

October 18, 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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Stay updated with the latest information by going to the
OLM website at: 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, October 17

5:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Sunday, October 18-Twenty-ninth Sunday

8:00 Living & deceased members of OLM & HNoJ

9:30 Albert Falcipleri by Charles & Molly Maggio

11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Monday, October 19-John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, priests & martyrs & their companions, martyrs

8:00

Tuesday, October 20-Paul of the Cross, priest

8:00 Earl Tracy by Shirley Locke

Wednesday, October 21

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday, October 22

9:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Friday, October 23-John Capistrano, priest

6:30 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Saturday, October 24

5:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

Sunday, October 25-Thirtieth Sunday

8:00 Living & deceased members of OLM & HNoJ

9:30 Albert Falcipleri by friends, Mary & Louis

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11:00 Mass at Holy Name of Jesus

This Week At O.L.M.

Sunday, October 18

Breakfast at the Garage Sale Café

9:00 AM-1:00 PM Garage Sale

9:00 AM Rosary

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, October 19

7:00 PM Finance Committee Mtg

Tuesday, October 20

9:30 AM Scripture Reflection

7:00 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, October 21

Thursday, October 22

Friday, October 23

Saturday, October 24

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM First Penance Workshop II @ HNoJ

Sunday, October 25

Regular breakfast resumes after both masses

9:00 AM Rosary

9:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word

OLM-Statistics Report-10/18

Attendance: 8:00-88 9:30-112 Total-200

Collection Report

Sunday Envelopes: \$3,788.00

Sunday Loose: \$ 148.00

Average envelope: (100) \$37.88

Fall Garage Sale income \$2,696.00

Other income: \$ 559.46

Total **\$7,191.46**

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 \$ -0-

Year to date income \$

Year to date cash disbursement \$

Thank you for your generosity!

Information unavailable at the time of publication

Reconciliation by Marie Marton Director of Faith Formation

This week, some of our youngest parishioners will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Penance. The children and their parents have been working very hard over the past couple of months and I ask that you keep these children and their parents in your prayers this week.

Also, I would like you to consider something else. As you pray for these children, consider what you are truly praying for. Are you praying that these children come to a closer relationship with our Lord? Are you praying that these children take the time to think about the way they have acted over the course of their lives and the past few weeks in particular? Are you praying that they consider whether the way that they have behaved paves the way toward or away from God? Are you asking that God send down His blessings upon these children as they take part in this Sacrament?

If these thoughts do make up the substance of your prayer, then I ask that you apply these same prayers to your selves. Consider receiving the Sacrament this week so that you, too, can grow in a closer relationship with the Lord. Take the time to think about how you have been acting lately. Have you been acting in a way that brings you closer to the Lord or are you moving away from Him? Seek out the spiritual help that is your due by taking advantage of the Sacrament. Fr. Gagnier is available every Saturday from 4-4:30PM at Holy Name of Jesus. Fr. Forni is available on Saturdays from 3:45-4:45PM at St. John the Evangelist. I am issuing a challenge: Let's put these priests to work this weekend!

The Sacrament of Penance is certainly intended for us to repent of our sins. It is also offered as a wonderful opportunity to seek spiritual direction. Consider those issues that cause you the most difficulty in striving to live the Catholic Christian life. We all have them. Then bring these issues with you into the Confessional and seek the assistance that is your right as a Catholic Christian. The spirit driven advice of another can only be a source of great help and consolation. I dare you! And I pray with you that as you take part in this Sacrament, you, too, will receive God's blessings and incredible love.

In the meantime, please pray for these youngsters:

Holy Name of Jesus: Tiffany Adames, Anthony Ansuini, Jacob Cerone, Abigail Christopher, Oscar Ha, Jenna LaRuez, Shannon LaVeck, Arianna Mannillo, and Madelyn Micket.

Our Lady of Mercy: Marissa Tortorice.

St. John the Evangelist: Lea Annechino, Jamie Arellano, Nicholas Biondolillo, Blake Cabrera, Charles Cimino, Lily Colucci, Jacob Edwards, Alyssa Falzone, Laura Gaenzler, Zachery Geist, Andrew Gentile, Jenna Nichols, Emily Phelan, and Matthew Schofield.

