

September 15, 2019



**CELEBRATING  
40 YEARS  
ONE IN CHRIST**



*Dear OLHOC Parishioners,*

*CELEBRATING 40 YEARS ONE IN CHRIST: 1980-2020! HAPPY BIRTHDAY OLHOC! Our September 15th birthday has arrived : 39 years ago, Cardinal Hickey established a new parish in Southern Maryland, Our Lady Help of Christians! This Saturday at 5 pm, we are completing our FIRST ever 40 hours of Adoration just as we are entering our 40th year, and our fifth decade-*

*A NEW BEGINNING IN THE JOY OF CHRIST! Let us continue to focus on our Mission:*

*Bringing All to Christ  
Sharing Christ with All  
Being one in Christ!*

*From our baptism, we are all called to EVANGELIZE! We are called to go out and bring people to Christ and to HIS CHURCH. At Church, we are called to share Christ in the EUCHARIST with all those who come to worship and are practicing Catholics in state of grace, i.e. having gone to CONFESSION for the forgiveness of major sins. Through the Eucharist, we truly become ONE IN CHRIST!*

*Throughout the next 12 months of celebrating our 40th Anniversary, let us ask for the continued protection and intercession of Mary, Help of Christians:*

*Mary, Help of Christians, You listen with a Mother's love to all who look for your guidance*

*I ask you to keep all those I love in your tender care.*

*Give me the strength to face up to life's difficulties*

*And protect me from all spiritual and bodily harm*

*Grant me an abundance of love so that I, too, may be a help to others,*

*Sharing with them in their time of need*

*And caring for them in their moments of distress. Amen*

*Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us*

*One in Christ,  
Father Alain*