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January 15, 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am 9:00 am, 10:30 am & Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday: 6:45 am

Monday Evening: 7:00 pm

Followed by Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Saturday Mornings: 9:00 am

Holy Days: As announced

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Monday: 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

*Also by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Closed Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays

CLERGY

Rev. David J. Pekola
Pastor

Deacon Edward J. Majkowski
KHS

*"You are a priest forever,
in the line of Melchizedek"*

Psalm 110:4

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a community of people united by a common Baptism and embraced by the Roman Catholic Church begun by Christ Himself. Through the Sacred Scripture and the Sacraments, we are nourished and commissioned to live out our lives as disciples of Jesus. We proclaim Him crucified and risen from the dead, and follow His mandate of love with the hope of eternal life.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SUNDAY — January 15, 2023

7:30 AM For Our Parishioners

9:00 AM † Anna Bagne r/o Pat & Joe Crisafi

10:30 AM † Adelaida Rabago r/o Teresa

12:00 PM † Kevin Kenyon r/o Lisa

MONDAY — January 16, 2023

9:00 AM † Brian Steiner r/o Kenneth Steiner

TUESDAY — January 17, 2023

6:45 AM † Special Intention r/o Friends & Co-Workers

WEDNESDAY — January 18, 2023

6:45 AM For All Who Celebrated a Birthday in December

THURSDAY — January 19, 2023

6:45 AM † Bridget Betzler r/o Sister, Mary

FRIDAY — January 20, 2023

6:45 AM † Robert J. Kovacs r/o Salve Bunag

SATURDAY — January 21, 2023

9:00 AM † Mass Association

5:00 PM † Mary Fontoura r/o Linda, Jay & John Pogoda

SUNDAY — January 22, 2023

7:30 AM For Our Parishioners

9:00 AM † Ruth Grover r/o Kenneth Scott

10:30 AM † Elizabeth Morisi r/o Tina, Ken & Stephen Farley

12:00 PM † Eugene Fedor r/o Jean & Family



The 9am Sunday Mass is Live Streamed.

*To view visit our Facebook Page or Website @
www.olvsayrenj.com*

Memorials for the Week of January 15 thru 21

Blessed Mother's Altar

Jean & Stanley Marcinczyk
r/o Michelle & Bill Brugnoli

**For the Safety of
Our Military Families**

r/o The Lesinski Family

Gladys R. Rzepka
r/o Children, Sue Ann & Bob

**In Memory of
Louis & Lillian Hoffman**
r/o Daughter & Family

Saint Joseph's Altar

Glenn Maldonado
r/o Daughter, Jane & Son, David

Bread & Wine

Lucille & Robert Gregory
r/o Kay - Happy Anniversary!

Joann & Anthony Rozzano
r/o Kay

Anyone who has a relative or friend belonging to our parish who would like to receive Holy Communion or have a Priest visit, please call the Parish Office at (732) 257-0077.

Please remember to pray for our parishioners who are sick, homebound and in nursing facilities.

Please pray for all those serving in the Military.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"Humility is nothing but truth, and pride is nothing but lying." – St. Vincent de Paul

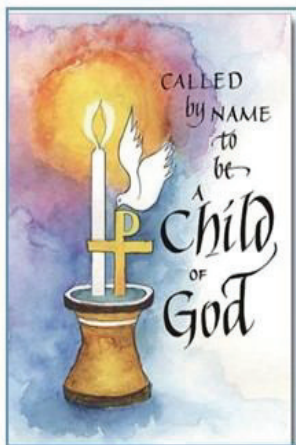
An excellent New Year's resolution would be helping the needy of Sayreville. You can do this by working on any of the SVdP activities.

Find out how at our next meeting on Monday, January 23rd in MDH at 7:30 pm. No commitment required.

Thank you OLV Columbiettes of Council 2061 for donating household cleaning items such as paper towels, soap, toilet cleaner, all-purpose cleaner, and sponges. These items are available to those who rely on the food pantry. These items cannot be purchased using government food aid programs. Well done Columbiettes!

Thank you so much for keeping the shelves filled for the families depending on the pantry. This week we are low on canned chicken, peanut butter, jelly, and cereal. Please place nonperishable food in the baskets in the church. Bags are not required to donate food.

Sometimes those needing help the most don't ask for it. If you need help, we are here for you, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Don't face problems alone. In the name of Christ, we want to serve. Contact us through the parish office at 732-257-0077.



Welcome to OLV
May you grow in love and light, to understand your place in His Kingdom and His place in your heart.

Baptized in December 2022

Makenzie Gemma Torres
Yiannis Joseph Dimitropoulos
James Patrick Comerford, III
Stella Persephone Holmes-Semidey



Faith Formation

MASS BASED CATECHESIS

Pope Benedict XVI left us many words of wisdom including these:

"Without the Eucharist, the Church simply does not exist."

