

January 29, 2012

Church of

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Parish School

Pre-K – 8th grade

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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:

At each of the Masses this weekend you will hear a student from our school speaking about what it means to them to be a student at OLPH. Each year when this takes place at the beginning of Catholic School week, people tell me how impressed they are about not only the poise and composure of these students but also the content of what they have to say. As pastor hearing the students speak I find myself believing even more that the sacrifices, fundraising and meetings that go into keeping a school going are worth the effort.

Some of you may have read in the media that the Archdiocese will be implementing a plan called 'Pathways to Excellence'. This plan is a blueprint to plan for the future of Catholic education. It will involve financial input from every parish, even if they do not have a school, so that the education mission of the Church becomes more of a global undertaking. Schools will be divided into regions and each region will have its own Board that will make decisions for the schools within that region. The Board in each region will eventually decide which schools will remain, which will merge and which will close based on a number of different criteria such as enrollment, finances, demographics and the physical condition and location of the facility.

Beginning next September there will be three pilot regions operating. After that year, the plan will be put into effect throughout the Archdiocese. The plan is the result of years of work in the making and no doubt it is still a work in progress that will need additional modifications.

In the meantime I would like to commend our Principal Mrs. Susan Cotronei, the faculty and parents for their ongoing efforts to insure that our students get an excellent educational experience.

Sincerely,

Rev. Robert DeJulio
Pastor

MASS OF CELEBRATION

There will be a Mass to celebrate Cardinal Dolan's return from Rome on February 25th, 2012 at 4:00PM at St. Patrick's Cathedral followed by a reception at the Sheraton Hotel. Each parish will receive 4 tickets to these events and admission will be by ticket only. If you are interested in representing the parish please call the office and let us know. If there are more than four people interested there will be a lottery for the tickets with a maximum of 2 tickets per family.

BLESSING OF THROATS

Friday, February 3rd, is the Feast of St. Blasé. The blessing of throats will take during the morning Masses (8:00AM & 9:00AM) and 5PM.

Mass Intentions

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Monday, January 30

8:00 AM - Kathleen Hynes Cioppa,
John Hynes & John Cioppa

9:00 AM - Bridgett Eves

Tuesday, January 31

8:00 AM - Adeline Patinelli

9:00 AM - Veronica & Gennaro Rizzo

Wednesday, February 1

8:00 AM - Angela & Francis Ludington (living)

9:00 AM - Richard Chianese

Thursday, February 2

8:00 AM - Pietro Giambrone

9:00 AM - Grace Fanelli

Friday, February 3

8:00 AM - Richard Chianese

9:00 AM - Agnes Cronin

Saturday, February 4

8:00 AM - Richard Chianese

9:00 AM - Catherine & Frank Lifrieri

FAMILY MASS

Next Sunday at 9:30 AM followed by refreshments in the cafeteria.

COME. LET US WORSHIP

The presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is central to our faith as Catholics. Time spent with the Lord in prayer and adoration is a unique moment to open our hearts to His grace in our life. On Friday, February 3th at 5:00 PM in the Chapel we will have a Holy Hour with Eucharistic adoration and Benediction. Please plan to join with us in prayer and experience the power of His presence

THANK YOU

The following thank you was received from the Chaplain at Walter Reed where we sent gift cards for Christmas:

Thank you so much for the box of gift cards from your parish to our Wounded Warriors. I received it today at the main hospital here at Bethesda. Our Brigade is located on the hospital grounds and the warriors live and eat here while going to the hospital for their medical care. These gift cards will be a great help to our warriors and their families. I have started passing them out to the warriors. Thank you so much. We have over 340 warriors, many amputees but we try to do the best we can. Once again thank you for your kindness, pray for us and we will pray for you.

Fr. Frank O'Grady, Chaplain

SUGGESTIONS?

The figures for the crèche that we use in church for Christmas are in need of being refinished. Before getting estimates from a company, I am interested if anyone can suggest someone who has the talent, time and willingness to restore these figures. If you have any ideas please call the office at 738-1449 and let us know. Thanks.

MASS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

The students of OLPH School will attend the 9:00AM Mass on Friday, February 3rd in observance of Catholic School Week.

CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE

Are you wondering what to do with those Christmas gifts you received and don't need or have room for? Maybe they are duplicates or not your real choice. Why not donate them as gifts for the annual spring PARISH CARD PARTY? Just drop them off at the school or church office. Only NEW items please. Thanks.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SCHOOL

(914) 738-5158

Where children practice the Christian values of Justice, Peace, Love and Compassion

OUR GOALS

- * to provide a Catholic environment with an emphasis on a strong academic program
 - *to develop pride and self discipline within each child
 - *to foster a family like spirit of respect, trust and support
- *to help each child develop fully, grow in Christian virtue, and become a responsible citizen

CYO Sports/league Basketball and Volleyball
Music Lessons (Paul Effman Music School)
After School Program
Choir, Chess and Art Clubs
Scouts
Hot Lunch Program

Smart Board Technology and new desks in all classroom

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School provides a curriculum for Pre-K through Grade 8 in accordance with the Archdioceses of New York as well as the State of New York.

Students participate in:

- *Spanish
- *Music
- *Art
- *Library
- *Integrated Technology Program
- *Physical Education
- *Service Projects

*Graduates attend the High Schools of their choice, many with scholarships

*ITBS Tests are given in October to all students in grades 1-8

*New York State ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies Tests are administrated in the appropriate grades (4-8) at the designated time of year.

To set up an appointment or for additional information call:

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