



# OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

## May 11, 2025

### PASTORAL TEAM

#### **Administrator**

Reverend Rejimon K. Benedict, OIC

#### **Associate Pastors**

Reverend Joseph J. Nixon

Reverend Joseph Noble, OIC

#### **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

<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM and 4:30 PM
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 NOON and 5:30 PM
<b>Family Mass</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday</b>	7:00 and 9:00 AM / Rosary after 9:00 AM Mass
<b>Holydays</b>	5:00 PM the evening before / 7:00 and 9:00 AM, 12 NOON and 7:30 PM
<b>National Holidays</b>	7:00 and 9:00 AM
<b>First Friday Eucharistic Adoration</b>	9:30 AM -12 PM and 8:00 PM -10:00 PM
<b>Miraculous Medal Novena</b>	Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass

### RECTORY HOURS

**Monday-Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Rectory Office Closed For Lunch 1:00 - 2:00 PM**

**Rectory Office Open Saturdays and Sundays 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM**

#### **Rectory**

516-931-4351 Ext: 210

**Fax:** 516-433-8702

#### **Religious Education**

516-681-1228 Ext: 213

#### **Parish Services**

516-931-1306

**Fax:** 516-681-1527

#### **EMERGENCY ONLY**

516-782-1557

**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**

O.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](mailto: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 and Pre Cana**

All engaged couples who plan to get married in the Catholic Church are required to complete a **Pre Cana Program**.  
The goal of the Pre Cana program is to strengthen the vocation of marriage and foster a deeper understanding of marriage as a sacrament by supporting couples throughout their married life.  
<https://www.drvc-faith.org/marriage-ministry/>

**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

**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](mailto: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**

**MOTHER'S DAY**

**Sunday, May 11**

Acts 13:14, 43-52 / Rv 7:9, 14b-17 / Jn 10:27-30

**7:30 AM †** Vocations

**9:00 AM †** William Roth

**10:30 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**12:00 PM †** Vincent Genna

**5:30 PM †** Angela Manetta and Manetta and Cona Families -  
Living and Deceased

**Monday, May 12**

Acts 11:1-18 / Jn 10:1-10

**7:00 AM †** Kathleen Greene

**9:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**Tuesday, May 13**

Acts 11:19-26 / Jn 10:22-30

**7:00 AM †** Angela and Paul Manetta and Family -  
Living and Deceased

**9:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**Wednesday, May 14**

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 / Jn 15:9-17

**7:00 AM †** Eugene Celso

**9:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**Thursday, May 15**

Acts 13:13-25 / Jn 13:16-20

**7:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**9:00 AM †** Michelina and Gaetano Zozzoro

**Friday, May 16**

Acts 13:26-33 / Jn 14:1-6

**7:00 AM †** Norma Jean Baker

**9:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

**Saturday, May 17**

Acts 13:44-52 / Jn 14:7-14

**8:00 AM †** Mother's Day Novena

Anna Libetti For Healing and Family - Living and Deceased  
† Louis Noe

Anna Manetta and Family - Living and Deceased  
† Margaret Kelly

**4:30 PM** Parishioners of OLM



**Jesus, I trust in you**

**In the Arms of God's Love and Mercy -**

Fr. Bob Holtz, Nancy Dettori, Sr. Sharon Kelly, RSM, Sheila Ort, Mattia Marino, Robert Michael Eaton, the unborn, the victims of war, natural disasters through out our country and the world.

**Prayer Intentions:** Let us pray for our nation, no matter where we stand politically or our beliefs, we will not resolve our differences with acts of violence.

May God bless America, her leaders and people to unity and healing as One Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**Long Term Sick List**

Please pray for our veterans, all our sick, their caretakers, especially, Barbara and Bill Stalter, Susan Bennett, Joe Vacca, Maria Cotromano, Dina Velez, Sally DelVicario, Joe Olive, Rosemarie Casdia, Stephen Stark, William Ferguson, Ted Cioffi, Nelson W. Castro, Otto Schmidtman, Bob Werner, Patricia Barbera, Matthew Myer, Johnny Martin, JoAnn Mackin, Infant Hazel Lily Masotti-May, Lillian Bock, Brian Berardelli, Charlie Masterton, Pat Siniscalchi, Claudine Costa-Soto, John M, Malachy McNamee, Carmen and Joseph Wilkonski, Jim McCrann, Maria Biancamano, Lucia Flavin, Janet McHugh, Angela Vacca-Trivitis, Kathleen Schwab, Marion Fox, Larry Freiberg, and all homebound and in rehabilitation /nursing homes.