OLM Liturgy Assignments

October 25	8:00AM	9:30AM
Lector	MaryAnn Mulhern	Patrica Amato
Ministers of Communion	Gretchen Kozlowski	Donna Sciortino
	Ann LaDonna	Sharon Neu-Collins
	Marilyn Napieralski	Katie Blind
	Julie Johnson	Frankie Spina
	John McCrone	Jim Spina
	Marion McCrone	Dawn Tortorice
Song Leaders	Beth Sciaratta	Jennifer Hoskins
Altar Servers	Tom Kurmis	
Greeters	Catherine Dunn	Maggios
Sacristans	Kathy Ciplys	Carol Ferro
Rosary Leader	Marilyn Napieralski	
Church Linens	Ruth Vit	
Children's Liturgy Leader	LeAnne Burke	
Breakfast	set up: Ellsworths	clean up: Mattiuccis

25-Week Club Winners #16

\$25.00 Alice Servas

\$15.00 Rosemary Szozda

\$10.00 Paul Mercier

Numbers drawn by Helen Mercier

**Your Parish Pastoral Council
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First Reconciliation Workshop-Part 2

The second workshop for the children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation from Holy Name of Jesus, Our Lady of Mercy and St. John the Evangelist parishes is scheduled for Saturday October 24, 2009 at 10:00AM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Center. Make sure you bring your **completed textbook** to the workshop. The readiness conferences will immediately follow the workshop. **Parents and child must both attend this workshop.**

Journeys' October 2009 Events

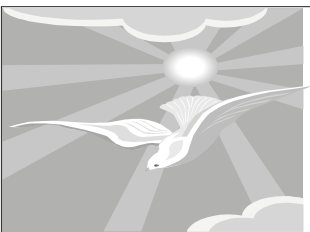
Journeys is a group of local single Catholic adults aged 21 and older sharing and developing their faith and friendships by participating in social and church activities.

Oct. 24: WallyBall at Penfield Fitness & Racquet Club (667 Panorama Trail W.) from 6:30-9 PM. \$10 includes pizza and 2 hours of court time as well as the use of shower and whirlpool facilities. Call now! We need 6-12 people to get a court. Contact Bob (594-1704, w753-6897).

Oct. 25: Journey monthly meeting and fellowship at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Center. 1PM. Call Noreen (663-5516) or Tom (469-5281).

Nazareth Academy Nazareth Hall Middle School Fall Open House

Nazareth Academy along with Nazareth Hall Middle School, will host a Fall Open House on Thursday, October 24 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm located at 1001 Lake Avenue in Rochester. The Middle States accredited Nazareth Schools operated by the Sisters of Saint Joseph have been educating students in Rochester for over 100 years. Nazareth Academy for young women in grades 9-12 offers competitive college preparatory, fine arts and athletic programs including a pre-engineering program. Nazareth Middle School grades 6-8 prepare young men and women academically and socially for High School. Stop by and see the many benefits a Nazareth Education will offer your child. For more information please contact the Nazareth Enrollment office at 647-8704.



PEACE

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.

An Evening at the Movies

Join us Sunday, November 1 for the movie "Doubt," starring Meryl Streep and Philip Seymour Hoffman. Set in 1964, this movie centers on a sister who accuses a parish priest of abusing a young boy, the first black student accepted by the parish school. The ensuing battle between the iron willed sister and the charismatic priest raises many questions pertinent to our church today. This is a remarkable story with an excellent cast.

There will be a discussion afterward for those who wish to stay and share their thoughts.

The movie will begin at 6:00 pm in the parish center. Popcorn, coffee and soft drinks will be provided. There is no charge.

Sex as God's Gift

There will be a two-part presentation of **Sex as God's Gift**. 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. It is scheduled for Oct. 18 and Nov. 15 from 6-8PM at St. John's School Building. You are welcome to attend whether or not your child is attending youth group. Questions? Call Marie Marton (621-6343x32).

Building Peace with Justice

Jesus reminds us through Mark's Gospel that "whoever wants to be great will be the servant of all." In today's world we are reminded often of the wide disparity between the rich and the poor. In his New Years 2009 Address, Fighting Poverty to Build Peace, Pope Benedict XVI states that "every form of externally imposed poverty has at its root a lack of respect for the transcendent dignity of the human person."

Action: Get to know the poor in your midst. What are their needs? What are their names? Pray for them. Look for ways to serve those in need around you.



Catholic Ministries Appeal as of October 13, 2009
53 Pledges = \$ 6,785 = 22.05% of goal
Average gift: \$ 127.50
Total of goal \$31,226.00

The Second Donor List

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Thank you for your continued generosity.

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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