

January 16 & 17, 2010

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

36 Armstrong Road
Rochester, NY 14616

Our Lady of Mercy Church is a warm, welcoming, Catholic faith community that cherishes its past and looks with hope to the future. Inspired by the example of Mary, we strive to make God's Word come alive through our celebration of the Eucharist and through service and generosity to each other and our community.

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New Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Stay updated with the latest information by going to the
OLM website at: www.mercygreece.org

*We invite all to share your time, your talent and your treasure in
support of your Church.*

**To provide for your parish's needs, why not consider
a bequest of at least 5% of your Estate to your parish?
"Your life will be required of you, and the things you
have prepared, to whom will they belong? (Luke 12:20)**

Weekend Masses at Our Lady of Mercy

Saturday: 5:30 PM and Sunday: 9:00 AM

Weekday Masses at Our Lady of Mercy

Monday and Tuesday: 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses at Holy Name of Jesus

Saturday: 4:00 PM and Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses at Holy Name of Jesus

Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 AM and Friday at 6:30 PM

Welcome all new parishioners

To register as a member of Our Lady of Mercy Parish, please introduce yourself to one of our pastoral staff members and we will contact you to fill out a Parish Census Card.

Sacramental Life

Baptism: Please contact the office at (585) 865-0775 for a pre-Baptism preparation meeting.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sundays 8:00 AM-8:30AM

Marriage: Arrangements are made a minimum of six (6) months prior to the marriage date desired. Contact Fr. Gagnier or Deacon Dick Lombard.

Anointing of the Sick: Available upon request to anyone who needs the healing, comfort and support of this sacrament. Please contact Parish Office.

*Our Church and Parish Hall are accessible
to the physically challenged.*

Mass Schedule

Saturday, January 16
 5:30 For victims of abuse
Sunday, January 17
 9:00 Deceased & Living members of OLM & HNoJ
 11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus
Monday, January 18
 8:00 No Mass Fr. away
Tuesday, January 19
 8:00 No Mass Fr. away
Wednesday, January 20
Thursday, January 21
Friday, January 22
Saturday, January 23
 4:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus
 5:30 William Foggetti by the Ross Family
Sunday, January 24
 9:00 Mary Christiano by Family
 11:00 Deceased & Living members of HNoJ & OLM

This Week At O.L.M.

Sunday, January 17
 Breakfast after masses
 8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation
 10:15 AM Rosary
Monday, January 18
 Office Closed Martin Luther King Day
 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting
 7:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 19
 9:30 AM Scripture Reflection
 7:00 PM AA Meeting
Wednesday, January 20
 6:00 PM Quilt Club
Thursday, January 21
Friday, January 22
Saturday, January 23
 5:30 PM DeHollander Baptism
Sunday, January 24
 Breakfast after mass
 8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation
 10:15 AM Rosary

OLM-Statistics Report-January 9 & 10

Attendance: 5:30-58 9:00-168 Total-226
Collection Report
 Sunday Envelopes: \$3,326.00
 Sunday Loose: \$ 103.50
 Solemnity of Mary \$ 100.00
 Christmas \$ 35.00
 Courier Journal collection \$ 155.00
 Other income: \$1,040.50
Total \$4,760.00
 Accounts Payable
 Monroe County Catholic Schools: \$8,000.00
 Old PSIP \$8,000.00
 Current PSIP \$8,000.00
 Year to date income **\$unavailable**
 Year to date expenses **\$unavailable**

Thank you for your generosity!

This week we paid: \$962.40 Town & County Tax Bill, \$3583.33 January Catholic School Bill, \$198 Integrity Lock & Alarm, \$511.92 Catholic Courier, \$350.83 Wegmans, \$488.15 envelopes, \$289.82 Frontier, \$160.46 Suburban Disposal, \$44 Greece Food Shelf (total \$124) Shared salaries with HNoJ, Bi weekly salary for OLM

Staff Corner

We learned at our last East Greece/Charlotte planning meeting that the bishop has accepted the proposed pastoral plan for our planning group. He will now present the recommendation to close our parish to the Diocesan Presbyteral Council (the body which represents the priests of the diocese) before he makes his decision. We will yet you know just as soon as we know.

Copies of the bishop's acceptance letter are available in the narthex. A summary of the last planning meeting appears elsewhere in this bulletin.

The parish pastoral council and its subcommittee continue to work hard to help us celebrate the rich heritage of our parish during these last few months. In today's bulletin you will find the first of several articles by Helen Mercier celebrating the dedication of one of the many parish organizations that enrich our life.

Rose Marie and I would like to thank you for your prayers, cards and other expressions of support. She continues to improve each day. The pathology report was positive, the cancer has not spread. She will be meeting with an oncologist next week to determine the next step in her treatment.

Deacon Dick

Journeys' Events-January-February 2010

January 24: Monthly Meeting at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Center (15 St. Martin's Way). 1:30 PM. Questions, call Noreen or Tom.

February 5: Dance at Green Lantern Inn (1 E Church St. Fairport), 8PM. Cost- \$7. Questions? Call Becky (453-6503).

February 13: Dinner at Chipolte Mexican Grill (640 Jefferson Rd) at 5PM. Cost: price of your meal. RSVP to Noreen by 2/3.

February 20: Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction at Holy Name of Jesus from 5:30-8:30PM.

February 21: Monthly Meeting at Holy Name of Jesus, 1:30PM. Questions? Call Noreen (663-5516) or Tom (469-5281).

