

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you to everyone who joined us this past Friday evening for our Parish Family Dinner Night! It's wonderful to bring our parish family together for an evening, gathered around a great meal. Study after study has shown how good it is for families to take time for meals together, and I'm sure the same is true for a parish family as well. We wouldn't be able to do it without the generous work of our kitchen crew: those who plan the meal, do the shopping, prepare and cook it, serve it and then stick around to clean everything up. I'm so grateful to the parishioners who help make all this possible! Our next Parish Family Dinner Night will be in early September, once we get things going with school again - stay tuned!

In our Gospel this Sunday, we have a lesson on perseverance in prayer. Underneath the Lord's encouragement that we shouldn't give up in prayer is this one great truth: the one to whom we are praying is our loving Father. Because He is our Father, we trust that He already wants us to take care of us, already wants to give good gifts to us, already has our best interest at heart. Knowing we have such a loving Father, we are encouraged to keep asking, seeking and knocking in our prayer. So, during this new week, take the Lord's words to heart and as you begin your times of prayer each day, start with the most important fact: you have a Father who loves you and is always listening, who already wants to bless you and provide for you. What better place to begin our prayer than that?



FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY, AUGUST 3, 2013

All are welcome to pray the rosary on the first Saturday of the month as requested by Our Lady of Fatima. Meet at the OLPH icon immediately following the 8:15 Mass

SEPARATED & DIVORCED

The Separated and Divorced support group will meet on August 5th at 7pm in the Parish Office. All are welcome.

RCIA

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps you've been thinking of becoming a member of OLPH or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. Please join us on Wednesday August 7th in the Parish Office at 7pm for a question and answer session. For information, please call Sr. Loraine at 410-747-4334 ext. 314, or email: Imcgraw@archbalt.org.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: August 4, 2013
18th Sunday in Ord. Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23
Ps. 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17
Colossians 3:1-5,9-11
Luke 12:13-21

We invite you to join us for a Holy Hour of praise and worship before the Blessed Sacrament on Friday August 2 at 7:30pm in the church.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 27

8:15am Woodrow Kitchen ☩
4:30pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, July 28 (17th Sunday in Ord. Time)

7:30am Pauline Papademetriou ☩
9:00am Patricia Romo Lujan ☩
11:00am Allison Evans ☩
5:00pm Int. of Vianney Wallace

Monday, July 29 (Saint Martha)

8:15am Dorothy Chute ☩

Tuesday, July 30 (Saint Peter Chrysologus)

8:15am Int. of John Ajayi, Birthday.

Wednesday, July 31 (Saint Ignatius Loyola)

8:15am Dorothy Peters ☩

Thursday, August 1 (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

8:15am Edgar G. Best ☩

Fri, August 2 (St. Eusebius of Vercelli & St. Peter Julian Eymard)

8:15am Anne Murphy ☩

Saturday, August 3

8:15am Albert Smith ☩
4:30pm James McFadden ☩

Sunday, August 4 (17th Sunday in Ord. Time)

7:30am Cecilia Escalante ☩
9:00am For the People of the Parish
11:00am Alice Mizerak ☩
5:00pm Int. of Joe & Maureen Skora

"Love alone allows man to forget himself... it alone can still redeem even the darkest hours of the past since it alone finds the courage to believe in the mercy of the holy God."

- Fr. Karl Rahner

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

ATTENTION PARENTS OF INCOMING FIRST GRADERS!

The Archdiocese of Baltimore requires children who will be preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the Second Grade to attend Religious Education in the First Grade.

This provides a necessary, remote catechesis and foundation in order to adequately develop the faith needed to receive the Sacraments in Second Grade with meaning and grace.

Please note the information about Religious Education Registration in the bulletin.

Catholic War Veteran Post 1961 Fellowship Breakfast

The CWV Post 1961 will have a Fellowship Breakfast on Wednesday, August 7th at 8:00 a.m. at the Bob Evan Restaurant (4900 Beaver Run Court, off Rt. 100 and Executive Drive and opposite Chick fil A).

Any Catholic veteran or active duty military interested in learning about the CWV are invited to attend.

This would be a great time to learn more about the post and its activities. The post holds a Fellowship Breakfast every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. The Post holds monthly meetings on the 2nd Tuesday at St. Paul's Church.

