

Church of

# *Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

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## **Parish School**

Pre-K – 8<sup>th</sup> grade

[www.olphpelham.com](http://www.olphpelham.com) ▪ (914) 738-5158

Mrs. Susan Cotronei, *Principal*

## **Religious Education Office**

(914) 738-0670

Mr. Michael Hall, *Director*

## **Confessions**

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

## **Baptisms**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 weekend we have two notable events. On the church calendar, it is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi); and, it is the weekend we are honoring our Silver and Gold Wedding Jubilarians.

I think this Feast of Corpus Christi is a reminder to us of the significance of the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and that we all need to act in a way that not only shows respect, but also does not distract others who use this time as their hour a week with the Lord. For more and more people, a few minutes of silence is a welcome gift. We want to have a worshipping community that feels welcome and comfortable, but not one that loses sight of why we are together.

I am sure that if you have been to a church where there is a large gathering (wedding, baptism, confirmation, funeral) you have experienced that there very often is a lot of talking going on; so much so that the cumulative sound can be deafening. Some of us remember a time when the only thing you heard in church before Mass was 'silence'. Why the change? Here are some thoughts.

I think that people are not really in the habit of silence. It makes them nervous and uncomfortable. Imagine trying to make conversation with someone and the response is silence. That's really stressful. Prayer is conversation with God. We may have plenty to say to Him, but we need silence to hear what He has to say to us. If we are not accustomed to personal prayer, then the experience of silence in a church can be uncomfortable. Second, we are bombarded with 'sound' at every moment. If there is not ambient sound to contend with we have iPods, headphones, cell phones, MP3 players that help to shield us from the silence around us. When we walk into an empty house we probably do something to break the silence; turn on the TV or radio. When we are in a car we have radios or electronic devices to listen to. When we go out to walk or jog or to

exercise we bring a device that programs personal sound. Noise is a way of life for us today and on some level it offers us what we sometimes fear most; the silence of being alone with our own thoughts. So, therefore, the church becomes an extension of our need for sound. I am not excusing or endorsing this, just giving a reflection as to perhaps why it occurs.

Unlike our empty house or vehicle or our daily run, the church is not personal space; it is communal space with a dedicated purpose of offering respite to those who seek a few moments of quiet to break the noise cycle of life. The presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament should give us reason to act in a different way than we do at other venues of life.

The bottom line is that I think our God loves us and puts up with our weaknesses, even in his house; because like any loving parent, the important part is that we cared enough to come. I just have to believe he is delighted that we have accepted his invitation and somehow wishes He could find a moment during all that talking to tell us that in prayer.

Last but not least, our Jubilarians give us wonderful examples of living the Sacrament of Marriage. Our congratulations to them and their families and best wishes for many more years of happiness.

Sincerely,

Rev. Robert DeJulio  
Pastor

### FATHER'S DAY INTENTIONS

Each of the Masses of Father's Day will be offered for your intentions. The envelopes can be placed in the collection basket at any time.

### ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR 2011

Dates for announced Masses for 2011 will be available beginning June 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the church office.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Monday, June 7

8:00 AM - The Derrico Family  
9:00 AM - Antonietta Bastone

### Tuesday, June 8

8:00 AM - Joseph DiFabbio  
9:00 AM - Lantelme & Yutuc Families

### Wednesday, June 9

8:00 AM - John Manganiello  
9:00 AM - Ruth Mensierzao

### Thursday, June 10

8:00 AM - Chuck McCartney  
9:00 AM - John & Martin O'Malley

### Friday, June 11

8:00 AM - Kathryn Dolan  
9:00 AM - Sylvester Sambrato

### Saturday, June 12

8:00 AM - Betty & Vic Henningsen  
9:00 AM - Giovanni Ruggiero

## Weekly Collection

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Last week Collection	\$8,900	\$7,732

*"Thank you for your generous support"*

### **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

Next weekend, Sister Pauline Chirchirillo, the Archdiocesan Director of the Propagation of the Faith will speak at each Mass to make the appeal for mission work throughout the world.

### **H.O.P.E. SOUP KITCHEN**

The next scheduled cooking day for our Parish Chefs is Friday, June 25th. The menu consists of cold cuts and coleslaw and 2 loaves rye bread. 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.

### **2010-2011 Religious Education Program**



Please note we are in the process of registration for new students in grades k-8. Please call the CCD office at 738-0670 for more information.

Re-registration mailing has been mailed to all families enrolled in the program. Please return information by June 8<sup>th</sup>.

## wedding banns

First Time

John Byrne & Carla Solimene

Second Time

Daniel Soberon & Alexandra Koclanes

Christopher Gilbreth & Virginia Esposito

### **DAILY MASS**

Beginning Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> daily Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel in the lower church at 8:00 am and 9:00 am Monday through Saturday.

### **PREPARING FOR WINTER**

After 50 years of faithful service the two large boilers that provide heat to the church and the school are beyond repair and in need of replacement. We have begun the process to address this issue and you will be hearing more about it in the coming weeks.

### **URSULINE SISTERS**

The Ursuline sisters would like to invite all women between the ages of 20 and 45 years of age to join together for a gathering of prayer and conversation about Living a Christian Life. Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 pm at the Ursuline Provincialate, 1338 North Ave., New Rochelle, NY 10804. Please contact Sr. Jeannie Humphries if you are interested in attending at [srjeannieosu@yahoo.com](mailto:srjeannieosu@yahoo.com)

***CONGRATULATIONS***  
***GOLDEN JUBILARIANS***

**JEAN & JAMES FERGUSON**  
**MARY & WILLIAM INGRAM**  
**BEVERLY & CHARLES LAW**  
**PYUNG CHI & VINCENT RELLA**

***SILVER JUBILARIANS***

**MARYLOU & EMMANUAL PEREZ**  
**MARY PAT & JOSEPH RICCI**