

September 20, 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.*

### Pastoral Staff

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### Support Staff

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Stay updated with the latest information by going to the  
OLM website at: [www.mercygreece.org](http://www.mercygreece.org)

### Office Hours:

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

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM

### Weekday Masses at Our Lady of Mercy

Monday and Tuesday: 8:00 AM

### Weekend Masses at Holy Name of Jesus

Saturday: 5:00 PM and Sunday: 11:00 AM

### Weekday Masses at Holy Name of Jesus

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

See inside bulletin for this week's Mass times.

### 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, September 19**  
 5:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
**Sunday, September 20**  
 8:00 Judy Grygrowych by Aunt  
 9:30 Michael A. Pusateri by Father & Mother  
 11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
**Monday, September 21**  
 8:00 Edward Koen by Dorothy Brophy  
**Tuesday, September 22**  
 8:00 Thomas F. Phelan by Anne & Francis Murphy  
**Wednesday, September 23**  
 9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
**Thursday, September 24**  
 9:00 Mass at Our Lady of Mercy-Anniversary Mass  
 Ruth Ida Brown by Ann Levesque  
**Friday, September 25**  
 6:30 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
**Saturday, September 26**  
 5:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus  
**Sunday, September 27**  
 8:00 Thomas Phelan by Harold Murphy  
 9:30 Alma Mariano by Family

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

**Sunday, September 20**  
 Breakfast after mass  
 9:00 AM Rosary  
 Parish Picnic after 9:30 Mass  
**Monday, September 21**  
 7:00 PM Finance Committee Mtg  
 7:30 PM Women's AA Meeting  
**Tuesday, September 22**  
 7:00 PM AA Meeting  
**Wednesday, September 23**  
**Thursday, September 24**  
**Friday, September 25**  
**Saturday, September 26**  
**Sunday, September 27**  
 Breakfast after mass  
 9:00 AM Rosary

**OLM-Statistics Report-September 6**

Attendance: 8:00-93 9:30-151 Total-244  
Collection Report  
 Sunday Envelopes: \$4,845.00  
 Sunday Loose: \$ 117.70  
 Average envelope: (140) \$34.61  
 Other income: \$ 40.00  
**Total \$5,002.70**  
 Accounts Payable  
 06-08 Monroe County Catholic Schools: \$ 9,000.00  
 07-08 PSIP bill \$ 9,000.00  
 Current PSIP bill \$13,000.00  
 Operating Expenses \$  
 Year to date income \$45,290.20  
 Year to date cash disbursement \$38,854.58  
 Year to date OLM payroll \$ 7,752.26

Thank you for your generosity!

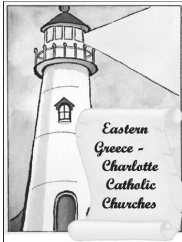
This week we paid: OLM biweekly payroll, OLM monthly benefits bill, OLM's 1/2 of HNoJ payroll, gas for tractor \$13.60, Wegmans-Martha Ministry \$59.21, Staples-office supplies \$65.98, OCP-Choral renewal \$39.00, Ikon-copier contract \$182.51, Frontier \$295.41, Suburban trash removal \$160.46, Living Faith Booklets \$34.69, Catholic Courier \$539  
 September MCCS bill \$3583.33

**OLM-Statistics Report-September 13**

Attendance: 8:00-108 9:30-134 Total-242  
Collection Report  
 Sunday Envelopes: \$ 3,399.00  
 Sunday Loose: \$ 114.40  
 Average envelope: (116) \$29.30  
 Other income: \$ 329.35  
**Total \$ 3,842.75**  
 Accounts Payable  
 06-08 Monroe County Catholic Schools: \$ 9,000.00  
 07-08 PSIP bill \$ 9,000.00  
 Current PSIP bill \$13,000.00  
 Operating Expenses \$  
 Year to date income \$48,914.15  
 Year to date cash disbursement \$41,590.60  
 Year to date OLM payroll \$ 7,752.26

Thank you for your generosity!

