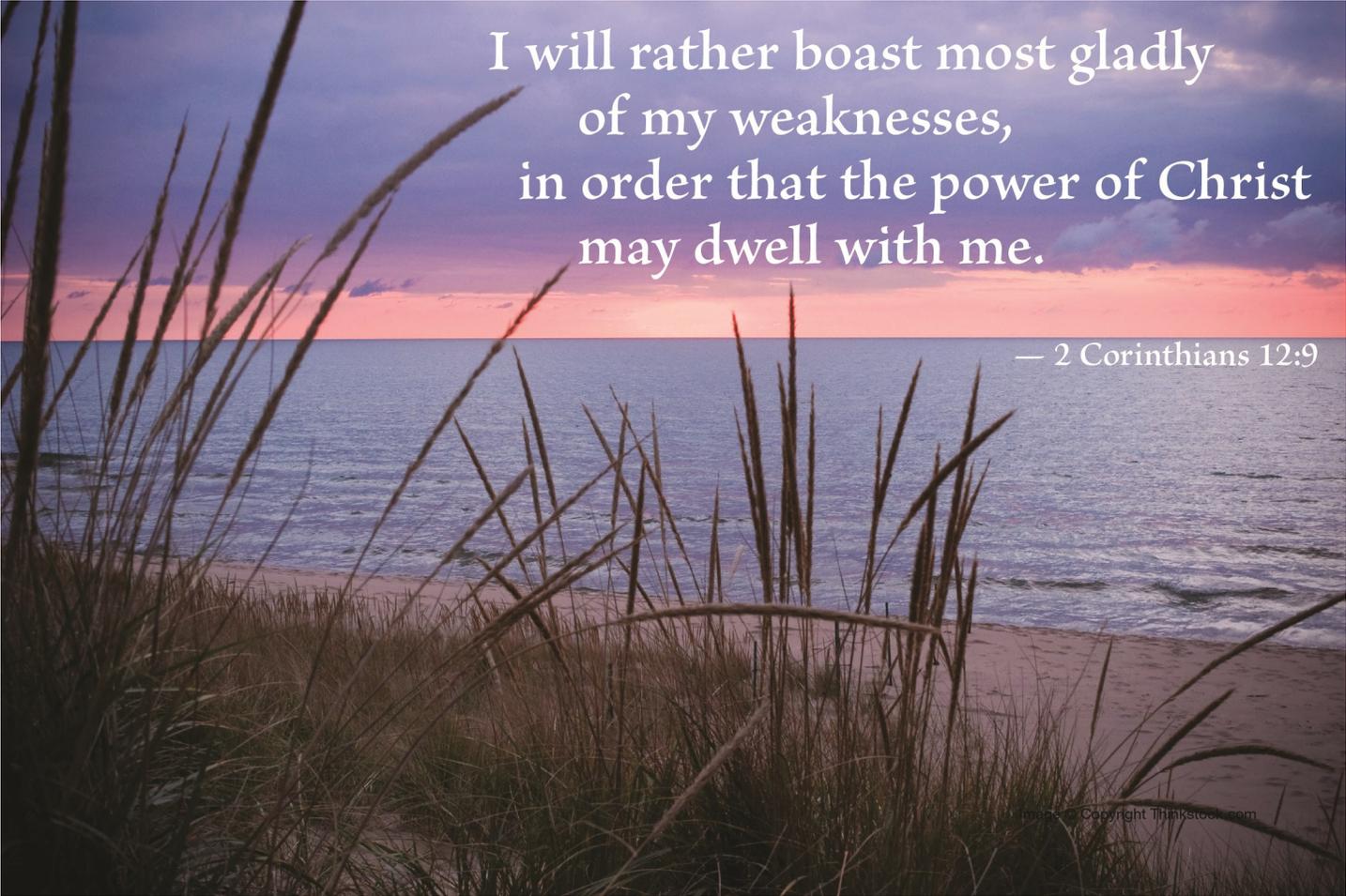


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I will rather boast most gladly
of my weaknesses,
in order that the power of Christ
may dwell with me.

