

OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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Our Mission

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.

FED UP WITH THE PANDEMIC?

*"Come to me all you who are
tired and burdened and I will
give you rest." Mt. 11:28*



COME AND
LISTEN



MONDAYS & THURSDAYS
8:00PM

McCarthy Center
During Lent

3RD SUNDAY of LENT

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 7, 2021

Fr. Sean Manson, *Pastor*

Fr. Siffredus Rwechungura,
Parochial Vicar

Stan Fedison, *Deacon*

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
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Weekdays

Monday-Thursday 8:30am
Fridays During Lent 8:30 am
and 12:00 pm

Weekends

Saturday 5:30pm &
8:00 pm (in classroom)
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 6:00 pm

Holy Days

See bulletin for schedule of Masses

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters



“He spilled the coins of the money changers...and drove them out of the Temple...”

Our church does not have a currency exchange. There is no Travelex in the lobby, there is no digital display showing the current exchange rates between the dollar and other currencies.

The Temple of Jesus’ day, however, did have a currency exchange, a version of our Travelex; those who performed this service were simply called ‘money changers’.

Pilgrims visiting the temple had to exchange their currency for the only money accepted in the Temple coffers: the temple-minted shekel.

Wherever money is exchanged, there is always a commission, a price to pay. That price can be fair, or it can be daylight robbery.

I used to help the Missionaries of Charity with a Scripture course, and on one occasion we were reflecting on today’s Gospel, where Jesus drives out the money changers. An elderly Sister said that she was the money changer, and that Jesus needed to upset the tables in her. She realized that there were countless daily transactions that took place in the Convent, and even as a poor sister with no worldly possessions, there was the constant battle against the desire to come out on top,

Maybe we won’t actually exchange money today, but there is a money changer who wants to be alive and well in each one of us. There are countless transactions, (not necessarily monetary) that go on each day in our dealings with others. Our use of time, the friends we choose, the opinions we form, and the conversations we have; our relationships can become virtual business transactions: ‘I give you this; you owe me that,’ ‘I do this for you; so what’s in it for me?’ The money changer always wants to come out on top, sometimes no matter what the cost.

Let us not be shocked if Jesus enters our temple today and upsets a few tables. If, and only if this happens, will the company we keep; the time we spend; the opinions we form; the thoughts we entertain, be not based on self interest, but on a true desire for the good of others. No matter what the cost to us.

Fr. Sean

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

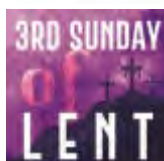


8:30 am

10:30 am

6:00 pm

Monday



8:30 am

Tuesday



8:30 am

Wednesday

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Friday

8:30 am

12:00 pm

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday



8:30 am

10:30 am

6:00 pm

March 6

Maria Tambone

March 7

Third Sunday of Lent

Dave Duffy

Dinko Picinic

Raymond James Salot, III

March 8

St. John of God

People of the Parish

March 9

St. Frances of Rome

William Kearns

March 10

Mary Fogarty

March 11

George & Peter Lutz

March 12

Emilio Reyes

People of the Parish

March 13

Joseph Gervase

March 14

Fourth Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

Dave Duffy

Catherine Fitzpatrick

Mary Rizzo & Lucille Lotito



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: Barry Augustensen, Marie Barrett, Mr. & Mrs. Bischoff, Francesca DeMarco, Arlene Desposito, Carol Franco, Trevor Giesberg, Tom Harrington, Jennifer Hartmann, Brad Jones, Joachim Jung, Vivienne Knopp, Ivy LaRegina, Genna Lepore, Julia Geraghty, Rosemary Levin, Robert Libonati, Jessica Livingstone, Nat Lucarello, Terry Racanelli, James Ranaazgo, Bill Reynaldos, Tim Rice, Carol Schmidt, Tara Shankman, Bro. Kevin Smith, Bob Staab, Ivan Tarabokia, Tom Woodbour, 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.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of March

In memory of

George & Peter Lutz

Requested by Mary Lutz



Stations of the Cross After 8:30 am Mass on Fridays During Lent

Stewardship of Treasure

My Parish, My Family, My Responsibility

"You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything..." - Exodus 20:4

How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times, they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health. Pray for God's help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.

Receipts From Last Week.....\$3,972.00

Parish Giving.....\$1,902.00

Assessment Collection.....\$ 803.00

the 2021 Annual Appeal

Catholic Stewardship in Action

The Annual Appeal directly supports various ministries and programs through the Archdiocese of Newark, such as our evangelization efforts, Catholic education, Catholic Charities, youth and young adult ministry, and many other ministries. Pledge envelopes will be in the lobby and front entrance to the church for you to fill out and send in your donation. You can just put it in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to Judi in the parish office. Our goal this year is **\$37,000. Your participation in this campaign is vitally important.** You can also donate online at www.rcan.org/ways-to-give/. If you have already made a contribution, thank you for your generous gift. Thank you to all who supported last year's campaign.

FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation News



March-Month of Saint Joseph

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. St. Joseph is found in the Gospels where it states that he was a just man, a descendent of David, who worked as a carpenter. His symbol is a carpenter's square and a lily of the Madonna. The entire month falls during the liturgical season of Lent which is represented by the liturgical color purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

Lighting Our Faith

This summer we are planning to do a virtual program Registration will take place during March only.

Dates: Friday, June 25th through Friday, July 2nd

9:15AM - 12:30PM (July 2nd there will be a 12:00 pm Closing Mass, end time is at 1:00 pm)

Informational Parent Meeting: Wednesday March 3rd at 7:00 pm through Zoom

How to Register: Online registration Thursday, March 4 - Wednesday, March 31 (Registration must be completed by March 31 to be in the Summer Program)

Outline of Program:

Each day will consist a 15-minute Opening Prayer at 9:15AM

- Three Flip Grids Lessons; approximately 10 minutes each, (one for each of the 3 chapters)
- One 20-minute Zoom Webinar Music Class. There will be two options:
 - 1 Music Class for Grades 1-3
 - 1 Music Class for Grade 4-6
- One 20 minute live zoom webinar activity session to reinforce the concepts at 12: 00 pm Example: a game with questions from each of the 3 chapters taught that day.

At Home Component: Each day will consist of 2 parts:

- Each child will go online, after the 12:30 classroom time, and answer 3 questions, (1 from each of the 3 lessons taught that day). This should take no longer than 10 minutes per student.
- Each family will complete one activity as a family. All the children in your family who are enrolled in this Virtual Summer Program will be expected to be involved in this activity with at least one parent or guardian from your family.
- The expectation is that this assignment is per family and should not take longer than 30 minutes.

School Year Requirements

- There will be four required events during the school year. Dates and times for those are TBD. It is our hope to have as many of these sessions in person at Church.
- These sessions will be held on Wednesdays at 3:45 – 5:00 pm.

Important Dates for Faith Formation

Dates for In Person Gatherings in Church

Wed. 3/10	3:45-5:00 pm Grade 2 First Eucharist Parent & Child Workshop
Wed. 3/24	3:45-5:00 pm Grades 1-6 Stations of the Cross
Wed. 4/28	3:45-5:00 pm Grade 2 First Eucharist Rehearsal
Sat. 5/1	First Eucharist Masses, 10:00 am and 12:00 pm
Wed. 5/5	3:45-5:00 pm Grades 1-6 Closing Mass and celebration
Wed. 5/26	Confirmation Rehearsal, 6:00 pm
Thurs. 5/27	Confirmation Mass, 6:30 pm

Question of the Week

This week's question: ***What are the symbols often pictured with Saint Joseph?*** Last week's answer: Purple is the liturgical color used during the season of Lent. ***Congratulations to Paulina Altadonna!*** To enter this week's raffle, email faith-formationolmc@gmail.com by 3pm on Wednesday. ***All correct answers will be entered in a raffle for a gift card to Dairy Queen.***

Kid's Bulletin-Win a Gift Card to Dairy Queen

Each week we send out the Kid's bulletin by email which focuses on the Sunday readings with fun activities. ***Congratulations to Olivia Lutkin!*** To enter, send the completed bulletin to Faith Formation, A drawing for a gift card to Dairy Queen from entries submitted.



Pope Francis says: ““The center of confession is Jesus who waits for us, who listens to us and forgives us.” March 1, 2021

MARCH 7, 2021



Thanks to everyone for your generous donations to the Food Pantry in February. Our next collection will be this weekend.

The special needs and requests for this month are: pasta, jarred sauce, canned fruit and paper towels. While we are grateful for ALL donations, the food pantry cannot distribute expired food items. **Please make sure you check the expiration dates on all the donated food items.** Any other donations are of course welcome as well. All those concerned at the pantry deeply appreciate your continued generosity.

Hope all is well with you and your families. The children sang beautifully at the Ash Wednesday service and at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, February 7th. So many smiling and happy parishioners are a result of children singing.

Similar to last March, due to schedule conflicts and the school schedule, the children's choir will not be participating in March.

