# The Roman Catholic Community of

# ST. STEPHEN, ST. PATRICK & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

**AUGUST 10, 2025** 

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### Our Catholic Community

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## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM St. Stephen

#### Sunday

8:30AM St. Patrick
11:00AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Monday

6:00PM St. Stephen

#### Tuesday

9:00AM St. Patrick

First Thursday Weekday Mass

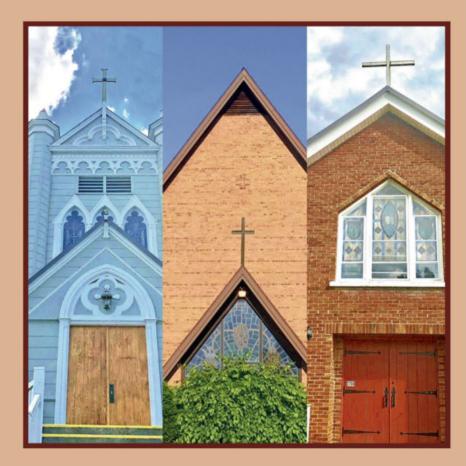
11:00AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help

## **Our Mission**

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity.

We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service.

We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God and the Church Teaching.





How Good And Pleasant It Is When

God's People Live Together In Unity!

You can access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass live or later: https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick

#### From the Pastoral Administrator's Desk

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C August 10, 2025

#### Responsible Stewardship.

Dear Parishioners,

Grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

Today's Gospel reading continues with the central theme of watchfulness or readiness (for the end of time) and service. The section that follows the parable is Jesus' discourse with Peter on the Parable he has told his disciples.

In the Parable, Jesus tells his hearers to be ready, and see that you are dressed for action. The one who has cultivated and accumulated much wealth and property cannot be ready because of the responsibility for and attachment to them. Therefore, they restrict one's freedom to respond to Jesus. Here, the Parable highlights the uncertainty of the Master's coming which requires the servant to be on heightened alertness. If this is to be seen as waiting in a state of heightened watchfulness, so that we will not get caught out when Jesus finally returns, that is an anxious existence to have.

God has already promised us the 'treasure' or 'kingdom' where nothing can take it away. All we have to do is trust in Him. That means having a sense of watchfulness and being ready to respond to Jesus, to his voice. There is nothing to fear if this treasure is where our hearts are.

One small, but essential detail is in verse 37 of the parable, where the Master returns and serves those who were ready for him. This reversal of roles is also a great assurance for those who wait in readiness. It also must be understood in relation to Jesus' declaration during the Last Supper that he is one who serves.

This passage ends with a warning that the degree of gifts given corresponds to the degree of responsibility in using the gifts, and how that is to be judged. We can see that this parabolic discourse gives us helpful insights that a faith community can be nurtured and grow when Servant-Leadership is exercised responsibly.

In conclusion, we can see a message about living a Christian life in trusting and faithful readiness. This trusting and faithful readiness requires a spiritual and personal freedom. This freedom is essential for our ability to respond to Christ's call for each of us, our Vocations, our response to the needs and sufferings in the world around us, and the unexpected things that may come our way.

Have a Blessed Sunday and a happy and safe Summer Season!

Rev. Thomas Macauley

#### Wisdom from St. Charbel - Miracle Monk

"The saints point our attention to God through their words and actions. Now God points our attention to them through their miracles."

#### Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age.

Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread. Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering. Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



#### FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH HOLY HOUR

Sunday, September 7th, 7:00AM to 8:00AM at St. Patrick's Church, Whitney Point Jesus desires to reveal himself more deeply in the Eucharist.

# FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH HOLY HOUR Friday September 5th

Friday, September 5th, 6:00PM at St. Stephen's Church, Marathon.

#### Readings for August 10 through 17, 2025

**Today** | **Wis** 18:6-9| Heb 11:1-2, 8-19| Lk 12:32-48 **Monday** | **Dt** 10:12-22| **Mt** 17:22-27

Tuesday | Dt 31:1-8 | Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday |Dt 34:1-12| Mt 18:15-20

Thursday | Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17| Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday | Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab| 1 Cor 15:20-27|

Lk 1:39-56

Saturday | Jos 24:14-29 | Mt 19:13-15

Sunday | Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 | Heb 12:1-4 | Lk 12:49-53

#### Stewardship Report

"With every call to sacrifice and service to the everlasting way, there is also given a "look of love" and a divine care of comfort," well-done."

