# Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Church July 23, 2023



### Pastor's Column - July 23, 2023

Our Scripture Readings this weekend speak to us about the patience of Almighty God. Our First Reading from the Book of Wisdom reminds us that God is patient with His People and always is calling us to repentance and a change of life. Our Gospel tells us the story of the weeds and the wheat that is sown in the field. Jesus tells us that the owner of the field does not immediately pull up the weeds from the field, but, rather, is patient with the harvest, waiting till harvest time to separate the weeds from the wheat. This answers the age-old question of why God allows war and evil to exist in our world. God is constantly waiting for us to turn away from our sinful ways and to return to Him. Let us examine our lives this week and recognize those areas which need to change and then ask the Lord for His healing and forgiving grace in our lives.

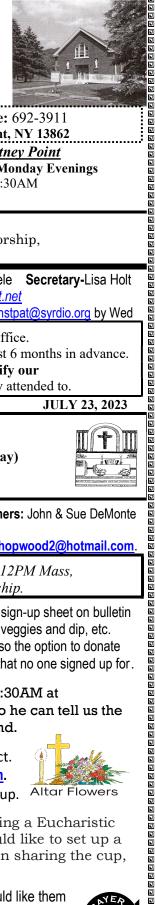
Next weekend we all will gather for one weekend Liturgy at ST.

PATRICK'S CHURCH AT 8:30 AM. I feel it is important for us to be together so I can share some information with our entire Parish Community about the Diocese of Syracuse and Chapter II Reorganization. I thank everyone for their patience and flexibility in changing their schedules for this one Sunday. I look forward to being with everyone to share this important information with our entire Parish Family. HAVE A GREAT WEEK!



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Rev. James P. Serowik, Administrator

**OLPH's Seton Hall:** 863-4750 Whitney Point Parish Office: 692-3911 P.O. Box 310, Cincinnatus, NY 13040 P.O. Box 711, Whitney Point, NY 13862

Whitney Point **OLPH** Marathon No Mass No Mass Weekday Mass: 6:00PM Monday Evenings 12:00PM 10:15AM Sunday Masses: 8:30AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: As announced or by appointment.

#### Mission Statement for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

"To advance the Kingdom of God by living a Community Life of Love & Worship, Telling the Good News of Jesus Christ."

**OLPH PARISH STAFF: Parish Council President**–Linda Crowley, 863-3574 **Vice-President**-Terri Fedele Secretary-Lisa Holt Pastoral Care Lay Minister: Linda Crowley, Icrowley@zfastest.net

Secretary-Mary Wied-For bulletin announcements please call 692-3911 or ststephenstpat@syrdio.org by Wed

Baptisms - Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office.

Weddings - Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office at least 6 months in advance. Sick/Infirm—If you have someone who is sick or in the hospital, please notify our

Pastoral Care Lay Minister, Linda, so they can be pastorally attended to.

#### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JULY 23, 2023** 

#### MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Today, 07/23/23 12:00PM for Antonia Buttigieg by Josephine Kellogg Next Sunday, 07/30/23 NO MASS (8:30AM Mass at Whitney Point ONLY Today) Sunday, 08/06/23 12:00PM for Marianne Konka by Ellie Auberger for Mary Cook by Theresa & Doug Murray

**Lector:** Chris Klein **Eucharistic Minister:** Jean Drury, Volunteers Gift Bearers: Bob & Linda Crowley Ushers: John & Sue DeMonte Aug. 6th: Pam Maroney, Volunteers Aug. 6th: Evelyn Scanlon, M. Wied Aug. 6th: Sharon Constantino

If anyone is interested in becoming a Lector be on the ministry schedule contact Betty Carter at <a href="chopwood2@hotmail.com">chopwood2@hotmail.com</a>.

OLPH's Coffee Hour -Everyone please join us every Sunday in Seton Hall, following 12PM Mass, for some coffee or something cold to drink with some snacks and good fellowship.

OLPH's Coffee Hour-If you are interested in hosting Coffee Hour after Sunday Mass, please see sign-up sheet on bulletin board in Seton Hall. All that is required to bring is any type of light snack, such as cheese and crackers, veggies and dip, etc. You may bring baked or store bought goodies. Coffee, milk and sugar are provided by church. There is also the option to donate to the coffee can during Coffee Hour and someone will make sure to provide for Sundays that no one signed up for.

Please Take Note: Next Sunday, July 30th, there will be only one Mass at 8:30AM at our Whitney Point Church. Fr. Jim would like our parish family altogether that day so he can tell us the latest with the Chapter 11 situation. Please make every effort to attend.

Altar Flowers - We need volunteers to do flowers or the altar for August, Sept, and Oct. If interested please contact Betty Carter at 607-863-3163 or chopwood2@hotmail.com. There is also a sign up sheet on bulletin board in Seton Hall, next to the coffee hour sign up.



