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

### The Celebration of the Sacraments

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 PM and Offered on the Eve of Holydays 4:00-4:45 PM in the Church.

Anytime by appointment, please call the Rectory and speak with a priest.

#### On Becoming A Catholic

R.C.I.A. Welcomes those interested in becoming a Catholic and/or anyone seeking to further their knowledge in the Catholic Faith. Please leave your name and telephone number at the Rectory Office, (516) 931-4351.

**Parish Membership** 

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

### Sacrament of Baptism

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

## **Sacrament of Matrimony**

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

**Marriage Preparation Program at OLM** 

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

FOCCUS: Sunday September 24, 2017 at 6:45 PM in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 PM Mass.) Classes on: Fridays, October 6, 13 and 20 or 27, 2017 (in home of lead couples) Mass: October 29 at Noon with small reception in Our Lady's Chapel Meeting Room. Early spring weekend program: Focus administered: Sunday, March 4, at 6:45 PM in the Rectory Basement (after the 5:30 Mass.) Classes: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, March 9,10 and 11, 2018, in Our Lady's Chapel Meeting Room.

### **Sacrament of Anointing the Sick**

The Sacrament for people experiencing an illness as well as the elderly can be arranged by contacting one of the priests or at any time in an emergency. The Sacrament is also celebrated communally during the year, and on the 2nd Saturday each month after the 8:00 AM Mass.

### Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

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

### Parish Finance Committee

John Beaudette (Chairperson)
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Joseph Vacca (Trustee)
Carmine Serravalli (Business Mgr.)
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David Mullan Jen Chapman

Rectory Cook
Michelina Gambale

#### **Convent Cook**

Susan Bennett



## Masses for the Week

Monday September 25, Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18

7:00 AM Irene Page 9:00 AM Parishioners of OLM Past & Present Fiorigio Trimarco

Tuesday September 26,

Ezr 6:7-8, 12, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21 7:00 AM Joseph Adduci (1stAnn) 9:00 AM Frank & Margaret Burzotta Robert J. Long

**Wednesday September 27,** Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 7:00 AM Eileen Mullan Lawlor (1st Ann) 9:00 AM Frank Drew Christine Henry

Thursday September 28, Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9

7:00 AM Warren (Dec) & Rosemary (Liv) Barrow 9:00 AM JeanGagliardo

Friday September 29,

Dn 7:9-10,13-14/Jn 1:47-51 7:00 AM John Cherniawsky 9:00 AM Louis & Katharine Finn Anthony Libardi

Saturday September 30,

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15/Lk 9:43-45 8:00 AM Salvatore Zabation Ken Bollmann Kathy Gramaldi Leonard Beaumont Leila Hanna

4:30 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday October 1,

Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11/Mt 21:28-32 7:30 AM Dorothy T. Rimble 9:00 AM Victor & Edith Ialeggio 10:30 AM Theresa Tisdell 12:00 PM Joseph Adduci (1st Ann) 4:00 PM URDU 5:30 PM Ruth D'Angelo

Loving Memory- Rest In Peace the unborn and the victims of natural disasters throughout our country and the

world.

Remember Our Sick: Marge Heenan, Thomas Dunleavy, Joseph Vacca, Arlene Unverzagt, Fred Jablonowski, Norma Vuturo, Jeannine Margiotta, John Lagattuta, Patricia Lombardi, Joan Chwalisc, James Madden, Christine Henry, Jani Farlow, Sr. Marjorie McHugh

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



#### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

## **SECOND TIME**

Harry J. Brady III of OLM, Hicksville and Caitlyn C. O'Neill of OLM, Hicksville

## **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Weekly Offering For: September 17th, 2017

\$15,266.00

### WEEK OF SEPT 24TH TO SEPT 30TH, 2017



**U.C. Sanctuary Lamp** In Memory of Joseph Troiano **Donated By: Owsinski Family** 

L.C. Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of Lauretta Fournier **Donated By: Summa Family** 



Our Lady of Mercy School Faith ~ Academics ~ Service



## A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words: Students and Teachers Eager to Return to OLM!













9/11 - A Day of Remembrance: The students began the day with the entire school praying for peace and for all those who lost their lives on 9/11. Moments of silence were observed at the times of each tragedy, and as part of their Social Studies lesson for the day, students in

the fifth grades placed American flags in the prayer garden.

Feast of Our Lady of Mercy: September 24th is the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy. To participate in a celebration of this special day, the school will be attending the 9:00 AM Mass on Monday, September 25th. We invite everyone to join with us at this liturgy.





