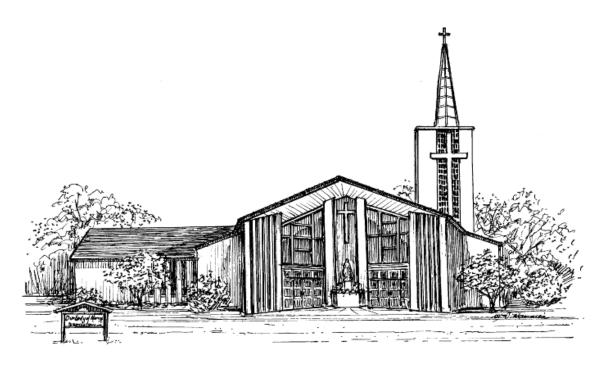
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November 18, 2018 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Rev. Mr. Gary Tankard, Permanent Deacon

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:30PM Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM, 12:30PM (Spanish), 4PM First & Third Sundays (until April 7)

Daily: 6:30AM, 8:30AM Saturday: 8:30AM

<u>ADORATION</u>

Every Thursday 9AM—10AM First Friday 8:30PM—8:15AM

The Sacrament is celebrated one Sunday every month. Parents should contact the rectory prior to the birth of their child for dates of Baptism Preparation Sessions.

Couples planning to be married should contact the rectory at least ONE YEAR PRIOR to the wedding date.

John Rokoszak, Pastoral Associate Debra Wyka, Minister of Music

Amy Ballanco, Coordinator of Religious Education

Jennifer Kavanagh, Youth Minister Donna Quinn, Finance Manager

Maureen Giaccio, Rectory Office Manager

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9-9:30AM & 1-1:30PM

Monday: 7-7:30PM

SCHOOL

Our Lady of Mercy Academy National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence 25 Fremont Avenue, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 Laraine Meehan, Principal

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY

Grades K-6: 4-5PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Grades 7-8: 3:45-5:15PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

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OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Mercy Parish is a Catholic community that worships God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, celebrating Mass, proclaiming the Gospel Message and uniting in prayer. We strive to welcome all and to educate ourselves and others in the Good News of Jesus Christ. We support one another in times of joy and sadness and attempt to serve each other by reaching out to those in need in our community and beyond. We are imperfect people on a journey. Our goal is that the life of each person leads to the Lord.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

5:30 John & Dorothea Connors

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

Dn 12:1-3/ Heb 10:11-14, 18/ Mk 13:24-32

7:30 Rose Toth 9:30 Anne McNeil

Ann Wetzel 11:00

People of the Parish 12:30 Mildred Chinchar 4PM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Rv 1:1-4: 2:1-5/ Lk 18:35-43 6:30 Robert & Marilyn Miller

8:30 Ralph & Ferdinando Forcelatti

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/ Lk 19:1-10

6:30 Frank Venusti 8:30 Thomas Griffith

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Rv 4:1-11/ Lk 19:11-28

6:30 Margaret & Owen Toolen 8:30 Joseph & Joan Richmond

Saint Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Rv 5:1-10/ Lk 19:41-44 8:30 Paul Clements

Saints Clement I, Pope & Martyr; Columban, Abbot;

Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Rv 10:8-11/ Lk 19:45-48 8:30 William Finnegan

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

Rv 11:4-12/ Lk 20:27-40

8:30 Lenny Principe 5:30 Walter Jozwyck

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Dn 7:13-14/ Rv 1:5-8/ Jn 18:33b-37

7:30 Ann Kilmartin

9:30 Inge & Robert Coholan People of the Parish 11:00

Polifrone Family 12:30

LET US PRAY

In your love and kindness please pray for the sick of our parish, especially: Marie Barrett, Frank Dundin, Gloria Davino, and for those intentions listed in the book of intentions in the Vestibule.

Please also remember the deceased of our parish and their families, especially: Torre Tobiassen, Bo Sup Hahn, and Eileen Ballanco.

Please join with us in praying one OUR FATHER per day for all those who have no one to pray for them.



THE SANCTUARY LAMPS IN CHURCH burn this week in memory of: Robert & Marilyn Miller, Sheri Destro, and for Louis Bender.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP IN THE CHAPEL burns this week for Special Intentions.

If you would like more information about reserving a Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or for a Special Intention, please call the rectory office at 201-391-5315.

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING - <u>Tithing</u>

November 11th: \$16.743 Same time last year: \$15,966

Tithing is God's plan to support His Church. Full tithing means 10% of gross income to God. We ask half of this, or 5%, for your Parish church. The other 5% goes to your favorite charities.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory." **MARK 13:26**

We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond?

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS - To date we have received \$58,296 in pledges. Our goal is \$99,592. Thank you to those parishioners who have already shown their support and generosity.

There are consecrated low gluten hosts available at all our Sunday Liturgies. They are made available during the reception of Communion near the ramp.

We are happy to have Msgr. Turro as our "guest columnist this week with these words about thanksgiving.

We cannot say "thank you" to God loud enough and often enough in response for all the goodness and joy with which God has graced our lives. Yet puny as it is, each year we stop for one day to thank God for His overwhelming goodness to us.