#### Sunday, August 3, 2025:

Envelopes:	\$1,890.00	
Loose:	\$	377.00
Electronic Giving:	\$	290.00
Other Income: Mass Intentions	\$	150.00
Grand Total:	\$	2,707.00

#### Thank you for your continued generosity!

#### "Only the best is good enough for God."

#### Stewardship Thoughts

The US Bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces, "because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and wellbeing are the responsibility of the members - the personal responsibility of each of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

"MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE IN BELIEVING, SO THAT BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT YOU MAY ABOUND IN HOPE." ROMANS 15:13

#### Hope For Today - Pilgrims of Hope Verse of Hope

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plan to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 God is the God of all hope. Lord, give us hope. God of all hope, fill us to overflowing.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, August 9, 2025

5:00PM for Jerry & Dorothy Griep by Don & Terrie Atwood Sunday, August 10, 2025

**8:30AM** for **Olivia Biondi** by Hospitality Ministry Committee **11:00AM** for **Robert Livermore** by The Landon Family

Monday, August 11, 2025 6:00PM for The People of Our Parish (St. Stephen's Church)

Tuesday, August 12, 2025 9:00AM for The People of the Parish

Saturday, August 16, 2025

5:00PM for Deacon Joe Caminiti by Don & Terrie Atwood Sunday, August 17, 2025

**8:30AM** for **Olivia Biondi** by Russell & Laura Dunham **11:00AM** for **Nazzareno & Antonia Buttigieg** by Josephine Kellogg

#### Minister for August 9 & 10, 2025:

St. Stephen's: Greeter: Claire Hinman Lector: Carol Niggli

Eucharistic Ministers: Tony Zelsnack, Wayne Niggli

Ushers: Tony Zelsnack, Wayne Niggli Tabulators: Don & Terrie Atwood

St. Patrick's: Greeters: Anne Clerkin, Anne Ballard Lector: Kathy Cusick

Eucharistic Ministers: Cathy Shoemaker, Barb Yannuzzi

Tabulators: Ken & Sylvia Bates

OLPH: Greeters: Bob Crowley, Joe VanSteenburg

Lector: Sharon Constantino Eucharistic Minister: Pam Maroney

Gift Bearers: Joanne Livermore, Polly Ann Faucher

#### Ministers For August 16 & 17, 2025:

St. Stephen's Church: Greeter: Rosemarie Fralick Lector: Claire Hinman

Eucharistic Ministers: Cindy Barry, Karen Standish

Ushers: Tony Zelsnack, Wayne Niggli

Tabulators: Karen Standish, Wayne Niggli

St. Patrick's: Greeters: Earl Markham, Cathy Shoemaker

Lector: Marcus Stevens Eucharistic Ministers: Peg Orzel, Ingrid Wennerod

Tabulators: Ann Calice, Cathy Cummings

**OLPH:** Greeters: Bob Crowley, Joe VanSteenburg Lector: Hugh Cook Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Constantino Gift Bearers: Hugh & Jackie Cook



#### PRAY MORE, WORRY LESS - Please Continue to Pray For Our Sick and Our Military:

Barry & Dottie Angel, Jackie Burroughs, Richard & Elaine Crowe, Fran Decker, Ray & Glady Nolan, Larry & Mickey Piech, Jo Ackerman & Joanne Vega / Pvt Ryan E. Eaton, Captain Trevor Jones, Sgt Avery Hull, Major Corrine Miller, A2C Derek Lescord, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Sgt Heather For Lt Cal John Thomas J CDB Band McDeneld, 2nd Lt. Emily Steele USAE.

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OS3 Jonathan Schneider, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, LtCol Major Joy Thomas, A1C Brendan Schneider,

Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC and LCpl Isaac James Silvanic USMC

Please kindly pray for the repose of the souls of James Brown and Olivia Biondi, who have entered into the Kingdom of Heaven. May they rest in peace.

#### Whole Community Catechesis Readings and Questions for Discussion

### The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C Sunday, August 10, 2025

#### Introduction:

Today, Jesus encourages us to be ready and free to respond to him as responsible stewards entrusted with God's blessings.

#### First Reading - Wisdom 18:6-9

This is part of a larger section emphasizing divine justice, showing how punishment reflected Egypt's transgression and highlighting God's care for his faithful people of Israel.

#### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 32:18-20, 22:12

Today's psalm is a song of praise, expressing joy by the people who have a trusting relationship with God.

#### Second Reading - Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12

This reading highlights the power of faith. It celebrates Abraham and Sarah's obedience and hope, trusting God's promises despite uncertainties. Through faith, they seek a heavenly homeland and believe in God's faithfulness even when fulfillment seems impossible, especially regarding Isaac's miraculous birth.

#### Gospel - Luke 12:32-48 or Luke 12:35-40

Here Jesus offers comfort and guidance to his followers, urging them not to fear or become too dependent on their own efforts and resources but to trust in God's provision. He teaches us about the importance of being prepared, watchful and faithful, highlighting the responsibility of stewards entrusted with God's blessings and the consequences of reglecting that duty.

#### Question for Reflection

- 1. Do you put your faith and trust in God when you face challenges?
- 2. When you give your worries to the Lord, do you experience the peace of Christ?
- 3. What matters most to you and what matters most to God?

#### LEADERSHIP AND PARISH STAFF

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Rev. Mr. John Mihalko

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Mary Wied

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#### <u>Upcoming Celebration/Events/Meetings:</u>

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting on August 14, 2025, at 11:00AM at St. Patrick's Church Hall, Whitney Point.
- 2. Faith Formation Information Packet and Schedule will be received in August and classes will resume in September 14, 2025. Please register by August 31, 2025.
- 3. The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Mass on Friday, August 15, 2025, 6:00PM at St. Patrick's Church, Whitney Point. Holy Day of Obligation.
- 4. Retirement Fund for Religious Diocesan Collection date is August 17, 2025. Please be generous. Please drop your envelopes in the collection basket, any Sunday.
- 5. Monday Mass on August 11, 2025, at 6:00PM at St. Stephen's Church, Marathon.
- 6. Tuesday Mass on August 12, 2025, at 9AM at St. Patrick's Church, Whitney Point.
- 7. Next Parish Sacrificial Giving is on August 16 & 17, 2025. Purpose - Rough winter made our heat and electricity's price increase beyond our budget.
- 8. Appreciation We sincerely thank you for the support you give our parish in prayers, time, talents, good works & resources. God bless you! Keep up the good work!

Sanctuary Candles-If you would like to have the sanctuary candle in St. Stephen's or St. Patrick's Church in memory of someone for the month please call the parish office. Donation is \$20.00 for the month. Months still available: MCh: October & December, WPCh: September, October, & November.

Prayer Chain - If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please contact Pat Canfield at pattycafe@yahoo.com. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine. If you are not on our Prayer Chain and would like to be, please call our Parish Office or contact Pat. If you choose to be updated about a particular prayer chain request, please re-contact Pat.

Joint Technology Coordinators

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PRAY



WELCOME!
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We gather
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We prepare
We listen
We respond
We offer
We receive
We go
We proclaim the
Good News of Salvation!
GOD BLESS YOU!

**First Thursday Weekday Mass** is September 4, 2025 at 11:00AM at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

Rural Services' Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items. Their biggest demand is for peanut butter & jelly and pasta & sauce. Items can be brought on Sunday when you come to Mass & put in the marked basket at the entrance of our church. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be marked "Rural Services" and placed in collection basket, or mail toRural Services, P.O. Box 57, Cincinnatus, NY 13040.

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help's Prayer Chain

If you know of someone in need of special prayers and would like them listed on OLPH's Prayer Chain or if you're not on our prayer chain list of calls and would like to be, please contact Betty Carter at 607-863-3163 or chopwood2@hotmail.com.



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# **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church**

**Mission Statement:** "To advance the Kingdom of God by living a Community Life of Love & Worship, Telling the Good News of Jesus Christ."

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. Thomas Macauley OLPH Parish Staff:

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#### PILGRIM OF HOPE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Stewardship

With every call to sacrifice and service to the everlasting way, there is also given a "look of love" and a divine care of comfort," well-done."

The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the Month of August in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Cincinnatus, is In Memory Of: Marianne Konka by Mary Lee Faucher If you would like to have the Sanctuary candle in memory of a loved one for the month please call our Parish Office, 607-692-3911. Donation is \$20.00 for the month.

Newcomers & Current Parishioners: WELCOME! If you would like to register, receive contribution envelopes, Catholic SUN, have a change in address, marital status, etc., please fill out small blue form by the bulletins & drop it in the collection basket or call our parish office at 607-692-3911.



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