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.

FÓCCUS: 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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Joseph Vacca (Trustee)
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Convent Cook

Susan Bennett



Masses for the Week

Monday October 30, Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17



7:00 AM Vincent Ingino 9:00 AM Ines Aida Unapanta Chiarn Furgiuele

Tuesday October 31, Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

7:00 AM Amilio Fornino 9:00 AM Christopher Sayers 5:00 PM Michael T. DePalmo

Wednesday November 1, (All Saints Day) Rv 7:2-4,9-14/1Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12 Memorial Masses

7:00 AM 9:00 AM Pace Family 12:00 PM Edward O'Brien 7:30 PM Christopher Sayers

Thursday November 2, Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40

7:00 AM All Souls Novena 9:00 AM Dec. Mem. Legion of Mary

Parish Memorial Mass7:30 PM Deceased Members of OLM

Friday November 3, Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

7:00 AM All Souls Novena 9:00 AM Julia & Philip Giglio Frank Esposito Yolande R. Malebranche

Saturday November 4, Rom 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1,7-11

8:00 AM All Souls Novena Carmelo Monoada David Braccia (Liv) Edward Gagliardo (Liv) Maria Kontonis Crumb

4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday November 5, Mal 1:14—2:2,8-10,/1Thes 2:7-9,13/Mt23:1-12

7:30 AM All Souls Novena 9:00 AM Hermann Connors 10:30 AM Jeahann Riley 12:00 PM Sciarrino & Felice Fam 4:00 PM Urdu Mass 5:30 PM Dorothy & Vincent Brewi



Loving Memory– Rest In Peace— Concetta R. Roberti, Albert Conti, James Chapman

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, Jeannine Margiotta, Joan Chwalisz, Meghan Roach, Ginny Collins, Diane Ayers, (4year old Louis Mendez), Pat Collins, LT. Peter J. Clarke, Samuel Snee, Martin Sinkel, Arlene Reynolds, Michael Colella Jr., Joseph Mistron, Ada Serravalle, Robert Ricchuiti, Jane Brendel

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, Constance Naumann, James Fox, Kevin Asher, and all homebound and in nursing homes.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

SECOND TIME

Emanuel Bodgn and Angie Hurtado both of St. Bartholomew, Elmhurst

THIRD TIME

Anthony Maniscalco of Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip, and Julia Jones of Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville

Brandon Conway of St. Barnabas, Bellmore, and Caitlin Sikorski of Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville John Matthew Moran of St Ignatius, Hicksville, and Lauren Di Gregorio of Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville

WEEK OF OCT 29th TO Nov 4, 2017



Bread & Wine In Memory of Saccardi Family Donated By: Saccardi Family

U.C. Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of Kelly Quinn Donated By: Quinn Family



L.C. Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Anna & Giovanni Paolilli
Donated By:
Mr. & Mrs. Schiano & Fam.

On Stewardship Spirituality

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STEWARDSHIP

Accountability

Sacrificial Giving Offertory

Weekly Offering for:

- + Oct. 22, 2017: \$13,687
- Oct. 23, 2016: \$14,435

Mission Sunday:

- **◆** 2017: \$3,301
- **2016: \$3,460**

Thank you for your Generous Response to His Call.

Behold, I have prepared my banquet...and everything is ready; come to the feast.

Belong More Deeply

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

Take a Step in Faith

blessed us abundantly—all that we are and all that we have comes from Him—therefore it is our obligation to return and show Him just what we are able to do with that which He has blessed us.

Giving of our time, talent and treasure is not just a nice thing to do, it is our responsibility. God has

—Matthew 22:37-39

Being a Steward—Why it Matters

neighbor as yourself"

Why the Stewardship Spirituality Lifestyle is so important to the Catholic Disciple

Understanding of Stewardship Spirituality is vitally important to us as Catholic disciples today because it helps us as disciples, families and communities better understand what it means to follow Jesus in an affluent, consumer culture, and it establishes an appropriate, scriptural basis for responding to the Church's growing need for human, physical and financial resources.

