



January 23 & 24, 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.*

### Pastoral Staff

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### Support Staff

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### 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](http://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 23**  
 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  
**Monday, January 25**  
 8:00 Poor Souls by Nancy Vogt  
**Tuesday, January 26**  
 8:00 Anthony Christiano by The Palma Family  
**Wednesday, January 27**  
 9:00 Holy Name of Jesus  
**Thursday, January 28**  
 9:00 Holy Name of Jesus  
**Friday, January 29**  
 6:30 PM Holy Name of Jesus  
**Saturday, January 30**  
 4:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
 5:30 Deceased & Living members of OLM & HNoJ  
**Sunday, January 31**  
 9:00 John L. Sagneri by Wife & Child  
 11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

**This Week At O.L.M.**

**Sunday, January 24**  
 Breakfast after masses  
 8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation  
 Rosary after 9:00 mass  
 2:00 PM House of Mercy Concert  
**Monday, January 25**  
 7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting  
 7:30 PM Greece Democratic Meeting  
**Tuesday, January 26**  
 9:30 AM Scripture Reflection  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
**Wednesday, January 27**  
**Thursday, January 28**  
**Friday, January 29**  
**Saturday, January 30**  
**Sunday, January 31**  
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 8:00 AM-8:30 AM Individual Reconciliation  
 Rosary after 9:00 Mass

**OLM-Statistics Report-**

Attendance: 5:30- 97 9:00- 175 Total- 230  
Collection Report  
 Sunday Envelopes: \$  
 Sunday Loose: \$  
 Average envelope: ()  
 Dio. Mission Sunday Collection \$  
 Garage Sale \$  
 Other income: \$  
 Total \$  
 Accounts Payable  
     Monroe County Catholic Schools: \$  
     Diocesan Invoices \$  
     Operating Expenses \$  
 Year to date income \$  
 Year to date expenses \$

Thank you for your generosity!

This week we paid:

*Financial information unavailable due to holiday*

# Staff Corner

Last week we celebrated a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The divided and fractious state of the Christian Church is the elephant in the living room, much more often ignored than recognized. We are splintered into hundreds of factions, many of which are openly opposed to many, if not most, of the others. We must put our own house in order by acknowledging and celebrating our common faith in Jesus, our common confession that Jesus Christ is Lord. The best place to begin this healing is by working swiftly for peace in Jerusalem, a peace which requires loving accommodation with our Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters. My friend Liz Burke, of Holy Apostles Church, called my attention to a moving prayer for peace in the Holy Land composed by the Rev. Doctor Mounib Younan, Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land. I was immediately moved to share a slightly modified version of the prayer with you.

Let us pray for the whole of the people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.  
 Eternal God, you know the troubles and pains of the people of Israel-Palestine:  
 We pray for the victims of injustice and violence but also for those who have caused suffering. We pray for those who cannot enter their places of work.  
 We pray for young people who are losing their hope for the future and for mothers who are tired of bloodshed and killing. We pray for the bereaved families who have lost their beloved ones.  
 We pray for the recovery of the injured. We pray for those who have to live with permanent disability. We pray for politicians; grant them wisdom and courage to search for reconciliation and peace.  
 We are all created in your image. Grant us courage to recognize every person's human, religious, civil and political rights. Help us to build a culture of peace, justice and reconciliation. Free us from all hatred and bitterness.  
 Our Lord, Jesus Christ said to his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." Give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes and peace in our hearts. Merciful God, accept our prayers and yearnings.  
 You are our only strength, refuge and hope. In the name of Jesus, our Liberator and Redeemer. Amen.

