



November 1, 2009

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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Office Hours:

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

Monday-Friday - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

We close for lunch between 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

*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: By appointment

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, October 31

5:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Sunday, November 1-All Saints

8:00 Nora Knoeffler by Carol & Henry Smalle

9:30 Erwin R. Strong by Catherine Strong Blind and Peter Blind

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Monday, November 2-All Souls

8:00 For the deceased members of OLM

Tuesday, November 3

8:00 For victims of abuse

Wednesday, November 4-Charles Borromeo, bishop

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday, November 5

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Friday, November 6

6:30 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

New Mass Schedule in effect

Saturday, November 7

4:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

5:30 Leonard McIntyre by Carol & Henry Smalle

Sunday, November 8

9:00 Joseph & Helen Janczak by Family

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

This Week At O.L.M.

Sunday, November 1

Breakfast after masses

Monday, November 2

Tuesday, November 3

9:30 AM Scripture Reflection

7:00 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, November 4

Thursday, November 5

Friday, November 6

Saturday, November 7

Sunday, November 8

Please note that due to the change in the mass schedule the mass celebrations need to be modified as well.

If possible it would be easiest to move the previously scheduled 8AM masses to the 5:30PM Saturday mass and the previously scheduled 9:30AM masses to the 9:00AM Sunday mass.

There no weekend masses available for the remainder of 2009. There are some weekday masses available if those would be easier for you to switch to.

~Connie

OLM-Statistics Report-10-25-2009

Attendance: 8:00-107 9:30-96 Total-203

Collection Report

Sunday Envelopes:	\$2,408.00
Sunday Loose:	\$ 88.00
Average envelope: (93)	\$25.89
Dio. Mission Sunday Collection	\$ 45.00
Garage Sale	\$ 213.20
Other income:	\$ 27.15
Total	\$2,781.35
Accounts Payable	
Old Monroe County Catholic Schools:	\$9,000.00
Old PSIP Bill- Diocesan Invoices	\$9,000.00
2009-2010 PSIP Bill	\$9,000.00
Operating Expenses	\$ -0-
Year to date income	\$109,221.20
Year to date expenses	\$102,716.51

Thank you for your generosity!

This week we paid: \$4,000.00 toward the 09/10 PSIP bill, \$62.30 computer support, \$31.25 donuts, Pastoral Associates Salary, and directly from the Mission collection \$368 to the Propagation of Faith for the Mission collection.

Staff Corner

Odds and Ends

Many thanks to Christine McNally, Donna Sciortino and their doughty band of volunteers for bringing in over \$4,000.00 in the last garage sale. Chris, Donna and many others have put in literally hundreds of hours in each of the last few years in a true labor of love. We appreciate all they have done for our parish. Thank you very much.

There are two signup sheets in the narthex for liturgical ministers. One is to indicate your Mass preference for future scheduling. The other is to sign up for next week's Masses. Please take the time to do this to make the switch to the new schedule as smooth as possible.

Don't forget that we will be showing the movie "Doubt" in the parish center at 6:00 pm this evening. "Doubt," set in a Catholic parish in the 1960's, is the story of the growing conflict between a popular young assistant pastor and the strait-laced religious sister who is the principal of the parish school. The story is thought provoking and the acting is superb. Philip Seymour Hoffman, Meryl Streep and their supporting cast turn in world class performances. There is no signup and no charge. Just show up at 6:00 pm in the parish center. We will provide popcorn, snacks and drinks. There will be time for discussion afterward.

Jean Berry and I are putting together a committee to begin planning the liturgies for our final months, with an emphasis on our final Mass. The committee will work with the Parish Council, which will be overseeing our transition towards closing. Please let either of us know if you are interested in being part of that committee.

Finally, I will be on vacation from November 3 to November 12. Rose Marie and I are flying to San Francisco. We don't have any particular itinerary. We will probably spend a couple of days in San Francisco and then head north along the coast. I'll see you when we get back.

Deacon Dick.

OLM Liturgy Assignments

The new mass schedule has been voted on and accepted by both OLM and HNoJ parishioners.

This will be effective beginning on November 7 & November 8.

The liturgical ministers schedule needs to be revised as well. Please let me know which mass you prefer to serve at. You may do so by calling the office at 865-0775 or by email clarocque@dor.org.

I will prepare the remainder of the schedule as soon as possible. Thank you for your help. ~Connie

Your Parish Pastoral Council

**For November is:
Don Schmitt
733-4158 or email
don_schmitt@rge.com**

OLM Holiday Bazaar

We will be having a Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 21st from 9AM-4PM and Sunday, November 22 from 9AM-1PM.

We are looking for donations of new or gently used Christmas items, please NO trees or hand-crafted items to sell.

