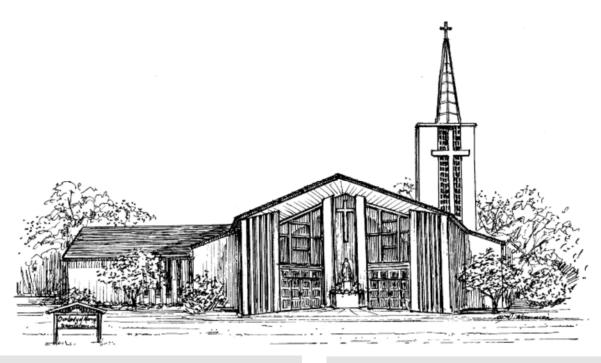
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Park Ridge, New Jersey 07656

October 20, 2019 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:30PM Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM, 12:30PM (Spanish),

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

ADORATION

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

BAPTISM

The Sacrament is celebrated one Sunday every month. Parents should contact the rectory or visit OLM website for dates of Baptism and Preparation Sessions.

MARRIAGE

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

John Rokoszak, Pastoral Associate

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RECONCILIATION

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

Monday: 7PM

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, OCTOBER 19

5:30 Paul Clements

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Ex 17:8-13/ 2 Tm 3:14-4:2/ Lk 18:1-8

7:30 People of the Parish

9:30 Alwina Mangers

11:00 Rosemary Lentino

12:30 Bud Powell

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

Rom 4:20-25/ Lk 12:13-21

6:30 Jim Flynn

8:30 Claire Nicita

Saint John Paul II, Pope

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/ Lk 12:35-38

6:30 Robert & Linda Gunther

8:30 Jack McNamara

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Rom 6:12-18/ Lk 12:39-48

6:30 Stephen McCabe

8:30 Carmela Vuolo

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Rom 6:19-23/ Lk 12:49-53

6:30 Joseph Puchalik

8:30 Special Intention for the Petrillo Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Rom 7:18-25a/ Lk 12:54-59

6:30 Michael Korda

8:30 Special Intention for the Petrillo Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

8:30 Carmela Vuolo

5:30 People of the Parish

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/ 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/ Lk 18:9-14

7:30 Patricia A. Christensen

9:30 Patricia Boniface

11:00 Marija Fatovic

12:30 Sara Sanchez





LET US PRAY

In your love and kindness please pray for the sick of our parish, and for the prayer requests listed in the book of intentions in the Vestibule.

Please also remember the deceased of our parish and their families, especially: Joseph Mead, Ernest Auer, Mary McManus, Sabrina Ferrara, William M. Kay, John Reynolds, and Jose Pontejos.

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: Gerarda Frasciello, Carmela Vuolo, and for Henry Romani.

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>

October 13 collection: \$14,808 Same time last year: \$19,175

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

"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 ТІМОТНҮ 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good **Steward**, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.



2019 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal.

Our parish goal this year is \$100,843. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for any help you can provide. If you choose to donate online, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing

Pledged to date: \$51,466.

Pastor's Column

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Three years ago I attended a doctoral defense at the Maryvale Institute in Birmingham, England, and to my surprise, the room I was given had belonged to the now "Saint" John Henry Newman, who was canonized just last Sunday by Pope Francis in a beautiful ceremony in St. Peter's Square!

Maryvale was the first location of Newman's "Oratory of Saint Philip Neri." A novelty of his room was a little closet with a kneeler and a window in it, that overlooked the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel below, where he had prayed everyday and where I too had the chance to pray. It was such an unexpected blessing and surprise.

Saint John Henry Newman was an Anglican priest who converted to the Catholic Church and had an enormous influence on the Church as a poet, a theologian, and a professor, and most especially in offering a wonderful account of the unity of "faith and reason" to university students. In our country, most universities have campus ministries, usually called "Newman Clubs," named for the new saint.

St. John Henry Newman, wrote one of my favorite prayers, later set to music; perhaps you will like it too!:

Lead, Kindly Light, amidst th'encircling gloom, Lead Thou me on! The night is dark, and I am far from home, Lead Thou me on! Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see The distant scene; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou Shouldst lead me on; I loved to choose and see my path; but now Lead Thou me on! I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears, Pride ruled my will. Remember not past years!

So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still Will lead me on.

O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till The night is gone,

And with the morn those angel faces smile, Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile!

Meantime, along the narrow rugged path, Thyself hast trod, Lead, Savior, lead me home in childlike faith, Home to my God. To rest forever after earthly strife In the calm light of everlasting life.

