



# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church



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## OLPH SCHOOL

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## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

8968 Highway 23 † 504-394-0314

## K.C. HALL

9016 Highway 23, Belle Chasse, LA 70037

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** 7:30 a.m. & Vigil 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
**Monday** 7:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday** 7:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday** 8:30 a.m. During the school year  
(7:30 a.m. when school is not  
in session)  
**Thursday** 7:30 a.m.  
**Friday** 7:30 a.m.  
**First Friday Adoration:** 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
**Holy Days:** Consult the bulletin.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

5:30 p.m.—6:15 p.m.  
2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK (ANointing)

By appointment only

## MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, are a living and growing Catholic community of faith, striving to follow and serve Christ. We are an evangelizing community, and we welcome others to fullness of life in Christ. With Mary we say "Yes" to God's call to pray together, worship consciously, and serve joyfully.*

To visit our church website scan the QR code below:





## NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to a very friendly and enthusiastic community. Please fill out the information in the Binder on the Welcome Table located in the back of church or register at the Church Office. A Census Form can also be found on our website at [www.olphbc.org](http://www.olphbc.org).

### Sacraments



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of the month during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. To begin the process, parents are encouraged to go to our website at [www.olphbc.org](http://www.olphbc.org) to access the forms under Sacraments and return the forms by email or drop off at the Church Office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a seminar prior to the Baptism. The Baptismal Seminar is held on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Day Chapel. If you need more information or have questions, call the Rectory at (504) 394-0314 or email [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org).

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION:** First Eucharist is celebrated the first Saturday of May for students in the 2nd grade or above. Children older than 2nd grade will be prepared on individual situations. The Sacrament of Reconciliation must be celebrated prior to Communion.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation is celebrated in the Fall of 11th grade. Candidates who attend Catholic high school or are enrolled in the High School of Religion program come together for Sacramental preparation. All candidates are asked to pre-register in their freshmen year and no later than December of their 10th grade year. Information and registration can be found on our website: [www.olphbc.org](http://www.olphbc.org).

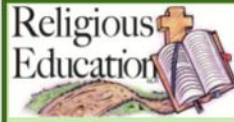
**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Contact the Church Office at least nine months prior to the planned date. No other arrangements should be made before contacting the Church Office.

**For more information on any of our Sacraments, contact the Church Office or email [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org).**



**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Inform the Church Office when someone is sick, shut-in or hospitalized and unable to attend Mass.

**FUNERALS:** Inform the Church Office as soon as possible when someone in the family dies, preferably before contacting the funeral home.



### Religious Education

The mission of OLPH's Religious Education program is to bring the "Good News" of God's love to all children and their families and to call them to commit their lives to Christ. Religious Education is available for children in Kindergarten through adults. We encourage parents to be parishioners of OLPH when registering students for Religious Education classes. Census forms can be obtained from the Parish Office during regular business hours, on the Welcome Table located in the back of church or you can register online. Call the Church Office at (504) 394-0314, or email [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org) for more information.

**SUNDAY LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Children in grades K-2nd are invited with a catechist during 10:30 a.m. Mass to the Day Chapel for the Liturgy of the Word for Children (September-May). A summary of the readings of the day is discussed on their level.

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:** Our PSR program is divided in two parts. Family Faith Formation is the "academic" part with the textbook discussed at home as a family. Our Encountering Engaging Events are a chance to come together as a community to worship together, do crafts, or engage in traditional events like our Nativity Play and Living Way of the Cross.

**HIGH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:** Students in 9th through 12th grade not attending a Catholic High School are offered Faith Formation with academics at home, working at their own pace, but also some time to get together to discuss what they have learned with their peers about three times a year. It is intended to be an informal study with honest Catholic answers.

**RCIA:** Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic or completing Sacraments? Please join our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). We have a Year-Round RCIA process that you can enter into whenever you are ready. This is for you if you have never been baptized, if you have been baptized into another denomination and now want to become Catholic, or if you are an adult Catholic but have never been confirmed. Sessions will be held in person with day and time to be adjusted to personal schedules. For additional information and to register, contact the Church Office or email [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org).

