

Our Lady of Mercy Church

Park Ridge, New Jersey 07656

Blessed are you
who are poor,
for the kingdom
of God is yours.
Blessed are you
who are
now hungry,
for you will
be satisfied.

LUKE 6:20-21A

SIXTH SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time

13
2022 FEBRUARY

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Our Lady of Mercy Academy
National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence 2011/2018
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MASS SCHEDULE

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

Saturday Vigil: 5:30PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM, 12:30PM Spanish,
6:15PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Thursday from 9AM-10AM in the Chapel
First Friday from 7PM—10PM in the Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Monday: 7PM in the Church Vestibule
Saturday: 1:00-1:30PM

BAPTISM

Parents should contact the Rectory Office 201-391-5315
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

Lincoln's Birthday

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/ Mk 8:1-10

8:30 Catherine Vaccaro

5:30 James Gretsas

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Jer 17:5-8/ 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/ Lk 6:17, 20-26

7:30 Loretta Callow

9:30 Margaret Durba

11:00 Loretta Callow

12:30 People of the Parish

6:15PM Religious Education Catechists & Volunteers

Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Jas 1:1-11/ Mk 8:11-13

6:30 Loretta Callow

8:30 Giovanni Albanese

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Jas 1:12-18/ Mk 8:14-21

6:30 Fera-Lucas Families

8:30 Christopher Martarano

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Jas 1:19-27/ Mk 8:22-26

6:30 Lucas-Gomez Families

8:30 Connie Stein

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Jas 2:1-9/ Mk 8:27-33

6:30 Sharon McCabe

8:30 Reynaldo O. Arcilla

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Jas 2:14-24, 26/ Mk 8:34—9:1

6:30 Fera-Cruz Families

8:30 Suheir Kharoube Mascuilli

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Jas 3:1-10/ Mk 9:2-13

8:30 Steven McCabe

5:30 Ralph & Ferdinando Forcellati

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/ 1 Cor 15:45-49/ Lk 6:27-38

7:30 People of the Parish

9:30 Elizabeth & John Redding

11:00 Ronald Banta

12:30 Enrique Silva

6:15PM Lolita Morillos



LET US PRAY

In your love and kindness please pray for the sick of our parish, especially: Dave Golenischew, Luke Tataro, Juana Isabel Chicas, Neil Boccanfuso, John Ollinger, Anthony DePasquale, and Linda Pandolfi.

Please also remember the deceased of our parish especially: Alfred Altano, Jr., and Matthew Ryffel.



THE SANCTUARY LAMPS IN THE CHURCH burn this week 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>

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God Bless You!

Fr. Vincent

Annual Appeal ^{thru 2022}

The goal set for our Parish is \$109,318. Any amounts collected over this goal will be returned to the Parish to help us in our Parish mission. Any amount under this goal will still be the responsibility of each Parish to pay to the Archdiocese

Pledged to date: \$ 12,320

Amount Collected: \$ 9,685

Prayerfully consider making your pledge today. AAA Envelopes are available in the Gathering Space or you can pledge online at: <http://www.rcan.org/sharing>

Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood

Reflection

FEELING BLESSED

Congratulations! Welcome to the Kingdom! Rejoice and leap for joy! Sounds a little like Easter, doesn't it? Well, in a very real way, it is. This Sunday, the scriptures remind us that we are blessed and beloved, especially when we have difficulties and don't feel especially blessed. Jesus reminds us that God blesses us in our trials, so we should trust in the saving power of God. We are "raised from the dead," as it were, each time we arise from our hardships. The ultimate proof of all of this is our new life in Christ, who died so that we could be free of sin, and was raised from the dead so that we might all have new life. Wouldn't that be something? A new life, in which poverty is riches and sadness is transformed into lightness of spirit? It's a topsy-turvy world, isn't it? Do you feel blessed today?

Reflection question:

How can I allow God's grace to fashion me into a pleasing dwelling for the Lord?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who teach us that you abide
in hearts that are just and true,
grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace
as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose hope is in the LORD.
He is like a tree planted beside the waters
that stretches out its roots to the stream.

Jeremiah 17:7-8



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FR. VINCENT'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



<https://urolm.org/>

Ask your Pastor...

LIVE

Let's get to know each other better!

March 24th



Father Vincent

*Got Questions?
BRING YOUR COFFEE AND
YOUR QUESTIONS!*



All of Us

10AM or 7PM in the Lower Gathering Space



**Lenten Retreat at OLM
With Franciscan Friars of the Renewal
March 7, 8, 9
Please see Flyer on page 5 for details**

MSGR. TURRO REFLECTION



"Is that all there is; is that all there is?"

Plaintive words from a song that reviews a series of recollections of an unhappy and frustrated past. Are you ever moved to ask this question as it concerns your experience in the Christian faith: "Is that all there is?" Have I tasted all the joys and all the comforts of Christian commitment? The answer is a resounding no. No because the Christian experience is an adventure toward God, and we have not yet arrived. No because, as the philosophers say, God is always greater and larger than you have ever succeeded in realizing Him. There is more to God than any of us can experience of Him in our lifetime. At most, we have perhaps "touched the hem of His garment." Undreamed of satisfactions await us as we make our way toward God.

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MINISTRY FAIR

Looking for several folks to make phone calls or send e-mails to contact leaders of our ministries in preparation for a May event. You do not have to belong to any ministry to help. Contact Carolyn at 201-746-0315 or jcmcn38@yahoo.co

SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

Please join us in the Gathering Space on February 22, 2022 at 7:15 P.M. It is time for a SJPM update and look forward to our Spring events. Everyone is welcomed to join us.

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Women's 181st Cursillo Weekend

March 1 – April 3, 2022

Please see flyer on page 6

Men's 197th Cursillo Weekend

June 2-5, 2022

SYNOD 2021-2023



To learn more about this exciting time for the church throughout the world, please visit:

<https://www.rcan.org/synod2023>

RECTORY OFFICE NEWS

Rectory Office hours:

Monday—Friday 9:30AM—4:00PM.

NOTE: Masks must be worn to enter Rectory

Mass Intentions for February 2023 is open. You may request one weekend per month, two weekdays per month for each of the months that we are opening.

SECOND COLLECTION

A second collection will be taken next weekend for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. To learn more about this collection, visit www.usccb.org/ccee.

USHERS NEEDED



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Ushers are needed. If you can help, please sign up using the sign up sheet in the Gathering Space.

TRIP

INFORMATION NIGHT –

Tuesday, February 15th at 7PM in the Church

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REST A WHILE

LENTEN RETREAT @ OLM

WITH

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Mon

March 7

Identity in Christ
with Eucharistic Adoration

Tues

March 8

Father's Mercy
with Reconciliation

Wed

March 9

Healing in the Eucharist
with Eucharistic Procession

7PM-8:30PM each night

In-Person & Livestreamed

with Parallel "Youth Track"



You are Invited!

Women's 181st Cursillo

March 31 – April 3, 2022

(Thursday evening through Sunday Afternoon)

to be held at the
Archdiocesan Youth Center
499 Belgrove Ave. Kearny NJ

**A Covid-19 compliant facility
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[What is Cursillo?](#)

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