

March 21, 2010

Church of

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Mr. Gabriel Gomez, *Buildings and Grounds*

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Pre-K – 8th grade

www.olphpelham.com ▪ (914) 738-5158

Mrs. Susan Cotronei, *Principal*

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(914) 738-0670

Mr. Michael Hall, *Director*

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

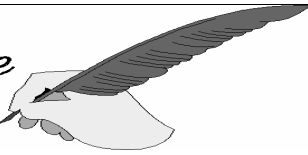
MASS SCHEDULE:

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

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



*From the
Pastor*



Dear Parishioners:

The season of Lent is rapidly coming to conclusion. Next weekend is Palm Sunday and the following week is Easter. It seems like only a short time ago we were gathering to receive ashes and begin the 40 day journey of repentance.

During these weeks it has become evident that many have been trying to make an effort to observe the solemnity of this season by doing things that they would not ordinarily do. Perhaps it was daily Mass, Stations of the Cross or the Parish Mission; people were open to making this Lent a period of reflection followed by a new beginning at Easter. What an encouraging sign to see.

If perhaps you are one of the ones for whom Lent has not been a time of renewal, there is still an opportunity for you. Beginning next weekend with the reading of the Passion of the Lord and the distribution of palms, we enter into what Christians believe is the 'holiest' week of the year. We commemorate those events which led to the death and resurrection of the Lord. We re-live the mandate of the Last Supper to be of service to Him and to one another. The prayers and readings are designed to make us appreciate in a profound way all that Jesus went through to bring about our redemption. The story may be familiar to us and we may think that we know it well, but just listening to the reading of the Passion is in itself a prayerful and transforming moment of faith.

For whatever reason, this Lent may have seemed to pass you by this year. Maybe you didn't have the time, the opportunity or the motivation to do something a little bit extra. That is all part of the past and cannot be undone. What can be done is

to plan to participate in the events of Holy Week with a heart open to truly hearing God's Word. By doing that, we can better model our future on the life of Jesus.

Next weekend as re-read together the words of the Lord's Passion, let us respond to His act of love with a renewed sense of our vocation as Christians.

Sincerely,

Rev. Robert DeJulio
Pastor

H.O.P.E. SOUP KITCHEN

The next scheduled cooking day for our Parish Chefs is Friday, March 26th. The menu consists of chicken roasted drumsticks with rice and bag of frozen peas. Food should be brought to the Church office where it will be picked up and delivered to St. Gabriel's Church. Please remember that all meals are for a minimum of 20 people. For information, call Geri Engstrom @ 738-1141.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The spring session of our Bereavement Support Group will begin Saturday, April 10th at 9:30 AM in the lower church office area. The session will run for 8 weeks. If you are experiencing the loss of someone and going through the grieving process, please plan to attend. The facilitator will be Maria Argentina, LCSW. Please call the church office at 738-1449 to register. There is no fee.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 22

8:00 AM - Richard Raffio

9:00 AM - Lucy Ficarra

Tuesday, March 23
8:00 AM - John Hynes, Kathleen Hynes Cioppa,
& John Cioppa

9:00 AM - Bridget & Patrick Conroy

Wednesday, March 24

8:00 AM - James Walsh

9:00 AM - Anthony Di Donato

Thursday, March 25

8:00 AM - Rosa Gonzalez

9:00 AM - Edward Vowles

Friday, March 26

8:00 AM - Victor Henningsen, Jr

9:00 AM - Robert Bietighofer

Saturday, March 27

8:00 AM - Kathryn Dolan

9:00 AM - Dominic & Rose DiGilio

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY

If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2010 please let us know. The 50th anniversary couples will be invited to the Cathedral and both the 25th and 50th couples will be honored in the Parish in June. Please call the church office to register @738-1449.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 3:30 PM

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING
Practice Wednesday, March 24th at 4:15 PM in

the Church.

Weekly Collection

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Last week's collection	\$9,167	\$7,378

"Thank you for your generous support"

CONFESSIONS FOR LENT

Wednesday, March 24th at 9:30 AM and Saturdays
4-4:45 PM. No Confessions on Holy Saturday.

CATHOLIC SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

If you would like to enjoy social, cultural, spiritual, theatre, travel, and community service activities with fellow Catholics (no age restrictions), send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Membership Committee, Catholic Alumni Club of New York, 83 Christopher Street, New York, NY 10014, or contact us at marydplaza@yahoo.com

HOLY THURSDAY

The Mass on Holy Thursday includes a recreation of the washing of the feet of the disciples by Jesus at the Last Supper. If you are interested in participating in this ritual please call the church office @738-1449 and let us know.

DISNEY PRODUCTION SHOWCASE

Auditions to be held on Thursday, March 25th, and Friday, March 26, 2010 from 4 PM to 7:30 PM at Saint Gregory the Great School, located at 94 Broadway, Harrison, New York 10528. Grades K-5. For more information please call 353-4222.

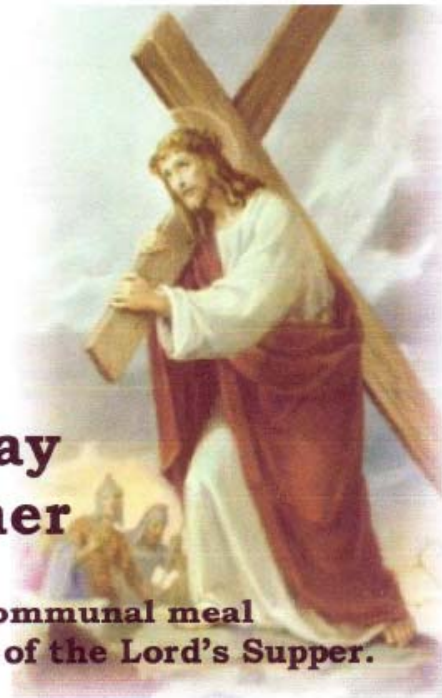


**"Do this in
remembrance
of me..."**



Holy Thursday Solemn Dinner

**Please join us in a communal meal
in anticipation of the Mass of the Lord's Supper.**



When: Holy Thursday evening, April 1st

Where: OLPH Lower Church Hall

(outside entrance is along the right side of the church building down the stairway from the handicap parking lot, directly across from the Rectory)



Time: Doors open at 5:45, dinner begins promptly at 6:00, concludes in time for 7:30 Mass

-Let us come together to share a meal in awe and reverence.

-Parishioners will be led through prayer and readings that recall the great event of The Last Supper.

-We welcome adults and older children who will be able to maintain a spirit of silence during the meal.



-Seating is limited, on a first come, first served basis and reservations must be received no later than March 26th. Cost per person is \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to OLPH and sent to the church office at 559 Pelham Manor Road, Pelham Manor, NY 10803.



-For questions, please contact Lorri Gorman at pmgorman@aol.com or 738.6470. Babysitting for children ages 6 to 10 will be available in the gym during dinner, at no charge, upon request.