

**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)

Daniel Pisani (Trustee)

Joseph Vacca (Trustee)

Carmine Serravalli (Business Mgr.)

Lorraine & Fred Anderson

Richard Faccio, Jr.

Timothy Snee

Serena Perrotta

### Maintenance Staff

Mr. Larry Burns

Mr. Kevin McAvoy

Mr. David Mullan

### Rectory Cook

Michelina Gambale

### Convent Cook

Susan Bennett



**Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for us**

**Masses for the Week**

**Monday, June 19,**

2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42  
 7:00 AM Thomas F. Toppin  
 9:00 AM Michael T. DePalmo  
 Fathers Day Novena  
 Linda Sheehan



**Tuesday, June 20,**

2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48  
 7:00 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 9:00 AM Joseph Giamboi  
 John Cherniawsky  
 Sarah Centrone

**Wednesday, June 21,**

2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
 7:00 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 9:00 AM Mary Lynch  
 Kathleen McCarthy  
 Maryse Soifils (Thanksgiving)

**Thursday, June 22,**

2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15  
 7:00 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 9:00 AM Linda Dunne  
 John Cherniawsky  
 Nina Formichelli

**Friday, June 23,**

Dt 7:6-11/1 Jn 4: 7-16/Mt 11:25-30  
 7:00 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 9:00 AM Helen D'Agostino  
 James & Josephine Venza  
 Mary Moreillo

**Saturday, June 24,**

Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66,80  
 8:00 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 Matthew Stucchio  
 Steven Franchi  
 Davorina Zovic  
 John Browne (Sick)

**4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy**

**Sunday, June 25,**

Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33  
 7:30 AM Fathers Day Novena  
 9:00 AM Dec. Mmbrs of Pietrowski & Meyer Fams.  
 10:30 AM Nicholas Daley (1st Ann)  
 12:00 PM Vincenza & Lucia Perrotta  
 5:30 PM Biagio Carmine Minutolo



**Loving Memory– You Rest In Peac - Nancy Mary Fennell**

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

**Remember Our Sick** Marge Heenan, Peter Manetta, Thomas Dunleavy, Agnes Peck, Josephine Frino Pagliaro, Norma Motto, Denise Capponi, Joseph Vacca, Hailey Wrigth, Michael Dusold, Iris Noya, Charlie Mitas, Nickolas Naumann, Susanna Galvao, Joan King, Adelaide Velting, Grace Pocci, Arlene Unverzagt, Ryan Sullivan

**Long Term Illness:** Please pray for our war casualties, all our sick, their caretakers, especially Sr. Joanne Deegan, Frances & Anthony 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 and all



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**FIRST TIME**

**Michael Joseph Valenza - OLM and Susan Danielle Cetta - St. Athanasius, Bklyn**

**SECOND TIME**

**Joseph John Bove - OLM and Nicole Yuzuk - Hoboken, NJ**

**WEEK OF JUNE 25th, To July 1st 2017**



**Bread and Wine  
 In Memory of  
 Frank Grosso Sr.  
 Donated By  
 Marion Grosso**



**U.C. Sanctuary Light  
 In Loving Memory of  
 Ella & Louis Bradani  
 Donated By  
 Mary E. & Michael R. DePalmo**

**L.C. Sanctuary Light  
 In Memory of  
 Donated By  
 Camnze**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

First – Happy Father’s Day! To all the men who share with us a Father’s love, whether they are a Father to us by blood or by love – we thank and honor you! May Good St. Joseph, example and guide, intercede for you! Have a great day gentlemen!

Also on this Father’s Day, I want to share with you a special remembrance of one of our beloved Father’s: Msgr. James Boesel. You can’t help but notice the memorials he was instrumental in installing of the beloved ‘Father’s – the priests- who served this parish with love over the years.



They adorn our entry ways into the church. It was important to Msgr. Boesel to keep their memory and gift of service alive by having these plaques made to honor them. Seeing that he took such care to preserve the memory of these beloved priests, how could we not do the same for him? If not by the time this is in print, then shortly thereafter, a similar bronze plaque will be installed in the front lobby of the church in memory of our beloved Msgr. Boesel for all to see and read: “The beloved Shepherd of the saints in the pews.” May his Fatherly care continue to intercede for us before Jesus! God’s peace Msgr. Jim!

