



# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church



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## MASS SCHEDULE

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

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## 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. Due to demand, some months may be eliminated or another day or time may be chosen by the family if it is available on the church schedule of events." 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).

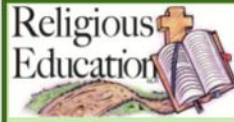
**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Contact the Church Office at least nine months prior to the planned date. No other arrangements should be made before contacting the Church Office.

**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, November 9, Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome; Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22**

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. K)

Rite of Anointing—All Masses

Reverse Collection—St. Vincent de Paul Holiday Baskets

**Sunday, November 10, Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time; 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 or Mk 12:41-44**

Masses, Church—8:00 a.m. (Fr. K) & 10:30 a.m. (Fr. M)

Children's Dismissal—10:30 a.m. Mass

Rite of Anointing—All Masses

Celebration Concert, Church—7:00 p.m. (see detailed information to the right)

Reverse Collection—St. Vincent de Paul Holiday Baskets

**Monday, November 11, Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop; Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)

Church Office Closed for Veterans Day

**Tuesday, November 12, Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr; Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29; Lk 17:7-10**

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.

Novena—Mother of Perpetual Help, Church—6:50 p.m.

Mass for Peace, Justice & Healing, Church—7:00 p.m. (Fr. K)

**Wednesday, November 13, Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin; Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6; Lk 17:11-19**

Daily Mass, Church—8:30 a.m. (Fr. K)

Church Office Hours—9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by Appointment

KC Meeting, KC Hall—6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, November 14, Phmn 7-20; Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Lk 17:20-25**

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)

Choir Rehearsal, Church—7:00 p.m.

**Friday, November 15, Memorial of Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18; Lk 17:26-37**

Daily Mass, Church—7:30 a.m. (Fr. M)

Church Office Hours—9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or by Appointment

Riverbend Mass—10:00 a.m.

**Saturday, November 16, 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 18:1-8**

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—Catholic Campaign for Human Development

**Sunday, November 17, Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32**

Masses, Church—8:00 a.m. (Fr. K) & 10:30 a.m. (Fr. K)

Children's Dismissal—10:30 a.m. Mass

2nd Collection—Catholic Campaign for Human Development

## Mass Intentions

**11/9, Saturday, 4:00 p.m.**— Jerry Pignuolo, Eric Hansen, Larry Avist, Sr., Theresa L. Bossier, Oliver & Margaret Koch, Beverly Hebert, Faye Lassiegné, Evelyn Mistich, Allie Boteler, Francis Gainey, Eva Vujnovich, Rosemary Arcement, Sr. Lynda Rink, SLW, Darrell Roy, Eugene & Edna Fagnano, Patricia Caylor Williams, Salvatore Gagliano II, Butch Burlette, for the intentions of Cindy Darce'

**11/10, Sunday, 8:00 a.m.**— For the Parishioners

**11/10, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.**— Ante & Marija Jurisic, Blaze St. Marie, Eva Vujnovich, Lucille Bernard, Darlene Boudet, Helen Abadie Morris, Gary Buras, Stipo & Anka Cibilic, Marija Dragicovic, Kate Pobrica, Marija Franicevic, Nede Rosandic, Eugene D. Fagnano, Allyson Kirby, John W. Lonadier, Sr., Louise & Joseph Johnson, Sanders & Dobard Families, Lynwell Wilson

**11/11, Monday, 7:30 a.m.**— Eva Vujnovich

**11/12, Tuesday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**11/12, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.**— Blaze St. Marie

**11/13, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**11/14, Thursday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**11/15, Friday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**11/16, Saturday, 7:30 a.m.**— for the intentions of the Priest

**11/16, Saturday, 4:00 p.m.**— For the Parishioners

**11/17, Sunday, 8:00 a.m.**— Carolyn Nielsen, Kenneth Pouwels, Sr., Sanders & Dobard Families, Lynwell Wilson

**11/17, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.**— Cristian Broussard, Blaze St. Marie, Francis Gainey, Lucille Bernard, Darlene Boudet, Eva Vujnovich, Helen Abadie Morris, Gary Buras, Eugene D. Fagnano, Johnnie Pennison, Amanda Luneau



### Celebration Concert ~ Ancora!

**Sunday, November 10, 2024 — 7:00 p.m.**

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church,  
Belle Chasse**

Come and join our Music Director, Ms. Debbie Fagnano, in celebrating her 60 years in liturgical music, since joining her Children's Choir in 1964. Over the years, she has been a choir member, organist, choir director, and music director in various churches from New Jersey, to Texas, and Louisiana. She is also celebrating 35 years as, "Ms. Calliope," on the Steamboat NATCHEZ, New Orleans. This concert will feature OLPH's Heavenly Chorus, guest soloists and performers, and a Steamboat Jazz Band. There will also be a special salute to the US Armed Forces. For further information, contact: [mscaliope54@gmail.com](mailto:mscaliope54@gmail.com).



