

Our Lady of Perpetual Help • Seaside Heights

**MASS INTENTIONS**

SAT	2/4	8:00am	OLPH Parishioners
		4:00pm	Patricia Hughes +Martha Riley
SUN	2/5	8:00am	Pro Populo
		9:15am	Rudolph Rodriguez +J & M
		10:30am	Ignatius Kameno +Family
MON	2/6	8:00am	John & Florence Chabok +Chabok Family
TUE	2/7	8:00am	Rudy Rodriguez +Jean & Theresa
		7:00pm	Spanish Mass
WED	2/8	8:00am	Fr. Richard Rossell (Living Mass) +Marie Barlow
THU	2/9	8:00am	Louis Ruffino +Ursula Marcianti
FRI	2/10	8:00am	Gene Frazee +Agnes Frazee
SAT	2/11	8:00am	Robert F. Keetch +Rose Keetch
		4:00pm	Ralph Rossell +Friends
SUN	2/12	8:00am	Pro Populo
		9:15am	Francis Capparelli +Mom & Dad
		10:30am	Aniello Piscitelli +Jo & Millie

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Rose Canavan, Angela Greca, Eileen Hercker, Kevin Larkin, Ron Miller, Alice Morahan, George Nelson, Jim Skubinsky, Ed Szymczak, Michael Smith, Kathy Tufaro, Angelina Walters, and Edna Weigand.

**A VOCATION VIEW**

Healing, reconciling, and proclaiming good news: the tasks of Jesus, the tasks of the church. Does God call you be a healer, reconciler, proclaimer of good news? (Mark 1:29-39)



**COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports Catholic organizations that provide food, shelter, medical care, catechesis, and companionship for the lonely in a region still struggling in the aftermath of atheistic Soviet rule. Your donations help to restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please give generously to the Collection next week. Visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) to learn more.



**MASSES FOR 2012**

There are numerous masses available in February. Forms are at the entrances of the church or may be obtained from the main office. Please fill out form in its entirety. Please note that requests are on a first come, first serve basis and must be in writing. Any questions, please contact Marietta at 732-793-6881.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT 2011**

SHOULD ANYONE WISH A CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT FROM THE CHURCH PLEASE CONTACT RECTORY AT 732-793-6881.



If you love me . . . Feed my Sheep. Thank you for your continued support for the 2012 Bishop's Annual Appeal. [www.bishopsannualappeal.com](http://www.bishopsannualappeal.com)

#### FAITH FORMATION

**ALL SACRAMENTAL DOCUMENTS WERE DUE TO THE OFFICE LAST WEEK. PHONE CALLS FROM THE OFFICE WILL BE MADE TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT SUBMITTED THERE DOCUMENTS.** Please keep your children active in their religious education with mass and class weekly. Faith Formation children will meet every Sunday at the 9:15 Mass in the church. Mass will be followed by instruction.



#### VOTIVE CANDLES

Anyone wishing to purchase or renew their votive candles to remember their loved one's throughout the year may do so by contacting Marietta at 732-793-6881. The yearly fee is \$75.00.

**FREE EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE GROUP**  
The Employment Assistance Ministry at St. Martha's seeks to encourage, advise, and guide parishioners and community members who are seeking employment, changing careers, or returning to the workforce. The team offers a range of support and services from resume writing, and interviewing and networking strategies; to assisting those navigating the world of unemployment benefits; to offering moral support and motivation during an often uncertain time. We have brochures at the front door of the church. For more information contact Cindy Clark at 732-295-3630 ext 21 from Church of St. Martha's 3800 Herbertsville Rd. , Pt. Pleasant, NJ



**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER**  
February 21, 2012, the Altar Rosary will hold its 25th annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner. We will have pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, home fries and finger desserts. There will also be music and dancing. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 10 years or younger. It starts 6:30pm at OLPH Parish Hall. If you feel like flipping pancakes in our little contest bring your frying pan, we'll supply the pancakes. Tickets are on sale at rear of church or contact: Isabell 732-830-4835, Ursula 732-793-3225 or Carole 732-793-1995. No tickets sold at door please.



#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SIMON'S KITCHEN

Simon's Kitchen is open on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5:30 until 6:30pm in the parish hall to feed the needy.

#### MONSIGNOR DONOVAN HIGH SCHOOL IS SELLING SWEET HEART RAFFLE TICKETS

Cost: \$25.00

Date of Drawing: February 14, 2012 at  
Noon

Total Number of Tickets Sold: 600

First Prize: 25% of the funds collected not  
to exceed \$3,750.00

Second Prize: 15% of the funds collected  
not to exceed \$2,250.00

Third Prize: 10% of the funds collected not  
to exceed \$1,500.00

What a great way to celebrate Valentine's Day! Tickets are available in the MDHS Main Office. For more information please call 732-349-8801 ex 2401

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

R/. (cf. 3a) Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Praise the Lord, for he is good;  
sing praise to our God,  
for he is gracious;  
it is fitting to praise him.  
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;  
the dispersed of Israel he gathers.



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Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

### FOR THIS PURPOSE I HAVE COME

In contemplative prayer one uses one's imagination to place one's self into the scriptural scene to "see" what God will reveal. In praying with this passage from Mark's Gospel I find myself traveling with Jesus as one of this companions. What I "see" and am drawn to are Jesus' hands. Hands that are used as he heals, prays and preaches.

Hands that hold another as with Simon's mother-in-law, "He approached, grasped her . . . the fever left her." Hands that touch another as with the villagers, "he cured many who were sick . . . and drove out many demons." Hands in prayer when "he went off to a deserted place to pray". And hands outstretched as he goes "to the nearby villages . . . to preach there also."

In Mark's passage we see Jesus' life pattern of ministry: Jesus heals, prays and preaches. This is his call and ministry, the purpose for which he comes.

In our own lives, Jesus heals us through prayer and the help of others. Jesus preaches to us through the Word, through preaching and through reflections shared with another. As followers of Christ, we bring Christ into the world when we heal, pray and preach the Good News by living lives of compassion, peace, justice and love with one another and with the world.

As the song says: "Reach out and touch somebody's hand. Make this world a better place if you can." Jesus did!

Jacqueline C. Perez

*Remember to pray the rosary dai-*