I also need to take a moment to congratulate the Graduating Class of Our Lady of Mercy School – Class of 2017! They graduated Friday and I want to offer to them and their families all of our best wishes, prayers and luck in the future! I thank Mrs. Harrigan our Principal, the Sisters of Mercy, (especially Sr. Janine, Sr. Winifred and Sister Albert), as well as our amazing faculty and support staff! They work so hard to give our kids a quality education. I thank our parents as well for their sacrifices in order to choose a Catholic Education for your kids. I stand in admiration and gratitude to all of you. Finally to our graduates – Remember, you can do anything, if you put your mind and heart into it! We are depending on you, as you leave us and move on to bigger things, to take what you have learned and will learn in the future and make the world a better place! While you graduate from our school – you don’t graduate from the parish – Mercy is always your home!

Today we celebrate the most precious gift we have. The Eucharist! More than gold or any earthy prize. More than any cathedral or monument that humankind has created. More than any verse or song that has ever been written or sung... we fall before the very presence of GOD in adoration as he comes to us in his Body and Blood made present to us on the altar! What an amazing gift! And yet my heart aches with sadness. How many of our sisters fail to acknowledge this magnificent gift! How many choose to not come and share in our joy! The gospel for today’s celebration is not the scene at the last supper as some of you might be surprised to see. Instead, the last supper institution of the Eucharist is covered in the second reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. Here Paul relates, “*What was handed on to him*” by the Apostles, in other words, what the closest followers of Jesus – the Apostles- had learned directly from the Lord himself and the early Christians were celebrating as a central part of their worship. This one line may seem of little or no significance and we tend to pass over it without much thought and want to focus instead on Paul’s repetition of the words of institution (consecration), but these words are very powerful. St. Paul’s instruction to the Christian’s at Corinth is one of the first and earliest accounts which verifies Jesus Institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper and its centrality to our faith. His repetition of these words in the letter to the Christian community at Corinth actually predate the very writing of the Gospels! In one fell swoop he testifies to the meaning and the tradition of the Eucharist in the early Church! Now you might be saying to yourself, “Father, Steve. Why are you getting so excited?” Well first, I love the Eucharist, and this text helps us to see our direct connection between what we do at the Mass and our connection to Jesus himself – even 2000 years later! To me that is exciting! Secondly, I love scripture, and this text in unison with the scenes of the last supper speaks volumes about our Catholic tradition. As we celebrate today, maybe we could all take the time to reflect on what has been handed on to us, by our parents, our grandparents and all those who have gone before us in faith for generations. That like Paul and the Apostles we partake of the mystery that Jesus shared and follow his command that he gave to his followers that Holy Thursday night in the upper room;

“... the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.”

Amen! What a wonderful and amazing gift we have that comes to us right from Jesus and faithfully handed on to us today!

Peace,  
Fr. Steve



*Please join us as we bid farewell to Fr. Steve and Fr. Grace and thank them for their service to our community here at Our Lady of Mercy.*

**June 25, 2017**

**Fr. Steve will celebrate the 10:30 Mass**

**Fr. Grace will celebrate the 12:00 Noon Mass**

*Refreshments will be served after each Mass by the Ministries, if weather permits, Outside on the Convent Front Lawn — South side of the church, or, in Our Lady's Meeting Room on the Lower Level.*



**On Stewardship Spirituality**

**Living Stewardship**

**Accountability**

**Sacrificial Giving  
Offertory**

See next week's bulletin for an update!



