

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Saturday | October 13th |
| 8:30 AM | Paul de Biase |
| 5:00 PM | Mary & Idolo Russomanno |
| Sunday | October 14th |
| 8:30 AM | Eileen Savarese-Happy Birthday in Heaven |
| 10:00 AM | Parish Mass |
| 12:00 PM | Antoni Wieczorek |
| 5:00 PM | Marie Lisa Carlisi |
| Monday | October 15th |
| 8:30 AM | Tony Naraci |
| 12:00 PM | Theresa Sevcik |
| Tuesday | October 16th |
| 8:30 AM | Odette, Robert, & Edward Perpignand |
| 12:00 PM | Dorothy Palumbo |
| Wednesday | October 17th |
| 8:30 AM | In Honor of the Holy Trinity and Blessed Mother |
| 12:00 PM | Corinne Bilello |
| Thursday | October 18th |
| 8:30 AM | Bolivar & Robert Almeida |
| 12:00 PM | Frances de Biase |
| Friday | October 19th |
| 8:30 AM | Henri-Robert Lamarque |
| 12:00 PM | Michael Coyle |
| Saturday | October 20th |
| 8:30 AM | Thomas Sommero |
| 5:00 PM | Anne Daly |
| Sunday | October 21st |
| 8:30 AM | Herman, Joanne, & Katherine Holz knecht |
| 10:00 AM | Parish Mass |
| 12:00 PM | Angelina Tosi (Van Nostrand) |
| 5:00 PM | Ria Romano |

PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Leung, Alice Coleman, Robert & Mary Tardona, Richard Kelly, Rose Jonsson, Vincent Lucanie, Peggy Racanelli, Maureen Medina, Jeanne Woods, Ron Areas, Bonnie Nison, Peter Ruelius, Pat Reilly, Marilyn Jagiello, Vera Garofalo, Carolyn Kalnberg, Frank Kalnberg, Faith Fedechko, Margaret Hefferon, Josie Bellina, Manuel Juan Perez, Dianne Nudelman, Inez Arastia, Sofia Robello, Lorraine Kohlmann, Samuel Mantilla, Caroline Pugliese, Rev. Joseph Gurdak, OFM, Cap., Patricia Riddick, Salvatore Tuminello, Daniella Salcau, Joel Rivera, Felipe Vallejo, Agatha Tardi, Adam Martini, Christine Smolenski, Louis Barberi, Dcn. Frances Galson, Mary Wiley, Norman Zuniga, Nancy (Ann) Fallon, Grace DiFazio, John Chocko, Cathie Greulich, Gabriel Manno-Providence, Ann Dauria, Jimmy Murphy, Harriet Kessel, Mary Sheehan, John Murphy, Mary Albert, Maureen Remsen, Rosa Rivera, Elaine LeCramm, Richard Eisenzopf, James Bast, Tony Passaro, Tim Kirk, Claudette Hartley, Diane McGinley, Charlotte Davis, Norman Feld, David Sakic, 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; Major Paul Lentz, USAF; Sgt. Larry Saume, U.S. Army; Capt. Travis Swiatocha, USMC, Pvt. Tim Richardson, U.S. Army, SCSO Ajay James, (NSW) U.S. Navy, 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

Joseph Catanzaro
Rev. Romano A. (Ray) Zanon
Saveria & Salvatore Prezioso

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**SUNDAY – October 14th**

Twenty eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

-Children's Liturgy-12:00 Noon Mass

MONDAY – October 15th

Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

-Scripture Study-Rectory at 7:30pm

TUESDAY - October 16th

Weekday

-Cub Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

-Bible Study-Rectory at 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY – October 17th

