PASTORAL TEAM
Pastor
Reverend John D. McCarthy
Associate Pastors
Reverend Joseph J. Nixon
Reverend Nasir Gulfam
Deacon
Deacon Ralph Elliott Colon
Director of Religious Education
Deacon Ralph Elliott Colon
Choir Director and Organist
Mr. Raymond J. Henderson, MA, M Div, CAGO
Organist
Mr. Thomas Beckner
Director of Parish Services
Mrs. Genevieve Feliciano
Business Manager
Mr. Carmine Serravalli

OFFICE SUPPORT STAFF
Rectory Secretary
Mrs. Andrea T. Attivissimo-Karassik
Religious Education Secretary
Mrs. Cathy Basso

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST
Saturday 8:00 AM & 4:30 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 NOON & 5:30 PM
Urdu Mass 4:00 PM, 2nd Sunday of Each Month
Family Mass 10:30 AM
Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday 7:00 & 9:00 AM / Rosary after 9:00 AM Mass
Holydays 5:00 PM the evening before /
National Holidays 7:00 & 9:00 AM, 12 NOON & 7:30 PM
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 AM-12 PM & 8:00 PM-10:00 PM
Miraculous Medal Novena Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass

RECTOR HOURS
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Rectory Office Closed For Lunch 1:00 - 2:00 PM
Rectory Office Open Saturdays 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Rectory 931-4351
Fax 433-8702
Religious Education 681-1228
681-1527
Parish Services 931-1306
EMERGENCY ONLY 782-1557
We Come Together as a Community of Faith to Celebrate with Praise and Joy!

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:15-4:15 PM in Upper Church Sacristy. Anytime by appointment, please call the Rectory.

On Becoming a Catholic or Completing Sacraments
R.C.I.A. is a dynamic process of formation for those interested in becoming Catholic, as well as those who never received the Sacraments of Communion and/or Confirmation. Please leave your name and number at the Rectory Office. 516-931-4351 Ex. 210.

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
Baptisms are celebrated on an individual basis. Please call the Rectory Office to schedule your Baptism. Baptism Prep classes are held either in-person or via Zoom. Please contact Deacon Ralph to set up a time for Baptism Prep class at rcolon@olmrcc.com

Sacrament of Matrimony
The Sacrament is celebrated on Fridays: Time to be arranged. Saturdays: 12:00 Noon and 2:00 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.

Pre Cana and FOCCUS Dates for 2023
For information please contact Belenna Lauto at belennaml@gmail.com

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
Carmine Serravalli (Chairperson)
John Beaudette (Trustee)
Fred Anderson (Trustee)
Lorraine Anderson
Serena Perrotta
Joseph Vacca

Maintenance Staff
Kevin McAvoy
Bill Millis
Ben Karassik

Sacristan
Farah Primrose

The parish of Our Lady of Mercy welcomes you, family, friends and guests as we celebrate the Liturgy each week. Please invite a family member or friend to participate with us next week in prayer.

E-mail submissions to aattivissimo@olmrcc.com
10 days prior to the bulletin date, and it will be reviewed for inclusion as space allows.
Please note the deadline is earlier for all holidays.

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, October 15**  
Is 25:6-10a / Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 / Mt 22:1-14  
7:30 AM † John Dettori  
9:00 AM † James Anderson  
10:30 AM † Nicholas R. Gravina  
12:00 PM Allison Chin - Living  
5:30 PM † Frances DeSimone

Monday, October 16  
Rom 1:1-7 / Lk 11:29-32  
7:00 AM † James and Loretta Lawlor  
9:00 AM † Sr. Mary Albert

Tuesday, October 17  
Rom 1:16-25 / Lk 11:37-41  
7:00 AM † Maria Ilarina Curran  
9:00 AM † Michael Loesch

Wednesday, October 18  
2 Tm 4:10-17b / Lk 10:1-9  
7:00 AM † Colleen Vanderlip  
9:00 AM † Theresa M. Donahue

Thursday, October 19  
Rom 3:21-30 / Lk 11:47-54  
7:00 AM Joan McGuire - Healing  
9:00 AM † Barbara Scarpelli

Friday, October 20  
Rom 4:1-8 / Lk 12:1-7  
7:00 AM † Gerard Weber  
9:00 AM † Herb Canapary

Saturday, October 21  
Rom 4:13, 16-18 / Lk 12:8-12  
8:00 AM † Joyce Manteria  
† Michael Ieronimo  
† Tony Palidora  
† Maria Luisa Gonzales, Maria Luisa Munoz, Maria Luisa Velasco

### Prayer Intentions:

**In the Arms of God's Love and Mercy** - Joan Adams, Joseph Cipolla, Helena K. Obloj, Clara M. Paquette, Margaret M. McGough, William Himmel, Harold McAvoy, Sandra Criscuolo, Marie J. Hoops, Helene M. Chorbet, the unborn, the victims of war, natural disasters through out our country and the world.