September 22: \$100 - Cenatiempo Family (Grade 3)

\$75 - Doucette Family (Grades 5 and 8)

\$50 - Wawrzynski Family (Grades 7 and 8)

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** 

So many terrible things happen every day that we start wondering whether the few things we do ourselves make any sense. When people are starving only a few thousand miles away, when wars are raging close to our borders, when countless people in our own cities have no homes to live in, our own activities look futile. Such considerations, however, can paralyze us and depress us.

Here the word <u>call</u> becomes important. We are not called to save the world, solve all problems, and help all people. But we each have our own unique call, in our families, in our work, in our world. We have to keep asking God to help us see clearly what our call is and give us the strength to live out that call with trust. Then we will discover that our faithfulness to a small task is the most healing response to the illnesses of our time.

From Bread for the Journey by Henri J.M. Nouwen.

## 2017 School Supply Collection Report

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners and community including the members of the Galileo Galilei Lodge of the Sons of Italy, 70 students served by Our Lady of Mercy Parish Services received the supplies they needed to start the new school year.

Donations received included:

136 marble notebooks 77 spiral notebooks 60 new & used binders 185 folders 50 pkg paper 51 pkg markers 105 pkg pencils 206 glue sticks 32 bottles of glue 40 pkg colored pencils 47 sharpeners 103 erasers 64 boxes crayons 53 pkg pens 102 highlighters 35 pkg index cards 80 rulers 32 pencil cases 91 sharpies 28 pkg dividers 39 pairs scissors 2 calculators 2 compasses 3 protractors 4 white out 29 dry erase markers 13 pkg post its 1 pkg graph paper 2 lunchboxes 17 new & used backpacks

4 pkg construction paper 2 pkg printer paper misc. tape, paper clips, staples, etc.

With donations received throughout the year, \$25 Target and Staples gift certificates were purchased from the OLM School fundraising program allowing us to distribute \$1,475 in gift certificates to the students for additional needed supplies. On behalf of the grateful students and their parents, thank you very much for continuing to *Serve with Mercy*.

#### **Bereavement Support Group**

First meeting this Thursday, September 28 at 3pm Lower Church Meeting Room Call 931-1306 for information or to register.

\*\*Food Pantry will be open this Sat., Sept. 30 from 9:30-11:30am.\*\*

Food Pantry needs: Pasta, tuna, and toilet paper.

Thank you for helping to keep our food pantry well-stocked.

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

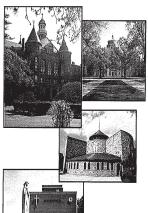
Last Saturday of month 9:30-11:30AM—call to confirm date

## ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY & COLLEGE MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM



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Visit our website at www.dunwoodie.edu Contact our Associate Deans in the Academic Office: Donna Eschenauer, Ph.D. (914) 367-8280 Christine Hammill-Cregan, J.D., M.S.W. (631) 423-0483, ext. 130

201 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, New York 10704 (914) 968-6200





OUR LADY OF MERCY

ANGELS OF MERCY



OUR ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE STARTING OCTOBER 10, 2017



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

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

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

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

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

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

## On Respect Life Sunday - October 1st 2:00 to 3:30 PM

## Long Island's Premier Pro Life Event

In only an hour you will help save a life! Join us at our 20th Anniversary

## - STAND UP FOR LIFE -

In front of the Walt Whitman Mall

at Routes 110 & 25 in Huntington. in Manorville, LIE Ex. 70S on County Rd. 111

Family Friendly event. Rain or Shine Signs are provided at site (no graphic



signs) as we stand in peaceful witness on the public sidewalk. For more info: Huntington call Jack O'Brien 516-724-6821 Manorville call Peter Bertran 631-289-2095 Sponsored by L.I. Coalition for Life

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Weekly Offering For:

September 17th, 2017 -

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

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

## ADULT ED CLASSES AVAILABLE

## DROP BY AS YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS!

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

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).

Contact the Coordinators for Topic Schedule and questions!

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

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PUBLICITY COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

CHAIRPERSON-DONNA CONROY

516-867-1481

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

NON-DENOMINATION-ALL ARE WELCOME

\*\*\*\*\*WEDNESDAY Sept 27th @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

OR BARBARA @ 516-798-2858

The Diocese of Rockville Centre

## Golden Wedding Liturgy

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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MrFirst Name	Mrs. First Name	Last Name
Address	Town	Zip Code
Wedding Date	Phone # Area code +	- Number .
	We will attend the Golden We	edding Celebration on:
	Sunday, October 22, St	. Rose of Lima, Massapequa
		Christ the King, Commack
	I wish to Lector Name	<del>100</del>
In order to sea	t those who require special assistanc your spouse use a: wheelchair	e accordingly, please let us know if you o cane walker

#### FREE LUNCHEON SEMINAR

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

## Singers Wanted—All are Welcome

Our Music Ministry is a very important part of the Liturgical life here at Our Lady of Mercy. Choirs help to provide the musical leadership at weekend liturgies with the cantors of our parish. If you love to sing and can match pitch, please consider joining one of our music ministries.

