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 Offered on the Eve of Holydays 4:00-4:45 PM in the Church.

Anytime by appointment, please call the Rectory 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 knowledge in the Catholic Faith. Please leave your name and telephone number at the Rectory Office, (516) 931-4351.

Parish Membership

All new families and individuals are most welcome to our parish. We request that you register in the Rectory Office 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

Celebration of Baptism are conducted communally on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. All arrangements for Baptism must be made at the Rectory Office.

Sacrament of Matrimony

The Sacrament is celebrated on Fridays: Time to be arranged. Saturdays: 10:30 AM, 12:30, and 2:30 PM. Sundays: to be arranged. Arrangements must be made by a personal appointment with one of the priests or deacon. Couples should make an appointment at least six months to a year in advance of the Wedding date. Nuptial Masses, as well as ceremonies, are available on Friday and Saturday. Ceremonies are encouraged on Sunday.

Marriage Preparation Program at OLM

All engaged couples who plan to get married in the Catholic Church are required to complete a **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 PM in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 PM 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 PM 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.

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

The Sacrament for people experiencing an illness as well as the 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, and on the 2nd Saturday each month after the 8:00 AM Mass.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

Parish priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) regularly visit those who are ill or homebound. Please call the Rectory Office to arrange for home visitation, (516) 931-4351.

Parish Finance Committee

John Beaudette (Chairperson)
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Masses for the Week

Monday October 2nd, Zec 8:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10



7:00 AM John & Janet Poggi 9:00 AM Michael Faderl Robert Graziano

Tuesday October 3rd, Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56

7:00 AM 9:00 AM Pasquale DiScala Hannah Maloney

Wednesday October 4th, Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

7:00 AM 9:00 AM Victor & Edith Ialeggio Mary Mastromauro

Thursday 5th, Neh 8:1-4, 5-6, 7-12/Lk 10:1-2

7:00 AM Dec. Mem of Mauro Fam. 9:00 AM Edward O'Brien Jack Balla

Friday 6th, Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

7:00 AM Grace Badramo 9:00 AM Eileen O'Shea Fred & Lucille Seden (61st Wed Ann)

Saturday 7th, Bar 4:5-12,27-29/Lk 10:17-24

8:00 AM Patrick James Looney Denise Capponi Zbigniew Kaczmarek John Dettori Manetta & Cona Family (Liv & Dec)

4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday October 8th, Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

7:30 AM Jack Balla 8:45 AM Francesco & Barbara Lavorator 9:00 AM Vincent Yezzi 10:30 AM Mario & Maria Ferruzzo 12:00 PM Muriel Crisci 5:30 PM Mary & Jack Denker



Loving Memory–Rest In Peace— Emily Romano, Carol Taaffe, Edward Barrow, James J. Sweeney Jr., Thomas S. Mistretta

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

world

Remember Our Sick: Marge Heenan, Thomas Dunleavy, Joseph Vacca, Arlene Unverzagt, Fred Jablonowski, Norma Vuturo, Jeannine Margiotta, John Lagattuta, Patricia Lombardi, Joan Chwalisc, James Madden, Christine Henry, Jani Farlow, Sr. Marjorie McHugh, Sean Fotiadis, Meghan Roach, Ginny Collins, Ann Iovina, Diane Ayers, (4 year old Louis Mendez)

Long Term Illness: Please pray for our war casualties, all our sick, their caretakers, especially Sr. Joanne Deegan, Frances Limoli, Vincent Perrone, Louis Venditto, Gerry McNamee, Sebastian DeLuca, Hailey Wright, John Lombardi, Leon Akl, Marie Pynn, Frances Weber, Joann Mackin, Peter Manetta, Constane Naumann, James Fox, Kevin Asher, and all homebound and in nursing homes.