Deacon Dick

## OLM Liturgy Assignments

January 31	5:30PM	9:00AM
Lector	Fred Amato	John Clements
Ministers of Communion	John McCrone	Donna Sciortino
	Marion McCrone	Carol Smalle
		Agnes Veness
		Shauna Andrychuk
		Katie Strong Blind
		Anne Heyer
	Song Leaders	Donna
Altar Servers		Tom Kurmis
Greeters	McCrones	Christine McNally
Sacristans	Kathy Inzana	Carol Ferro
Rosary Leader (after mass)		Mary Ann Mulhern
Church Linens	Ann LaDonna	
Breakfast	Set up: Ellsworths	Clean up: K. Cipys

**Your Parish Pastoral Council  
 contact for January is:**

**Fred C. Shank**  
 478-8811  
 fcsyanks@aol.com

### We Thank You

This week we want to recognize and honor the **Social Ministry Committee**, a group of 13 dedicated women, who time after time have answered the call to help the poor and needy. With the generous help from you, our parishioners, they have been able to help so many. They have had Food Shelf collections, asked for school supplies for needy city children, paper products for Melita House, clothing for the migrants, Thanksgiving baskets and our Christmas Giving Tree. They have helped and supported St. Joseph's House of Hospitality and St. Martin's Soup Kitchen. They have also reached out to our shut-ins and sick with plants at Easter and Christmas. On top of all this they do many other ministries when there is the need. This is truly a very busy committee and they have been for many, many years. So with deep appreciation, we honor the following: Sue Clements, Pat Dawes, Anne Hyer, Pat Howell(Chair), Kathy Hunt(Secretary), Gretchen Kozlowski, Shirley Locke, Helen Mercier, Mary Ann Mulhern, Betty Raymond, Donna Sciortino, Kathleen Staub(Sunshine) and Jean Summers. We would also like to thank Barb and John Georger, Debi and Gary Plekan and Joe Mercier who helped us in many ways.

### Clothing Collection

The Social Ministry Committee will be sponsoring a clothing collection to benefit area Migrant Workers the weekend of January 30/31 in the Parish Center.

Many workers remain in our area year round and clothing for all seasons can be used.

To assist in the distribution, please separate your donations and mark the bags Mens/Womens/ Children.

Our past collections have been greatly appreciated by the Migrant Community and we thank all of you who will be sharing again.

Your generosity and caring OLM spirit touches many lives!

### Thank You

Dear Friends of Our Lady of Mercy,

We would like to express our gratitude to all of you for your generous donations of gift cards to the Andrews Center. You collected an enormous amount of gift cards and we were overwhelmed when we received them. Your kindness, thoughtfulness, and continued support of the Andrews Center are greatly cherished. With Heartfelt Thanks,  
Sister Kathleen Kolmer  
Andrews Center

### St. Charles' 4th Annual Chili Festival

Saturday, January 30 after the 4:30 mass

Chili cooks: Make a pot of your favorite Chili & see how it stacks up against the Parish's best.

Chili Tasters: If you aren't a Chili cook, come, taste, & vote for the 2010 Champion.

Bring Bread, Salad, or Dessert to Share(optional)

To sign up call the Parish Office @ 663-3230

### To Members of the Faith Community

Due to a continuing need for more foster parents in our community, Monroe County is using television, radio, print advertisements and the web to reach out to families in this community. In addition, a series of information sessions about foster parenting begins this month.

The Greece Information Session is:  
February 4, 2010  
7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Greece Town Hall  
1 Vince Tofany Blvd.  
(off Long Pond Rd.)

If you have any questions, please call the foster care information line at (585) 334-9096 or visit [www.MonroeFosterCare.org](http://www.MonroeFosterCare.org). Thank you in advance for partnering with us on this important recruitment effort.

Reservation form for The 26 Week Club Pizza Party

Sunday, February 7, 2010 @ 12:00 in our Parish Hall

Menu: A variety of Pizzas, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Dessert Table, Pop, Wine, Water & Coffee

\_\_\_\_\_ # of members (free) attending & names \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # of guests attending @ \$10.00 each & names \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation deadline is February 2, 2010  
Please drop in collection basket or at Parish Office.  
Door Prizes & Drawings!

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