To get to know a person, one must be with that person. The ultimate goal of Faith Formation is to build the children's relationship with Jesus, and to form them as His disciples. Only He can lead them to love the Father in the Spirit and to share that blessed life of the Holy Trinity. (NDC 19B) More than simply gaining knowledge of God, they will come to *know* the living God. It makes perfect sense, then, to link catechesis directly to the Mass and to all sacramental activity.



The next Family Mass will be held:

Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 9:00 am
Hosted by Year 5

Singing practice for this Mass:
Thursday, February 2nd at 4:00 pm.

religiouseducation@olvnj.com
732-238-9222

**Rosary for Life Procession
Friday, January 20, 2023 at 1pm**

Join us as we pray in solidarity with those at the March for Life in Washington, D.C. and across the nation. Park at St. James Parish in Woodbridge and gather at 12:45 pm after the 12:10 daily Mass. For more information, call Angela at 732-562-1543.



OLV Senior February Meeting

The OLV Seniors will hold their February meeting on February 3rd at 12 noon in Monsignor Dalton Hall. Wear some of your favorite Valentine attire to the meeting. After the business portion of the meeting, we will have light refreshments.

New trips for 2023 will be announced at this meeting. A \$20.00 deposit is required at time of sign-up. There will be a schedule of payment dates for the multi-day trips.

Corned beef sandwiches are being ordered for the March meeting. The price is \$8.00. If you have not signed up, please call Carmen at 732-254-9425 to place your order.

Food donations for St. Vincent de Paul will continue for the 2022-2023 year. Please bring your canned goods donation to the meeting.

For further questions please contact Teri Yetsko, OLV Senior Group President at 732-727-7639.



OLV St. Patrick's Day Trip

The OLV Senior Group is sponsoring a trip to Ligreci's for a St. Patrick's Day celebration.

The price of the trip is \$115.00 which includes a meal, entertainment, bus transportation, bus driver's gratuity, and snacks. For further information or to sign up for the trip, please contact Carmen at 732-254-9425.

Stewardship Reflections

January 15, 2023

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..."Isaiah 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Marriage Enrichment Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your spouse? Why not give yourselves a Marriage Encounter Weekend. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 24 - 26. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

OLV Collections Report

January 8, 2023

First Collection \$ 6,769.00
Second Collection: \$ 730.00
Total \$7,499.00
Mass Attendance — 498 —

**Thank you for your
generosity to our Parish!**

Surviving Divorce

The Surviving Divorce program is a 12 week program for men and women seeking healing from separation or divorce. Attendees will meet once per week beginning on March 2, 2023. Call Ro Bersch at 908-313-5947 for more information.



Spiritual Adoption Program

Participants in the Spiritual Adoption Program pledge to pray for nine months for a baby in danger of abortion. While this child will remain unknown to his or her 'spiritual parent', God knows who the child is. Many people have found that naming 'their child' helps to keep them focused on the reality that their prayers are helping to save a particular baby from the harm of abortion. Suggested daily prayer:

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to protect the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted".

The OLV Respect Life Group will host a Mother's Day Baby Shower celebrating the birth of your Baby.



The next Retrouvaille Weekend for couples in troubled marriages will be held February 3-5, 2023. For more information call Rich Colasuonno at 732-236-0671.

Hispanic Bible School (Spanish)

The Diocese of Metuchen will launch a new cycle of the Hispanic Bible School. The School offers 9 basic courses (Introduction to the Sacred Scriptures, Pentateuch, Historical Books, Prophets, Sapiential Literature, Gospels, Pauline Letters, Catholic Letters, Revelation) each one of 7 sessions.

Classes will be held in person on Mondays from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at St John Neumann Pastoral Center (146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ), the attendee should not to have more than 2 absences per course. At the end of each course, the attendee will obtain an evaluation such as pass or fail; upon passing the 9 courses, they will get a certificate.

On January 23, 2023 we will start the Introduction of Sacred Scriptures course. This course is mandatory to continue with other courses, and has a cost of \$35 per person.

For more information contact us at Lescobar@diometuchen.org or 732-243 4573

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Sayreville -South Amboy Girl Scouts 2022-2023

A Winter Clothing and Supply Drive

Sayreville- South Amboy Girl Scouts Cadette Troop 80274 is holding a winter clothing and supply drive for people in need.

It is a religious award service project for
Angelica, Jacynda and Maricella.

Please donate new items for adults and children.

Cold weather clothing (socks, hats, gloves, blankets, sweaters, etc.)

Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc.)

Items will be donated for people in need in the local communities.

Please bring your donations to the church.

We are going to be collecting items until the end of January.

Please share this with your family and friends.

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