**Short Term Sick List**

Kathy Dolan, Collette O'Donnell, Michael Wood, Jeanine Margiotta, Joan McQuire, Amy Lesieur, Mickey the Cook, Lorraine Maher, Ian Haberman, Eileen Nalepa, Maureen Decker, Frank Spinelle, Irene Arcas, Anthony DeGennaro, Alice Johnson, Margaret Clark, Bill Gundel, Patrick Krammer, Frank Henry, Baby Macklin Staples, Nancy Quinn

**For all who are sick, including all names in our intention book that they may be restored to health and wholeness. Prayer intention book can be found in the Upper Church on the Blessed Mother side at the halfway point.**

**WEEK OF MAY 11 - MAY 17**



The Sanctuary Lamp is constantly burning in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

There is an opportunity to remember a loved one any week during the year in either the Upper or Lower Church for \$15.00.

Bread and Wine Offering is \$50.00.

**Remember Mom on May 11, Mother's Day Remembrance Cards are available in the church**



**HE IS RISEN!  
ALLELUIA!!!**

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

## A LETTER FROM FR. REJIMON BENEDICT, OIC

Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

This Easter season, our hearts are full—full of joy, gratitude, and even sorrow. We have rejoiced together in the victory of life over death through the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, amid our Easter celebrations, we also mourn the earthly passing of our beloved Holy Father, Pope Francis. Pope Francis was a living echo of Christ's mercy—a humble shepherd who, like Christ the Good Shepherd (John 10:11–18), laid down his life in service to God's people. He captured the world's heart through simple acts of love: washing the feet of prisoners, embracing the sick, comforting refugees, and welcoming the marginalized. Mercy was the heart beating of his message. As he often reminded us, "The name of God is Mercy."

On Divine Mercy Sunday, we heard the Gospel of Jesus appearing to His disciples in their fear and doubt (John 20:19–31). The Risen Lord stood among them, offering His peace and showing His wounds—not as marks of defeat, but as signs of merciful love. When Thomas struggled to believe, Jesus tenderly invited him to touch His wounds and believe. In this sacred encounter, we find a powerful message: Christ's mercy meets us in our fears, wounds, and uncertainties.

Pope Francis, too, constantly invited us to live this mercy daily. He called us to be close to the poor, to seek out the forgotten, and to never lose hope. His life was a witness that no one is beyond the reach of God's mercy, and that the heart of Christ—and the heart of the Church—remain forever open.

As we move forward in Easter joy, I invite you to honor the legacy of Pope Francis by living three simple truths he embodied:

- **Be Merciful:** Practice forgiveness and love every day, in every encounter.
- **Stay Close to the Poor:** Let faith be a presence of compassion, lifting up the fallen.
- **Never Lose Hope:** Trust that the Risen Christ walks with us and that hope will never disappoint.

May this Easter season renew our hearts, strengthen our faith, and inspire us to live as instruments of mercy, love, and hope. Let us continue the beautiful mission Pope Francis entrusted to us—bringing Christ's love into the world.

Wishing you and your families continued Easter blessings and peace.  
In the Risen Christ,

**Fr. Rejimon Benedict**

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**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.

Almsgiving is our response to Jesus' teaching that encourages us to reach out to those in need. Cultivating the spirit of generosity helps put us in communion with others and to understand that we are all members of the Body of Christ. Below are some suggestions:

- Pray for our neighbors who need support & strength as they struggle with unemployment, physical or mental disabilities, serious illness, family conflicts or homelessness.
- Call or visit a senior or disabled neighbor. Offer to transport him/her to Mass, medical appointment or supermarket.
- Place extra change in the poor boxes to help our neighbors in need.
  - Make an Easter Card for a homebound or hospitalized senior. Simply sign "Our Lady of Mercy, name of class, or group".
  - Include an extra food, toiletry or paper product for the pantry in your weekly shopping.
- Donate an Easter Basket to help us bring Joy to the children served by the pantry this Easter. Please call Barbara at (516) 495-9938 to be assigned a child and **kindly drop off the basket by April 6th.**
- Donate your free Shoprite ham, turkey breast, roaster chicken or a supermarket gift card.

