



OLPH VOICE

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SYRO MALABAR CATHOLIC MISSION OF GREATER WASHINGTON



From the Pastor's Desk

Beloved OLPH family members,

As the Church celebrates the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, Pope Francis, in his Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), has proclaimed a **"Year of Saint Joseph"** from December 8, 2020 through December 8, 2021.

In this encyclical the Holy Father writes, *"Get up, take the child and his mother" (Mt 2:13), God told Saint Joseph. The aim of this Apostolic Letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal. Fathers are not born, but made. A man does not become a father simply by bringing a child into the world, but by taking up the responsibility to care for that child. Whenever a man accepts responsibility for the life of another, in some way he becomes a father to that person. Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all."*

We commemorate the following feast days this week; **December 27th – Feast of the Holy Family;**
December 28th – Feast of the Holy Innocents; January 1st – Holy Name of Jesus

As we come to the end of a year that we may never forget, I wish everyone a **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

Let us pray for the intercession of St. Joseph in the New Year. St. Teresa of Avila tells us *"the Lord wishes to teach us that, as he was himself subject on earth to St. Joseph, so in heaven he now does all that Joseph asks"*.

With love,
Royachan

Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil
OLPH Mission Director

Happy New Year

**JOIN US FOR HOLY MASS, ADORATION, YEAR-END
PRAYERS AND NEW YEAR PRAYERS**

THURSDAY

**DEC
31ST**

7 PM

SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS

Holy Mass & Services

**Click inside this box to connect to our YouTube channel for
DAILY MASS LIVE STREAMING
SUNDAY MASS is also open to the public at
Mother of God Community Gym
20501 Goshen Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.**

DAY	TIME	WORSHIP SERVICE	READINGS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020 Feast of the Holy Family	9:30 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	Reading 1: Gen 1:26-28 He created them male and female Reading 3: Col 3:18-21 The family life in Christ. Gospel: Mt 2:13-14,19-23 The flight to Egypt.
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020 NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT ABOVE LOCATION	7:00 PM	Adoration & Year-end Prayers	Reading 1: Heb 5:11-14 Warning against falling away Gospel: Mt 12:43-45 The return of the unclean spirit
	7:30 PM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	
	8:30 PM	New Year Prayers	
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY	6:30 PM	Adoration & Rosary	Click here to see readings
	7:00 PM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	

**No Masses on Monday, December 28th
and Tuesday, December 29th**

Weekday Mass Readings

DATE	DAILY MASS READINGS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2020	<p>Reading 1: Eph 6:18-20 Pray continuously.</p> <p>Gospel: Jn 1:1-5 The Word was in the beginning.</p>
FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021	<p>The Holy name of Jesus</p> <p>Reading 1: Phil 2:5-11 The name of Jesus is greater than every other name.</p> <p>Gospel: Mt 1:18-25 He was named Jesus.</p>


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Weekly Schedule

DATE	ROSARY LEADERS	DAILY BIBLE READINGS
Sunday, December 27, 2020	No Rosary	Acts 11-13
Monday, December 28, 2020	No Rosary	Acts 14-15
Tuesday, December 29, 2020	No Rosary	Acts 16-17
Wednesday, December 30, 2020	Noble & Annie Family	Acts 18-20
Thursday, December 31, 2020	No Rosary	Acts 21-23
Friday, January 1, 2021	Bijesh & Ashy Family	Acts 24-26
Saturday, January 2, 2021	Augustine & Gladis Family	Acts 27-28

December 28 - 31

Schedule of prayer & fasting for success of the Church construction



Day	Family
Monday	Fr. Roy Moolachalil
Tuesday	Fr. Roy Moolachalil
Wednesday	Noble & Annie
Thursday	Thomas Abraham & Briget

**Click here to sign up
for the day of Fasting
& Prayer**

The following are suggestions for each family on their the day of prayer and fasting for the success of our Church construction:

- Participate in Holy Mass (or Online Mass)
- Fast at least one full meal if possible
- Pray the Rosary (if possible full Rosary - Glorious, Joyful, Sorrowful and Luminous)
- 1 Divine Mercy chaplet
- Pray the "Apostles' Creed" 33 times
- Pray the "Flying Novena" (Memorare) 9 times
- Confession whenever possible



Christmas Card Competition




Participants



Alisha Justin
Anjali Thomas
Ashlyn (Kunjimary)Thomas
Catherine Tenny
Christine Tenny
Elizabeth Issac
Emma Puthenkalam
Freya Sakaria
Georgiana Issac
Jennifer Anish



Jeslyn Joyal
Jonathan Alapatt
Joseph Mattathil
Kenny Palathingal
Nameya Sojan
Nathan Joseph
Nidav Sojan
Rita Roy
Rona Roy
Serin Palathingal



Click here to view a video of all the beautiful cards

Congratulations to all participants!

