

November 15, 2009

Church of

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Pre-K – 8th grade

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(914) 738-0670

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Confessions

Saturday . 4:00 - 4:45pm & by appointment

Baptisms

2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month at 1:30pm. *Please call Parish Office to make arrangements.*

Marriages

There is a six month planning period required.

Please make an appointment with one of the priests for further information.

Devotions to Our Lady

Rosary . Monday - Saturday . 8:40am

Miraculous Medal Novena - Monday . 9:30am

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday evening 5:00pm ▪ *Sunday* 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am & 12:30pm

Weekdays (Mon-Sat) 8:00 & 9:00am ▪ *Holydays as announced.*





Dear Parishioners:

It won't be long before the season of Christmas is here. One of the most important aspects of this season is that it is filled with tradition. Over the course of time, families have set a predictable pattern as to how the observance will go and those traditions help serve as the framework for the celebrations.

Our parish also has traditions that it follows for Christmas, one of the most important being the Parish Giving Tree. This tree stands on the left side of the sanctuary and indicates the generosity of parishioners who have donated an item so that someone else may have a gift for Christmas. In recent time our outreach to the Wounded Heroes at Walter Reed Medical Center has become part of that tradition as well.

This year I am hoping to start a new tradition with the establishing of a Family Christmas Tree. This tree will be placed on the right hand side of the sanctuary and will symbolize the families of OLPH. Each family will be invited to put an ornament on the tree from their family. As the ornaments will not be returned please make it of disposable material.

To help with the production of the ornaments we will hold a Christmas Ornament Workshop on Sunday November 29th in the cafeteria following the 9:30 am Mass. We invite the young people of the parish to come and participate. However in order to have adequate material available you

MUST register by November 25th by calling the Religious Education Office 738-0670. This is VERY important so we do not disappoint anyone.

The Tree will go up in the Church the beginning of December and you are welcome to place your ornament on it at any time.

With your help a new tradition will be born.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert DeJulio'.

Rev. Robert DeJulio
Pastor

PELHAM INTER FAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE
OLPH will host the service on Sunday, November 22nd at 2 PM. All of the congregations from Pelham have been invited to attend. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. If you are able to help that day please call the parish office @ 738-1449.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCDH needs your support in the next week's Collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity in next week's collection.

BLOOD DRIVE REPORT
The recent parish blood drive for Sound Shore Medical Center resulted in 24 units of blood being donated. Each unit can help 3 people. Thanks to all who participated.

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 16

8:00 AM - Isabella Bonanno
 9:00 AM - Adeline Patinelli

Tuesday, November 17

8:00 AM - Sandra Parascandola
 9:00 AM - Daniel P. Maloney

Wednesday, November 18

8:00 AM - Lillian Grant
 9:00 AM - Elizabeth Pla

Thursday, November 19

8:00 AM - Anthony Pavone
 9:00 AM - Michael Sakowicz

Friday, November 20

8:00 AM - Marie Serena
 9:00 AM - Carol Jo Formisano-Alex

Saturday, November 21

8:00 AM - Joseph Schiavone
 9:00 AM - Sarah Ann Terlizzi

Tomorrow Night – 7:30 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. Volunteers are still needed

Valerie Girardi, the cantor at OLPH, will have her new CD at the Boutique. It contains beautiful oratorios and sacred music. For every CD sold, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Church. You will be twice blessed. Contact Valerie @ 914-309-6563 to reserve your copy. You can pick it up at the boutique.

NEW ITEMS

New items are still being accepted. Do you have something stashed away in your closet or basement that has never been opened? Did you receive a gift that just wasn't right for you? Now is the time to donate it. Are you one of those extraordinary people who can create a handmade item that we can sell? We'll happily accept it. You can also make a monetary donation so we can purchase items for this table. Please bring all donations to the parish office and mark them "New Item".

H.O.P.E. SOUP KITCHEN

The next scheduled cooking day for our Parish Chefs is Friday, November 27th. The menu consists of Spaghetti and meatballs and bag of salad greens. Food should be cooked and brought to the Church office before 2:00 pm. Please remember that all meals are for a minimum of 20 people. For information, call Geri Engstrom @ 738-1141

Weekly Collection

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Weekly Collection	\$9,936	\$10,014
<i>"Thank you for your generous support"</i>		

HOPE COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our local Food Pantry has seen a 44% increase in request for food and they expect that Thanksgiving will see the need for 800 meals. To help them provide the meals we are being asked to donate stuffing, sweet potatoes and vegetables. Please leave these items by the Food Pantry box in the rear of the church as soon as possible.

OLPH YOUTH CHOIR

Come sing with the Youth Choir at our monthly Family Mass from October to March. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. in Church. Those in third grade and above may join. Tuesdays Religious Ed students are also eligible.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE MEETING

THANKSGIVING APPEAL

Join us in helping 100 needy families living in and around Pelham. In association with Huguenot Memorial Church join us for Thanksgiving -in-a-box. Volunteers assemble a box of food items for a family of 6 to 8 people. Boxes available at Huguenot starting Nov. 24 or you can drop off with Cathy Schwarz at 111 Clay Ave. Pelham, NY. -914-364-6242-. Items include:
 1 pre-cooked ham (8 to 10 pounds) please no canned hams, 2 (28-32 oz) bags of rice, 3 (15oz) can peas, 1 (5 pound) bag of potatoes, 1 (3 pound) bag of apples, 1 (1pound) box of pasta, 1 (24 oz) jar of tomato sauce, 1 pie, 1 bag/container of cookies, 2 half gallon containers of juice (lemonade, cider, apple juice, etc.)

Parish Christmas Tree Ornament Workshop



Please join us to make a family Christmas Ornament for the Parish Christmas tree.

Sunday, November 29th in the cafeteria following the 9:30 am Mass.

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