April 14, 2024 Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Church

# Third Sunday of Easter



### Pastor's Column - April 14, 2024

In this weekend's Gospel, we hear the story of two disciples of Jesus who were taking a journey to Emmaus on the evening of the Resurrection. They were discussing the events that they had just witnessed when a stranger approached them and began to speak to them. They invited the stranger into the conversation and began to share with him all that had happened to Jesus. The stranger then began to explain to them all the passages in Scripture that referred to Jesus and how Jesus had to suffer and die. They finally reached Emmaus and the disciples asked the stranger to stay with them for the evening. It was during the evening meal in the breaking of the bread that the eyes of the disciples were opened and recognized that the stranger was actually Jesus.

This story still takes place today in the lives of the disciples of Jesus. Jesus is with us as we journey through life together and as we share our life's stories. Jesus is with us in our daily lives. As we gather for Sunday Eucharist, our eyes are opened and we recognize Jesus present among us. During this year of Eucharistic Revival, let us ask the Lord to open our eyes to this great miracle that takes place every time we come together for Mass. Let us also renew our commitment to our Lord and to one another to make Sunday a Mass a priority in our lives.

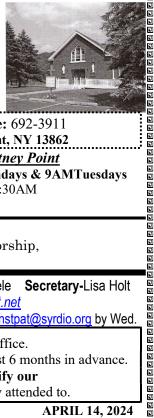
**HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!** 

Fr. Jim





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Whitney Point **OLPH** Marathon

No Mass No Mass 6:00PM Mondays & 9AMTuesdays Weekday Mass: Sunday Masses: 12:00PM 10:15AM 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.



**APRIL 14, 2024** 

#### MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Today, 04/14/24 12:00PM for Matthew Ricca by Pat & Terri Fedele for Patsy Fedele by Pat & Terri Fedele

Next Sunday, 04/21/24 12:00PM for Morgan Lucente by Pat & Terri Fedele

Gift Bearers: Polly Ann Faucher, Krys Getz Lector: Pam Maroney Eucharistic Minister: Betty Carter Next Sunday: Sharon Constantino Next Sunday: Lisa Holt Next Sunday: Jay & Lisa Holt

Ushers: John & Sue DeMonte If anyone is interested in becoming a Lector contact Betty Carter at chopwood2@hotmail.com.

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them.

"Peace be with you."

**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.

Just as what was spoken in last week's Gospel, the reading from Luke once again begins with the loving and merciful words, "Peace be with you." The difference between the two readings is the source of the disciples fright. In John's Gospel last week, the disciples were afraid of the Jewish authorities finding and punishing them. They were ashamed of their fear when seeing Jesus. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples "were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost." The important assertion in this reading is that the risen Jesus will be known and experienced in the breaking of the bread. Let's re-read that... "...Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread." There is an action... an interaction actually. This action brings us to the Cross with Jesus in his death and resurrection, and actively coming into communion with the Risen Christ. In the early Church, the entire Eucharistic celebration was referred to as the breaking of the bread. That's how important the gesture was! The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The Breaking of Bread, because Jesus used this rite, part of a Jewish meal when as master of the table he blessed and distributed the bread, above all at the Last Supper. It is by this action that his disciples will recognize him after his Resurrection, and it is this expression that the first Christians will use to designate their Eucharistic assemblies; by doing so they signified that all who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him." (CCC1329)

This week during the Mass, pay particular attention to the moment when the bread is broken. What do you see when the bread is broken? Do you see the broken body of the Crucified One who died to bring us back to the Father? Do you see the Risen One who overcame the power of death and who has opened the gates of Heaven to you? He is there, every time, ready to give himself to you in love. (BuildingFaith@HOME)

To access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass, for those who are homebound, go to:

https://www.voutube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick

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



Stewardship

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 you're 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.

I would like to thank everyone that remembered me on my birthday with your kind words, prayers and cards. Sincerely grateful, Jackie Cook

GET THE LATEST NEWS: Be sure to visit our parish website regularly and sign up for our FacebookPage: www.facebook.com/ccsssp 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.

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



OLPH's 50/50 for April was won by Bob Crowley, winning \$11.00. Congratulations!

**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 →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 \$1.00 each before Mass.

If you are interested and able please call the parish office, 692-3911, or see Hugh Cook at Mass.

Last Sunday, April 7, 2024: Envs: \$348.46 Loose: \$165. ....Total Regular Collection: \$513.46 Other Income: Votives-\$50. Fuel-\$50. 50/50-\$11. Bills Paid This Week: \$977.11 Your continued generosity is so greatly appreciated, thank you!

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal - On Sunday, April 28th, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Daily Message from Pope Francis "Service. This gesture is the condition to enter the kingdom of heaven. Yes, to serve... everyone. But the Lord, in the words he exchanged with Peter (cf. Jn 13:6-9), makes him realize that to enter the kingdom of heaven we must let the Lord serve us, that the servant of God be our servant. And this is hard to understand. If I do not let the Lord be my servant, do not let the Lord wash me, help me grow, forgive me, then I will not enter the kingdom of heaven." ~Pope Francis Note: Sign-up for daily messages from Pope Francis at Missio.org.

**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.

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

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