

We come together as a community of faith to celebrate with praise and joy!

The Celebration of the Sacraments

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 PM and Eve of Holydays 4:00-5:00 PM in the Church

Anytime by appointment-please call and speak with a priest.

On Becoming A Catholic

R.C.I.A. welcomes those interested in becoming a Catholic and/or anyone seeking to further their education in the Catholic Faith. Please leave your name and telephone number at the Rectory Office.

Parish Membership

All new families and individuals are welcome to our parish. We request that you register in the rectory when you move into our community so that we can be of service to you. Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. The priests and ministers are here to serve your needs, to share your joy, and to help lighten your burdens.

Sacrament of Baptism

Communal Celebrations of Baptism are on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Beginning as of Sept 25th, 2016 All arrangements for Baptism must be made at the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

The Sacrament is celebrated on: Fridays: to be arranged. Saturdays: 10:30 AM, 12:30 and 2:30PM

Sundays: to be arranged. Arrangements must be made by personal appointment with one of the priests. Couples should make an appointment with the priest at least six months to a year in advance of the marriage date. Nuptial Masses as well as ceremonies are available on Friday and Saturday. Ceremonies only are available on Sunday.

Marriage Preparation Program at OLM

All engaged couples who plan to get married in the Catholic Church are required to complete **Pre Cana Program**. Our Program is offered twice a year. The Fall program meets once a week for 4 weeks: and the Spring program runs for an entire weekend. FOCCUS, a communication study, is administered twice a year and is required for all couples.

FOCCUS: Sunday September 24, 2017 at 6:45 in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 Mass.) Classes on: Fridays, October 6, 13 and 20 or 27, 2017 (in home of lead couples) **Mass: October 29 at noon with small reception in Our Lady's Chapel Meeting Room.**

Early spring weekend program: Focus administered: Sunday March 4 at 6:45 in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 Mass.) classes: **Friday, Saturday, Sunday March 9, 10 and 11, 2018 – in Our Lady's Chapel Meeting Room.**

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament for the seriously ill and elderly can be arranged by contacting one of the priests or at any time in an emergency. The Sacrament is also celebrated communally during the year.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

Parish priests and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist regularly visit those who are ill or homebound. Please call the rectory to arrange for home visitation

Parish Finance Committee

John Beaudette (Chairperson)

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Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for us

Masses for the Week

Monday, Aug 7,

Nm 11:4-15/Mt 14:13-21
 7:00 AM Anna & Elizabeth Finn
 9:00 AM Anthony Taddeo, Sr.
 Kristine McGarry



Tuesday, August 8,

Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36
 7:00 AM Holzapple & Heenan Family (Liv&Dec)
 9:00 AM Ralph DiMaggio
 Jean Venditto
 Domenic Caruso

Wednesday, August 9,

Nm 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35/Mt 15:21-28
 7:00 AM Cecilia & William Leonard
 9:00 AM Philip M. Noto
 Annunziata & Giovanni DiCello

Thursday, August 10,

2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
 7:00 AM David Livingston
 9:00 AM

Friday, August 11,

Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28
 7:00 AM Roy M. Adams
 9:00 AM Dorothy Dunne

Saturday, August 12,

Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20
 8:00 AM Joyce Manteria
 Maria Cirigliano
 Denise Capponi
 Frank J. Lamberti

4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday, August 13,

7:30 AM John Dettori
 8:45 AM Anthony Cecco, Sr.
 9:00 AM Rita Meehan
 10:30 AM Carol Barbuck
 12:00 PM John Dettori
 5:30 PM Eugene & Lawrence Kruckel



Loving Memory— You Rest In Peace - Eileen O'Shea, Lidia Iaboni, Edward Joseph Tiffany

the unborn and the victims of natural disasters throughout our country and the world.