WEEK OF SEPT 24TH TO SEPT 30TH, 2017



U.C. Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Jack Balla
Donated By:
Cindy, Tim, Alli Philbin

L.C. Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Jack Balla
Donated By:
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On Stewardship Spirituality

Living was a sumbly regard ag out not for Phil. 2:3-4

Accountability

Sacrificial Giving Offertory

Weekly Offering for:

- ◆ Sept. 24, 2017: \$14,207
- ◆ Sept. 25, 2016: \$15,251

Religious Retirement Fund:

- **4** 2017: \$5907
- **2016: \$3,955**

Thank you for your Generous Response to His Call.

He emptied himself, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him.

Belong More Deeply

to Christ and His Church—Our Church, Our Lady of Mercy. "Do nothing out of selfishness or vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interest, but everyone for those of others." - Phil. 2:3-4

In this world of "Me" it can be hard to embrace this week's Scripture. After all, it is all about humility, and after the offerings in the media, there is certainly no room for that! Or is there? Jesus suggests that when we place ourselves second, we have room to be raised up, but when we strive to be "me, first" there will surely be others to show us why we shouldn't be.

BELONG more DEEPLY to CHRIST and His Church OUR LADY of MERCY Stewardship Spirituality Spirituality

Lord Grant Me a Humble Heart

Entertainment is a great release and can bring great joy to our lives. It can be a positive force, but it can also be negative. We watch entertainers and athletes and we can begin to emulate their behavior. Often we raise them up— put them ahead of us. Sometimes we try to be like them so that we can put ourselves ahead of others—whether by the way we dress or act or simply style ourselves.

There are a lot of ways we can look at ourselves, whether in our work, school, volunteerism, faith or general lifestyle and think that we are better than others—that we should come before someone else. And we can push ourselves ahead... only to find when we get there that someone else is smarter, stronger, more skilled, talks better or is just luckier.

Jesus tells us to be humble of heart; to (in the words of St. Paul) regard others and their concerns as more important. By stepping back, being humble, we give others the opportunity to recognize our greatness. Sometimes it happens, and maybe,

sometimes it doesn't. But our God who always sees, knows our heart.

Being humble does not mean disparaging yourself; it is not knocking yourself down so someone else can build you up. True humility is recognizing yourself in relation to God as well as others. It is not grasping for equality with God, but remembering to "conduct your affairs with humility and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are. And you will find favor with God."

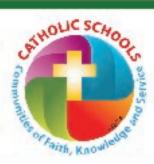
 ${\sim} \textit{Want to know more about Stewardship}, email us at SerenaOnStewardship@gmail.com.}$



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





World's Finest Candy Sale: Thank you to all those who have bought a candy bar, either from a student or at the rectory office. Your purchase supports Our Lady of Mercy School and enables it to offer programs and purchase items which benefit the children.

Month of the Holy Rosary: October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. We will celebrate the feast day of the Holy Rosary on October 7th. Whether we pray the entire rosary or a single decade, whether we pray it alone or with someone else, this powerful prayer brings us closer to Mary and her son Jesus.



Deacon Ralph made his first official visit of the school year when he led a sixth grade prayer service and blessed the students' rosary beads.











Recent Discovery Room Experiences



September 29: \$100 - Napodano Family (Grade 5)

\$75 - Percy Family (Grades 2, 8)

\$50 - Kollmeier Family (Grade 7)

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

<u>Serving with Mercy</u>

Mary Anne Scott

Free Legal Consultations-Nassau County Bar Association

Mortgage Foreclosure Assistance- Thursday, October 12 3-6pm

One-on-one consultation with an attorney

Bring all mortgage documents

HUD-certified housing counselors available to help with loan modifications

Bankruptcy attorneys available

Reverse mortgage information

Open House– Thursday, October 26 3-6pm

Private consultation on any of the following issues:

Bankruptcy/Consumer Debt Divorce & Family Issues

Labor and Employment

Mortgage Foreclosure Senior Citizen Issues

Immigration

Bring all relevant documents regarding your issue

Call to register for an appointment at either program – 747-4070.

Nassau County Bar Association, 15th Street, corner of West St., Mineola (for GPS use 1 West St.)

