



## **Mark 1:40-45**

**A Leper Came To Jesus And Kneeling Down Begged Him And Said,  
“If You Wish, You Can Make Me Clean.”**

**Moved With Pity, He Stretched Out His Hand,  
Touched Him, And Said To Him,  
“I Do Will It. Be Made Clean.”**

**The Leprosy Left Him Immediately, And He Was Made Clean.  
Then, Warning Him Sternly, He Dismissed Him At Once.**

**He Said To Him, “See That You Tell No One Anything,  
But Go, Show Yourself To The Priest  
And Offer For Your Cleansing What Moses Prescribed;  
That Will Be Proof For Them.”**

**The Man Went Away And Began To Publicize The Whole Matter.  
He Spread The Report Abroad  
So That It Was Impossible For Jesus To Enter A Town Openly.  
He Remained Outside In Deserted Places,  
And People Kept Coming To Him From Everywhere.**

**Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Church  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 11, 2024**



## **Pastor's Column - February 11, 2024**

**In this weekend's Readings from Sacred Scripture, we hear about the dreaded disease of leprosy. Moses instructs the Israelites that if a person is deemed to have a sore that is leprous, he shall be banned from the Israelite community. This was done to protect the community from this very contagious disease. In the Gospel a leper comes to Jesus seeking to be cured. Jesus cures him and restores his life again. Our Lord invites us to place our hurts and needs for healing before Him so that He can heal us as well.**

**It is hard to believe that This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent. We will have Mass at 9:00 AM at St. Patrick's Church and 6:00 PM at St. Stephen's Church. Our Lady of Perpetual Help will have a prayer service at 12:00 PM during which ashes will be distributed. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and abstinence for all Catholics between the ages of 18-60. Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for all Catholics. On Friday we will have Stations of the Cross at St. Patrick's church at 6:00 PM. Stations of the cross are an excellent way for us to be able to reflect upon the love that God has for us by thinking about the Lord's passion and death. Following Mass on Tuesday, Fr. Thomas will have a Bible Study for our parish. Make your plans now for a fruitful Lent to prepare for the Best Easter of your live!**

**HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!**

**Fr. Jim**



# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church



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	<u>OLPH</u>	<u>Marathon</u>	<u>Whitney Point</u>
<i>Weekday Mass:</i>	No Mass	No Mass	6:00PM Mondays & 9AM Tuesdays
<i>Sunday Masses:</i>	12:00PM	10:15AM	8:30AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** As announced or by appointment.

### Mission Statement for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

"To advance the Kingdom of God by living a Community Life of Love & Worship,  
Telling the Good News of Jesus Christ."

**OLPH PARISH STAFF:** Parish Council President–Linda Crowley, 863-3574 Vice-President-Terri Fedele Secretary-Lisa Holt  
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 Secretary-Mary Wied-For bulletin announcements please call 692-3911 or [ststephenstpat@syrdio.org](mailto:ststephenstpat@syrdio.org) by Wed.



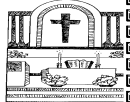
**Baptisms** – Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office.  
**Weddings** – Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office at least 6 months in advance.  
**Sick/Infirm**–If you have someone who is sick or in the hospital, please **notify our Pastoral Care Lay Minister, Linda**, so they can be pastorally attended to.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

### MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Today, 02/11/24 12:00PM for **Joseph Ricca** by Pat & Terri Fedele  
 Next Sunday, 02/18/24 12:00PM for **Becky Custer** by Pat & Terri Fedele



**Lector:** Sharon Constantino **Eucharistic Minister:** Betty Carter, Sue DeMonte **Gift Bearers:** Jay & Lisa Holt  
**Next Sunday:** Hugh Cook **Next Sunday:** Lisa Holt, Sharon Constantino **Next Sunday:** Terri Fedele, Sharon Constantino  
**Ushers:** John & Sue DeMonte **If anyone is interested in becoming a Lector contact Betty Carter at [chopwood2@hotmail.com](mailto:chopwood2@hotmail.com).**



**OLPH's Coffee Hour** –Everyone please join us every Sunday in Seton Hall, following 12PM Mass, for some coffee or something cold to drink with some snacks and good fellowship

**World Marriage Day is today, February 11<sup>th</sup>.** As the Diocese of Syracuse celebrates World Marriage Day on February 11th, let us unite in prayer for married couples in our diocese and around the world. May our prayers uplift and support them in navigating life's challenges with grace and resilience, fostering harmony and joy in their relationships. Together, let's recognize the beauty and sanctity of marriage, offering our heartfelt prayers for the flourishing of every union.