**Pantry Needs: Canned soups, chili, beef stew, pork & beans, white beans, beets, pineapple, cereal, oatmeal, pancake syrup, rice/pasta sides, spices, ketchup, mayo, salad dressing, gravy, kids juice boxes, cookies, cake & brownie mixes, frostings, Jell-O & pudding, soap, deodorant, toilet paper, napkins.**

**Thanks for your continued support!**

**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](mailto:outreach@olmrcc.com)**

**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.**



**May 11: Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for us.

**Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed a disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.**



**St. Vincent DePaul, Our Lady of Mercy Conference**

On the radiators or window sills of the Upper Church you will find pre-addressed envelopes for any donations you may have for St. Vincent DePaul. Please know that 100% of our donations go to helping our neighbors in need. The envelopes can be placed in the collection baskets, dropped off at the rectory or mailed.

Thank you in advance for any and all donations you are able to make.

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.

**ADULT EDUCATION**

**DROP BY AS YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS!**

**SUNDAYS 10-11:45AM \*SCHOOL CAFETERIA\* 10/6-6/1**

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 MAY-JUNE**

**MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> New Age Dangers** We are in an era of tremendous confusion. Christ entered human history to protect us from the limitations of our human reasoning and lead us safely to our ultimate destiny. Topics covered will include the Catholic perspective on Psychics, Mediums, Channeling, Reiki, Labrynth, Tarot Cards, Horoscopes, Reincarnation, the Occult and more.

**May 18<sup>th</sup> Life Everlasting** What is the safest and most effective path to our ultimate destiny. What are our entire lives and mission on earth ultimately all about. This closing session of the year will change your life.

**May 19<sup>th</sup> MONDAY EVENING 7:30PM LOWER CHURCH MEETING ROOM**  
**Forgiveness** How do we forgive the unforgiveable? That person who has betrayed us or let us down? A crisis that causes unspeakable suffering when evil or mental illness is visited upon us? Learn why Christs calls us to forgive *in all things* ad how to more effectively Confront such a challenging command.

**June 1<sup>st</sup> Final Guidance/Luncheon 10-1pm**  
 This extended session provides guidance on how to continue to grow in your education and formation in the Catholic Faith For our planning, contact the Coordinators if you additionally plan to join us for the luncheon portion (Noon-1pm).

**Contact the Coordinators for Full Schedule and questions!**

Peggy Clores [imcon630@aol.com](mailto:imcon630@aol.com) 516-317-1740 Chuck Ruppert 864-680-5597

**SACRAMENTS**

**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

**MAY 3, 2025**

**Lillian Marie Greene**

Child of Mr. and Mrs. Greene

**MAY 4, 2025**

**Rayla Lillian Kotapka**

Child of Mr. and Mrs. Kotapka

**Avery Noelle Miata**

Child of Mr. and Mrs. Miata

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**



**2<sup>nd</sup> BANN**

**Jack Doyle** - Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville, NY

**Geraldine Genovese** - Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville, NY

**3<sup>rd</sup> BANN**

**Ronald Forcino** - Our Lady of Lourdes, W. Islip, NY

**Gianna DeCarlo** - Our Lady of Lourdes, W. Islip, NY

*We are called • We are Chosen • We are Christ • for One Another*

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

MAY CROWNING 2025



# May Crowning

Our Lady of Mercy

May 11, 2025

10:30AM Mass - Upper Church

All Religious Education students are encouraged to attend.  
First Holy Communion class come dressed in your suits, dresses and veils!

Our Lady of Mercy, Pray for Us

SACRAMENTS



FIRST COMMUNICANTS 2025

Charles Amaturo	Sofia Maggi
Lindsey Barrera	Juliana Michalski
Maya Cappelmann	Enzo Olacchea
Ashlyn David	Dylan Oliva
Kelly De La Cruz	Olivia Opyt
Nicholas De Rosa	Vincent Pammer
Lana Fable	Keily Portales-Lopez
Joseph Famiglietti	Adam-Ishaq Qureshi
Riley Hare	Emily Rapisarda
Virginia Hernandez	Dylan Reda
Skyla Ortiz-Howard	Mason Salcedo
Alexander Limage	Cesar Andres Sanchez-Hernandez
Vincent Lodico-Tetro	Noah Vargas
Skylar Lynn	Avan Vaz
Sofia Rosario	Valeria Villalobos
	Miranda Villalobos

**Congratulations to the Children who Received the Eucharist at Our Lady of Mercy for the First Time on May 10, 2025**



Confirmation Prayer

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent.

Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice.

Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfillment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example.

We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us.

Through Christ our Lord,  
Amen.

