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, at 6:45 in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 Mass.) Classes on: Fridays, October 6, 13 and 20 or 27 (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

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To contact: pastoralcouncil@olmrcc.com

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Masses for the Week

Monday, May 22, Acts 16: 11-15/Jn 15:26---16:4 7:00 AM Mothers Day Novena 9:00 AM Angelo DeMarco Marie Elyse Dutes Georgina Soner



Tuesday, May 23, Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11 7:00 AM Agnes Page

9:00 AM Donald J. Fournier Genevieve Pancila

Jorge Rodriguez

Wednesday, May 24,

Acts 17:15,22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15 7:00 AM Thomas F. Toppin

9:00 AM Anthony C & Brian McNamee

Filomena Battista Chacko Karakottkunnel

5:00 PM Eileen Mullan Lawlor

Thursday, May 25, Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20 7:00 AM Sr. Patricia O'Connell RSM

9:00 AM George Smolen Frank Christiano

Maria Luisa Capabianco

Friday, May 26,

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

7:00 AM Sr. Patricia O'Connell RSM

9:00 AM Francis Gardner

Kathrine Tangerman Fr. Cosmos White, OSB

Saturday, May 27, Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23-28

8:00 AM Brooke Braccia (Liv)

Gerard Mayer Edward Foroe

Dario Braiuka Paul Manetta

4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday, May 28, Acts 1:12-14/1Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11

7:30 AM Bill Heenan

9:00 AM William Roth

10:30 AM Joseph Allison

12:00 PM Bridget Chajecki

5:30 PM Filomena & Umberto Orologia



Loving Memory- You Rest In Peacethe 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, Joseph Lichtenberger, Norma Motto, Denise Capponi, Joseph Vacca, Hailey Worth, Michael Dusold, George Ferrari, Charlie Mitas

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 and all homebound and in nursing homes.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME

Sabino Gelsomino—Ss Cyril & Methodius, Deer Park and Catherine Nora Taormina—OLM

THIRD TIME

Joseph Alfieri - OLM and Lucy Daszykowska -St. Kilian's Farmingdale Timothy Lyons - OLM and Kathryn Cummings -Star of the Sea Church Virginia Beach

WEEK OF MAY 21 TO MAY 27, 2017



U.C. SANCTURAY LIGHT

In Memory of Fanny & Vito DePalmo Donated By: Mary E. & Michael R. DePalmo

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In Memory of Conrad & Bing Felix Donated By: Camnze

6th Sunday of Easter

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The Spirit of Grace and Truth

Blessed are you, Lord our God,
King of the Universe,
for you have graced us with your presence
and given us your Spirit, the Spirit of Truth.
May we, who have been baptized by water and the Spirit,
receive your grace and truth, respond with hope,
and bless others with the light of your love.
And may we, anointed by the power of the Holy Spirit,
find the peace, healing, strength, and faith you give
as we accept your gifts.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



May 21, 2017 No Longer Orphans

Today's Readings: Acts 8:5–8, 14–17; Psalm 66:1–3, 4–5, 6–7, 16, 20; 1 Peter 3:15–18; John 14:15–21. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that he will not abandon them as orphans. For three years, they had followed him and trusted that he would show them the Truth. Each of the Twelve relied on Jesus to guide them, to demonstrate the best way to be good, loving, religious people. Now he tells them to demonstrate their love by keeping the Commandments. And he assures them that he will send the Advocate. He tells them that they need to trust what they already know, for within that *knowing*, they will have all that is necessary to live in God's love. Jesus was trying to teach the Apostles the hard lesson that they need to trust what they have learned and what they have been living. We, too, need to take that lesson to heart.

Today's Gospel is a bit about handing on what is in the family. Every family has a talent, an attitude, or a particular trait that appears here and there throughout the family tree. Jesus tells us today that he lives on in each of us through the Spirit. Jesus lives on through a holy attitude, a helping hand, a grateful smile. Guided by his commandments, we have the Spirit coursing through our spiritual veins, and we recognize him in others, and sometimes in ourselves. He remains with us, lives through us, and we share the life of God in those familiar and holy ways of the Spirit inherited through the sacraments.

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6th Week of Easter at Home with the Word

Monday, May 22 Our Advocate

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus refers to the Advocate as the Spirit of truth. In the First Reading, Lydia who is persistent and faithful, becomes an advocate for her household and her friends, who eventually are baptized by Paul. For whom are you an advocate? *Today's Readings: Acts 16:11–15; Psalm 149:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6a, 9b; John 15:26–16:4a*.

