

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER -- APRIL 30, 2023

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church



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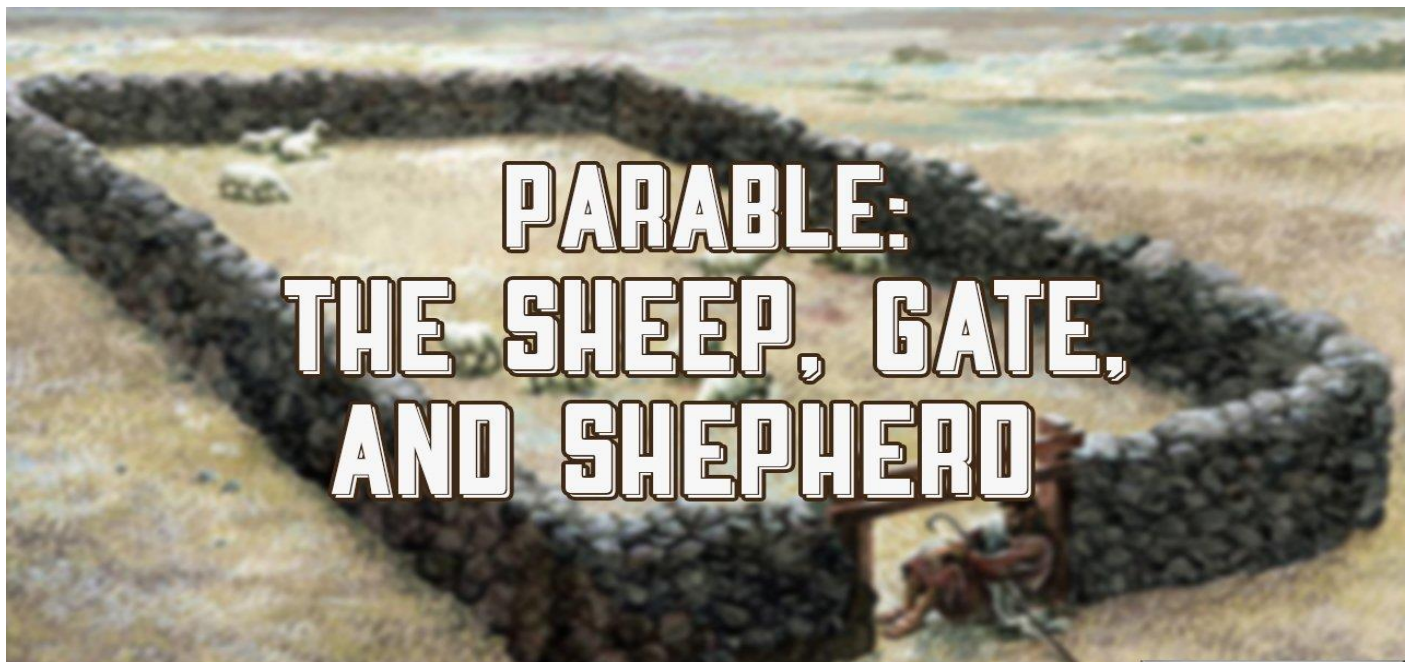
Very Rev. Michael L. Thompson, SSJ, Pastor

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Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Bernice Waller

Director of Religious Education: Ms. Cynthia Battle

Director of Music: Mr. Rawn Harbor



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 for a Registration Form. 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.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

OFFICE CLOSED: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

**MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED ON
THE OLPH WEBSITE**

Sunday 10:00 am Monday-Thursday 8:00 am
Saturday 4:30 pm NOT LIVE-STREAMED

Mass Intentions

**Mass Intentions may NOT be made on
Solemnities, Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays.**

**Saturday and Sunday Masses are offered
For the People of OLPH until further notice.**

(Since Sundays are not available, Monday Masses following the third Sundays are for Ladies' Auxiliary No. 213)

Mass stipend donation \$10.00

Contact Doris Savoy to reserve your intentions preferably by email: dsavoy0642@aol.com.

If you do not have internet access, call the Rectory Extension 2 Monday-Thursday 9 am-1:00 pm

When requesting your intentions, please check your calendar dates and make sure they are not on Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays.

SUNDAY DONUTS

First and Third Sundays ONLY!

We are **still requesting** that any organization or parishioner, who is willing to assist with Sunday donuts, please contact Millicent via email

at millicent_hawkins@hotmail.com

or at 202-841-9837.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS AVAILABLE

THE LIVING WORD (\$3.00)

THE WORD AMONG US (\$2.00)

CANDLES (\$3.00 EACH)

**2023 SAINT JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSAL
(\$5.00 EACH)**

**CHECK WITH OUR
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY**



Mass Intentions are available for the faithful departed and the needs of the living. Please note the weekend Masses are 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**

Saturday (29th)

4:30 pm For the People

Sunday (30th)

10:00 am For the People

Monday (1st)

8:00 am † Mass shooting deaths in Louisville, KY

By Gloria A. Lessington

Tuesday (2nd)

8:00 am † Vincent Edward Matthews

By Doris Savoy

Wednesday (3rd)

8:00 am † Mary McFadden Proctor

By the Family

Thursday (4th)

8:00 am † Rev. Lowell D. Case, SSJ

By Toni Gaines

Saturday (6th)

4:30 pm For the People

Sunday (7th)

10:00 am For the People



Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 7, 2023

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Responsorial Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-12

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

*I can't do the right thing the wrong way
(my way), and expect it to turn right.*

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, April 30th:

10:00 am Mass

11:30 am Sunday School/RCIA

12:00 Noon – 3:00 pm Retirement Celebration

for Michael Hawkins – PR

Monday, May 1st:

Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker

(See page inserted in this bulletin)

Tuesday, May 2nd:

Memorial of Saint Athanasius

(Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

In his Easter letter of 367, Athanasius was the first person to list the 27 books of the New Testament canon that are in use today.

Wednesday, May 3rd:

Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Saints Philip and James share a feast day because their relics were brought to Rome together in early May. Philip and James both served Christ faithfully during the very early days of the Church. As in the case of the other apostles, we see in James and Philip human men who became foundation stones of the Church, and we are reminded again that holiness and its consequent apostolate are entirely the gift of God, not a matter of human achieving.

Funeral Mass for Mary Proctor (Details see page 5)

Thursday, May 4th:

The National Day of Prayer that we know today was founded in 1952, and it was co-founded effort between the United States Congress and President Harry S. Truman. The holiday was signed into law by President Truman, and every president since has signed a proclamation that encourages Americans to pray on and celebrate this day. The national holiday has always been the **first Thursday of May** every year since it was founded in 1952. It stands as a day that continues the decision-making of the country's founding fathers, which used the morals from biblical lessons in difficult situations. Basically, using God's guidance to make important decisions in the country and for you. Just like Thanksgiving and Christmas, the National Day of Prayer has become recognized by Americans nation-wide.

10:30 am LOC Food Pantry

Friday, May 5th:

Funeral Mass for Vincent Matthews (Details see page 5)

Saturday, May 6th:

4:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, May 7th:

10:00 am Mass

Annual May Procession

11:30 am Sunday School/RCIA Teachers

Study ^{the} Bible with us

Tuesday Night Virtual Bible Study 6:30 PM

The Book of Luke being studied!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86481398261?pwd=OHNBc2ZGdXh6WEtZcHVhS1pDZHg5UT09>

Meeting ID: 864 813 98261

Passcode: 509931

The OLPH Prayer Group also recites the Rosary daily at 12:00 Noon and 8:00 pm. To join call 725-735-9470.

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tithes & offering

Giving back to the One who first gave!

Collection last weekend: \$9,302.00

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 in the office mailbox.

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Share In Mission Fund

It is very important that you please

WRITE a SEPARATE CHECK

payable directly to:

The Josephites or place

CASH in the envelope.

We cannot send checks made payable to OLPH to The Josephites.

(Their envelopes are mailed directly to them.)



Gabriel Network here at OLPH offers long-term, church-based support to pregnant women and their families. The **PINK** envelope in your Church Offering Envelopes supports this effort for OLPH's Gabriel Network Project.

Gabriel Network partners with Churches across Maryland and Washington, D.C. to support pregnant women by providing material, emotional, and spiritual support.

Journey of Faith


The
LORD
is my shepherd,
I shall not want.
Psalm 23:1

Even though we have less experience with sheep and shepherds today in our society, we can still identify strongly with the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and as the gate for the sheep. Psalm 23 remains a popular and favorite psalm for prayer. In the image of the Good Shepherd, we know ourselves to be protected and cared for by a loving God. As your family gathers, ask what each person knows about sheep and shepherds. Recall that shepherds and sheep have a close relationship. Sheep will only follow their own shepherd; they recognize his voice and will not follow a stranger. The shepherd's job is to protect his sheep. In some ways, the relationship between the shepherd and his sheep is like that of a parent and child. Read together this Sunday's Gospel, John 10:1-10. Talk about how Jesus tells us that he is the gate for the sheep. The sheep enter the protection of the sheepfold through the gate. In Jesus we find protection and abundant life. Conclude by thanking Jesus for being our Good Shepherd and by praying today's psalm, Psalm 23.

POPE FRANCIS' MAY INTENTION: FOR CHURCH MOVEMENTS AND GROUPS

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Vincent & Tayloria Jordan 41st on May 8th
 Ruben & Monica Garvin 14th on May 9th
 Brian & Rhonda Moore 15th on May 12th
 Robert & Brenda Robinson 23rd on May 15th
 Erin & Dawn Washington 8th on May 17th

BLESSINGS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR ORDINATION

May 1st, 47th Rev. Donald Fest, SSJ
 May 19th, 5th Rev. Kingsley Ogbuji, SSJ
 May 20th, 45th Very Rev. Thomas R. Frank, SSJ
 May 20th, 17th Rev. Oswald Pierre-Jules, Jr., SSJ
 May 25th, 55th Most Rev. John H. Ricard, SSJ

PARISHIONER NEWS



29th Sylvia Reddrick-Harris
 30th Milika Dozier Dynithia Middleton
 1st Morgan Holliway
 2nd Julia Maria Scott
 3rd Marjorie (Margie) Hammitt
 6th Kathy T.H. Jones
 8th Audrey Jones
 10th Kevin Jackson

Sending Healing Prayers

HOMEBOUND, **HOSPITAL and/or *NURSING/REHAB

Alice Bethea, Carolyn Brown, Agnes Dua, **Irene Ford,
 *Cordella Gough, Terry Hawkins, *Charles Jackson, *Audrey
 Jones, Hilda Kearney, *Betty Lawson, Marie Lucas, Maurice
 Moody, Gloria Ann Moore, Rose Neverdon-Quander, Antoinette
 Reese, George Shearard, Charles Smith, Delores Smith, New-
 Velvet Washington, and **Kobe Williams.

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.**

Prayer Request

We are here to Pray for you

Clement Akoto, Evelyn Akoto, Lisa Alexander, Robert Barden, Frances Battle, Michelle Brookings-Cheek, Thomas Henry Brooks, Patricia Brown, Millicent Brown-Howard, Ronald Burton, Demarquis Carter, Dorita Carter, Louis Carter, Terneara Carter, Judy Chase, William Clemons, Carla Coleman, Margo Cooke, Roberta Dade-Young, Judith Dean, Beverly Ford, Salim Franklin, Betty Franklin-Swammy, Toni Gaines, LaShawn Gaines, Sy Gaines, Joseph Gant, Dexter Goodwyn, Betty Graham, David Malcolm Greene, Lela Hagan, John Hawkins, Ken Houston, James Jackson, Joan Jackson, Louis Jones, Vincent Jordan, Jessica King, Dianna Ledbetter, Jimmy Logan, Crystal Marsh, Shirel Marshall, Ngoki Masembwa, Winifred Mason, David McNeill, Deborah McNeill, Justine Middleton, Elizabeth Moeller, Yvonne Moody, Milton Morgan, Travia Neverdon-Stone, Warren Newton, Marcia Marlene Oliver, Mattie O'Neal, Terrance Oxyner, Diane Penny, Lawrence (Lonnie) Penny, Theresa Penny, Tina Penny, Yvonne Peterson, Deidre Dorsey Point, Brenda Price, Eugene (Que) Proctor, Theo Proctor, Gladys Reid, Clementine Smith, Demetria Savoy, Amy Scroggins, Eric Scroggins, Donna Stewart-Moore, Michelle Stone, Augustine Thomas, Joseph Thomas, Rose Thurston, Debra Tidwell-Peters, William Paul Tucker, Lee Waller, Juanita White, Nicky Wilkinson, Charles "Sonny" Williams.

PLEASE REVIEW THE ABOVE LISTINGS

When Names Can Be Removed, Contact Doris Savoy.

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In your prayers remember the souls of

Mary McFadden Proctor (DOD 4-18-23)
 (Parishioner and sister of Katherine McKenzie)

Funeral Services will be held

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Visitation 10:00 am

Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 am

Repat following Interment in the Parish Hall.

Vincent Edward Matthews (DOD 4-20-23)

Funeral services will be held

Friday, May 5, 2023

Visitation 9:00 am

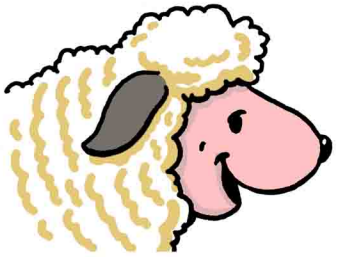
Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 am

Repat **immediately** following Mass in the Parish Hall.

*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful
 departed through the mercy of God rest in peace!*

Please continue to keep the families in prayers.

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What else did Jesus say?

Write the word that is opposite the one given.
Then move letters to the numbered lines of the story at the bottom.

Light	<u>2</u> <u>1</u> <u>6</u> —	Frown	<u>18</u> <u>3</u> <u>10</u> — —
Day	<u>14</u> — — — <u>5</u> —	Down	<u>11</u> — —
Hard	<u>S</u> — — — <u>7</u> <u>15</u>	Hello	— <u>12</u> — — — <u>4</u> <u>19</u> —
Take	<u>20</u> — — — <u>8</u> —	Go	<u>13</u> — — <u>m</u> <u>17</u>
High	<u>16</u> — — — <u>9</u> —		



“ 9 5 12 17 8 17 6 17 14 15 17 6 18 ”

15 5 6 12 11 20 5 3 17 9 10 16 16 4 17

18 1 8 17 2 10 5 1 8 17 13 12 3 17

15 5 1 15 15 5 17 19 3 1 19 5 1 8 17

16 10 7 17 1 14 2 5 1 8 17 10 15

10 14 7 11 16 16 ”

Ages 7+

April 30, 2023 • John 10:1-10

The Shepherd and His Flock

What did Jesus say to the Pharisees?



Match the number with the word given.



10 is	15 way	7 and	17 other	24 some	9 the	13 enter
18 man	5 I	29 sheep	21 the	3 but	8 the	19 not
11 you	25 a	23 by	27 climbs	22 a	14 pen	30 truth
12 by	2 the	28 in	6 does	16 tell	26 gate	20 who

“ 5 16 11 2 30 9 ”

18 20 6 19 13 21

29 14 12 8 26 3

27 28 23 24 17

15 10 22 1 7 25 4 ”

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Jesus continued His story.

Fill in the missing vowels in order. Then read the story.

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o i a e e e i e o i o i e a i o e e a e a e a e o u

