

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 16, 2020

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church



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Jesus and the Canaanite Woman -- Matthew 15:21-28



Then Jesus answered and said to her,

O woman,

great is your faith:

be it to you even as you will.

And her daughter was made

whole from that very hour.

Newcomers & Visitors: Welcome to “The Church on the Hill”!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. May you be blessed with hope, joy, love and peace while here!

Should you want to join our parish family please contact a Minister of Hospitality, Priest,

or call the Rectory. Again, Welcome!

OLPH History, Mission Statement, Vision Statement and Core Values

Matthew 28:18-20:

The Commissioning of the Disciples

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish has a rich, black cultural history. From its formation in 1920, the Black Catholics of Anacostia contributed to its development and growth through their sacrifices of time, talent, skills and funds to provide a parish plant of their own. Thus, the uniqueness of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish places it in a leadership position to interact with other Black and non-black parishes in utilizing the gifts of Black spirituality through music, dance, education, and special action.

MISSION STATEMENT: We, the people, of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, therefore, acknowledge that our Pastoral Mission is to **proclaim** Christ and **teach** the "Good News", to **worship** and **bear witness** in the community, to **love and serve** as Jesus commanded, and to **preserve and share** our rich Black heritage.

VISION STATEMENT: "A Roman Catholic church that is actively visible in the Community, shares its spirituality through fellowship, and is committed to serving God."

CORE VALUES

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS: We will always speak the truth, respect the opinions and roles of all parishioners, and value each person, always maintaining Christian charity in all of our actions.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: We will seek to increase the understanding of our Catholic faith and expand our spiritual growth by participating in and supporting charitable and spiritual activities, in addition to attending Mass.

STEWARDSHIP: We will become involved in church activities and commit our time, talent and treasures.

INCLUSION: We will be open and inviting by extending ourselves to all by sharing in our parish life; thereby, reaffirming our vision of being actively visible in the community.

LEGACY: We will preserve our rich Black cultural history by respecting the past, continuing in service and faith in the present, and committing to the future of OLPH.

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

Mass Intentions are available for the faithful departed and the needs of the living. In addition, every weekend one Mass is offered for the parishioners of our parish.

Call the office to request a Mass intention.

An offering of \$10 is suggested.

Memorials are noted by: † Indicates **Deceased**

BD means **Birthday** **AD** means **Anniversary of Death**

Sunday (16th)

10:00 am For the People of OLPH

Monday (17th)

8:00 am St. Joseph's Ladies' Auxiliary no.213

Tuesday (18th)

8:00 am †Camille Stevenson

By her daughter Stephanie Stevenson

Wednesday (19th)

8:00 am All Children Who Were Victims of Street Violence

By Gloria A. Lessington

Thursday (20th)

8:00 am **BD** Carolyn Wheeler

By Doris Savoy

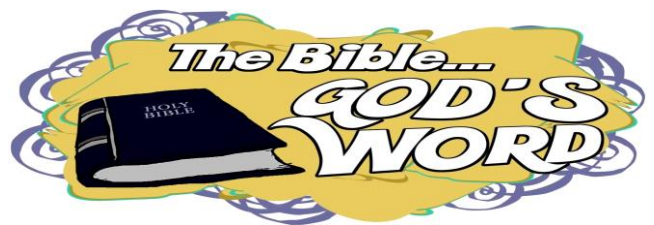
Friday (21st)

8:00 am †**BD** Bro. Marx E.A. Tyree, SSJ

By Doris Savoy

Sunday (23rd)

10:00 am For the People of OLPH



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2020

1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Responsorial Psalm 67:2-3,5-6,8

2nd Reading: Romans 11:13-15,29-32

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21-28

Quote for the Week

**"Together we stand,
divided we fall."**

This Week

CH: Church **CHG:** Church Grounds **REC:** Rectory
1P/3P: First/Third Portable Building **PR:** Panorama Room
PRF(S)(G): Panorama Room Field (Stage) (Grounds)
WSG: Washington School for Girls

Sunday, August 16th:

10:00 am Mass

Thursday, August 20th:

Memorial of St. Bernard of Clairvaux

St. Bernard (1090-1153) was born near Dijon and died in Clairvaux, France. He was of a noble family and received a careful education in his youth. With his father, brother and thirty noblemen he entered the Benedictine monastery of Cîteaux. Two years later he led a group of monks to establish a house at Clairvaux, and became its abbot. The monastic rule which he perfected at Clairvaux became the model for 163 monasteries of the Cistercian reform. He was a theologian, poet, orator, and writer. He is sometimes considered as a Father of the Church. He was the second founder of the Cistercians, the Mellifluous Doctor, the apostle of the Crusades, the miracle-worker, the reconciler of kings, the leader of peoples, the counselor of popes! His sermons, from which there are many excerpts in the Breviary, are conspicuous for genuine emotion and spiritual unction. The celebrated *Memorare* is ascribed to him.