**Prayer Intentions:** For an End to All Wars and Peace and Unity in Our Country and World.  
For the recent bus accident of the individuals from Farmingdale High School recently.  
For Peace in the Middle East.

### Long Term Sick List

Please pray for our veterans, all our sick, their caretakers, especially, Catherine Finn, Barbara and Bill Stalter, Susan Bennett, Herb Goerke, Joe Vacca, Christopher Vacca, Maria Cotromano, Dolores Muoio, Dina Velez, Frank and Sally DeVicario, Joe Olive, Rosemarie Casdia, Stephen Stark, William Ferguson, Ted Cioffi, Nelson W. Castro, Otto Schmidtmann, Evelyn and Bob Werner, Patricia Barbera, Matthew Myer, Johnny Martin, Kimberly Liwanag, Ken Znack, JoAnn Mackin, Infant Hazel Lily Masotti-May, Lillian Bock, Brian Berardelli, Charlie Masterton, Pat Siniscalchi, John Beggs, and all homebound and in rehabilitation /nursing homes.

### Short Term Sick List

Marge Heenan, Frances Dolan, Collette O’Donnell, Louis Capponi, Sheila Ort, Michael Wood, Anne Madden, Peter Joseph Manetta, Jeanine Margiotta, Joan McQuire.

For all who are sick, including all names in our intention book that they may be restored to health and wholeness.

**Names of the sick will remain on the Short Term Prayer List for 3 weeks. Kindly notify the Parish Office if prayers are still requested after 3 weeks.**

### U.C. SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of:  
GREGORY BEDNARZ  
Donated by: Eberle and King Families

**Upcoming Events to Look for:**

- October 14-15 - Cross Catholic Outreach -Box of Joy Campaign - page 11  
- October - Baby Bottle Campaign Underway - page 6  
- October 21 - Eucharistic Miracles - page 7  
- October 26 - Book Club - page 9
PARISH OUTREACH • Serving with Mercy

Help for those in need from our food pantry and outreach office is available free of charge to people of all faiths living within the geographic boundaries of our parish and to registered parishioners living within and outside our boundaries. All services are confidential. Our services are funded by donations made to Parish Services.

It gives us great pleasure to share with you an email from a neighbor served by Parish Services. We cannot share with you the numerous hugs and gratitude received on regular basis, but want you to know that through you, it is our privilege to extend God’s grace to our neighbors.

With gratitude,
The Pantry Volunteers and Genny

"Thank you, Genny, for your love and assistance. The vegetables and fruits from local farms have been exceptionally fresh and of high quality. I also want to express my gratitude to all those who donated these to us. May God bless them abundantly in their endeavors and bless their families as well, continuing to shower blessings upon them.

I extend my prayers to all of you, including the members of OLM Church, Priests, and Staff, for their generosity and love. I’m very grateful to God for each one of you and how you’ve helped me feel better and healthier during my life’s toughest times.

God bless you all and God bless OLM"

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.

October 15
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today’s Gospel we hear Jesus say: “Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

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 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.

Follow us on Facebook at: Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Our Lady of Mercy Conference

PARISH SERVICES • 516-931-1306 GENNY
Office Hours by Appointment
Pantry Hours:
Tue. 1:30-3:30 PM • Wed. 9:30-11:30 AM
Thurs. 4:30-6:30 PM • Fri. 9:30-11:30 AM
Email: outreach@olmrcc.com

Thank You!

"Whatever you do to the least of my brothers or sisters you do to me". — Matthew 25:40
**BAPTISM**

**Welcome God’s Children to Our Family!**

By Baptism we become members of the Church, the Body of Christ.

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

-Matthew 28:19-20

**October 7, 2023**
Vincent John Genovese
Child of Mr. & Mrs. T. Genovese

**October 8, 2023**
Crew William Smith
Child of Mr. & Mrs. J. Smith

**THE EUCHARIST**

The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of Our Catholic Faith.

**CONFIRMATION**

The prophets of the Old Testament foretold that God’s Spirit would rest upon the Messiah to sustain his mission. Their prophecy was fulfilled when Jesus the Messiah was conceived by the Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus on the occasion of his baptism by John. Jesus’ entire mission occurred in communion with the Spirit. Before he died, Jesus promised that the Spirit would be given to the Apostles and to the entire Church. After his death, he was raised by the Father in the power of the Spirit. Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. . . . We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up the community in loving service.