**Archdiocese of New Orleans Safe Environment—** Refer to the Web Site: <http://www.nolacatholic.org/safe-environment> for policies and procedures concerning safe environment and child protection.



## Scripture Readings & Events this Week

**Saturday, July 27, Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
Confessions, Church—2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.  
Vigil Mass, Church—4:00 p.m. (Fr. M)

**Sunday, July 28, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15**

Masses, Church—8:00 a.m. (Fr. M) & 10:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
Fourth Sunday—10:30 a.m. Mass—Baptisms

**Monday, July 29, Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus; Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
Church Office Closed

**Tuesday, July 30, Memorial of Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Mt 13:36-43**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
Church Office Hours—9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by Appointment  
Confessions, Church—5:30 p.m.—6:15 p.m.  
St. Vincent dePaul Meeting, KC Hall—6:30 p.m.  
Daily Mass, Church—7:00 p.m. (Fr. K)

**Wednesday, July 31, Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest; Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Mt 13:44-46**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. K)  
Riverbend Mass—10:00 a.m.

**Thursday, August 1, Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. K)  
Church Office Hours—9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by Appointment  
Catholicism Class, KC Hall—7:00 p.m. (Fr. M)

**Friday, August 2, Memorials of Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop, and Saint Peter Julian Eymard Priest; Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
1st Friday Adoration, Day Chapel—8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Church Office Hours—9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by Appointment

**Saturday, August 3, Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
Confessions, Church—2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.  
Vigil Mass, Church—4:00 p.m. (Fr. M)  
2nd Collection—Building & Maintenance Fund—All Masses

**Sunday, August 4, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses, Church—8:00 a.m. (Fr. M) & 10:30 a.m. (Fr. M)  
2nd Collection—Building & Maintenance Fund—All Masses  
Fourth Sunday—10:30 a.m. Mass—Baptisms

## Mass Intentions

**7/27, Saturday, 4:00 p.m.**— For the Parishioners

**7/28, Sunday, 8:00 a.m.**— Rennie Coludrovich, Jr., Trae (Peter) Vujnovich, III, Dinko Popich, Eva Vujnovich, Marija & Kuzma Tesvich, Sr., Anthony Tesvich, Sanders & Dobard Families, Lynwell Wilson, Adrian, Ester & Roberta Bruley

**7/28, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.**— P.G. Stockstill, Dolly Stakelum, Eric Hansen, Seth David Chedville, Blaze St. Marie, Gary Buras, Francis Gainey, Lucille Bernard, Darlene Boudet, Allyson Kirby, Carolyn Nielsen

**7/29, Monday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**7/30, Tuesday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**7/30, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.**— Fred Brown

**7/31, Wednesday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**8/1, Thursday, 7:30 a.m.**— Rene' Bowers

**8/2, Friday, 7:30 a.m.**— Blaze St. Marie

**8/3, Saturday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**8/3, Saturday, 4:00 p.m.**— Eric Hansen, Larry Avist, Sr., Beverly Hebert, Anne Fowler, Joseph Dennis Family, Evelyn Mistich, Alexandra "Allie" Boteler, Brooks Michael Bourgeois, Darrell Roy, for the intentions of the Annette Joe, for the intentions of Douglas Francois, IV, Francis Gainey, Dominick Sciortino, Eva Vujnovich, Sandra Sherrie Young

**8/4, Sunday, 8:00 a.m.**— For the Parishioners

**8/4, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.**— Wayne Perrin, Policar & Alzina Sponge, Theresa L. Bossier, Rosebud L. Dumesnil, Rosemary (Schaubhut) Hebert, Pat & Dolly Stakelum, Eric Hansen, Seth David Chedville, Vido & Ane Druskovich, Ivo & Tonka Jelas, Al (Pitt) Buras, Karen Cappiello, Blaze St. Marie, Fred Brown, Trae (Peter) Vujnovich, III, Dinko Popich, Eva Vujnovich, Marija & Kuzma Tesvich, Sr., Anthony Tesvich, Lucille Bernard, Darlene Boudet, Juliet Cheramie, Allyson Kirby, Sanders & Dobard Families, Lynwell Wilson