Remember Our Sick Marge Heenan, Thomas Dunleavy, Joseph Vacca, Susanna Galvao, Joan King, Adelaide Velting, Arlene Unverzagt, Ryan Sullivan, Brooke Bias, Lauretta Fournier, Meghan Rudrow, Marie and Whitney Pynn, Howard Roberts, Ronald Misser, Pamela Moore, Fred Jablonowski, Lucy Bressi, John Pizzuto, Vivian Callegori, Gayle, Beth Galvin, Ellen McGeough& Carol Lagattuta, James Madden

Long Term Illness: Please pray for our war casualties, all our sick, their caretakers, especially Sr. Joanne Deegan, Frances Limoli, Vincent Perrone, Olivia Mannion, Louis Venditto, Gerry McNamee, Allison Miller, Sebastian DeLuca, Adrian Keenan, John Pascullo, John O'Sullivan, Ada Azua, John Lombardi, Elizabeth Lyons, Rob Verderosa, Leon Akl, Frances Weber, Joseph Verini, John Colgan, John Agnoli, Joann Mackin, Peter Manetta, Constanze Naumann and all homebound and in



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME

David LAPoma-Blessed Sacrament, Valley Stream and Lisa Marie Buscemi - OLM

James Smith - St. Aidan Williston Pk and Celia Cam-polettano of OLM

THIRD TIME

Nicholas Pappas - Greek Orth and Alyson Bernero - St. Martin or Tours—Bethpage

On Stewardship Spirituality

Living Stewardship

Accountability

**Sacrificial Giving
Offertory**

Weekly Offering for:

- ♦ July 30, 2017: \$13,452
- ♦ July 31, 2016: \$15,364

**Thank you for your
Generous Response
to His Call.**

Stewardship Spirituality is
faith in action.

*All that I am, All that I
have is a gift from God.
Thank God for all you have.
Trust God for all you need.*

Belong More Deeply

to Christ and His
Church—Our Church,
Our Lady of Mercy.

Take a Step in Faith

“We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had been eyewitnesses to his majesty” —2 Peter 1:16

“I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; of all things visible and invisible.”

Each time we speak these words of the Creed, we acknowledge that all that we have comes from God. All that I have, I have because God has given it to me – through my talent, my ability to work hard, my good fortunes. Thus I can see that God daily and abundantly provides for my basic necessities – food, home, family – and so much more.

God Provides Abundantly

Just as God loves and cares for each of us –providing for us, He calls on us to help one another. In the Gospel story of the fish and loaves, I am sure that the boy with the food was hesitant to give what he had for the others – if no one else did as he did, he might go hungry later. But he did it with faith that God would provide. Each of us is called to have that same faith – each of us is called to give of the gifts God has given us to assist in carrying out His mission – to build his Kingdom here on earth. This is our call as Christ’s disciples.

As to our gifts, our talents, our money, our possessions, our stuff – all of that – it is not the case that *some* things belong to you, and *some* to God. All gifts come from God, all belong to God – this concept is so hard for us, so counter-intuitive to our social and business culture – but stick with me on it.

When we truly acknowledge to God that all gifts are from Him, that all belong to Him, and we share those gifts we will come to understand more fully that God does indeed provide abundantly in our lives.

~Want to know more on Stewardship, email us at SerenaOnStewardship@gmail.com.



Creator God, Life is your gift to me.
Through Baptism, you invite me to share
the gift of my life in service to others.
Be with me as I choose each day
to show your Presence in our world.
Give me the courage and generosity
to respond to your love, to your call.



Our Lady of Mercy School
Faith ~ Academics ~ Service



Registration: Our Lady of Mercy School proudly educates its students in faith, academics, and service! Presently, we have a limited number of openings in our early childhood programs as well as openings in our Kindergarten - Grade 8 classes. We invite any families interested in becoming part of our school family to call to arrange a tour. Please call 516-433-7040 to schedule your weekday, evening, or weekend visit.



Parish Fair: We are grateful to our school parents who volunteered during the annual Parish Fair. For your convenience, we have already posted the volunteer paper you will need to record your hours. You can print this paper by going to the school website, clicking on Backpack Mail, clicking on Important Papers for Parents, and clicking on Blank Volunteer Hours Paper.

Registered Families of Our Lady of Mercy School: Keep an eye out! Letters with important back to school information for Nursery - Grade 8 are being mailed this week.



