

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 30th</b>
8:30 AM	Irena Gizinska
5:00 PM	Theresa Sevcik (5th Anniversary)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 1st</b>
8:30 AM	Bernadette Boyle
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Bernadette Boyle
5:00 PM	Camillo Turriciano
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 2nd</b>
8:30 AM	In Honor of the Holy Trinity and Blessed Mother
12:00 PM	Tom & Grace Grande
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 3rd</b>
8:30 AM	Alfred Weber
12:00 PM	Rocco Ciaravolo
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 4th</b>
8:30 AM	Michael Minischetti
12:00 PM	Jack Bernardone
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 5th</b>
8:30 AM	Juan Alejandro Basuoldo
12:00 PM	Rocco Ciaravolo
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 6th</b>
8:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Mara-Brady Family
12:00 PM	Salvatore Bartoli
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 7th</b>
8:30 AM	Alex McCambridge
5:00 PM	John Mazzaccoli
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 8th</b>
8:30 AM	Gloria Gonzalez
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Joan Sauro
5:00 PM	Wanda Radecka (Living Intention)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

James Leung, Alice Coleman, Robert & Mary Tardona, Antoinette Wagner, Richard Kelly, Rose Jonsson, Evelyn McMullan, Mary Ann Matecki, Vincent Lucanie, Patrick Norton, Diane Kitson, Peggy Racanelli, Maureen Medina, Jeanne Woods, Mary Honan, Ron Areas, Bonnie Nison, Gerry Holmes, Peter Ruelius, Pat Reilly, Dottie Phillips, Marilyn Jagiello, Vera Garofalo, Carolyn Kalnberg, Frank Kalnberg, Faith Fedechko, Margaret Hefferon, Josie Bellina, Ann Restaino, Maureen Kelly, Manuel Juan Perez, Dianne Nudelman, Manuel Calidonio Sr., Inez Arastia, Sofia Robello, Ethel Timmerman, Lorraine Kohlmann, and for **all of our parishioners who are currently hospitalized or homebound.**

**PRAY FOR THE ARMED SERVICES**

Capt. Peter Sulewski, U.S. Army; Lt. Col. Patrick Davis, U.S. Army (JAG); Sgt. Beau Parham, U.S. Army; Capt. Paul Lentz, USAF; Sgt. Larry Saume, U.S. Army; Capt. Travis Swiatocha, USMC, Pvt. Tim Richardson, U.S. Army, and **all parishioners currently in the Military**

**Pray for all of our police, fire, and corrections officers, who risk their lives daily to insure our safety.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Austin Charles Olivas  
Marvin Mann  
Rev. Justin Biase, OFM conv.

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH****SUNDAY – October 1st**

*Twenty Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

**MONDAY – October 2nd**

*The Holy Guardian Angels*

-Rich In Mercy Prayer Group-Church at 7:30pm

-Scripture Study-Rectory Meeting Room at 7:30pm

**TUESDAY - October 3rd**

*Weekday*

-Centering Prayer-Rectory at 2:30pm

-Cub Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

-RCIA Meeting-Rectory Meeting Room at 7:30pm

**WEDNESDAY – October 4th**

*Saint Francis of Assisi*

-Exercise Class-Parish Hall at 9:00am

-Golden Age-Parish Hall at 12:30pm - **All Are Welcome**

-CCD K thru 5th Gr.-Church at 3:00pm

-Divine Mercy-Rectory at 6:30pm

**THURSDAY – October 5th**

*Weekday*

-CCD 6th & 7th Gr.-School at 4:00pm

-Boy Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:30pm

**FRIDAY – October 6th**

*Weekday*

-The Living Rosary-Church at 1:00pm

-Girl Scouts-Parish Hall at 4:00pm & 6:00pm

**SATURDAY – October 7th**

*Our Lady of the Rosary*

-White/Red Polish Night-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

**If you are not yet registered in the Parish, please stop into the Rectory for a Census Form Mon. thru Sat. 9am-4pm.**

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Many thanks for this week's flower donation given in **loving memory of:**

**Helen Dubiel**

by

The Dubiel and Freeley Families

**BREAD AND WINE**

Many thanks for this week's donation of Bread & Wine given in **loving memory of:**

**Bernadette Boyle**

by

Pat Lynch

**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

Many thanks for this week's donation of the Tabernacle Light given in **loving memory of:**

**Evelyn Carolan (Birthday Remembrance)**

by

Carolyn Cariello



Dear Parishioners;

You have been most generous to the Diocesan "Generations of Faith Campaign". As you know, our goal, set by the Diocese, was \$810,000, and our parishioners pledged in excess of \$1,100,000. Any funds that exceed the goal are returned to the parish, which means almost \$400,000. The latter funds are returned to us when we submit invoices for projects here in our parish. These funds have permitted us to make repairs that might have fallen into the category of "delayed maintenance" as well as making some improvements. You are entitled to know how the funds you contributed are being used at Our Lady of Mercy Parish.