**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



### Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for 2024 November—For Anyone Who Has Lost A Child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



### Do Something Beautiful for God

November 14—When you are suffering, always remember that the Passion of Christ ends always in the joy of the Resurrection. So, when you feel in your own heart the suffering of Christ, remember the Resurrection has to come. Never let anything so fill you with sorrow as to make you forget the joy of the risen Jesus.

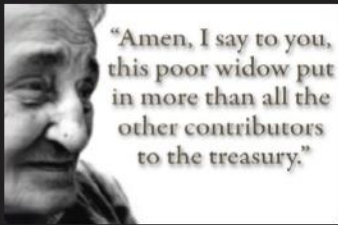


## OLPH Fair Raffle Winner



Congratulations to Edson Coronado, this year's OLPH Fair 50/50 Raffle winner! Edson bought the winning raffle ticket at the Fair while visiting with his family.

THANKS to everyone who bought and sold raffle tickets!!



### A Lot of Nerve

I always thought it took a lot of nerve for Elijah to beg that poor woman for a meal. Even though, during a long drought, she has only a bit of her food to give to her son, he still asks her to

make a little cake for himself. It would be easier to understand if we heard the verse before this reading begins: God tells the prophet that he has "commanded a widow...to feed you." (1Kgs 17:9)

Now the widow was not aware of this command. But she does as Elijah asked. That took even more faith than Elijah showed. She was afraid for herself and the boy. But she had enough faith to risk the last of her food to help someone else. She shows us that we are obeying God's commands when we trust him. Most of those commands come not from a vision, but from someone's cry for help.

I wonder how many good people have passed up a chance to do God's will because they didn't hear directly from God what to do. When you hear that a tornado destroyed a nearby neighborhood, do you hear God asking you to help? Do you hear God's voice when you read in the bulletin that the food pantry is running low? When a storm knocks out the power on your block, do you think God is asking you to check on the elderly widow next door?

And if you do hear God calling in these examples, how do you respond? You can be like the rich people in the gospel and just give your ten percent. Or do you have the faith of the woman whose few cents were all that she had. It takes a lot of courage to trust God completely. Do you have what it takes? Tom Schmidt

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

**Veterans Day** began with the signing of a symbolic treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the "Great War") on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The auspicious date was actually a well-established religious holiday, the feast of Saint Martin of Tours, a beloved soldier saint of the army of Rome. After World War II, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Britain, but of course the feast of Saint Martin endures.

Martin was named after Mars, the god of war, and against the advice of his parents he went on his own to church. He became a catechumen at the age of ten. By fifteen he was enlisted in the cavalry in France. Coming across a poor man, Martin had an impulse to divide his bright red soldier's cape and clothe him. He later had the insight that he had served Christ, and the other half of his cape became a lifelong sign to him of his duty to serve the poor. Housed in a tiny church *capella* or "chapel," the cape became a great object of pilgrimage on the way to Compostela, and a favored place for the prayers of soldiers. Martin was not so eager to serve as bishop as he had been as a soldier, and legend says that he hid in a barn filled with geese to avoid episcopal election. To this day, the customary meal for November 11 is goose! Traditionally, this is the last feast day before winter closes in, and begins a period of fasting once known as "Saint Martin's Lent" or "Martinmas," that later developed into the season of Advent.

—Rev. James Field



### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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C M O N E Y U R H T  
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- Crowds
- Robes
- Banquets
- Money
- Poor
- Wealth
- Coins
- Treasury
- Poverty
- Rich



SUNDAY KIDS

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*Next Sunday is the  
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Daniel 12:1-3.** When that time comes your own people will be spared.

**Hebrews 10:11-14, 18.** By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of all those who are sanctified.

**Mark 13:24-32.** He shall gather his elect from the four winds.



**Mass Intentions & Cards**

If you would like a Mass for a deceased person, please contact the Church Office. A beautiful Mass card with an image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be mailed to the person of your choice for an offering of \$5 per Mass. Send your \$5 donation to the Church Office, with the name of the Mass intention, name and address where the card is to be mailed, and who's making the request.

**NOTE: Mass intentions can be scheduled for weekday and weekend Masses. Some guidelines include:** (a) An intention may be for the deceased or the living (i.e. "The Healing of..."; "The intentions of..."); (b) Each weekend, one Mass is reserved for "All Parishioners' Intentions."; (c) Only one intention can be offered at each Weekday Mass, except for Holy Days of Obligations that fall during the week; and (d) Mass can be said for an individual (e.g. "John Smith"), a married couple ("Joe and Mary Smith") or a family (e.g. "The Smith Family").