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

-Exercise Class Parish Hall at 8:30am

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

-Divine Mercy-Church at 7:00pm

THURSDAY – October 18th

Saint Luke, Evangelist

-Centering Prayer-Rectory at 2:30pm

-Baptism Meeting-Rectory at 7:30pm

-Boy Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:30pm

FRIDAY – October 19th

Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Martyrs

-Girl Scouts-Parish Hall at 6:00pm

SATURDAY – October 20th

Weekday

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

**MEMORIAL WORSHIP FUND**

Many thanks for donations to the Parish Memorial Worship fund

given **in memory of:**

Hilda & Stanley Moss

by

Carolyn Moss

**MARRIAGES**

Congratulations to the couples married during the month of **September, 2018:**

Nicolas James Dumay & Gina Anne Zaccharia

Matthew J. Shanahan & Nicole C. Dmitra

Yhojon Frank Nanez Osorio & Jennifer Galvano

Thomas John Hutzler & Kerrie Frances McHugh

Dear Parishioners,

I suppose that it was common for people to approach Jesus asking to be one of His disciples. Today's Gospel, taken from St. Mark, gives us one such occasion. A man approaches Jesus and asks what he must do to obtain eternal life. He begins by engaging in a form of flattery, "good teacher", which Jesus rejects in order to emphasize that God (the Father) is the source of all goodness. Then Jesus cites the second half of the Decalogue (Ten Commandments,) which deal with human relationships. The man asserts that he has done all these things since his youth. Jesus does not dispute this but calls him to a further degree of discipleship. The kingdom of God will require not only a pattern of good behavior but also a real commitment to God. The man has achieved obedience to the Commandments yet he seems to agree with Jesus that obedience to the letter of the Law is not enough. His response seems to imply that even he thought something more was expected - "what (more) must I do?" He is a rich man and the "more" concerns his wealth.

Wealth in Jesus' time was seen as favor or a blessing from God. How much more could this man be blessed? Yet Jesus tells him: "Go and sell what you have and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven, then come follow Me". Real wealth is in heaven and it is attained by acts of compassionate kindness: in other words, how was that earthly wealth used? This challenge is not accepted by the man since he was quite wealthy.

Threading a needle was never an easy task, but the older we become, the more difficult it is. Hard enough with a needle and thread - imagine trying to get a camel through the eye of a needle! The apostles are stunned because Jesus has used threading a needle with a camel to indicate the difficulty of a wealthy person entering the kingdom of God. If the wealthy, who were supposedly blessed, are going to have a hard time of it: "Then who can be saved?" Jesus assures them that "all things are possible with God". To which Peter, always ready with a retort, asks what's in it for the disciples, who have given up home and family relations to follow Jesus. The rewards mimic the things surrendered - one will enter into much fuller and larger family relationships and also have a full blossoming of life.

I don't imagine that on their deathbeds, too many people decry the fact that they did not spend more time in the office or make better investments. They are more likely to regret human relationships that were shattered and not restored. Very few hearses are followed by U-Haul Vans because the old adage rings true: "you can't take it with you". No matter how they dress us up or in what type of container our bodies are placed, it makes little difference! The treasure - the only treasure - we take with us is the adherence to the Lord Jesus. Many centuries before Jesus, Job said: "Naked I came forth from the womb, and naked I return."

The gist of today's readings emphasizes that point: true Wisdom cannot be compared to any priceless gem yet "in her company all good things come together and countless riches at her hands". The second reading, from The Letter to the Hebrews, comments that the judgment of God is like a two-edged sword: "everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to Whom we must render an account". In the long run nothing else counts. Jesus warns the apostles that wealth can even make it difficult to enter eternal life. It can distract us from the purpose for which we were created but there is an assurance: "For human beings it is impossible but not for God. All things are possible for God".

Eternal life is gratuitous and nothing we could ever do would make us eligible. It is a gift from God, a God Who fully reveals Himself In His Word made flesh and Who through Christ invites us to share His life, and that life for eternity. For this reason we were created and nothing should stand in the way of our destiny. The only treasures we really have are our good deeds and our allegiance to the Lord Jesus. Everything else is peripheral.

