

Our Lady Mother of the Church

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 23, 2017

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Mass Schedule

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

Holy Days: See bulletin for schedule of Masses.

Parish Office:

Monday - Wednesday 9:00am - 4:00pm
Thursday and Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm
Phone: 201-391-2826
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Parish Email

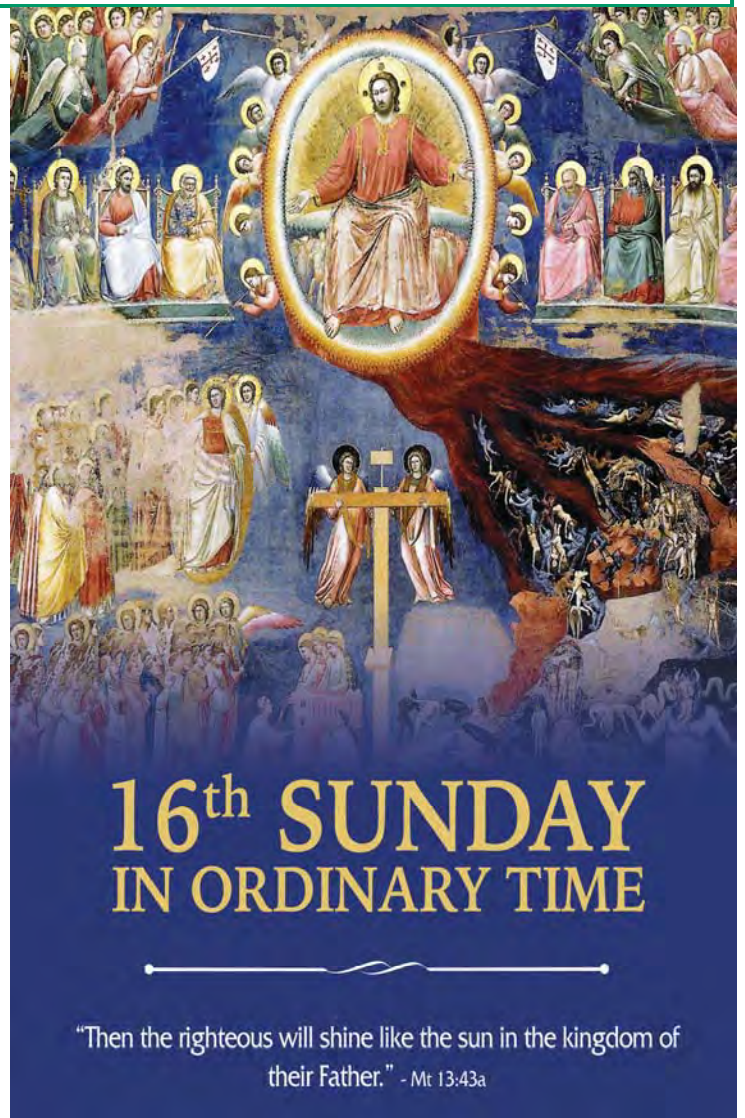
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Faith Formation Office

Phone: 201-391-7400
Monday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Wednesday 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
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Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 pm to
5:00 pm



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



I am writing this column a week early, because next week I will be out on a mission, and will not have access to a computer. I am departing today, July 13th, for the Catholic University of America in Washington D.C. to participate in three days of retreat as a preparation for a mission that will take place throughout the whole country.

On Sunday, July 16th, a Mass will be presided by the Papal Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre. The Mass will be celebrated in Trinity College, in the context of the retreat/ mission I am participating in together with several hundred priests, seminarians, married couples and single men and women.

The Papal Nuncio will give us his blessing and send us out 2x2 to announce the Gospel, we will be sent out in pairs, two men or two women, as Jesus sent his disciples to announce the Kingdom of Heaven. My companion will be chosen by lottery, as will the destination to which we are sent. So I do not know who I will be with, or where I will be going. We will go out for a week to ten days, taking nothing for the journey, no bag, no money, no phone, no hotel reservation; just a return bus, train, or plane ticket to the city of destination.

By the time you read this column I will already have been out on the 2x2 mission for one week. The pairs will have been sent out to towns and cities across the country, from Arkansas to Alaska, from Montana to Mississippi, from New Jersey to New Mexico, from Ohio to Oregon. We will go to visit priests, to give our experience of God's love, and to announce the love of God for them, to encourage them in their ministry.

This will be the third time I have done such a mission. From past experience, I am sure that many of us will have the doors slammed in our face - yes, even by priests - we will sleep outside at night, we will experience hunger and want. We will also experience the closeness of God, especially in suffering and hardships, we will no doubt experience the welcome of the poor, and we will certainly experience the joy that only comes from the Gospel.