### ATTENTION!! BAPTISMS & MASS TIME CHANGE SCHEDULE CHANGE

During Covid, Baptisms were celebrated individually after weekend Masses for the safety of the infants and their families. For this reason, and the necessity to disinfect the Church after the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass time was changed to 11:00 a.m. We have made the decision to return celebrating Baptisms during Mass in order for the Church Community to witness and be a part of this special Sacrament. With that being said, beginning Sunday, July 7th, we will resume Sunday Mass time at 10:30 a.m. (in lieu of 11:00 a.m. Mass). Further, Baptisms will again be a part of Mass on the fourth Sunday of each month during the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE  
PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS  
LIFE!**



**HURRICANE PRAYER:** Our Father in heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season; and protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. AMEN



## OLPH School News



**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

# NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION



**NURSERY- 7TH GRADE  
NOW OPEN**

*SCHEDULE a TOUR*

<https://school.olphbc.org/registration>



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### Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Year 2024

*July—For The Pastoral Care Of The Sick*

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



### Bible Verses for the Year!

*July—KINDNESS*

**A friend owes kindness to one in despair... Job 6:14**





## The Prophet's Profit

It's no coincidence that the first reading shows the prophet Elisha feeding a crowd of people like Jesus in the gospel. If you want to compare miracles, Elisha did his first, but Jesus did it better. Elisha had a hundred people to feed with twenty barley loaves and a handful of fresh grain. Jesus had five thousand people and only five loaves and a couple fish. So was Jesus trying to show up Elisha?

Neither Jesus nor Elisha ever did a miracle for their own benefit. The very next story in 2 Kings about Elisha is the one where he cured Naaman, the king's servant, of leprosy. (2 Kgs 5:1:19) When Naaman realized he was cured, he came back to Elisha and offered him a gift in thanksgiving. Elisha refused the gift, because it would imply that Elisha did the miracle, while the prophet knew that God had cured him. Jesus also refused to benefit from feeding the crowds. They came to take him away and make him king, but he went up to his place of prayer on the mountain. Jesus' miracle of feeding the five thousand was not done just for the crowd. He was using it to teach the disciples something important. He knew there would be times when they felt they were not holy enough or good enough preachers, to spread the gospel over the world. So he showed them what God can do with our meager abilities.

There are millions of people hungry for the good news that Jesus brings to the world. Remember the miracle of the loaves when you only have a few dollars to give to the missions, when you're not sure you know enough to teach someone about Jesus, when you don't know how to invite someone to come back to church. And remember that you do those things, not to make you look holy, but to let God show his loving power. Tom Schmidt, .



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Do you or someone you know want to become Catholic? Are you an adult who has never been Confirmed in the Catholic Faith? Our program welcomes people all year long. Everyone can work at their own pace and attend gatherings as they like. Sharing our faith with one another is a huge part of our Baptismal call. For more information you can contact Suzette Perrin at the church office (504) 394-0314 or by email at [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org).



## St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

We are in need of certain items for our food pantry. If you are able to donate, please place items in our bin in the back of Church. **Thank you for your**

**help in feeding those in need.**

Our pantry currently needs the following items:

Mac & Cheese	Cake Mix
Stove Top Dressing	Pancake Mix
Small Bag or box of Grits	Instant Potatoes
Small Bag or box of Oat Meal	
Canned Soup—Any kind (Large or Small can)	

**ALL DONATIONS ARE WELCOMED AND APPRECIATED!!**

**NOTE: OLPH Belle Chasse St. Vincent de-Paul Society's next meeting is on Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the KC Hall, 9016 Highway 23.**

***New members are always welcomed.***



## PSR Catechists and Aides Needed

Our Parish School of Religion could use a little more help this year. In particular we are looking for help in the younger grades – 1st through 3rd. A few of our teachers would like to have a little assistance in the classroom. Classes are held in person once a month on a Wednesday from 4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping share the faith with the younger parishioners please contact Suzette Perrin in the parish office for a simple interview—504-394-0314.



