OUR LADY of the MAGNIFICAT CHURCH

July, 2017

Dear Parishioners.

I am writing this letter to our entire OLM family to address the needs of everyone who would like to identify more with the Catholic Faith. In September, we again begin the annual Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program here at OLM. At this moment, we only have one candidate for the program and I know there are many more in the parish who have not received all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Some of you have children preparing for First Reconciliation, Eucharist and maybe even Confirmation, but for many reasons maybe you yourself have not yet received all the Sacraments of Initiation. This is your opportunity to catch up!

The real value in RCIA is learning about the Catholic Faith as an adult rather than as a child. You would not have the jobs and careers you have if you only had an elementary school education. The same goes for the Catholic Faith. You need more than an elementary education in Faith to be a real believer. "Really believing" means that you thoroughly understand what is happening when attend Mass and when you don't. RCIA can reveal to you the significant difference in knowing the Catholic faith.

Here are my thoughts. First pray about it. Talk to your spouse. RCIA meets in the rectory on Thursday evenings from 7 – 8:30 pm. Try it and you may like it. If you don't like it, you have to don't continue, but at least you gave it a shot. There is no commitment and no cost. Faith is free. If you have questions call or email Msgr. Carroll 973-838-6838 x 100 email: pastor@olmchurch.org or Carol Mangani, RCIA Coordinator 973-283-2218 email: rcia@olmchurch.org. You may need only Confirmation or you may need Eucharist and Confirmation. You may need all the Sacraments. They are here for the taking. The only commitment you need to make is a weekly Thursday evening meeting at 7 pm.

Registration documents are on-line at <u>www.olmchurch.org</u>. or please fill out the registration information below and scan and email it to us as noted on the bottom of the form, or simply drop it in the collection basket on Sunday, or fax it to the Rectory at 973-838-0710 or bring it off at the Parish office.

Let us hear from you so we can get organized for September.

God's blessings, John Garroll, Pastor	Carol Mangani, RCIA Coordinator
REGISTRATION FOR RCIA PROGRAM (Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults)	
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I am interested in receiving the followin	g Sacraments: (Please check off all that apply)
□ Baptism □ Confirmation □ Eucharist (Communion) □ ALL Sacraments The program meets every Thursday from 7pm to 8:30pm beginning September 7, 2017 and there is no charge. Please scan and email this form to rcia@olmchurch.org , drop it into the collection basket, bring it to the Parish Office or mail it to: Our Lady of the Magnificat - RCIA 2 Miller Road, Kinnelon, NJ 07405	