Thank You: With each new mail delivery our newly planned Discovery Rooms are getting closer to becoming a reality and not just a dream! These newly purchased materials will provide our students with the opportunity to apply their science, technology, engineering, art, and math skills to real-life situations in a collaborative project based setting. Our excitement is mounting and we can't wait for September!

Committed to educating students to become Christ Centered, Academically Strong, Christian and Servant Leaders, Responsible Citizens

Our Lady of Mercy School thanks you for your continued financial and prayerful support.

Parish Services

Serving with Mercy

Mary Anne Scott

School Supply Collection

If you would like to help families served by our food pantry with back to school supplies, please consider donating one of these items:

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| 3 & 5 subject notebooks | Markers– thick & thin | Colored pencils |
| 3-ring binders | Highlighters | Glue & glue sticks |
| Looseleaf paper & dividers | Marble notebooks | Pink erasers |
| Pocket folders | Pencil boxes and cases | Scissors |
| Rulers | Pencils & sharpeners | Index cards |
| Crayons | Black Sharpies | Backpacks |

We hope to be able to start distributing supplies the week of August 21.

Donated supplies can be placed in the Food Pantry donation bins or brought to the Parish Services' Office.

Hicksville Kiwanis Christmas in July Food Drive

Once again the members of the **Hicksville Kiwanis** have worked as Santa's elves by holding a *Christmas in July* food drive for the benefit of all the food pantries in the Hicksville community. Our food pantry received a **donation of 9 cartons of food and paper goods** on Monday, July 24 from this service project. We are most grateful for the hard work and community spirit of the members of the Hicksville Kiwanis Club.

Wheelchairs Needed

We have had multiple requests for the loan of wheelchairs in recent weeks but unfortunately we have no usable wheelchairs in our medical equipment supply. **If you have a wheelchair in good condition that your family no longer needs, please donate it to our free medical equipment loan program. Call Parish Services for more information.**

Catholic Charities Employment Opportunity

Direct Support Professionals– Residential Services for Developmentally Disabled Adults
Nassau & Suffolk locations **Starting salary: \$12.17 hr.**
FT &PT evening, awake overnight & weekend shifts available
Also many flexible On Call opportunities

Experience not required– training provided. HS diploma/GED and a clean, valid NYS driver's license needed to apply. **To apply, transmit resume & cover letter by email or fax. Please reference "DSP-parish bulletin" in the subject line of your fax: 516-733-7036 or email: jobs@catholiccharities.cc**

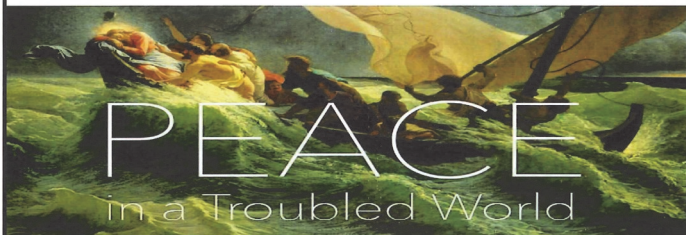
Food Pantry Needs: Canned vegetables, canned fruit, juice boxes & jelly. Thank you.

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| <p>Parish Services 931-1306 Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:30AM-12:00PM, 1:00-4:30PM Pantry Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-3:30PM Wednesday & Friday 9:30-11:30AM Last Saturday of month 9:30-11:30AM—call to confirm date</p> |
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Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for us

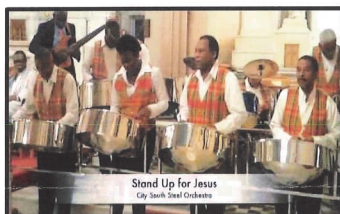


Hicksville United Methodist Church



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27)

Outdoor Under the Tent Summer Revival Worship



City South Steel Orchestra
Praise & Worship
Guest Preacher
Minister Daryl Norman

Co-Sponsors:

Bellmore UMC, East Meadow UMC, Freeport UMC,
 UMC of Hempstead, Smithtown UMC & Westbury UMC

"Come for the Music - Stay for the Message!"

Friday, August 18, 2017 at 7:00pm
130 W. Old Country Road, Hicksville, NY 11801
www.hicksvilleumc.com (516) 931-2626

Religious Education needs your HELP!