In Christ,
Monsignor McGuirl

October Month of the Holy Rosary



**During the month of October we will be praying the Rosary every morning after the 8:30am Mass.
Please join us!**

GRADUATES OF THE PASTORAL INSTITUTE (HOLY SPIRIT INSTITUTE)

On October 23rd, 2018, there will be a celebration of the accomplishments of the graduates of the Pastoral Institute-Holy Spirit Institute at The Roma View Catering Hall, Howard Beach. The celebration of Fifty Years of Lay Leadership will begin at 6:30 P.M. and is sponsored by the Secretariat for Evangelization & Catechesis of the Diocese of Brooklyn!

If any graduates would like to attend, please call (718)965-7300, ext. 5550. Tickets and tables for the event are still available.

A MORNING WITHOUT COFFEE IS LIKE ... SLEEP!

There is a new fund raiser starting soon for our Parish. We are excited to be selling *Giving Bean Coffee and Tea* as well as *My Grandma's Coffee Cakes!* We think that just about everyone enjoys a great cup of coffee or tea in the morning as well as something to go with it. Thus, our Coffee, Tea and Cake fund raiser. More details to follow. This event helps to defray some of the costs for the 90th Anniversary Gala next year as well providing much needed funds for the Parish itself. More details to follow.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The puppets are returning! Children's Liturgy begins again on **October 14th** in the Parish Hall during the 10 AM Mass. This age-appropriate version of the readings and Gospel is geared toward children up to fourth grade and parents are welcome. Noisy and wiggly kids particularly welcome

The Puppets Need Helpers

Children's Liturgy relies on adult volunteers to bring the Word to our parish's children, and teen volunteers to bring the Puppets to life. No previous experience is required. Activity and coloring sheets are provided for adults to use with the kids. VIRTUS/Protecting God's Children training is a requirement for adults. Teens can earn service hours. For more details, or to help, please email chrischildrensliturgy@gmail.com. Thank you!

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

MANTLE OF MERCY -90 YEARS WIDE GALA VOLUNTEER PLANNING MEETING SAT., OCT. 13, 2018, at 10 AM

The start of our parish's 90th Anniversary year -long celebration will be next year at a Gala Dinner Dance on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, from 3PM-8PM at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston. Come and be a part of the vital work (and fun!) to plan this Gala and other celebratory events on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018 at 10AM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Continental Breakfast will be served (and if you're good, Helen's Irish Coffee). Please RSVP to the Rectory (718-268-6143) or Helen Van Tine- Golden (917-952-5142).

BRING OPERA TO THE PARTY SAT. NOV. 17, 2018 @ 7:30PM OLM PARISH HALL-ONLY \$20

For its sixth production, Golden Rose Opera hosts a real party where audience is seated at tables with friends, family and beautiful young opera singers enjoying complimentary wine and refreshments. They are transported to Paris in La Traviata at a fateful swirling salon soiree' and then to Vienna and its' waltzes in Die Fledermaus at a madcap, decadent champagne party. Experience parties and opera up close like you have never seen and heard before! (And PS, there will be BIRTHDAY CAKE for a certain benevolent Monsignor). Please see TICKET FLYERS in and around the church or call Helen Van Tine-Golden ,718-793-2033 for additional information

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER/LECTOR TRAINING

Anyone who is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister or Lector please contact the Rectory. Since there will be a training session sometime in the middle of October, we will need to have your information so that we may register you. We hope that you can help. Thank You!

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 to arrange your memorial. **Please take advantage of the many openings for Memorials that remain for 2018.**

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The Pantry is seriously bare!! We need food to restock the shelves. Some suggestions are: tuna fish, canned stews, hash, or Spam, Chef Boyardee, powdered or Parmalat milk, jelly, rice, canned or packaged soups, packets of pasta & rice "Sides", canned fruits, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, cookies, toothpaste, bathroom tissue, soaps, shampoos, and any other personal hygiene and non-perishable food items.

