

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 12th</b>
8:30 AM	Terence McKinney
5:00 PM	William Walters
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 13th</b>
8:30 AM	John Chocko
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Edna Werner
5:00 PM	Terence McKinney
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 14th</b>
8:30 AM	Ford Thomas & Kennedy Belle Zdrodowski
12:00 PM	Saint Jude
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 15th</b>
8:30 AM	William Link
12:00 PM	Ignatius Sevcik
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 16th</b>
8:30 AM	Tony Naraci
12:00 PM	Pia Parham (Get Well)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 17th</b>
8:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Szabados Family
12:00 PM	Marion Pardi
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 18th</b>
8:30 AM	Louis & Pauline Pfohl
12:00 PM	John & Eleanor Friel
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 19th</b>
8:30 AM	Luisa Barquin
5:00 PM	John Curcio
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 20th</b>
8:30 AM	Herman, Joanne, & Katherine Holzknecht
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Salvatore Bullaro
5:00 PM	Angelina Tosi (Van Nostrand)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Robert & Mary Tardona, Alice Coleman, Isabel Azzaro, Richard Eisenzopf, Bonnie Nisson, Rebecca Mintz, Lewis Stein, Diane McGinley, Mary Albert, Maureen Medina, Stan Spence, John Karkheck, Jack Fruhling, Januz Miedoej, Anthony Mendola, Peggy Racanelli, Adam Martini, Irma Early, Loretta Brogna,

Joseph Hennessy, Michael Simo, James McWalters, Ann Dauria, Kathy Kudrick, Sean Tierney, Frank Santulli, Alexandra Radziwon, Don Feder, James Leung, Phil Paroff, Annette Merone, Mary Anne Whatley, Eleanor Merlino, Steve Nacincik, Michael Stasiak, Pia Parham, Beth Friedman, Anthony Mendola, Felipe Vallejo, Fr August Iantosca, John Hughes, Thomas Hughes, Robert Colonello, Elly Gilday, Liane Ginsberg, Jeffrey Veneski, 8Michael Coleman, Beatrice Lang, Heidi Dulaney, and for **all of our parishioners who are currently hospitalized or homebound.**

**PRAY FOR THE ARMED SERVICES**

Major 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**

Margaret Bifalco

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH****SUNDAY – October 13th***Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time***MONDAY – October 14th***Weekday***TUESDAY - October 15th***St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church*

-Cub Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

-Centering Prayer-Rectory at 7:30pm

**WEDNESDAY – October 16th***Weekday*

-Exercise Class-Parish Hall at 8:30am

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

-CCD K thru 5th Gr.-Church at 3:15pm

-Divine Mercy-Church at 7:00

**THURSDAY – October 17th***St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr*

-Centering Prayer-Rectory at 2:30pm

-CCD 6th &amp; 7th Gr.-School at 4:30pm

-Boy Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

-Baptism Class-Rectory at 7:30pm

**FRIDAY – October 18th***St. Luke, Evangelist*

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

**SATURDAY – October 19th***Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions*

-Baptism-Church at 1:00pm

-OLMCA Spanish Mass-Church at 7:00pm

-OLMCA Latin Night-Parish Hall at 8:30pm

**If you are not yet registered in the Parish, please stop into the Rectory Office for a Census Form Monday thru Saturday from 9am to 4pm.**

**BAPTISMS**

We welcome into our faith community all those who were baptized in the month of September, 2019:

Eleni Rose St. Germain

Marcos Santiago Sabater

Sienna Maria Vaccaro

Gabrielle Grace Rizzo

Desmond Augustine Orlov

**MARRIAGES**

Congratulations to the couple married during the month of September, 2019:

Juan Ysidro Fernandez Pena &amp; Francis Javiela Gutierrez

**Please do not leave bags of clothing or other items on the steps of the Rectory.**

Dear Parishioners,

November is a month of remembrances. We remember All the Saints, and All the Souls in Purgatory on November 1st and 2nd. On Veterans' Day we remember the men and women who served under our Flag, especially those who made the supreme sacrifice or who were injured during their service. Thanksgiving reminds us to thank God for our nation and the privilege of living in it. For our parish, there was an additional celebration. We enter into our 90th year as a free-standing, independent parish.