OLPH CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

...has a new selection for the summer! We will read *The Deceiver, Our Daily Struggle With Satan* by Livio Fanzaga. Discussion of *The Deceiver* will be led by Father John Rapisarda in the Triple Rooms of the Parish Center on Friday night August 23 at 7:00p.m. All are encouraged to read this important book and join us on Aug. 23. An excerpt from pg.232-233 is, "*How many persons will be saved or lost does not depend on God alone, but also on us, who are called to be His collaborators. The words of Christ on eternal perdition must be heard in their terrible seriousness, but, at the same time, must serve as a stimulus to sacrifice our lives to cooperate with total dedication in the eternal salvation of souls.*"

Books may be available on the bookrack.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER COLLECTION

This weekend and next weekend—August 3-4 we will be collecting canned and non-perishable goods to benefit the Domestic Violence Center of Howard County. The donations will help those who seek shelter at local safe houses. The Center's pantry is running extremely low on supplies. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Especially needed: diapers (esp. sizes 3T-4T), pull-up diapers/training pants, baby wipes, paper goods (napkins, paper towels, toilet paper), cleaning supplies, hand soap, foil & plastic wrap, AA batteries, laundry detergent (high efficiency), dryer sheets, baby formula, peanut butter & jelly, hot & cold cereals, juice, crackers, powdered/evaporated milk, boxed dinners, baking mix (Bisquick, pancake, cake, cookie, and brownie mixes) canned vegetables, mac & cheese, and canned soups.

Please include these people and their families in your prayers that they may experience Christ's comfort and healing.

Rob Baldwin
Domenick M. Bellia
Lucy Bodner
Joe Botkin
Graham Burrell
Maureen Coakley
Kaelynn Collazo
Sean Cunningham
Anna Curry
MaryJo DeFillipo
O.P. Ditch
Kay Donahue
Robert Dovalovsky
William Dovalovsky
John Duvall
Janet Feldman
Jayne Fleischer
Richard Flynn
Carol Freese

Thomas French
Julie Gallagher
Lorraine Gallagher
Ray Gallagher
Antoinette Haigley
Joe Haupt
Gail Higgins
Mary Grace Howard
Chuck Hutzell
Alan Ignacio
Meghan Jaecksch
Ally Jarkiewicz
Marian Kubic
Anne Labagh
Phil Lewellen
Fred Lourenso
Josephine Lucas
Jim McKelvey
Lucy McKenna

Herb Michael
Bob Moan
Peggy Moan
Caroline Mohler
Joseph Murray
Catherine Nelan
Nathan Niessner
Meaghan Nigra
Sara Ann Ring
Rosemarie Rippel
June Rosemary
Ephel Sandford
Hugh Sandford
Pearline Sandford
Bill Schone
Sheila Schone
Victor Shellhorse
Jack Simpson
Ardellia Smith

Lorraine Smith
Julia Smith
Bill Snyder
Rose Sorbello
Crystal Spicer
Mary Stevens
Linda Uliana
Lauretta Vaccarino
Ed Ward
Jon Web
Richard Weinroth
Robert Welsh, Jr.
Robert Welsh, Sr.
Clyde Wenzel
Kyla Zeilinger

We need your help! We are trying to keep this prayer list updated.

If you or your loved one is on the mend, please notify the Parish Office at 410-747-4334.

RETURNING RELIGIOUS ED. STUDENTS REGISTRATION
Don't forget to register! Parents of returning Religious Ed students: Please do not forget to register, now, for the 2013-2014 year of Religious Ed. **The deadline for returning students, only, is THIS Wednesday, July 31st. After July 31st, a \$25.00 per family late fee will be applied.** If you are unsure of your child's schedule for the fall, please register anyway. We will be happy to change your time prior to the beginning of classes. Knowing expected numbers now, saves us money on shipping costs, supplies, etc. Thanks so much for helping us out!!

DID YOU KNOW....

Did you know that our Religious Education enrollment increases every year? Forms to register for Religious Education classes, Pre-K through Middle School are available in the narthex of the church, in the Parish Office, and from our website,

www.olphparish.org.

New parish children and youth are always welcome, even if they have never attended religious formation classes before. For further information, please contact Judy Gruel, Director of Religious Education,

jgruel@archbalt.org.

OLPH CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Are you a Catholic mom who is looking to share your faith and time with other mothers and their children?

If so, we would love for you to join the Catholic Moms Group at OLPH. We are a group of moms with children ages 0-5 who meet twice a month.

One gathering is during the day and the other is on a weekend or evening, so whether you're a stay-at-home mom or working mom you can join us. The second get together is an opportunity for moms and their spouses to get to know one another. If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please come to one of our upcoming events.

Our next meet-up: Aug 4th- An afternoon of family fun at OLPH field/playground (3-5 p.m.)