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. And you shall love your

Stewardship spirituality involves a lifelong process of study, reflection, prayer and *action*. To make it a way of life requires a change of heart and a new understanding of what it means to follow Jesus without counting the cost. This conversion of mind and heart will not happen overnight, but, as always, with the help of the Holy Spirit. Those families who embrace the theology and practice of Stewardship Spirituality see a change of attitude and more fully develop as disciples.

What does a Catholic Steward Look Like?

- •Catholic Stewards take care of the world around us, including embracing the social teachings of the Church.
- •We work as partners with God in the redemption of the world.
- •We respect human life and dignity.
- •We protect the natural environment.
- •We share our gifts of time, talent and treasure with others.
- •We communicate our enthusiasm.

Time, talent and treasure means giving our entire self to Christ and his mission—not just a part of our life. Discipleship is a call to embrace the whole being and action into the work God has called us to accomplish. *-from Stewardship Simply Explained*

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

Your beliefs don't make you a better person...



Your Behavior does



Our Lady of Mercy School
Faith ~ Academics ~ Service





All Hallow's Eve: If you happen to pass by Our Lady of Mercy School on Halloween and you think you see ghosts and superheroes entering the building, it just might be some of our Nursery - Grade 3 students arriving in their Halloween costumes! And our older students in grades 4-8

know that it's never to early to start thinking about a future career. Keeping that in mind, they might arrive as app developers, social media managers, driverless car engineers, drone operators, or chief listening officers! Times and jobs are developing, and education here at Mercy is keeping pace!

We Need Saints: We need saints without cassocks, without veils; we need saints with jeans and tennis shoes. We need saints that go to the movies, that listen to music, that hang out with their friends. We need saints that place God in first place ahead of succeeding in any career. We need saints that look for



time to pray every day and who know how to be in love with purity, chastity, and all good things. We need saints—saints for the 21st century with a spirituality appropriate to our new time. We need saints that have a commitment to helping the poor and to make the needed social change. We need saints to live in the world, to sanctify the world and to not be afraid of living in the world by their presence in it. We need saints that drink Coco-Cola, that eat hot dogs, that surf the internet and that listen to their iPods. We need saints that love the Eucharist, that are not afraid or embarrassed to eat a pizza with their friends. We need saints who love the movies, dance, sports, and theater. We need saints that are open sociable normal happy companions. We need saints who are in this world and who know how to enjoy the best in this world without being callous or mundane. (Taken from Franciscan Mission Service) Qualified applicants allow God to work with them and through them.

TGIF Winners October 27: \$100 - Pawlowski Family (Parishioners)

\$75 - Pascullo Family (Nursery & Pre-Kindergarten)

\$50 - Freiberg Family (Parishioners)

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

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

Parish Services

Serving with Mercy

Mary Anne Scott

As Respect Life Month comes to an end we pray:

For those deprived of their human needs and their human rights: that they may be given dignity which God confers on all His people.

For all who are forgotten or thrown away, and especially for the poor, the sick and the aged: that God might change our hearts and move us to love them as the image of Christ.

For all who are lonely or afraid, for the teenagers on the street, old people in nursing homes, prisoners with no one to visit them, and all whom the world has forgotten: that Christ might lead us to them.

For all who are forgotten or cast off: that we might value each human life, as a precious gift from God. For those who are mentally disabled: that we might cherish the gifts God has given them, and in their lives hear the voice of our loving God. We pray to the Lord.

Halloween Candy Collection

If fewer trick-or-treaters come to your door on Halloween and you are left with extra candy or your children collect more candy than they want, please donate your excess wrapped candy to our food pantry. Just place the bags in our food collection bins. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Plans

We are preparing our list of people in need who will receive assistance this Thanksgiving. If you know of anyone who needs help at the holidays, suggest that they call Parish Services at 931-1306 or call us with a confidential referral. A referral can also be made to the parish St. Vincent DePaul Conference by leaving a message at 931-4351 x326.

The students in our school and religious education program as well as all parishioners are asked to help provide for families we serve by donating non-perishable holiday foods, turkeys or supermarket certificates.

Please have Thanksgiving donations in as soon as possible to allow us time to prepare for Thanksgiving distributions which will take place starting November 14.