To begin our ninetieth year the parish celebrated a Solemn Mass last weekend. The Bishop of Brooklyn (&Queens), Nicholas DiMarzio, celebrated the Mass with Bishop Edward Scharfenberger and several priests, who had connections to the parish. Bishop Scharfenberger is now the Catholic Bishop of Albany, New York, but he had been a priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn. For many years he served on the Brooklyn Marriage Tribunal and resided in Our Lady of Mercy Rectory. The two bishops were joined by Monsignor Ralph Maresca, who served in this parish under Monsignor Langelier; Father William With, who also served under Monsignor Langelier; Father Vincent Daly, who had served under Monsignor Johnston, Father Michael Perry, who was week-end help under Monsignor Langelier; Father Ralph Munday-Kukana, who served here with the present pastor; Father Grzegorz Stasiak, who also serves here. Bishop Paul Sanchez, now an auxiliary Bishop of our Diocese and the pastor of Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish, once served here as a newly ordained priest in the time of Monsignor Johnston. The Bishop Sanchez could not be here for the Mass but both he and our mother parish, were appropriately represented by Father Frank Passenant, administrator of Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish. Dean Dobbins was deacon of the Word and also assisted the Bishops and priests at the altar. Deacon Stan Galazin from Immaculate Conception Center acted as Master of Ceremonies. We were hoping to have Father Joseph Cunningham with us (he served here under both Monsignors Hickey and Johnston) but Father was take ill the day before the Gala.

The choir under the direction of Ms. Jane Lawson, was superb. The ushers, servers, sacristans, lectors, members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher and our trustees, Messrs James Harding and Anibal Sabater acquitted themselves very well.

Nothing happens automatically and a large number of folks contributed to the great success of the Solemn Mass and the following Gala Dinner/Dance at Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston, New York. First thanks must go to the rectory staff: Dian Malm, Carol Flaherty and Sandy Luongo and our maintenance team of Tom Lambert and Jason Beaudry and our sacristans and also the ladies, who spruce up our Church every Thursday. With the support of Ms. Dana McCann, the principal of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Academy, Ms. Tizjana Fejzullaj, the art teacher, directed the second grade Communion class and the seventh grade 2020 Confirmation class in the creation of a beautiful mosaic to honor Our Blessed Mother. Monsignor Cuong Pham, who is now a resident in our rectory when home from his duties at the Apostolic Nunciature in Washington, arranged for a beautiful Papal Blessing to honor our anniversary. We must thank Father Greg for the beautifully prepared program for the Solemn Mass.

The Gala Committee Members ( aka "The Irish Coffee Brigade") were Angela Martin, Cathy Aliperti, Claudia Valentino, Dian Malm, Eileen Belfiore, Eleanor Bologna, Elisa Infosino, Joan Mlicko, Helen VanTine-Golden, Kathryn Malm Bourgoine, Linda (Mele) Dougherty, Mike Mangino, Olga Scott, Peter Mele (who produced the very fine slide show for the Gala Dinner/Dance), Sandy Luongo and Susan Finley. Profound thanks to all. The beautiful and unique logo used for many of our anniversary publications was created by Susan and Marty Keane. If I have inadvertently skipped anyone, know that you are thanked also.

Finally we had some fantastic Raffle gifts that were obtained by Cathy Aliperti, Marichu & Paco Beltran, "Anonymous", and Angela Martin. Our first prize - the use of a vacation villa on the Portuguese coast was provided through the gracious generosity of Carmela and Graham Bobby. Ms. Annette Dubiel won that prize and an additional thousand dollar Visa Card to help smooth her way to Portugal!

Thank you - you were great. God bless your efforts to see our Parish as a living, vibrant, faith-filled community for another ninety or more years!

In Christ,  
Monsignor John A. McGuirl

**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.

**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 27th, 2019** 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/1986178> or you can leave a check (payable to: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention) at the Rectory and Tom will make sure that all monies are submitted on your behalf.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY  
TO RETURN IN OCTOBER**

Children's Liturgy will return at 10:00am Mass on Sunday, October 27. The puppets are all set to return for this spirited version of the readings and Gospel aimed at helping children through fourth grade understand the Word. Our youngest, wiggliest parishioners warmly welcomed.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT**

The puppets are seeking teen volunteers to help them perform their weekly rendition of the Gospel. High school teens may also serve as catechists for the younger participants. Volunteers earn service hours.

We also rely on adult volunteers - no previous experience required. Activity sheets and coloring sheets are provided for adults to use with the kids. VIRTUS/Protecting God's Children training is a requirement for adults. Interested volunteers should email [chrischildrensliturgy@gmail.com](mailto:chrischildrensliturgy@gmail.com) for more details

**CHOIR NEWS**

**Our choir welcomes everyone**, (Adult and Youth from 7th Gr. Up). You do not need to be able to read music and there are no formal auditions. We meet in the Parish Hall on Sundays at 9:30am to warm up for the 10:00am Mass and rehearse after the Mass from 11:00am to 12:00 Noon. If you are interested in this valuable ministry, please join our choir by contacting Jane Lawson (Director of Music) at the rectory or after Mass on the weekends in Church

**FEEL GREAT & LOOK GREAT**

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

**OUR LADY OF MERCY CLOTHES DRIVE**

The St. Vincent DePaul truck will be in front of the Church **Sunday October 27th from 8:00am to 1:30pm**. Do you have extra clothes in your closet at home? Do you feel like you need to do some Fall cleaning? Please bring the clothes you no longer wear, that are "gently" used and clean, to help those in need

**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 in need of the sacraments of 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.