Christmas Card Competition



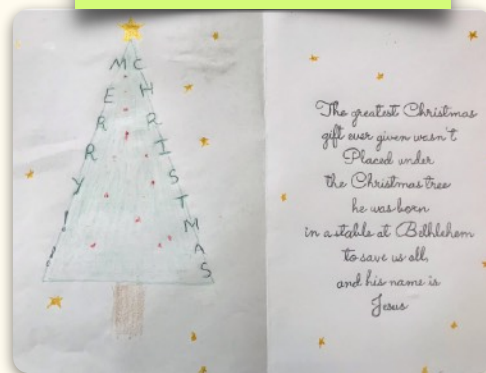
BEST DESIGN

JESLYN JOYAL



BEST WRITTEN CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

KENNY PALATHINGAL



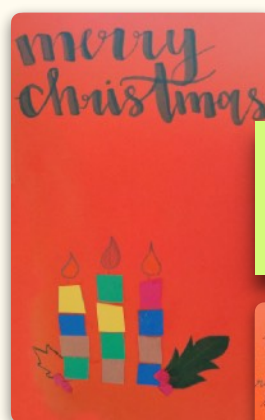
BEST PICTORIAL CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

JENNIFER ANISH



BEST CREATIVITY

CHRISTINE TENNY



SPONSOR AN ITEM

To-be Committed items

Consider sponsorship by a Ward or multiple families.
Option to pay in installments is available.

Description	Yes/No	Amount (\$)
Lights - Driveway & Parking Lots	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$72,000
Chapel Floor Tiles	<input type="checkbox"/>	45,000
Sound System (Out of \$30K)	<input type="checkbox"/>	28,000
Chapel Lights	<input type="checkbox"/>	20,000
Chairs - Gym: 300	<input type="checkbox"/>	8,000
Sacristy Counter Top	<input type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Sacristy Cabinets	<input type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Kitchen Counter Top	<input type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Kitchen Cabinets	<input type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Flag Pole - Outside	<input type="checkbox"/>	4,000
Refrigerator	<input type="checkbox"/>	4,000
Vicar's Office Furniture	<input type="checkbox"/>	4,000
CCD Office Furniture	<input type="checkbox"/>	3,000
Warming Oven	<input type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Stove	<input type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Total		211,000

Committed items

Description	Yes	Amount (\$)
Altar Design & Build-Out	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$75,000
Pews: (20 x \$1,500) With Naming Right	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30,000
Grotto of Our Lady	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25,000
Gym Tiles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15,000
Tabernacle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10,000
Altar Table	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10,000
Altar Cross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Arulika	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Confessional	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Sign Board	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Altar Chairs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Gym Equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5,000
Baptismal Stand	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4,000
Bema	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4,000
Ceremonial Umbrellas: 24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3,000
Bethgaza (2 x \$1,500)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3,000
Parish Office Furniture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3,000
Lecterns: 2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,500
Golden Procession (Outside) Cross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Mass Procession Cross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Roof Top Cross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Tables - Gym: 30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Sound System (Out of \$30K)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2,000
Altar Cloths	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,500
Vestments: 5 Sets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,500
Silver Procession Cross	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,500
Crucifix for Sacristy & Good Friday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,500
Chalice: 2 Sets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Statue of St. Thomas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Statue of St. Joseph	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Statue of St. Mary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Nilavilaku	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Candle Stands: 2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Statue of St. George	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Sanctuary Lamp (Eternal Flame)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Altar Servers' Dress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1,000
Microwave Oven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	500
Incense Burner (Thurible)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	200
Total		240,200



Church Construction Updates



GET TO KNOW AN OLPH FAMILY

Alozious & Leela Thoundayil

☆ Jerry

☆ Sunny

Alozious and Leela are from Ernakulam, Kerala. Alozious moved to the US in 1972. He worked at Sears for 39 years, and in Goodyear for 5 years. He is currently retired. They have two sons, Jerry and Sunny.



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