

# OUR LADY OF OSTRABRAMA


ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## LORD, HELP ME!



Great is your  
faith.  
Let it be  
done for you  
as you wish.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 20, 2023

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** – [Isaiah 56:1, 6-7](#): This reading emphasizes God's all-encompassing love and inclusivity. He welcomes people from all nations and backgrounds into His presence. His house is not exclusive but open to all who seek Him with sincerity and devotion.

**Responsorial Psalm** – [Psalm 67](#): *O God, let all the nations praise you!* May God's compassion and blessings shine upon us, revealing His ways to all nations. Rejoice in His just rule and guidance.

**Second Reading** – [Romans 11:13-15, 29-32](#): Brothers and sisters, as the apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry, making my race envious for salvation. God's gifts and call endure. Mercy awaits all.

**Gospel** – [Matthew 15:21-28](#): A Canaanite woman pleads for Jesus' help. Though initially hesitant, Jesus praises her great faith. Her daughter is healed instantly.



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**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Daily: 8:30am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

**Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 pm**

**Sundays: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or any time by appointment.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Each Sunday during Mass at 11:00 am.

Call the Rectory to make an appointment.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Marriages are to be scheduled at least six months in advance by interview with a parish priest. Pre-Cana conferences are required.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**

Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to be brought to the home or hospital.

After 830am Mass on First Saturdays

**DEVOTIONS:**

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Last Thursday of the month 7pm; First Friday, 9:00 am;

**Miraculous Medal Novena:** Monday after 8:30 am Mass

**Rosary 8am,** Before daily Mass

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Census cards are in the Rectory

**Parish Outreach:** Coordinator—Maria Fedele

631 477 6469 / email:northforkparishoutreach@gmail.com

**North Fork Thrift Shop 631-477-6607**

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY, August 19th**

**8:30am** +Walter Scholand

**5:30pm** +Peter Victoria from wife

**SUNDAY, August 20th**

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary time*

**8:00am** +Joseph Swiatocha from family

**9:30am (Polish)** +Stanislaw Adamczuk

**11am (Family Mass)** +Stanley Cierach, Jr from family

**MONDAY, August 21st**

*Saint Pius X, Pope*

**8:30am** +Tom Scholand

**TUESDAY, August 22nd**

**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**8:30am** +Blessings for Mark Moran

**WEDNESDAY, August 23rd**

*Saint Rose of Lima*

**NO MORNING MASS**

**THURSDAY, August 24th**

*Saint Bartholomew*

**8:30am** +Helen P Krupski from Mary Krupski

**FRIDAY, August 25th**

**8:30am** +Helen P Krupski

**SATURDAY, August 26th**

**8:30am** +Parishioners & Benefactors

**5:30pm** +

**SUNDAY, August 27th**

*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary time*

**8:00am** +Joseph Zuhoski from Ed Sidor

**9:30am (Polish)** + Za dusze w czyściu cierpiące

**11am (Family Mass)** +Blessings and Health for Joe Gratan's Family



**Even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from their Masters table**



### A Lesson for His Disciples

During his earthly ministry, Jesus said a lot of things that upset a lot of different people: Sadducees, Pharisees, Romans, etc. Usually we're not troubled by what he says about them, but many of us are troubled by what he says to a certain Canaanite woman. Jesus travels to this region for one purpose, to meet this woman. He likely called her a dog facetiously to show the disciples what true purity means. His disciples wanted to send her away even though her daughter had a serious affliction. Instead, they should have asked him to help her. No, Christ did not come to condemn this woman. He came to heal her daughter, and to teach his disciples an important lesson. Purity and faith is a matter of the heart.

Jesus rarely gave out compliments concerning the faith of those he met. But here he praises her for her great faith. Jesus is showing his disciples that it is not empty rituals or a particular heritage that make us worthy in the eyes of God. What good is a ritual if we continue to speak and do evil? What God desires is a pure heart. Christ did not travel to this region to further a prejudice against Canaanites. He traveled there so the Canaanite woman could teach the disciples a lesson in humility, persistence in prayer, and faith.

This story reminds us that faith knows no boundaries. Jesus looked beyond cultural barriers and saw the sincerity of her heart. As followers of Christ, we should emulate His inclusive love, welcoming all who seek Him with genuine faith, regardless of their background.



### PARISH OUTREACH SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE AUGUST 19 & 20

*Please bring your gifts to the back of the church or the parish outreach*

**Needed Supplies:** Backpacks: small and large for HS (we have plenty of mediums). Ear buds. Spiral notebooks: 3 and 5 subjects. Pencil/supply cases. Erasers: pink and pencil cap. Washable markers (thin & thick). Dry eraser markers. Small Elmers glue bottles. Plastic Pocket folders: plain, different colors. LARGE Loose Leaf binders & dividers. Colored Pencil sets. \*\*TI-84 Plus Calculators\*\*. Small box of tissues. Gallon and Quart Size zip lock bags. Scotch tape. Walmart or Target gift cards (for sneakers or school clothes). **NOT NEEDED** : Single subject spiral notebooks, pencils, glue stix.

### Prayer Requests

**Please Pray For:** Mary Lou Bednosky; Anne Lasota; Laurie Krom; Billy Hickox; Helen Puric; Our Country; the end of abortion; priests & deacons.

### FINANCIAL CORNER

Sunday August 13, 2023: \$4558

*Thank you for your Generosity*



### **Because no marriage is beyond hope...**

*Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction?  
Do you feel hurt and angry? Does talking make it worse?  
Thought of leaving or divorce?*

### **Retrouvaille can help.**

Our Next Weekend is September 8-10, 2023

**The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington**

To register or for more information:

1-800-470-2230 HelpOurMarriage.org

**Retrouvaille** is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship.

It is not a marriage retreat, or counseling. You will not be asked to share the personal details of your story.

**Retrouvaille** is different; it's a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthy, happier, stronger marriage.

**Catholic** in origin, couples of all faiths, or no faith background, are welcome to attend.

**A Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship.**



### **Annual Pig Roast & Raffle**

**September 17 3-7pm**

**\$40/ticket for BBQ**

**(children under 12 are free)**

**\$100/ raffle ticket**

***Tickets available for sale after every Mass.***



### **First Annual Birthright of Peconic Fall Gala**

**Thursday September 7 at 6 pm**

**The Vineyards at Aquebogue**

**\$75/person includes buffet & glass of wine**

*Catered by Lessings*

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