**Prayer for Married Couples:** Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**Bob and Linda Crowley are attending the World Marriage Day Mass** with Bishop Douglas Lucia presiding at 2:00PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse. They will be celebrating 55 years of marriage on March 1<sup>st</sup>.  
 Congratulations and Blessings to Bob and Linda!

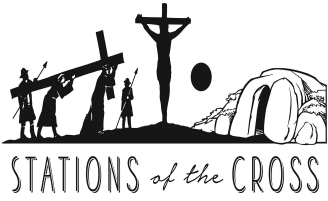
Ash Wednesday is February 14<sup>th</sup> - Ash Wednesday Schedule:  
 9:00AM Mass at Whitney Point 12:00PM Prayer Service at OLPH, Cincinnatus  
 6:00PM Mass at Marathon All with distribution of ashes.



To access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass, for those who are homebound, go to:  
<https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>



**Reflections and Rice Bowls** - Please help yourself to one of the booklets of Lenten Daily Reflections and a Rice Bowl. **LENT IS COMING!** Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia who are working hard to overcome the challenges of hunger and the impact of climate change. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl today. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on our connectedness as one family in Christ and work together to ensure our sisters and brothers worldwide can thrive. Visit [crsricebowl.org](https://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.



**Praying the Stations of the Cross** – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church will pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent, beginning February 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. Join us as we commemorate the journey of Jesus Christ to his death and resurrection.

➔ Also, 6:00 PM at St. Patrick's Church, Whitney Point

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church will be having a **Mission Council Meeting** next Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, in Seton Hall, following Mass.

Everyone is invited to come and bring their opinions.



This year, as in the past, we will be one of the host churches for the **Otselic Valley Church Alliance Lenten Program**. The first scheduled program: **Next Sunday, February 18, at Cincinnatus Christian Union Church 4:00 PM**



**Newcomers & Current Parishioners: WELCOME!** If you would like to register, receive contribution envelopes, Catholic SUN, have a change in address, marital status, etc., please fill out small blue form by the bulletins & drop it in collection basket.



**Last Sunday, February 4, 2024:** Envs: \$638.64 Loose: \$107. .... **Total Regular Collection: \$745.64**  
**Other Income:** Fuel-\$10. Votives-\$37. 50/50-\$8. **Bills Paid This Week: \$259.17**  
*Thank you for your continued generosity that keeps our church running smoothly!*

**Upcoming Special Collections - Ash Wednesday: Church in Central and Eastern Europe:**

This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former Communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. This envelope may be placed in next weekend's collection.

**Black & Indian Missions:** Next weekend our parish will take up this annual collection that helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities and missions. Please place this envelope in the basket with your regular contribution envelope.

**Congratulations to Bob Crowley, the winner of OLPH's 50/50 for February. We won \$8.00!**

**OLPH's 50/50 raffle tickets** are sold every Sunday before Mass. Someone is always at the table in the vestibule selling tickets for \$1. Drawing is the first Sunday of every month and proceeds are split between winner and our parish. ➔ **OLPH's 50/50** – We are still looking for a couple of people, to take turns, sitting at the table in the entrance of our church to sell 50/50 tickets as parishioners are coming in for Mass, so you would need to come a little early before our Mass begins. Tickets are sold every Sunday for \$1.00 each before Mass.

If you are interested and able please call the parish office, 692-3911, or see Hugh Cook at Mass.

**Feb. 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes** - Our Lady of Lourdes is a title of the Blessed Virgin Mary recalling her apparitions in 1858 in the grotto at Lourdes, France to Saint Bernadette Soubirous, a fourteen-year-old peasant girl.

Our Lady instructed Bernadette to dig in the ground nearby, from which came a spring with healing properties, active to this day. "Cordon Bleu" is a French term, literally translated as 'blue ribbon'. The main dish for today's feast day is Chicken Cordon Bleu and for dessert we will have Crepes with vanilla ice cream and blueberries.

[catholiccuisine.blogspot.com](http://catholiccuisine.blogspot.com) - French meal for Our Lady of Lourdes

...whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. 1 Cor. 11:1 In everything you do, thank God. Thank God for the good things and the bad things in your life. Everything that happens, God can use to do His will.