

***Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 11, 2020***  
***Month of the Rosary, Respect Life Month and Domestic Violence Month***  
***Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church***



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**The Parable of the Wedding Feast**

**Matthew 22:1-14**

**YOU'RE INVITED**



**For many are called,  
but few are chosen.**  
**Matthew 22:14**

**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 (11<sup>th</sup>)

10:00 am For the People of OLPH

### Monday (12<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am †Dr. Rita Robinson

By her sister Carolyn Brown

### Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am **BD** Kevyn Whitaker

By his mother Alice Whitaker

### Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am †Conrad F. Babb

By Gloria A. Lessington

### Thursday (15<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am †Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By Gloria A. Lessington

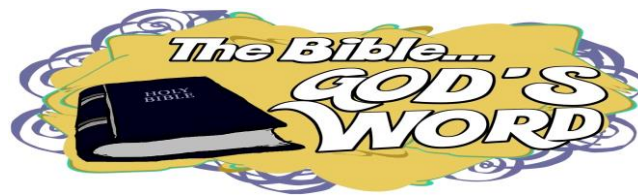
### Friday (16<sup>th</sup>)

8:00 am **BD** Darrell Tucker

By Doris Savoy

### Sunday (18<sup>th</sup>)

10:00 am For the People of OLPH



## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time October 18, 2020

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 45:1,4-6

Responsorial Psalm 96:1,3-5,7-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:14-22

### Quote for the Week

*"Happiness is not found in worldly pleasure."*

## 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, October 11<sup>th</sup>:

10:00 am Mass

### Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>:

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED – COLUMBUS DAY**

### Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>:

#### **Memorial of Pope Callistus I**

He is celebrated in churches throughout the world as a saint and martyr. The saint caused a major controversy, including a schism that lasted almost two decades, by choosing to emphasize God's mercy in his ministry. However, the early Pope's model of leadership has endured, and his martyrdom in the year 222 confirmed his example of holiness. Because no completely trustworthy biography of Pope Callistus I exists, historians have been forced to rely on an account by his contemporary Hippolytus of Rome.

### Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>:

#### **Memorial of Teresa of Ávila**

Also called **Saint Teresa of Jesus**, she was a Spanish noblewoman who felt called to convent life in the Catholic Church. A Carmelite nun, prominent Spanish mystic, religious reformer, author, theologian of the contemplative life and of mental prayer, she earned the rare distinction of being declared a Doctor of the Church, but not until over four centuries after her death. Active during the Catholic Reformation, she reformed the Carmelite Orders of both women and men. The movement she initiated was later joined by the younger Spanish Carmelite friar and mystic, John of the Cross. It led eventually to the establishment of the Discalced Carmelites. A formal papal decree adopting the split from the old order was issued in 1580.

10:30 am LOC Food Pantry – 3P

### Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>:

#### **Memorial of St. Hedwig**

St. Hedwig married Duke Henry of Silesia and raised seven children. She outlived all but one of her children. She persuaded her husband to use her dowry to found a Cistercian monastery for nuns at Trebnitz. St. Hedwig led a life of piety and solicitude for the sick and poor, including their religious education. She lived a life of poverty and humility, despite her prominent position. She is venerated as patroness of Poland.

#### **Memorial of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**

The visions of Christ granted to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (virgin and religious) led to the Church's formal veneration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After briefly considering marriage, she entered the Order of Visitation Sisters. **Canonized:** 13 May 1920, Vatican City, by Pope Benedict XV. **Venerated in:** Roman Catholic Church

### Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>:

10:00 am Mass



**MASSSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED ON  
 THE OLPH WEBSITE OR GO TO  
<https://facebook.com/OurLadyofPerpetualHelp.DC>  
 Sunday 10:00 am Monday-Friday 8:00 am**

## Request your Mass Intention

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 until further notice.**

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A very special **Thank You** to the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality for providing the beautiful flowers for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Opening Mass Celebration!

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#### **Items Available in the Rectory**

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**The Word Among Us \$1.00**

**The Living Faith \$1.00**

**Candles \$3.00**

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#### **LOC NEWS ALERT**

The Ladies of Charity will be taking names for their **Christmas Project** starting immediately. Please call Carolyn Brown 301 789-5755 if you are interested.