10:30 am LOC Food Pantry – 3P

Friday, August 21st:

Memorial of Pope Pius X

Born Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, (2 June 1835 – 20 August 1914) was head of the Catholic Church from August 1903 to his death in 1914. Pius X is known for vigorously opposing modernist interpretations of Catholic doctrine, promoting liturgical reforms and orthodox theology. He directed the production of the 1917 Code of Canon Law, the first comprehensive and systemic work of its kind. He is venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church and was canonized May 29, 1954.

Saturday, August 22nd:



The Blessed Virgin Mary has many titles, given by the Church. For instance, The Roman Catholic Church gave her a title of Queen of Heaven, and Pope Pius XII established the feast of the Queenship of Mary and pronounced it on October 11, 1954. Originally the feast was celebrated on May 31 that is the last day of the Marian month. Observation of the feast of Queenship of Mary was moved to August 22 by Pope Paul VI in 1969. Since then the date hasn't been changed.

Sunday, August 23rd:

10:00 am Mass



MASSES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED ON THE OLPH WEBSITE OR GO TO <https://facebook.com/OurLadyofPerpetualHelp.DC>

Sunday 10:00 am

Monday-Friday 8:00 am

A Prayer That Can Be Offered At Communion:

“My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.”



The greatest gifts we can give to each other, is to pray for one another.

8:00 am Weekday Masses are available for you to offer prayers for your family, friends and yourself.

Contact the Rectory for available dates. If you previously requested a date on Saturday or Sunday, your date will be moved to the closest day.

Remember ALL Sunday Masses are offered For the People of OLPH.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development:

Many thanks to those of you who were able to donate and support our cause. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Make checks payable to:

"USCCB – Catholic Campaign for Human Development."

Send a check or money order to:

Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Office of National Collections, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops P.O. Box 96278 Washington DC 20090-6278.

Sorry, we are not currently able to process online or credit card donations.



Until We Can Meet Again!

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Tithes & Offering

Collections last week: \$8,618.25

Many thanks to all OLPH parishioners for sending in your tithes and offerings. You may continue to remit your offerings via mail (Attention Mrs. Waller), pay on-line, or dropped off at the office. Your continued support of our parish is greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance.

Church Directory

UPDATE

Please contact the parish office to update your record with any **name changes, address changes, new email address or new phone numbers or with any additions to the family.** If you have a family member listed as a dependent and they are now married or self-sufficient please let us know as they need to register on their own.

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Blessings for the New Week

Dear God, We thank You for the week that is ahead. We know You will be with us every step of the way. Please give us strength, wisdom, and guidance. Help us to be a blessing to others as You are to us. May the week be filled with: Blessings of Good Health, Strength, Friendship, Kindness, Compassion, and Love! May You bless us and our loved ones and keep us safe! Amen.

Spirituality

The Faith of the Canaanite Woman

Even when spurned by Jesus, the faith of the Canaanite woman makes her bold enough to argue and ask again for what she needs. Her persistence and great confidence that Jesus could heal her daughter reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their own needs. In their faith and trust we can find modern examples of how we might approach God in prayer.

As a family recall some times when a request for something was presented by one family member to another with confidence and persistence. If the request was denied, talk about why that was so.


If the request was eventually granted, talk about what led to the change of heart. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28.

Was anyone surprised by Jesus' response to the Canaanite woman? Why or why not? What makes Jesus change his mind and heal the woman's daughter? When we pray, God wants us to be as confident in his mercy. Invite family members to identify the things that they most need from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers.



HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Tommy & Selena Brown 29th on August 15th
 William & Charlotte Lewis 20th on August 19th
 James & Darlene Banks 42nd on August 23rd
 Norman & LaJuan Gorham 19th on August 24th
 John & Lorraine Brown 63rd on August 25th
 George & Shirley Conway 48th on August 26th
 William & Brenda Butler 55th on August 28th
 Kerry & Tracy Dugue 16th on August 28th
 Lee & Joanne Scott 38th on August 29th



Happy Birthday

15th Jerome Brooks Mary M. Proctor Coralynn Smith
 20th Carolyn Wheeler
 21st Marguerite Smalls
 22nd Celina Dixon
 24th LaJuan Gorham
 27th John Holmes Joseph C. Jackson, Jr.
 Eugene (Que) Proctor Vivian Staples
 31st Dianna Hill

PARISHIONER TIDBITS

What is intercessory prayer? Intercessory prayer is where we make requests to God on behalf of other people.

Who should we pray for? The bible exhorts us to intercede for all types of groups and people: church leaders, those in authority (managers, politicians, and anyone in a position of power in society); those who are ill; family and friends; enemies and those who mistreat or persecute us; **all people should be prayed for.**

ENTERING THE HOSPITAL? Parishioners planning to enter the hospital are encouraged to receive the **Sacrament of the Sick** prior to admission. Because of privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify parishes of a parishioner’s stay. **Please notify the Rectory** of the name of person, hospital and room number, also **when the person returns home.**

God Answers Prayers!
Prayer is the best armor against all trials. God answers all prayers in three ways: “yes,” because you deserve it; “no,” because you deserve better; and “not yet,” because the best is yet to come. Never give up on prayer... God sometimes answers in unexpected ways!



Remembering Our Homebound Members
HOMEBOUND, **HOSPITALS and/or *NURSING/REHAB
 *Nettie Biscoe, *Sonnie Boulware, John Brown, Lorraine Brown, Shelia Conway, Roberta Dade-Young, Agnes Dua, *Cordella Gough, Elease Gravett, *Michael Holley, Ruth Holt, Hilda Kearney, *Geraldine Lee, Marie Lucas, Vincent Matthews, Antoinette Reese, and Kobe Williams.

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Prayer Requests

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| Evelyn Akoto | Jessica King |
| Louis Carter | Elizabeth Moeller |
| Margo Cooke | Marcia Marlene Oliver |
| Toni Gaines | Deidre Dorsey Point |
| LaShawn Gaines | Nicole Shaw |
| Karin Joy Hodge | Bernadette Waters |
| James Jackson | Earline Wilkinson |

We would like to keep a current listing **ONLY**.
Please contact Doris Savoy via email or call the Rectory when a **request to add** as well as the **request to remove** a name.

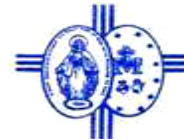
A SPECIAL THANK YOU!
 In Loving Remembrance of
 Father Kenneth Westray
 Our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the love and expressions of condolences. May God continue to richly bless you!
 The Westray Family

Congratulations

To All Our Winners!



Scholarship Recipients



Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality

Sherwood Armstrong and Remi Coleman



Scholarship
Winners



OLPH Women's Ministry

Donald Hawkins, Jr. – College

Dyllan Robinson – College (over 21 years old)

Daryl Tucker – High School



Your Response Is Required By Law!!!

DC needs a fair and accurate 2020 census count.

**Currently DC is lacking especially
in our SE DC Ward 8 area.**

DON'T DELAY!!

Fill Out the Census Form NOW!

**Please fill in your form received in the mail,
or you may go to the website on-line to register at:**

<http://2020census.gov>



This all took place in the region of Tyre and Sidon

Find these letters in the picture below: TYRE SIDON.



Ages 7+

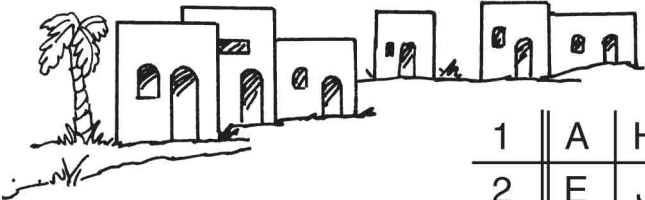
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A Woman's Faith



Jesus went to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Someone came to Him crying out for mercy. Who was it?

Use the graph to find the answer.