Sounds crazy, right? This is the way Jesus chose to spread the announcement of Kingdom of Heaven with his disciples. "If they listen to you, they listen to me, if they welcome you, they welcome me...if anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones, they will not go without their reward" Jesus says.

The many hundreds of us who are sent out across the country are not going to proselytize, or ask for anything. We will simply go convinced that Christ Jesus himself accompanies us, in his suffering, his hunger, his thirst, his nakedness. He became the poorest of all, out of love for humanity, demanding nothing from anyone, even accepting to be rejected, to be taken for a fool. I will pray for all of you each day. Please pray for me today.

I will be back in the parish on July 26th, and I look forward to seeing you all and sharing my experience.

On Saturday July 29th, I have a wedding at Villanova in Philadelphia for the daughter of one of our parishioners, but I will be here for the Masses on Sunday July 30th.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday

5:30 pm



July 22

St. Mary Magdalene

Linda Marcus

Sunday

8:30 am



July 23

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Mertz & Richard Turpak

10:30 am

Vito Gironda

Monday

8:30 am

July 24

St. Sbarbel Makbluf

Gaudenzia Piccini

Tuesday

8:30 am



July 25

St. James

People of the Parish

Wednesday

8:30 am

July 26

Ss. Joachim and Anne

Laura Gatto

Thursday

8:30 am



July 27

James Horris

Friday

8:30 am

July 28

James T and Virginia M Horris

Saturday

5:30 pm



July 29

St. Martha

Robert Brinster

Sunday

8:30 am



July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

George Munderville

10:30 am

Anthony Merlino

Going on Vacation?

Visit www.masstimes.org for the locations of Catholic Churches and a Mass Schedule, throughout the USA.

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, Peg McGrath, 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.

Stewardship of Treasure

My Parish, My Family, My Responsibility

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." (Matthew 13:24, 37-38)

As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to heaven.

Receipts From Last Week.....\$4,941.00

Assessment Collection.....\$1,293.00



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 have gone out so look in your mailbox and send it in as soon as possible, space is limited!**

Golden Anniversary Menu

Cocktail Hour Under the Tent With Live Jazz Music

Wine and Spirits ~ Imported Cheeses ~ Hot Hors d'oevres ~ Antipasto Platter ~ Vegetable Crudités

Dinner & Dancing in McCarthy Center

Varied dinner selections include: Pasta Station: Penne, Vodka, Rigatoni Basilico, Tortellini Primavera, Land and Sea Selections include: Beef Florentine, Center Cut Pork Madeira, Chicken Marsala, Chicken Francese, Salmon with Dill Sauce, Tilapia with White Wine Sauce, Eggplant Rollatini, Momma's Meatballs, Vegetable Medley, Tossed Green Salad.

Viennese Hour Under the Stars

Assorted Desserts, Pastries and Cookies

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.

Your support and kindness is greatly appreciated

Sister Frances Memorial Parish Library has great summer reading selections!

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

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.

Question???

Just before the reading of the Gospel at Mass, the priest touches his head, his mouth and his breast. Most of the people do it at the same time. What does this mean? The priest and people are (or should be) making a small sign of the cross on their forehead, their lips and their breast. The action is a prayer that the Good News of the Lord, which they are about to hear, may be always in their minds, on their lips and in their hearts.

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.



SAINT ANDREW CHURCH

120 WASHINGTON AVENUE - WESTWOOD - NEW JERSEY - 07675

June 20, 2017

Rev. Sean Manson
Our Lady Mother of the Church
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Dear Fr. Sean:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the parishioners of Our Lady Mother of the Church for the generous collection of personal care items that were donated on Father's Day weekend to your parish, and delivered to us by Bob Monaghan today.

As many of us know, even food stamps limit the items that can be purchased, such as personal care items, and cleaning supplies. Therefore, your donation will help to alleviate the financial burden that many families are facing in our community, either through sickness, job loss, or financial setback.

Again, please extend my thanks to all those in your parish who were kind enough to think of those who are less fortunate.

Respectfully,

Fr. Alex Barbieto
Pastor

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Bethlehem Handicrafts

From the birthplace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Christian community is seeking your love and support through obtaining their handmade olive wood religious articles. These items will be displayed at the church after all masses on September 9th and 10th Your help can and will make a difference in the lives of your brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.



For two weeks beginning on July 30th, OLMC will be hosting families in need of temporary shelter. Our

guests will be arriving each evening at 6:30 to enjoy a meal provided and served by our volunteers. After dinner, some of our young volunteers will come to play with the children and to share a story time. Private sleeping areas will be set up in McCarthy Center. Our guests will be leaving each morning at 6am to go to camp, school or work. We are very grateful to the many parishioners who are sharing their time and talent to provide a safe haven for families at a difficult time in their lives.