1. Please ask friends and neighbors to encourage families to register NOW for the 2017-18 school year.
2. We need a 1st grade teacher for the Saturday, 11:00 a.m. session, a 7th grade teacher for the Wednesday evening class from 7:00-8:15 p.m. and also a Special Ed teacher for one 1st grader.

Please consider being of service to "our children". If you can serve as a religion teacher, please call the Religious Education office at 681-1228.

**Do you know someone who is thinking about becoming a Catholic?*

**Do you know a baptized Adult Catholic who never received the Sacraments of Communion and/or Confirmation?*

**Are you an Adult Catholic (ages 16 and up!) who wants to get a better understanding of our Catholic Faith on an adult level and/or strengthen your spiritual life? Do you need answers to some tough, challenging, or personal questions?*

OLM has many Adult Education and Formation options! Feel free to contact the Adult Ed/RCIA Coordinators for more information or to set up a conversation.

We are here to help!

Peggy Clores imcon630@aol.com 516-317-1740

Chuck Ruppert chuck.ruppert@milliken.com 864-680-5597



**OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH
TOGETHER WITH THE
"HOLY NAME SOCIETY"**

**INVITE YOU & YOUR FAMILY TO SPEND A
DAY ON THE WATERS FOR A
BACK TO SCHOOL FISHING TRIP!!**

**DATE - SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2017
TIME - 3:30PM TO 7:30PM
PLACE - DIXIE II - CAPTREE BOAT BASIN**

**COST ADULTS \$35.00
CHILDREN \$20.00 - UNDER THE AGE OF 16**

**RSVP BY : SEPTEMBER 14, 2016
& SAVE YOUR SPOT !!**

**THERE WILL BE LOTS OF FUN & PRIZES!!
WHAT A GREAT WAY TO SPEND TIME WITH
FAMILY & FRIENDS WHILE TAKING A
BOAT RIDE & FISHING!!**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
"THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY"**

**OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL\
MIKE KENNEY (516) 770-3904
JOHN MANZI - (516) 938-8106
41 JEROLD STREET, PLAINVIEW, NY 11803
PLEASE INCLUDE YOU NAME/PHONE #/HOW MANY ATTENDING**

YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN FOODS & DRINKS

**PLEASE BE AT THE BOAT BY 3:00. WE DON'T WANT
ANYONE TO MISS THE BOAT!!**



Growing in FAITH™



Discovering **hope and joy** in the Catholic faith.

July 2017

Our Lady of Mercy Church
For the Saints in the Pews

One Minute Meditations

St. Lawrence of Brindisi

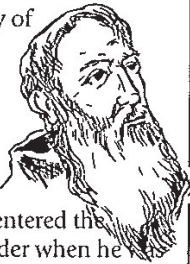
Born to a family of Italian merchants, St. Lawrence's parents died when he was young. Educated by an uncle, he entered the Capuchin Order when he sixteen. He was ordained seven years later.

A Biblical scholar and preacher, St. Lawrence had a gift for languages, including Italian, Latin, Hebrew, Greek, German, Bohemian, Spanish, and French. He worked to spread the influence of the Capuchin Franciscan order, establishing monasteries in Germany and Austria.

Can you see God?

Are you aware of God's presence in your life? Looking for ways in which he blesses us rather than thinking about prayers he hasn't yet answered makes us more aware of how he moves in our lives. Of course, God is always with us whether we see him or not. Ask him to give you eyes to see him.

"Trust always in your God. He does not lose battles,"
St. Josemaría
Escrivá.



And the Lord said, "Let it go ..."

"It is good sense to be slow to anger, and an honor to overlook an offense" (Proverbs 19:11). Human nature entails taking offense when someone says or does something we don't like. When it happens often, however, being offended doesn't just hurt our feelings, it compromises our happiness and wellbeing. Try these ideas to let it go ...

Assume the best. Most people aren't out to get us. Unless proven otherwise, believe that others have good intent and don't mean to offend. They're just living their lives.

