

Our Lady Mother of the Church

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JUNE 25, 2017

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Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:30am
Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 pm to
5:00 pm

Holy Days: See bulletin for schedule of Masses.

Parish Office:

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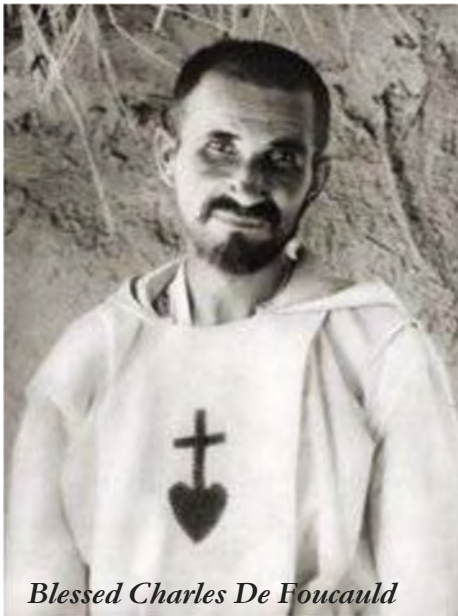
12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father’s knowledge...
So do not be afraid; you are worth more than
many sparrows.” - Mt 10:29, 31

Mission Statement: Called by our baptism and nourished by the Eucharist, the parishioners of Our Lady Mother of the Church, acknowledge our mission to teach, share and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we create a welcoming environment, enthusiastically gather and worship to praise God, and strive to imitate the life of Jesus as we reach out beyond our own faith community.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters



Blessed Charles De Foucauld

One of the greatest spiritual writers of our time was Carlo Carretto. He was 78 years old when he died in 1988 - on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, 4th October.

As a young man in Turin, he was a very militant member of "Azione Cattolica". His zeal even came to the attention of the Pope who invited him to work in Rome!

In 1954 this great activist stunned everybody by burning his diary and his address book, before setting off for the Sahara Desert where he joined the Little Brothers of Charles de Foucauld.

For ten years he lived the desert life of silence, solitude and prayer, before returning to Italy and settling in Umbria where thousands of people sought his counsel and direction. His books on prayer and contemplation, which have helped so many people - perhaps his most famous being "Letters From The Desert" - continue to be published and read today.

In 1984 he wrote his "Spiritual Testament", which ends with an extraordinary "love letter" addressed to the institutional Church. In this letter he says:

"How much I criticize you, my Church, but yet how much I love you!

You have made me suffer more than anyone.

And yet I owe you more than I owe any other person.

I should like to see you destroyed. But I need your presence.

You have caused me so much scandal. And yet you alone have taught me to understand the true meaning of holiness.

Never in the world have I seen anything more hypocritical, more compromised.

Yet never have I touched anything more pure, generous and lovely.

Countless times I have wanted to slam the door of my soul in your face; yet every night I pray to die in your arms.

No! I cannot be free of you; I cannot leave you, for I am one with you - even though not completely one.

But if I leave, where should I go? What would I do? Build another Church?

But I cannot build another Church without the same defects. Why? Because they are MY defects too.

And again, if I were to build another Church, it would be MY Church and not Christ's Church..."

Carlo Carretto experienced the Church as he experienced himself: flawed, yet divine, able to reveal the amazing love and mercy of God, and able to obscure it and destroy it too.

He lived in a Church that did not always radically live the Gospel it preached. And the same reality he discovered in his own life too.

Perhaps this is your experience also? Perhaps you could write a similar "love letter" too? Remember this when you hear the Gospel at Mass today.

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Saturday

5:30 pm



June 24

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Patricia Eichenlaub (Deceased)

Sunday

8:30 am
10:30 am



June 25

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Josephine Lucas
James Whitney

Monday

8:30 am

June 26

People of the Parish

Tuesday

8:30 am

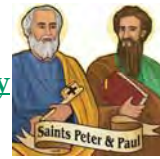


June 27

St. Cyril
Mary Rizzo & Lucille Lotito

Wednesday

8:30 am



June 28

St. Irenaeus
Brenda Boffa

Thursday

8:30 am

June 29

Ss. Peter and Paul
Virginia M. & James T. Horris

Friday

8:30 am



June 30

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Mu Chul Sin

Saturday

5:30 pm



July 1

St. Junipero Serra
Vincent Savarese

Sunday

8:30 am
10:30 am

July 2

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
James Horris
Helen F. Monaghan

Stewardship of Treasure

My Parish, My Family, My Responsibility

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."
(Matthew 10:32)

Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith or do you remain silent when the situation arises? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself.

