

Parish Bulletin for
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
And St Jude's

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Heaven Is More than Harps

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Psalms 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

May
the Month of
Mary



"The Christian Women's Organization of OLPH will have a meeting on Monday May 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will discuss upcoming events and welcome all women of the parish to join us."

The Lenten video series that was started on "The Mass" will continue this week. On May 7 at 7pm at OLPH, "Preparing for Sacrifice" will be shown.

Summer will soon be here and so will Trinity Youth Camp. "Who Do You Say That I am?" is our theme and we invite you to join us as we explore how our words and actions can show others who Christ is today. Register now for a great Catholic camping experience at one of three locations throughout the state! More information and registration can be found on our NEW website: trinityyouthcampnd.com

Dates and Locations for 2019:

- June 19-23 Red Willow | Binford, ND
- July 10-14 Pelican Lake | Bottineau, ND
- July 17-21 Camp of the Cross | Garrison
- July 24-28 Pelican Lake | Bottineau, ND

St John paints a picture of heaven for us today.

His vision used to be inspiring.

But in the last hundred years this image of heaven as filled with choirs of singing angels and throngs of bowing saints has given heaven a bad reputation.

It makes people think that heaven is boring. What happened? Why did the idea of "praising God for all eternity" inspire the first Christians, and why does it turn off many of today's Christians?

Because in recent times many Christians have forgotten what "praising God" really means.

In the Bible, "praise" means much more than singing songs and clapping our hands.

Let's listen again to St John's description of heavenly praise.

He writes, "Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, everything in the universe, cry out: 'To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever'."

He says that all creatures, all things in the universe cried out with praise to God. How can they do that?

How can rocks and Saturn's rings and mosquitoes cry out with praise to God?

Certainly not by singing songs and having a party. That is not the substance of praise. Rather, they praise God by being fully what they were created to be, by reflecting God's wisdom through being true to themselves.

We praise God fully by becoming fully alive. In heaven we praise God fully not because we will float on clouds playing harps, but because we will finally be fully alive.

All our capacities for knowledge, love, wisdom, joy, and creativity will be maxed-out in heaven

God's Gift Annual Diocese Appeal 2019


Offertory April 28, 2019
OLPH—\$2340 Online: \$205
ST JUDE—\$832 Online: \$417.48

Parish	As of	Goal	Total Pledged or Given	% of Goal	Total Families Participating
OLPH	5/2/2019	\$16,284	\$22,737	140%	51 families (55%)
St Jude	5/2/2019	\$21,089	\$17,313	82%	51 families (35%)


Join us in honoring our Mother Mary on May 5th at 10:30am Mass with a May Crowning and Procession. Children are encouraged to bring flowers, banners, or gifts to give to Mary at our grotto! Pot luck lunch to follow, please bring a dish to share.

Young Disciples VBS is coming to OLPH! Open to both OLPH and St Jude's June 24th-28th from 9am-3pm children in grades K-6 are encouraged to join in the "TIME TRAVEL ADVENTURE" and learn about their Catholic Faith! Registration is available in the OLPH Lobby or by emailing kristie.unterseher@gmail.com. Register by May 15th for a discount!

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Sunday, May 5: 10:30 a.m. OLPH
 Lector: Val Krogstad
 EMHC: Phil Zubrod, Jonathan Vonesh
 Collection: Jake Unterseher, Jeannine Lazur
 Gifts: Jake Unterseher family
 Ring Bell: Neil Breidenbach



Sunday, May 12: 10:30 a.m. OLPH
 Lector: Chandra Fischer
 EMHC: Candonn Granger, Laura Schadewald
 Collection/gifts: Troy & Lisa Lazur
 Ring Bell: Kevin Leddige

Sunday, May 19: 10:30 a.m. OLPH
 Lector: Tom Fischer
 EMHC: Joyce Riske, Jeannine Lazur
 Collection/gifts: Mike Scholand, Ryan Sandrol
 Servers: Lance Keller, Callista Keller
 Ring Bell: Jerry Linneman

May 2019- 5:00 & 8:30

Saturday - May 4th
 Lector: Betty Gregoire
 EM Rod Nett
 Gifts: Tim & Kim Weber
 Server: volunteer

