

# seek, share, rejoice - pastor's letter...



Fr. Jerry Boland, Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

"Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

In recent weeks, the gospels have been recalling a few Jesus' famous parables. These parables have been focusing a lot on the role possessions can have on our spiritual wellbeing.

I have been thinking of that adage, "you can't hitch a U-Haul to the hearse". How much do our

possessions get in the way of the quality of our lives, we can dwell too much on what we do not have rather than what we have. We can be overly influenced by the consumerism of our culture that suggests real happiness can be achieved by something we could buy.

This need to be surrounded by "stuff" can overwhelm us. There can be red lights blinking when the junk drawer in the kitchen is so full, we cannot open or close it. Our garages and attics can be stuffed to the rafters. Our walk-in closet is at a standstill. We do not need a storage closet; we need a storage warehouse!

I recently came across a book, "The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning." It is all about beginning a new way of approaching decluttering. The Swedish ascetic might be summed up in the phrase: "Less is More." The author suggests that there is a real spiritual dimension to beginning a process of liberating myself from stuff. The are many things that are easy to give away; do I need 40 shirts or ten pairs of shoes? There are things we hold onto with the idea that someday I may need this - we never will. Then there is the tough category of things to which I have an emotional attachment. I am a sentimental person. I could tell you where and who gave me every Christmas ornament. When I go onto my hopeful eternal reward, these things will have little meaning to whoever has to deal with my "stuff."

The author suggests that in the process of letting go of things, we are not letting go of the memories they evoke. I need to share with my family certain things that I want to hand on to the next generation, like a teacup my grandmother brought with her when she emmigrated from Ireland to the US in the 1940's. Someone just looking at it might assume I bought it at an estate sale.

A primary motive for this process is in the title of the book, "Swedish Death Cleaning." What are things I can get rid of, give to someone who could use them or make sure my loved ones are aware of their meaning, so I do not overburden my loved ones trying to figure out what to do with all this stuff.

There is a spiritual dimension to what is stuff I am holding onto that is taking up free rent space in my heart and mind. How much clutter is related to resentments, poor choices, painful memories? Jesus wants us to embrace our real treasures and detach ourselves from that which angers, embitters, or hurts us. Where is our real treasure?

One of the great treasures here at OLPH is our ministry, Knit for Life. Thirty years ago, Lori Klatt and Hilda Salvador gathered a group to knit scarves, gloves, hats, and blankets for the homeless, poor and those in hospice. Since 1995 this group has been meeting and knitting. We cannot imagine at this point the thousands of people who have benefitted from their labor of love. Regina Kilroy is one of the leaders and reminded me that the group meets on the First and Third Thursdays in Hickey Hall. They are always happy to welcome any knitters who would like to join them. Happy Anniversary and Thank you!

As we begin to anticipate the beginning of the school year, we are always in need of catechists for Religious Education. It is a very important ministry and really fulfilling. If you are interested, please call our Director of Religious Education, **Erin Bretts**.

Happy Birthday this weekend to **Fr. Jim Barrett**. He and Abraham were born in the same year! (Ha-ha).

This coming Friday is the Feast of the Assumption; the Mass schedule is listed in the bulletin.

If you see me hanging around the Sharing Room, I am unloading my U-Haul!

May your week be blessed!

Fr, Jerry Boland

#### Looking to get involved this Fall?

There are so many opportunities to get involved and deepen your faith this Fall at OLPH. In this Bulletin, check out information for Scripture Study, Bellarmine Retreats, Stepping Out Ministry, and more. Here are some others to consider:

• Knit for Life Ministry;

Contact: Regina Kilroy at reginakilroy@gmail.com

· Project Linus Ministry;

Contact: Jean Draths: jeandraths@gmail.com

Respect Life Ministry;

Contact: Monica Cassidy monccas@comcast.net

· Women's Club;

Contact: Alisa Cios olphwcmembership@gmail.com

· Men's Club:

Contact: Chad Lose olphmensclub@gmail.com

# seek, share, rejoice - uniform sale, k of c, and more...



#### **Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Event** 3:00pm Friday, Aug. 22

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote Respect For Life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.