Beginning Experience Weekend-for widowed, divorced and separated

Beginning Experience is a nationwide Catholic ministry whose goal is to help widowed, divorced and separated individuals move on from the pain they feel from the loss of their spouse. The loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation is one of life's most traumatic experiences; often resulting in feelings of loneliness and grief. When those feelings remain, it can be overwhelming and hard to move forward. The Beginning Experience weekend is a grace filled time to focus on you. . . to feel understood by peers and experience a sense of peace and renewed hope for the future.

The next weekend is at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore on November 3-5. Participants are asked to make donations to cover the program, materials, two nights' lodging and meals.

For information and reservations, call Mary at 516-413-6209, Jeanne at 631-903-0973 or Jim at 718-474-3779 or email BeginningExpereinceLl@hotmail.com.

Food Pantry needs: Soup, canned pasta meals, and toilet paper. Thank you.

Parish Services

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

931-1306

Last Saturday of month 9:30-11:30AM—call to confirm date



Location: Maria Regina, Seaford 3945 Jerusalem Ave, Seaford, NY 11783

Instructor: Jen Menneci. Associate Director, Office of Faith Formation, DRVC

Dates: Monday, October 16, 2017 at 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person

Register Online

www.drvc-faith.org

If you have any questions contact Jen Menneri at 516-678-5800 ext. 200



OUR LADY OF MERCY ANGELS OF MERCY





OUR ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE STARTING OCTOBER 10, 2017



WE WILL BE COLLECTING:

NEW AND GENTLY USED: SCARVES, GLOVES, HATS & "ONLY NEW SOCKS"!!

LOOK FOR THE BOX LOCATED AT FRONT OF THE CHURCH YOU CAN NOT MISS IT IS DECORTATED IN SILVER

> PLEASE WHILE SHOPPING AROUND INCULDE A SET OF ONE OF THESE ITEMS

TO HELP MAKE THIS WINTER BE A LITTLE WARMER FOR THOSE LESS FORTUNATE.

ALL ITEMS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH OUR "PARISH OUTREACH SERVICES"

THE ANGELS OF MERCY MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 3RD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH IN OUR LOWER CHAPEL WITH REFRESHMENTS ALWAYS SERVED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: ANGELA MANZI - 938-8106/JUSTKKAUZE@AOL.COM

THE DIOCESAN VOCATION'S OFFICE



INVITES YOU TO ATTEND A HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Spend an Hour of Prayer with the Young Church, who is striving to hear the Voice of God, at the following locations.

St. John the Baptist HS, West Islip on October 13, doors open at 7:00PM.

Holy Family Parish, Hicksville on November 3, doors open at 7:00PM

IC Seminary, Huntington on December 20, doors open at 7:00PM

ALL ARE WELCOME! COME BE PART OF THIS DRAMATIC MISSIONARY **GROWTH OF FELLOWSHIP & FAITH!**



OUR LADY OF MERCY'S BLESSING OF ANIMALS





The Blessing of your pets will be held on Wednesday October 4, 2017, at 4:30pm. Between the church and School at the Christmas tree, in the event of rain the blessing will take place in the Church. We will celebrate our blessing of the animals in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Bring your dogs, cats, reptiles, birds, rodents, etc. All animals are welcome as we thank God who created them and saw they were good; as we give gratitude to God for their consolation as we ask God to bless them and help us to care for all animals with love.





ADULT ED CLASSES AVAILABLE

DROP BY AS YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS!

SUNDAYS 10-11:30AM CONVENT BASEMENT OCT 1st THRU JUNE 3rd

No registration fee. Materials optional. Drop by any time or take advantage of the full program.

A comprehensive and dynamic Adult Ed Program for all adults who seek a better understanding of the Catholic Faith (including those considering the decision to become Catholic, and those Catholics who never received Communion and/or Confirmation).

Contact the Coordinators for Topic Schedule and questions!