-from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

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**PRE CANA**

**Our Lady of Mercy Pre-Cana**

**Schedule for 2023:**

The FOCCUS, a questionnaire that precedes the Pre-Cana Program, will be administered on the following dates in 2023. These dates are also included in each of the Pre-Cana Sessions listed below:

There will be 3 additional Friday evening sessions and a celebratory Sunday Mass as the final session. Please review the dates below.

**Fall 2023, 3-Week session:**
(Excludes FOCCUS on October 8th)

**FOCCUS:** Sunday, October 1st at 6:30 p.m.

Sessions: take place on Fridays:
October 13, 20, and 27, from: 7:30-9:30 p.m.
and final Mass on October 29th (Noon Mass).

These sessions take place in the Lead Couple’s Home or the LC Meeting Room.

Material fee/donation: $75

For more information or questions, call or text Belenna at: 516-270-6871 and state in message: “PreCana”.

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**CONFIRMATION**

Robert Perdue - Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville
Brianna Santello Morano - Good Shepherd, Holbrook

Robert Brian Doscas - St. John the Evangelist, Westchester, NY
Diana Marianne Geraghty - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mohigan Lake, NY

**DID YOU KNOW...**

Civil marriages may be rectified by the Church through a process called **convalidation**. Convalidation is a simple marriage Church ceremony to bless the married couple and bring them into the Sacramental Life of the Church.
A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to
guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.   Amen

Jesus said: "Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree
on earth about anything you ask; it will be done for
you by my Father in heaven."  -MT 15:19

St. Josephine Bhakhita, intercede for us!

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PRAYER TO ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
Don’t Forget Your Baby Bottle!

On the weekend of 10/7 & 10/8, Our Lady of Mercy Parish will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide?

✓ Free pregnancy test kits
✓ Free sonogram
✓ Maternity housing with eligibility requirements referrals
✓ Medical care referrals
✓ Material aid including car seats, cribs, clothing, diapers, and many other needed baby items
✓ Male advocates available to speak with fathers

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation. (Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON 11/4 & 11/5

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother’s heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.

Prayers also spiritually equip our consultants at the Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear with hope of choosing the gift of life for their baby.

Let us pray for the conversion of a mother’s heart to give the gift of life to her preborn baby!
The Priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus.
When you see a priest think of our Lord Jesus Christ.

St. John Vianney
Patron of Parish Priests

Pray for Vocations

Rosary for Life

JOIN the OFFICE of HUMAN LIFE, FAMILY and BIOETHICS in PRAYER

Every Friday - 3:00 PM

via Zoom
Click here for link
Meeting ID: 856-4706-7912
Password: 677797
Call In #: 1 (646) 876-9923

Email dcrean@drvclife.org
if you would like the link sent to you each month.

wwwdrvclife.org

“Eucharistic Miracles of the World

The Eucharist is my Highway to Heaven.
To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan.”

—Blessed Carlo Acutis  1991-2006

Exhibit at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish,
Hicksville
Saturday, October 21
& Sunday, October 22, 2023
3:00 pm — 9:00 pm Saturday
8:00 am — 5:00 pm Sunday

All are welcome!

As part of a National Eucharistic Revival, Catholics are invited to foster Eucharistic devotion within their local parishes. We are excited to host this International Exhibition of Miracles of the Eucharist Across the World, devised and planned by Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Come and learn about the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist!

The exhibition will be held in Msgr. Tarrant Hall (handicap accessible). Please enter through the doors on East Nicholai Street.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father,
We thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son’s Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen
ADULT EDUCATION

LIFE-TRANSFORMING ADULT EDUCATION SESSIONS AVAILABLE

DROP BY AS YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS!

SUNDAYS 10-11:45AM *SCHOOL CAPETRERIA* 10/1 THRU 6/2

No registration fee. Materials optional.

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 completed their Sacraments).

TOPICS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

OCT 1st  Is the Catholic Faith opposed to Science and Reason?

OCT 6th  How do I find and sustain authentic happiness? 1st Topic: Why does God permit suffering? What is it’s power, purpose, and meaning? 2nd Topic

OCT 15th  Gain an adult perspective on the incredible master plan for the human race 1st Topic: Discover how the reality of Original Sin has a great bearing on all that we are and all that we do! 2nd Topic

OCT 22nd  Did God reveal a very specific plan to the human race? Can we have full confidence in what He has revealed? 1st Topic: How can we be sure the Scriptures are divinely inspired? 2nd Topic

OCT 29th  Can we have confidence that we are interpreting Scripture correctly? 1st Topic: The popular spiritual wisdom of the day tells us to “go to the god within” to find strength, healing, and inner peace. Are we all “little gods”? Or are we all called to the Almighty God “without” and have at our disposal the Divine Life? 2nd Topic

Contact the Coordinators for Full Schedule and questions!