— 2 Corinthians 12:9

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SCHOOL

Our Lady of Mercy Academy
National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
Michelle Powrie, Principal

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Monday—Friday 6:30AM, 8:30AM,
Saturday 8:30AM

Saturday Evening: 5:30PM

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

RECONCILIATION

Monday: 7PM in the Church Vestibule

Saturday: 1:00-1:30PM

BAPTISM

Parents should contact Jen Courtney 201-391-3590 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.

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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

Saint Thomas, Apostle

SATURDAY, JULY 3

Eph 2:19-22/ Jn 20:24-29

8:30 Robert Mancinelli

5:30 Dave McNeil

Independence Day

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, JULY 4

Ez 2:2-5/ 2 Cor 12:7-10/ Mk 6:1-6a

7:30 Pat Dolan

9:00 John Dougherty

11:00 Eloise Sawicki

12:30 People of the Parish

Sts. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; Elizabeth of Portugal

MONDAY, JULY 5

Gn 28:10-22a/ Mt 9:18-26

8:30 Augusta & Edna Mooney

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

TUESDAY, JULY 6

Gn 32:23-33/ Mt 9:32-38

6:30 Steven C. Panagi, Sr.

8:30 Mirto Nicolich

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/ Mt 10:1-7

6:30 Deceased members of Lucas & Cruz Family

8:30 Deceased members of Petrillo Family

THURSDAY, JULY 8

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/ Mt 10:7-15

6:30 Orazio Iacono

8:30 Mirto Nicolich

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest

FRIDAY, JULY 9

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/ Mt 10:16-23

6:30 Robert & Linda Gunther

8:30 Theresa Corcoran

SATURDAY, JULY 10

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Mt 10:24-33

8:30 John Gallo

5:30 Fay & Tony Tudisco

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, JULY 11

Am 7:12-15/ Eph 1:3-14/ Mk 6:7-13

7:30 Teresa Copola

9:00 Shannon Lee Quinn

11:00 Walter Coche

12:30 People of the Parish



LET US PRAY

In your love and kindness please pray for the sick of our parish, especially: Brian Connors, Dave Golenischew, Peter Lucia Jr., Joseph Padovano, and Ronald Prigot.

Please also remember the deceased of our parish especially: Ellen Anderson, Elaine Crough, Leonor Ospino, and Tammie Coyman.



THE SANCTUARY LAMPS IN THE CHURCH burn this week in memory of Michael Savianeso, and for Special Intentions.

LIGHT AN ONLINE CANDLE

We know that Our Lord, Our Lady, and all the Saints hear and respond to our prayers. Light an online candle and share your prayer intention so we can pray with you as well.

<https://urolm.org/light-a-candle-request-form>

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING –

June 27 Collection: \$15,132

Same time last year: \$19,882*

*This includes a very generous \$5,000 contribution.



Next weekend is the Retired Priest's Collection



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021

Annual Appeal ^{the 2021} **GOAL MET!** Thank you to all those who have helped **Catholic Stewardship in Action** OLM Parish, reach our 2021 Annual Appeal goal of \$109,439. To date, pledges received: \$133,800. OLM will receive 100% of all funds received over our goal. To date, collected pledges: \$128,830. Please be sure to honor your pledges. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form in the Gathering Space or visit <http://www.rcan.org/sharing>. As always, thank you for your generosity.

A Message from Fr. Vincent

Dear Friends:

I hope you are all well and staying cool! I am writing to you from my time away at the Jersey Shore with family. I have been waking each morning to pray the rosary and have kept each of you in my prayers. I miss you and will be back on Monday.

This weekend's Gospel is contrary to the famous line in the Wizard of Oz, "there's no place like home." We learn in the Gospel of Mark that Jesus's own townspeople – those who knew him and were closest to him – questioned Him. These people were not ignorant of Jesus's teaching and the miraculous works he had accomplished. They did not question these things. What they challenged was the source of these wonders. Their question did not arise from awe but from resentment. Who did he think he was? Without realizing it they were asking the right question but for the wrong reason. Had they really wanted to know, it might have been revealed to them. Those who were closest to Jesus had a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and sadly their lack of faith likewise prevented many of them from experiencing the eternal Son of God in the way He wanted them to.