FAITH FORMATION



Calendar for July and August

July 10 through August 31

Monday & Wednesday office hours 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Vacation Bible School

Are you interested in VBS here, at OLMC? We would like to offer this! Please suggest which week August 21st or August 28th that would work for your child/children grades K through 5 by e-mail to faithformationolmc@gmail.com Hopefully we will have volunteers who can help and sufficient interest.

Register for Faith Formation 2017-18, Grades 1-8

Is your child entering 1st grade? Register now for Faith Formation! Faith Formation classes are for grades 1 through 6 and meet weekly. Youth JAM for grades 7 and 8 usually meets on the third Sunday of each month. Please e-mail faithformationolmc@gmail.com to request forms.

Is God Calling You to Share Your Faith???

Consider being a catechist or aid for Faith Formation! Training provided. Protecting God's Children certification for volunteers 18 or older is required. Please consider and e-mail faithformationolmc@gmail.com.

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

This week's question: **Who were the parents of Mary, Mother of God?** (Hint their Feast Day is this week.) The answer to last week's question: **The pope is the successor to Saint Peter, the first pope.** There were no entries for 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 \$5 gift card to Dairy Queen.**

Traveling Prayer Cross

Pray With and For your Family

Our Traveling Prayer Cross is available to take home for a week! You can foster family prayer and pray for one another as a family. **Please consider reserving the Cross for your family during the summer.** This is available to all families in the parish. To reserve the Cross, please e-mail Faith Formation: faithformationolmc@gmail.com.

Traveling Chalice- To Pray For Vocations

Fr. Sean has donated a chalice as a focus for family prayer to pray for Vocations. The chalice is available to take home for a week. Please use this to foster family prayer and praying for vocations. This is available to all families in the parish. **Please consider reserving the Chalice for your family during the summer.** To reserve the Chalice, please e-mail Faith Formation: faithformationolmc@gmail.com.



Pope Francis Says: *"Let us be led by the Virgin Mary on the path that leads to the holy mountain that is Christ, where God and man meet."* July 16, 2017

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 or 201.445.6800.

JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD



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.



Yes! It is that time again. Fellowship Coffee starts again in September. The new dates are on the board next to the kitchen window. Please sign up for a Sunday! This is a great way to meet your fellow parishioners and spend some time with your faith community.

The Superlatives...

The most destructive habit.....Worry
 The greatest joy.....Giving
 The greatest loss.....Loss of self respect
 The most satisfying work.....Helping others
 The ugliest personality trait.....Selfishness
 The most endangered species.....Dedicated Leaders
 Our greatest resource.....Encouragement
 The greatest problem to overcome.....Fear
 The most effective sleeping pill.....Peace of Mind
 The most crippling failure disease.....Excuses
 The most powerful force in life.....Love
 The most dangerous pariah.....Gossipier
 The world's most incredible computer.....The Brain
 The worst thing to be without.....Hope
 The deadliest weapon.....The tongue
 The two most power-filled words.....I can
 The greatest asset.....Faith
 The most worthless emotion.....Self-Pity
 The most beautiful attire.....SMILE!
 The most prized possession.....Integrity
 The most powerful channel of communication....Prayer
 The most contagious spirit.....Enthusiasm

The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará (www.servidoras.org or www.ssvmmissions.org), a missionary Institute of religious sisters, are happy to be given the opportunity to speak at Our Lady Mother of the Church for the mission appeal on August 12/13. From our beginnings in San Rafael, Argentina in 1988 we have grown to over 1200 sisters missioning in almost 40 different countries throughout the world. We strive to go where the presence of religious sisters is most needed. Although we are an international community, we have been blessed with many vocations from the United States a bit over 100 at present. This appeal allows us to inform the members of your parish about our mission work in Brazil. As you may imagine, our missions in places like Brazil are in great need of support. The sisters work in an elementary school and in a nursery school, providing education for children and teenagers. They also have a home for persons with special needs. Since most of the school students and residents in the houses of mercy come from poor families, the sisters also take care of the families by giving them some assistance. As you may know, Brazil is not economically stable at present. Thank you, Fr. Manson, for giving us this opportunity to speak at Our Lady Mother of the Church and share with you about our mission in Brazil. As we daily strive to help those in need, we are most grateful to all of you for your prayers, contributions and generosity, truly a grace from God and a consolation for our missionary sisters. Please be assured of our prayers for all of you as well!

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 kiplifsourcehospice@yahoo.com