Our <u>Adult choir</u> is comprised of teens through all ages and rehearsals are held on Tuesdays at 5 PM in the church.

Our <u>Youth Choir</u>, formally called our Children's choir, is comprised of school age children, grades 2 through high school including school and Religious Ed children and rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 2:45 in the school. Our <u>Folk Group</u> is comprised of Children and adults and sings weekly at the 9 AM Mass and rehearsals are held after the mass in the Lower Church.

If you are interested in any of these ministries, please contact Mr. Paul Eschenauer, 681-1228 X 252. If these times do not work for you and we have enough people, we might be able to arrange a more convenient time. If you are interested in the Folk Group, you may speak to Ms. Terry Evanosky after the 9 AM Mass.



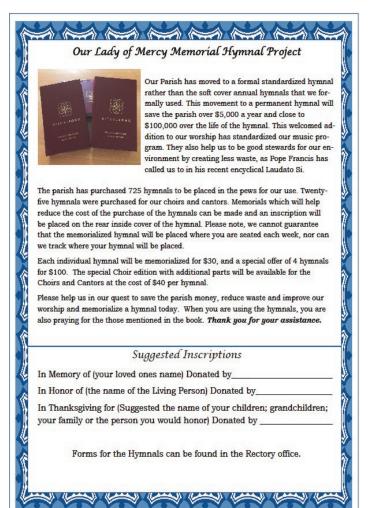
# Sacred Heart Academy Open House

Saturday, September 30, 2017 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Presentations at 10:15, 11:15, 12:15

Sacred Heart Academy is rooted in the mission of the Sisters of Saint Joseph and the Gospel of Jesus. Our dedicated teachers and administrators have made Sacred Heart Academy an outstanding Catholic College Preparatory School for young women on Long Island. We invite you to learn more about our school and how we foster courage, compassion and commitment in our students and motivate them to Lead with Heart.

For information, or to pre-register, Please visit:

sacredheartacademyli.org/OpenHouse/



## Growing in Faith™

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## Maintain your spiritual health

Just as visiting the doctor for regular checkups is key to maintaining our physical health, consistent maintenance is important for good spiritual health. Try these suggestions to craft a schedule to stay in top spiritual condition:

Daily: Everything we need to know to strengthen our consciences and make good decisions is in the Bible. It is in Scripture that we discover God's guiding voice. Take time daily to pray, read Scripture, and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal its message for you.

Weekly: Attend Mass each Sunday and Holy Day,

Do whatever is necessary so you can receive Communion. This is key.

Monthly: When we hold ourselves accountable, our actions become more pleasing to God. Seek forgiveness each month in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Annually: In our noisy world, it can be hard to hear God's voice. Find a Catholic retreat center near you and get away with God. Or, spend a whole day in a favorite park or vacation spot praying and

listening. Center your day around God.



## Matthew 20:1-16a, Better late than never

In this Gospel reading, Jesus compared God's kingdom to a vineyard in the charge of a generous landlord. In the parable, the landlord hired groups of workers at different times of the day: at the start of the workday, at midmorning, noon, midafternoon, and finally, at five o'clock in the evening. Yet he paid all the same wage.

The vineyard is God's kingdom and God is the landlord. Some Bible scholars propose that the earlier groups of workers represented the Jewish people, who had followed God's laws for thousands of years, while the

Gentiles were the latecomers. The workers also stood for those whom God calls at different stages of life: from infancy, adolescence, adulthood, and old age. All the laborers received the same reward. It must have shocked Jesus' listeners to hear that the landlord paid those who worked one hour

as if they'd worked for eight. Still, all were rewarded. Clearly, God's ways are not our ways. What is important is not how many hours we've served God, but that we served him when he called us.



## If God is everywhere, & why do we have to A attend Mass?

While God is everywhere, he is present in the Eucharist in a special way. When,

> in the context of the Mass, the priest speaks the words of consecration over the bread and wine on the

altar, they are mysteriously transformed into the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ, Although the characteristics of the bread and wine remain, they are substantially different (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1376). In that moment, Jesus is as present as he was to his Apostles in the Upper Room.

The Eucharist does for our souls what food does for our bodies. You wouldn't go for weeks without eating and still expect to be strong and healthy. From the Eucharist, we receive all the graces we need for the rest of the week. Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Our need for strength and rest are satisfied by Christ. The Church commands us to receive weekly what is, in fact, essential for our spiritual well-being.