**Eucharistic Ministers Needed at OLPH** - If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister at OLPH please call the parish office at 607-692-3911. We would like to set up a short training as soon as possible because with the return to communion sharing the cup, there is a need for the ministers.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help's Prayer Chain - If you know of someone in need of special prayers and would like them listed on OLPH's Prayer Chain or if your not on our prayer chain list of calls and would like to be, please contact Betty Carter at 607-863-3163 or email: chopwood2@hotmail.com.



⇒To access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass, you can now use <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick">https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick</a>



Newcomers & Current Parishioners: WELCOME! If you would like register, receive contribution envelopes, Catholic SUN, have a change in address, marital status, etc., please fill out <a href="mailto:small-blue-form">small-blue-form</a> by the bulletins & drop it in collection basket.

**THE SILVER CIRCLE:** is a membership program that benefits retired Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters. For only \$25 per membership, your name is entered in more than 324 drawings from October 2023 through June 2024 with cash prizes from \$50 to \$1,000! You will also be remembered in a monthly mass for benefactors and in the prayers of the IHM Sisters. Please contact **Sister Kathleen Joy Steck, I.H.M. at 607-237-5653,** for a Silver Circle Membership Form. Thank you for your kind support of the IHM Sisters!

Rural Services' Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items. Their biggest demand is for <u>peanut butter & jelly</u> and <u>pasta & sauce</u>. Items can be brought on Sunday when you come to Mass & put in the marked basket at the entrance of our church. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be marked "Rural Services" and placed in collection basket, or mail to Rural Services, P.O. Box 57, Cincinnatus, NY 13040.

**Broom Sticks-**You probably thought it odd that someone was asking for broom handles, etc. It was my intent to turn them into walking sticks to aid those in the community who were having trouble walking. They are easy to make. Just get a rubber care tip (pharmacy) to put on the bottom and a hole can be drilled in the top to attach a cord for hanging. Gift one to a person in need. It should be used on the side of the stronger leg. The stick and the weak leg step forward together. I will still take any spare sticks. If you need any help I can be reached at 607-863-4289.

With God's love, Ellie Auberger

olph's 50/50 raffle tickets are sold every Sunday before Mass. Someone is always at the table in the vestibule selling tickets for \$1. Drawing is the first Sunday of every month and proceeds are split between winner and our parish. 
→olph's 50/50 − We are still looking for a couple of people, to take turns, sitting at the table in the entrance of our church to sell 50/50 tickets as parishioners are coming in for Mass, so you would need to come a little early before our Mass begins. Tickets are sold every Sunday for a \$1.00 each and drawings are done the first Sunday of every month during our coffee hour. Proceeds are split between winner and our parish. If you are interested and able please call the parish office, 692-3911, or see Hugh Cook at Mass.

Weekly Collection - Last Sunday, July 16, 2023:

Regular Collection: \$344.10 Loose: \$87. Total Regular Collection: \$431.10 Bills Paid This Week: \$166.99

Thank you for your continued Time, Talent and Treasure to our parish!

The National Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be held on the weekend of August 12-13. The funds donated to this collection go to religious communities across the nation who face the critical task of caring for their elderly and retired men and women. Most congregations depend on this assistance, since the number of elderly religious far exceeds the number of religious who are able to serve in active ministry.at this time. Please be as generous as possible; any and every gift is deeply appreciated.

There are extra donation envelopes by our bulletins.

**GET THE LATEST NEWS:** Be sure to visit our parish website regularly: and sign up for our FacebookPage: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ccsssp">www.facebook.com/ccsssp</a> to get the most up to date information on parish events for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen-St. Patrick and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Churches. Thank you to John Dee for the wonderful work on our Facebook Page.

<u>Check Out the Diocese Online:</u> Facebook: <a href="www.facebook.com/DioceseOfSyracuse">www.facebook.com/DioceseOfSyracuse</a> Twitter: twitter.com/SyrDiocese

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Linkedin: linkedin.com/company/catholic-diocese-of-Syracuse

YouTube: Youtube.com/user/syrdio

**FARMER'S MARKET-**Located in the Rural Services Pavilion on Saturdays from 9AM to 12 Noon, from May through October, our Farmers' Market offers fresh, locally- grown fruits and vegetables, baked goods, honey, eggs, maple syrup, and handcrafted items. The Farmers Market accepts New York State Farmer Market Nutrition Program coupons from WIC families and senior citizens. There is no charge for a space and new vendors are always welcome.

<u>Mass Intentions</u>-If you would like to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, please call our office at 607-692-3911 or see Mary Wied at Mass. The offering for all Mass intentions (both living and deceased) has increased to \$15 per Mass, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. If paying by check, please make payable to OLPH Church.