**Until We Can Meet Again!**

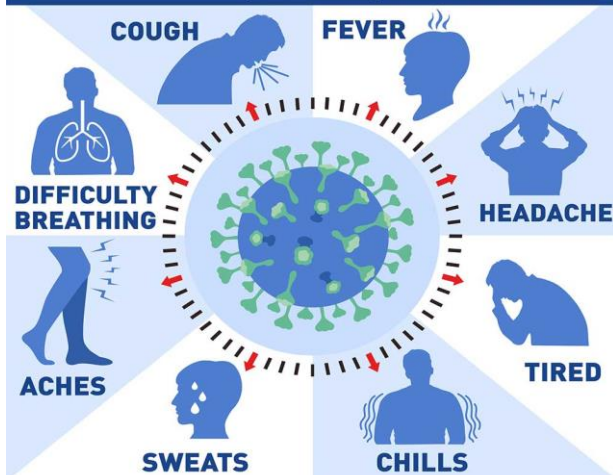
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## **Tithes & Offering**

**Collections last week: \$5,935.00**

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.

### **SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS 2019-nCoV (coronavirus)**



### **COVID-19 Safety Tips**

- Wear a Mask**
- Wash hands frequently**
- Avoid touching your face**
- Cover mouth when you cough**
- Practice social distancing**
- Avoid contact (touching) others**
- Avoid non-essential travel**
- Clean & disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces**

(Listed above a few things you can do.)

## *spirituality*

### **YOU'RE INVITED!**

Today's Gospel reminds us that God invites all of us to his kingdom. How do we respond to this invitation? In theological terms, God has granted us free will to accept or reject salvation. The parable of the wedding feast reminds us that God desires our wholehearted acceptance of his invitation to salvation. As you gather as a family, discuss what you consider appropriate attire for various occasions. For example, if your family were invited to a neighbor's barbecue, what would you wear? If you were planning to attend the symphony, what might you wear? If invited to an evening wedding, what might you wear? Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today's Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Read Matthew 22:1-14. Discuss why the guest was thrown out of the wedding feast. What does Jesus expect of those who accept his invitation of salvation? What would be the evidence of our conversion to God's salvation? Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God's invitation to salvation. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 23.

*The Family  
that prays together,  
Stays  
Together.*





*Anniversary Blessings*

Joseph and Barbara Gant 4<sup>th</sup> on October 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Eric and Pandora Stevenson 18<sup>th</sup> on October 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Kevin and Nakiea Dade 19<sup>th</sup> on October 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Vadim and Doreatha Wallace 8<sup>th</sup> on October 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Robert and Henrietta Moody 60<sup>th</sup> on October 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 Richard and Develle Simms 47<sup>th</sup> on October 27<sup>th</sup>



10<sup>th</sup> Roberta Dade-Young  
 11<sup>th</sup> Tracy Dugue'  
 13<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Wimbish  
 15<sup>th</sup> Marcus Dade  
 16<sup>th</sup> Paula Backus Jalen Washington  
 Katalina Masembwa  
 19<sup>th</sup> Darrell Q. Tucker

## 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.**



## 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.

## FRIENDLY REMINDER

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.

## Prayer Requests

Evelyn Akoto, Michelle Brookings-Cheek, Carolyn Brown, Louis Carter, Margo Cooke, Steve Cooke, Toni Gaines, LaShawn Gaines, Karin Joy Hodge, Charlene Hursey, Charles Jackson, James Jackson, Jessica King, Elizabeth Moeller, Yvonne Moody, Marcia Marlene Oliver, Mattie O'Neal, Deidre Dorsey Point, Lois Rose, Amy Scroggins, Eric Scroggins, Edward Stoner, Bernadette Waters, Earline Wilkinson, and Claire Witt.

**In your prayers, remember the souls of**  
**James William Jeffreys, Sr.**  
 Brother-in-law Carolyn Wheeler  
 and **Bruce Stoner**  
 Brother of Edward Stoner

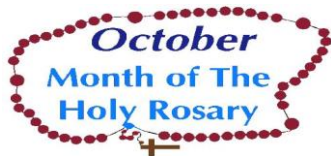


*Every morning, you hear our prayers as we lay our requests at your feet. On this day, guide us so that we can grow in your love and mercy. Help us to see your plan in everything so that we can follow in your path. Amen.*





# October Happenings

**October 12****Columbus Day – Parish Office Closed****October 12-20****International Week of Prayer and Fasting**

Virtual Prayer and Fasting Conference: *“Heaven’s Weapons of Warfare for Victory”*

The International Week of Prayer and Fasting is a grassroots movement of Catholics and Christians from around the world participating in a global network of prayer and fasting. The IWOPF brings together people of all ages, backgrounds, and races. By invoking the help of our Blessed Mother, the Virgin Mary, and by praying the Rosary, we play a crucial role in the conversion of nations and changing the course of world events. For more information visit their web at <https://iwopf.org/>

**October 18****World Mission Day****October 23-25****National Black Men’s Virtual Conference -- “Still Rising”**

*“Rise up, take courage and do it”* Ezra 10:4

**October 25****World Priest Day**

Priesthood Sunday is a day to pray for our priests, in praising God for their courage and their generosity. A simple note, a smile or a phone call to assure him of your loving care and gratitude for his presence in the life of your local church will go a long way to serve the greater good of our wonderful and growing Catholic Church.