Student Service Opportunities for Confirmation Service Hours

A few student volunteers are needed to help with holiday projects on the following days:

Sat., Nov. 18 at 9:30am to help carry Thanksgiving boxes and turkeys to cars

Fri., Nov. 24 at 10am to help set up the three Giving Trees at the church entrances

Sat., Dec. 16 at 9:30am to help carry Christmas food boxes up to cars

The students do not go on any deliveries & do not leave the church property.

Call Parish Services at 931-1306 if you want to volunteer.

Food Pantry needs: Pancake mix, crackers (Ritz or saltine type) and non-perishable Thanksgiving foods. Thank you.

Parish Services 931-1306

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:30AM-12:00PM, 1:00-4:30PM
Pantry Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-3:30PM
Wednesday & Friday 9:30-11:30AM

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



COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED "We have loved them in life; let us not forget them in death."

2017

The names of our beloved deceased members of the parish family, who have been called to their reward, are listed below. We recommend them to your prayers during the month of November.

Remembrance of Our Beloved Dead

Dolores Machin Delgado Isaias Cesar Delgado Ferdinand Vevante II

Isaias Cesar Delgado
Ferdinand Vevante II
John P. Russo
Mildred Crema
Theresa Tisdell
Viola F. Harvey
William C. Game
Thomas F. Toppin
Hannah Lynott
Cathy Gallagher
Carl Mistron
Fred E. Schneider
Robert F. Roberti
Lena Esposito
Peter J. Antonelli

Peter J. Antonelli Javier Valencia Donald P. Faber Anna Giannuzzi Gloria M. Corbett Joseph Lucchese Wilma Kuehne Georgette A. Coffey Marie Liguori

Grace M. Truitt Lomauro

Paul Manetta Mary A. Masone Robert E. O'Neill Frank P. Cifarelli Janina Szubka Guiseppina Palmieri Jean Venditto

Jean Venditto
William T. Heenan
Josephing L. Prokopek
Angelo C. Licata
Edith Ialeggio
Lisa M. Pirrung
Myra F. Mandolese
Antonina Amato
Richard Villani
Maria Testoriero

Concetta DeVito

Christine Donohue
Florence Barbara Palmiter
Sr. Mary Patricia O'Connell

Francis Blank Anthony Cecco Sr. Katherine Anne Hansen

Irma Imberi Thomas J. Pepe Janey Peisker Hans Fasselt

Mary Lou Haggerty Maria Hoenigmann Eduardo Ramirez

James Sarle Margaret M. Carr

Matthew Andrew Stucchio

Rosaria Labita Catherine Fehling Steven T. Pepe

Joseph G. Lichtenberger

Gaetano Leone

Edward Francis Moran Richard A. Guttler Dolores I. Chiarello Nancy Mary Fennell Stanley B. Kwiat Leopold Zyszkowski Carol ringwald

Ana C. Solis

Margaret McCarthy Nicoletta Pertusiello Maria Cusicanqui

Joshua A. H. Losardo Jr.

Rosemarie Tully Dorothy Duffy Eileen O'Shea Lidia Iaboni

Edward Joseph Tiffany

Ada Azua

Lucretia Imparato John F. Agnoli Maria N. Lyons Olivia Mannion
Lucy Terriaca
Michael Elefante
Frances Mekalainas
Concetta Amoroso
Jane A. Abruzzo
Mary Verdi
Barbara C. Rosina
Emily Romano
Carol Taaffe
Edward G. Bauer
Thomas S. Mistretta
James J. Sweeney Jr.

Ann Iovino

James Guarnaccio Howard Von Gerichten

Mary Cinarella

Christopher N. Sayers

Joan King

Jean L. Mouscardy Concetta R. Roberti James Chapman

Your departed look to you for help. Although helpless to help themselves, they can Assist you. Whatever you do for them will be returned to you a hundredfold.

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. <u>Drop by any time</u> 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).