Peggy Clores <u>imcon630@aol.com</u> 516-317-1740 Chuck Ruppert 864-680-5597

BIBLE STUDY NIGHTS

Go Deeper Into the Gospels

Drop in on any one or all of the following Monday evenings:

10/2; 11/6; 12/4/2017; 1/8; 2/5; 4/9/2018

Sessions given by OLM's Pastor and Clergy 7:30-9pm

- Convent Basement Contact the Coordinator for schedule and to be alerted to weather cancellations.
- Peggy Clores imcon630@aol.com 516-317-1740



The Diocese of Rockville Centre

Golden Wedding Liturgy

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More

Sunday, October 22 — Church of St. Rose of Lima in Massapequa

Sunday, November 19 — Church of Christ the King in Commack

Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm / Couples may register for ONE liturgy.

- Please fill in the form below, have it signed by your pastor or someone designated by him and return to the Office of Worship.
- Approximately one week before the liturgy, you will be mailed a letter confirming your registration and directions.
- There will be reserved seating for the registered couples only. Family and friends will be seated on a first come-first served basis.
- After the liturgy, there will be an opportunity to have a photo taken with the celebrating bishop if you wish.
- You will be mailed a complimentary photo and certificate approximately four to six weeks after the liturgy.

Please mail completed form to: Suzanne Lynn
Diocese of Rockville Centre
42 Bermingham Place
Williston Park, NY 11596

Registration for the October 22nd liturgy must be received by October 9th.

Registration for the November 19th liturgy must be received by November 6th.

For questions, please call Suzanne at 516-678-5800, ext.207.

Mr.	Mrs.		*
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Address		Тоуп	Zip Code
Wedding Date_	mm/dd/yy	Phone #Area code + }	*
	We will at	tend the Golden Wed	ding Celebration on:
	Sun	day, October 22, St. I	Rose of Lima, Massapequa
	Sund	lay, November 19, C	hrist the King, Commack
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In order to se	eat those who requi your spouse use	ire special assistance as wheelchair	accordingly, please let us know if you o cane walker

FREE LUNCHEON SEMINAR

Beney Funeral Home is hosting an informational seminar to discuss an important life event, a funeral. Yes, we get it, no one wants to have the discussion, but opening the door to address the emotional benefits of pre-arranging can be very beneficial to you and family members. Join us to learn more about the simple steps you can take to plan-ahead and turn worry into peace of mind. Also, joining us that day will be attorney James Leonick to discuss the importance of wills, power of attorney, and health care proxy. The gathering will be held at the American Legion 175 (68 Berry Hill Rd. Syosset, directly across the street from funeral home) on Wednesday, October 11th at 11:00am with a lunch to follow at 12:30am. Please RSVP by Oct. 10 at (718) 793-2725 ask for Gloria –



YOU'RE INVITED FOR AN INSPIRATIONAL TALK By Msgr James Vlaun On Sunday, October 15, 2017 Immediately following the 9:30 Am Mass in

The Holy Family Room at St. Edward the Confessor Church in Syosset, New York . For more Information Call

Mary Fay: 516-364-2601

Msgr. Jim Vlaun is the President and CEO of Telecare Television, the Catholic Television station of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Monsignor James C. Vlaun is devoted to Catholic

media, his Long Island Legates, and the New York Jets, whom he serves as Catholic chaplain. His main ministry, however, is serving the new evangelization using a variety of media to champion the faith — as president and CEO of Telecare (the TV station of the Rockville Centre diocese), host of the nationally-syndicated radio show *Religion and Rock*, and author of such books as *Feasts of Life: Recipes from Nana's Wooden Spoon*.

Reserve your seat by returning this form to St. Edward's Rectory Office, 205 Jackson Ave; Syosset, by Monday, October 9, 2017.

Cost: \$20 per adult; \$7 for Children ages 6-12

FAMILY NAME:

NUMBER ATTENDING:

Adults EA.

Children EA

TOTAL ENCLOSED

Sponsored by the Joseph J. Gorman Columbiettes
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO
JOSEPH J. GORMAN COLUMBIETTES

HELP WANTED

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Holy Trinity has a part time job opening in the cafeteria, the hours are 8:30AM to 12:30PM Monday - Friday. For more information please call 516/433-2900.



SCHOOL SECRETARY POSITION



St. Peter of Alcantara Elementary School is Port Washington seeks a Part-Time Secretary. Hours are Monday & Friday 7:30am-3:30pm. Tues, Wed, Thurs 7:30am—12pm. St. Peter's is looking for a flexible, positive problem solver with strong organization skills to help manage daily office operations including, but not limited to, phone, clerical, correspondence, mail and record keeping as well as maintaining school data base. Will assist principal and other members of the Administrative Team on various projects as needed. Experience preferred but not necessary.

Experience with: Excel, Word, Microsoft Publisher and Google Drive.

If interested please fax resume and cover letter, to the attention of Ms Carberry, at 516-757-8075.

Chinese Auction, Saturday, October 21st at St. Edward's gym, Syosset, N.Y. Doors open at 6:30pm Admission \$5.00 includes one envelope and refreshments. Fore further information please call 516-921-2607 or 516-921-0822.



Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

October 2017

Our Lady of Mercy Church For the Saints in the Pews

One Minute Meditations

St. Anthony Mary Claret

The son of a cloth weaver, St. Anthony was born in Spain in 1807. He wanted to become a lesuit missionary but was prevented by his health. He was ordained a priest in Catalonia and in 1849, he founded the Claretian order. Shortly after, he became the archbishop of Cuba. He established the Religious Publishing House and produced more than 200 works. He was confessor to Queen Isabella II and participated in the First Vatican Council.

God's search for us

Oftentimes it feels like we are searching for God, but he is the one looking for us. God created us, redeemed us, and calls us to follow him. Today, ask God to show you where he's calling you and resolve to follow him.

"Thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure" (Isaiah 25:1).

Begin again

It is an unfortunate part of our human condition that we make mistakes. Fortunately, our loving Father always grants additional chances. In fact, he is delighted when we refresh our sincere attempts to live fully in his love. Here's how to begin again.

Shake off failure. There is nothing more defeating than dwelling on sins or errors of the past. Do what you can to prevent repeating past mistakes, shake it off, and move confidently forward.

Take stock and confess. Rebuild your future on a solid foundation. Perform a detailed examination of conscience and then go to Confession. If necessary, ask your priest for a good examination tool to use. Perform your penance immediately and make

amends. Then, knowing that God has forgiven you, forgive yourself. Repeat often.

Make a plan. What would you like to change in your life? Are there steps you can take that will make you holier, happier, healthier? Write them down and commit.

Pray for strength. You may want to make minor tweaks to your life or major change may be in order. Either way, prayer and daily

spiritual exercises are key to success. We need God's strength and guidance to succeed.

Begin. Each beginning starts with a new day. Take your first step knowing that God is with you and success is possible.

Why Do Catholics Do That

Why do Catholics sit, stand, and kneel during the Mass?

We adopt different postures throughout the Mass to help us focus, and each posture means something different.

We sit during the homily and the readings to help us listen. We stand during the Gospel, and when the priest enters and

leaves, to show him honor and respect when he represents

Christ.

Finally, we kneel at the Consecration in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, because Christ, himself, is present. These actions are intended to engage both our bodies and our minds in prayer.



SUPER BONANZA WINNERS 2017 OUR LADY OF MERCY

We are pleased to announce the following winners:



Sept	24, - \$800.00	Michael & Amy Anderson	McMurray PA
Sept	25, - \$25.00	Mary & Thomas Paladino	Plainview
Sept	26, - \$25.00	Jon Denker	Plainview
Sept	27, - \$25.00	Katie Dolan	W. Islip
Sept	28, - \$25.00	M/M Rendall Kelso	Plainview
Sept	29, - \$25.00	James Cataldo Jr.	Plainview
Sept	30, - \$100.00	John &Fran Mulholland	Hicksville

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 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

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!