Peggy Clores  jmcon53@AOL.com  516-317-1740  Chuck Ruppert  994-680-5367

BIBLE STUDY NIGHTS

Go Deeper Into the Scriptures

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

10/2; 11/6; 1/8; 2/5; 4/8; 5/6; 6/3

Sessions utilize Formed Bible Study Segments
Followed by discussion with OLM’s Clergy

7:30-9pm  Convent Basement

Contact Coordinator for more information and for weather cancellations.  Peggy Clores  jmcon53@AOL.com  516-317-1740

Sundays at the Seminary

The Holy Eucharist

The National Eucharistic Revival has a mission to “renew the Church by embarking on a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.” Jesus invites us to return to the Source and Summit of our faith—His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

Join the Friends of the Seminary for “Sundays at the Seminary” focusing on the National Eucharistic Revival. Presentations and discussions, designed to bring us to a deeper understanding and devotion to Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist, will be facilitated by guest speakers. We invite you to participate in one or all sessions; each presentation is independent of the others.

Session #1  Oct. 1  “Jesus’ & the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist”  (DVD by Dr. Brent tropes)  Fr. Steve Pietrewski
Session #2  Oct. 15  “Pretend Play-Doh – St. Thomas Aquinas”  (DVD by Bishop Robert Barron)  Msgr. Michael Hoosheart
Session #3  Oct. 20  The Holy Eucharist  Fr. John Cash
Session #4  Nov. 19  “Ecclesia de Eucharistia”  (Encyclical by Pope St. John Paul II)  Bishop Andrze

$20 per Session  Advance registration requested  Sessions from 2 to 4 pm

Additional Information •  631-423-0403 x102  fmalone@icomniny.edu  www.icomniny.edu/Events

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
WHAT WE BELIEVE

If Christ is really present in the Eucharist, the one who eats and drinks the Lord’s Body & Blood becomes configured to Christ…

The “Christified” person knows that life is not finally about the person, but about God; the “Eucharistized” person person understands that their treasure is to be found above and not below…

This makes such a person much happier in this world.

Bp. Barron tells people to be very careful when approaching the Eucharist, as it is the power and presence of Christ. The Eucharist changes the one who receives Holy Communion. When we say, “AMEN”...we better be prepared to live an eternal life.

This Is My Body

Bp. Robert Barron Pgs 109ff

HOLY COMMUNION

CATHOLIC HS OPEN HOUSE

Open House Schedule
September 2023
Sunday, Sept. 24 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. -
St. Mary’s College Preparatory High School
Saturday, Sept. 30 - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. -
St. Anthony’s HS

October 2023
Sunday, Oct. 1 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. -
Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Saturday, Oct. 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. -
Chaminade High School
Saturday, Oct. 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. -
Kellenberg Memorial HS
Saturday, Oct. 14 - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. -
Sacred Heart Academy
Sunday, Oct. 15 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. -
St. John the Baptist Diocesan HS
Saturday, Oct. 14 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. -
St. Dominic HS

The Catholic High Schools of Long Island (Diocese of Rockville Center) will be using the Test for Admission to Catholic High Schools (TACHS) this year. The TACHS exam will be administered online. For more information visit www.tachsinfo.com

BOOK CLUB

The Fr. Marty Happy Book Club will meet Thursday, October 26 at 7:30pm, in Our Lady’s Chapel meeting room.

This month’s book is Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt

All readers are welcome. For more information contact Gina at GMSepulveda17@gmail.com

FOR ONLINE GIVING GO TO OURLADYOFMERCY.WESHAREONLINE.ORG

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
The Circle of Mercy is timeless
it roots us in Faith, and lifts us in Hope,
and holds us in God’s loving care

How fortunate and grateful we are to share this circle of Mercy with all who joined with us during the wake and Mass of Resurrection and for the many Mass remembrances for our Sister Mary Albert

Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy Convent

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
BLESS A CHILD WITH A BOX OF JOY

Kindly bring filled boxes to the Rectory or to the ushers at Mass no later than November 6

Pack a BOX OF JOY for a child in need
Send a Christmas blessing that says, “God loves you, and so do I!”

The Catholic Outreach Box of Joy initiative is now in progress. As in past years the Knights of Columbus here at OLM have partnered with the Catholic Outreach to give needy children some Christmas Joy.

