

# OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY – WHERE WE BELONG:** Be included in our new family directory. Our goal is to include everyone! Be professionally photographed and receive a free 8x10 family portrait, a church directory and the church directory mobile app. Your one-hour session will include professional photography, immediate viewing, and purchase options. Schedule your photo session today by using the link on our website at [olpschurch.org](http://olpschurch.org). There are lots of options for your convenience including May 18-19 from 2:00 to 9:00 P.M.; May 20 from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; and May 22-25 from 2:00 to 9:00 P.M. Also, June 9 from 2:00 to 9:00 P.M. and June 10 from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Contact Renee Aldridge at 445-9748 ext. 216 for more information.



**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2017:** Today is our parish's 2017 ADA in-pew weekend. In the past weeks you might have received a letter from Bishop Talley asking for your support. After the homily this weekend, parishioners who have not yet pledged to the ADA will have an opportunity to join Catholics throughout the Diocese of Alexandria to support the diocesan church. – Father Dan

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Vacation Bible School 2017 will be Monday through Friday, June 12-16 from 8:00 A.M. through 12:00 noon. Registration is \$10 per child and open to children entering grades kindergarten through fifth. Deadline to register is Wednesday, May 31. Contact Michelle Lemoine at [mblemoine1@gmail.com](mailto:mblemoine1@gmail.com).

**DUTCH VOLTZ PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION:** Deacon Gus "Dutch" Voltz of OLPS parish will be ordained to the priesthood with his classmates Deacons Derek Ducote and Daniel Hart on Saturday, June 17 at 10:00 A.M. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral by Bishop Talley. Please keep them in your prayers.

**LUKE LAFLEUR DIACONATE ORDINATION:** Luke LaFleur of OLPS Parish will be ordained a transitional deacon HERE at Prompt Succor on Saturday, May 27 at 10:00 A.M. by Bishop Talley with a reception to follow in the Divine Providence Center. Please keep Luke in your prayers.

## WEEKLY PARISH EVENT CALENDAR

### Monday, May 15

10:00 A.M. Outreach Prayer Group (St. Timothy Center)  
6:30 P.M. Men's ACTS (MR)  
6:30 P.M. Women's ACTS (DPC)

### Tuesday, May 16

10:30 A.M. OLPS serves at Manna House  
12:00 P.M. Home and School Association (MR)  
3:00 P.M. St. Cecilia Choir (Music Room)  
6:00 P.M. Adult Choir (Music Room)

### Wednesday, May 17

8:00 A.M. School Sixth Grade Farewell Mass and Awards (Reception in DPC)  
2:00 P.M. Senior Citizen Meeting and Reception (MR)  
6:00 P.M. Divorce Survival Support Group (MR)

### Thursday, May 18

8:00 A.M. School Mass (Church)  
10:00 A.M. Rosary (Church)  
2:00 P.M. Life Touch Directory Pictures (L)  
6:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus Council 8029 (MR)  
6:15 P.M. Teen ACTS (St. Timothy Center)

### Friday, May 19

8:00 A.M. School Mass (Church)  
9:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Church)  
2:00 P.M. Life Touch Directory Pictures (L)  
6:30 P.M. Substance Abuse Ministry (MR)

### Saturday, May 20

10:00 A.M. Life Touch Directory Pictures (L)  
10:00 A.M. Mass at Matthews Memorial Nursing Home

### Sunday, May 21

10:30 A.M. Children's Liturgy (L)  
2:00 P.M. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)  
5:30 P.M. Children's Liturgy (L)  
7:00 P.M. High School Youth (DPC)

**Madonna Room (MR) Lourdes (L) Fatima (F) Notre Dame (ND)  
Divine Providence Center (DPC) Olinger Hall (OH)  
St. Timothy Center**

**'COME, BE CONSOLED':** The Cenla ACTS community invites all women to an afternoon of spiritual refreshment on Saturday, June 10 with Sister Mary Madeline Todd, OP, STD of the Nashville Dominicans. Sister will lead a reflection on Jesus' words, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace" (Mark 5:34). Coffee, cake and conversation will begin at 1:30 P.M. in the Madonna Room. The reflection by Sister Mary Madeline will follow at 2:00 P.M. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3:00 P.M. followed by confession and 4:00 P.M. Mass in the church. For more information, please contact Louise LaJaunie at (318) 451-7181 or log on to [www.everydaymissionaries.com/retreats](http://www.everydaymissionaries.com/retreats).

**OLPS SCHOOL**  
**BULLDOG BYTES**

**OLPS SIXTH GRADE FAREWELL:** The sixth-grade students will say farewell to OLPS School this Wednesday, May 17 at 8:00 A.M. Mass. They will be missed and the OLPS School family wishes them the best with their future endeavors. *“OLPS: Where we enter to learn and leave to achieve.”*

**SPOONS FROZEN YOGURT NITE:** Thursday, May 18 is SPOONS Frozen Yogurt Nite! Grab a quick after-school treat or dessert from 3:00 to 8:00 P.M. and OLPS will receive 15 percent of ALL the proceeds!