Receipts From Last Week.....\$6,307.00
Father's Day to Date.....\$1,005.00

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of June in memory of



Dot Brennan

Requested by The Offer Family



Summer is officially here and it is also time for our monthly food collection on July 1st and 2nd; for the Tri-Boro Food Pantry. **Our parish has been**

asked to contribute the following items: pasta sauce, canned fruit, coffee, cereal and bottled juice. Once again we thank you for your continuous generosity to our brothers and sisters who are in need.

Deacon Stan

For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven."

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"A time to be healed"

Parish sick list: Colin Burns, Michael Bussanich, Rosa Dicapua, Tommy Fitzpatrick, Jennifer Hartmann, Thomas Kneeshaw, Vivienne Knopp, Patricia Martin, Abigail Mayer, Flossie O'Sullivan, Carol Schmidt, Barbara Strambi, Rose Ann Tripaldi, Eric Vanderleif, and Bryce Werner

"A time to mourn"

"A time for war and a time for peace"

Tyler Aiello, Ryan Brady, Lcpl. Joseph Ryan and Seamus Ryan

Amen.



In the happy moments praise God

In the difficult moments seek God

In the quiet moments trust God

In every moment thank God



On Saturday, September 23, 2017 a 50th Anniversary Celebration will be held here at Our Lady Mother of the Church. The evening will begin with an Anniversary Mass at 5:30 pm followed by a Gala Celebration at 8:00 pm that will include

a cocktail hour, followed by dinner, dancing and music. **The invitations went out this week so look in your mailbox and send it in as soon as possible, space is limited!**

Sunday, September 24, 2017 after the 10:30 am Mass a 50th Anniversary Brunch will be hosted to celebrate and conclude the weekends festivities commemorating the Golden Anniversary of our parish.

On Saturday, December 16, 2017 at 7:30 pm a Jubilee Christmas Concert will be hosted by Our Lady Mother of the Church to conclude the 50th Anniversary. Ciaran Sheehan and other Broadway and world class musicians will perform Christmas music along with a varied array of beautiful heart-felt Broadway love songs. The evening will include a champagne toast during intermission while Silent Night is sung and our parish Christmas Tree is lit. A magical evening filled with the spirit of Christmas.

More information will be provided as the year progresses! Your support and kindness is greatly appreciated

Welcome New Parishioners

Do you regularly attend Mass at Our Lady Mother of the Church but have never gotten around to registering? It's easy. Just get a registration card in plastic holders in the lobby of the church. Fill it out and drop by the Parish Office and hand it to Judi our secretary. You can also mail it! Registration is our only means of certifying anyone for sponsorship letters for sacraments.

Q *If Jesus destroyed sin, why are sins still with us?*

A Peter Long owned a large and successful business. When his son wanted to work for his father, Peter gave him a job, working in maintenance. He started him at the bottom so that he would better appreciate what it takes to run a business well. More importantly, Peter wanted his son to understand the whole business, and contribute to it, not just cash in on his father's success. They would both rejoice in a job well done.

We are the children of God, heirs of the Father's business, which is life. The struggle is between good and evil and the greatest weapon of evil is death. It is final, the end of hope and all possibility of change. Jesus must destroy death so that life, eternal life, might be possible. That is why Jesus dies: to take on sin's weapon and destroy it by his resurrection. It was not to satisfy God's sense of justice, but to meet sin on its own terms and defeat it. If sin triumphs in the death of Jesus, it is only for a moment. The final word will yet be spoken.

Since we are heirs and coworkers with God, ours is the struggle with the remnants of evil, its last desperate attempt to overcome good. Like Jesus, we are about the Father's business in our daily life, carrying the message of salvation to everyone. We are strengthened in our struggle and come to realize the great gift of life with which we are graced. It is our hope that one day we will rejoice with the Father in a job well done!

FAITH FORMATION/VARIA



Lighting Our Faith begins Monday!!!

Buzzing with anticipation for Blessed Lighting Our Faith Program our volunteers and students will spend 8 days with art, song, worship and classes. We begin and end the day in church at from 7:55 to 12:35. The theme BEE-attitudes will be woven into lessons, art project and liturgy. At the end of the day when we gather for prayer we will also have a class do a presentation on what they are learning. Each class will present, you won't want to miss their hard work! Our service project, Operation Backpack, will be a collection of school supplies to be donated to Family Promise. Flyers will go home the first day with details.

Calendar for June and July

Mon-Fri	
June 26-30	7:55 am-12:35 pm Lighting Our Faith Grades 3-6
Wed-Fri	
July 5-7	7:55 am-12:35 pm Lighting Our Faith Grades 3-6
Fri, July 7	10:30 am Closing Liturgy-All are Welcome!



Pope Francis Says: *"We can be Saints because the Lord helps us; It is He who helps us". On the day of our Baptism, the invocation of the Saints resounded for us."* General Audience June 21, 2017.

