Our Lady of Perpetual Help - St. Catharine
Rev. Robert J. DeJulio, Pastor
Rev. Oliver Offor, Rev. Ferdinand Madaki, Rev. Ernest Frimpong
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Daily Mass: 8:00AM & 9:00AM Mon-Sat (Chapel)
Weekend Mass: Sat. 5:00PM
Sun: 8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM & 12:30PM
Confessions: Saturday 4:00PM-4:45PM and by appointment
Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 1:30PM
Please call the office to schedule
Marriages: 6 months planning period
Please call the office to schedule an appointment

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Mr. John Dominick III, Music Director & Organist

Daily Mass: 9:00AM Mon-Sat
Weekend Mass: Sat. 4:00PM
Sunday Mass 10:00AM
Confessions: Saturday 3:00PM-3:45PM and by appointment
Baptisms: 1st Saturday at 12:00PM
Please call the office to schedule
Marriages: 6 months planning period
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From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Parishioners,

Those of you who read ‘Catholic New York’ may be familiar with the feature found in the back session of the paper that has the obituaries of the priests, religious sisters and brothers and deacons who have died since the last edition. It's a part of the paper that I find interesting and perhaps you do as well. Here are some reasons why:

First, many of the religious women who died seem to live a long life often coming close to a hundred years old. This seems to be particularly true of those who did work in foreign missions. Perhaps it is diet related or just good genes.

Second, in a large number of cases these people entered religious life right out of high school. They were often assigned as teachers even before completing their college degree. In a high percentage of cases they went on for advanced degrees and held positions as leaders in their field.

Third, the served in a number of different places. They embraced the idea that they had to serve the Church and her people where the need was, regardless of personal sacrifice or desire. They were truly itinerant preachers and teachers.

I mention this to you because these heroic women and men of faith lived vows of property, chastity and obedience. Only in somewhat recent history have they been able to personally manage some of the stipend they were paid. The majority of their earnings go to their religious community to oversee the health and welfare of retired and infirm members.

Their founders and foundresses in many instances started with nothing and in many cases came as immigrants to care for the needy. Working hard they built and staffed hospitals, orphanages and schools to help care for those in need. They did it because it was their response to the vocational call they experienced.

Now the world has changed. Most communities have a median age in the 70s or 80s and few members working full time to help support their older ones who need care. It is a challenge for them, but they continue to walk by faith.

The second collection next weekend for retired religious offers us the opportunity to lend our support to them in their time of need.

Sincerely,

Rev. Robert DeJulio, Pastor

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mass in the Chapel in Lower Church**

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**Christmas Confessions**

Priests will be available for confessions on Monday, December 16th from 4-5PM and 7-8PM. Please note there are no confessions on Christmas Eve.
**Family Christmas Tree**
The Family Christmas Tree is located on the right side of the Sanctuary. Please place a disposable ornament from your family on the tree for the Christmas season. The tree will be in place until the Feast of the Epiphany in January.

**Proclaim the Joyful Message**
An Advent celebration for the coming of the Christ Child will be presented by the joint OLPH-St. Catharine choirs on Friday, December 13th at 7:00PM at St. Catharine’s Church. Please plan to attend.

**Hope Soup Kitchen**
The next scheduled cooking day for parish chefs is Friday, December 27th. The menu consists of sloppy joes. Food should be brought to the **Church lobby by 1:00pm** where it will be picked up and delivered to St. Gabriel’s Church. Please remember that all meals are for a minimum of 20 people. For information, please call the church office at 738-1449.

**Monthly Collection**

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**Immaculate Conception Not a Holiday**
This year because December 8th falls on a Sunday it is replaced by the Second Sunday in Advent. The feast is moved to Monday, December 9th, but the obligation to attend Mass is not moved. December 9th we will have the regular weekday Masses.

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**AT ST. CATHARINE’S**

**Mass Intentions**

- **Monday, December 9**
  - 9:00AM - Rebecca Rodriguez

- **Tuesday, December 10**
  - 9:00AM - Dominic Balestra

- **Wednesday, December 11**
  - 9:00AM - Bruce Withers

- **Thursday, December 12**
  - 9:00AM - Mary A. Allen

- **Friday, December 13**
  - 9:00AM - Antonio Marques

- **Saturday, December 14**
  - 9:00AM - Angela & Nicholas D'Angelo

**St. Catharine’s Prayer Group**
Next meeting is Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. All welcome!

**Hope Soup Kitchen**
The next scheduled dinner for Hope Soup Kitchen will be Wednesday, December 18th. The menu consists of beef franks, rolls, and baked beans for 18 people. Food should be brought to the Parish Center by 1:00pm. For more information please call the office at 738-1491.

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Monday, December 16th from 5:00PM to 7:00PM. Please note there is NO confessions on Christmas Eve.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help -
St. Catharine’s Annual

Christmas Boutique and Wreath Sale

Sat. Dec. 7     Sun. Dec. 8
4:30pm-6:00pm   8:30am-1:30pm

OLPH School, 575 Fowler Ave., Pelham Manor

New Items, Christmas Decorations, Silent Auction, Religious Articles, Gourmet Foods, Raffles

PHOTOS WITH SANTA – SUNDAY, DEC. 8
10 am – 1pm