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**Reminder:** The OLPH Annual Memorial Mass previously scheduled for Saturday, October 31 has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

**Prayer For All Recently Deceased Family and Friends of OLPH**

*In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.*

*The old order has passed away; welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*



# Annual Christmas Project

the joy of



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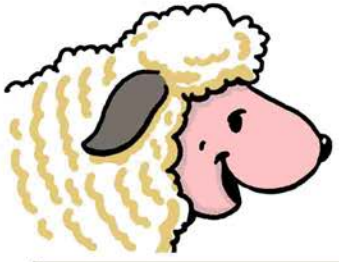
Dear OLPH Church Family,

This Holiday Season, in lieu of the Giving Tree, we are asking that you give monetary donations to be used for the purchase of gifts for the children of our families receiving Christmas baskets. This will help us to continue with the guidelines that will help keep all of us safe.

Please make checks and money orders payable to **OLPH Church** and note in the memo **“Giving Tree”**. Thanking you in advance for your participation in this wonderful Christmas Project.

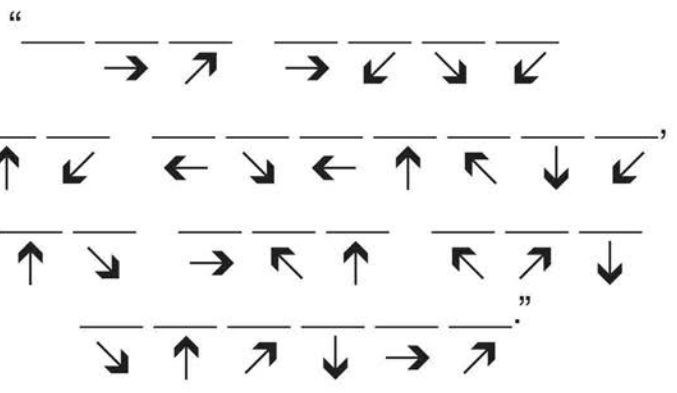
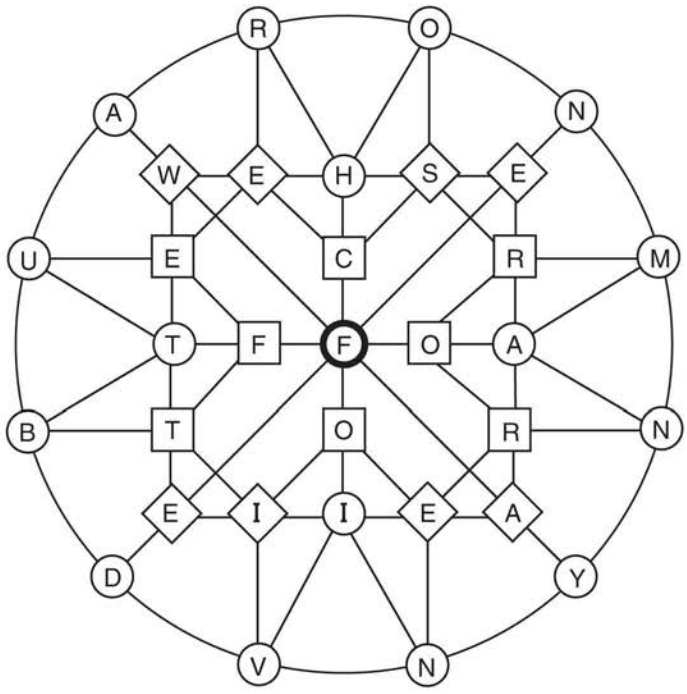
Peace and Blessings,  
Christmas Project Committee

**Address all envelopes to:**  
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The king told the attendants to tie the man up and throw him outside.  
What does this parable mean?

Start at the center.  
Then follow the arrows to fill in the blanks.



Ages 7+

October 11, 2020 • Matthew 22:1-14

# The Wedding Banquet

Jesus spoke to the crowd  
in parables. What did He say?

Find the underlined letters hidden in the picture below.

“The kingdom of heaven is like a king  
who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.”



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What happened next?

Use this code to fill in the blanks.



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The king was angry. What happened next?

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