The Silver Rose Program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States, and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

This is the fourth year that the Father Dussman Council of the Knights of Columbus is privileged to steward the Silver Rose, joined with other councils along routes from Canada to Mexico.

Each stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Contact: Bill Cook 847-226-3878

billcook05@comcast.net



## Happy Birthday Fr. Larry!

Although Fr. Larry Basbas is now the administrator at St. Paul VI parish in Riverside, he will always be part of the OLPH family. Back in July, OLPH parishioners Tracy O'Flaherty, Jen Farber, and Margie André visited him to celebrate his July 13 birthday. He loved his "Pope Chicago" T-shirt gift!

#### Stepping Out Ministry

An invitation to all men and women ages 21 to 121, who are solo and looking for group activities. Our outings are active, educational, inspiring and a whole lot of fun! Below is a photo of our July 26 Pot Luck Dinner at Pat's house. Come & join us!



#### **August Events**

Wed., Aug. 27 - Mini golf, dinner at new indoor Putt Shack

If you would like to join us in experiencing new adventures, please reach out to Janis or Pat.

Janis - ilpm1231@gmail.com Pat - marzianipat@gmail.com

# seek, share, rejoice - r.e., spred, scripture study...



## DISCOVER THE POWER OF PURPOSE

#### Join the OLPH Teen Board

Are you ready to make a difference that matters? The OLPH Teen Board gives 9th-12<sup>th</sup> graders the platform and the support to make a positive impact in our community through organizing and leading service opportunities.

### Why Join?

Create and modify meaningful community initiatives
Build friendships grounded in shared purpose
Grow spiritually and personally
Gain Leadership skills and experience

Serve others







If you have any questions, please reach out to Erin Bretts at ebretts@olphglenview.org or call 847-998-5289

#### **SPRED**

Openings on Tuesdays..

Special Religious Development is a parish based ministry that provides faith formation and spiritual nourishment to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.



OLPH currently has openings for 6-10 year olds in our Tuesday evening group.

The goal of our small group is to help children develop an awareness of God and his love for them in their lives. Each child has his/her own catechist. There are 12 sessions per year and there is no fee.

Contact Person: Mary McCool marymccool411@gmail.com

847-217-0034

#### **Scripture Study**

#### Fall Scripture Study - The Gospel of Luke

The gospel of Luke presents a compassionate and inclusive portrait of Jesus, while giving special attention to prayer, the work of the Holy Spirit and the joy of salvation.



It begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and continues through Jesus' public ministry, passion, death, resurrection and ascension. Unique to this Gospel are powerful parables like the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. As you journey through Luke's account, you will encounter Jesus in a new way and discover how his teachings fit into your life today!

All are invited to join this beautiful and profound 8-week study.

Start Date: Week of Sept. 29 End Date: Week of Nov. 17

Cost: \$35

Register by Sept. 22
Contact Person: Ro Parma
Ro.parma@yahoo.com

# DONUT MISS THIS DIVINE GATHERING

Donuts, Coffee & A Dash of Community

Have you ever felt a little nudge during Mass... a gentle whisper saying, "You could help with that"? Well, consider this your official invitation!

The Religious Education Department is hosting a Hospitality Sunday!!!

August 17, 2025 After the 9:00 AM, 9:30 AM, &10:00 AM Masses Outside the South Vestibule

We'll have fresh donuts & hot coffee—but more importantly, we'll be sharing how you can make a difference in the faith lives of our children and families.

