

OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEED YOUR SPIRIT: The next scheduled event in our parish's monthly *Adult Faith Formation* is this Thursday at 6:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Center. Bishop Robert Barron will speak via CD on "The Seven Deadly Sins." The series is sponsored by the Spirituality and Education Commission. Childcare is provided for newborns through age 12 in the church nursery. To register for childcare, please email olpschildcare@gmail.com with the name of the event and number of children.



WELCOME, CROSSROADS PRO-LIFE: Once again this summer, OLPS will hear from members of Crossroads Pro-Life as they visit this weekend. These young people spend their summer walking across the country to raise awareness of the pro-life cause. We thank them for their faith and dedication and welcome them to our parish!

TEEN ACTS: Please pray for the retreatants and team members on the OLPS Teen ACTS retreat next weekend at Maryhill. High school teens will be ministering to their peers, along with young adults and adults, to help bring the love and mercy of Christ to other young people. The retreat will close with a return Mass next Sunday at OLPS at 10:30 A.M. and a reception in the Divine Providence Center.

MEN'S ACTS: Registration is open for the men's ACTS retreat at Maryhill the weekend of Aug. 17-20. Registration forms are on the tables by the church doors and on the Cenla ACTS web site, www.cenlaacts.org.

COURT NOTRE DAME, CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the Americas, will meet Monday, July 10 at 11:30 A.M. in the Madonna Room. Parish women and all members are encouraged to attend for lunch, prayer and meeting. For more information call Elsie at 487-1277.

ALEXANDRIA DIOCESAN CHOIR: New members are always welcome. We sing annually for the Chrism Mass, Rite of Enrollment and Permanent Deacon and Priests' Ordinations. Rehearsal is typically held at Xavier Hall on the Thursday evening before the Mass. Contact Fr. Paul M. LaPalme at (318) 487-9894 or fatherpaul@mmjchurch.org.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENT CALENDAR

Monday, July 10

- 10:00 A.M. Outreach Prayer Group (St. Timothy Center)
- 11:30 A.M. Catholic Daughters (MR)
- 5:30 P.M. Women's ACTS Commissioning Mass (Church)
- 6:30 P.M. Men's ACTS (MR)
- 6:30 P.M. Women's ACTS (DPC)

Wednesday, July 12

- 6:00 P.M. Catholic Medical Association (DPC)

Thursday, July 13

- 10:00 A.M. Rosary (Church)
- 5:00 P.M. Teen ACTS Send-off (DPC)
- 6:30 P.M. Adult Faith Formation (DPC)

Friday, July 14

- 7:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Church)
- 10:00 A.M. Mass at Brookdale Assisted Living

Saturday, July 15

- 10:00 A.M. Mass at Matthews Memorial Nursing Home
- 2:00 P.M. Hidden Lake/Cove Crest Parents (DPC)

Sunday, July 16

- 7:00 A.M. Send-off for Hidden Lake/Cove Crest Camp (DPC)
- 10:30 A.M. Children's Liturgy (L)
- 11:30 A.M. Teen ACTS Return Reception (DPC)
- 2:30 P.M. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
- 5:30 P.M. Children's Liturgy (L)
- 7:00 P.M. NO High School Youth (DPC)

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

SUBSTANCE ABUSE MINISTRY (SAM) will NOT meet during the month of July but will resume on Friday, August 4 at 6:30 P.M. For questions or for assistance, please call Mike Lofton at 308-1880 or Mary Lofton at 308-1877.

DR. BRANT PITRE TO SPEAK: A one-day conference on Saturday, July 22 from 8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the Divine Providence Center features 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 \$20 per person. Registration forms are on the tables by the church doors or on our web site, www.olpschurch.org.

OLPS SCHOOL

BULLDOG BYTES

**MAY ALL THE STUDENTS OF OUR PARISH
HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER!!!**

OLPS USED UNIFORM SALE: We will have a used uniform sale on Wednesday, July 19 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. in the DPC. Uniforms may be donated (proceeds benefitting OLPS) or those interested may price their uniforms and receive funds for their sales. Drop off will be on Tuesday, July 18 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. More details may be found on the Prompt Succor website www.Promptsuccor.org on a blue tab to the right.

BULLDOG KIDS TRI: The third annual Bulldog Kids Triathlon is set for Saturday, Aug. 26 on the campus of LSUA. This noncompetitive triathlon is for kids ages 3-14. You only compete against yourself. Please go to www.bulldogkidstri.com for more information. All funds raised through this triathlon go to placing more technology in our classrooms. If you would like to be a sponsor, please call Patricia Upton at (318) 449-9073.

CONTINUE TO SAVE AND COLLECT: Thank you for supporting OLPS School this year! Please continue to save your aluminum cans, General Mills box tops, Community Coffee labels, ink cartridges and cell phones through the summer. Use your Kroger's cards, and present our school ID number (#70041236) or indicate that you are an OLPS supporter when shopping at Office Depot. Continue to dine at our loyal "Dinner Nite" contributors over the summer: Texas Roadhouse, Spoons Frozen Yogurt, Eddie's Smokehouse and Seafood, 4 Seasons Bowling Center, and all the others since they have all been very generous to OLPS through "Dinner Nites" and donations.

THE FLOWERS ON EACH SIDE OF THE TABERNACLE are given this week **FOR THE PROTECTION AND BLESSINGS OF ALL CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD** by Cindy Hawthorne.

DIOCESAN BACK TO SCHOOL RALLY: Join us as we kick start the school year with hearts on fire for God! "Ignite" Back to School Rally will be Saturday, Aug. 19 at 6:30 P.M. at Holy Savior Menard High School. Contact Jessica Sanders at (318) 305-1351 or sanders@holysaviormenard.com.