Sunday - May 5th
 Lector: Stacy Majkrzak
 EM Marilyn Gregoire & Mary Franklund
 Gifts: Jeff & Renae Carpenter
 Server: Courtney Garman & Luke Mager

Saturday - May 11th
 Lector Mary Franklund
 EM Mary Franklund
 Gifts Gayle Bergeron & Tom Weber
 Servers Thomas Schumacher & Katie Zafke

Sunday - May 12th
 Lector Phil Schettler
 EM Wayne Mager & Diane Majkrzak
 Gifts Mark & Lisa Dick
 Servers Jessie Plain & Jacob West



mass intentions
May 2019
 04 SJ +Sharon Bergeron by her family
 05 SJ Mass for the people
 OLPH +Mary Ackerman
 07 OLPH Clare Ritteman by J/K Unterseher
 08 SJ +Roberta Klamm by F/S Argenziano
 09 NO MASS—Fr Away
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 11 SJ +Margaret Meagher by her husband
 12 SJ Mass for the people
 OLPH Maria Steed by J/K Unterseher
 14 OLPH +Yvonne Tweten by her family
 15 SJ Special Intention of Don Storbakken
 16 OLPH +Dale Kurowski by L/P Kuster
 17 SJ +Parents of Don & Arlene Storbakken
 18 SJ +Vernon Adams
 19 SJ Mass for the people
 OLPH Ruby Ritteman by J/K Unterseher

May 13—CWO Meeting—7pm

Jun 7—Wedding of William Leddige & Amanda Heringer—3:30p
Jun 24-28 Young Disciples Vacation Bible School—OLPH & SJ

Jul 8—CWO Meeting—7pm
Jul 9—SJ Parish Council—6:30p
Jul 11—OLPH Parish Council—6:30p

Sept 8—SJ Fall Dinner
Sept 9—CWO Meeting—7pm
Sept 21—Wedding of Steven Kukowski & Sara Purington

Oct 8—SJ Parish Council—6:30p
Oct 10—OLPH Parish Council—6:30p
Nov 9—CWO Meeting—7pm

"Baptism is the beginning of a life-time journey in faith. Our Lady of Perpetual Help is looking for someone to work with the families who will be having their baby baptized. If you are interested in working in this ministry, please call Sue Argenziano at 701-330-7082."



Additional Easter Flower Donations:
 Marge and Arlan in memory of Conrad and Margaret Wald
 Marge and Arlan in memory of Joseph and Adelaide Vonesh
 Val Krogstad in memory of Robert and Veronica Gregoire

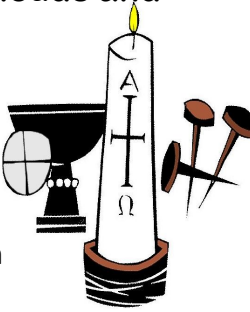
Heaven is one of the most frustrating things to talk about. How do you describe the happiness of heaven? It's like trying to describe the beauty of a sunset or the flavor of ice cream to a child who is still in the womb. He's incapable of grasping it.

Our life here on earth is like the life of a baby in the womb; God is nourishing us through the Church and getting us ready to be born into a new kind of life. We can't describe it completely, but we can get a whiff of it, an inkling of it.

The most profound and enjoyable moments of our lives here on earth are hints of what life in heaven will be like. One priest was talking to a very successful businessman about heaven. The businessman was retired and loved to play golf. He loved the beautiful scenery, the fresh air, spending time with his friends, competing, striving to improve his game. Well, he and the priest were discussing heaven.

The priest was trying to explain how praising God in heaven means living our potential to the maximum, so it simply can't be boring. The businessman was looking worried. At one point, he interrupted the priest and asked simply, "Father, tell me one thing: will there be golf in heaven?" Father looked at him, paused, and then said, "Mike, if you need golf to make you truly happy, you can bet your life that there will be golf in heaven."

Heaven is about experiencing the fullness of life that we long for, the happiness we know we were made for, but that we only experience in bits and pieces here on earth. It's more than clouds and harps.



Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meets every Monday, 7pm, at St. Jude's. 3rd Monday is open meeting. Please use north entrance. Church is handicap accessible.

Al-Anon meets every Monday, 7pm, at St. Jude's Catholic Church. 3rd Monday is open meeting with AA. Please use north entrance.