Inter-Faith Thanksgiving Service

Sponsored by the Clergy Fellowship of the Pascack Valley Sunday, November 18 at 7PM Congregation B'nai Israel 53 Palisade Ave, Emerson

Our Lady of Mercy Church Thanksgiving Day Mass 8:30AM

Thanksgiving Table Prayer

O Gracious God, we give you thanks for your overflowing generosity to us. Thank you for the blessings of the food we eat and especially for this feast today. Thank you for our home and family and friends, especially for the presence of those gathered here. Thank you for our health, our work and our play. Please send help to those who are hungry, alone, sick and suffering war and violence. Open our hearts to your love. We ask your blessing through Christ your son. Amen.





FAITH FORMATION

IS <u>RCIA</u> FOR YOU? There are many reasons why you may want to become involved in the RCIA. Do any of these fit you?

- I have never been baptized.
- I am married to a Catholic and attend Mass, but just don't know what the next step may be.
- I have been baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to become Catholic.
- I have been baptized Catholic, but have not received any other sacraments.

Do you know someone who might be interested in being in full communion with the Catholic Church? Ask, encourage and invite them to this program. The journey begins with one small step! Upcoming sessions: December 2, 16 at 10:30AM in the Parish Center. Call John Rokoszak at 201-391-3590 or Jlrok@optonline.net for more information.

PRAYER GROUPS

THE FAMILY OF GOD meets Tuesday at 7:30PM in the Chapel to praise God and pray for special intentions.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY meets Thursday mornings at 9:30AM in the Chapel.

<u>MOTHER'S GROUPS</u> meet day or evening for one hour each week. If interested in joining, please call Cathy Flynn at 201-391-1482.

THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA will be recited each Saturday in the Sacred Heart Chapel immediately following the 8:30AM Mass.

THANKSGIVING DAY—All parish offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 & 23. There will be one Mass each day, at 8:30AM.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Due to the heightened awareness for some children to need the availability of an Epi Pen during Religious Education classes, it is now mandatory that a medical professional be on site while classes are being held. If you are a medical professional and would like to volunteer to be on site on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday from 4 to 5 pm, your assistance would be most appreciated. Please call Amy Ballanco in the Religious Education Office for more information.

GET INVOLVED

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS—Protecting God's Children-If you need to take the "Protecting God's Children Workshop" please visit the website VIRTUS.ORG for upcoming workshop dates. Additional details are in our information stands in the The Archdiocese takes very Gathering Space. seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of We encourage anyone with the Archdiocese. knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocese Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

HACKENSACK SOUP KITCHEN -

THANK YOU to all the parishioners who continue to make this ministry possible. On November 8, we served 110 men, women and children at the Bergen County Health and Human Services Center in Hackensack. We will be hosting the next dinner on January 10th.



CALLING ALL KNITTERS & CROCHETERS!

A BIG thank you to all who participated in our L Hat/Scarf project last winter. Family Promise was delighted with our delivery of 28 hand-

made hats, 7 scarves, and 5 pairs of gloves. We hope we can count on you and others to continue this effort for this winter. Patterns and yarn are available upon request. Please contact Lauretta Miller at 201-391-6109 or by email at: lajim@optonline.net if you would like to be part of this effort.

CURSILLO MOVEMENT of the Archdiocese of **Newark—**For the latest info go towww.mycursillo.com

BOX OF JOY—For those who took a Christmas "Box of Joy" but were not able to return them by the return deadline, please mail them directly to the following address: Cross Catholic Outreach-Box of Joy, c/o RMT Logistics, 10239 NW 62nd St., Doral, FL 33178

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ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK NEWS

Cardinal Tobin has written a letter to all the faithful of the Archdiocese in response to a widely published article in the Boston Globe and Philadelphia Inquirer on November 4, regarding how bishops have handled abuse cases in the Church. It can be found in both English and Spanish on our website or by following this

https://www.rcan.org/letter-cardinal-joseph-w-tobinregarding-joint-article-today%E2%80%99sphiladelphia-inquirer-and-boston

UPCOMING EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS

Our Lady of Fatima Council will celebrate a Memorial Mass for our deceased members on Monday, November 26th at 8PM in the Chapel. Family and friends of these brothers are invited to attend.

ADVENT GIVING TREE—Thanks to the Knights of Columbus, the Advent Giving Trees will be set up in the church November 26. The Social Justice & Peace Ministry will place Advent Giving Tree tags on trees the First Sunday of Advent, December 1/2. Look for the colorful tags and gift ideas for the different non-profits OLM will be sponsoring this year. Gifts and contributions will be collected the weekend of December 15/16.

ADVENT PARISH MISSION—December 3, 4, & 5 All are invited to begin our Advent journey with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. 7PM. More details to follow.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION December 12th at 7PM

SAVE THE DATE—OLM CHRISTMAS CONCERT December 16th at 5:30PM. Music by OLM choirs.

ADVENT DEANERY PENANCE SERVICE Our Lady of Mercy— December 17th at 7PM.

TRIM THE CHURCH

Come help us "trim the Church" on Tuesday, December 18th 7PM. This is an ideal service project for high school students and Confirmation candidates.



WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT Attention All OLM Women Parishioners

The Retreat is scheduled for March 22 and 23, 2019. The Cornerstone XI Team is committed to creating an awesome spiritual experience for you! Please prayerfully consider making your commitment to join us. More information to follow.....

BREATHING & STRETCHING with Joan—Tuesdays at 10AM, OLM Lower Gathering Space—\$10 donation with half being given to Haiti Scholarship Fund. Bring yoga mat, blanket, small towel, and wear comfortable clothes. Next class: November 20th.

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