The next time the Children's Choir will be singing is at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 11th. This is the Sunday after Easter so we have some lovely hymns for the children to learn that reflect the Easter season and the resurrection of Jesus

There will be two rehearsals preceding the Mass on April 11th. The first one will be on Wednesday, March 31st at 5:00 pm and the second one on Wednesday, April 7th at 5:00 pm. Please extend this opportunity to some of your friends and neighbors in our community. After the rehearsal on March 31st, an email will be sent with a link to YouTube videos of the new hymns. And handouts with lyrics will be available. Spring is coming and the Easter season is soon to be celebrated. All Our Welcome.

Also, mark your calendars because the children will be singing on Sunday, May 2nd at the 10:30 am Mass. It is a special weekend in our parish because First Eucharist is on Saturday, May 1st and on Sunday May 2nd, the First Eucharist candidates are invited to be a part of the crowning of Mary that happens at the 10:30 am liturgy.

Special thanks and gratitude to you and your children for your participation and support in keeping this ministry so vibrant especially during this past year and the challenges that we faced. The days ahead will become brighter and more optimistic for all of us!!!

We are blessed to work with your children and truly it has been the sparkle in our year!

Musically,
Miss Marie and Miss Lucia

Lenten Faith Events

Our Lady Mother of the Church

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A Lenten Video Series

THE SEARCH

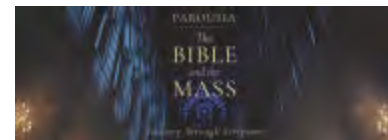
Hosted by Chris Stefanick

Produced by the Augustine Institute

Immediately following 10:30 AM Mass during Lent

No Videos on Palm Sunday/Easter Sunday
Series concludes after Easter on Sunday 4/11 and Sunday 4/18

Each video is about 20 minutes



Register for a Free Virtual Lent Offering!

Scott Hahn from the St. Paul Center is offering a free video series during Lent that is available to all. It's called **PAROUSIA – the Bible and the Mass**. This video provides the scriptural basis for the Mass and the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. **Click the following link:** <https://stpaulcenter.com/> Look for **PAROUSIA** and register. The videos will be available each week starting on Ash Wednesday.



Sign-up for a Free Daily Lenten Message!

Array of Hope - Easter of Hope

Starting on Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. You will receive short daily written reflections, inspirational videos and inspiring music - directly sent to your inbox! Click the following link to register: arrayofhope.net Look for Easter of Hope and register.

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH

Year of Saint Joseph



With the Apostolic Letter “Patris corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a “Year of Saint Joseph” from December 8, 2020, to December 8, 2021.

Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.

He encourages all of us to pray together:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

First Communion Outfits-Thank You

The collection of First Communion Outfits for 2020 was a wonderful success! We were able to dress about 50 children with the beautiful dresses, suits, jackets, shirts, headpieces, shoes, and monies that were donated to make their day one to cherish. We want to especially thank James & Elsa Deutschkron, owners of Signature Shoes in Westwood. They very generously donated 35 pairs of new, white, girls’ shoes. Outfits were first distributed to needy children in the local area, then to St. Rose of Lima Parish and New Community in Newark, to the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark, and to Oasis, a haven for women and children in Paterson. Thank you for your continued, wonderful support, your caring, and your generosity. You have made a difference in the lives of so many children. May God bless you!



Our Super 50/50 Cash Raffle has returned! This year, funds raised from the raffle will benefit our Walk-in-Dinner Program in Hackensack, which celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2021. In 2020, over 50,000 meals were distributed and we expect this need to increase in the coming months. Purchasing a Super 50/50 Raffle ticket will help provide warm nourishing meals to people who need them and give you a chance to win some green. The first-place winner will receive 25% of the proceeds up to \$25,000 with 16 additional opportunities to win cash prizes. The goal is to sell all 1,000 tickets at \$100 each. **Drawing will be held on March 17, 2021.** Tickets can be purchased by check using the order form that is available at www.bergenfamilypromise.org or calling Family Promise at 201-833-8009 for purchase with a credit card. Thank You and Good Luck!



Calling all High School and Middle School Athletes

We are looking for High School and Middle School Athletes who would like to make a deeper connection with their faith through the sports they play as well as make connections with other athletes who share in their faith as well. If you have ever seen athletes kneel in prayer after a competition or hear an athlete "Thank God" for being able to play the game they love, The Fellowship of Christian Athletes are for you.

It does not matter if you attend a Parochial or Public school all are welcome.

Ted Evans, an OLMC parishioner, as well as a long time High School and Youth Coach is organizing this program. If you are interested please email: tnthoops@optonline.net

Stay tuned for dates and times for the group’s first meeting.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"
- Philippians 4:13

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