Next Sunday's Masses will include a special video presentation on the Catholic Ministries Appeal and how your support helps our community and embraces our mission to Live the Works of Mercy

*~There are many gifts, but the same Spirit~*  
**Make the commitment!**

*"Fathers, bring up your children with training and instruction of the Lord. Draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power."* —Ephesians 6:4,10

*Stewardship Spirituality calls for people to give of themselves; to try to give of your time and talents in generous ways. You can volunteer to serve here in your parish, your school, your community and any other groups with which you are involved. And, you should expect your children to do the same. In order to teach stewardship and its values to our children, we must live it ourselves.*



**Forming a Family of Stewards**

Our children know we thank God through stewardship spirituality when they see it in action. We take care to practice good stewardship, but also expect that they will participate as well.

To live stewardship spirituality, a strong prayer life is important. Set aside two times in your family's day for prayer- one for prayers of gratitude and petition, and the other for devotions, such as the rosary. It is also easier to give time to God when you are involved, so volunteer as an altar server, lector, or Eucharistic minister.

Stewardship Spirituality governs how we spend every hour of every day. It is a measure of the care we take with all the gifts God has given us, and of how we share those gifts. Being stewards is truly a way of life. However, we are all human, and stewardship is not always easy. It requires effort and commitment. Each day may be a challenge for the faithful steward, but it is also a source of peace, contentment and joy when we see how we have used God's gifts.

*~Want to know more on Stewardship, email us at [SerenaOnStewardship@gmail.com](mailto:SerenaOnStewardship@gmail.com).*



**A Prayer for Fathers**

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless our fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, those who have been as fathers to us, and those we call Father. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.

Happy Fathers' Day.



**Our Lady of Mercy School**  
Faith ~ Academics ~ Service



## Looking Ahead...

OLM is planning on having two **DISCOVERY ROOMS** in September. If you have any of the following items, we would greatly appreciate your contribution!

### Household Items

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|---|--------------------------|
| aluminum foil                                     | rubber bands             |
| paper cups  | straws                   |
| wax paper   | string                   |
| empty egg cartons                                 | sponges                  |
| plastic zip lock bags                             | yarn                     |
| dish soap   | small items for counting |
| Ivory soap  | shoe boxes               |
| food coloring                                     | containers with lids     |
| popsicle sticks                                   | paper towels             |
| cardboard tubes (empty paper towels/toilet paper) |                          |

### Miscellaneous Items

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|----------------------|------------------|
| ping pong balls      | scissors         |
| golf balls           | magnets          |
| legos                | washers          |
| lego tape            | dowels           |
| masking tape         | Q-tips           |
| duct tape            | bubble wrap      |
| pipe cleaners        | corks            |
| balloons             | electrical tape  |
| mason jars/with lids | magnifying glass |
| child size tools     | copper wire      |
| tape measure         | fun tac          |
| seeds                | clothespins      |
| play dough           | measuring cups   |



**Drop Off:** Donations may be dropped off in the school office 9 AM - 2 PM until June 30th. We will also be collecting donations at the Summer Fair

Raffle Table. Please call 516-433-7040 if you have any questions.



### Medicine Closet Items

- |              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| cotton balls | toothbrush  |
| thermometer  | eye dropper |
| latex gloves |             |

**TGIF  
Winners**

- June 16: \$100 - Coursen Family (Grade 1)  
 \$75 - Guidice Family (Grade 2)  
 \$50 - Agtuca 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.



**SUMMER 2-GETHER®**  
**PLAYGROUPS**  
 AGES 6 mos.—3 years old

**ATTENTION:**  
**7TH and 8TH**  
**GRADERS**  
 (As of September 2017)

**\*\*COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG TEENS\*\***

Work and play with babies and toddlers in a "mommy & me" setting!!!



**YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY NEEDS U !!!!!**

Call **MS. LISA, COORDINATOR** at (516) 455-1819 for more info.

ANGELS OF MERCY OFF THE SUMMER

On Behalf of Myself & My Lovely Ex. Board of the "Angels of Mercy" We would like to extend our Sincere Thanks for all the hard work & dedication that You Lovely Ladies contributed throughout the year. With all your help we were able to help many in Our Parish.

The Food Pantry and Mary Anne Scott, The Life Center, Ronald McDonald House and so much more. What a Blessing this Is Us as Angels!! We make that Difference in many Lives'

Also a Special Thank You to Our Moderator Mary Anne Scott, with her guidance to help others.