Step back. We often get upset because others disagree with or don't share our opinions. Opinions are separate from identities. Someone can disagree with

what we think but still enjoy who we are.



Don't make it about you. Thinking that what others do or think reflects on you is fertile soil for being easily and often offended.

Most of what happens around us has nothing to do with us. Allowing others to live their own lives regardless of you and yours takes a huge burden off your shoulders.

Break the habit. Taking offense easily is a habit that, fortunately, can be broken. Instead of noticing what others are doing "to" us, we can choose to note what is done "for" us by God and others. Practicing gratitude is more pleasant than feeling hurt.

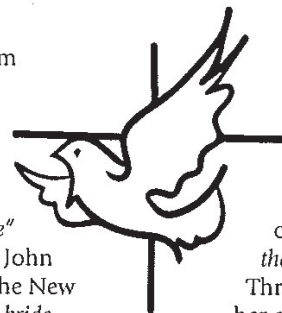
Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why is the Church referred to as "She" or "Her"?

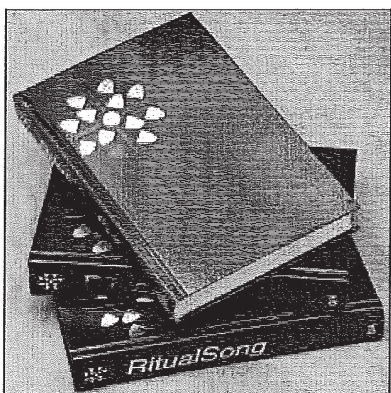
Imagery and symbolism help describe Christ's relationship to the body of believers known as the Church. For example, the Church is called Christ's "pure bride" (2 Corinthians 11:2). St. John wrote of the Church as the New Jerusalem, "prepared as a bride

adorned for her husband" (Revelation 21:2).

The Church is also a "mother." "Because we receive the life of faith through the Church, she is our mother" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #169). Through baptism, we become her children.



Our Lady of Mercy Hymnal Memorials



As announced by Fr. Steve, our parish will be moving to a formal standardized hymnal rather than the soft cover annual hymnal the parish presently uses. The new Hymnals are hard bound and have a leatherette cover. The movement to a permanent hymnal will save the parish over \$5,000 dollars a year and close to \$100,000 over the life of the hymnal! These new additions to our worship will standardize our music and be a welcome addition to our worship. They also will help us be good stewards for our environment by creating less waste, as Pope Francis has called us too in his recent encyclical *Laudato Si*.

The parish will be purchasing 700 hymnals to be placed in the pews for our use. Memorials which will help reduce the cost of the purchase of the hymnals can be made and an inscription will be placed on the inside cover of the hymnal to be placed in the church. Please note, we cannot guarantee that the memorialized hymnal will be placed where you are seated each week, nor can we track where your hymnal will be placed. A copy of all the memorials will be printed in the bulletin at the end of the campaign as part of our thank you to you and your family for making the donation.

Each individual hymnal will be memorialized for \$30, and a special offer of 4 hymnals for \$100. A special edition of the Hymnal with additional instrumentation will be available for the Choirs to use at a cost of \$40 per hymnal.

Please help us in our quest to save the parish money, reduce waste and improve our worship and memorialize a hymnal today! ***Thank you for your assistance!***

Our Lady of Mercy Hymnal Memorials

Yes, I would like to help Our Lady of Mercy in its Hymnal drive!

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

\$30 per hymnal, 4 hymnals for \$100 (You may have a separate memorial for each book), \$40 for a special Choir Edition to be used by our Choir members.

I would like ____ Hymnals. For multiple books please fill out a separate form for each memorial. Please staple your copies together and return them with your Check.

Memorial Inscription: (Please Print) _____

Please make Checks payable to **Our Lady of Mercy Church** – please note ***“Hymnal Memorial”*** in the comment area on the check. ***Thank you!***

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for us



**SUPER BONANZA WINNERS 2017
OUR LADY OF MERCY**
We are pleased to announce the following winners:



July 30, - \$25.00
 July 31, - \$100.00
 Aug 1, - \$25.00
 Aug 2, - \$25.00
 Aug 3, - \$25.00
 Aug 4, - \$25.00
 Aug 5, - \$25.00

Thomas Dunleavy
 Diana Marro
 Aggie Galletti
 Joseph Lucatti
 Kathy Brolly
 Jean Poggioli
 Nancy Bollmann

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Congratulations to the winners, your ticket has been returned to the drum, and you have many more Opportunities to win. Checks are being mailed to our winners this week.