#### **1. Parish Hall Upgrade**

- a. Eight room dividers (\$7,751.68) so that the space can be better utilized in accord with the requirements of various parish activities.
- b. Outside stage security door (\$1,475) - this is the door facing the alley between the Church and School. The old door was in deplorable shape.
- c. awning over the side stage exit into the above mentioned alley (\$1,475) - this was to protect the Church Hall from flooding. Melting snow and rain often entered the hall from this area.
- d. twelve light weight tables and 252 new reinforced the chairs for the Church Hall to replace the chairs that had become uncomfortable and decrepit (\$7,091)
- e. kitchen stove repair of leaking valves (\$700.00)
- f. professional cleaning of Church Hall kitchen stove (\$740)

#### **2. Property Enhancement**

- a. Landscaping - installation of railroad ties to prevent further erosion along all the Church property on 70th Avenue and on Juno Street (\$4,275.00)
- b. chains and links around the abovementioned perimeters (\$2,000.)
- c. replace broken under-ground sprinkler line between church and school buildings (\$1130)
- d. repair of sprinkler system between convent and school buildings (\$1130)

#### **3. Academy Upgrade**

- a. double steel reinforced doors for both the east and west side entrances of the school building (\$8,400.00). The former doors and transoms had suffered rust erosion.
- b. school roof - patching to remediate leaking and reconnection of leader on convent roof (\$2,850)
- c. school roof - patching to remediate leaking (\$2150)

#### **4. Convent Building Repairs**

- a. electrical repairs (\$1,815)
- b. awning over the basement entrance to the Religious Education Office (\$1,475) - to protect those stairs during inclement and icy weather
- c. replacement of the tile in convent bathroom (\$3,940)

#### **5. Church Upgrades**

- a. modernization of the church's circuit breakers (\$12,793)
- b. partial enhancement and repair of the organ pipes and console (\$1,797.87)
- c. new crucifix for Holy Week (\$716)
- d. altar clothes, altar linens, banners, brass sockets for altar candle stabilization and enhancements (\$1,330.)
- e. Sacristy storage bins (\$550.00)
- f. processional canopy for Eucharistic processions (\$1736)
- g. humeral veil and cope to match the above (\$305.30) for Eucharistic processions and Benediction of the Most Blessed sacrament.

#### **6. Rectory Upgrades**

- a. side and rear basement door replacements (\$1675) original doors offered no security and were in deplorable condition
- b. garage roof (\$4,900) to replace a roof so badly leaking that sections of the internal ceiling had collapsed
- c. replacement of eight badly deteriorated windows in the upper (third) floor of the rectory (\$3,131)
- d. two replacements and one new two-way radios for the communication of our custodial team and sacristans. (\$673.51)

Other projects are pending and I will keep you advised as they progress. Thank you again for your wonderful generosity both to our parish and to our Diocese of Brooklyn.

In Christ,  
Monsignor McGuirl

**POLISH PARTY**

On October 7th, 2017 Our Lady of Mercy will be hosting a **White/Red Polish Party**. The party will take place in the Parish Hall and will start at 7:00pm. There will be music by the group WINDSTAR, and tickets are \$50. You don't have to be Polish to be there and have a good time. Tickets are available at the Rectory (718-268-6143)

**RELIC COMING TO OLM**

Most Reverend Mieczyslaw Mokrzycki, the Archbishop of the Metropolitan Diocese of Lwowski, Poland, will celebrate a Mass here at **Our Lady of Mercy on October 14th** at 7:00pm in honor of Saint John Paul II. Archbishop Mokrzycki was one of the former secretaries to the late Saint John II, and will bring with him, for veneration, a relic of Saint John Paul II.