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3	G	T	I	L	P
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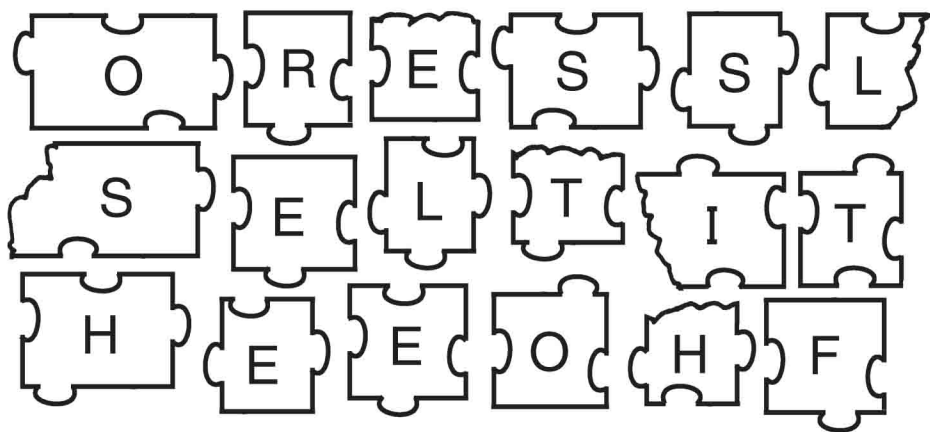
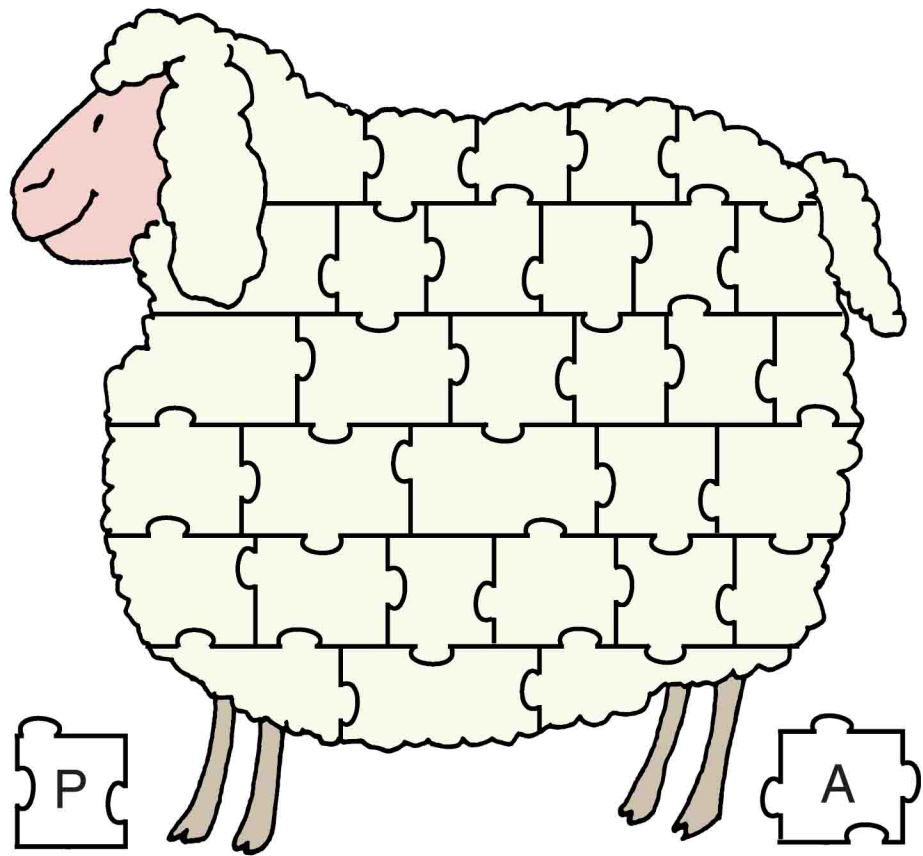
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The disciples thought Jesus should send the woman away right then. Whom did Jesus say He was sent to care for?

Fit the pieces into the puzzle to find the answer.



The woman was persistent.
She knelt before Jesus.
What happened next?



Use the code to fill the blanks.

-Jesus	-daughter	-faith	-Woman
-granted	-help	-healed	-is
-have	-you	-said	-her
-request	-was	-Your	-me
-Lord	-She	-And	-great

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