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:

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



World Apostolate of Fatima
USA OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY
Announces the arrival in the
Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY

The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue
November 5 - November 20, 2017

ST. FRANCES DE CHANTAL 1309 Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY Saturday, November 11, 2017 @ 7:30 PM

Join the parish in prayer and devotion for the world. Rosary, Message of Fatima and Veneration of Statue

For more information, contact: Linda Pascale (516) 729-5233

Come Celebrate!
World apostolate of Fatima USA
OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY
THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STTUE OF
OUR LADY OF FATIMA
IS COMING TO
ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA PARISH!
Wednesday, November 8, 2017
4:00pm - 7:00pm

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS, DIVORCED AND SINGLE CATHOLICS OF LONG ISLAND
OUR 41st YEAR

OUR 41St TEAR

NASSUU COUNTY CHAPTER NO1

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PUBLICITY COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

CHAIRPERSON-DONNA CONROY

516-867-1481

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

NON-DENOMINATION-ALL ARE WELCOME

*****WEDNESDAY Nov 22nd @7:30PM****

THE MEETING IS HELD EVERY 4th WEDNESDAY AT ST. FRANCES DE CHANTAL SCHOOL 1309 WANTAGH AVE. IN WANTAGH YORK

BRING PROOF OF SINGLE STATUS TO JOIN REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER MEETING

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL CAROL@ 516-794-4933

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land May 16-25, 2018

Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty members:
Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ and Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM
For a detailed brochure call Sister Grace at
631-654-0199 or e-mail
growland@sjcny.edu



SUPER BONANZA WINNERS 2017 OUR LADY OF MERCY

We are pleased to announce the following winners:



Oct	22, - \$25.00	Matthew Tedesco	New York
Oct	23, - \$25.00	Diane Muoio	Plainview
Oct	24, - \$25.00	Joseph Colacino	Bethpage
Oct	25, - \$25.00	Debra Gaglioti	Haddon Heights, NJ
Oct	26, - \$25.00	Tony & Faith Bentivegna	Hicksville
Oct	27, - \$25.00	Maureen Ryan	Sayville
Oct	28, - \$25.00	Joan Moldovan	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!

Diocese of Rockville Centre Day of Prayer and Healing for Women

The Day of Prayer and Healing for Women is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God in a safe and sacred space. The day is directed by faithful priests who have a sensitivity and a heart for those who suffer.

Saturday, December 9, 2017 Long Island Location For more information visit: respectlife.drvc.org To register contact: Project Rachel 1-888-456-4673 | projectrachel@drvc.org

All reservations and information will remain confidential.





Clove Creek Dinner Theater Hudson Valley Towne Center 18 Westage Business Center Drive, Suite 7 Fishkill, NY 12524

TICKETS:

Adults: \$70 Seniors \$65 Groups of 10+: \$60 Groups of 20+: \$60 + 2 FREE ! All beverages sold separately | Menu changes with each production

Show Times:

Thursday, Friday, Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 1:00pm Call the Box Office for matinee dates and times.

Tour Groups Only
Groups of 40+: \$45 (plus tip & tax)
Plus 2 Complimentary Tickets and Unlimited Non-Alcoholic Beverages Matinees Available Sundays & Last Thursday Each Month Ample Parking for Buses & Numerous Hotels in the Vicinity

Ask us about Fundraising Events for your Non-Profit Organization!!!



www.**CloveCreekDinnerTheater**.com



Look for these productions in 2018!

They're Playing Our Song Jan 4-21, 2018 & Feb 1-18, 2018 with Matinees on 1/25 and 2/22 Written by Neil Simon Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French

Getting Sara Married Mar 1 - 18, 2018 & April 5 - 22, 2018 with Matinees on 3/22 and 4/26
Written by Sam Bobrick
Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French

Leading Ladies

May 3 - 20, 2018 & May 31 - June 17, 2018 with Matinees on 5/24 and 6/21 Written by Ken Ludwig Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French

Brighton Beach Memoirs July 5 - 22, 2018 & Aug 2 - 19, 2018 with Matinee on 7/26 and 8/23 Written by Neil Simon Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French

The Butler Did It

Sept 6 - 23, 2018 & Oct 4 - 21, 2018 with Matinees on 9/27 and 10/25 Written by Walter Marks and Peter Marks Presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

A 1940's Radio Christmas Carol Nov 1 - 18, 2018 & Nov 29 - Dec 16, 2018 Written by Walton Jones Presented by special arrangement with Samuel French

* Shows and or schedule subject to change. Please visit our website or contact the Box Office to confirm shows, dates and for information on our Murder Mysteries, Dinner Dances & our annual New Years' Celebration



PART TIME SACRISTAN/MAINTENANCE PERSON NEEDED.