We need to ask ourselves whether God wants to do something miraculous in our lives, but we lack the faith He requires to do so? Do we suffer from unbelief or a deficiency of faith? Or perhaps – like Jesus – we try to profess our faith by word and example to others and try to live out our prophetic roles as good Christians but those closest to us do not understand us or question our motives.

I recall from my own experience that when I told some of my closest friends and family members that I was leaving my law career and giving up many of my worldly possessions to enter the seminary, they thought I was absolutely crazy. But then we may also experience those who look at us and see that there is something there. That there is something happening in our lives. That God is working in us.

At the end of the Gospel reading, Jesus sensed the lack of faith of those from his hometown and he was not able to perform any mighty deed there. He was amazed at their lack of faith. Jesus leaves us free. Free to let Him enter our lives or free to reject Him. But he waits with great anticipation to enter the hearts and the lives of the faithful – of those that believe in Him.

Just a few reminders:

- ◆ Please check the Parish website for upcoming events at OLM. There are many exciting things happening and we want you to be a part of them.
- ◆ Please fill out the Parish registration which you can find in the Gathering Space or on the Parish website. You may use this form if you are not yet registered with the Parish or if you need to update your information.
- ◆ During the weekend of July 10th and 11th, we will have refreshments after the 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses. Please join us!
- ◆ Also, during the weekend of July 10th and 11th, we will roll out a new parish giving program from Faith Direct. Through Faith Direct, you can make all of your contributions to Our Lady of Mercy automatically each month from your checking account or credit card, just
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as you may do now with your mortgage, household bills, and other monthly payments. Thank you for your continued generosity to the Parish!

I wish you all a Happy and Safe 4th of July weekend. Please take a moment now and pray for our beautiful country. We ask that God may shed His grace on our Nation always...

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have stood before You in times gone by, celebrating our history, and reveling in all the great things that our country has achieved.

On this day we rejoice in the favor You have graciously given us. We thank You for the blessings of liberty, for this generation and for the generations to come.

We thank You for our independence, peace and for all those who have bravely given their lives in the defense of freedom and justice.

We thank You that Your gracious and provident hand has given us so much.

On this day we commit ourselves to wholeheartedly honoring and serving You.

Make us a generous people,
A holy Nation, A people set aside to love You forever,
for the sake of the land of the brave and free,
and the peoples and Nations of this world.

Today, we ask that you shine Your grace for our country.

Our land is in need of You, our people are in need of You.

May we look only to You this Independence Day, dependent on You always.

Please come now and breathe new life into our beautiful Nation and give us peace.

We ask all this, as one Nation under God, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

God Bless America!!!

With love and appreciation for each one of you,

F. Vincent

LOOKING AHEAD

BLACK POSTER PROJECT – A powerful exhibit of lives lost to addiction—July 22 from 5PM to 9PM in the Church. All are invited to walk at their own pace to view the posters, look at the faces, look into their eyes, read their stories — as each will 'speak back'. Flyer can be viewed on page 6 of the on-line bulletin.

MSGR. TURRO REFLECTION



Today is a day of brilliant sunshine. Will you at any moment during this day stop to recognize this fact? Very probably not. You have taken it all for granted; just as you may be taking for granted the sharp, clear light of Christ that is shining in your life. The need is to realize a basic fact of our Christian life: that our lives are warmed and lighted by Christ.

The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God lighted it, and the Lamb is its lamp. (Revelation 21:23)

FAITH FORMATION

IS RCIA 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! For more info, email John Rokoszak at john.rokoszak@urolm.org <https://urolm.org/rcia>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Religious Education Registration is now open for children in Grades K-6 that wish to attend the OLM Religious Education Program 2021-2022. Please visit us at www.urolm.org and select the Faith Formation / Religious Education K-6 Tabs to learn more about our program offerings and how to register your child.

Deadline for registration is July 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Evelyn Paglieri at: evelyn.paglieri@urolm.org or 201-391-3590.