Question of the Week? Win a Gift card to DAIRY QUEEN! Everyone can enter!

This week's question: *What do we call a journey to a holy place to honor God or a saint, to do penance, ask a favor, or to give thanks for something?*

Last week's answer: The feast of Corpus Christi honors the Blessed Sacrament, the Body and Blood of Christ.

Congratulations to Mia Hennessy for correctly answering last week's question. Everyone is welcome to enter this week's raffle, submit your answer along with your name and address by email to faithformationolmc@gmail.com. **All correct answers will be entered in a raffle for a gift card to Dairy Queen.**

REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION

2017-18, Grades 1-8

Is your child entering 1st grade? Register now for Faith Formation! Registration for Faith Formation 2017-2018 is now taking place. Please e-mail faithformationolmc@gmail.com to request forms.

Traveling Prayer Cross

Our Traveling Prayer Cross is available to take home for a week! May God bless the Brodsky Family who hosted the Cross. This is a way to foster family prayer and praying for one another as a family. **Please consider reserving the Cross for your family during the months of May and June.** To reserve the Cross, please e-mail Faith Formation: faithformationolmc@gmail.com.

Sister Frances Memorial Parish Library is OPEN!

Please feel free to browse, sign out and borrow Books or DVD's (in the lower cabinet). Kindly return items when you are finished with the materials in the basket on the bottom shelf. If you would like to add to the Sister Frances Schier Library you are welcome to donate new or almost new books or a monetary offering, please use the forms in the lobby. We are interested in expanding our children, tween and teen collection. Thank you for your generous heart!

Soup Kitchen Volunteers Thank you to all who made casseroles, baked cookies and served for St. John's You are most generous! Our remaining schedule for 2017 will be September 2nd (Eva's Kitchen) and Dec 2nd. Please note Sept. 2 is Labor Day weekend, if you can help please contact Deacon Stan for casseroles stanfedison@aol.com or Pat Keenaghan patkeenaghan@yahoo.com to help cook, bake or serve. Thank you for your support! "For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in;" Matthew 25:35

Respite Care Our parishioners would like to assist one another. Are you a caretaker or someone who needs a hand? A ride to an appointment? Or errands run? Or a meal delivered to your door? If yes, your fellow parishioners would like to help. Please contact Judi Quinn. 201-391-2826 or judiolmc@yahoo.com if you would like to respite care or would like to help. All requests will be kept confidential.

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Green Nights Basketball Camp

St. Joseph Regional High School in Montvale, NJ is the site of the 29th annual Green Knights Basketball Camp this summer for boys ages 9 to 15. The camp runs in three sessions: July 10-14; July 17-21; and July 24-28. The camp day is from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Great fun & competition...guest lecturers...free basketball & player jersey to each camper! Please call (201) 391-3300 for camp applications and further information or visit our website www.sjrnj.org.

Volunteer Drivers Needed!!



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Can you transport the residents from Waterfront on Broadway to 10:30 Liturgy on Sundays? Please contact Deacon Stan if available. stanfedison@aol.com

Immaculate Heart Academy, Township of Washington, NJ, is hosting various co-ed summer enrichment courses through its popular Summer@theheart program. Courses, beginning July 10 and running through Aug. 3, are open to students of several age levels. Two large sessions and four mini sessions are held Mondays-Thursdays, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Courses include Broadcasting, STEAM (Art Meets STEM), Young Artists Workshop, Personal Leadership, Beginning Theatre, T-shirt Quilt Making, and many more! For more information or to register, visit www.ihanj.com or contact Kelly Tweed at ktweed@ihanj.com or 201.445.6800.

Life Source Hospice is seeking volunteers to be part of our elderly patients' end-of-life care. Volunteers serve as friendly bedside visitors to patients throughout Bergen County and provide them with much appreciated companionship by sitting, listening and praying with them. Volunteers also provide support to family members. Volunteers determine their own schedules and can visit on evenings and weekends. Most volunteers donate 2 hours a week of their time for a minimum of one year. Volunteers receive ongoing hospice training and support by experienced hospice professionals. For more information, please contact Life Source Hospice at #201-967-4313 or kiplifesourcehospice@yahoo.com



St. John's Academy News!!!

Lemonade Wars

The third graders participated in their Lemonade Wars! After reading the book, "Lemonade Wars" as part of their Library class, the students worked in teams to create their own sales strategies and raised over \$600 by selling lemonade to SJA students. Great job everyone!

SJA Golf Outing-Save the Date

SJA Golf Outing, September 25, 2017, River Vale Country Club, Details to Follow!

See You in September!!!

The administration, staff and students of SJA extend to you our best wishes for a safe and happy Summer!



The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.