OLM Liturgy Assignments

January 24	5:30PM	9:00AM
Lector	Katy Marchetti	Frank Montalbano
Ministers of Communion	Jim Spina	Jean Marie Montalbano
	Frankie Spina	Gretchen Kozlowski
		Mary Loughborough
		Marilyn Napieralski
		Lisa Neu Posadni
		Don Schmitt
Song Leaders	Beth	Jennifer
Altar Servers		Cecilia Hoskins
Greeters	Spina Family	Mike Tyrrell
Sacristans	Marion McCrone	Mitchells
Rosary Leader (after mass)		Bill Eckert
Church Linens	Pat Howell	
Breakfast	Set up: Montalbanos	Clean up: Amatos

26 Week Club Members

Save the Date!

Our end of the club party will be Sunday, February 7, 2010 in the Parish Hall. More details to follow.

Your Parish Pastoral Council contact for January is:

Fred C. Shank
621-2000
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We Thank You

This is the beginning of many articles that will appear in our bulletins for many weeks to come. It was suggested recently at a "transition subcommittee" meeting that before our parish closes we should in some way recognize and honor the many volunteers who have given of their Time & Talent to support our church. We know that number would be in the thousands if we went all the way back to our beginning. But we can't do that. So we decided to zero in on all those who are volunteering NOW. So this week we give our thanks to our Parish Council. This year has been a very difficult one for all of them. They were participants in the discussions, which led up to the decision to close our parish. We can just imagine how sad they all felt when they had to agree that closing our parish was the only thing to do. So with deep appreciation, we honor the following: John Clements, Jack Howell, Chris McNally (Vice Chairman), Ed Mroczek (Chairman), Lisa Posadni, Ryan Posadni (Youth Representative), Sue Pratt, Damon Rufus, Don Schmitt, Mike Tyrell and Fred C. Shank (Secretary).

First Eucharist Workshop 1

If your child has already prepared for First Penance and would like to receive his or her First Eucharist this Spring 2010, please **register now**. The first workshop will take place in the Parish Center at Holy Name of Jesus (15 St. Martin's Way) on January 23, 2010 at 10AM. Parents AND child **must attend** this workshop. If you have not yet registered or if you have any questions, please contact Marie Marton (621-6343x32).

EG/C Churches Lenten Retreat-Come!!

Thurs. 2/25 @ 7PM Holy Name
Reflection on the Transfiguration

Thurs. 3/24 @ 7PM St. Charles
Taize Prayer Service

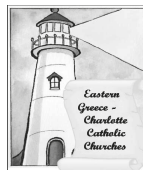
Thurs. 3/11 @ Holy Cross
Hymns, Scripture & Reflection

Thurs. 3/18 @ 7PM St. John the Evangelist
Presentation: Women at the Well

Sun. 3/21 @ 2PM Our Mother of Sorrows
Lenten Penance Service

Confirmation 2010

If your youth is interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Spring 2010, please **register now**. The first workshop is scheduled for January 30, 2010. It will take place in the Parish Center at Holy Name of Jesus (15 St. Martin's Way) at 10AM. The **parents must attend** this workshop. The youth need not attend. If you have not yet registered or if you have questions, please contact Marie Marton (621-6343x32) **as soon as possible**.



Pastoral Planning Update- January, 2010

www.eastgreececharlottecatholics.org

The Eastern Greece/Charlotte Steering Committee met January 5, 2010 at St. John the Evangelist Parish.

Bishop Clark Approved Pastoral Plan

With the approval of our plan the Bishop noted several components in particular:

- *Gratitude for the hard work devoted to developing the plan
- *Appreciated involvement of pastoral councils, staff members, and parishioners
- *Commended valuable contributions of the finance committee
- *Applauded steps outlined for focusing on the future
- *Noted coordinated plans for faith formation across the age spectrum and promotion of a "culture of vocations"

The letter is and on website

(www.eastgreececharlottecatholics.org)

The Steering Committee noted with gratitude that **Karen Rinefierd** will continue to serve as our planning group liaison. We are grateful for her dedicated efforts to our work.



Below are listed parishioners who helped to reduce the debt of our parish using the special envelope enclosed in the letter in November. Our gift to the Greece Food Shelf was \$124. (10% of Christmas and early gifts.) Thanks to all who helped. *Father Gagnier*

Christmas and
early gifts:
\$1235.00
Post Christmas:
\$500.00

Ethelyn Schneider, Mike LaFranca, Bob & Kathleen Staub, William Rodak, Angela Montalbano, Dorothy Janczak, Rosamond Najjar, Joe & Helen Mercier, Charles & Linda McKenna, Pat & Gloria DiNatale, Nancy Vogt, Henry & Carol Smalle, Jesse & Catherine Dunn, John & Hildegard Mitchell, Art Guentner, Mary Sargent, Charles & Molly Maggio, Joe & Mary Foos, Irene Casper, Paul Bonamie, Lou & Gloria Mattiucci, Sabatino & Yang Cha Agnitti, Martin & Sandra Maurinus, Jerry & Shirley Moriarty, Bill & Kathie Eckert, Mary Sagneri, Mike & Nancy Tyrrell, Douglas & Linda Chamberlain, Louis Ferrante, Diane Hoke, Brian & Kitty Summers, Lois Schleich, Donald & Bonnie Furlong, Karl & Kerrene Fursa, Penny Wise, Clara Solan, John & Kathy Inzana, Marilou Ross, Shane & Elizabeth Degnan, Betty Gleason, Ray & Ruth Vit, Raymond & Doris Koehler, Margaret VanNostrand

**Our Lady of Mercy Parish
Catholic Ministries Appeal Report
181 Donors = \$26,129.00 = 83.68%
Average gift: \$144.36 GOAL: \$31,226**

The Twelfth List
Patricia Dawes

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