**On May 13, 2025, the young adults in our Religious Education program will be receiving their Confirmation.**

**Please keep them in your prayers and for their families and teachers who guide them along the way to Christ.**





Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! I pray that you and your loved ones are experiencing the love and hope of this Easter season. Today, I am writing to ask you to share that love and hope with others, by supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). Your gift, no matter what the amount, is so powerful and can make a difference in the lives of so many, including the young people of our Diocese.

Your gifts help to fund formation programs that allow our young people to experience the love of Christ. One such program, *Camp Quo Vadis*, is a summer camp that draws young people from across Long Island (including NYC and upstate!) to come together with their peers to experience a day filled with faith, hope and love.

This camp, so vital to the mission of the Church, quenches the spiritual thirst that so many young people on Long Island are searching for. The camp provides young people with an opportunity to meet with fellow young Catholics from different towns and schools and grow together in the Faith, as they attend Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. *Remember, the more our young people seek out Christ and the more the Church helps them to navigate their journey—the better all our futures will be.*

*“It is a great joy to be present to our young Catholics... and to see where the Lord is working in their life. To be present to them... to help them to discern and to determine their relationship with the Lord and where the Lord is calling them to go.”*

- Father John Crozier, Vocations Direct

There are many other ministries that are funded by the CMA and bring hope and love to others. Pregnant mothers in need, seminarians, those studying for the Diaconate, those with substance abuse issues and seniors in need of housing are all helped thanks to donors like you. I invite you to visit the website for the CMA to learn more about what the CMA does: <https://www.catholicministriesappeal.org/>.

Please know that I thank you for your consideration of this special request to make a gift to the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you already made a gift and have received this letter in error, thank you for your gift!

To make a donation, you can also visit [drvc.org/CMA](http://drvc.org/CMA)  
or call us at 516-678-5800 ext. 296



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Lord God, we lift up all mothers to You. Grant them the strength to face the daily challenges with courage and the wisdom to guide their children towards a life of faith and service.

Encourage them when they are weary and inspire them when they feel overwhelmed. Bless them with Your peace and love, now and forever.

Amen



**JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025**



**Pilgrimages**

The faithful, pilgrims of hope, will be able to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence granted by the Holy Father if they undertake a pious pilgrimage **to any sacred jubilee site:**

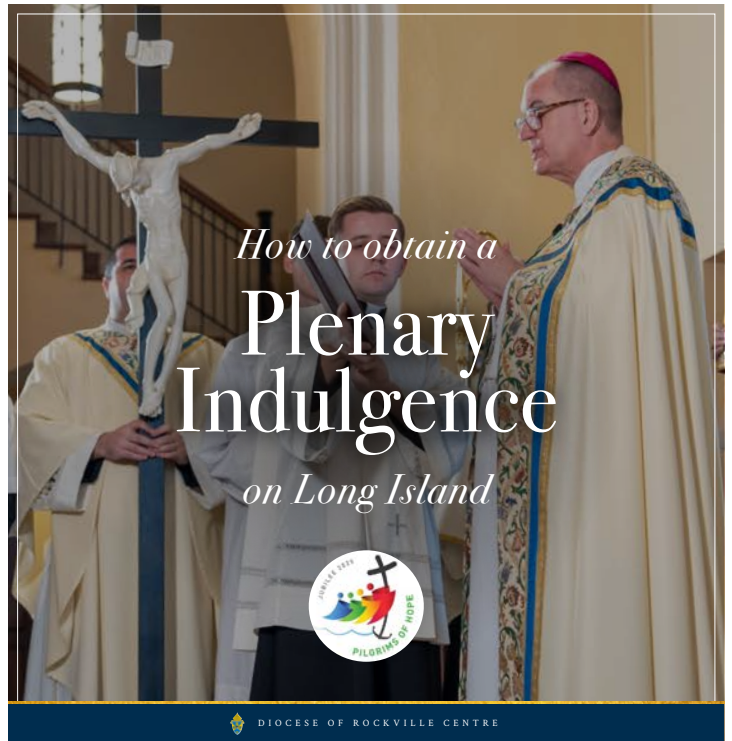
- 1 TO ONE OF THE FOUR MAJOR PAPAL BASILICAS
- 2 TO ONE OF THE THREE BASILICAS IN THE HOLY LAND
- 3 TO THE LOCAL CATHEDRAL OR CHURCH DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL ORDINARY