Remember! The Holidays are approaching very fast!! Think "Holiday Fixins"!!... Boxed stuffing, and mashed potatoes, or pasta, Jiffy muffin mix, coffee, tea, hot chocolate canned veggies, cranberry sauce, yams, soup, gravy, pineapple, apple sauce and juice.

FEEL GREAT & LOOK GREAT

Feel and look great at our exercise class every Wednesday from **8:30 to 9:30 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.**



- **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.
- **Our Lady Queen of Martyrs:** The OLM Catholic School Academy will celebrate its 90th Anniversary this Fall. Are you an alumnus/a of OLM Catholic School, Forest Hills? Come celebrate with us. Please fill out the alumni form at the school academy link at olmqca.org.
- The **Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville** will host their **Annual Dominican Gala** on November 2nd. There will be cocktails, dinner & dancing at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury. This year the Congregation is proud to honor Al Roker, NBC's Meteorologist, and S. Ave Clark, founder of the Heart to Heart Ministry in Bayside, NY. For tickets please call 631-842-6000 Ext. 241.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

- THE MARY LEWIS ACADEMY (for girls) Sun. Oct. 14th-10am to 3pm, at 176-21 Wexford Terrace, Jamaica Estates (718-297-2120)
- ARCHBISHOP MOLLOY HIGH SCHOOL (coed) Sun., Oct. 14th 11am-4pm at 83-53 Manton St., Briarwood (718-441-2100)
- DOMINICAN ACADEMY (for girls) Sat. Oct. 20th-10am to 2pm, at 44 East 68th St., NYC (212-744-0195),
- HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL (coed) Sun. Oct. 21st-12pm to 4pm, at 26-20 Francis Lewis Blvd., Flushing (718-886-7250)
- NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL OF MANHATTAN (for girls), Sun., Oct. 28th-2:30pm to 5pm at 327 West 13th Street, NYC, (212-620-5575)

DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

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| October 17, 2018 | Exposition of Blessed Sacrament | 7:00pm |
| | Divine Mercy Chaplet | 7:30pm |
| | Benediction | 8:00pm |
| October 24, 2018 | Divine Mercy Cenacle | 6:30pm |
| October 31, 2018 | Divine Mercy Devotion | 6:30pm |

50-50 RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the September Winners of the 50-50 Raffle:

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| 1 st Prize: George Kassis | \$225.00 |
| 2 nd Prize: Anne & Frank DiMarco | \$100.00 |
| 3 rd Prize: Walter Duome | \$100.00 |
| 4 th Prize: Nicole Vaccaro | \$35.00 |
| 5 th Prize: Patricia E. Cassin | \$35.00 |

SUICIDE PREVENTION
PLEASE HELP

Tom Lambert, who has been the long time Custodian for OLM and is known to many of us, is asking for our help in obtaining donations to **The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention**. On **October 28th, 2018** Tom will be "walking" in honor of his daughter Jillian Lambert. **The Walk begins at 10:00am at Jones Beach Field #5 (meeting at 8:30am)**. If you would like to donate to a GREAT cause, you can do so on <https://afsp.donordrive.com/participant/1620598> or you can leave a check (payable to: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention) at the Rectory Tom will make sure that all monies are submitted on your behalf.

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 to help you be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please contact David or Carol Powell at 718-261-6285.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL
GIVES BACK

Our Lady of Mercy will share in the profits. For each **donated car, truck or van, running or not**, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to **our parish \$75/\$200 per vehicle**. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Our Lady of Mercy Parish received several hundred dollars last year because of the kindness of those who contributed their old car to the St. Vincent DePaul Society, and mentioned our Church Please continue to spread the word, and thank you for your support. Call the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 718-491-2525**

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!

WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please remember to **write the amount of your offering in the space provided 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 front.** Thank you