YOUTH MINISTRIES WYLDLIFE NEWS



for Schedule go to:
youthministryolm.weebly.com



We meet twice a month on
 Fridays at 7:30 p.m. in OLM Gym!

YOUTH MINISTRY LIFE Teen NEWS

Life Teen has started for all
 High School Students!
 We meet twice a month *right after*
 5:30 Mass in the Lower Church.

For details & full schedule go to:
youthministryolm.weebly.com

HAPPY BOOK CLUB



The Happy Book Club will meet on Monday, September 18 at 7:30 in the Our Lady's Chapel meeting room. This summers selection is A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles. **All readers are welcome.**



Memorial

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| | Dominic Leogrande | Dorothy A. Leogrande |
| | Kara Delargy - Special Angel In Choir Loft | Mr. & Mrs. George Schwab |
| In Memory of | Vic Sciacca | Margaret Sciacca |
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| | Louis Ferrara, Love You More! | Rosemary Ferrara |
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| In Loving Memory | Richard Faccio | Mary Faccio |
| | To Thank Paul Eschenauer for His Work for Our Italian Mass | Diane Coletti-Hunter |
| In Memory of | Candy Challender | Susan & Roc Challender |
| In Memory of | Burton Challender | Susan & Roc Challender |
| In Honor of | Louis P. Fenech, Sr. | Susan & Roc Challender |
| In Honor of | Matilda E. Fenech | Susan & Roc Challender |
| Niece Never Forgo | Diane Marrero | Ms. Myrna Gonzalez |
| Parents | Mr. & Mrs. John Acevedo | Ms. Myrna Gonzalez |
| Spouse Never Forg | Fermin (Bert) Gonzalez | Ms. Myrna Gonzalez |
| Son Never Forgott | John E. Gonzalez, Sr. | Ms. Myrna Gonzalez |
| | Christopher R. Cusumano | Christopher R. Cusumano |
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| | Joseph DelVicario | Sally & Frank DelVicario |
| | The Burzotta Family | Sally & Frank DelVicario |
| | Benett Gencorelli | Sally & Frank DelVicario |
| In Memory of | Andrew Attivissimo | Mary, Andrea & Thomas Attivissimo |
| In Loving Memory | Alfred J. Pietrowski | The Pietrowski Family |
| The Deceased Me | Pietrowski and Meyer Families | Fr. Steve Pietrowski |
| | Edna and Bill Meyer | Their Loving Family |
| | Frances and Felix Pietrowski | Their Loving Family |
| In Memory of | Paul J. Rossi | Paul & Donna Eschenauer |
| In Memory of | Paul J. Rossi | Paul & Donna Eschenauer |
| In Memory of | Nick DiLeo | Paul & Donna Eschenauer |

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PILGRIMAGE WITH FATHER STEVE PIETROWSKI

**Bruges, Banneux, Rotterdam, Amsterdam
& Enchanting Rhine River Cruise**

APRIL 19 - 30, 2018

\$4,899 FROM NEW YORK, NY

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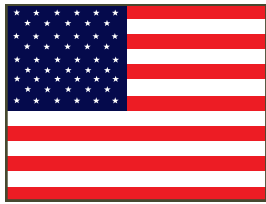
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PRAYER FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

*As we live daily enjoying the freedom of this country, many loved ones are giving themselves with unselfish love in places of perilous action. Lord, hold in your loving hands our troops and all those who try to respond to the needs of the less fortunate throughout the world. Bless them and their families for the unselfish acts they perform as they attempt to alleviate many global concerns. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. AMEN.
(follow with Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be)*

**SUPERMARKET GIFT CERTIFICATES
Thank You!**

To All Parishioners: GIFT CERTIFICATES may be purchased in the rectory during the week at regular office hours. Sales this past week were \$790.00, of this the Parish earned \$39.50, **If you do not use supermarket dollars, please give it a try! Ask those who use it, how convenient it is!**

Unclaimed Supermarket Gift Ticket

as of: 8-1-2017

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**Helping the Poor
Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Our Lady of Mercy Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's sole purpose is to help the poor of our community. Every dollar received goes toward help for those in need, there are no administrative expenses, all members of the conference are volunteers. Currently, poor box and candle contributions are used to support our efforts. Please consider a gift to our conference so that we may continue to provide support to those in need.