Tuesday, May 23 Good Works, Belief, and Baptism

The account of Paul and Silas in prison, in today's First Reading, shows the strength and faith of the disciples as they spread the Good News. Because of the imprisoned evangelizers' faith, the jailer is converted. He then cares for them and is baptized, along with his household. How does your life draw others to the faith? *Today's Readings: Acts 16:22–34; Psalm 138:1–2ab, 2cde–3, 7c–8; John 16:5–11.*

Wednesday, May 24 Dying and Rising

Too often, we accept Christ's dying and rising without recognizing its profound impact on our lives. How have you allowed your faith to transform you? Have you struggled and made it through a dark time and found new life with God's help? In this sixth week of Easter, the depth of the meaning of the Paschal Mystery may just be dawning on you. Hang on to the realization of that new meaning and allow transformation to occur. *Today's Readings: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Psalm 148:1–2, 11–12, 13, 14; John 16:12–15.*

Thursday, May 25 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." We often wonder how we are to fulfill this command from Jesus. In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis speaks of slowing down and accompanying people, allowing them to share their concerns. We can respond to others by humbly and gently sharing God's Word. *Today's Readings: Acts 1:1–11; Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9; Ephesians 1:17–23; Matthew 28:16–20.*

Thursday of the Sixth Week in Easter

In today's reading from Acts and the Gospel, the way Jesus' disciples acted before he died and rose is contrasted with how they lived afterwards. In the Gospel, Jesus' words puzzle the Apostles. In Acts, however, Paul proceeds to spread the Good News with no qualms. He knows that his faith is based in Jesus Christ. *Today's Readings: Acts 18:1–8; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 16:16–20.*

Friday, May 26 St. Philip Neri, Priest

Holiness and humor mark the life of Philip Neri (1515–1595), who frequently used lighthearted methods to emphasize a more spiritual, deeper meaning. He turned Carnival into a pilgrimage to the seven churches, complete with music, laughter, and dancing. The focus on the churches attracted so many, and the movement around the city of Rome was so exhausting, that there was no time for sinful partying. How can you use humor for holiness' sake? *Today's Readings: Acts* 18:9–18; *Psalm* 47:2–3, 4–5, 6–7; *John* 16:20–23.

Saturday, May 27 Complete Confidence in God

"If you ask anything of the Father in my name he will give it to you," Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. We often take that as an endorsement to ask for just about anything. Our prayer, however, must truly be in Jesus' name. That implies less control on every small desire we have, and more asking for the joy promised. How that joy is delivered is up to God. *Today's Readings: Acts 18:23–28; Psalm 47:2–3, 8–9, 10; John 16:23b–28*.



Our Lady of Mercy School
Faith ~ Academics ~ Service



Catholic Daughters: Many OLM students in grades 4-8 were honored on May 11th for their entries in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Education Contest. At the ceremony, which was held at St. Ignatius, the winners received certificates and cash prizes. The entries of the first place winners will now be submitted to be judged at the state level. Congratulations to all of our winners and we wish you good luck in the next phase of the contest!





First Annual Field Day: Our Lady of Mercy School will celebrate Field Day tomorrow, May 22nd. In addition to sharing in a barbecue lunch, students will participate in a variety of games. Team spirit, cooperation, good sportsmanship, and FUN will be the words of the day! The entire school, Nursery through Grade 8, will attend. Thank you to all those who have made the day possible!

Confirmation: Congratulations to the eighth grade students of Our Lady of Mercy Parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 20th. We pray that the inspired words of Bishop Perez and the graces of the Holy Spirit will guide and direct these students to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ in the years to come.





Box Tops for Education: Many of our parishioners faithfully cut out and donate Box Tops for Education labels and donate them to Our Lady of Mercy School. As a result of your consistent donations, we recently received a check for over \$1400! We are grateful for your support and ask that you continue your

Box Tops contributions! Thank you very much!



lay 19 \$100 - Eginton Family (Grade 7)

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On Stewardship Spirituality

Living

Stewardship

Accountability

Sacrificial Giving Offertory

Weekly Offering for the Fifth Sunday of Easter:

- ◆ May 14, 2017: \$17,374
- *April 24, 2016: \$16,462

A Call to Action

"Is it consistent to profess our beliefs in church on Sunday, and then during the week to promote business practices or medical procedures contrary to those beliefs? ... Any tendency to treat religion as a private matter must be resisted. Only when their faith permeates every aspect of their lives do Christians become truly open to the transforming power of the Gospel." - Pope Benedict XVI

'Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence... so that those who defame your good conduct may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, than for doing evil."—1 Peter 3:13-17

A couple years ago, a Florida teacher made the news when she told a kindergartner she was not to pray before lunch; it wasn't allowed and it wasn't good. Imagine that.

Children learn what they live, and if they live with intolerance like that, they will learn not to express and live their faith. If we want our children to grow in faith, to sanctify Christ as Lord, we must be prepared to explain—and defend—our faith. Freedom to express our faith is embedded in our country's histo-



ry. Defending our liberties is as important today as it was when our nation was founded.