Knowledge of Catholic traditions & ceremonies. Being an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion is a plus (will train). Knowledge of electric, painting, plumbing, carpentry, repair/maintenance of fans, vacuums, snow blowers etc. Overall knowledge of facility and its workings. Approximately 15 hours a week. Please Contact Tony Condron or Fr. James Stachacz at St. Ignatius Loyola, 129 Broadway, Hicksville, NY 516-931-0056

Online

VENDORS WANTED for the Our Lady of Mercy Christmas Boutique being held at Our Lady of Mercy School 520 South Oyster Bay Road Hicksville, NY 11801 on Sunday, November 19th from 10:00 am- 5:00 pm Interested vendors please contact Alison Cesare 516-376-2187 call or text a.cesare@aol.com







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Prize "A"		Prize "B"	Prize "C"
Amazon Echo		Coach Brown	Go Pro Camera &
(value \$190)		Large Derby Tote	Accessories
		(value \$350)	(value \$275)
Prize "D"		Prize "E"	Prize "F"
Martha Clara Vineyard		Myrtle Beach Get Away	Over Night Stay with
Private Wine Tastin	g	3 Nights/4 Days	Breakfast for 2 at
1 Night at Hotel Ind	igo	Ocean Reef Resort	Viana Hotel and Spa
(value \$400)			(value \$250)
Prize "G"		Prize "H"	Prize "I"
Coach Blue		Apple Watch	Radio City
Large Derby Tote		(value \$300)	Christmas Spectacula
(value \$350)			4 Tickets
Prize "J"		Prize "K"	Prize "L"
Kellenberg HS		Hoops 101	Holy Trinity
Summer Sports Camp		Summer Sports Camp	Summer Sports Camp
& Pride Package		(value \$300)	& Pride Package
(value \$300)			(value \$300)
Please include cash or ch	necks payable to "O	ur Lady of Mercy" and return to	o school by November 6 th to Eileen Lino.
Prize "A" x	Prize "B" x	Prize "C" x	Prize "D" x
Prize "E" x	Prize "F" x	Prize "G" x	
Prize "I" x		Prize "K" x	
Total Enclosed \$			
Name:	Telephone:		
Child's Name and Gr	ade		

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.

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!



The Gospel of Mark: Revealing the Mystery of Jesus

This Bible Study course continues with the Gospel According to Mark. It combines instruction with prayer enabling the student to grow in both knowledge and spirit. The goal is to help provide personal connections with Scripture at a time when the Bible may seem to be an ancient document lacking contemporary relevance.

Instructor: Louis Mocci (n32456@verizon.net).

Admission is free. Classes will meet on **Tuesday** evenings from 7:30 pm to 9:15 pm in the Convent Basement beginning **October 17** and continuing throughout Advent. If you are interested, simply attend the first class meeting. Thank you.







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.

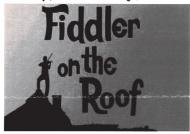
ALL ITEMS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH OUR "PARISH OUTREACH SERVICES"

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

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

St. Edward's Parish & Plaza Productions

are pleased to present the Tony Award Winning Musical



Saturday, November 4th at 7 pm St. Edward's Auditorium

205 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, NY 11791 Adults: \$15.00 Seniors (over 65) \$12.00 Children (under 12) \$6.00 For ticket information call 516.921.8030 ext 143

STEWARDSHIP ACCOUNTABILITY OCTOBER 22nd, 2017 = \$13687.00 World Mission = \$3301.00

Growing in Faith™

November 2017 Page 2

God loves us as we are

Most of us care about how we come across to other people. Choices about how we live, work, or dress can be influenced by a desire for others' approval. While it is only human to want to be liked, it's important to remember that God's opinion matters most. The best part? God always loves us.