## Parish School of Religion Registration

Our Parish School of Religion (PSR; also known as CCD) is accepting registration for the 2024-25 school year. We are again using **the Family Faith Formation or Family Catechesis format**, having twice monthly opportunities to gather for activities, plays and Family Masses. Families will continue to work from home at their own pace with the textbook and online quizzes through Loyola Press. Registration forms can be found on our website at <https://olphbc.org/psr-registration-information> and can be handed in at the parish office or placed in the Church's Parcel Drop Box (behind the Rectory), or in the collection basket (marked PSR attn. Suzette Perrin), or mailed in. Below is the amount for the fee. The fee pays for the cost of the books, supplies for the teachers, sanitizing supplies and other miscellaneous items. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Suzette Perrin at [cre@olphbc.org](mailto:cre@olphbc.org) or call the parish office at 504-394-0314.

### REGULAR REGISTRATION

PAID between June 30th & August 12, 2024

1 Student	\$70.00
2 Students	\$85.00
3 or Family	\$100.00

### LATE REGISTRATION

PAID on or after August 12, 2024

\$80.00
\$95.00
\$110.00

*Next Sunday is the  
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15.** I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

**Ephesians 4:17, 20-24.** Put on the new man that has been created in God's image.

**John 6:24-35.** He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.



The flowers in church this week were donated in loving memory of: **Cathy Madere**, requested by The Madere Family

*Church Flowers—Anyone who wishes to donate the flowers in church in memory of a loved one for a particular weekend may call the church office. The donation is \$50 payable to the Altar Society.*

Eucharistic



Adoration

**Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament  
Friday, August 2, 2024**

(First Friday of the Month)

8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. (Day Chapel)

For questions or to sign up, please call the Church Office at 504-394-0314. *Pray as you like. Reading and meditation lead to communion with the Lord or just bask in the light of the Eucharist. Allow Christ to work on you and through you. Come before Christ in His entirety; His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity to contemplate His awesomeness and to lovingly adore Him. Please join us in prayer!*



**PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS**

This weekend we have started accepting nominations for our Pastoral Council. This Council (made up of 12 Parishioners) serves as an advisor to Fr. Kyle as he continues the Church's work in our Parish. We have three current members that are leaving the council that need to be replaced. If you know of anyone interested or if you'd like to nominate yourself, please contact the church office at (504) 394-0314 or send an email to [churchoffice@olphbc.org](mailto:churchoffice@olphbc.org). Thank you!

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**Patty's Peace**

by: Patty Mattison



At a gathering of the Knights of Columbus Council 6357 on July 13, 2024, the KC's and their families enjoyed a great meal and fellowship. The occasion was for the installation of officers for the year 2024-2025. It started with an opening by District Grand Knight Glen Esteve and then a Blessing by Father Kyle Dave.

The following were sworn in and installed: Grand Knight Rodney Schaubhut, Deputy Grand Knight Bobbie Demers, Chancellor Rodney Ledet, Recorder Andree Garcia, Treasurer Bobby Johnson, Advocate David Maullan, Warden Craig Becnel, Inside Guard Phillip Taylor, Outside Guard Chris Hampton, One Year Trustee Mike Mariana, Two Year Trustee Ellis Dale Lindsey, Three Year Trustee Sam LaValla, Chaplain Father Kyle Dave, Lecturer Donald Landry, and Financial Secretary Gavin Fleming.

Many thanks to these officers for all they've done and will continue to do for the OLPH community. Anyone wishing to find out more about the Knights or if you want to join, call the church office for contact information. All practicing Catholic men are invited.