Religious Freedom—A Call to Action

Pope Francis has observed that "religion [cannot] be relegated to the inner sanctum of personal life, without influence on societal and national life." We are not living our faith fully if we only live it on the inside. In the words of Pope Benedict XVI, the work of ensuring that our liberties—religious and otherwise—are respected is the work of "an engaged, articulate and wellformed Catholic laity endowed with a strong critical sense vis-à-vis the dominant culture." This is not the work of our priests and religious alone. We must be engaged—ready to explain to those who ask.

Peter's letter today reminds us that living Stewardship Spirituality is not always easy or comfortable and it never has been. In Peter's time, being a Christian meant one almost certainly would meet with persecution. But the message is just as fitting today: if we truly follow our faith, and if we live it

out in a way that others are aware of our faith, we, too, may run up against obstacles and even derision from others. Living the stewardship way of life, being willing to share and to reach out to others is not something which is necessarily understood nor valued by our society. Peter makes it clear that we must be prepared to defend our faith, our reason for hope, "but do it with gentleness and reverence." But, do it, that's the key!

If religious freedom is not properly understood, all people suffer and are deprived of the essential contribution to the common good, whether in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services that individuals make every day, in our communities and our world.

~Email us at SerenaOnStewardship@gmail.com for more on Stewardship!

Parish Services

Serving with Mercy

Mary Anne Scott

Thank You

Thank you to the men of the Our Lady of Mercy Joseph F. Lamb Knights of Columbus for their very generous donation of \$250. This donation will assist us in continuing to meet the emergency needs of families and individuals in our community. We are very grateful for the support of the Knights who are *Serving with Mercy* every week in our parish not only with their financial donations but their many hours of volunteer service.

Reduce Your Utility Bills

REAP (Residential Energy Affordability Partnership) is a PSEG LI program designed to save energy and reduce electric bills. A REAP technician will conduct a free home energy audit of your electric appliances, lighting and heating system and other electric energy consuming equipment to determine how energy efficient they are. Based upon the evaluation, the technician may recommend energy-saving steps you can take and may install at no cost high-efficiency CFL bulbs, electric water heater pipe insulation, energy-efficient water flow devices and depending on the energy efficiency of the homeowner's current appliances may provide a free refrigerator, dehumidifier and up to 2 window air conditioners. Customers with central air conditioning may also get air sealing and duct cleaning and duct insulation.

To be eligible for REAP, you must have a PSEG account in your name, own or rent your house which is your primary residence and meet the following income guidelines:

1 person-\$52,038 2 people-\$59,472 3 people-\$66,906 4 people-\$74,340 5 people-\$80,287 **Call 1-800-263-6786 to request a REAP energy audit.**

HEAT (Home Energy Affordability Team) is a new National Grid program for income qualified households to assess their energy use and inspect gas appliances and heating systems to evaluate energy efficiency. Based upon the assessment, National Grid may install at no cost a programmable or Wifi thermostat, CO detectors, pipe insulation and water heater insulation blankets (gas hot water) and water aerators and showerheads (gas hot water).

To be eligible for HEAT, you must have a National Grid account in your name, be the homeowner or tenant and meet the following income guidelines:

1 person-\$27,597 2 people-\$36,088 3 people-\$44,580 4 people-\$53,071 5 people-\$61,562 Call 1-844-375-4328 to request a HEAT assessment.

Food Pantry will be <u>closed</u> Ascension <u>Thursday, May 25</u>. Pantry is <u>open Sat., May 27</u> 9:30-11:30am.

Food Pantry Needs: Toilet paper, soap (bars), cereal, and tuna. Thank you!

Parish Services

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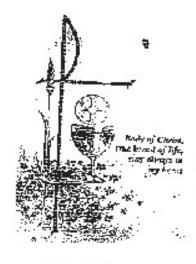
Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:30AM-12:00PM, 1:00-4:30PM
Pantry Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-3:30PM
Wednesday & Friday 9:30-11:30AM
Last Saturday of month 9:30-11:30AM—call to confirm date

Presider's Schedule for Weekend of May 27th – 28th, 2017

Presider Mass Time: Fr. Steve P. 4:30 PM

Fr. Nasir G. 7:30 AM

Fr. P. Grace 9:00 AM Fr. P. Grace 10:30 AM Fr. Steve P. 12:00 Noon Fr. Nasir G. 5:30 PM



My First Holy Communion



The Parish Family of Our Lady of Mercy congratulates the following children who received their First Holy Communion, May 6th, or 7th or May 13th or 14th. The children would like you to know that you, the Parishioners of Our Lady were remembered in a special way on their big day. May the joy that they experienced on this special day always remain with them throughout their lives.