This week we paid: Pastoral Associates salary, Monroe County Water \$104.90, RG&E \$377.48, Ridge Donut Café \$62.50



**Pastoral Planning Update  
September, 2009**

[www.eastgreececharlottecatholics.org](http://www.eastgreececharlottecatholics.org)

The Eastern Greece/Charlotte Steering Committee met September 8, 2009 at Our Mother of Sorrows. The Steering Committee Members continue to prepare a revised Pastoral Plan for Bishop Matthew Clark.

*There will be a Special Meeting Monday, Sept. 21, at 7 PM at St. Charles Borromeo for all Pastoral Councils & parish staff members with members of the EG/C Steering Committee to discuss our proposed plan.*

**Important Meeting Dates**

**Weeks of Oct. 15-30 Individual Town Meetings will be held at all six Parishes in our Planning Group. Please watch your bulletin and listen to pulpit announcements for the date of your parish town meeting. Come and share your ideas!!!**

**Retreat Reminder**

Mark your calendars now for Eastern Greece/Charlotte

Retreat for **all** parishioners in our planning group. Take time to reflect with **Father** Simeon Gallagher, OFM Cap. Father will preach at all weekend Masses at Our Mother of Sorrows (Sat. Oct. 3 at 5 PM; Sun. Oct.4 at 8, 9:30, 11 AM). Evening programs, Monday, Oct 5, thru Thursday, Oct. 8, will be held at 7 PM at Our Mother of Sorrows Church with morning sessions at 9:30 AM at the following parishes:

- Monday: Oct. 5 – Holy Cross Church
- Tuesday: Oct. 6 – Holy Name of Jesus Church
- Wednesday: Oct. 7 – St. Charles Borromeo Church
- Thursday: Oct 8 – St. John the Evangelist Church

Give yourself a gift of this special time to reflect!

<b>September 27</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
Lector	Fred Amato	Marina Infantino
Ministers of Communion	John McCrone	Donna Sciortino
	Marion McCrone	Fred Shank
	Gretchen Kozlowski	Jim Spina
	Mile LaFranca	Frankie Spina
	Marilyn Napieralski	Helen Mercier
	Mike Tyrrell	Joe Mercier
Song Leaders	Jennifer Hoskins	Donna Flann
Altar Servers	Tom Kurmis	Shala D'Armiento
Greeters	McCrones	Christine McNally
Sacristans	Ann LaDonna	Barbara Gerardi
Rosary Leader	Mary Ann Mulhern	
Church Linens	Ann LaDonna	
Children's Liturgy Leader		
Breakfast	set up: Amatos	clean up: Neu Family

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of  
**John Mitchell**  
By  
Florence Shults

**Your Parish Pastoral Council contact for September is  
Sue Pratt  
865-2241 or email  
spratt@frontiernet.net**

### Men's Retreat

Last call for making this year's retreat at Notre Dame! Our Lady of Mercy Men's Retreat will be held next weekend from 7:00PM Friday, September 25 through Sunday, 12:00PM at Notre Dame Retreat House, overlooking Canandaigua Lake.

Retreat Theme for 2009 A.D. "Be All You Can Be: Holy!". The fourth and final talk is about "The Practical Aspects of Aspiring to Holiness".

Join us as we learn to "understand". Phone Al Bertman (865-1700) or Fred Amato (621-5605).

### Join us!

A Gospel Nonviolence talk will be given by Rev. Emmanuel Charles McCarthy at Nazareth College on October 1st at 7:00PM.

Fr. McCarthy is a co-founder, along with Dorothy Day and others, of Pax-Christi-USA. His talks provide what many have called a "life-changing" experience on the nonviolent Jesus of the Gospels.

For more information, look for the notice on the church bulletin board.

### Oktoberfest at Holy Name of Jesus

The HNoJ Parish Social Committee invites the Parish family of Our Lady of Mercy Parish to our Oktoberfest celebration which will take place after the 5 pm Liturgy in the Parish Center on Sat. Oct. 10 (6-10pm). A buffet featuring German food (sausage, sauerkraut, german potato salad among other offerings) will be served. There will be authentic German entertainment. Beer and wine will be available for a nominal donation. Tickets are \$10 and will be available after the Liturgies at Our Lady of Mercy on 9/27. Come and join us!

