Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine Catholic Church



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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Contributions - Thank You, OLPH!

August 28 & 29, 2021	
Candles	\$15.00
Holy Day	\$40.00
Loose	\$15.00
Regular	\$995.00
Total	\$1065.00
Attendance	49

Do not neglect good deeds and generosity, God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.

Hebrews 13:16



General Information

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please send submissions for the bulletin to Fr. Paul no later than 12:00PM the Wednesday before you wish for them to appear.

FACEBOOK & VIRTUAL DIVINE LITURGY

Visit www.facebook.com/OLPHLevittownPA to join us live or watch archived recordings. You DO NOT need a Facebook account to view the OLPH facebook page.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{ONLINE TITHING} - Interested in tithing online? Visit the parish website and click on the donate link to sign up on the tithe.ly.. \\ \end{tabular}$



Confession every Saturday from 4:30 to 5:00 or by appointment

Saturday September 4 - 15th Sunday After Pentecost

5:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy (Tone 6)

2 Cor 4:6-15; Mt 22:35-46

For the Parish Family of OLPH

Sunday September 5 - 15th Sunday After Pentecost

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Tone 6)

2 Cor 4:6-15; Mt 22:35-46

+Rev. Myron M. Badnerosky w/ Panachida by Margaret Churilla

Wednesday September 8 - Nativity of the Theotokos

7:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Phil 2:5-11: Lk 10:38-43 & 11:27-28

+Helen Snyder by Dale & Betty Purich

Saturday September 11 - Sunday Before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5:00 PM Vigil Divine Liturgy (Tone 7)

Gal 6:11-18; Jn 3:13-17

For the Parish Family of OLPH

Sunday September 12 - Sunday Before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Tone 7)

Gal 6:11-18; Jn 3:13-17

❖ +Joseph Cymbor w/ Panachida by Brian Cymbor

Candle Intentions September 2021

Orlets (Eagles)- In loving memory of our father Michael Macinsky requested by daughter Anna Maria Macinsky and son Stephen Macinsky

Tetrapod - In memory of Anthony L., Theresa, Vincent ,and Anthony J. Churilla requested by daughter and sister Margaret Churilla

Liturgy Intentions - Available upon request. Please submit a request form with a suggested donation of \$15 per request. **Candle Intentions** - Available by month. Please submit a request form and suggested donation of \$25 per request. **Hospital & Home Visitation** - Available upon request.



Blessed are we, having you as our help, for day and night you do not cease to intercede for us! The Sisters of St. Basil the Great announce the 87th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sunday, September 5, 2021 Mount Saint Macrina - Uniontown, PA

For more information or to watch the livestream (weather permitting) please visit www.sistersofstbasil.org

Wonderful News

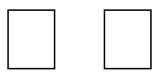
It is an honor to announce that, after a year of private *Pre-Jordan* preparation, George Sasvari (regular attendee at the Saturday Vigil Liturgy) will be receiving the Sacraments of Christian Initiation on **September 26, 2021 at the 9am Divine Liturgy!** As he continues to prepare for this day, please keep him in your prayers. It is with open arms, and with a thankful heart, that the OLPH family welcomes George into a life in Jesus Christ and into our parish family!

Virtual ECF for the 2021-2022 School Year

OLPH will once again be participating in the Virtual ECF Program with St. Michael Cathedral in Passaic. Classes will begin Sept. 25, 2021 and will be Saturday's from 10-11am, or 11am-12pm if a Holy Day falls on a Saturday. If you participated last year, you should have received an email with a registration form. If you are new and want to join in this year, please contact Fr. Paul and he will provide you with registration information! Any questions, please contact Fr. Paul.

Wedding Jubilee at St. Mary in Hillsborough, NJ

Due to some confusion and an oversight by Fr. Paul, couples from OLPH were never registered for the upcoming Wedding Jubilee to be held at St. Mary in Hillsborough, NJ on Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021: 3pm Divine Liturgy, dinner to follow. Dinner is free for the couples, \$40 for any guests. This is open to REGISTERED PARISHIONERS ONLY, not someone's cousin's best friend's roommate's uncle who used to attend OLPH 25 years ago. If you are a REGISTERED PARISHIONER and celebrated a wedding anniversary "on the 5's" (i.e. 5, 10, 15 years, etc.) either last year OR this year (2020/2021) and wish to attend the Wedding Jubilee celebration, PLEASE CONTACT FR PAUL NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, SEPT. 9, 2021! Fr Paul apologizes for the last minute notice and for any confusion this may have caused.



Please Pardon Our Dust!

As we prepare for major projects occurring with our physical plant, please excuse the mess in the narthex and general disruption to parish life over the coming weeks.

What's Happening This Week?

Plumbing work is now complete!!!! Thanks be to God! Electric still progressing.

Father Paul's ECF Corner

When asked, "What is the greatest commandment, Christ responded:

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." (Mt 22:37-40)

The profundity of this statement is truly mind boggling! What Christ is saying is that, essentially, the entirety of Salvation History (including the entirety of the Old Testament, the [Mosaic] Law, and all the prophetic teachings) is predicated on one value: love. But what type of love?

On love, St. Paul teaches that

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away. (1 Cor 13:4-10)

This is what Christ means by love. It is not a romantic love (*eros*), or a brotherly love (*philia*). It is *agape*—a selfless love that nearly transcends definition.

It is with selfless love that we serve Christ, our parish, and one another. God, out of infinite merciful loving kindness, became incarnate in Jesus Christ through the Virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit, not for His own benefit and expecting only one thing in return: that we love one another (and Him) as He so loved us (Jn 13:34). Remember that everything we do in life, whether inside or outside of the parish, should be for nothing more than pure love of neighbor and love of God Almighty.

God be with you! Fr. Paul