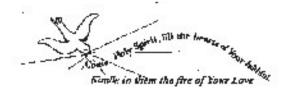
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Most Reverend Nelson Perez will administer the Sucrament of Confirmation to the young people of our parish on Saturday, May 20th at 11:00 AM. We join our prayers with theirs and ask for the gifts of Pentecost. We look to our candidates for Confirmation for their gifts of courage and strength, goodness and leadership.

The Confirmandi

Tryon Aristofle Ariana Bartnick Silvana Bartolotta Emity Beckner Nicholas Bell Jack Berardi Andrew Borum Alexa Buffolina Kelly Carbone Gina Casale Evan Cohen Sabrina Colon Erla Connolly Erin Conte Kerri Conte Liam Conte Lauren Czubakowski Juliauna Decker Ashley Delloiacono Banchlee Dieudonne Kevin Donohue Kayla Doughty Margaret Dayle Isabella Fllagrassi Jakeline Flores Christian Pries

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May	25, - \$25.00	Christine Koopman	Hicksville
May	26, - \$25.00	M/M J. McCaley	Plainview
May	27, - \$25.00	Camille Iavarone	Plainview

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.



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SUPER BONANZA CONTINUES FOR 2017

If you need more cards you can find them in the plastic racks in the Church or you can pick them up in the Rectory.

Thank you and Good Luck.



The Parish Family of Our Lady of Mercy Mr. Ralph Colon



as he is ordained by the Most Rev. John O.

Barres, Bishop of Rockville Centre

to the

Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of Rockville Centre

June 3, 2017, at St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY

Please join us in Congratulating Ralph and his family

at a Mass of Thanksgiving Sunday, June 4th, 2017, at Noon here at Our Lady of Mercy

Refreshments will be served following the Mass in Our Lady's Meeting Room

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.btfe.com THANK YOU!









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 CERTIFI-CATES may be purchased in the rectory during the week at regular office hours. Sales this past week were \$300.00, of this the Parish earned \$15.00, 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: 5-15-2017

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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 is 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.



CATHOLICISM

On Wednesday May 24th at 7:30PM in the basement of the rectory there will be a movie about St. Catherine of Serina.

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Saint John the Baptist DHS is offering a Prep Course to prepare students for the Catholic High School Entrance Exam. We will run five 2 ½ hour sessions beginning in September. This year we are also offering a Test Taking Strategies Class the Friday evening before the exam. For additional information please visit www.stjohnthebaptistdhs.net or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117.

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 Holidaylill

*Classes meet from 10-11:30
*Indoor (A/C) and outdoor play areas
*Cost is \$50—<u>sibling discount</u> (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!!!!!





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Robert Gordon

Champion for Life Dinner \$2,500 Embroidered Hole Flag, and Full Color Prominent Signage In Club House

Clergy Dinner Sponsor \$1,000 Embroidered Hole Flag, and Full Color Prominent Signage In Club House

Cocktail Party Sponsor \$1,000
Embroidered Hole Flag, and Full Color Prominent Signage
In Club House

Maurice Fasano "Mangia" Lunch \$1,000 Embroidered Hole Flag, and Full Color Prominent Signage at the Barbecue Lunch

Event Sponsorships \$500 Embroidered Hole Flag, and Full Color Prominent Signage.

List of events: (select one)

____Brunch _____ Registration Table _____ Driving Range

____Beverage Cart _____Hole In One Prize

____ Putting Contest ____ Goody Bag

Hole Sponsorship \$250 Embroidered Hole Flag, and Golf Ball Hole Sign

Tee Sponsorship \$125 Golf Ball Tee Sign

PLAY GOLF / DINNER GUEST

Individual Player(s)#____@ \$185 =___ Include Calf, Intelfant, Lunch, Bertrayes on Course, Cechnal Petry and Disner

Cocktail Party &

Dinner # ____@ \$50 =____

SPONSORSHIP

I would like to support Our Lady of Mercy by sponsoring (enter sponsorship type here):

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PRIZES AND DONATIONS

Please check one if applica

I would like to make a prize donation.

Please contact me at:

____I am unable to attend but enclosed is my donation of \$

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Enclosed is my payment of \$

Please make check payable to: Our Lady of Mercy Holy Name Society or provide credit card information below:

VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER

Credit Card # Expiration Date _____ Coo

Signature_____

I authorize Our Lady of Mercy Holy Name Society to charge my credit card for the above checked amounts

God bless you for supporting Our Lady of Mercy!



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, <u>JUSTKKAUZE@AOL.COM</u> 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 Web: 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, or Kevin McAvoy, Deputy Grand Knight at 516/996-3489

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.