For more information about how this group may further your family's walk with Christ, check out the church website: www.olphparish.org/CatholicMoms or contact Kelly or Emily at

OLPHCatholicMoms@gmail.com

\$1300 FOR HAITI!

Thanks so much to the Vacation Bible School participants and their parents for their kindness and generosity. It is our hope that combined with other donations from the parish, we will be able to help our sister parish, Our Lady of the Nativity, realize their dream of a new cafeteria for their school children.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Once again, the Saint Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting school supplies for inner city school children. We have assisted the children from St. Wenceslaus Parish, St. Veronica Parish, and also the children from the Mayfield Woods Middle School in Elkridge. Your donations are greatly appreciated by the schools, as we have received numerous letters of thanks. All supplies, are needed - pens, pencils, glue, paper, markers, graph paper, etc.

With your help last year, we were able to distribute over 850 items to children in need of the school supplies.

This included many notebooks, crayons, pencils, pens, scissors, markers, glue sticks, and other assorted supplies. Thanks again for your generous response. Look for the Yellow School Bus during the weekends of August 3-4 and 10-11 in the narthex of the Church and drop off your supplies!

THANK YOU!

The Knights of Columbus Council 9638 wishes to thank Father Arnold for permitting us to take up a collection last weekend, after each Mass, to raise money to purchase an ultrasound machine for a crisis pregnancy center here in Maryland. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our Parish family here at OLPH, we were able to collect a total of **\$2,935.00.**

ARE YOU AN EXPERIENCED RECREATIONAL SOFTBALL PLAYER LOOKING FOR A TEAM?

"White Smoke - Safe by Grace" is looking for a few players (age 18 or over) to join our Howard County co-ed recreational softball team consisting of men and women mostly from (but not limited to) OLPH and St. Paul's parishes. The 7-week Fall season begins the week of August 11th. We are close to our roster limit for men, but are in need of several women with some experience playing recreational softball. If interested, contact Clem Purcell at **cpurcell@yahoo.com** or 443-445-3330 for details.

SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE: On July 26 we celebrated the Feast Day of St. Joachim and St. Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. These holy parents nurtured Mary, taught her, and brought her up to be the worthy Mother of God. It was their teaching that led her response to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will." It was their example of parenting that Mary must have followed as she brought up her own son, Jesus. It was their faith that laid the foundation of courage and strength that allowed her to stand by the cross as her son was crucified and still believe. Such parents can be examples and models for all parents. Anne is the patron saint of Christian mothers, grandmothers and of women in labor. Joachim and Anne are invoked for protection for the unborn. Prayer: Saint Anne and Saint Joachim, pray for all parents that they may provide a loving home and the faithful teaching that you provided your daughter, Mary. *Amen*

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

OUR CATHOLIC SAINTS: St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556), (Feast: July 31)

The founder of the Jesuits was on his way to military fame and fortune when a cannon ball shattered his leg. Because there were no books of romance on hand during his convalescence, Ignatius whiled away the time reading a life of Christ and lives of the saints. His conscience was deeply touched, and a long, painful turning to Christ began. Having seen the Mother of God in a vision, he made a pilgrimage to her shrine at Montserrat (near

Barcelona). He remained for almost a year at nearby Manresa, sometimes with the Dominicans, sometimes in a pauper's hospice, often in a cave in the hills praying. After a period of great peace of mind, he went through a harrowing trial of scruples. There was no comfort in anything—prayer, fasting, sacraments, penance. At length, his peace of mind returned. It was during this year of conversion that Ignatius began to write down material that later became his greatest work, the Spiritual Exercises. He finally achieved his purpose of going to the Holy Land, but could not remain, as he planned, because of the hostility of the Turks. He spent the next 11 years in various European universities, studying with great difficulty, beginning almost as a child. Like many others, his orthodoxy was questioned; Ignatius was twice jailed for brief periods. In 1534, at the age of 43, he and six others (one of whom was St. Francis Xavier, December 2) vowed to live in poverty and chastity and to go to the Holy Land. If this became impossible, they vowed to offer themselves to the apostolic service of the pope. The latter became the only choice. Four years later Ignatius made the association permanent. The new Society of Jesus was approved by Paul III, and Ignatius was elected to serve as the first general. When companions were sent on various missions by the pope, Ignatius remained in Rome, consolidating the new venture, but still finding time to found homes for orphans, catechumens and penitents. He founded the Roman College, intended to be the model of all other colleges of the Society. He centered his spiritual life on the essential foundations of Christianity—the Trinity, Christ, the Eucharist.



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