*from DECREE ON THE GRANTING OF THE INDULGENCE, POPE FRANCIS*



**PRAY FOR ALL PILGRIMS OF HOPE IN THIS JUBILEE 2025**

*“Hope does not disappoint”*  
Romans 5:5



*How to obtain a*  
**Plenary Indulgence**  
*on Long Island*

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

**HOW TO OBTAIN A PLENARY INDULGENCE ON LONG ISLAND**

**Requirements for Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year of Hope:**

- Visit the Jubilee Cross at St. Agnes Cathedral
- Make a Sacramental Confession shortly before or after the visit to the Jubilee Cross
- Be spiritually present in the Holy Eucharist
- Pray for the Holy Father and his intentions

“This is the Jubilee. This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord.” – Pope Francis

The faithful of Long Island can attain this Plenary Indulgence by making a pilgrimage to THE CATHEDRAL of ST. AGNES and praying at the 2025 JUBILEE YEAR CROSS enshrined at the Cathedral and installed by Bishop John O. Barres.

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



### Bread & Wine Memorials

Who's the person you want to THANK God for?

Who is it that makes your life easier?

Who helps to make your life better?

What better way to show gratitude than to follow the example of Jesus, who gives Himself to us in the Eucharist!!!

Did you know that we have a wonderful way to remember a loved one, living or deceased?

For a donation of \$50, you can offset the cost of the Bread & Wine we use at Mass for a week.

This will be published in our Bulletin.

# Parent Internet Safety Nights

## What Parents Need to Know

### Dates & Locations:

**7:00PM**

**Wednesday, May 7**  
**Holy Angels Regional School**  
1 Division Avenue, Patchogue

**Thursday, May 8**  
**Trinity Regional School**  
1025 Fifth Avenue, East Northport

**Thursday, May 15**  
**St. Patrick's School**  
6 N. Clinton Avenue, Bay Shore

**Wednesday, May 28**  
**Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional School**  
2 St. John's Place, Center Moriches

### About

Suffolk County Police will discuss how to respond appropriately to concerning statements about schools posted on social media, along with the potential consequences of making such posts. The session will also address what steps to take if you or your child sees or receives these types of comments online. An overview of the Suffolk County Police Department's investigation procedures will be provided.

Planning and practice keep schools safe. Schools are safe. It is important not to live in fear. We will talk about the difference between lockout and lockdown. It is easy to get the words mixed up especially in the height of a situation. The evening will end with information about the Suffolk County Police response and our roles in schools.

**No registration required - all are welcome.**



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



## ANNOUNCEMENTS / EVENTS

**Msgr. James E. Boesel**  
**Golf Outing- May 27**  
**Get your Early Bird Raffle Tickets Now!**

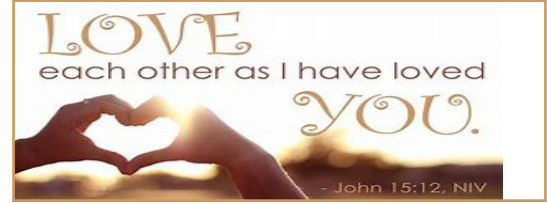
**Mother's Day Remembrance cards are available in the church.**



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

"Be kind and merciful. Let no one ever come to you without coming away better and happier."

-Saint "Mother" Teresa of Calcutta



### Our Lady of Mercy Summer Fair

Church & School Parking Lot 500 South Oyster Bay Rd. Hicksville

MUSIC, FOOD, BEER & WINE, RAFFLE PRIZES, & RIDES

Thursday July 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM-10:00PM, Friday July 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM-11:00PM

Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM-11:00PM & Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00PM-10:00PM

Parish Stewards Interested in Volunteering for this year's Summer Fair please contact Mike Trimarco cell phone #516 757-1655 or by email at [matrimarco@gmail.com](mailto:matrimarco@gmail.com)

- FOOD: MIKE TRIMARCO
- RAFFLES: DENISE SCHULTZ
- BEER & WINE: RAY & MOANA BADRA
- ENTERTAINMENT: TOM BECKNER
- CHURCH VIGIL: SUSAN CHIN
- BLESSED MOTHER: LEGION OF MARY
- FACILITIES SET/UP: CARMINE SERRAVALLI

## SAVE THE DATE

**TUESDAY, May 27th, 2025**  
(Tuesday After Memorial Day – Make It An Extra Long Weekend!)

OUR LADY OF MERCY'S  
MSGR. JAMES BOESEL  
MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC  
SPONSORED BY THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