**ADULT BIBLE DISCUSSION:  
NEW TESTAMENT ABRAHAM**

That's right! Abraham in the New Testament: we will discuss the importance of Abraham in the writings of St. Paul and also include Jesus' references to Abraham. We will meet on Tuesday evenings (Oct. 1, Oct. 8 and Oct. 15) in the rectory basement from 7:30 to 8:45pm. Newcomers welcome, including non-catholics. No previous background required, and we provide bibles for the sessions. Come with your questions or come and just listen.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

**We always need food to re-stock the shelves.** Some suggestions are: **tuna fish, canned stews, hash, or Spam, Chef Boyardee, powdered or Parmalat milk, jelly, rice, instant mashed potatoes, canned or packaged soups, packets of pasta & rice "Sides", canned fruits, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, cookies, toothpaste, paper towels, bathroom tissue, soaps, shampoos, and any other personal hygiene and non-perishable food items.**

**Important Notice: Since we Cannot distribute food that has expired. Please Check the Expiration Date on the item Before You Donate It. 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.

**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 front**. Thank you.

**BRIDGE TO LIFE**  
**BABY BOTTLES ARE COMING**

The Bridge to Life is a pregnancy resource center with locations in Flushing and Astoria. Bridge provides pro-life counseling to pregnant women who are considering an abortion, as well as distributing material assistance (such as clothing, strollers, car seats, books) to thousands of mothers and their children each year. All services are provided free of charge to our clients.

Once again, Baby Bottles will be available at OLM, by the doors as you exit the church starting, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Kindly take one or more home, fill it up with coin, currency, and/or check. Please return all bottles by the weekend of November 2/3, 2019. There will be receptacles for the in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you in advance for your support!

**DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE**

October 16, 2019	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament	7:00pm
	Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction	7:30pm
October 23, 2019	Divine Mercy Devotion	6:30pm
October 30, 2019	Divine Mercy Cenacle	6:30pm



- **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.
- **Molloy College** (100 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre) will host an **open house** for prospective students and their guests on Sunday, November 10th at 1:00pm. If you have any further questions please call (516) 323-4000

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES**

- **Xavier High School** (boys, 30 West 16th St., NYC, 212-924-7900).- October 19th from 11:30am to 4:00pm
- **St. Francis Prep** (coed,6100 Francis Lewis Blvd, Fresh Meadows, 718-423-8810) - October 19th from 12:00pm to 4:00pm
- **St. Agnes Academy** (coed,13-20 124th St., College Point, 718-353-6276) - October 19th from 10:00am to 1:00pm.
- **St. John’s Prep** (coed, 21-21 Crescent St. Astoria, 718-721-7200) - October 19th from 11:00am to 3:00pm
- **Monsignor Scanlon High School** (coed,915 Hutchinson River Pkwy, Bronx, 718-430-0100 xt57) - October 19th, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, and October 23rd, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
- **Cathedral Prep & Seminary** (boys, 56-25 92nd St., Elmhurst, 718-592-6800) - October 20th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm
- **Archbishop Molloy** (coed, 83-53 Manton St., Briarwood, 718-441-2100 ext.115) - October 20th from 11:00am to 4:00pm
- **Holy Cross** (coed, 26-20 Francis Lewis Blvd, Flushing, 718-886-7250 ext.558) - October 20th from 12:00pm to 4:00pm
- **The Mary Louis Academy** (girls, 176-21 Wexford Terrace, Jamaica Estates,718-297-2120) - October 20th from 10:00am to 3:00pm
- **Notre Dame School of Manhattan** (girls, 327 West 13th St., NYC, 212-620-5575) - from 2:30pm to 5:00pm

**ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES OF BROOKLYN GIVES BACK**

Our Lady of Mercy will share in the profits. For each **donated car, truck or van, running or not**, The Associated Vincentian Charities 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. Thank you for your participation, and please continue to spread the word.

Call (718) 491-2525 or svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org

**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!

**MASS INTENTIONS**

The new Mass book for 2020 is now open for requests. Mass intentions can be for the living as well as the deceased, for a “Special Intention, or as a Mass “in thanksgiving”.

We ask that anyone requesting **more than 4 Masses submit a written list**, including the names, dates, and Mass times you would like, to the Rectory office, either in person or via the office e-mail. We will do our best to accommodate your requests.



***PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE***