

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JANUARY 18, 2026 – MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS**  
*Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church*



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**PARISH STAFF**

***Very Rev. Cornelius K. Ejiogu, SSJ, Pastor***

**Deacons: Ira Chase and Thomas Jones**

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Bernice Waller  
Director of Music: Mr. Rawn Harbor

Director of Faith Formation: Ms. Cynthia Battle  
Youth Choir Director: Melanie Cobb

Seminarian Lawrence Lema

Let us warmly welcome **Father Isaac Opara**

**John the Baptist Introduced  
Jesus as the Passover Lamb**

The next day  
John saw Jesus  
coming toward  
him, and said,  
*“Behold! The  
Lamb of God who  
takes away the  
sin of the world!”*  
(John 1:29)



**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!**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-4:00 pm**  
 (Lunch Hour 12:30-1:30 pm)  
**OFFICE CLOSED: FRIDAY & SATURDAY**

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

**Sunday 10:00 am Monday-Thursday 8:00 am**  
**Saturday 4:30 pm Mass not Live Streamed**

**Mass Intentions may not be made on  
 Solemnities, Fridays, Saturdays nor Sundays.**  
**Mass Stipend Donation is \$10.00**

**Contact Doris Savoy in the Rectory, Ext. 2,  
 or email [dsavoy0642@aol.com](mailto:dsavoy0642@aol.com).**

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**SUNDAY DONUTS**  
**Sunday fellowship with donuts and coffee  
 will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays ONLY.**  
**Organizations and/or Ministries, please  
 contact Millicent Hawkins to advise when you  
 will be able to assist on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays.**



Memorials are noted by + indicates deceased  
 BD means Birthday AD means Anniversary of death

- Sunday (18<sup>th</sup>)**  
10:00 am For the People
- Monday (19<sup>th</sup>)**  
8:00 am **BD** Charlene Hursey
- Tuesday (20<sup>th</sup>)**  
8:00 am OLPH Sick Parishioners  
By Doris Savoy
- Wednesday (21<sup>st</sup>)**  
8:00 am **+BD** Reynaldo Thurston  
By Rose Thurston
- Thursday (22<sup>nd</sup>)**  
8:00 am Families of Recently Deceased Loved Ones  
By Doris Savoy

**Quote for the Week**  
*When I find out who and why I am, I will find  
 purpose and direction for my life.*



**Tuesday Night Virtual Bible Study**  
 with Deacon Ira Chase at 6:30 pm  
 Studying Matthew  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86481398261?pwd=OHNBc2ZGdXh6WEtZcHVhS1pDZHg5UT09>  
**Meeting ID: 864 813 98261 Passcode: 509931**

**Wednesday Night Live Stream Bible Study**  
 with Father Cornelius will resume in February 2026



**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 January 25, 2026

- First Reading:** Isaiah 8:23-9:3
- Responsorial Psalm** 27:1,4,13-14
- Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17
- Gospel Reading:** Matthew 4:12-23



**Collections Last Weekend \$4,997.00**  
**Thanks** to all OLPH parishioners for sending in your  
 tithes and offerings. Please Note the amount  
 recorded here is from envelopes marked  
**“My Sacrificial Gift”** only.

Special envelopes are **not tithes**. The amount you  
 put into those envelopes is recorded and provided  
 to you in your Annual Contribution Statements.

**FYI:** If you send in envelopes for several months at a  
 time, please note we **cannot back date your tithes**.  
 They can only be recorded on the **actual date** you  
 submit them.

**FRIENDLY REMINDER:** Please **only use black or  
 blue ballpoint pens** when you write your checks.

**2026 BOXED ENVELOPES**  
 Available for **PICK-UP**  
 Boxes are in alphabetical order.  
**Reminder boxes CANNOT  
 be mailed.**

## Church Announcements

Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>:

8:45 am OCIA and Sunday School

10:00 am Mass

Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> – **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:**

**Remembering Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**

**OLPH Women's Ministry Prayer Breakfast**

Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>:

**Memorials of Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr**

St. Fabian was the first layman ever to be elected to the papacy. Before entering into his pontificate in 236, Fabian was a humble and well respected farmer. **Saint Sebastian**, though the narrative of his story is largely unhistorical, legend tells us that he was a young officer in the imperial army, who secretly dedicated himself to the spiritual and temporal assistance of the Christians and martyrs. Although St. Fabian and St. Sebastian's feasts are liturgically separate, they are celebrated on the same day; and the relics of the two saints are both kept and venerated together in the Basilica of St. Sebastian in Rome.

Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>:

**Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**

Agnes was born into a noble Christian family in Rome. She was said to have been quite beautiful, which, together with her wealth and holiness, caused many young noblemen to seek her as their bride. But Agnes' eyes beheld One who was the most beautiful of all—her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. After taking in His beauty, she could look upon no one else. She dedicated herself to a life of virginity. Saint Agnes, along with Saint Cecilia, was one of the earliest martyrs whose name was honored by its insertion into the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). Patron Saint of those seeking chastity and purity, engaged couples, rape victims, gardeners, young girls, and Girl Scouts.

Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>:

**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn**

**Children:** In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.

**10:30 am LOC Food Pantry**

Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>:

**See the flyer in this bulletin**

Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>:

**Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor**

St. Francis' ardent love of God and souls, his great kindness, rare wisdom and sure teaching made him exceptionally influential in bringing about conversions and in guiding souls in the spiritual life.

4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>:

8:45 am OCIA and Sunday School

10:00 am Mass

Remember  
In Prayer 

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

\*Robert Barden, \*\*Sarah Brandmeier, Carolyn Brown, Carla Coleman, Agnes Dua, Edward Glover, \*Cordella Gough, \*Agnes Maxine Hart, Deborah Ogarro Kelly, \*Edith Lee, Marie Lucas, Helene Matthews, David McNeill, Gloria Ann Moore, Rose Quander-Nevedon, Antoinette Reese, Robert Ronald Robinson, \*Cynthia Salter-Stith, \*Amy Scroggins, George Shearard, Sudie Shelton, Augustine Thomas, New-Velvet Washington, and Kobe Williams

**PRAYER REQUEST**  
WE ARE HERE TO PRAY FOR YOU

Clement Akoto, Evelyn Akoto, Lisa Alexander, Valarie Ashley, Frances Battle, Barbara Baylor, Barbara Billings-Leftwich, Charlotte Blount-Lewis, John X. Briscoe, Sr., Michelle Brookings-Cheek, Thomas Henry Brooks, Hilda Brown, Selena Brown, Millicent Brown-Howard, Ronald Burton, Demarquis Carter, Dorita Carter, Louis Carter, Terneara Carter, Deacon Ira Chase, Judy Chase, William Clemons, Alberta Colbert, Margo Cooke, Roberta Dade-Young, Judith Dean, Sterling Dolman, Anne Donelson, Alvin Durham, Beverly Ford, Salim Franklin, Betty Franklin-Swammy, Toni Gaines, LaShawn Gaines, Sy Gaines, Eva Galloway, Bradley Gant, Dexter Goodwyn, Betty Graham, David Malcolm Greene, David Gross, Kathy Gross, Carlene Hawkins, Larry Holloway, Sr., Michael Howard, Lela Hagan, John Hawkins, Sr., Ken Houston, Crystal Jackson, Maxine Jackson, Crystal Jeffrie, Audrey Johnson, Herman Johnson, Deacon Thomas Jones, Louis Jones, James King, Jessica King, Betty Lawson, Dianna Ledbetter, Crystal Marsh, Jeffrey Marshall, Shirel Marshall, Ngoki Masembwa, John Mason, Joseph Mason, Winifred Mason, Carolyn Matthews-Alston, Justine Middleton, Danielle Mitchell, Henrietta Moody, Maurice Moody, Yvonne Moody, Gloria V. Moore, Milton Morgan, Travia Neverdon-Stone, Dorethia Newby, Warren Newton, Marcia Marlene Oliver, Terrance Oxyner, Bettina Penny, Diane Penny, Lawrence (Lonnie) Penny, Marvin Penny, Pam Penny, Theresa Penny, Tina Penny, Yvonne Peterson, Deidre Dorsey Point, Brenda Price, Katalina Quander-Masembwa, Bishop John H. Ricard, SSJ, Brenda Robinson, Demetria Savoy, Julia Melva Scott, Madeline Scott, Bernadette Smith, Clementine Smith-Easley, Delores (Polly) Smith, Vivian Staples, Donna Stewart-Moore, Patricia Stewart-Brown, Michelle Stone, Kendra Tinsley, Joseph Thomas, Rose Thurston, Debra Tidwell-Peters, Juanita White, Nicky Wilkinson, Christal Williams, Brian Yeldell and Raymond Young

Happy  
Anniversary 

Mitchell & Mary Baylor 21<sup>st</sup> on January 17<sup>th</sup>  
Raymond & Roberta Young 16<sup>th</sup> on January 31<sup>st</sup>



- 17<sup>th</sup> Jerry Gant
- 18<sup>th</sup> Charlene Hursey Courtney Polite-Jackson
- 19<sup>th</sup> Yvette Cobb
- 29<sup>th</sup> Paul Kearney
- 30<sup>th</sup> Jackie Johnson
- 31<sup>st</sup> Louis Lloyd

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**In Your Prayers Remember the Souls of**

**Nathan Owens, Sr.** (DOD 12/28/25)  
 Brother of Betty Lawson  
 Funeral Service will be February 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Additional details later

**Patricia Ann Davis** (DOD 12/29/25)  
 Sister of Odessa Cade  
 Funeral Services held Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>  
 At St. Luke's Catholic Church

**Deborah Ann McNeill** (DOD 1/6/26)  
 Wife of David McNeill and Sister of Karen Crawford  
 Funeral Services will be held at OLPH on  
 Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Visitation 10 am Mass of Christian Burial 11 am  
 Burial at Resurrection Cemetery

**Morris "Mo" Williams** (DOD 1/10/26)  
 Relative of Paul Kearney & Family  
 Funeral Arrangements pending  
 In New Orleans, Louisiana

**Gloria Jean Fitzgerald** (DOD 1/11/26)  
 Relative of Lee & Bernice Waller  
 Services will be held at  
 Holy Name Catholic Church  
 2210 Callaway Street Hillcrest Heights, MD  
 Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>  
 Visitation 10 am Mass of Christian Burial 11 am

**Bessie Ashworth** (DOD 1/13/26)  
 Sister of NewVelvet Washington  
 Aunt of Selena Brown  
 Funeral Arrangements pending

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

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*A Very Special "Thank You!"*

OLPH we thank you for your gestures in kindness and sympathy during this difficult time. We are comforted in knowing you were a meaningful part of Deacon's life. With deepest gratitude from the Family of the late Deacon Lawrence A. Miles.  
 Sylvia A. Taylor

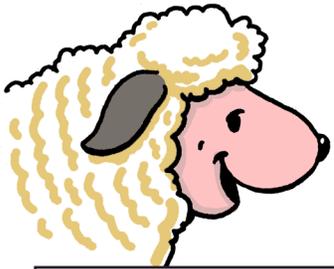
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**Pastor's Corner**

**John the Baptist Introduces Jesus**

The ministry of John the Baptist prepared for and pointed to the ministry of Jesus. In a similar way, our lives are to offer testimony to who we know Jesus to be for us and for the world. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. How does the witness of our lives give testimony to the reconciling presence of Christ? As a family, identify as many titles for Jesus as possible, such as Lamb of God, Son of God, Prince of Peace, and so on. Talk together about what these different titles mean and what they tell you about Jesus. Then read together today's Gospel, John 1:29-34. Consider how John the Baptist gives testimony to who Jesus is. Talk about what people might come to know about Jesus by observing your family life. Pray together that your family life will show others that Jesus is the Son of God, the lamb who takes away the sins of the world.  
 Pray the Lord's Prayer.

**Pope Leo's Monthly Intention**  
**For Prayer with the Word of God**  
 Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



Again John said, "I myself did not know Him."

Cross out the odd-numbered doves.  
Write the remaining letters in order on the lines below.

1 J 2 T 4 H 3 R 6 I 5 S

8 S 7 K 9 P 10 I 11 H 13 T 12 S

19 F 15 A 14 G 16 O 18 D 17 N 20 S

22 C 21 L 23 M 24 H 26 O 25 B 28 S

27 D 30 E 29 E 32 N 31 G 33 S

34 O 35 O 36 N 38 E 37 D

"The One who sent me to baptize with water told me,  
'The Man on whom you see the Spirit come down and  
remain is the One who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'  
I have seen and I testify that ...

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Ages 7+

January 18, 2026 • John 1:29-34

## John Testifies About Jesus



John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"



Place these four words in the puzzle so that as you read downward only one letter changes at a time.  
**LACE LACK LAME LOCK**

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|---|---|---|---|
| L | O | O | K |
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|   |   |   |   |
| L | A | M | B |

“This is the One I meant when I said,  
‘A Man who comes after me has surpassed  
me because He was before me.’”

Use the water drop and dove code to write in the missing letters.

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| ☹ = A | ☹ = E | ☹ = I | ☹ = M | ☹ = S |
| ☹ = B | ☹ = G | ☹ = K | ☹ = O | ☹ = T |
| ☹ = D | ☹ = H | ☹ = L | ☹ = R | ☹ = V |



“I myself did not know Him, but the reason  
I came baptizing with water was that

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John gave this testimony:  
“I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as  
a dove and remain on Him.”

Circle 12 differences in the bottom picture.