PRAYER GROUP NEWS

"His Chalice is overflowing with the Blood of Innocent Pre-Born Babies.

On Tuesday October 3rd, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in Our Lady's Chapel - lower church, we will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. During that time we will be praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in reparation for the sin of abortion.

St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility for Retired Priests



The wonderful response to last week's Second Collection for our retired priests residing at Saint Pius X Enriched Living Facility was greatly appreciated. **Thank you!**Saint Pius X continues to provide extraordinary care for the senior priests currently residing there full time and numerous other

priests who come to this special facility on a temporary basis as they recover from illnesses or other injuries. Even in retirement our senior priests retain roles as our shepherds, and Saint Pius X enables these dedicated men who live there to be fully engaged members of the community.

If you have not yet considered a gift to this effort, please consider making a donation today! Brochures describing this appeal and envelopes are available in church today. Through your generosity, we can care for our senior priests in the manner best suited to their needs. On behalf of all the priests serving our Diocese, and all current and future residents of St. Pius X in Amityville, I thank you for your concern and generosity

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US!







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 \$375.00, of this the Parish earned \$18.75, 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: 9-25-2017

2261692 9/24/17*

Won by: Neil Donovan*



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!!

Because with these



We get this



and the school gets... Science, Math, English, Technology and much much more.

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!**

You're Invited

Rob McGuffey & Friends





A beautiful evening of Contemporary Christian Music & Faith Building Stories

Please join us for the inaugural and FREE Concert with Rob McGuffey & his musical friends

Right Here in the Upper Church

Saturday October 14th at 7:30 PM

Some know Rob as "The Fair Guy," some as a Lector at the 12, some as an 8th Grade Catechist and others as the coaching father of five. In June, Rob graduated from our own Diocesan School of Missionary Disciples, formerly the Pastoral Formation Institute, and he is beginning his new ministry right here at Mercy.

Come one and all to this FREE concert to celebrate God's Love in Music and Story, as well as the publishing of his Rob's book, The Gift... of Believing (including some stories of our own parish.)

With our Bishop's call to bring a neighbor to church, this might be just the thing.

Concert will benefit our Parish Pantry, so if you are able, please bring a can of soup or other nonperishable good to help support our local families in need.

A portion of the proceeds from *The Gift... of Believing* supports Mary's Meals, an international charity inspired by supporters of Our Lady of Medjugorie which provides a daily meal in school for over one million impoverished children around the world.

Gelebrating 100 years of Our Lady of Fatima

(1917-2017)



JOIN THE 2017 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

Where: Holy Family Church (Ground) 17 Fordham Ave, Hicksville, NY- 11801

when: Saturday, October 14th 2017 (Rain or Shine) Please bring your own chairs

Time: 12:00 noon

Contact: Cynthia Dias 516-433-4434

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 8:00-10:00 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, <u>JUSTKKAUZE@AOL.COM</u> or call Angela Manzi at (516) 938-8106.

Hicksville/OLM Senior Club: Meets on Mondays 11:00AM-3:00PM at the Bethpage Senior Center. For more information contact Joan at (516) 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 more 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 and 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM in the School Cafeteria. For more information contact Jim Raber, Grand Knight, at (516) 695-1022

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

Nocturnal Adoration: First Friday of the Month: 8:00 to 9:00 PM (Exposition & Group Prayer and /or 9:00 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 at 7:30 PM in Lower Church Contact Maureen Decker (516) 933-8143 Eucharistic Adoration is conducted the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Contact the Rectory for more information (516) 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: Tom Liguori (516) 770-7562 Open Meeting every Friday: 8:00-9:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

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

Our Own Group: Tom Liguori (516) 770-7562 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: Sandy Goodman (516) 492-6003, Meets on Thursdays at 8:00-10:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

Families Anonymous: Dorothy Buscemi (516) 628-0151, Meets on Wednesdays at 7:30-9:30 PM. Convent Basement.

Parish website address is: www.ourladyofmercy.org