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist 2021-2022. We are now accepting registrations for those children who will receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist in 2021-2022. Children who have been baptized **AND** have already completed their first grade of religious education are eligible to begin their preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist in the 2021-2022 school year. In order to register, families must be registered parishioners of OLM and also be enrolled in our Religious Education Program or OLMA. Please visit our website at www.urolm.org (under Sacraments Tab) for the Program Calendar of Events and registration form. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Evelyn Paglieri at evelyn.paglieri@urolm.org or 201-391-3590.

RETREATS

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven." (Pope Francis)

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father." So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved? The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will host two upcoming **Rachel's Vineyard** retreats to heal the wounds from abortion. Dates: September 10-12, (English) and October 22-24 (Spanish). Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 or e-mail Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English) elvinedoderaquelinfo@rcan.org (Spanish)

RECTORY OFFICE NEWS

Rectory Office hours:

Monday—Friday 9:30AM—4:00PM. Hours may vary during the summer months. The Rectory will be closed on July 5th.

Mass book for July 2022 intentions will open July 6, 2021. You may request one Sunday per month, two weekdays per month for each of the months that we are opening.



Please help us keep our parishioner records up to date. There are sheets in the Gathering Space for you to use to update any information, or if you are new and would like to register. You may also do this by visiting the OLM website or see page 7 of the on-line bulletin.

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

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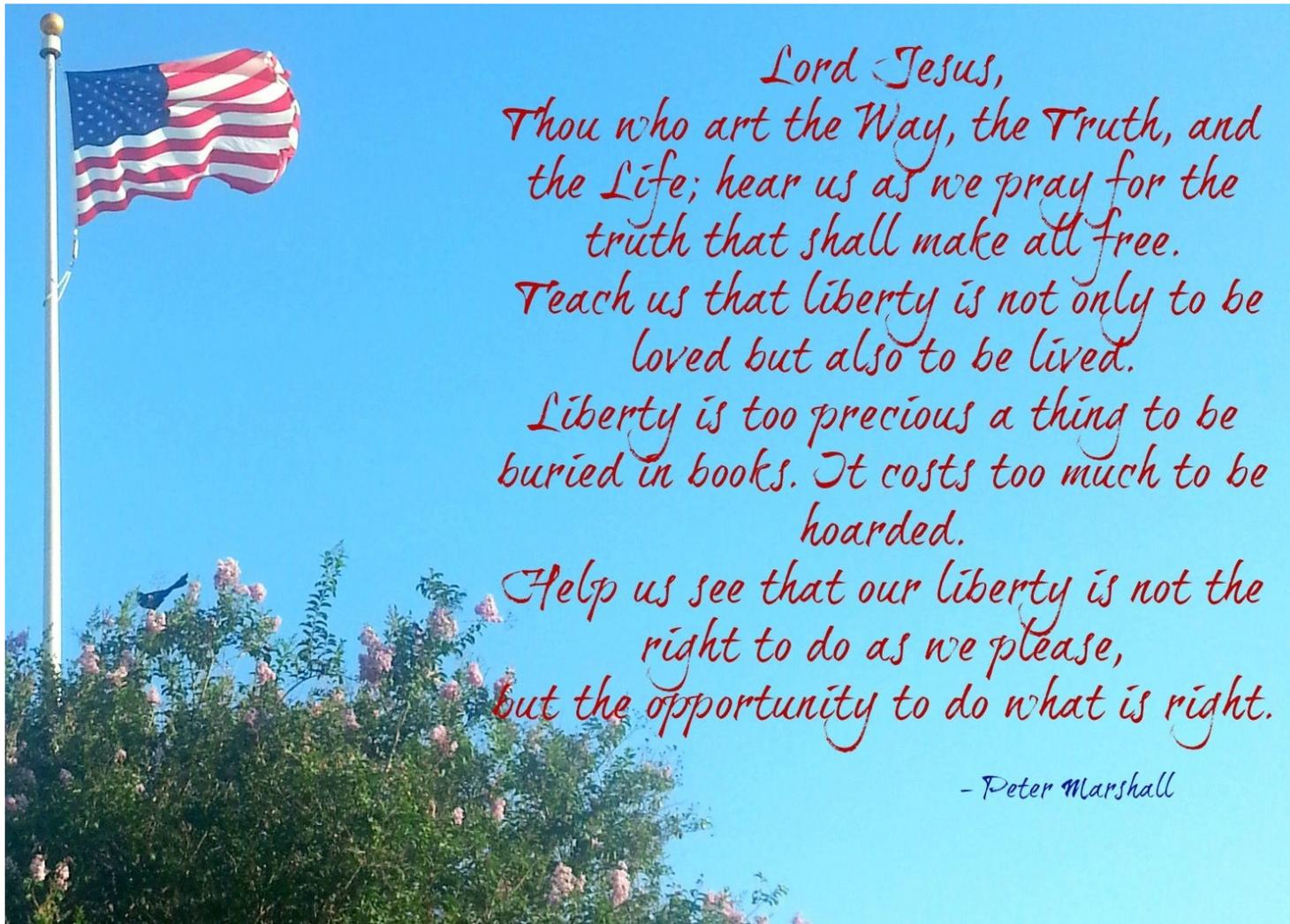
Olm music ministry is seeking a male cantor for Masses. Must be able to read music. Choir rehearsals will resume in September on Wednesday evenings. If interested, please contact Debra Wyka at (201)358-2994 or debrawyka@aol.com.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Family Promise Hackensack Dinner Program continues to supply food as they have for more than 20 years. Your generosity allows us to fulfill our commitment to the community, ensuring that anyone in need of a free meal during these challenging times will get one. Due to current needs we are continuing to work with LePores Restaurant in Westwood to feed up to 180 individuals each night. **Our next dinners will be on July 8th.**