Whether you're a seasoned catechist, a behind-the-scenes helper, or just curious about what we do, we'd love to meet you.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Erin Bretts at ebretts@olphglenview.org or call 847-998-5289

# seek, share, rejoice - upcoming retreats, sharing ministry...

#### 2026 OLPH Annual Retreats for Men and for Women

Secure your spot today for our new annual retreats



420 W County Line Road, Barrington, Illinois 60010 | Phone: 847-381-1261

We are pleased to announce that OLPH will now have annual two-night silent retreat weekends at Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House for men and for women. For our first year, both retreats will be in January 2026. These weekends are sure to sell out given the topics and presenters so, if you know you plan to attend, register at <a href="mailto:iesuitretreat.org">iesuitretreat.org</a> today with a \$100 reusable deposit.

#### OLPH Men's Weekend: January 16 - 18, 2026

Trusting in God in Life's Twists and Turns: The Conversions of St. Ignatius Loyola with **Fr. Michael J. Graham, SJ** 

This retreat offers a sacred space to explore the ways in which life's detours and disruptions are not obstacles, but invitations—callings to trust, to grow, and to deepen our relationship with God. Through guided reflections rooted in Ignatian spirituality, personal prayer, and quiet contemplation, we will consider how God is present in the unexpected, gently guiding us toward a future filled with grace.



Click the QR Code to register

Suggested Contribution: \$380

OLPH Captain: Dave Ludden, ddludden@hotmail.com

#### OLPH Women's Weekend: January 30 - February 1, 2026

A Retreat with St. Peter: Growing from Sinner to Saint with Fr. Michael Sparough, SJ

Experience the Spiritual Exercises by taking a deep dive into the life of Simon, named Peter, the rock, by Jesus. Just as he has two names, he also has two distinct sides to his personality. He is gentle, but bold; foolish, yet wise. Together we'll pray about what it means to belong to a Church that is larger than the sum of its members.

Suggested Contribution: \$380

OLPH Captain: Jennifer Farber, TheWayOLPH@gmail.com



Click the QR Code to register

#### The Grace of Silence

Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House maintains an atmosphere of silence so that you can hear God's voice speaking the words your soul longs to hear. These days are God's gift to you, a graced time for you to spend with the Lord. If you are not accustomed to being silent on a retreat, we guarantee that you will find it restful and refreshing!

While silence in your retreat at Bellarmine involves not talking to each other, it is more than that. It means quieting yourself on the outside and the inside so that you can be totally present to God.

Silence helps us let go of the preoccupations of the past and the anxieties about the future so that we can discover our deepest desires. It is in these deepest desires that God speaks to our souls and opens up new possibilities for our lives. Let God give you this special gift of time with Him in the new year.



Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House

#### **Sharing Ministry**

#### Summer Hunger Critical Need for Food

Please continue to donate non-perishable food to the Sharing Ministry. Deliver to the bins at the Sharing Resource Center

(Tues. and Thu. from 7:00am – noon and Sun. from 8:00am – noon when bins are out), donate through the kids at the Sunday offertory, or fill the baskets at the church entries.

Too busy to shop for the on-going food drive?

Use the QR code shown here and your monetary donations will be used by the pantry directors at our four sharing parishes to purchase food most needed at their pantries. Hunger doesn't take a summer vacation.

#### Save the Dates:

#### **OLPH Needy Family Fund Presentation**

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 7:00pm in Hickey Hall

Please join us as we learn about this important ministry and all the good work being done through your generosity.

#### St. Sabina Site Visit

Saturday, Oct. 4, Leaving OLPH at 9:00am

Tour the campus and witness the extensive work being done in this needy community.

Sharing Ministry Retreat – Perpetuating through Prayer and Generosity of Heart

Saturday morning, Feb. 21, 2026

St. Francis Room (Lafayette Building)

#### Generation to Generation Campaign Donors - current for most pledges, as of August 4, 2025

*Important News from Fr. Jerry:* "I have been so grateful for your support and consideration of our capital campaign, 'Generation to Generation: Answer the Call'. We set a very ambitious goal of Six Million Dollars.

#### As of August 4, our total amount pledged is \$7,138,652 with 634 donors.

This a remarkable achievement and once again reflects the generosity and commitment of our faith community.

We are still accepting pledges and would love to expand the base of participating parishioners.

