine or soda

Side Dish: fries or pasta w/ assorted sauces

Main Course: Panko Breaded Tilapia,  
Chicken, Eggplant Parmigian

*This month's special:*

***Penne Alla Vodka with Shrimp***

Dessert & Coffee

Questions or reservations: Sal 631-412-5451



**Nov. 6, 2011 — 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Wis. 6:12-16; 1Thes. 4:13-18; Mt. 25:1-13**

In today's Gospel, Matthew's recount of the 10 virgins sits amidst numerous parables about the heavenly kingdom.

In fact, all three of the readings today are eschatological in nature. In the first reading, the writer personifies a heavenly wisdom, making note that this wisdom, which is clearly beyond this world, is readily available for those who prudently live their lives seeking it. That which is the only wisdom that satisfies "graciously appears" to those who "keep vigil."

In the second reading, Paul addresses the Thessalonians about those who have died, assuring them that, through His death and resurrection, Christ has won the victory for us. Therefore, those who die in Christ will be raised. So, it is clear that the message of today's readings is one that transcends this world. They communicate to us about the hereafter. The lesson here is this: if you are not prepared for the heavenly feast, you will be locked out forever!

It is a sobering reminder of God's love and justice. We don't know when the Lord's return will take place or when we will be ushered from this earth, so as stewards of God's manifold gifts, we must use all of the time we have – every minute that passes – wisely.

*Have You ever thought of doing something special for the Lord by becoming an Altar Server???*

***Our Lady of Perpetual  
Help***

***Invites You to  
Join our***



**Altar Server Team**

**Who: 4<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church**

**When: Classes Start In the Fall 2011**

**Dear Deacon Bill Crosby:**

**I am interested in becoming an altar server.**

**(Print) Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Cell #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **in Fall '11**

**Year of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Return to OLPH Rectory (mail, collection, drop off)  
Attention: Deacon Bill Crosby***