

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 4th
8:30 AM	Sarah Davey
5:00 PM	John Daly
Sunday	January 5th
8:30 AM	Margaret Bifalco
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Edward Miller
5:00 PM	Peter Lynn Jr.
Monday	January 6th
8:30 AM	George & Steven Flaucher
12:00 PM	Ann Marie Leone (Living Intention)
Tuesday	January 7th
8:30 AM	Earl Duree
12:00 PM	Danny Cahill
Wednesday	January 8th
8:30 AM	Robert Casaccio
12:00 PM	George Shookster
Thursday	January 9th
8:30 AM	Henry A Foertsch
12:00 PM	Assil Cassis
Friday	January 10th
8:30 AM	Rev. John Cremins
12:00 PM	Mary Gerard Connolly (Living Intention)
Saturday	January 11th
8:30 AM	Thomas Cerar
5:00 PM	Buddy Friedrich
Sunday	January 12th
8:30 AM	Claire Steers
10:00 AM	Parish Mass
12:00 PM	Susan Heerey
5:00 PM	Wolfgang Peter Niedt

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Patricia Becktold, Ida Ryan, Connie Bornhimer, Pete Rose, Mary Wiley, Kathie Greulich, Joseph & Mary Augustine, Jean Ammirati, Ronald Calcevano, Rose Gaynus, Eleanor Merlino, Seraphina Komlos, Mary Tardona, Dorothy Chocko, Joseph & Catherine Hennessy, Richard McBride Sr., Stacey Headley, Rose Jonsson, 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**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**

SUNDAY – January 5th

Epiphany of the Lord

MONDAY – January 6th

Christmas Weekday

-Scripture Study-Rectory at 7:30pm

TUESDAY - January 7th

Christmas Weekday

-RCIA/Centering Prayer-Rectory at 7:30pm

-Cub Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY – January 8th

Christmas Weekday

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

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

-Divine Mercy-Church at 7:00pm

THURSDAY – January 9th

Christmas Weekday

-Centering Prayer-Rectory at 2:30pm

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

-Boy Scouts-Parish Hall at 7:00pm

FRIDAY – January 10th

Christmas Weekday

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

SATURDAY – January 11th

Christmas Weekday

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.

**MEMORIAL WORSHIP FUND**

Many thanks for donation to the Parish Memorial Worship fund given in memory of:

James M. Pfohl
by
Elizabeth Pfohl

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

THANK YOU!
FROM THE BRIDGE TO LIFE

On behalf of all the families we serve at The Bridge To Life, we would like to say "Thank You" for making us a recipient of your parish giving tree. Bridge is solely supported by donations. You have made it possible for us to help so many women, their babies and children this winter. Rest assured that all the items will most definitely go to good use. It is with the support of people such as yourselves that we can continue our mission of helping women choose life. Please keep us in your prayers. Finally, we are always in need of volunteers, please feel free to call us at 718-463-1810.

Rose Dauge
Administrative Assistant
The Bridge to Life, Inc.

50-50 RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the December 2019 Winners of the 50-50 Raffle:

1 st Prize: Cathy Cicerale	\$325.00
2 nd Prize: Lynn Quigley	\$140.00
3 rd Prize: Anthony Xuereb & Edna Velazquez	\$140.00
4 th Prize: Walter Duome	\$75.00
5 th Prize: Maryellen & Ray Schillo	\$75.00



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We always need food staples 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

SAVE THE DATE



The next Blood Drive here at OLM will take place on Sunday, February 23rd, 2020 from 8:45am to 2:45pm. Please mark your calendars and consider taking part in this very worthy cause.

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.

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

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

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.**

Please note that the exercise class will be taking a break for the holidays, and will not meet again until the February 5th of 2020



The Community Bulletin Board

- **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.
- **March for Life.** Join the faithful from across the Diocese of Brooklyn on Friday, January 24th, in **Washington DC.** The Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis is sponsoring one bus leaving from Brooklyn (Diocesan Offices: 310 Prospect Park West). Parking will be limited. The bus leaves promptly at 6:30am and will return to Brooklyn as soon as the march is over. The cost of the round trip bus transportation is \$25. To reserve your seat please contact Martha Hernandez at 718-281-9540 or email her at mhernandez@diobrook.org by January 17th. Make checks payable to Diocese of Brooklyn, and mail to, 310 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215 Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis Attn. March for Life
- **Home-Delivered Meals from Queens Community House.** For adults age 60+ in Forest Hills, Rego Park, Corona, Elmhurst. Kosher, vegetarian, and Asian meals can be provided. If you or a friend are in need of having a nutritious and delicious meal delivered daily to your front door, call 718-268-1412, Mon-Fri, 9am to 5 pm.
- **FREE Screenings and Hearing Aid Help** at St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center (152-11 Union Turnpike) through December 5. Call 718-990-6480 for appointment.
- **Regis High School REACH program is now Accepting Nominations.** REACH is an entirely free high school prep program that prepares middle-school young men for admission to Regis High School and other top Catholic high schools. Students apply as 5th graders and, if accepted, begin the program in the summer before 6th grade. To qualify, Catholic boys must (1) be currently enrolled in the 5th grade; (2) have high grades and test scores; (3) live in NYC and come from a family with demonstrated financial need. To nominate a student visit www.regis.org/reach/nomination. The nomination deadline is January 31st, 2020.

THE DEANERY CORNER

- **The Bereavement Support Group at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs** offers understanding, compassion, and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Meetings are always Monday evenings 7-9 p.m. in the rectory. If you are joining for the first time, an RSVP is required. Please contact the group's facilitator, Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle, at ymizelle@gmail.com, or call the rectory at 718-268-6251

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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. Please take pride in our Church, and leave the pews clean. Thank You!

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