# Feasts & **\*** (Celebrations

Sept. 4 - St. Rose of Viterbo (1252). Born to poor parents in Viterbo, Italy, Rose used her gift of preaching to teach the women and girls in her neighborhood about the faith. As a young woman, she spoke out in support of the pope against the Ghibellines, who supported the emperor, Frederick II. She wanted to join the Carmelites, but was refused. She died at the age of seventeen and was buried at that same convent.

Sept. 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross (300s). St. Helena (mother of

Emperor Constantine), made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, retracing places in Jesus' life. She discovered three crosses, one of which was thought to be the Cross on which Jesus died. On the site, Constantine built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher,

Sept. 21 - St. Matthew the Evangelist (1st Century). Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector, St. Matthew left everything when Jesus called him to spread the Gospel. He wrote the Gospel According to Matthew.

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#### SUPER BONANZA WINNERS 2017 OUR LADY OF MERCY

We are pleased to announce the following winners:



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

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

## YOUTH MINISTRY LIFE Teen NEWS

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

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

# YOUTH MINISTRIES WYLDLIFE NEWS



for Schedule go to:

youthministryolm.weebly.com



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

#### **Mercy League**

# Annie Get Your Gun

At

## **Westchester Broadway Theatre**

Set in the Wild West, where Frank Butler is the sharpest sharpshooter around and the heart-throb of Buffalo Bill's travelling Wild West show. He'll take on any challenge... and win. That is, until Frank meets his match in the rough and ready tomboy sharpshooter, Annie Oakley. Romantic sparks fly, but as long as he is competitive and she is stubborn the course of true love never will run smooth. Irving Berlin's score filled with memorable hit songs, including "Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better," "They Say It's Wonderful", "I Got the Sun in the Morning," Doin' What Comes Natur'lly," and the show-stopping hit, "There's No Business Like Show Business."

#### Thursday, October 19, 2017

\$110 Per Person

#### Trip Includes

- ♦ Full Luncheon
- ◆ Admission to "Annie Get Your Gun!" Show
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- · All Tips & Taxes (Including Bus Driver)



#### Sample Luncheon Menu (Exact Choices to Come at a Later Date)

Entrée Selections (Choose at the Table)
Beef Selection ♦ Catch of the Day ♦ Pasta ♦ Chicken Selection

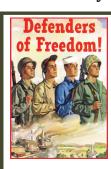
Choice of Salad \* Fresh Vegetable \* Potatoes

Dessert Chef's Choice . Coffee, Tea, Decaf

Itinerary Subject To Change - All Trips Are Rain or Shine - Travel Protection Is Suggested

8:45 AM Departure from Cambridge Court Clubhouse Located at Old South Oyster Bay Road, Bethpage, NY.

Contact: Dolores @ (516) 931-4105







## 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 \$.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: 9-18-2017

2261428 8/08/17\* 2261525 9/11/17\*\* 2261564 9/18/17\*\*\*

Won by: Al Furst\*

Won by: Neil Donovan\*\*
Won by: Rectory\*\*\*



## 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.

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



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9 AM REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN

## **REGISTER TODAY AT WWW.FOPWALK.ORG**



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**QUESTIONS?** CALL (516) 822-3132

500 SO. OYSTER BAY RD., HICKSVILLE, NY 11801

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## You're Invited

Rob McGuffey & Friends





## A beautiful evening of Contemporary Christian Music & Faith Building Stories

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

#### Right Here in the Upper Church

## Saturday October 14th at 7:30 PM

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

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

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

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

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

## **Organizations**

#### **Music Ministries**

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

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

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

**OLM Rock Group**: Meets Monday evenings at 8:00-10:00 PM in the Upper Church.

**Parish Organizations** 

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

**Hicksville/OLM Senior Club**: Meets on Mondays 11:00AM-3:00PM at the Bethpage Senior Center. For more information contact Joan at (516) 938-4261.

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

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

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

**Nocturnal Adoration:** First Friday of the Month: 8:00 to 9:00 PM (Exposition & Group Prayer and /or 9:00 PM to 10 PM (Silent Prayer and Benediction) in Our Lady's Chapel.

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

**OLM Prayer Group:** Meets every Tuesday night at 7:30 PM in Lower Church Contact Maureen Decker (516) 933-8143 Eucharistic Adoration is conducted the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

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

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**: Contact the Rectory for more information (516) 931-4351 X 326.

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

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

## **Support Groups**

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous Groups**

First Things First: Tom Liguori (516) 770-7562 Open Meeting every Friday: 8:00-9:00 PM in the Convent Basement.

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

Our Own Group: Tom Liguori (516) 770-7562 Closed Meeting every Monday: 4:30-5:30 PM in the Convent Basement.

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

#### Al-Anon:

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

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

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

Parish website address is: www.ourladyofmercy.org