**OLMCA NEWS****SEATS AVAILABLE -PRE-K FOR ALL**

We still have seats available for Pre-K for All. If you know a family that might be interested in our program, please contact Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Academy directly. If your child will be 4 years old on or before December 31, they will be eligible for our enriching and fun full day program! We are more than happy to answer or questions or schedule a tour.

**GALA**

On October 21, 2017, from 6-11PM, **Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Academy** will be having a **50th Anniversary Gala** at the West Side Tennis Club, in Forest Hills. Ticket price is \$100 per person if purchased prior to September 22nd (after that the price is \$125/person). For more info, email [alums@olmercya.com](mailto:alums@olmercya.com).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish and Our Lady of Mercy Parish have been involved for almost three years in a highly successful Teen Program (Mayo Teen Group). In previous years, concerned folks in both parishes have tried without much success to establish an imaginative teen program. Where others have failed, Mr. David James, the area Youth Minister, has succeeded. Part of his success rests on the dedicated services of his assistants, most of whom are college students from Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish.

Nonetheless, it has become apparent that if we wish to continue a successful teen program, which combines fun and prayerful reflection, we must have the volunteer services of some adults.

Father Passenant, the administrator of Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish, has requested that our parish provide at least three of four adult volunteers. Certainly this is not a large number yet only one gentleman came forward last weekend! If more than Fathers' quota volunteered then no one person would be overburdened.

The complaint is commonly made that the Church should provide more and better programs for our teenagers. In Forest Hills the Catholic parishes have responded to that challenge; however, one adult cannot safely manage a large number of teenagers. On occasion, as many as seventy-five to a hundred young people have attended the Teen Meetings. The Youth Minister, Dave James, needs our help and we cannot afford to let a successful program die for lack of adult supervision. A special challenge is issued to the parents of our teens. These are our children and they need us. Let us not fail in our commitment to them. If you are interested please call me at the rectory If I am not readily available, please leave your name and a telephone number at which you can be reached.

**ATTENTION FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS**

There will be a **Food Pantry meeting** on October 10th at 7:30pm in the Rectory. **All volunteers** should attend, and **any parishioners that want to volunteer** are most welcome.

**CENTERING PRAYER**

Looking for quiet, inner peace, a deeper union with God? Centering Prayer will resume this Fall, starting Tuesday October 3, from 2:30-3:45pm in the Rectory Basement. Come and join us. All are welcome! Any questions, please call Carol Powell at 718-261-6285.

**RCIA INVITATION**

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or desires to become a Catholic, the RCIA is a program of welcome, prayer, and reflection that can help you take the next step. This program is also for baptized Catholics who are need of the sacraments First Communion or Confirmation. It is our privilege and joy to help you be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please contact David or Carol Powell at 718-261-6285.

**DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE**

October 04, 2017	Divine Mercy Devotion	6:30pm
October 11, 2017	Divine Mercy Cenacle	6:30pm
October 18, 2017	Divine Mercy Chaplet	7:00pm
	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament	7:30pm
	& Benediction	8:00pm
October 25, 2017	Divine Mercy Cenacle	6:30pm

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS**

- Please **do not bring clothing** to, or leave it on the steps of, the Rectory. We no longer have the space to store it or the ability to distribute it. Thank you for your understanding.
- **As you are leaving Mass**, please remember to take all of your personal belongings, to return all hymnals, bulletins and newspapers to their proper place, and to dispose of all refuse in the receptacles provided at the Church doors. Please take pride in our Church, and leave the pews clean. Thank You!

**FEEL GREAT & LOOK GREAT**

Feel and look great at our exercise class every Wednesday from 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall. The class focuses on gentle movements for your muscles and joints. There is a nominal fee of \$2 per session. Please come and enjoy the fitness fun. **All ages are welcome**

**POOR BOX**

We continue to receive requests for assistance so we ask you to please remember the poor and make a donation to the Poor Boxes at the entries of the Church. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated

**MEMORIALIZE A LOVED ONE**

Consider the possibility of a donation of the **Bread & Wine, Flowers for the Altar, Tabernacle Light, or the Memorial Worship Fund** in memory of a special person. Names of all those memorialized will be published in the bulletin. Call or stop by the Rectory for more info.

