

October 2, 2011

Church of

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Pre-K – 8th grade

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Mrs. Susan Cotronei, *Principal*

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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*



NOTES FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners

This month is dedicated to 'Respect Life'. When we think of that most likely what comes to mind are the rights of the unborn or perhaps the serious decisions that may need to be made at the end of life. These are two different and important ends of the spectrum and they both receive much attention. For many people however on a day-to-day basis neither one of those issues are personally relevant to them and so they may mistakenly think that 'respect life' issues do not apply to them. That is not the case.

Each of us who come in contact with another person are in a position to respect or disrespect 'life' simply by the way we respond to others, anticipate their needs, help to carry their burdens. It happens in ways that seem so simple yet they are part of the larger picture of respecting the life of others.

Today, when you came to church did you park in an area designated for those with a handicap? If so were you transporting someone with disability or did you do it because you saw the space and felt 'entitled'. Did you stop to think that perhaps someone who really needed to be closer would now be inconvenienced? Did you respect their life? Did you park in an area that is NOT designated for parking; along the curb, around the circle, blocking the garage? If so did you think about how emergency vehicles would be impeded if need or other people would be blocked from exiting? Did you respect their life?

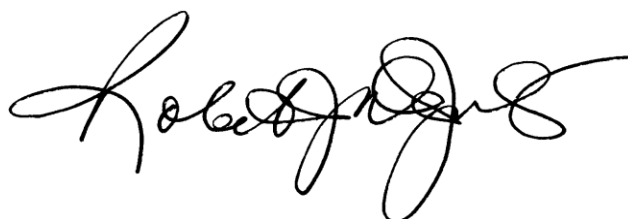
Simple acts of kindness in the supermarket, in relating to teachers or parents, in speaking to people on the phone can be ways of respecting or disrespecting life. Being rude or inconsiderate, driving at excessive speeds or while impaired or distracted not only endangers our life but the lives of others. Does this respect life?

Sometimes respecting life is just plain basic courtesy that we show or don't show another person. It doesn't seem like a lot but for the person on the receiving end it could mean a great deal. It doesn't take a tremendous amount of effort on our part but it can have a great positive impact.

We respect people not because of who they are but because they are 'made in the image of God'. This is true even if they speak a different language, live in a different area or belong to a different political party. They were made by the same God as we were and His spirit is living and breathing within them-even if it sometimes is a challenge for us to find it. We may not agree with them on every issue or perhaps none at all but as brothers and sisters of the same God we are called to respect the 'life' God has given them. It is in respecting them that we respect Him who made them and if He made them - holiness is present.

Let us think of this the next time we are tempted to engage in road rage or to take our frustration out on someone who works in a store or who is trying to explain a company policy on the phone that we do not agree with. Respect can go a long way to build bridges and lack of respect can have devastating consequences.

Sincerely,



Rev. Robert DeJulio
Pastor

FALL BEREAVEMENT SESSIONS

The next meeting of our Bereavement Program will begin on Saturday, October 22nd at 9:30 am in the office area of the lower church. The program will run for 8 weeks. If you are mourning the loss of a loved one you are invited to come and participate. Please call the church office to register at 738-1449. There is no fee.

EXPECTANT FAMILY MASS

There will be a Mass for Expectant Families on Sunday, October 16th at 9:30AM. We invite those families expecting a child to come for this special blessing. Please call the office at 738-1449 and let us know you will be attending.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 3

8:00 AM - Jessie & Matthew Adinolfi
 9:00 AM - Thomas Dixon

Tuesday, October 4

8:00 AM - Mazzariello & Castellano Families
 9:00 AM - Luke & Sabina O'Malley

Wednesday, October 5

8:00 AM - Gabrielle Miklotsch
 9:00 AM - Nora Fagan

Thursday, October 6

8:00 AM - Rose Senerchia
 9:00 AM - Helen Pierro

Friday, October 7

8:00 AM - Michael Flannery
 9:00 AM - Assunta & Luigi Calvelli

Saturday, October 8

8:00 PM - John Mulcahy
 9:00 PM - Rose Sambrato

BLOOD DRIVE

The annual Blood Drive for Sound Shore Hospital will take place in the OLPH cafeteria on Sunday, October 16th from 9 am to 12:00 pm. Please consider making a donation.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE WANTED NEW ITEMS

It is not too early to start thinking about what item(s) you can donate for the New Items Table at the OLPH Annual Christmas Boutique & Wreath Sale. Is there something in your attic/basement that you purchased but never opened? Did you receive a gift that you'd like to "re-gift"? If you are crafty, is there a hand-made item we can sell? Or can you contribute a few dollars with which we can purchase items? Please bring all donations to the parish office and mark them "New Item."



	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Last week's collection	\$9,189	\$8,690

Electronic contributions now available through Parishpay.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Hospice Care in Westchester & Putnam is accepting applications for volunteers. Volunteers provide direct patient & family support, bereavement care for children and adults, spiritual comfort, special community events and office support. In-depth training is given to prepare volunteers for this wonderful service. Please call 914-666-4228 if you are interested.



First Time
 Michael D'Onofrio & Gia Broccoli

ADULT CLASSES

Classes will begin in October for adults who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation or Communion and for adults who would like to become Catholics. Please contact the church office at 738-1449.

EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

When you shop at Stop & Shop. Our school's A+ School rewards ID Code is 07712. Visit www.stopandshop.com/aplus to register your card today! Cards need to be registered every year.

7th ANNUAL OLPH Golf Outing
Bonnie Briar Country Club - September 26, 2011

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COURSE HELPERS

Susan Cotronei, Barbara Henry, Denyce Jackson, Janet Pagano, Tracey Hickey, Ida Petro, Anna Ralph

Thanks to all who participated!
Save the date for next year - Monday, September 24th