“Th__ m__n wh__ __nt__rs by

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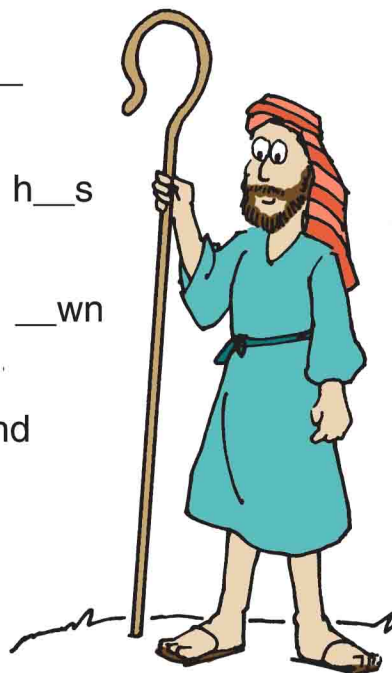
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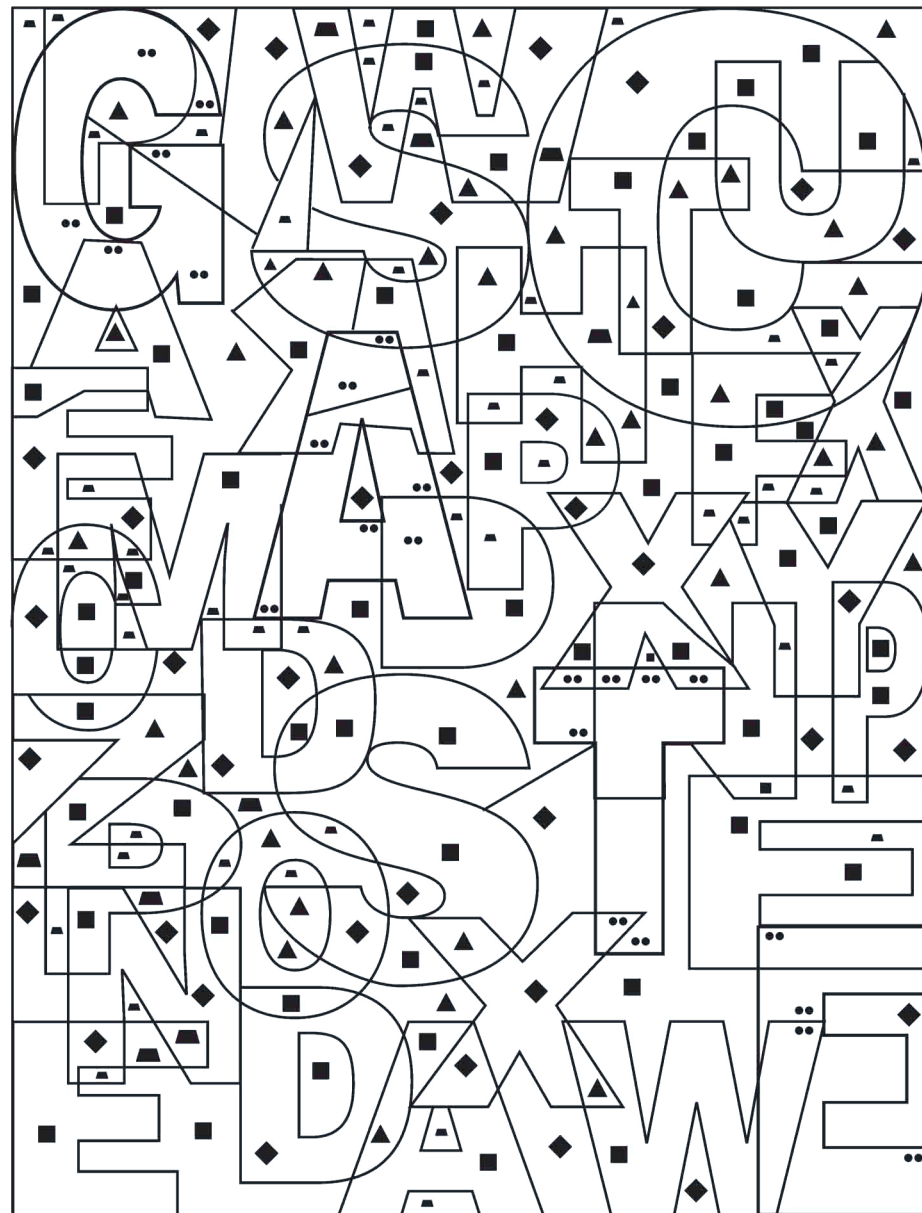
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l____ds th__m ____t.”



What did Jesus say next?

Fill in all the shapes with a •• .
Then fill in the missing word in the sentence below.



“I tell you the truth, I am the _____ for the sheep.”