**PRAY THE ROSARY**

On Friday, October 6, 2017, at 1:00pm, Our Lady of Mercy Church and Catholic Academy invites everyone to pray the Rosary with the 5th through 8th graders in celebration of Our Lady of Fatima's Centennial, in the Church Hospitality will follow in the Parish Hall.



- **St. Francis Preparatory School** (Fresh Meadows, NY) will hold their annual open House on October 14th from 12:00 to 4:00pm.
- **Dominican Academy** (NYC) invites 7th & 8th grade girls to attend their Open House on October 14th from 10:00am to 2:00pm.
- **Archbishop Molloy High School** (Briarwood, NY) will host their Open House on October 17th from 11:00am to 4:00pm
- **The Mary Louis Academy** (Jamaica Estates, NY) announces their annual **Open House**, for 7th & 8th Gr. students and their parents/guardians, on October 15th from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Please register at TMLA.ORG.
- **Monsignor Scanlan High School Offers Courage Merit Scholarship to a Queens Resident**. The scholarship is not income based and is guaranteed for four years with a consistent academic average of 85% or above. Students who are interested in applying for the Queens Scholarship can contact Chris Florentino (718-430-0100 ext. 57). Proof of residency is required. Open Houses at Monsignor Scanlan High School are scheduled for **October 21st**, from 1-4 pm & **October 25th** from 1-4pm The school's address is 915 Hutchinson River Pkwy, Bronx, NY 10465.
- **Xavier High School** (NYC) will be hosting an **Open House** on October 21st, from 11:30am to 4:00pm, for 6th thru 8th Gr. Boys and their families
- **Helpers of God's Precious Infants** at the All Women's Pavilion, 120-34 Queens Blvd., on Saturdays between 7:00 AM and 11:30 AM in a peaceful, prayerful witness to life. Lives are saved and the way to conversion is opened. Join us for any amount of time.
- The **Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville** will **Celebrate their Annual Gala** on October 26th, at the Crest Hollow Country Club, to benefit their ministries. For further Information, contact Mary F. Fuchs at 631-842-6000 ext. 241

**THE DEANERY CORNER**

- **Our Lady Queen of Martyrs** will be holding **Thursday Prayer Nights for Vocations through November 9th**. Each prayer night starts at 7:30pm, includes Benediction, and features a guest speaker sharing their faith story. For more info, call Deacon Kendra at 718-268-6251.
- **Our Lady of Hope (Middle Village)** is beginning an outreach service called Witnesses of Mercy. It's purpose is to provide visitation and companionship to seniors living alone and homebound of all ages and faiths. If you are interested in a visit or in volunteering for this ministry, please contact Mario @347-642-3117.
- **St. Margaret's Church** (Middle Village) will be sponsoring a **BLOOD DRIVE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8TH** from 9am to 3pm in the Parish Hall.

**THE POWER OF PREVENTION**

**Life Line Screening** (a look inside your arteries for signs of plaque build-up) will be at **Our Lady of Mercy** on October 25th. Getting Screened is Simple! It is painless, non-invasive, and you keep your clothes on. For more info and to register for a **special pricing on 5 valuable screenings** call 1-866-229-0469 or go online to [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle).

**MUSIC AT MERCY**

Golden Rose Opera ( OLM's resident opera company ) will present "LOVE, LOST AND FOUND" - a Young Artists Opera. Concert Gala and Wine and Cheese Reception - **ALL for 20 BUCKS** right here at **Our Lady of Mercy on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 7:30PM** reservations/information : Call 718-793-2033; Email [hvtgmezzo@gmail.com](mailto:hvtgmezzo@gmail.com); Order by credit card on [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) [Search for Golden Rose Opera]; or use tear-off form flyers in the church and also in the upcoming Mercy Mirror October 2017 issue.

**WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Please remember to **mark the amount of your offering on the front of the envelope**. Since the envelopes are used to **record your offering** after the donation is removed, **it is necessary that the amount be written on the envelope**. Thank you.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Parish Pay** is transitioning over to "WeShare". If you use Parish Pay presently, the transition time should be seamless. The transition will take place on October 9<sup>th</sup>. As time draws closer, we will be providing more information. We ask for your patience during this transition.

**NEW MASS BOOK FOR 2018**

The new Mass book for 2018 is now open for requests. We ask that anyone requesting more than 5 Masses submit a list, including the names, dates, and Mass times you would like, to the Rectory office. We will do our best to accommodate you.



*PRAY THE ROSARY*