Make checks payable to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and mail them to the Rectory or deposit them in separate envelopes in the collection baskets at Mass.

If you, or someone you know, needs assistance please contact us at (516) 931-4351, X 326. All contact with St. Vincent de Paul is held in strict confidence. Thank you.

WE WANT YOUR BOXTOPS!!

Our Lady of Mercy School collects Box Tops year round to help support our education needs. We Thank you for your support! Collection bins are in the church for you to conveniently drop off your box tops when you come to mass. Please continue to bring in your box tops from the products you use at home or office. We appreciate your continued support for our school! Please keep them coming. For more information visit: www.btfe.com **THANK YOU!**



Organizations

Music Ministries

OLM Adult Chamber Choir: Meets Tuesday afternoons at 5:00 to 6:30 PM in the Upper Church.

OLM Children's Choir: Meets Wednesday afternoons at 2:45-3:30 PM in the School Music Room.

OLM Folk Group: Meets Sundays after the 9:00 AM Mass in the Lower Church.

OLM Rock Group: Meets Monday evenings at 8-10 PM in the Upper Church.

Parish Organizations

Angels of Mercy: Meet on every third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in Our Lady's Chapel with refreshments served. Corporate Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM for more information please e-mail, JUSTKKAUZE@AOL.COM or call Angela Manzi at 938-8106

Hicksville/OLM Senior Club: Meets on Mondays 11:00AM-3 PM at the Bethpage Senior Center. For information contact Joan at 938-4261.

Holy Name Society: Corporate Mass and Communion on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM Mass. Membership meetings on the following Monday at 7:30 PM in the Lower Church Meeting Room. For Information call Kevin McAvoy President at 516/996-3489.

Knights of Columbus: The Our Lady of Mercy Joseph F. Lamb Council # 5723 Knights of Columbus meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM in the School Cafeteria. For information contact Jim Raber, Grand Knight, at 516/695-1022

Legion of Mary: Meets on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM in the Lower Church. First Saturday **Fatima Devotions:** 7:40 AM.

Nocturnal Adoration: First Friday of the Month - 8 to 9 PM (Exposition & Group Prayer and /or 9 PM to 10 PM (Silent Prayer and Benediction) in Our Lady's Chapel.

OLM Ushers: If interested in becoming an Usher, please contact Jim Decker at 516/933-8143 or email at jimdecker@verizon.net

OLM Prayer Group: Meets every Tuesday night 7:30 PM in Lower Church Contact Maureen Decker 516/933-8143

OLM Youth Council for Parish Sport. Contact Chris Fox at cfox411@icloud.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Contact the Rectory for information (931-4351 X 326).

The Men of St. Joseph: Meets every Wednesday at 7:00 PM in Lower Church Meeting Room.

Thrift Boutique: Mon-Sat 9:30 AM — 1:00 PM located in The Trailer Building

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous Groups

First Things First:

Open Meeting every Friday: 8:00-9:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

Closed Meeting every Sunday: 7:00-8:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

Our Own Group:

Closed Meeting every Monday: 4:30-5:30 PM in the Convent Basement.

Step Meeting every Thursday: 4:30-5:30 PM in the Convent Basement.

Al-Anon:

Adult Children meet on Friday evenings: 7:30-10:00 PM in the School Cafeteria.

Emotions Anonymous:

Meets on Thursdays at 8-10 PM in the Convent Basement.

Families Anonymous:

Meets on Wednesdays at 7:30-9:30 PM. Convent Basement.

Parish website address is: www.ourladyofmercy.org