**Mass For Peace,  
Justice & Healing**

Due to the impending hurricane last month, our Mass For Peace, Justice & Healing had to be rescheduled for **Tuesday evening, November 12th at 7:00 p.m.** This will be an opportunity to come together in worship and peace, to reach out and bring comfort to those in our community who are in need of healing, and to thank those who put themselves in harm's way in order to protect us and our communities. The liturgy will close with Exposition Of The Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. **Friends of all faiths are welcome to attend.** Hospitality will follow afterwards. For further information, contact the Parish Office. (504-394-0314) (churchoffice@olphbc.org).

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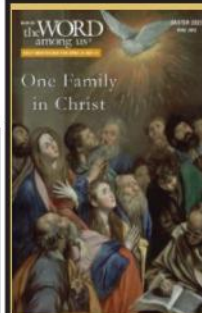
*Church Flowers—Anyone who wishes to donate the flowers in church in memory of a loved one for a particular weekend may call the church office. The donation is \$50 payable to the Altar Society.*



*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: **Eugene & Edna Fagnano**, requested by Debbie Fagnano; **Lillian Kent**, requested by Dolly Roy; **John W. Lonadier, Sr.**, requested by The Lonadier Family; and **Anthony J. Cookmeyer, Jr.**, requested by Maria Cookmeyer.

*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.*



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## The Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



### Straight Talk

by: **Father William Maestri**  
**Veteran's Day: Never Forget**

Words are powerful. They span the gamut of human emotions, for example: dramatic ("Let there be light"), healing ("your sins are forgiven"), and hopeful ("you will be with me in paradise"). Other words are challenging ("Repent and reform"), cunning ("you will be like gods"), and confessional ("You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God"). These words, and countless others, transcend space and time. Such words touch the deepest cords of the human spirit and the heart's deepest longings. They give rise to goosebumps, hair at attention on arms and neck, and send chills up one's spine.

For our purposes, Veterans Day, these words qualify as expressive of America's enduring aspirations and commitment: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." So firm was this commitment, and "reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we (Signers of the "Declaration of Independence") mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

These aspirations and commitment, these sacred pledges, have reached beyond the pen of Thomas Jefferson, the first signers, and 1776. They have inspired generations of men and women to offer up their "last full measure of devotion" (Lincoln) to that creed which brings forth the blessings of freedom, equality, justice, and peace. While we have miles yet to run, the Lady in the Harbor, with the light to the nations, is still "the best hope of earth" (Lincoln, 1862 Address to Congress). Pray it may be for generations yet to be born.

The blessings of the American experiment in self-government have not, does not, and will NEVER come at a discount. For America is a kind of governmental epicenter for the struggle between good and evil; a Providential view of history or a godless one; freedom or slavery; respect for all human persons or life as a commodity (an "it" in which the "market value" measures worth); and a devotion to the common good or a society governed by the ethic of the sharper elbow. This essentially **Spiritual** struggle comes to each generation in various forms, for the stakes are high because the treasure is as fragile as it is priceless. Hence, no one is excused from participating in this hour of testing.

In recent times, it has become fashionable, in some elite cocoons, to criticize the American Story. This criticism, bordering on cynicism, is one of the factors that has adversely affected military recruitment. In a world that has become increasingly unsettled, the steady, strong presence of the United States is needed to advance human rights, a stable peace, and promote a just world order, which facilitates the progress of all peoples (Pope Saint Paul VI, *POPULORUM PROGRESSIO*, 1967).

If America, America as an experiment, a 'conditional', is to continue as the land of hope and opportunity at home and abroad, its continuance can never depend on the critic/cynic, but on a citizenry that is mindful of the cost of freedom. Theodore Roosevelt offers the following: "It is not the critic who counts: not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly...who spends himself in a worthy cause...if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly...his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory or defeat." (Speech delivered at the Sorbonne in (Paris, France on April 23, 1910. "Citizenship in a Republic").

Another former President, Ronald Reagan, offered these timeless words: "Freedom is a fragile thing and it's never more than one generation from extinction. It is not ours by way of inheritance, it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. And those in world history who have known freedom and then lost it, have never known freedom again." (January 5, 1967, Inaugural Address, California State Legislature).

As we gather to remember, honor, and hopefully follow the example of countless veterans, who "in liberating strife...more than self, their country loved" (*America the Beautiful*), pray it may be said of us: we kept the flame of liberty burning bright; when the storm clouds of tyranny gathered, we answered the trumpet's call to resist; and we advanced the cause of peace as the fruit of justice.

Pray it can be said of us, who stand on the shoulders of past giants, we too with "reliance on the protection of divine Providence...pledge to each other [and those waiting in the web of time] our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor." Amen!

## VETERANS DAY



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