**TOWN OF OYSTER BAY GOLF CLASSIC  
WOODBURY NEW YORK**

- 9:30 AM REGISTRATION
- 9:30 AM BREAKFAST
- 9:30 AM DRIVING RANGE OPENS
- 11:00 AM SHOTGUN START
- 4:30 PM – COCKTAIL HOUR
- 5:30 PM CHAMPION FOR LIFE DINNER,

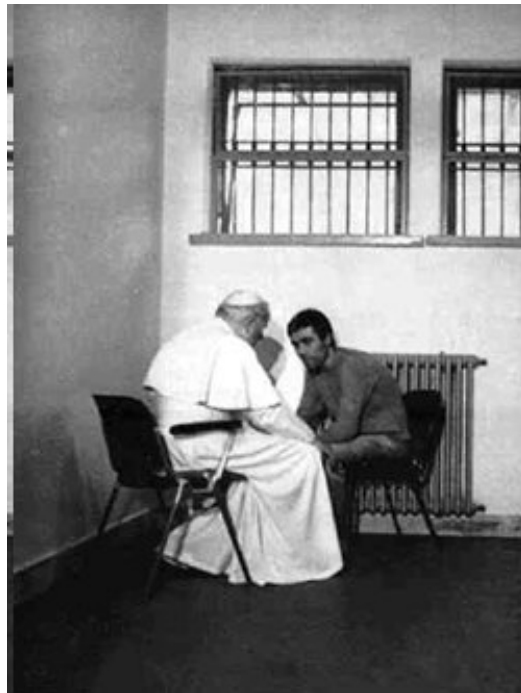
- o BARBECUE AT THE TURN
- o IMPRESSIVE RAFFLE PRIZES AND MUCH MORE

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: OUR LADY OF MERCY R. C. CHURCH  
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**MONDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 2025 7:30-9PM\*LOWER CHURCH**

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**PRESENTER:** Chuck Ruppert is the Co-Coordinator of OLM's Adult Formation/RCIA Program, a seasoned catechist and a man transformed in wisdom. This is a presentation not to be missed on a critical and difficult topic. We invite you to speak to the Coordinators following the presentation if you need additional guidance with particularly difficult situations.

**Contact Peggy Clores for more information:** [imcon630@aol.com](mailto:imcon630@aol.com)/516-317-1740

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

### ANGELS OF MERCY

#### O.L.M. Angels of Mercy Mother's Day Basket Raffle

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR  
MOTHER'S DAY BASKET RAFFLE!

The Winners Are:

Italian Basket: John Waugh  
Beach Basket: John King  
Theatre Basket: Joanne

Thank you to all who participated.!

### 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!*

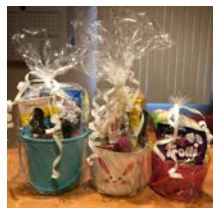
Pray for our children, their parents and teachers as they study and learn about their faith together.

Visit: [www.OurLadyofMercy.org](http://www.OurLadyofMercy.org)

Thank you and God bless you.



Our 2nd graders receive their Communion pins on Sunday, April 6, 2025 at the 10:30AM Family Mass.



Mrs. DeAgresta's class donated 3 baskets to the Food Pantry for Genny to give to the children for Easter. Children think about other children, they are a blessing to us all!

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

#### WEEKEND OF MAY 4, 2025

Collections that have been collected at Mass was \$11,357.00  
Collections that have come in through the Rectory Office by mail was \$4,450.00, and our Online Giving Collection total was \$1,584.00

Our Total Collection was allocated to the following:

Regular Offertory: \$10,990.00

Catholic Elementary Schools: \$2,357.00

Easter: \$3,090.00

Mercys Future: \$859.00

Catholic Communications: \$25.00

Feast of the Ascension: \$70.00

**Total Collection: \$17,391.00**

**Thank you and God Bless!**

"I seek Veronica to wipe and venerate My Divine Face which has but few adorers!"

Our Lord to Sr Mary of St. Peter -October 27th, 1845



#### Holy Hour of Reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 5:30PM-6:30PM

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Contact Susan Chin for information @ 516-728-1796

## ORGANIZATIONS

### 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 Denise Schulz, President, at [deniseangelsofmercy@gmail.com](mailto:deniseangelsofmercy@gmail.com)

**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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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) 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](mailto: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](mailto:suebill2@msn.com) or 516-728-1796.

**CYO Youth Council for Parish Sports:** Contact Rectory

**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 School Cafeteria. Contact Peggy Clores at [imcon630@aol.com](mailto: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. Contact: Mary Troffa 516-457-5743.

**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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### WEBSITES / SOCIAL MEDIA

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