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:** The last day of school is Wednesday, May 24. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 A.M. with the awards program following. Honor Roll Awards will be presented in homeroom. Dismissal will be at 11:30 A.M. There will be no bus transportation and no After School Care.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** Don't forget to mark your calendar and have all little bulldogs start training for the Third Annual Bulldog Tri on Saturday, August 26 on the LSUA campus. The Bulldog Kids Tri is a non-competitive triathlon for ages 3 through 14. The children compete only against themselves. Look for more information to follow!

**THE FLOWERS BY OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR** are given this week in loving memory of **PETER AND PILAR LORIO** by their children.

**DR. BRANT PITRE TO SPEAK:** Mark your calendars now for a one-day conference on Saturday, July 22 from 8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the Divine Providence Center featuring Dr. Brant Pitre, professor of Sacred Scripture at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. Dr. Pitre, a respected author and popular speaker, will address “Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist.” Lunch will be included for \$15 per person for registration by June 30. Registration information coming soon.

**FEED YOUR SPIRIT:** The next scheduled event in our parish's monthly *Adult Faith Formation* is Thursday, June 8 at 6:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Center. Steve Gauthier will speak on “More about the Saints.” The series is sponsored by the Spirituality and Education Commission. Childcare is provided for newborns through age 12 in the church nursery. Please call the church office (445-3693) to register for childcare.

**JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS:** The annual Jubilee Mass for Priests celebrating milestone ordination anniversaries will be held Friday, May 26 at 12:05 P.M. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Bishop Talley will be the celebrant and priests of the diocese will concelebrate. The public is invited.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ANNUAL BAKE SALE:** Court Notre Dame of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will have its annual bake sale in the Madonna Complex on the weekend of June 3-4. Please stop by for delicious made-from-scratch cakes, pies, cookies, and other sweets.

**OLPS YOUTH**

**‘OLPS ROCKS’** is a place for our junior high and high school teens to meet and jam while sharpening their musical skills. “OLPS Rocks” meets in the Notre Dame Room (first door on the left in the Madonna Complex) from 4:30 to 5:00 P.M. on Wednesdays during the school year. For more info, call Josh Blakesley or Grae McCullough at 445-3693.

**JUNIOR HIGH:** Our Junior High group (grades 7-8 from all schools) meets on Wednesday from 6:15 to 7:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, contact Rebekah Brocato at 447-7861 or 445-9748, ext. 228.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NEWS**

**YOUTH GROUP:** High school youth meets on Sunday after the 5:30 P.M. Mass in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, call Ben Lesnefsky at 445-9748, ext. 228 or email [youth@olpschurch.org](mailto:youth@olpschurch.org).

**‘CHILDREN OF HOPE’:** The Children of Hope will not meet over the summer while students are on vacation. The next First Friday holy hour will be Friday, September 1 from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in church. The program includes Eucharistic Adoration, prayers, music, rosary and meditations for children especially in grades two through six.

**OUR SEMINARIANS:** Luke LaFleur, Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, OH; Deacon Dutch Voltz, Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans, LA

**OUR PERMANENT DEACON CANDIDATE:** Bill Aldridge

**PLEASE PRAY** for all our service men and women serving at home and abroad, among them **Paul Arbour, Chris Armstrong, Jesse Barth, Chad Bordelon, Bobby Bounds, Beau Bradford, Chaplain Father John Brocato, Shawn D. Bryant, Gregory Carbo II, Ray Constantino, Michael Deville, Scott Deville, Billy Dove III, Dirk Erickson, David Fields, Chaplain Father John Gabriel, Dylan Garland, Carl Greene, Christian Griffiths, Michael Kelley, Dustin Martin, Jared Slay, Francis Jerome Vanderlick, Michael Ware, Nicholas Waters, and William Whisenant.** If you know someone serving whose name is not on our list, please contact the church office.

**‘REFRESHED IN THE SPIRIT’ DAY:** Cenla Magnificat and the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Louisiana will sponsor a “Refreshed in the Spirit” day on Saturday, July 8 from 8:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. at the St. Joseph Catholic Center at 4400 Coliseum Blvd. in Alexandria. There is no registration fee for this event but you must pre-register by June 30 – by email at [cenlamagnificat@gmail.com](mailto:cenlamagnificat@gmail.com) or [dianeardoin@yahoo.com](mailto:dianeardoin@yahoo.com) or (318) 419-1547. Bring a brown bag lunch. Drinks (water and tea) and desserts will be provided.

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Fr. John Wiltse, Parochial Vicar

Fr. Joy Retnazihomoni, In Residence

Fr. Chris Nayak, In Residence

Mary Floyd, Parish Manager

Colleen "Dee" Gilbert, Bookkeeper/Margaret Shiver, Receptionist

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Linda Perot, Director of Music Ministry

Josh Blakesley, Associate Director of Music Ministry

Grae McCullough, Music Minister

Ben Lesnefsky, Director of Youth Ministry

Rebekah Brocato, Coordinator of Junior High Ministry

Michelle Lemoine, Director of Religious Education

Renee Aldridge, Coordinator of Program Development

Sarah Duncan Mealer, Church Nursery Coordinator

Brandon Callahan, Maintenance Supervisor

Michael Upton, Finance Council Chair + John Lyons, Pastoral Council Chair

Maria Olagues, School Council Chair

### SACRAMENTS/LITURGY/DEVOTIONS

Mass: Saturday 4 PM

Sunday 7, 9 & 10:30 AM; 5:30 PM

(Nursery Available for 9, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM for Newborns through 3 yrs.)