His love never changes. Human standards change over time. Someone considered "in" today, can be "out" in no time. God's love is unchanging and unending.

Friends come and go. Sooner or later,

friendships change or friends may move on. But Jesus said, "... behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). God never leaves.

He loves us for who we really are. There's nothing God doesn't know about us, and he adores us anyway. Go figure.

If God likes you, others may, too. To please God, we have to fill ourselves with love for him and other people, and that makes us even nicer to be around.



Matthew 25:31-46, Judged on love

In this Gospel reading, Jesus describes the coming of the Son of Man, that is, his glorious return on the last day. Jesus

will appear at the end of time as the King of the Nations and the Judge of History. Everyone who has ever lived, from the first to the last, from the greatest to the least, will stand before Christ. All of us will be judged on how we loved, especially how we loved those who suffered among us.

The specific criteria for judgment is the basis for the Seven Corporal Works of Mercy,

which are: feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked and welcome the stranger, care for

the sick and imprisoned, and bury the dead.

In the end, we will be judged on our response to the suffering of others. Do we, like the "blessed," respond with compassion and

mercy? Or do we, like the others, turn a blind eye and do nothing? The goal is to see Christ in others and to minister to their needs as he did.



Nov. 1 – All Saints Day – a Holy Day of Obligation. In the early Church, there was a desire to celebrate saints and martyrs by assigning each a feast day. However, the Christian persecutions were so horrible that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Pope Gregory IV designated Nov.1 as All Saints Day.

Nov. 14 – St. Lawrence O'Toole (1180). St. Lawrence was born in County Kildare, Ireland. When he was twelve, he was dedicated to God's service. St. Lawrence became Dublin's

second archbishop and a papal legate. He was canonized in 1225.

Nov. 16 – St. Margaret of Scotland (1093). Queen Margaret of Scotland was dedicated to caring for the poor. She washed beggars' feet and gave them alms. She fed orphans and destitute adults before eating her own meals.

Nov. 26 – Solemnity of Christ the King. God promised his people a king who would triumph over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under his kingship.

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What are indulgences?

An indulgence is "the remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven" (Catechism of the Catholic Church). In other words, after certain conditions have been met, the Church prays that the punishment for one's sins – either on Earth or in Purgatory – will be reduced or eliminated.

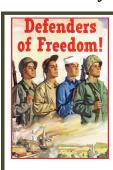
Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross and the prayers and good works of the saints during their lifetimes make indulgences possible. The Catechism compares this idea to something like an infinite bank account. The Church draws from the "treasury" of spiritual goods – prayers and sacrifices – of the saints and applies the benefits to those completing the indulgence (CCC #1476). To gain an indulgence, certain requirements must be met, including attending Confession, receiving Holy Communion and praying for the intentions of the pope.

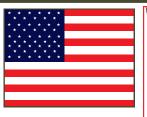
Indulgences are only effective for sins that have already been forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. Otherwise, we could be in danger of presuming on God's mercy or assuming God's forgiveness without true contrition.

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PRAYER FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

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

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Organizations

Music Ministries

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

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

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

OLM Rock Group: Meets Monday evenings from 8:00 to 10:00 PM in the Upper Church.

Parish Organizations

Angels of Mercy: Meet every third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in Our Lady's Chapel with refreshments served. Corporate Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM, For more information please e-mail, (justkkauze@aol.com) or call Angela Manzi at (516) 938-8106.

Hicksville/OLM Senior Club: Meets on Mondays from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM 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: Our Lady of Mercy Joseph F. Lamb Council # 5723, 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 Tuesday morning 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, in the lower church.

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 at 516) 933-8143. Eucharistic Adoration is conducted the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

CYO Youth Council for Parish Sports. 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: 7:00-8:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

Our Own Group: Tom Liguori (516) 770-7562

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

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

Al-Anon:

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

Emotions Anonymous: Sandy Goodman (516) 492-6003, Meeting on Thursdays at 8:00 to 10:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

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

Parish website address www.ourladyofmercy.org