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of Our Catholic Faith.

Eucharisteo is the Greek word for the Eucharist meaning thanksgiving and is central to Christianity as the source and summit of our faith. Jesus didn’t say that the sharing of the bread and wine is a once in a while event but a continual gift that happens every day. The word Eucharist embodies the Greek word charis meaning grace and chara which means joy.

"Using the natural methods requires and strengthens the harmony of the married couple, it helps and confirms the rediscovery of the marvelous gift of parenthood, it involves respect for nature and demands the responsibility of the individuals.”

- St. John Paul II in Address to Teachers of Natural Family Planning

We Believe in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist

• You are called
• You are Chosen
• You are Christ for One Another

St. Teresa of Calcutta
Feast Day, September 5th

“We must remember that life begins at home and we must also remember that the future of humanity passes through the family.”

- St. Teresa of Calcutta
Bible Study Group

The Gospel of Mark

This year, we will study the Gospel According to Mark. It is likely the first of the gospels to be written and proceeds in a simple, fast-paced narrative style. It takes the reader directly to the central revelation of the mystery of Christ, one that has not lost its importance or relevance for us today and never could.

Instructor: Louis Mocci (n32456@verizon.net).
Admission is free.
Classes will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm in the Convent Basement beginning October 3 and continuing throughout the academic year. If you are interested, simply attend the first class meeting and bring your Bible. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Jesus said, “Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.” Mt 19:14

Let the Children Come!

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS!!!
Religious Ed classes are starting on Wednesday, October 11th and Saturday, October 14.

We are in need of a Catechist for the 3rd and 4th grades in the 2nd session (11:00-12:15). Please consider volunteering and helping out our parish children, please call the Religious Ed office at 516-681-1228.

Thank you and God bless you.

Visit: www.OurLadyofMercy.org

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 8
Collections at Masses was $10,465.00. Collections that have come in through the Rectory Office by mail was $1,680.00, and our Online Giving Collection total was $1,309.00

Our Total Collection was allocated to the following:
Regular Offertory: $12,225.00
Mercys’ Future: $1,097.00
Respect Life: $112.00
World Mission: $20.00

Total Collection: $13,454.00
God Bless Each and Every Good and Faithful Servant!

Thank you!

How do new parishioners register for an account?

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:
Go to formed.org/signup
Select your parish (using zip code is easiest)
Register with your name and email address
Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

How do parishioners log into FORMED that previously had access?

Go to formed.org/signup
In the upper right corner, select "Sign In"
A new "Sign In" screen appears and user enters their email address and selects "Next"
A message appears for user to "Check your email!"
Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

CHECK OUT FORMED FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us
MUSIC MINISTRIES

**OLM Adult Choir**: Meets Tuesday evenings from 7:15 to 8:30 pm in the choir loft.
**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**: Meets 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 Eileen Millis, President, at eileenangelsofmercy@gmail.com

**Corporate Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM**.

**OLM Ministry of Consolation**: Men and women who offer support for funeral Masses. We are looking for individuals to help us. For more information please call the Rectory.

**Hicksville/OLM Senior Club**: Meets on Mondays from 10:30 AM-2:00 PM at the Bethpage Senior Center. Contact Vickie for more information at 516-483-5845.

**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 Michael Trimarco, President, at 516-757-1655 or matrimarco@gmail.com

**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 Jerry Kramer, Grand Knight, at 516-931-0229 or vgkramer7@gmail.com

**Legion of Mary**: Meets on Tuesday morning at 10:00 AM 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) inOur 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. Eucharistic Adoration is conducted the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. Contact Maureen Decker at 516-933-8143.

**Holy Face Adoration**: Holy Hour every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 5:30-6:30 PM OLM Lower Chapel. Contact Susan Chin at suebill2@msn.com or 516-728-1796.

**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.

**Adult Education Classes**: Classes are held Sundays from 10:00-11:45 AM in the Convent Basement. Contact Peggy Clores at imcon630@aol.com.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**Alcoholics Anonymous Groups**

**Families Anonymous**: Hope for troubled families. FA is a self-help support group for families and friends of people with a current, suspected, or former drug problem. Guided by the principles of the FA program, family members learn how to find relief from their seemingly insurmountable burdens. They become able to enjoy some peace of mind and a degree of serenity, despite unresolved problems. They discover, too, that as they themselves change, so do the dynamics of their family.

Meets every Wednesday: 7:30-8:30 PM in Convent Basement.

**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**: Linda Cronin 516-790-2587. 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. Contact: Linda Cronin 516-790-2587.

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