Weekdays: 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil - 5:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 AM; 12:05 P.M. & 5:30 PM

Children's Liturgy of the Word (For ages 4 - 8 yrs.)

Sundays at 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00 - 3:50 PM; Sundays 5:15 - 5:25 PM and Weekdays before Mass

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Class by appointment.

Register in advance by calling the Church Office (445-3693).

Baptisms are ministered by appointment.

Sacrament of Holy Eucharist: For the sick and homebound.

Contact Renee Aldridge at the church office, 445-3693.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact our Parish Priests at 445-3693.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM every Friday in the Church.

### RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAMS

CCD - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Junior High - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

## MASSSES OF THE WEEK

### SUN., MAY 14:

7:00 A.M. Mother's Day Intentions

9:00 A.M. Mother's Day Intentions

10:30 A.M. Mother's Day Intentions

5:30 P.M. Our Parish Family

### MON., MAY 15:

6:30 A.M. John DeFee

5:30 P.M. Ensign Keith N. Bonnette

### TUES., MAY 16:

6:30 A.M. Intention of Gail Landreneau

5:30 P.M. Alma and Gus Voltz, David and Wallace Voltz,

Gus Voltz Jr., and Kathleen and John Hooe

### WED., MAY 17:

6:30 A.M. Lawson Keppinger

5:30 P.M. Melinda Lajaunie

### THURS., MAY 18:

6:30 A.M. Carmelo Go

8:00 A.M. Mark Mathews

5:30 P.M. Brent Mathews

### FRI., MAY 19:

6:30 A.M. Hat Cheong Lau

8:00 A.M. Bryan Wimberly

5:30 P.M. Paulette Gallagher

### SAT., MAY 20:

8:00 A.M. Dena Flynn

4:00 P.M. Josephine Chestovich; George Fingleton; Sister

Cecile Clare Vanderlick CDP; Sean Perry; Tom

Stafford; C. L. Michiels and Chase Michiels;

Deceased members of the Rigby Family; Tim

Duplissey, Lewell Gunn, Brian Whaley, Harry

Hardy, and Jay Gourgues; Horace Thibeaux;

Deceased members of the Hebert and Naus

Families

### SUN., MAY 21:

7:00 A.M. Our Parish Family

9:00 A.M. Living and deceased members of the Gueringer

and Gagnard Families; David Ezernack; Linda

Gremillion (anniv.); Tom Stafford; Bob Foster;

Mary Jean Thomas; Kirby J. Moras Jr. (anniv.);

Living and deceased members of the Clarence

Flynn Family; Mr. and Mrs. George Regan, Mr.

and Mrs. John Fair and Judy Regan; Eugene

Gilchrist

10:30 A.M. Joe King and Fran McGinty

5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

## READINGS FOR MAY 21:

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Psalm 66; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

## IN MEMORY: THERESA BLAKESLEY CUNNINGHAM; HELEN COLLINS

Please pray for Mrs. Cunningham (aunt of Mr. Josh Blakesley); Mrs. Collins; and those of our parish who have recently died and for the consolation of their families.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** John 'Lad' Baker; Sister Romaine Bell; Cadet Brianna Bennett; Kristin Bonner; Jeanne Bonnette; Leona Brogdon; Virgil Brumley; Mary Cataldie; Jody Debona; Kelly Debona; Theresa Debona; Kathy Ouber Depril; Trudy Dyson; Charles Ezernack; Reynada Feeter; Connie Fiorenza; Kyle Fowler; Mattie Lou Furby; Deacon Ray Gibson; Rose Giordano; Ansley Greer; Tom Hirschak; Tedie Hodges; Ray Holston; Linda Juneau; Angel LaJaunie; Joseph Loden; Mike Lofton; Amy McCartney; Ryan McCutcheon; Josephine Michiels; Renee Newcomb; Jones Omorusi; Cleta Perry; Cindy Pinkerton; Patricia Rachal; Jim St. Amant; Jessica Sanders; Brooke Searcy; Mike Shelfo; Hazel Slocum; Dorothy Stroud; Gustavia Thibeaux; Anna Troia; Sister Virginia Lee Vanderlick; Jacob Williamson; Tracy Wiltse; Lenora Yeager; and all the homebound of our parish community.

## GIFTS REPORT - CHURCH SUPPORT

Income needed for May (four Sundays)	\$87,000.00
Gifts on previous weekends in May	\$.00
Gifts given last weekend	\$24,408.00
Amount still needed for May	\$62,592.00

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT** and payment by credit card are available for your contributions to church support. If interested please contact Mary Floyd at the church office by calling 445-9748, ext. 201.