### Thank you!

Once again the Social Ministry Committee would like to thank all those who responded to our call for school supplies for needy children.

Even though our parish family is a lot smaller than it once was, those who are still with us are caring, loving parishioners who have supported our committee when we asked for the many needs of the poor and needy. For that we are so grateful to all of you!

### RCIA/C (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults/Children)

Every year, many hundreds of individuals, in our diocese alone, join the Catholic Church. There are so many that seek to become fully initiated members of our Church that the Diocese schedules at least three Rites of Election at the Sacred Heart Cathedral every year. It is an exciting and wonderful time. However, it is a process that does not happen over night. It is one that requires discernment and preparation.

We will be beginning that time of discernment and preparation very soon. Would you like to be part of it? Were you or were your children baptized, but, for whatever reason, you and/or they did not receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist, Reconciliation and/or Confirmation? Were you never Baptized into the Catholic or any Church, but you feel a need to learn more about the Catholic Church and have an interest in potentially becoming a fully initiated member of this Church? Are you a cradle Catholic, but you simply want to learn more about the Church? If you answered yes to any one of these questions, then please contact Marie Marton (621-6343x32). I would love to talk with you and we can decide whether this program might be just what you have been looking for.

### Praying our Losses: Affirming our Hope

An evening of prayer and reflection for those who have experienced job loss or who are worried about their jobs.

Tuesday, September 15  
7:00-8:30 in the Worship Space  
St. Paul's Church  
783 Hard Road

For more information, call 671-2100, x 24.

### From the Office of Vocation Awareness

Please pray for our seminarians (Peter V., Greg, Mike, David, Matt, and Peter M.) as they begin a new year of seminary formation, and for the new residents of our Becket Hall Discernment House (Andrew, Michael, Sergio, Jorge, and Mark), as they prayerfully discern if God may be calling them to the diocesan priesthood. If you would like more information, please visit the website at [www.dor.org/vocations](http://www.dor.org/vocations) or contact us at 585-461-2890 or [vocations@dor.org](mailto:vocations@dor.org)

### Campaign for Human Development

Of 37 million people considered to be living below the poverty line, 45% work full time but still do not make enough money to feed their families, keep roofs over their heads, and pay for health care.

The CCHD supports community based projects found and managed by the poor themselves that work toward building a better and more just community where poverty does not exist.

Please donate prayerfully and generously in today's CCHD collection.

**Opening of Youth Group for Holy Name of Jesus, Our Lady of Mercy & St. John the Evangelist**

All Junior and Senior High Students registered in any of these parishes are invited to meet at St. John the Evangelist Church building for youth group this year. The classes will meet on alternating Sundays. The first class will be held on Sunday Sept. 27th. Contact Dan Anderson for details (663-6626/621-6343x33).

**CYO Basketball**

Registrations are now being accepted for St. Charles CYO Basketball. If your parish does not have a program, you are welcome to register with St. Charles. Teams are forming for 3rd & 4th grade Coed Teams and 5th through 12th Grade Boys Teams. Registration Fees are \$35 for Coed Team and \$70 for grades 5-12 Boys teams. For more information please feel free to contact Laurie at St.CharlesCYOBasketballProgram@rochester.rr.com or Cindy at cchamberlain@dor.org or 663-3230.

**ANNIVERSARY MASS**  
We will celebrate the anniversary of the founding of our parish with a Mass at 9:00 am, September 24. A coffee hour will follow in the Parish Center.

**Living Faith Subscribers**

You will be receiving, sometime in December, one more quarterly, January, February, March 2010, issue of the Living Faith booklets. This will be the last issue and year's subscription, which will be provided through.

However, if you wish to continue the Living Faith and order form is in the back of each booklet. There are single and group rates as well as larger print issues.

Wishing you all centered spiritual growth and a living faith.

~Pat DiVincenzo

**Thank you!**

A very heartfelt thank you to Pat Amato for filling in for me in the office while I was away on vacation.

My family and I had warm beautiful sunshine and calm seas.

~Connie

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