You may drop your donations off to the Parish office by November 18. The office is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9AM-Noon and 1PM-4PM.

Thank you in advance for your continued generosity!



Camp Stella Maris

Online registration for summer 2010 begins November 1st at CAMPSTELLAMARIS.ORG Resident and Day Camps run from June 27th through Aug 20th.



Remembrance Service

On Sunday, November 15 at a time to be announced. We will invite those that have lost a loved one this past year to come forward and light a candle in their memory.

If you would like to remember someone who has gone to their heavenly home, please contact Connie at 865-0775 by November 9.

A Fall Prayer

The coolness in the air and the turning of the leaves reminds us of a new season. God, we ask you to renew our spirit. Let our family actions speak the truth of your love. Let those who see us know you a little better. This we ask through your Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Marissa Tortorice. Marissa celebrated the Sacrament of Penance for the first time at Holy Name of Jesus on Tuesday October 27th, 2009. Please continue to keep Marissa in your prayers.

Raising our children in an Ungodly World

All adults and all parents of SOR children are invited to attend Part 1 of a two-part video presentation by Mary Ronen which discusses some of the hurdles we all face in raising children and youth in today's society. As a parish family, we all have a stake in raising our youth. Therefore, this presentation is aimed at all of us and not just those who are presently raising children and youth. Part 1 will take place in the Parish Center at Holy Name of Jesus from 9:30-10:45AM on Sunday November 15th, while the children are attending SOR.

Sex as God's Gift Part 2

The second part of the two-part presentation of **Sex as God's Gift** will be presented at St. John the Evangelist School building from 6-8PM on Sunday November 15, 2009. This is a wonderful DVD presentation by Mary Ronen in which she discusses the issue of chastity and dangers of premarital sex. I will be presenting this program to the parents/adults in two parts while the junior high youth group is taking place in St. John's School building. This is truly a marvelous program. You are welcome to attend whether or not your child is attending youth group. You need not have seen Part 1 to attend Part 2. All are welcome. Questions? Call Marie Marton (621-6343x32).

St. Vincent dePaul Society Food Collection-TODAY

Again this year we will be having a food collection for the St. Vincent dePaul Society located at Mother of Sorrow Church. They provide food for the needy in the Greece and Charlotte areas. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Benefit

On November 7, 2009; Father Frank Pavone will be the guest speaker at the Women's Care Center's Fundraiser Banquet at the Diplomat Party House, 1956 Lyell Avenue, Rochester. Social hour will begin at 5:00pm and will be followed with Dinner at 6:30. The price for the Dinner is: \$35.00 per person; religious \$20.00 and students \$25.00 To make reservations or for further information, please call 865-0360 or 544-7604.

St. Lawrence Church Craft Sale

Saturday, November 7th
9 am til 4 pm
1000 North Greece Road
(turn north off Ridge Rd W. at Sam's Wal-Mart Plaza)

Start your Christmas shopping early – local crafters will be selling their wares in Deacon Hall. Then pick up a freshly baked dessert from our Baked Food Sale.



Financial Report

The Finance Committee will be available after both masses today to answer any questions you might have about the financial report that was in the bulletin last weekend.



Catholic Ministries Appeal as of October 28, 2009
112 Pledges = \$19,184 = 61.44% of goal \$31,226.00
Average gift: \$ 171.29

Fourth Donor List

- Marlene J. Begy
- Glenys Braun
- Kathleen Brilleman
- Paul & Marina Infantino
- Norwood & Bev Flann
- Lucille Leverenz
- Richard & Kathy Metzger
- Tom & Kathy Muller
- Angela Rizotti
- Mary Sagneri
- Mr. & Mrs. Patrick DiNatale

2009-2010 CMA Allocations

Faith Formation 10%

Sacramental preparation, Adult Education, Campus, CYO
Young Adult and Youth Ministry Programs

Catholic Schools 5%

Support for programs, aid to students and schools

Catholic Charities 13%

Support for the 10 regional offices / agencies serving people
throughout our 12 counties.

Parish Support Ministries 18%

Liturgical, Urban, Rural, Multicultural & Jail Services, Subsidies & Programs

Human Resources 4%

Staff recruitment & training, support to St. Bernard School of Theology & Ministry

Bishop's Ministry / Pastoral Planning 10%

Bishop's Office, consultative councils and planning services

Diocesan-wide Administrative & Support Services 19%

Hospital Chaplaincy, Stewardship, Finance, Information Technology, etc.

Pastoral Center Operation & Services 15%

Operational and system costs of the diocesan offices

CMA Campaign Costs 6%

Campaign staff, materials, data processing and postage

Total Goal: \$5,490,000

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