We would also like the Thank all "You the Parishioners" that have Support the Angels with all Our Events of Raffles & Bake Sales & Clothing Drivers!! Everything that we put out there.. Everyone was so Generous and that is a True Blessing to Us All!

As of now the Angels will be on a Much Needed Summer Break. We will return again this September 21, 2017

We extend an invitation to all the Ladies & you're Friends to come and join us and see what the Angels are all about. With so many new things we will be doing..

Notices will be posted in the Bulletin, so keep checking, we hope to see you again this Fall.

**\*\* Happy & Blessed Summer \*\***  
 Much Love & God Bless Always!!

WE THE "ANGELS OF MERCY"  
 Angela Manzi, Carol Leone, Maureen Kenney



**OUR LADY OF MERCY**  
**SUMMER "2-GETHER"**  
**Playgroups**

AGES 6 mos.—3 years old (turning 4)  
**Tuesday: July 11—August 8**  
**Wednesday: July 5—August 2**  
**Thursday: July 6—August 3**

**NOTE: Tuesday classes will begin a week later because of the July 4 Holiday!!!!**

\*Classes meet from 10-11:30  
 \*Indoor (A/C) and outdoor play areas  
 \*Cost is \$50—sibling discount (5 yrs. & younger)

**Please call MS. LISA (Coordinator/Teacher) at (516) 455-1819**

REGISTRATION IN CONVENT BASEMENT  
May 17 & 23—11:30-1:30  
June 8 & 20—10-12 Noon

**\*\*Must be registered before first day of class!!**

**\*\*Community service volunteers needed—7th and 8th graders!!!!**




**\*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](mailto:imcon630@aol.com) 516-317-1740  
 Chuck Ruppert [chuck.ruppert@milliken.com](mailto:chuck.ruppert@milliken.com) 864-680-5597

**Parish Services**

**Serving with Mercy**

**Mary Anne Scott**

**A Prayer for Father’s Day**

*Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a good father.*

*Let us praise those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. Let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by the neglect and hostility of their children.*

*Let us praise those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children’s lives. Let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing.*

*Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their stepchildren’s love and respect. Let us praise those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.*

*Let us praise those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.*

*Let us praise those men who have “fathered” us in their role as mentors and guides.*

*Let us praise those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.*

*And let us praise those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.*

**Free Legal Consultations- Monday, June 26 3-6pm**

**Nassau County Bar Association, 15th & West Streets, Mineola (use 1 West St. for GPS)**

**Meet one-on-one with a volunteer attorney to discuss any of the following legal issues:**

Bankruptcy and Consumer Debt

Divorce and Family Issues

Labor and Employment

Mortgage Foreclosure

Senior Citizen Issues

Immigration

Other issues upon request

Bi-lingual attorneys in a wide variety of languages available upon request.

**Call 747-4070 to register. Bring all relevant documents to your appointment.**

Sponsored by Nassau County Bar Association in cooperation with Nassau-Suffolk Law Services and The Safe Center LI.

**Food Pantry Needs: Juice boxes, jelly, canned mixed vegetables, peas, or carrots. Thanks!**

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





**OUR LADY OF MERCY SUMMER FAIR**

***Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup>***

**Happy 10th Anniversary!**

Our theme this year is "A Thin Blue Line" as we honor our  
Police Officers and their families

*"Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God."*

Matthew 5:9

We thank them for their service, their sacrifice and their protection of us all.



**Rides, Food, Games, Air Conditioned Casino, and Free Live  
Entertainment Every Evening. *Best Line Up Ever!***

Wednesday, July 26	Beyond Belief	<i>Contemporary Christian</i>
Thursday, July 27	The Fast Lane	<i>Eagles Tribute Band</i>
Friday, July 28	Cold Spring Harbor	<i>Billy Joel Tribute Band</i>
Saturday, July 29	The Dukes	<i>Doo Wop</i>
Sunday, July 30	Mid Life Crisis	<i>Classic Rock &amp; Dance 60's to present</i>

Advanced Discounted Pay One Price Bracelets *Save \$7.00*  
Available now until Noon July 25<sup>th</sup>