Please consider 'Adopting a Meal' - \$10 will provide a dinner of: salad, bread, pasta, meatballs, broccoli, dessert and beverage. Checks can be made out to the 'Serenity Fund' with Hackensack Soup Kitchen written in the memo. Drop off or mail to the OLM rectory. If you have any questions, contact Joni von Autenried at jrvonaut@gmail.com for more information.

Our Lady of Mercy Pray For Us



Lord Jesus,
Thou who art the Way, the Truth, and
the Life; hear us as we pray for the
truth that shall make all free.
Teach us that liberty is not only to be
loved but also to be lived.
Liberty is too precious a thing to be
buried in books. It costs too much to be
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Help us see that our liberty is not the
right to do as we please,
but the opportunity to do what is right.

- Peter Marshall



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*Thank you for registering your family here at
Our Lady of Mercy Parish*

By filling out the form below you are welcomed into our parish family. As a registered parishioner, it is expected that you and your family will be full participants physically, spiritually, and financially in the life of this parish church. It is hoped that you will find the programs and spiritual guidance offered here, supportive to your family life. You will now be included in all parish notices and mailings. Please be reminded to inform your previous parish of this decision, in order for them to also keep accurate records of your change in participation.

OUR LADY OF MERCY - PARISH CENSUS

Family Name:						
Address:						
City, State, Zip						
Telephone Number:						
E-mail Address:						

Please list the first name of each member living at home (last name if different)	Sex	Birth Date mm/dd/yy	Marital Status	Family Relation	Religion	Sacraments Received (guide listed below)	Occupation/ Student Current Grade
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Please indicate what languages other than English are spoken in the home: _____

Is there any one in your home that has special needs, i.e. home-bound, handicapped? _____

Where applicable, please indicate maiden name: _____

Guide:

- Sex:** M = Male; F = Female
- Family Relation:** H = Husband; W = Wife; C = Child; R = Relative; O = Other
- Marital Status:** M = Married; S = Single; W = Widowed; D = Divorced; S = Separated
- Religion:** C = Catholic; P = Protestant; J = Jewish; O = Orthodox; X = Other, please specify
- Sacraments:** B = Baptized; P = Penance; E = Eucharist; C = Confirmed; A = All listed

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