Grateful beyond words! " - Fr. Jerry Boland

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**BM1 Anthony Wallace** 

**Notice:** For revisions or updates to the Military Prayer List, please contact: **Geof Lutz** olphmil@yahoo.com

#### Parish Announcements







On behalf of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church, you are cordially invited to the

#### Eleventh Annua

Solemn Vespers for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Sunday, August 31, 2025 | 7 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, Illinois 60025

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## our weekly intentions: august 10 - august 17...

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#### Our Beloved Deceased

John Hogan, husband of Virginia

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Wayne Thein, father of Julie Nold

#### **Upcoming Weddings**

- Shawn Thomas & Anju Joseph
- **Gwyneth Brown & Donald Hamilton**
- Joseph Uhland & Eliza Wisinski
- Olivia Pullano & Calvin Kropke

#### **Baptisms**

Reid Ryan, son of Ashley (Walsh) Springer & Spencer Springer

#### ROSARY Mon. - Sat.:after 8:30am Mass in Lady Chapel

LITURGY OF THE HOURS Wed.: 8:10am

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** 

Fri.: 9:00am - 3:50pm in Lady Chapel

- Silent Worship 9:30am 3:00pm
- Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3:00pm
- Benediction 3:45pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Sat.: 4:00 - 4:45pm

MASS AT ABBINGTON REHAB & NURSING CTR

11:00am the first Wednesday of the month

MASS AT CHESTNUT AT THE GLEN

10:45am the third Wednesday

of the month

#### Sunday, August 10

7:30 am — Fr. Jerry Libbie Gaffket

9:00 am — Fr. Jim w/DCW Fawzia Batti, Dr. Katy Altonji, Dick O'Rourke, Kevin King

9:30 am Rectory Lawn — Fr. Roy Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

10:30 am — Fr. Jerry w/DJR Paula Conry, Rosemary Milz, Tom Esker,

Robert & Patricia Cienkus 62nd Wedding Anniversary

12:00 pm — Fr. Hickey Shirley Seebacker

5:00 pm — Fr. Roy Ben Farago

#### Monday, August 11

**6:30 am — Fr. Jerry w/DCW** Ann Marie Burkman

8:30 am - Fr. Jim Rosemary Siekierski, Shirley Seebacker

#### Tuesday, August 12

**6:30 am — Fr. Honoratus w/DCW** Hazel Gaffket Hickey

8:30 am — Fr. Roy Tom Guttschow, Jennie Feo, John & Nancy Scheid (MFTL)

#### Wednesday, August 13

6:30 am - Fr. Roy w/DCW Carol Heffernan

8:30 am — Fr. Jerry Thomas Barrett, Gladys Marie Caputo & Families

#### Thursday, August 14

**6:30 am** — Fr. Jim w/DCW Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

8:30 am — Fr. Roy Ciro Rossini, John & Maureen Haggerty

#### Friday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 am — Fr. Honoratus w/DCW Ed Just

8:30 am — Fr. Jim Louise Makris, Marion & Rosemary Siekierski

12:15 pm – Fr. Honoratus Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

7:00 pm - Fr. Jerry Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

#### Saturday, August 16

8:30 am — Fr. Honoratus Thomas Sheridan & Families, Sandra Barreca,

Sister Norma Schumacher

**5:00 pm — Fr. Honoratus** Louise Makris, Will Hicks, Franco Busillo, Mary Doherty

#### Sunday, August 17

7:30 am — Fr. Hickey Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

9:00 am — Fr. Roy Andrew Lapko, Dr. Raymond Wilbers, Cohl Jordan Carter-Wright

9:30 am Rectory Lawn — Fr. Honoratus Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

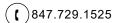
**10:30 am** — Fr. Roy w/DCW Madonna Thoelecke, Charles & Donna Burke,

Rosanne Sawyer (MFTL)

**12:00 pm** — Fr. Jerry Norma & Marcelo Talbot, Barb & Ben Tchaou 50th Wedding Anniversary

5:00 pm — Fr. Jim Living and Deceased Members of OLPH

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