Saint John Henry Newman ... Pray for us! God bless you all,





TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 20, 2019

MSGR. TURRO HOMILY

One of the Gospels reminds us that Christ gave us the Church as a favor and a blessing. As Christ sent the Twelve to bring truth and consolation into the lives of people back then, so today he sends the Church into our lives to do the same for us.

Strangely, some people tend to view the Church as the enemy. What a mistake that is. The Church is in fact, one of God's richest blessings sent into our lives.

To read more of Msgr. Turro's homilies go to https://urolm.org/homilies

PRAYER GROUPS

THE ROSARY SOCIETY will attend the 8:30AM Mass on the first Saturday of the month, followed by recitation of the Rosary.

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>MOTHERS PRAYERS 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.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Please join us for Movie Night during this Respect Life Month on October 24th. We will be showing "Gosnell" at 7PM in the Youth Room. Popcorn and water will be provided but feel free to bring your own snack to share with the group if you'd like. All are welcome so grab a friend and join us for this very powerful and moving film. To learn more about our ministry at OLM please contact Lucrezia Rack at lrack@optonline.net

OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY NEWS

OLMA 8th Grade Service Project: Join our OLMA 8th GRADERS as they learn how to use technology for GOOD! Our students have been hard at work using various forms of technology to create and promote their SOCKTOBER service project. They will be collecting socks for the homeless from October 1-31st to be distributed through local shelters and Midnight Run. Please look for donation boxes in the church gathering space. We hope you will support them by donating a pair of socks or two and encourage their hard work and efforts!

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Our Lady of Mercy Academy is currently interviewing for substitute teachers. If you have an interest and hold either an Associate or Bachelor Degree, please contact the School Office at 201-391-3838 x103.

GIVE THE GIFT OF A CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Established by OLM parishioner Dr. Marilyn Miller in memory of her parents, the Robert F. and Marilyn A. Miller Catholic Education Foundation offers tuition assistance to students with demonstrated financial need who are currently attending a Catholic grammar or high school within the Archdiocese of Newark, NJ. A wise investment, for today, and for our future, please visit https://www.themillercsefoundation.com/ to learn how you can help a student.

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! Next session: October 27th, 10:30AM in the Parish Center. For more info, call John Rokoszak at 201-391-3590 or Jlrok@optonline.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay up to date with the latest upcoming events by visiting Our Lady of Mercy website. urolm.org

GET INVOLVED

HANDBELL RINGERS WANTED for the Christmas Season. Grades 6-12.

Rehearsals on Tuesdays starting November 12. Contact Debra Wyka for schedule at 201-358-2994 or email debrawyka@aol.com

BOXES OF JOY are here again! Boxes of Joy is sponsored by Cross Catholic Outreach. It provides Christmas gifts to children that would not receive gifts at Christmas. Www.CrossCatholic.org. Social Justice & Peace Ministry will distribute the boxes on October 19-20. Last days for collection November 2-3.

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY is hosting the Harvest Food Drive the weekend of October 26/27. The local Food Pantries need Canned Goods, Dried Black Beans, Rice, Cereal, Kids Snacks, Paper Goods, and/or Gift Cards to ShopRite. We will collect your items in the Gathering Space before or after any Mass the weekend of 10/26 – 10/27.

OUR LADY OF MERCY IS IN NEED OF EUCHARIS- TIC MINISTERS to serve the people of our parish. Are you being called to serve? There will be a workshop at the Archdiocesan Center on November 9th. For more information, please email urolm.church@gmail.com

OLM Hat/Scarf Project Ministry—Like to knit and crochet? Once again, we reach out to you to continue our effort to provide handmade hats and scarves for those in need.

This is such a wonderful opportunity to share our blessings! Knit/crochet patterns and yarn are available upon request. For more info please contact Lauretta Miller at 201-391-6109 or email at: lajim@optonline.net.

MISCELLANEOUS

OLM Christmas Ornament Set of Two for 2019

We are now accepting orders for our Fifth and Final Series, Set of Two Replica Stain Glass Window Ornaments. "Let the little children come to me" and "Mary has chosen the best part"

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For your convenience, our order form can be found in the Msgr. Lillis vestibule, the gathering space, at the rectory and also on our website at urolm.org. **October 21th is our order deadline**, so do not delay. It is not too late to start your collection. All of the previous series sets (undated) are available for purchase at the rectory.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK NEWS

THE ARCHDIOCESE takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with 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. www.rcan.org

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