*The Sanctuary Light by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.*

The Sanctuary Light will burn this week in loving memory of: **Cathy Madere**, requested by The Madere Family

*If you would like to have the Sanctuary Light burn in memory of a loved one, call the Church Office. The donation for the Sanctuary Light is \$10.*

**Stewardship**

*All things are possible with God*



Devote Time



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**Church Financials  
Fiscal Month Ending  
March 31, 2024**

Total Income \$ 557,000

Total Expense \$ 544,000

Net Gain/(Loss) \$ 13,000\*

\*includes Fair Net Proceeds of \$90,000 and Rectory Roof Replacement of \$(43,000).

*Thank you to our parish family members who faithfully support our parish. May God bless you for your generosity!*

Online Giving Is Available on Our Website at [www.olphbc.org](http://www.olphbc.org) (click on Give Online), or simply scan the QR code with your phone. You can easily create your donation account online and make changes at any time.





## The Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



## Straight Talk

by: **Father William Maestri**

### Sticks and Stones

"Sticks and stones may break my bones, but names will never hurt me." Such was often told to a child confronted by the "mean kids" in school or the playground. This piece of folk wisdom was true...up to a point. However, it was the "point" beyond the "broken bones" where the real pain lingered.

Even a child, most especially a child knows, feels, the power of words to inflict pain. Children feel acutely the damage murderous words inflict. Not only in the moment,

but can be a lasting part of one's identity and overall approach to life. For example, a child who is constantly told he/she is unloved, untalented, or a failure, is wounded in ways that don't appear on an X-ray. The scars are buried deep in the psyche and soul. Words can be lethal, like missiles which destroy families, communities, and nations.

The Apostle James in his universal epistle writes: "...the tongue is a small member and yet has great pretensions...no human being can tame the tongue.... With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth comes blessing and cursing." (Jas 3:5, 8:9-10). The ways in which we use words reflect more than one's vocabulary. They reveal the condition of the soul: "A good person...in his heart produces good...an evil person...produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Lk 6:45). The same is true of nations.

The words of an evil heart are "earthly, unspiritual, demonic." Such speech yields a bitter harvest of "jealousy and selfish ambition" (Jas 3:15). When our grasping for power is endangered, our passions are enflamed, we easily turn to inciting conflicts, wage war, and kill. By contrast, "the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy...[for] righteousness is sown in peace." (Jas 3:17-18, 4:1-2).

Jesus and James are reminding us of the real struggle, the one that began in Eden and CONTINUES throughout history: the conflict between the City of God and the City of Man (St. Augustine). St. Paul writing to the Ephesians does not mince words: "For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens." (Eph 6:12). The Second Letter of Peter recognizes this SPIRITUAL struggle: "Your opponent the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for [someone] to devour." (2 Pt 5:8).

This struggle against Satan is NOT frozen in the Bible. It is an ever-present danger, as current as the attempted assassination of the former President Donald Trump (7/14/2024). From the Garden of Eden (Gen 2 and 3) to the crucifixion on Calvary (Mt 27:33-44), the work of the Evil One is sowing distrust, division, and death. By contrast, the gifts of the Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isa 11:1-2). The fruits of these gifts are: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty and self-control. (Gal 5:22-23).

Today's current rhetoric often aims at dehumanizing and demonizing and in effect, polluting the cultural environment.

The labeling and libeling of an opponent as an "existential threat to democracy", such as attributed to a former President, invites, nay requires, extermination. The real lethal threats to democracy are godless communism, fascist state worship, and the enflaming of passions which yield mob violence and assassination.

There is the need to refocus the purpose of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The cultural environment of boiler hot rhetoric melts away the ozone layer of civility. The smog and air pollution spewed by elites choke the ability to breathe free and see clearly. The muddy waters of ideology prevent drinking the spring water of truth, and the emissions from hate speech suffocates the promotion of life.

What are we to do? We must acknowledge our struggle is SPIRITUAL. Also, just laws and institutions are necessary, but NOT sufficient. "Therefore, put on the armor of God...resist the evil...hold your ground...stand fast...girded in truth...your feet shod in readiness for the gospel of peace...hold faith as a shield...and the sword of the Spirit...be watchful with all perseverance...that speech may be given to open [the] mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel..." (Eph 6:13-20).

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