Visit <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2982826>  
or [www.ourladyofmercy.org](http://www.ourladyofmercy.org)

**Presider's Schedule for Weekend of June 24th & 25th – 2017**

<b>Presider</b>	<b>Fr. P. Grace</b>	<b>Fr. Nasir G.</b>	<b>Fr. Jose M.</b>	<b>Fr. Steve P.</b>	<b>Fr. P. Grace</b>	<b>Fr. Stephen P.</b>
<b>Mass Time:</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>12:00 Noon</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>





**Fortnight  
for Freedom**  
2017  
Freedom for Mission  
June 21 - July 4



**OPENING OF 2017 FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM**

The Joy of the Gospel  
Visio Divina – Seeing the Word  
Meditation, illuminations, scripture and Benediction in thanksgiving for God's Word



**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21**  
6:00pm - Preview of St. John's Bible  
7:00pm - Visio Divina - Seeing the Word

St. Bernard's Church 3100 Hempstead Tpke Levittown 11756

*Organized by the St. Bernard's Chapter of Catholics for Freedom of Religion*

**MASS CELEBRATING THE 2017 FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM:  
FREEDOM FOR MISSION**

Bishop Robert J. Brennan - Celebrant

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 12:30PM**

St. Agnes Cathedral 29 Quealy Place Rockville Centre 11570

**ROSARY & RALLY FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM**

Bishop John O. Barres - Keynote Speaker

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**  
6:00pm - Public Witness Rosary in front of auditorium facing Newbridge Rd.  
7:00pm - Fortnight Rally for Religious Freedom in auditorium *Light refreshments served following program*



Holy Trinity High School 98 Cherry Lane Hicksville 11801





**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**  
**CHILDREN**      **ADULTS \$35.00**  
\$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!!**



*Thank you for  
demonstrating such a  
genuine commitment to  
our community and  
helping our blood drive*

Sincere thanks to all who donated at our Blood Drive which was held on June 4th. New York Blood Center collected 68 units of life-saving blood. Special thanks to the men of Our Lady of Mercy Joseph F. Lamb Knights of Columbus who, once again, prepared breakfast for all the donors and volunteers.

Mary and Joseph Olive



**PILGRIMAGE WITH FATHER STEVE PIETROWSKI**

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

**APRIL 19 - 30, 2018**

**\$4,899 FROM NEW YORK, NY**

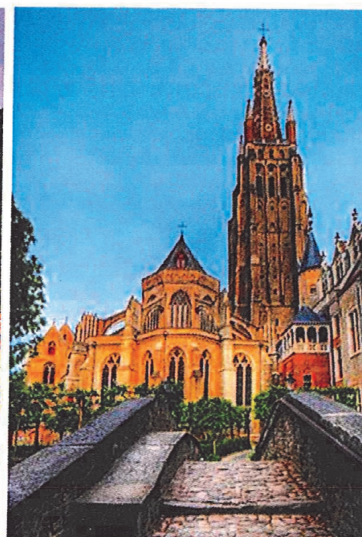
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**\$5,599 FROM NEW YORK, NY**

(CATEGORY BB)



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**Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for us**



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

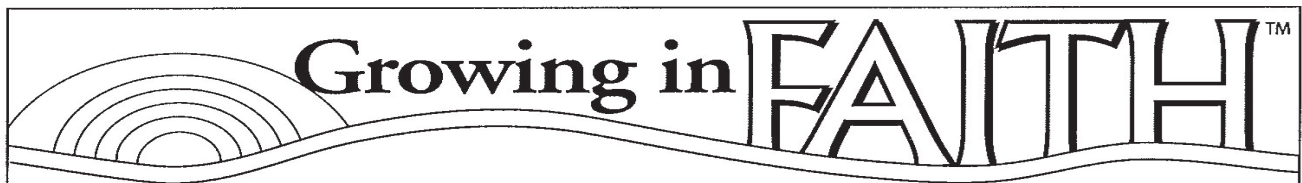


Jun 18, - \$25.00  
Jun 19, - \$25.00  
Jun 20, - \$25.00  
Jun 21, - \$25.00  
Jun 22, - \$25.00  
Jun 23, - \$25.00  
Jun 24, - \$25.00

RJ & Tommy LaRose  
M/M James Moehringer  
Paul Rafuse  
M/M A. Amenn  
Julia Porter  
Kathleen Vanderhyde  
Fr. Stephen Pietrowski

Bethpage  
Bellmore  
Plainview  
Yorktown Hts.  
Hicksville  
Bethpage  
OLM

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.



Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

Our Lady of Mercy Church  
For the Saints in the Pews

**One Minute Meditations**

**St. Mary Magdalen de' Pazzi**

Born Catherine de' Pazzi to a noble family in Florence in 1566, she entered the Carmelite order when she was sixteen, taking the name Mary Magdalen. Soon after, she began experiencing mystical ecstasies, which lasted until her death. She enjoyed a personal relationship with Jesus and had many conversations with him. She considered these graces as a sign of weakness, not holiness. She was known for her wisdom, charity, and her love for the Eucharist.



**Gratitude, not greed**

St. Paul wrote for Christians then and now when he warned against greed and materialism, "For the love of money is the root of all evils ..." (1 Timothy 6:10). Despite all evidence, many still believe money brings happiness, yet gratitude for all we have is the real key to happiness.

"The holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results."

St. Josemaria Escrivá



**Welcome all God's children**

God loves each of us uniquely and fiercely no matter where we come from or how we look. Those of us who follow him know that it's not just important to love each other. It's God's law.

Celebrate diversity. Invite foreigners or people who are different from you to your home or church. Jesus was once a foreigner in a strange land and was grateful for the hospitality he received. There is great diversity in the Communion of Saints.

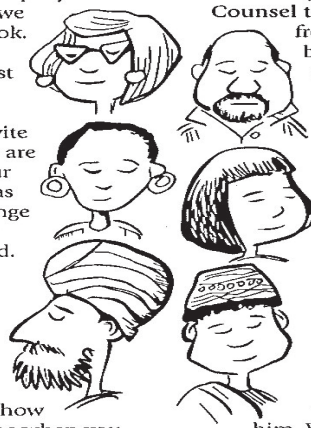
Practice patience. It can be tough to listen to someone with a speech impediment or a heavy accent. Imagine, though, how grateful that person will be when you offer your attention. Perhaps it would help to imagine the face of Christ in the

face before you.

Counsel the ignorant. Someone from another country, background, or with different abilities than yours might behave in what looks like an inconsiderate way out of ignorance or limitations. He might appreciate being informed.

Speak up. Don't stay quiet when you witness prejudice, and be positive about diversity if friends or relatives start criticizing others' faith, cultures or abilities.

Act with love. The God of love gave of himself so we could be reunited with him. We share that love when we assume the best of others and look for the good in all God's children.



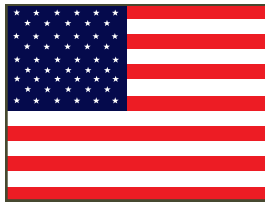
**Why Do Catholics Do That?**

**Why do Catholics believe in angels?**

Angels are pure spirits with intelligence and free will (Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 330). The belief in angels is a Catholic doctrine based on Scriptural evidence. Throughout the Bible, God sends angels to announce his will, punish,



strengthen, or console. Angels also protected and ministered to Jesus during his time on earth. We are also given guardian angels to watch over us (Matthew 18:10). Finally, the Church joins in the adoration of the angels at Mass (CCC #335).



**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 \$.00, of this the Parish earned \$, **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**

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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.

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

Next week our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.

**WE WANT YOUR BOXTOPS!!**

Our Lady of Mercy School collects Box Tops year round to help support our education needs. We recently received a check in the amount \$1400.00. 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.btf.com](http://www.btf.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](mailto: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. Phone: (516)405-OHNS(0467). Email: [olmholyname@aol.com](mailto:olmholyname@aol.com) Web: [www.olmholyname.org](http://www.olmholyname.org)

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