OLPS PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY is sponsored by our Catholic Daughters Court Notre Dame #1452. The blessed Prayer Blankets are given to:

- Any adult or child with a physical or emotional illness.
- Individuals preparing for surgery or recovering from an acute illness.
- Individuals living with chronic conditions or in treatment for a life-threatening illness.
- Anyone experiencing a crisis such as the loss of a loved one, loss of job, relationship crisis, etc.
- High risk pregnancy, miscarriage or neonatal crisis.

To pick up a prayer blanket from the church office call 445-3693 or for more information call Elsie Campbell at 487-1277.

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 **during the school year**. 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 **during the school year**. For more information, call Ben Lesnefsky at 445-9748, ext. 228 or email 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: Deacon Luke LaFleur, Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, OH; David Keran, Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans

OUR PERMANENT DEACON CANDIDATE: Bill Aldridge

OUR SUMMER TEEN MISSIONAIRES: Leah Aldridge, Sarah Chatman, Jade Delaney, Janson Delaney, Cameron Erickson, Andrew Lemoine, Hunter Mansour, Midori Mikel, Nick Scalfano, Abbey Travis, and Spencer West.

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.

OLPS PRAYER LINE: If you or someone in your family is seriously ill or scheduled for surgery please call Janet Tompkins at 445-9240 (home) or 613-7386 (cell) or Travis Monroe at 487-1344. The prayer chain will be activated and there will be immediate prayer support for the person whose name is called in.

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Fr. John Wiltse, Parochial Vicar

Fr. Joy Retnazihomoni, In Residence

Fr. Chris Nayak, In Residence

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

Jo Tassin, Principal of OLPS School

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.

READINGS FOR JULY 16: Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 65; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23 or Matthew 13:1-9

IN MEMORY: TRACY WILTSE

Please pray for Mrs. Wiltse (mother of Father John Wiltse) and those of our parish who have recently died and for the consolation of their families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Steven Babin; John 'Lad' Baker; Cadet Brianna Bennett; Kristen Bonner; Jeanne Bonnette; Leona Brogdon; Ann Marie Bruner; Kylie Renee Bush; Jody Debona; Kelly Debona; Theresa Debona; Kathy Ouber Depril; Trudy Dyson; Connie Fiorenza; Julia Foster; Kyle Fowler; Mattie Lou Furby; Deacon Ray Gibson; Ansley Greer; Ernest Gremillion; Theresa Gremillion; Tom Hirschak; Linda Juneau; Kenneth Lachney; Angel LaJaunie; Andrew Ryan Lemoine; Joseph Loden; Mike Lofton; Ryan McCutcheon; Josephine Michiels; Jones Omorusi; Cleta Perry; Patricia Rachal; Brooke Searcy; Hazel Slocum; Dorothy Stroud; Gustavia Thibeaux; Anna Troia; Sister Virginia Lee Vanderlick; Bettie Wagley; Jacob Williamson; Lenora Yeager; Victoria Young; and all the homebound of our parish community.

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUN., JULY 9:

7:00 A.M. David Schexnyder
9:00 A.M. Bob Foster; David Ezernack; Jay Carruth; Tom Stafford; Dave and Irene Dufour; Al Beach and living and deceased members of the Verzwylt and Beach Families; Alfred Mathews Sr.; Alton Desoto; Living and deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Mr. and Mrs. George Regan, Mr. and Mrs. John Fair and Judy Regan; Dr. Palmer Texada; Raymond Brasseaux
10:30 A.M. Our Parish Family
5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

MON., JULY 10:

6:30 A.M. John DeFee
5:30 P.M. Dale DeSelle Jr.

TUES., JULY 11:

6:30 A.M. Heather Go
5:30 P.M. Ronnie Buford

WED., JULY 12:

6:30 A.M. Lawson Keppinger
5:30 P.M. Ensign Keith N. Bonnette

THURS., JULY 13:

6:30 A.M. Go Seng Tian (anniv.)
5:30 P.M. Deceased members of the Josephine and Edmund Lewis Family

FRI., JULY 14:

6:30 A.M. Leonardo Amigo (anniv.)
5:30 P.M. Bill Sansing

SAT., JULY 15:

8:00 A.M. Dena Flynn
4:00 P.M. Paulette Gallager (anniv.); Mary D. Casey; Sean Perry; Bill Sansing; Maretta Benoit; Pilar Lorio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Bihm Sr.; Majorie Kalb; Josephine Chestovich; Jerry and Gerry Flynn; Sister Cecile Clare Vanderlick C.D.P.; Alfred E. Cook Sr.; Roland LaBorde; C. L. Michiels and Chase Michiels; Kathryn and Michael Monsour; Horace Thibeaux

SUN., JULY 16:

7:00 A.M. Joseph Marien Jr.
9:00 A.M. David Ezernack; Intention of Linda and Muriel Gauthier; Living and deceased members of the Clarence Flynn Family; Mr. and Mrs. George Regan, Mr. and Mrs. John Fair and Judy Regan; Raymond Brasseaux; Melvin Blanchard; Living and deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Bob Foster
10:30 A.M. Our Parish Family
5:30 P.M. Robert Wolf

GIFTS REPORT - CHURCH SUPPORT

Income needed for July (five Sundays)	\$108,750.00
Gifts on previous weekends in July	\$.00
Gifts given last weekend	\$18,086.00
Amount still needed for July	\$90,664.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

AVOID THE NUISANCE of keeping up with your church envelopes while you're on vacation this summer. Automatic bank draft and payment by credit card are available for your contributions to church support. This helps you and it also helps us by allowing us to plan on consistent income each week. Please contact Mary Floyd at the church office by calling 445-9748, ext. 201.